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Sweet Brew 'n Spice brings flavor to area

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Rita Patel is a familiar face making a new start in downtown Northville with her business, Sweet Brew 'n Spice Café. She has returned to the exact spot in

Northville Square where she once co-owned Solid Grounds Coffeehouse, before a tough economy in 2010 sent her packing for New York City, where she ran a deli and coffee shop.

Patel has returned to 133 Main Street with a trendy, chic café where she and her baristas have paid attention to every

detail — soft lighting, a calm atmosphere, stylish décor, an outdoor pet-friendly patio and, most importantly, hand-crafted drinks with enough flavors to satisfy any taste.

"I'm giving the community a fun, local place to hang out for every age group, with a modern, chic atmosphere," said

Patel, a Canton resident. "This town does not have a place like this."

With an Indian-American influence, it's a place where college students can have a sweet frappuccino while they study, where business entrepreneurs

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Rachelle Vartanian (left) quit her job and sold her home to start the Living and Learning Enrichment Center for autism. She and her assistant director, Pam Travis, discuss the center. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

ON A MISSION

She left her job, sold her house for autism center

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Frustrated that her son Anthony lacked social outlets and job-training opportunities because of autism, Rachelle Vartanian did something about it.

She sold her Livonia home, took a buyout from her special education teaching job and started her own Northville-based nonprofit, Living and Learning Enrichment Center, where people

with autism are finding opportunities that are no longer out of reach.

Vartanian, a Canton resident, risked it all three years ago for her son Anthony, now 17, and others on the autism spectrum. It wasn't an easy decision.

"It was hard. I prayed a lot about it," she said.

Vartanian started Living and Learning Enrichment Center in a Farmington Public Library meeting room, grew into

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"It was hard. I prayed a lot about it. ... Our goal is independent living."

Rachelle Vartanian
Canton resident and founder of Living and Learning Enrichment Center

Charges OK'd in township home invasions

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Criminal charges against a 37-year-old man Ohio man have been approved in connection with recent home invasions and attempted home invasions in Northville Township.

Eric Dwight Roberson, who lives in Lima, Ohio, and has relatives in the Detroit area, was arrested early July 7 in Farmington Hills, where he later was charged with two counts of attempted home invasion.

Roberson had been under surveillance and several police departments and area police task forces teamed up for the arrest.

Todd Mutchler, Northville Township's public safety director, said police detectives got help from other local departments, as well as police in Lima, in identifying Roberson as a suspect in the township incidents.

The Wayne County prosecutor's office issued charges July 11 against Roberson in four Northville Township incidents: a June 15 home invasion, two attempted home invasions the same date and a July 2 home invasion, according to 35th District Court records. Warrants were issued for two counts of first-degree home invasion and two counts of attempted home invasion.

It was June 15, during the early morning hours, that security cameras at two houses on Stonebrook Drive captured images of a masked man who appeared to be trying doors to see whether they were unlocked. In one video, the man steps onto what appears to be a patio, tries the handle on the door there, then slips away.

The June 15 home invasion also occurred at a house on Stonebrook Drive that was entered during the night while residents were asleep, police said. The house had apparently been left unlocked. Cash was reported stolen.

The July 2 home invasion took place at a home on Rainbow Lane, also at

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Roberson

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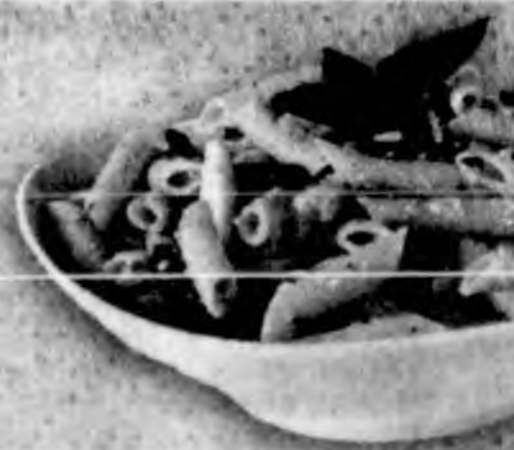
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Charges

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night while residents were asleep, police said. That home had apparently also been left unlocked and cash was reported stolen.

Mutchler said the home invasions had caused much concern in the township and that their circumstances — occupied homes being entered at night — heightened their potential danger and made investigating them a top priority.

"We take all crime seriously, but particularly when someone is entering homes during the nighttime hours when people are asleep," Mutchler said. "We scramble the fighter jets at that point."

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can order a Ghirardelli hot chocolate specialty drink and grandparents can sip hot teas while their grandchildren enjoy a fruit smoothie.

Patrons who bring their appetite can choose among menu items of the day, such as a Bombay chicken tikka wrap of boneless chicken strips with a yogurt-based sauce and spices, grilled red onions and green peppers, all served with a coriander chutney sauce. Other selections might include a chipotle chicken wrap or a spinach mandarin salad.

Customers can choose among a wide array of flavors for frappuccinos, chilled coolers, smoothies, protein shakes, espressos, hand-crafted specialty drinks and freshly brewed coffee.

Patel said one of the most popular drinks is Golden Spiced Milk, a latte made with freshly ground turmeric, honey and ground ginger with steamed milk. Another customer favorite is the Sweet 'n Spiced Chai, which is made with ginger tea, steamed milk and masala spice.

"It's a traditional Indian chai drink," Patel said.

Many — but not all — of her café's items reflect the savory flavors of India, a country Patel left with her family when she was age 7. A former flight attendant, Patel said it's natural she should be a business owner, because many of her relatives have been involved in the hotel and party store business.

"I've always had a passion for business, because it runs in my family," she said.

Lori Ward, director of the Northville Downtown Development Authority, said the city welcomes Patel's return to downtown Northville, years after Solid Grounds Coffeehouse closed.

"The café will provide a greatly missed destination in Northville Square where residents and visitors can gather to chat over coffee and great food," she said.

For customers seeking healthy options, Patel said she serves plenty of drinks that "are good for the body and soul," including healthy tonic drinks and smoothies such as the Triple Green Detox, made with kale, spinach, bananas, berries and coconut water.

Patel also has vegan options on the



Rita Patel makes a signature drink. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Bombay Chicken tikka wrap is marinated chicken in a yogurt-based sauce with spices, grilled red onions and green pepper, all with a coriander chutney sauce. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Rita Patel is proprietor of Sweet Brew 'n Spice. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

menu and chilled coolers such as minty lime, cool cucumber and strawberries and ginger lemon.

She has tried to make Sweet Brew 'n Spice as customer-friendly as possible, with free wi-fi and an outdoor patio where pets are allowed. She even has a "pet hydration station" with water and complimentary treats. Delivery is available within a one-mile radius with a minimum \$10 order.

Barista Jasprit Kaur has her observations of the business, too.

"As far as the smoothies go, the strawberry-banana is our top seller right now," she said. "My personal favorite is the peach smoothie. It tastes like peaches and cream."

Patel said Northville has always been

a welcoming town for her. She's glad to be back.

"Downtown Northville is growing in a positive direction," she said, adding that it "always has been such a great support system" for local business owners.

"I truly have missed all the wonderful people I met (before)," she said, "and I look forward to reconnecting with a lot of our past customers under a new name."

And, of course, she welcomes her new customers, too.

For more information, go to www.sweetbrewnspicecafe.com.

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Autism

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a storefront in downtown Northville and, just weeks ago, moved her non-profit into a two-story house at 315 Griswold in Northville. Three years in, the center has helped more than 600 people with autism, with one mother coming all the way from India for three months to get help for her adult child.

"Our goal," Vartanian said, "is independent living."

Sitting under a shade tree behind the center, she and her assistant director, Pam Travis, spoke of art therapy, music therapy, job-training skills, social clubs — a wide array of programs and services intended to help people with autism become as independent as possible. The nonprofit mostly serves people ages 13 and older.

"This place is amazing," said 16-year-old Nate Lemponen, among a group of teens arriving for a summer camp. "There's so many nice people here."

Some youngsters paused to hug Vartanian and Travis before going inside the center, which has grown to include a behavior analyst, music therapist, program director and art therapist. As a team, they work to help people with autism and related challenges such as ADHD (attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder), anxiety, depression and obsessive compulsive disorder, among others.

Travis became the center's assistant director after she brought her own special-needs daughter, 7-year-old Isla, there for help. She said Isla went from uttering just one word to forming phrases.

Vartanian said there was little help when her son was diagnosed with Asperger's syndrome at age 5. He showed common symptoms, such as flapping his arms when he ran.

"It took us a whole year to get a doctor's appointment," she said.

Now, Anthony sings and writes songs for a Living and Learning band called Siblings in Music, works at a Royal Oak restaurant, Edo Ramen, and will be a high school senior this fall.

Aside from teaching, Vartanian also once worked for a youth lockup center. She has a master's degree in educational psychology from Eastern Michigan University but, to better understand autism and her son, she returned to school



Campers and staff head outdoors for work during a summer camp at the Living and Learning Enrichment Center in Northville, which helps people with autism. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

and earned her master's degree in autism spectrum disorders from Madonna University.

Some people with autism are well-educated themselves, but can't find a job because of difficulties with social and communication skills, anxiety or other challenges.

"I'm getting people who have graduated from college, but have never worked because of anxiety," Vartanian said.

Travis said that severely limits their ability to live independently.

"Most of them are living in their parents' basements," she said.

Vartanian said the center serves about 80 clients in a typical week. And while most clients are age 13 or older, the center has served some children as young as 8.

With the help of mentors, Living and Learning helps people with autism gain the skills and confidence they need to reach their potential.

Those who are more independent are taught to make grocery lists, fill out an apartment or job application and, with mentors, they can obtain on-the-job training. Living and Learning partners with several local businesses.

Music therapy classes include singing, playing instruments and "cardio drumming" to manage stress, alleviate pain, enhance memory and improve communication.

Social clubs provide games, puzzles, crafts and other social activities to improve social skills.

Art classes allow for self-expression, while improving motor skills. Artwork on display at Living and Learning includes a large outdoor chalk mural, colorful drawings, painted rocks and decorative light switches.

Friday and Saturday night hangouts are organized help teach age-appropriate social skills. Mentors and clients may visit a restaurant or play a board game. Travis said it's a good outlet for some clients who may shy away from social interaction because they have been bullied.

The center offers clubs for fans of LEGO blocks, anime and video games, among other activities.

Clients pair with mentors to learn cooking skills. They also have a small garden on the premises.

Living and Learning has kept the Northville storefront where it was once housed. Vartanian said she eventually

envisions an artisan market for her clients.

Living and Learning services are mostly privately paid, but the center works with some other agencies to help with funding for clients who can't afford it. There are ways to donate — and much more information about the center — on its website, www.livingandlearningcenter.org. The center's phone number is 248-308-3592.

Currently, mentor Silvia Robazza has started a Go Fund Me account for a Washington mother who wants to bring her adult daughter to Living and Learning for help, but doesn't have the money to do it. To read their story or to donate, go to www.gofundme.com/project-washington.

Vartanian already has seen her vision to help people with autism become a success, yet she realizes there is much more work to be done.

Where does she see Living and Learning and its clients in five years?

"I hope to see 20 people or more living independently," she said.

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Novi library receives new state certification

The Library of Michigan has awarded the Novi Public Library a certificate of completion for meeting the essential level requirements of the Quality Services Audit Checklist. To earn certification, the Novi Public Library demonstrated its competence in seven categories of achievement, including human resources; governance/administration; services; collection development; technology; facilities and equipment; and public relations/marketing.

With more than 200 volunteers and 70 staff members, the Novi Public Library is dedicated to the community and each visiting individual, along with providing the best environment for its staff.

"We are proud that the Novi Public Library has done

such good work in providing services deemed 'essential' by the Library of Michigan," said Julie Parkas, library board director. "By focusing efforts on these key areas, our library has shown a strong commitment to customer service."

QSAC has defined "essential services" – the basics of all library service – as relatively low-cost standards that every library can and should achieve. They are helpful guidelines to libraries just starting out, while providing important review for more established institutions.

"QSAC represents the work of more than 100 library directors, trustees and staff members who together created measures of quality for our state's public li-

braries," state Librarian Randy Riley said. "The staff of the Novi Public Library is to be commended for achieving a vital milestone in library service."

QSAC was made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through LSTA funding. The Institute of Museum and Library Services, an independent federal grant-making agency dedicated to creating and sustaining a nation of learners by helping libraries and museums serve their communities, supports the Novi Public Library.

For more information about the Quality Services Audit Checklist and Novi Public Library, go to <http://www.michigan.gov/qsac> and www.novilibrary.org.

NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY EVENTS

The Northville District Library is at 212 W. Cady Street. Call 248-348-5001 or go to northvillelibrary.org for more information.

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Trio robbed at gunpoint

Matt Jachman
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Three people were robbed at gunpoint in the city of Northville early July 17, police said. No one was hurt.

According to the Northville Police Department, the holdup occurred in the area of Elm and High streets shortly before 1 a.m. July 17. That's south of

Eight Mile and west of Center Street.

The victims, two males and a female, had arranged to meet another group of people there to complete an online transaction, police said. They told police they were approached by several males, armed with guns, who got out of a white, four-door Pontiac G6.

The robbers ordered them to lie on the ground, they told police, and stole multiple items from them

and from inside their vehicle, then fled the area. Police would not detail exactly what was stolen.

Police said the holdup didn't appear to be random, as one of the victims had an existing relationship with one of the robbers.

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NORTHVILLE MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is located at 215 Griswold, north of Main Street, near Ford Field. Grounds open daily dawn until dusk. Buildings are open 1-4 p.m. each Sunday. Mill Race relies on rentals and memberships to maintain the village. Consider becoming a member or making a donation; go to www.millrace-northville.org for details.

Upcoming events

Grounds closed for wedding: 2:15-4:15 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. July 28.

Annual Victorian clothing sale: 1-4 p.m. Sept. 9 and 1-7 p.m. Sept. 10-11

General info

Website: www.mill-racenorthville.org

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ciety at Mill Race Village accepts volunteers in many different areas. We are in special need of Sunday store clerks and help with our fundraising teas. Students, we're happy to verify your volunteer hours with school or scouts. Please contact the office for more information.

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For names of candidates or any other information, please contact the City of Novi Clerk's Office at (248) 347-0458.

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Novi City Clerk

Zeal Credit Union collecting for backpack drive

To support Volunteers of America and Operation Backpack, Zeal Credit Union is now accepting donations of new backpacks and school supplies, as well as monetary donations, at each of the credit union's 13 metro Detroit branch offices.

"This is our 10th year to collect school

supplies to help at-risk and homeless children enjoy a great start to the school year," said Tiffany Sweet, youth and community development coordinator for Zeal Credit Union. "Zeal employees also get involved by donating supplies and stuffing grade-specific backpacks."

This year's Backpack and School

Supply Drive runs through Friday, Aug. 3. Donations are then distributed by Operation Backpack to needy students throughout Michigan.

Sweet added, "Our goal is to donate 75 fully stuffed backpacks and, with everyone's help, we hope to exceed that."

For more information about the 2018

Backpack and School Supply Drive and lists of grade-specific school supplies, go to www.ZealCreditUnion.org/backpack/.

For more information about Zeal Credit Union, go to www.ZealCreditUnion.org or call 800-321-8570.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Supports Bentivolio for Congress

Former Congressman Kerry Bentivolio of Michigan's 11th Congressional District, has tossed his hat into the ring this election cycle and his name will appear on the primary ballot, Aug. 7. Bentivolio served in the 113th Congress 2013-2015.

Since experience really does matter, Bentivolio believes strongly that his past tenure in the House of Representatives will serve him well and he will not need to go through the on-the-job training (Freshman) period this time around. If elected, he will hit the ground running and will be an invaluable asset to both the House and President Trump, whom he supports mightily. No other candidate running can avoid the two-year learning curve. With the stakes so high, we need experienced conservatives writing our laws and representing us in D.C.

While in the House, Bentivolio served with distinction and earned a 93% conservative rating and was successful in initiating and passing 3 bills. This was "a first" (and totally unheard of) where a freshman could actually get 3 bills passed, which he sponsored.

Bentivolio is an Army veteran, a past schoolteacher and has even raised some seasonal livestock. He has received numerous commendations and medals for his combat service to this nation and cherishes each of them. He believes strongly that success in all things occurs when "preparation and opportunity" happen to meet. Such was the case when he won his seat in November 2012. Motivated by love of God, family and country, he was supported by the grassroots and accumulated the needed ballot signatures for a primary face-off against, then Congressman McCotter.

Of course, the rest is history.

As a long time precinct delegate in Livonia, I have known Bentivolio since he decided to run for his first term in 2012. I believe he is the salt of the Earth, dedicated, not corruptible, places integrity above all else and will listen to the wishes of the electorate. I believe he is the one who can best represent our district in D.C. I urge the electorate in the 11th District to seriously consider voting for Bentivolio in the Aug. 7 primary. Visit www.kerrybentivolio.com for additional information.

Carlo Arciero
Livonia precinct delegate

In honor of Bruce Turnbull

It is with great sadness that we at the Northville Historical Society add our voices to those mourning the loss of Bruce Turnbull. His devotion to history and community are qualities that help define his legacy.

Known as Northville's historian, many in our community had the privilege of hearing him speak at various venues, including a series held earlier this year with his son Brian at the Northville District Library. Just 15 months shy of his 100th birthday his last public speaking engagement was at the Northville Old Timers Luncheon on June 12.

A lifelong supporter of the Northville Historical Society we will miss him as we work to preserve the history he loved.

Northville Historical Society

Justice will prevail

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ernmental leaders for democracy to survive. Hope with action.

Hannah Provence Donigan
Commerce

Support St. Jude's at outing

Cancer sucks.

Now that I have your attention, I hope you read this letter. Several years ago I received a calendar for St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. It wasn't a calendar of beautiful mountains and waterfalls or animals or flowers. It was a calendar of 12 very sick children, ages 2 to 16, who are all battling some kind of cancer. The have more in common than cancer, they were all bald and all smiles.

In that calendar, John Dean, 13, for the month of July caught my eye. He was on his bed at St. Jude with a large sign above him, saying "cancer sucks - but god willing there's tomorrow, I hope."

If you want to help these children at St. Jude, here's how. The Knights of Columbus, the Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council #7444 is hosting a golf outing for the children at St. Jude on Aug. 19 at beautiful Mystic Creek Golf Course inside Camp Dearborn. Here's the details. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. The cost is \$400 per foursome or \$100 per golfer. This includes a continental breakfast, lunch at he turn and after a hard day of golf a super buffet dinner. Besides your golf game, there will be a skins game, longest drive and closest to the pin contests, a putting contest and 50/50 raffle.

Fathers and sons, mothers and daughters, we welcome you.

To sponsor a hole is \$100. Donations from non-golfers are welcome, as well.

To register or make a donation, mail your checks to John Rogers, 3101 Sands Ct., Milford, MI 484380. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #7444 and earmark them for St. Jude. For a form, contact me at 248-714-5353. All proceeds go to St. Jude.

Danny Thomas had a dream and made a promise that "no child should die in the dawn of his life" and no parent or child is turned away because they can't afford treatment. Danny had a dream, and that dream goes on with help from people like you. Who knows, your donation may be the one that finds that cure.

By the way, that kid in the calendar with the poster? He's in his second year playing basketball in college. Let's keep Danny's dream alive.

John Rogers
Milford

Fix the roads!

Dear editor,

I am expressing my opinion on the roads in Milford. Currently, the roads have a lot of pot holes and aren't the most safe for cars to drive on. I think we should repair the potholes so that we have safer travels and so the roads look better to people new to the community. Another issue is the traffic lights having absurdly long wait times that shouldn't be there. This only wastes time and doesn't help anyone. These are just a few issues with Milford that I think should and can be fixed, to keep people safe and happy.

Sincerely,
Aidan Beattie
Milford

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'Treehouse village' would honor daughter's memory

Jennifer Timar
Livingston Daily
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Milford mother Leah Bennett said building a six-cabin "treehouse village" at the Howell Conference and Nature Center would honor her late daughter's love of wildlife and the outdoors.

Her and her husband Craig's daughter Alexandria, who died from a sudden illness when she was age 8, would have celebrated her 21st birthday in January.

Building the treehouse village would be a way for the family to find peace and joy while continuing to grieve their loss, Bennett said.

"Alexandria was our only child, so it's become our way of healing and moving forward and telling her story," she said. "The nature center is a magical place for us."

Over the last 12 years, the family's nonprofit The Spirit of Alexandria Foundation has raised about \$1.2 million for projects and educational programs at the nature center, 1005 Triangle Lake Road, in Marion Township.

The foundation and nature center are launching a fundraising campaign to make the treehouse village a reality. They estimate it will cost about \$1 million.

The foundation has already purchased Alexandria's Nature Buses, which are mobile classrooms that travel to schools and libraries for wildlife education programs. They built a memorial butterfly garden and established Alexandria's Nature Camp for kids. Alexandria's Nature Scape, a play scape that features a cascading man-made waterfall, opened in 2013. And in 2016, a 20-foot-high, 7,000-square-foot treehouse built in Alexandria's memory opened.

"She would be very proud and amazed by what we've done at the nature center in her name," Bennett said.

The family's next endeavor at the nature center would be to build a series of elevated "mini treehouse cabins" that will fit about 12 at a time in bunk beds, she said. The buildings would be constructed at varying heights around a



The Tree House at Alexandria's Nature Scape. GILLIS BENEDICT | LIVINGSTON DAILY

main deck, which would be ADA accessible, connected by walkways.

The design of each treehouse "would be themed after some things our daughter Alexandria loved about nature," Bennett said.

One treehouse would be dinosaur-themed, because her daughter loved learning about them. It would likely have a "dino dig" area below it and details like a dinosaur-shaped window, she said. The others would be inspired by Alexandria's love of reptiles and amphibians, birds, insects, plants and trees and mammals.

It would be built on poles up off the

ground, she said. It would most likely be built around trees in order to not impact the trees themselves.

Nature center CEO John Carlson said it would help promote the center as a nationwide destination.

"Our goal is to create a destination camp where not only can we connect kids with nature regionally, but nationally," Carlson said. "The whole goal is to think big. First and foremost, it will provide opportunity for our local community, but also let us expand and be the premiere nature and ecology education center in the country."

Having the treehouse village would allow for more kids camps.

Groups or adults and children would be able to rent treehouses for the night.

An architect is working on plans for the treehouse, which might be unveiled

at an August fundraiser.

Bennett hopes to have the treehouse village open in 2020.

If you want to support the treehouse project

Those interested in supporting The Spirit of Alexandria Foundation can donate online at www.spiritofalexandria.org or mail checks to 4330 Heatherwood Drive, Milford, MI 48381.

The 12th annual Spirit of Alexandria golf outing fundraiser will be held Aug. 6 at the East Wynd Golf Course at Wyndgate Golf and Country Club, 1975 W. Gunn Road, in Rochester Hills.

The nature center is planning a fundraiser for the foundation in October.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE ELECTION NOTICE AUGUST 7, 2018 PRIMARY

To the qualified electors, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Primary Election will be held in the City of Northville, Counties of Oakland and Wayne, on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices:

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLLING LOCATIONS

Precinct 1 Wayne County Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
Precinct 2 Oakland County Amerman Elementary School, 847 N. Center St.

The polls open at 7:00am and remain open until 8:00pm. Polling places are handicapped accessible and each precinct is equipped with Braille and audio voting instructions and ADA compliant voting equipment.

The City Clerk's Office, located in the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 4, 2018 for the purpose of obtaining absentee ballots and receiving absentee ballot applications for ballots to be mailed. On Monday, August 6, 2018, until 4:00pm, qualified electors requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person and vote the ballot at the City Clerk's office. Absentee ballot applications are available at the City Clerk's office, on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us, or by calling 248-449-9914.

Sample ballots are available in the 24-hour vestibule at City Hall and on the City's website www.ci.northville.mi.us.

DIANNE MASSA, CMC,
CITY CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION (MCL 168.653a) TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 7, 2018

To the qualified Electors of the Township of Northville, County of Wayne, notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the Township of Northville on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing the candidate(s) to the following offices

Governor
United States Senator
Representative in Congress – 11th District
State Senator – 7th District
Representative in State Legislature – 20th District
Wayne County Executive
Wayne County Commissioner – 9th District
Delegates to County Convention
Judges of District Court – Non-incumbent: 23rd, 25th, 32A,
Judges of District Court – Incumbent: 28th, 34th
Charter Township of Northville – Trustee (1) one position

The full text and a "sample" of the Primary ballot is available at the Northville Township's Clerk's department and on the township's website: www.twp.northville.mi.us

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLLING LOCATIONS:

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| Precincts 1 & 2 | Moraine Elementary | 46811 Eight Mile Road |
| Precincts 3 & 4 | Northville High | 45700 Six Mile Rd. |
| Precinct 5 | Northville Township Hall | 44405 Six Mile Road |
| Precincts 6 | Winchester Elementary | 16141 Winchester Dr. |
| Precincts 7 & 12 | Meads Mill Middle School | 16700 Franklin Rd. |
| Precincts 8 & 9 | Silver Springs Elementary | 19801 Silver Springs Dr. |
| Precinct 10 & 11 | Ridge Wood Elementary | 49775 Six Mile Rd. |

All polling locations are accessible and voting instructions in alternative formats are available upon request at each precinct.

The Township Clerk's office located at Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168, will be open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 4, 2018 for the purpose of obtaining an absentee ballot. The deadline is Saturday, August 4, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. to receive applications for ballots to be mailed.

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk
Charter Township of Northville

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These campers are taking luxuries on the road

Sharon Dargay
hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Thousands of travelers are hitting the road this summer and taking the comforts of home with them.

They sleep, cook and entertain in their motor homes, trailers and pop-up campers, at parks, campgrounds, on the beach and in the wilderness.

For at least some of them, their induction into the RV lifestyle started at General RV in Wixom. It's the largest family-owned RV dealership in the country, with 12 locations — a 13th will open by the end of the year — in Florida, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Utah, 1,600 employees and sales that top 17,000 RVs annually.

The flagship store and headquarters along Interstate 96 at Wixom Road stocks 500-600 RVs, maintains 40 service bays for repair and sells accessories, furniture and appliances for mobile living.

General RV has come a long way in 65 years.

"We started with a gas station in 1953. My grandfather had a gas station in Redford and one on Five Mile and Meyers (in Detroit). He had the opportunity to sell and make a little more money than pumping gas and thought it was a good avenue to get into," said Loren Baidas, General RV president and a Milford Township resident. His uncle now serves as CEO and a brother-in-law and a cousin's husband also are involved in the family business.

"Back then, dealerships did a lot of different things because the RV market was so small. He sold utility trailers and built utility trailers. There's no blueprint that says this is what you need to run an RV dealership. You learn as you go as to what you need."

Baidas's grandfather and his father figured that investment in employees and customers would set General RV apart from competitors. That meant upgrading facilities, expanding to new markets, training employees and improving the service side of the dealership. The company has added 200 service bays in the last five years alone.

"I don't think there's another RV dealership in the country that has done that," Baidas said. "If you look around, I



A bus-sized RV takes on large interior proportions when the bump-outs are extended. This model is built by Pace Arrow. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

think there are a lot of dealers that haven't changed in 10 or 20 years."

Loyal customers

Baidas says most customers that try an RV vacation enjoy the experience. General RV sees generations of customers, two- and three-time buyers, in an increasingly younger market.

"Customers I sold to 15-20 years ago still come back and look for me," he said. "I had a customer yesterday, they bought their third one from us. They bought their first one in 2000. Their kids are grown now, so they are buying one without bunk beds."

Although retirees make up a portion of RV buyers, the largest segment of the market is ages 40-50, according to Baidas.

"What we're seeing now for the last three or four years, as the industry has grown, is that number has gone from the 40s to the 30s," he said. "We're getting younger families starting earlier. That has helped fuel the growth of the industry."

According to a University of Michigan study commissioned by the RV Industry Association in 2011 — a new

study will be published this year — approximately 10 million households own an RV. Households headed by 35- to 54-year-olds own the largest share of RVs.

Baidas says young families that are more price-conscious may invest in a smaller trailer, but likely will return in a few years to trade up for something with more elbow room.

Pop-up camping trailers are the least expensive at \$6,000 to \$12,000, but represent a small segment of the industry. Most new pop-up units include a stove, refrigerator, sink and furnace, while more expensive models have bathrooms and air conditioners. Travel trailers cost from \$10,000 to \$50,000, depending on size and amenities, and are the most popular.

"A lot of people jump right into a travel trailer, where a fold-down might have been their first choice 10-15 years ago," Baidas said. "A travel trailer is very economical for families. It's the most affordable. You're talking about something under \$200 a month."

Best sellers

Bill Sheffer, executive director of Michigan Association of Recreational

Vehicles and Campgrounds, said RV buyers today "want more space" and find it in a travel trailer.

According to Sheffer, 13,362 new travel trailers were sold in Michigan last year. Fifth-wheel trailers, which are towed by trucks, accounted for 3,762 RV sales and 1,763 new motor homes and 510 new popup trailers were sold. The average price of a motor home sale was \$122,390. The average price of a trailer was \$23,910.

Approximately 35 percent of General RV's sales is in used RVs.

Buying an RV is similar to buying a house, Baidas said. The online photos won't tell the entire story, so potential buyers should "touch it, feel it, walk through it."

"Out of the available brands in this marketplace, we probably carry 80 percent ... so a customer can look at a \$20,000 travel trailer and we'll have four or five different brands for them to look at," he said.

Like home

A quick tour of General RV's service area, where motor homes and trailers are prepped for their new owners, turns up a \$40,000 trailer with an indoor kitchen — including an island — and outdoor kitchen, three slide-outs, a bathroom with shower, master bedroom, bunks for four and theater-style seating in front of the wall-mounted television set.

In another service bay, a \$120,000, 37-foot motor home includes king- and queen-sized beds, laundry area, three television sets indoors and one hidden by a panel on the outside.

A few bays down, a \$20,000 tear-drop-style trailer that appeals to millennials seems to take a cue from the "tiny house" craze, with barely enough room for a bed, a bathroom and cooking area.

Regardless of their size, RVs help families create memories and make new friends, Baidas said.

"RVs are something different for everybody, but there are so many things they can provide," he said. "That's why they have such a broad appeal. It's a remarkable industry."

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Crowded, competitive race for Trott's seat

Todd Spangler
Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

If you're a political junkie or even just a sometimes-interested observer, you can't really ask for much more than the crowded race in Michigan's 11th Congressional District.

It's exactly the kind of Republican-held suburban district Democrats have to swing if they're to retake control of the U.S. House. It straddles two counties — Wayne and Oakland — that voted for Hillary Clinton in a state that elected Trump by just three-tenths of a percentage point (or less than 11,000 votes out of 4.8 million cast). The incumbent, U.S. Rep. Dave Trott, R-Birmingham, who has criticized the president, has called it quits.

Political handicappers say it's a toss-up. Republican National Committee Chairman Ronna McDaniel lives in the district, increasing its potential symbolism and the likelihood that lots of outside funding — in support of both parties — will flood in. And it's attracted a field of current and former state legislators; well-heeled and/or experienced newcomers; experienced-if-not-successful former nominees, and a combative one-time holiday Santa/teacher/Army vet who is the former congressman.

What more could you ask for?

Headed into the Aug. 7 primaries, there isn't an overwhelming favorite. There is little to no recent independent polling. And with five Republicans and five Democrats making the ballot for their respective parties' nominations, a handful of percentage points in any direction could decide each race and set the stage for November.

"That's what I'm thinking, too. No one person is getting 55 percent of the vote," said state Sen. Mike Kowall of White Lake, a later entry into the Republican field but one who has a history in the district and has secured some key endorsements, including that of Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson. "It's going to be a matter of a couple of percentage points."

With so much swirling around the race — and this being a race both parties are keying in on as Democrats look to flip two dozen seats that would return them to majority control in the U.S. House — here's a lightning-round look at the candidates, the lines of attack, some of the issues, and the 11th District:

Let's start with the candidates ...

Here's the rundown and a little bit of background. On the Republican side, the contenders are:

■ **Kerry Bentivolio of Milford:** Former educator, U.S. Army veteran, National Guardsman (not to mention reindeer rancher and sometimes Santa). He held this seat in 2013-14 before getting beaten by Trott. He tried to mount a write-in bid two years ago that also failed.

■ **Lena Epstein of Bloomfield Hills:** Business owner, co-chair of Trump's 2016 Michigan campaign, she's poured nearly \$1 million of her own money into the campaign. She also considered running for U.S. Senate before settling on this race.

■ **State Rep. Klint Kesto of Commerce Township:** A former prosecutor, he has strong ties to the Chaldean community.

■ **Kowall of White Lake:** A former state representative and township supervisor, his state Senate district is entirely within this congressional district and he currently serves as the majority floor leader. His wife, Eileen Kowall, is a former state representative and an Oakland County commissioner.

■ **A. Rocky Raczkowski of Troy:** Businessman, retired Army Reserves lieutenant colonel and former state representative, he lost a close race to then-U.S. Rep. Gary Peters in Michigan's 9th District in 2010. He also lost — by a much larger margin — as the nominee

against former U.S. Sen. Carl Levin in 2002.

On the Democratic side:

■ **State Rep. Tim Greimel of Auburn Hills:** A former Oakland County commissioner, he served as House minority leader from 2013 to 2017.

■ **Suneel Gupta of Birmingham:** An entrepreneur who grew up in Novi and has been raising scads of money, he is brother to CNN medical correspondent Sanjay Gupta.

■ **Fayrouz Saad of Northville:** Former Homeland Security employee and immigrant affairs director for Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan.

■ **Nancy Skinner of Bloomfield Hills:** A climate change activist and radio commentator who lost a somewhat close race to then-U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg in 2006 and ran unsuccessfully for the nomination in this district in 2014.

■ **Haley Stevens of Rochester Hills:** Worked on campaigns for Clinton and President Barack Obama before becoming chief of staff for Obama's auto task force, which helped save General Motors and Chrysler in 2009.

Two others, independent Cooper Nye and libertarian Leonard Schwartz, are also in the race but don't figure in the Aug. 7 primary, which is far more likely to decide who will eventually hold the seat.

District was drawn for GOP control

While the Michigan 11th is considered a toss-up this year, it's been relatively safe ground for Republicans for some time, especially since 2011, when the state Legislature gerrymandered the lines to protect then-U.S. Rep. Thad McCotter, R-Livonia, who had a couple of small scares in 2006 and 2008.

Rising through western Wayne and Oakland counties, the district sweeps east in a narrowing band avoiding West Bloomfield, Farmington Hills, Pontiac, then bobs south catching Auburn Hills, Troy, Birmingham. In several places there are juts, irregularities, covering but a few blocks. In outline, it looks something like a cartoon ostrich, bent over to examine its stomach.

But whatever it looks like, it didn't work out for McCotter, who after an abortive presidential run, got caught up in a scandal over fraudulent re-election petition signatures. He stepped down, leaving the race to Bentivolio, who was little-known but was the only other person registered for the ballot.

Bentivolio won a term (with Democrat David Cursion serving out the remainder of McCotter's term) in 2012 but was handily bounced by Trott — a lawyer who had widespread institutional support and wealth — in 2014.

As to whether the district should be in play this year, it's anybody's guess: While Oakland and Wayne supported Clinton, the district itself went for Trump, slightly, by 4.4 percent. Democrats are betting that more-educated, business-oriented voters, especially those in Oakland County, are set to reject Trump. Republicans feel otherwise.

"It's been a mystery to me from the beginning (why Democrats believe it's up for grabs)," said Bill Ballenger, a Michigan political analyst and founder of the Ballenger Report. "I'm a little puzzled by the whole thing. (But) it's really a jump ball on both sides as to who is going to win the nomination."

Few policy differences, but a wide range of backgrounds

As with many primaries, there seems to be far less that separates the candidates in each party policy-wise than that which unites them.

A quick scan of websites for the Republican candidates, for instance, shows a mostly common thread of shrinking government, cutting taxes, reducing regula-

tions and fighting terrorism and illegal immigration. So-called "sanctuary cities" — where local leaders have decided to limit cooperation with federal officials in enforcing immigration laws — come under wide attack. So does the Affordable Care Act — Obamacare. Most say they are pro-Israel.

Among the Democrats, meanwhile, there seems to be general consensus around improving health care access, protecting and strengthening public education, and reforming immigration laws, in part, so that so-called Dreamers — undocumented immigrants who arrived in the U.S. as children — can remain. Many also call for what they call common sense gun control measures.

That's not to say some of the websites don't differ in some details — Saad, for instance, has more specifics on her proposals for gun control such as raising the minimum age to buy a semi-automatic rifle or shotgun to 21, and Raczkowski has small breakouts on some 30 issues, including the need to protect farmers from regulations he says do nothing to help consumer safety. But there is some general agreement.

But where the candidates really differ is in their backgrounds.

Some, like Epstein — who co-owns her family's automotive and industrial lubricants business — and Gupta — who helped create Rise, an app that helps users improve their diet and health — tout their outsider status, their successes in business, their understanding of how the world works. ("People are looking for problem solvers, not politicians," Gupta said.)

Others, like Kowall and Greimel, point to legislative accomplishments — such as Kowall's writing legislation that helped expand testing and research on self-driving vehicles and Greimel's working to raise the minimum wage and work with Gov. Rick Snyder to expand Medicaid coverage in Michigan.

Then there are others like Kesto and Saad, who may be better positioned to tap into key ethnic communities in southeastern Michigan. Or Raczkowski and Skinner — or Bentivolio — who can point to having run (and in one case won) for Congress, with some measure of success before. Or Stevens, who can legitimately claim a role in perhaps the most consequential federal initiative in Michigan's recent history: a program that resulted in keeping General Motors and Chrysler afloat.

"It was a profound moment of crisis and everybody here knows what it felt like," said Stevens, who grew up in Birmingham. "People were calling my office and crying their eyes out."

Each, of course, argues that his or her own skill set is the one needed in Washington.

"I like all of my opponents," Epstein said. "(But) none of them are going to win."

Controversies, ads and sussing out the race

Whoever wins, it's going to be an expensive race — already, as of June 30, the candidates as a group had raised nearly \$7 million, compared to the \$2.5 million spent in the same district throughout the election cycle in 2015-16. And we're just getting started: expect outside money to rush in after Labor Day.

Looking across both parties in terms of fundraising, Epstein leads the pack, having built a campaign war-chest of more than \$1.6 million, though much of that — \$990,000 — comes in the form of a loan she gave her own campaign. Meanwhile, on the Democratic side, Gupta — a political unknown before this race — has tapped contributors for more than \$1.3 million, while loaning himself \$150,000.

Stevens has raised just over \$1 million; Greimel, about \$816,000; Saad, \$636,000 — all of which are respectable amounts headed into a primary. On the Re-

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The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program and the computer being used to tabulate the results of the Election count the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

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CITY OF NOVI 2017 ANNUAL CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT ON WATER QUALITY

Drinking water quality is important to our community and the region. The City of Novi and the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) are committed to meeting state and federal water quality standards including the Lead and Copper Rule. With the Great Lakes as our water source and proven treatment technologies, the GLWA consistently delivers safe drinking water to our community. The City of Novi operates the system of water mains that carry this water to your home's service line. This year's Water Quality Report highlights the performance of GLWA and the City of Novi water professionals in delivering some of the nation's best drinking water. Together, we remain committed to protecting public health and maintaining open communication with the public about our drinking water.

About our system

The City of Novi purchased 2,318,031,000 gallons of treated water from the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) in 2017, and currently has approximately 14,550 customer accounts on the Novi water distribution system. GLWA withdraws

source water from the Detroit River and Lake Huron. There are two intakes in the Detroit River: one near Belle Isle, and one at the south near Lake Erie. A third intake is located at the south end of Lake Huron. Intake water is conveyed to five large water treatment plants for physical and chemical treatment. The City receives most of its water from GLWA's Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant located in St. Clair County near Port Huron, with a smaller portion of water provided to the City from the Springwells Water Treatment Plant in Dearborn, which draws water from the Belle Isle intake. All GLWA treatment facilities operate year-round on a 24 hours a day, seven days a week basis. GLWA uses chlorine to disinfect source water and adds fluoride to improve drinking water customers' dental health. Novi and GLWA are committed to safeguarding our water supply and delivering the highest quality drinking water to protect public health. Together, we remain committed to protecting public health and maintaining open communication with the public about our drinking water. Please be assured that

if water quality is compromised, we will notify our customers immediately.

How do we know our water is safe?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals.

or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses

and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or can be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to

drink, EPA prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

DETECTED CONTAMINATION TABLES

The tables and information contained on the following pages are based on tests conducted by GLWA and the City of Novi of treated water supplied by the Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant and Springwells Water Treatment Plant. GLWA conducts many tests throughout the year; however, only tests that detect the presence of a contaminant are shown. The State does allow monitoring for certain contaminants at a frequency of less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. For this reason, although all of the data is representative of water quality, some data sets are more than one year old.

Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant 2017 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables

| "2017 Inorganic Chemicals - Monitoring at the Plant Finished Water Tap" | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test Date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MCLG" | "Allowed Level MCL" | "Highest Level Detected" | "Range of Detection" | "Violation yes/no" |
| "Fluoride" | 2017-05-16 | "ppm" | 4 | 4 | 0.72 | "n/a" | "no" |
| "Nitrate" | 2017-05-16 | "ppm" | 10 | 10 | 0.34 | "n/a" | "no" |
| "Barium" | 2017-05-16 | "ppm" | 2 | 2 | 0.01 | "n/a" | "no" |

| "2017 Disinfection By-Products - Monitoring in Distribution System, Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products" | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test Date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MCLG" | "Allowed Level MCL" | "Highest LRAA" | "Range of Detection" | "Violation yes/no" |
| "Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)" | 2017 | "ppb" | "n/a" | 80 | 22.8 | "14 - 32" | "no" |
| "Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)" | 2017 | "ppb" | "n/a" | 60 | 13.7 | "7.7 - 21" | "no" |

| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test Date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MRDLG" | "Allowed Level MRDLG" | "Highest RAA" | "Quarterly Range of Detection" | "Violation yes/no" |
|---------------------------|----------------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| "Total Chlorine Residual" | "Jan-Dec 2017" | "ppm" | 4 | 4 | 0.75 | "0.65-0.80" | "no" |

| "2017 Turbidity - Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water" | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU | Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%) | | | | | Violation yes/no | "Major Sources in Drinking Water" |
| 0.29 NTU | 100 % | | | | | no | Soil Runoff |

| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Treatment Technique 2017" | | | | | "Typical Source of Contaminant" | |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|---------------------------------|--|
| "Total Organic Carbon (ppm)" | "The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each quarter and because the level was low, there is no TOC removal requirement." | | | | | "Erosion of natural deposits" | |

| "Radionuclides 2014" | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MCLG" | "Allowed Level" | "Level detected" | "Violation Yes/no" | "Major Sources in Drinking water" |
| "Combined Radium 226 and 228" | 2014-05-13 | "pCi/L" | 0 | 5 | "0.86 + or - 0.55" | "no" | "Erosion of natural deposits" |
| "Contaminant" | | "MCLG" | | "MCL" | | "Level Detected 2017" | "Source of Contamination" |
| "Sodium (ppm)" | | "n/a" | | "n/a" | | 4.46 | Erosion of natural deposits" |

Springwells Water Treatment Plant 2017 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables

| "2017 Inorganic Chemicals - Monitoring at the Plant Finished Water Tap" | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test Date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MCLG" | "Allowed Level MCL" | "Highest Level Detected" | "Range of Detection" | "Violation yes/no" |
| "Fluoride" | 2017-05-16 | "ppm" | 4 | 4 | 0.63 | "n/a" | "no" |
| "Nitrate" | 2017-05-16 | "ppm" | 10 | 10 | 0.38 | "n/a" | "no" |
| "Barium" | 2017-05-16 | "ppm" | 2 | 2 | 0.01 | "n/a" | "no" |

| "2017 Disinfection By-Products - Monitoring in Distribution System, Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products" | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test Date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MCLG" | "Allowed Level MCL" | "Highest LRAA" | "Range of Detection" | "Violation yes/no" |
| "Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)" | 2017 | "ppb" | "n/a" | 80 | 22.8 | "14 - 32" | "no" |
| "Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)" | 2017 | "ppb" | "n/a" | 60 | 13.7 | "7.7 - 21" | "no" |

| "2017 Disinfectant Residuals - Monitoring in Distribution System by Treatment Plant" | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test Date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MRDLG" | "Allowed Level MRDLG" | "Highest RAA" | "Quarterly Range of Detection" | "Violation yes/no" |
| "Total Chlorine Residual" | "Jan-Dec 2017" | "ppm" | 4 | 4 | 0.71 | "0.65-0.74" | "no" |

| "2017 Turbidity - Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water" | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU | Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%) | | | | | Violation yes/no | "Major Sources in Drinking Water" |
| 0.24 NTU | 100% | | | | | no | Soil Runoff |

| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Treatment Technique 2017" | | | | | "Typical Source of Contaminant" | |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|---------------------------------|--|
| "Total Organic Carbon (ppm)" | "The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each quarter and because the level was low, there is no TOC removal requirement." | | | | | "Erosion of natural deposits" | |

| | | | | |
|----------------|--------|-------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| "Contaminant" | "MCLG" | "MCL" | "Level Detected 2017" | "Source of Contamination" |
| "Sodium (ppm)" | "n/a" | "n/a" | 4.96 | "Erosion of natural deposits" |

Great Lakes Water Authority voluntarily monitors for the protozoans Cryptosporidium and Giardia. The December 2017 untreated water sample collected at the Belle Isle intake contained 1 Giardia cyst. All other samples collected in the year 2017 were absent for the presence of Cryptosporidium and Giardia in the untreated water. Systems using surface water like GLWA must provide treatment so that 99.9 percent of Giardia lamblia is removed or inactivated.

| "2017 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customers' Tap" | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| "Regulated Contaminant" | "Test Date" | "Unit" | "Health Goal MCLG" | "Action Level AL" | "90th Percentile Value" | "Number of Samples Over AL" | "Violation Yes/No" |
| "Lead" | 2017 | "ppb" | 0 | 15 | 0.6 | 0 | "no" |
| "Copper" | 2017 | "ppm" | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0 | "no" |

"90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above requirements must be met."

In 1992, the City of Novi began testing homes with plumbing systems that may contribute lead and copper to the household's tap water. The results of lead and copper testing have all been below EPA-prescribed action levels. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791.

| Treatment Technique | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|--|----------------------|--------------|--|---|--|
| Regulated Contaminant | MCL | Treatment Technique (TT) Violation yes/no | Reason for violation | Action Taken | Major Sources in Drinking Water | Health Effects | |
| Lead | TT | No more than (9) days in a six (6) month period below the established minimum. | No | n/a | Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits. | Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop problems or high blood pressure. | |
| Copper | TT | No more than (9) days in a six (6) month period below the established minimum. | No | n/a | Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives. | Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's disease should consult their personal doctor. | |

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of Novi is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. Safe drinking water is a shared responsibility. The water that GLWA delivers to our community does not contain lead. Lead can leach into drinking water through home plumbing fixtures, and in some cases, customer service lines. Corrosion control reduces the risk of lead and copper from leaching into your water. Orthophosphates are added during the treatment process as a corrosion control method to create a protective coating in service pipes throughout the system, including in your home or business. The City of Novi performs required lead and copper sampling and testing in our community. Water consumers also have a responsibility to maintain the plumbing in their homes and businesses, and can take steps to limit their exposure to lead. Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps the EPA determine where certain contaminants occur and whether those contaminants need to be regulated. Beginning in July of 2008 - April 2009, The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (now GLWA) began monitoring quarterly for unregulated contaminants under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3 (UCMR3). All the UCMR2 contaminants monitored on List 1 and List 2 in 2008-2009 (from the following link) were undetected in GLWA's regional water system: <http://water.epa.gov/lawregs/rulesregs/sdwa/ucmr/ucmr2/basicinformation.cfm>

Beginning in February 2015, the City of Novi began monitoring quarterly for unregulated contaminants under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3 (UCMR3). Below is a summary of the UCMR3 results from the four sampling events in 2015.

| "2015 Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule UCMR3" | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|--------|--------|----------------------|------------------|
| "Unregulated Contaminant" | "Test Dates" | "Unit" | "MRL" | "Range of Detection" | "Average Result" |
| "Chromium" | "2015 - Feb, May, Aug, Dec" | "ppb" | 0.2 | "0.2-0.3" | 0.23 |
| "Chromium, Hexavalent" | "2015 - Feb, May, Aug, Dec" | "ppb" | 0.03 | "0.10-0.26" | 0.19 |
| "Strontium" | "2015 - Feb, May, Aug, Dec" | "ppb" | 0.3 | "92-100" | 97.4 |
| "Vanadium" | "2015 - Feb, May, Aug, Dec" | "ppb" | 0.2 | "0.3-0.6" | 0.4 |
| "Testosterone" | "2015 - Feb, May, Aug, Dec" | "ppb" | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| "4-Androstene-3,17-dione" | "2015 - Feb, May, Aug, Dec" | "ppb" | 0.0003 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 |

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by visiting the EPA's website at <http://www.epa.gov/dwucmr/third-unregulated-contaminant-monitoring-rule> or by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

| Key to Detected Contaminants Tables | | | Definition/Explanation |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Symbol | Abbreviation | | |
| > | Greater than | | |
| °C | Celsius | | A scale of temperature in which water freezes at 0° and boils at 100° under standard conditions. |
| AL | Action Level | | The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. |
| HAA5 | Haloacetic Acids | | HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, dibromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total. |
| LRAA | Locational Running Annual Average | | The average of analytical results for samples at a particular monitoring location during the previous four quarters. |
| MCL | Maximum Contaminant Level | | The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. |
| MCLG | Maximum Contaminant Level Goal | | The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. |
| MRDL | Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level | | The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. |
| MRDLG | Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal | | The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. |
| n/a | not applicable | | |
| ND | Not Detected | | |
| NTU | Nephelometric Turbidity Units | | Measures the cloudiness of water. |
| pCi/L | Picocuries Per Liter | | A measure of radioactivity |
| ppb | Parts Per Billion (one in one billion) | | The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram. |
| ppm | Parts Per Million (one in one million) | | The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram. |
| RAA | Running Annual Average | | The average of analytical results for all samples during the previous four quarters. |
| TT | Treatment Technique | | A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. |
| TTHM | Total Trihalomethanes | | Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane and bromoform. Compliance is based on the total, umhos Micromhos |
| MRL | Minimum Reporting Limit | | Measure of electrical conductance of water |
| | | | The limit that the EPA requires a result to be reported. |

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Artist brings sports icons, superheroes to bars

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Artist Jeremy Allen Rheault reached up with the Detroit Lions logo in his hands and carefully placed it between his wall art of former Lions great Barry Sanders and ex-Detroit Pistons legend Isaiah Thomas.

"How does it look?" he asked.

It looked right at home, this 15th piece of art Rheault has created for Spoon's Place, a Canton sports bar and restaurant. Other works depict Tiger Stadium, Muhammad Ali and former Tigers pitcher Mark "The Bird" Fidrych, as featured on a 1977 Topps baseball card.

What the Spoon's Place art has in common is that Rheault painted them on cardboard, using enamel and acrylic paints and oil pastels. He meticulously sketches his idea, plans it, paints it, seals it and cuts it out with a box knife.

"It's beautiful," Spoon's Place customer Tim Hackett said. "I love the sports theme. It's very decorative and it spruces up the place."

Over at Liberty Street Brewing Co. in Plymouth, Rheault's cardboard art can be found in an upstairs gallery. Rather than a sports theme, though, these paintings focus on "Star Wars" characters and superheroes. One piece depicts prescription pill bottles alongside Pez dispensers featuring

Batman, Spider-Man and Darth Vader. It's titled Pills and Pez.

Rheault's work goes far beyond cardboard art, which is simply the latest form he has explored. His collage artwork, drawing inspiration from the likes of Edgar Degas, also can be found at Liberty Street, where he is curator for other artists.

Rheault, a Westland resident and longtime art teacher at Livonia Franklin High School, has displayed the works of 21 other artists — many of them his former students — at Liberty Street. Their work can be viewed during a public reception 4-9 p.m. Saturday, July 28, with a Jamaican-American, or Jamaican, food truck on hand.

"I love being an advocate for other artists and showing their art," Rheault said.

Candy Randolph, Liberty Street pub and hall manager, said it's a partnership that has worked



Artist Jeremy Rheault talks about the variety of styles of art work hanging at Liberty Street Brewing. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

well for Liberty Street Brewing. Artwork is displayed upstairs and eventually gets rotated downstairs, where it is switched out every month. It gives the brewing company fresh décor and the artists a chance to show their work.

"It just brings a lot of different, unique people and things here," Randolph said. "We had the

same décor for years, but now people look forward to it. And we like to promote local stuff."

Rheault is best known to some for his former high school coaching days at Livonia Franklin and Canton high schools for a cumulative 33 sea-

sons over 24 years. He coached girls and boys basketball and boys track and field.

At 46, Rheault has put aside his coaching duties to focus on creating art, selling it and promoting other artists.

"Now all the time I once put into coaching, I'm putting into my art," he said.

One of his latest cardboard art works appears at Karl's Cabin in Plymouth Township. It features Johnny Cash, who played at the restaurant in 1955.

Rheault's art is for sale and has price tags at Spoon's Place and Liberty Street. Most of the sports figures and superheroes paintings sell for \$200 to \$1,000. When one piece of art sells, he replaces it with a new one.

He also created the big cardboard 'M' for the Uni-

versity of Michigan and similar logos for Michigan State University and Eastern Michigan University at Spoon's Place. Those sell for \$120.

Rheault became serious about art in high school. He received his bachelor of fine arts degree from EMU and began teaching art at Livonia Franklin in 1998. His work has been shown at the Livonia Civic Center and will be on display in December at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

For artwork prices and requests, contact Rheault through Facebook messaging, Twitter @Rheault_ism or through Instagram messaging @jeremyallenrheault.

Contact Darrell Clem at dclem@hometownlife.com.

City of Novi Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on August 14, 2018 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

PZ18-0027 (Araneae Inc/Ascension Providence Hospital) 47601 Grand River Ave, West of Beck Road and South of Grand River Ave, Parcel #50-22-17-400-046. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Code of Ordinance Section 28-5 to allow the installation of 19 additional wall and ground signs. Some of the additional signs exceed the allowed height and area limits. A wall sign and ground sign are allowed by right. The property is zoned Office Service Commercial (OSC).

PZ18-0029 (Hillside Investments/D. Hardin) 25540 Seeley Rd, West of Haggerty Road and North of Grand River Ave, Parcel #50-22-24-251-027. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Sections: 3.6.2Fii and 4.19.2 to reduce the required north parking setback from 100 feet (proposed 55 feet) and to place two accessory structures in the south side yard. Except where otherwise permitted and regulated, accessory structures shall be located in the rear yard. This property is zoned Light Industrial (I-1).

PZ18-0031 (Pulte Homes of Michigan, LLC), East of Novi Road and North of Nine Mile Road, Parcel #50-22-26-300-015. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.17.D for a 40 feet building setback along north property line, 37 feet building setback along west property line, 27 feet building setback along east property line, whereas 75 feet minimum is required along all property lines. Section 3.8.2D for the perimeter building orientation to be less than the minimum required 45 degrees from all property lines. This property is zoned Low-Density Multiple-Family (RM-1).

PZ18-0033 (Halis Roziali) 25869 Strath Haven Dr, East of Beck Road and South of Eleven Mile Road, Parcel #50-22-21-101-014. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.1 to reduce the front yard setback to proposed 40 feet, 45 feet minimum required, to reduce the rear yard setback to proposed 40 feet, 50 feet minimum required and reduce the combined side yard aggregate to proposed 42.84 feet, 50 feet minimum required. This property is zoned Residential Acreage (RA).

PZ18-0034 (TBON LLC) 46100 Grand River Ave, West of Taft Road and North of Grand River Avenue, Parcel #50-22-16-251-024. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Code of Ordinances Section 28.5 to install five new additional oversized full screened changeable copy signs. The allowable changeable copy portion of a sign shall not exceed two thirds (0.66) of the sign area. The proposed signs are in addition to those already installed and allowed by right or previous variances. This property is zoned OST District with EXO Overlay (EXO).

PZ18-0035 (My House Fitness/Signarama) 43443 Grand River Ave 230, West of Novi Road and South of Grand River Avenue, Parcel #50-22-22-227-029. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Code of Ordinances Section 28.5 for the installation of an additional wall sign for back of building, one wall sign allowed per business. This property is zoned Town Center-1 (TC-1).

PZ18-0036 (DTN Management Company/Tricap Holdings, LLC), West of Novi Road and South of Grand River Avenue, Parcels #50-22-22-226-005 & 50-22-22-226-003. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Sections: 4.82.2, to increase the maximum percentage of one bedroom units allowed for this development by 8 percent (58% proposed, 50% maximum allowed by code). 3.27.1D, to allow parking in side yard for commercial building for proposed 49 spaces, allow parking in front yard for residential section (approximately 38 spaces) and to allow parking in side yard for residential section (approximately 50 spaces in east side and 35 spaces in west side. No front yard or side yard parking allowed by code). 4.82.2.e, to allow for the reduction of minimum building setbacks for Building 1 on east side of building (15ft required, a minimum of 12 feet with overhang of 8.81 feet proposed for an approximate length 12 feet, total building length is 283 feet, 30 feet minimum setback required. To allow for the reduction of minimum building setback for Building 2 on east side of building (15 ft required, a minimum of 8 feet with overhang of 3.8 feet proposed for an approximate length 16 feet, total building length is 283 feet, 30 feet minimum setback required. To allow for the reduction of minimum building setback parking garage on the west side of building (15 feet required, 5 feet proposed for entire structure, total building length is 283 feet, 30 feet minimum setback required by code). 5.7.3E, to allow for the increase of average to minimum light level ratio for the site (4:1 maximum is allowed, 4.8:1 proposed). 5.7.3K, to exceed maximum allowed foot candles along the south property line abutting railroad tracks (1 foot candle maximum allowed, up to 1.7 foot candles is proposed for a small area) 1 foot candle maximum allowed where a site abuts a nonresidential district. 3.27.1H and 5.4.2, to allow two loading areas in the side yard for the residential section. All loading and unloading within the TC-1 district shall be in the rear yard by code, 5.2.4 to reduce the minimum required loading areas for each of the two spaces in residential section (2,830 square feet required, 644 square feet provided). 3.27.1.1, to reduce the width of the sidewalk along a nonresidential collector (12.5 feet required on both sides, 8 feet proposed on west side and 10 feet asphalt path proposed on east side of road. 12.5 feet required by code). 5.3.2, to reduce the minimum parking bay depth for spaces proposed in parking garage (18 feet proposed, 19 feet minimum required by code). This property is zoned Town Center-1 (TC-1).

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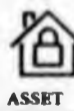
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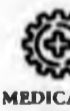
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As part of the 1998 Amendment to the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Rule became effective September 1998. The CCR Rule requires all community water systems in the United States to prepare an annual water quality report and to deliver it to all of the water system's customers. The CCR Rule was published in the Federal Register August 19, 1998 and can be found at the U.S. EPA's website: <http://water.epa.gov/drink/info/ccr/regulations.cfm>

Special Health Information

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than is the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about

elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Information on Source Water

A majority of Novi's source water comes from the lower Lake Huron watershed. The watershed includes numerous short, seasonal streams that drain to Lake Huron. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility of potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is a seven-tiered scale ranging from "very low" to "very high" based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and contaminant sources. The Lake Huron source water intake is

categorized as having a moderately low susceptibility to potential contaminant sources. The Lake Huron water treatment plant has historically provided satisfactory treatment of this source water to meet drinking water standards.

In 2015, GLWA received a grant from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to develop a source water protection program for the Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant intake. The program includes seven elements that include the following: roles and duties of government units and water supply agencies; delineation of a source water protection area; identification of potential of source water protection area; management approaches for protection, contingency plans, siting of new sources and public participation and education. If you would like to know more information about the Source Water Assessment or the SWIPP please, contact the Water and Sewer Division at 248-735-5661.

A smaller portion of Novi's source water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair, Clinton River, Detroit River, Rouge River, Ecorse River in the U.S. and parts of the Thames River, Little River, Turkey Creek and Sydenham watersheds in Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility or relative potential of contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven tiered scale from "very low" to "very high" based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and contamination sources. The susceptibility of our Detroit River source water intakes were determined to be highly

susceptible to potential contamination. However, all four Detroit water treatment plants that use source water from Detroit River have historically provided satisfactory treatment of this source water

to meet drinking water standards.

GLWA has initiated source-water protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. GLWA participates in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan. In 2015, GLWA received a grant from The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to develop a source water protection program for the Detroit River intakes. The program includes seven elements that include the following: roles and duties of government units and water supply agencies; delineation of a source water protection area; identification of potential of source water protection area; management approaches for protection, contingency plans, siting of new sources and public participation and education. If you would like to know more information about the Source Water Assessment report, please contact the Water and Sewer Division at 248-735-5661.

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AREA EVENTS

Send calendar items to LIV-OENewstip@home-townlife.com. Items must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

South Lyon H.S. reunion

The South Lyon High School Class of 1963 is having its 55th reunion Saturday, July 28, at the South Lyon Hotel, 201 N. Lafayette Street. Interested parties can call Barbara Cook at 248-349-5982.

Community barbecue

St. George's Episcopal Church, 801 E. Commerce Street, in Milford will host a community barbecue at noon Sunday, July 29. Burgers, hot dogs, sides and drinks will be served. There is no cost to attend (donations will be accepted). For more information, go to www.stgeorgesmilford.org.

Five Points of Hope fundraiser

Sparkies Kitchen and Bar, 2868 E. Highland Road, in Highland will host a charity event to benefit the nonprofit Five Points of Hope cancer charity from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Tuesday, July 31. The restaurant will donate 10 percent of all sales receipts from the event to the cancer charity, including both restaurant and carryout orders. The charity, based in Milford, raises money for Michigan cancer patients in financial crisis related to their diagnosis of cancer.

In addition to the restaurant's donation of 10 percent of all receipts from the day, the charity will have piggy banks for patrons to donate loose change, if desired. Customers wishing to place a carryout order can call 248-887-2610.

For information about Five Points of Hope, go to www.fivepointsofhope.com.

Crawford to host office hour

State Rep. Kathy Crawford, R-Novi, will host an open office hour 10:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 1, at Biggby Coffee, 22729 Pontiac Trail, in South Lyon. No appointment is necessary. Those unable to attend may contact Crawford at 517-373-0827 or via email at KathyCrawford@house.mi.gov.

Redistricting forum at library

Voters Not Politicians, a non-partisan group looking to change Michigan's redistricting process through a constitutional amendment, will make a presentation at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 1, at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady Street. There will be information on the proposed amendment.

Historical society open houses

The White Lake Historical Society is hosting open houses 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 1 and 15, at the Fisk Farm, 9180 Highland Road. Bring a picnic lunch if you wish and share some old photos with us about the area that can be scanned on site. For more information, go to www.hsmichigan.org/whitelake or whitelakehistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

Living and Learning yard sale

The Living and Learning Enrichment Center, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization in downtown Northville that specializes in working with teens and adults who have autism, spectrum disorders and related challenges, is having a yard sale to raise money for the center from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Aug. 2-4, 315 Griswold Street.

Northville Art House competition

The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street, will be hosting HOUSE OF WAX: Juried Encaustic Competition, to be held Aug. 3-25. The competition features 39 works created by 23 artists who demonstrate the visual possibilities of working with cold wax and encaustic (hot wax).

There will be an opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3, with an awards presentation and juror's talk at 7 p.m. The artists are competing for six awards totaling more than \$750.

For more information, go to www.northvillearthouse.org or call 248-344-0497.

Buy Michigan Festival

The Buy Michigan Now Festival, returning Friday through Sunday, Aug. 3-5, for its 10th year, is a celebration of the state's annual Buy Michigan Week. The festival runs 4-8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday (the beverage garden is open until 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday). This family-friendly event includes scrumptious foods, street vendors, live music and children's activities, all highlighting Michigan-based businesses and Michigan-made products.

Town Square in Northville is home to the live entertainment, as well as the beverage garden serving locally-produced beer and wine to those age 21 and over. Admission and parking are free. Main and Center streets are closed in the middle of downtown to make



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it easy to shop and dine, while enjoying live entertainment from some of Michigan's finest performers.

For more information, go to www.buymichigannowfest.com or email fest@buymichigannow.com.

Yoga in the Square

The Northville Yoga Room will be holding its final free Yoga in the Square at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, in Town Square in the heart of downtown Northville. Mayor Ken Roth will be there for a meet and greet 6-6:30 p.m. For more information, email kate@miyogaroom.com.

Outreach for pets

St. George's Episcopal Church, 801 E. Commerce Street, in Milford is partnering with the nonprofit All About Animals Rescue in Warren as a drop-off location for a pet food drive through Wednesday, Aug. 15. Items requested are dog/puppy food and cat/kitten food and litter (unopened and unexpired).

Drop-off times are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and Sunday morning. Call 248-684-0495 in advance each weekday to make sure the church office is open. For more information, go to stgeorgesmilford.org.

NYA golf outing

The Novi Youth Assistance will hold its annual benefit golf outing Saturday, Aug. 18, at Riverbank Golf Club, 24095 Currie Road, in South Lyon. Registration begins at 8 a.m., shotgun start is at 9 a.m. and dinner and awards will be at 2 p.m.

Cost is \$60 per person or \$240 for a team of four. The event will include golf contests, lunch at the turn and door prizes. To register, call Barbara Shonibin at 248-347-0410. The NYA is also looking for hole sponsors (\$100 each).

'Sounds' at Marquis Theatre

The Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main Street, in Northville will stage a performance of "Sounds of a Summer Night" by Friends of the Opera of Michigan at 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18. Tickets are \$20 (students and seniors \$15) and are available by phone (248-349-8110) or at the theater box office.

For more information, go to <http://www.northvillemarquistheatre.com/>.

Country fair at Stone School

The Jarvis Stone School Historic District, 7991 N. Territorial Road, in Salem Township will host the ninth annual country fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18. The one-room historic South Salem Stone School will be open for visitors and there will be food, drinks and snacks ready for purchase.

Crafters, to reserve a spot, email your request to SAHS.CountryFair@aol.com or use the form at the SAHS website (www.SAHShistory.org).

Summer classes at Tollgate Farm

MSU Tollgate Farm and Education Center has scheduled a summer season of classes for gardeners of all levels, set for 6:30-8:30 p.m. selected Thursdays. Each class is \$20. Advance registration is required. For more information and registration, go to <https://events.anr.msu.edu/evenings18summer/>. The series includes:

■ Aug. 23, Tollgate Farm sustainable agriculture instructor Will Jaquinde shares secrets for Home Gardening Success Using Farming Techniques.

■ A special class is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 30, featuring Fulbright Scholar Dr. John Hartig, who will present Waterfront Porch: How Detroit is Transforming its Industrial Waterfront to a Gathering Place for People and Wildlife.

■ Sept. 6, Beth Clawson, Michigan State University extension educator, will present Household Pests and Backyard Wildlife Management.

MSU Tollgate Farm & Education Center, 28115 Meadowbrook Road, in Novi is a 160-acre working farm featuring more than 20 demonstration gardens, farm animals, historic buildings dating back to the mid-1800s, plus modern meeting facilities.

VFAA exhibit at library

The Village Fine Arts Association, in partnership with the Milford Public Library, 330 Family Drive, exhibits its member artwork in the library Community Room. Beginning in mid-July, the exhibit "Three Artists, Four Seasons" will feature artists Dale Alcocer, Danny Persinger and Paul Tibedeau.

This free exhibit will be displayed until the end of August. The exhibits are open during regular library hours unless the room is hosting another event. For more information, go to www.milfordvfaa.org.

South Lyon Depot Day

The South Lyon Historical Society is looking for crafters, artists and nonprofit groups to fill booth space at the 38th annual South Lyon Depot Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8. Bring your own tent or canopy; \$15 a space (nonprofits are no charge). Call 248-207-1133 and leave your phone number and a message to reserve your booth space.

The location is at the Witch's Hat Depot, 300 Dorothy Street, South Lyon's Historical Village. Presented by the South Lyon Historical Society. Individual events are listed on Facebook under 38th annual South Lyon Depot Day.

Boots on the Ground

Boots on the Ground Color Run and Ride, which will benefit the Sobriety Court Promotion Program Inc. for veterans in recovery at the 52-1 District Court, is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 6, at James Atchison Memorial Park, 58000 Grand River Ave., in New Hudson. On-site registration is at 9 a.m., with the opening ceremony set for 10 a.m.

To register for the ride, go to www.rideforrecovery2018.eventbrite.com. To register for the run, go to <https://www.active.com/new-hudson-mi/running/distance-running-races/boots-on-the-ground-color-run-2018>.

For more information, go to <https://www.facebook.com/runforvets/>.

Grow a row for Active Faith

Active Faith invites all gardeners to consider growing an extra row of crops this year to benefit the needy in the community. Anyone with an interest is also welcome to help maintain the garden that Active Faith has on site at its warehouse at 401 Washington Street in South Lyon. Watering plants daily during the summer months is the biggest need. Those interested can contact Emily at activefaithgarden@yahoo.com or call Active Faith at 248-437-9790.

Any fresh produce donation is welcome and can be dropped off to Active Faith from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Friday and Saturday Night Hangouts

The Living and Learning Center, 315 Griswold, in Northville is a center that specializes in helping teens and adults that are on the autism spectrum learn job and social skills. This center provides a program 6-9 p.m. each Friday and Saturday night that allows their clients to partake in games, art and creating friendships with their fellow peers and mentors.

Each week, teens and adults learn essential social skills (introducing themselves, carrying a conversation, etc.) while also having a night out of the house.

To learn more about this program or to reserve your spot in the program, call 248-308-3592 or go to www.livingandlearningcenter.org.

Adopt-A-Reader

Adopt-A-Reader links volunteers like you with children in kindergarten through second grade in the South Lyon Community Schools district who need extra support with reading and/or writing. This is an opportunity to create a learning bond by working individually with two children. You could make a real difference in their lives. All it takes is a commitment of about an hour a week.

You decide the school you would like to volunteer at, the day and time slot during school hours that's convenient for your schedule; we provide the training and materials. Contact Lindsey Jackson at 248-941-1701 or jacksonl@slcs.us for more information.

Youth Alpha film series

All teens are invited to the Youth Alpha film series at the Java House Cafe, 25840 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon. A free Java House drink and snack will be provided. Come at 6 p.m. each Thursday. Email any questions to YouthAlpha789@gmail.com or register at wp.holyspiritrcs.org/alpha/.

SL Rec Authority

South Lyon Area Recreation Authority board meetings are held at 2 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month. Call the South Lyon Area Recreation office at 248-437-8105 for directions and confirmation of meeting location. To register for upcoming classes, call or go to www.slrec.net.



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Salem grad eyes U-20 World Cup tourney

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World Cup champion France is the soccer capital of the world these days.

Izzy Rodriguez hopes some of that French flair rubs off on her national team in its World Cup title quest.

The 19-year-old Canton resident is a member of the U.S. squad that will compete Aug. 5-24 in the 2018 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup in France. Rodriguez is one of seven defenders and 21 players who made the final roster following training camp in Portland, Ore.

The U.S., which qualified after placing second in Trinidad in January, is in a four-team pool that also includes Japan, Paraguay and Spain. Its first game is

1:30 p.m. Aug. 6 against Japan.

"I'm really excited to go. It should be a lot of fun," said Rodriguez, whose first time in France was last April for 13 days training with the U-20 team. "We're about a two-hour train ride from Paris, I believe. It's really a great opportunity and I'm really honored to be part of the team."

It is Rodriguez's first World Cup with the U-20 team, but not her first taste of international competition. Rodriguez already has 19 U-20 caps and is one of 10 players who represented the U.S. at the 2016 FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup in Jordan.

Grateful to make team

The 2017 Salem High School graduate

is thankful to be part of the team.

"I honestly didn't think I'd be going from the U-17 to the U-20s right away and to have another opportunity to be in another World Cup is really exciting," said Rodriguez, who will be a sophomore on the Ohio State University soccer team this year. "After I was finished with the U-17s, I just wasn't really expecting it right away because, technically, I'm playing up an age group right now."

"It was difficult at the beginning and it was kind of hard competing against the older girls. I never competed against the older age groups, but I think going to college and playing my freshman year and getting a lot of game experience

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Salem graduate Izzy Rodriguez will be in France participating in the 2018 U-20 World Cup tournament as a defender with the U.S. team. U.S. SOCCER

MOTOR SPORTS



Logan Lockwood powers through a turn. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

BEFORE HIS TIME

South Lyon resident heads to national motocross fest

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Young Logan Lockwood has motored into the national motocross amateur championships and he couldn't be more excited.

Logan will be one of more than 1,400 cyclists zooming into the 37th annual Rocky Mountain ATV/MC AMA Amateur National Motocross Championships, set for July 30 through Aug. 4 at the historic Loretta Lynn Ranch and Campground in Hurricane Mills, Tenn.

"I've been trying for four years to



Motocross racer Logan Lockwood, with dad Jason and mom Marcey, who is holding Hunter and Meela. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

qualify (for the nationals) and I haven't made it until this year," Logan said. "I was just happy that I finally made it and, hopefully, I can keep making it after this year. One of my goals is to get top 12 or top 10 this year."

The 11-year-old South Lyon resident advanced to the championships by surviving two North Central Zone qualifiers in the 10-11-year-old 65cc Limited racing class.

In late April, Logan placed fifth in an area qualifier held at the Lincoln Trail Motorsports track in Casey, Ill. The top eight finishers from each of the nation's 57 area qualifiers advanced to the next round of competition.

Last month, Logan punched his ticket to the national championships by racing to second place among a field

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AMATEUR GOLF

Kneen heads to Pebble Beach for U.S. Amateur

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It's hard to tell what Jake Kneen is more excited about: Qualifying for his second U.S. Amateur or playing storied Pebble Beach.

Kneen has played numerous highly-regarded golf courses across the state and country, but he's never tackled Pebble Beach.

The 2018 Oakland University graduate can't wait to attack the picturesque and challenging California coast course in the 2018 U.S. Amateur Championship, scheduled for Aug. 13-19.

"It's exciting to make it again. I'm going to Pebble Beach in a couple of weeks and it's going to be a blast," Kneen said. "I've played the course in video games before and watched plenty of golf tournaments there on TV, but for me to actually be out there, it's going to be an awesome experience and I can't wait for it."

"The U.S. Amateur in itself is one of the biggest tournaments in the world and the prestige of playing it in the first place is great," he added. "But for it to be at a venue like Pebble Beach is a whole other level of prestige, I would say. It will be very cool."

A playoff survivor

Kneen qualified for the amateur after surviving a three-way playoff for medalist honors July 18 at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon.

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Jake Kneen, 22, recently qualified for the 2018 U.S. Amateur, which will be played at challenging Pebble Beach in California. WENDY KNEEN



Motocross

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of 60 competitors at the regional qualifier at Sunset Ridge in Walnut, Ill. The top six placers at each of the 13 regionals advanced to the final event in Tennessee.

Largest amateur motocross race

It is the largest amateur motocross race in the world, as more than 22,000 cyclists were registered for this year's championships.

"You gotta have the skills, you gotta have some speed and you gotta have some luck," said Logan's mother Marcey. "You have the fastest 42 on the line. You crash. People crash you out. You get a flat tire. Who knows? Anything can happen."

"In the past, Logan's had the speed, but hasn't had the luck. And so finally, it all came together for him this year. He had the luck. He had the speed. He had some good starts and was able to pull it all together."

"When he qualified (for nationals), we went through every emotion as a family as humanly possible," she added. "It's his last year on the 65 and he really wanted to make it in and, hopefully, he'll have a good showing on the national stage. There were tears and we were so happy when we made it. We're super-excited."

Pursuing his passion

Logan took an interest in dirt bikes as soon as he removed the training wheels from his bicycle. The sixth-grader to be at Millennium Middle School started on pedal bikes at the tender age of 5 and began racing a year later.

Logan pursued his passion and began navigating the sport's rigid obstacles, such as jumps, corners and tight tracks. He became such a fierce and capable competitor that sponsors like Bell Helmets, Lucas Lowe Motocross Training, Acerbis, Bentley Graphics, Dunlap Tires and Twin Air, among others, hopped on the bandwagon.

"Ever since he was a little guy, he wanted a motorcycle," his mom said. "So we said, 'Once you can ride your bike without training wheels, you can go ahead and we'll get the motorcycle.'"

"He literally marched out to the barn with his little tool kit that he had and my husband helped him take off his training wheels. It wasn't too long after that that we got him a little TW 50 dirt bike so that he could get around."

"He was scared at first, but then he wouldn't get off of it. He would just ride and ride and ride," she added. "None of us knew what we were getting into, because we weren't from a racing background. He had to deal with our learning curve. Aside from all of that, he just made it."

Logan simply loves the sport.

"I just like the adrenaline rush and I just like trying to work to get to the next level," he said. "At the local races, it's not as much fun because there's not a lot of competition. But when you go to the higher-level tracks, there is more competition."

"The corners is what matters most, because you have to slow down. Whoever



Break time for young motocross racer Logan Lockwood. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

er carries the most speed through the corners usually wins," he added. "It's better when you're battling and, when you finally make it, it's a great feeling. It's just a lot of fun."

Family-oriented sport

Motocross is a family-oriented lifestyle and Logan's parents, Jason and Marcey, along with his younger brother Landon, are looking forward to the competition as well. They will not only cheer on Logan, but plan to take in some of the sights and sounds of the Loretta Lynn Ranch.

The national event is known as The World's Greatest Motocross Vacation and has been the launch pads for some of the sport's biggest professional stars, such as Ricky Carmichael, James Stewart, Ryan Villopoto and Ryan Dungey.

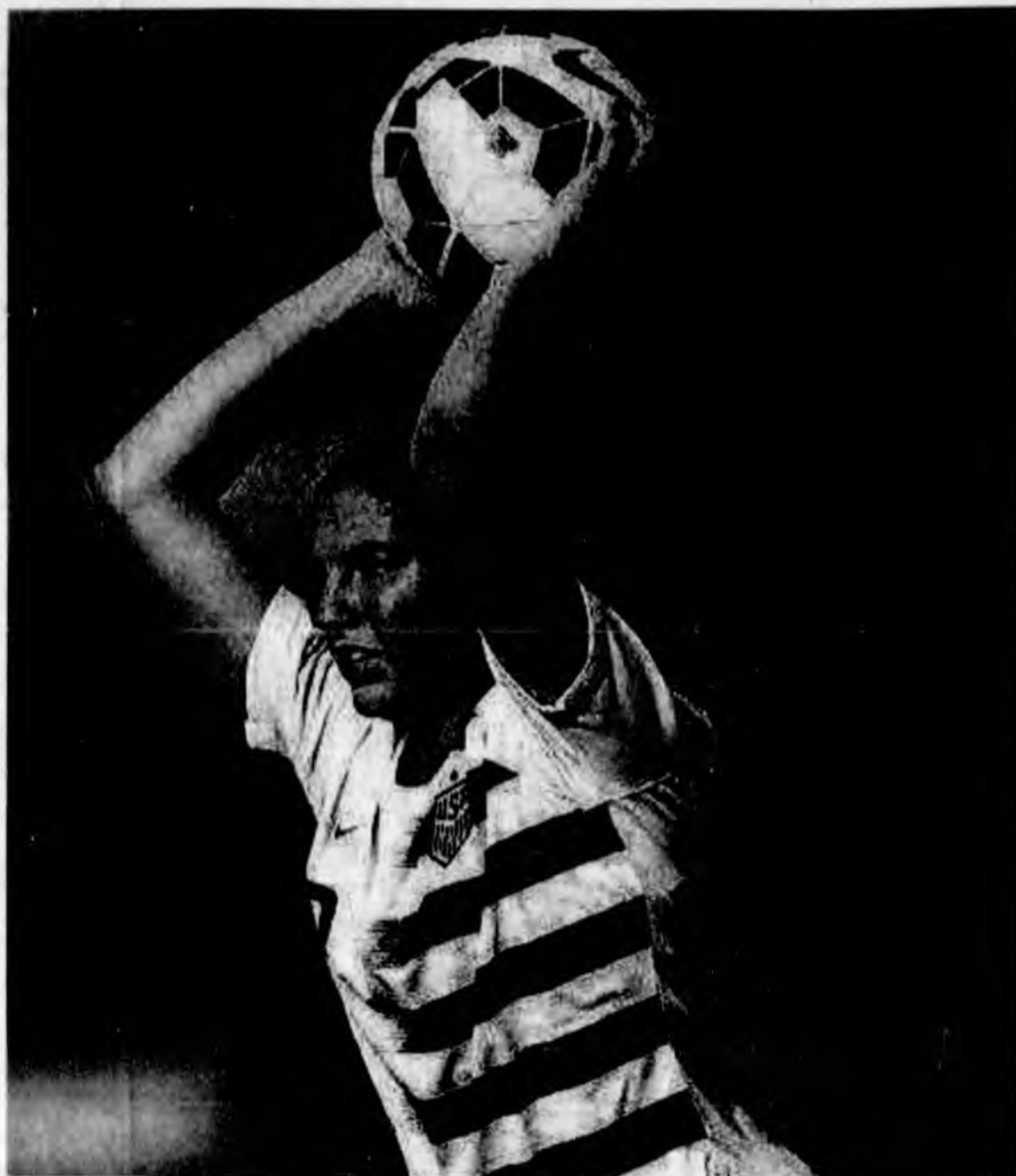
"The sport isn't just rider. It's kind of a lifestyle ... a family commitment," Marcey said. "We have traveled thousands and thousands of miles. He has spent endless hours on his bike and a lot of the riders are home-schooled."

"It's a year-around sport and he travels back and forth from Michigan to Florida," she added. "He's been there either trying to qualify for races or just training in the off-season. We're pretty much gone every weekend traveling or training somewhere. We try to help him out the best we can."

The championships occur in a wide variety of classes for children as young as age 4 and extends to women's classes and a senior division for riders over 50. The are 35 different classes overall for competitors in both stock and modified machine classes.

Race action will be broadcast live daily on www.RacerTV.com. In addition, two highlight shows will be featured later this fall on the NBC Sports Network.

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Izzy Rodriguez has 19 caps with the U-20 women's national soccer team. U.S. SOCCER

World Cup

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really helped me develop and compete for a spot on the team.

"I've been playing with (the U-20s) for two years now, so to be able to do that has been a lot of fun," she added. "There are a lot of girls on the team who played with me on the U-17 age group and now we are just bonding with the older girls and that's really nice."

Rodriguez, who began playing soccer at age 4, honed her game with the Canton Celtics travel team and later with the reputable Michigan Hawks program. She helped lead the Hawks to the 2015 State Cup and the U-17 and U-18 ECNL national championships.

While a midfielder with the Hawks, she transitioned to back-line defense for the national team and at Ohio State, where she earned third team all Big Ten honors last year as a freshman.

"I like playing defense a lot, especially now that I have more game experience with it," Rodriguez said. "I feel a lot more comfortable and confident in the position and I'm learning a lot more new things that I didn't know before."

"Originally, the hardest thing for me was more the tactical part of it, like positioning-wise and where to be. Like, learning what to do in a certain situation," she added. "I think playing (defense) in college has really helped, because I'm getting in a lot of playing time and playing against stronger, older girls has really helped me develop in

a good way."

Likes aggressive style

Rodriguez believes the aggressive playing style of U-20 head coach Jitka Klimkova suits her game perfectly.

"I think maybe I didn't want to play defense as much when I was younger, because it wasn't really an attacking position, but now it is," she said. "Now the outside backs, which is what I play, get up and own the field so much more and you're so involved in the game."

"I like to be involved in the game on both sides — defending and attacking," she added. "It gives you a chance to be creative."

The U.S., Rodriguez recalled, tied and lost to Japan in couple of friendly matches last year. She is expecting a strong showing at this year's World Cup and is motivated to do better than what she experienced in the U-17 World Cup.

"I think we're a little more motivated, since we didn't make it out of our group in the U-17s," Rodriguez said. "So I really want to come back here and, hopefully, do a lot better than what we did in that age group."

"I think we have a very good chance at going far in the tournament," she added. "We've really been developing and each camp we've been to, we're getting better and better. We're playing really good soccer right now and we're beating teams we weren't beating before. I think we're going to have a really good shot at winning it."

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Kneen

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The 22-year-old White Lake resident shot a two-day total of 136, tying for first place with Canton's Donnie Trosper and LaSalle's Thomas Demarco. Only the top two players were awarded qualifying spots, which necessitated a playoff.

The playoff did not last long. Trosper birdied, Kneen parred and Demarco shot a bogey on the first hole.

As a result, Kneen and Trosper earned the two qualifying spots. Demarco is the first alternate and Novi's Ben Smith finished fourth with 138 to earn the second alternate position.

"I played 36 holes with Donnie that day. We were in the same group and we were done for a couple of hours," Kneen said. "It didn't look like anyone was going to catch us. Then, in one of the last groups, (Demarco) tied us and we had to go back out after sitting in the clubhouse."

"It was quite a roller-coaster of emotions, but we got back out there and I was able to make it through the playoff. It was a very exciting moment, for sure."

"Going into this qualifier, I was feeling pretty good. I had been playing pretty well all summer and I felt like my confidence was pretty high," he added. "I felt like if I was playing my best game, I'd be able to (qualify). It's tough, because there are only two spots with 70-some players, so you have to be on your game."



Jake Kneen's memorable season includes being named the Horizon League's Golfer of the Year and winning the Michigan Open. WENDY KNEEN

Luckily, I was."

Kneen, who graduated from the International Academy West at Lakeland High School, competed in the 2015 U.S.

Amateur held at reputable Olympia Fields Country Club in Illinois. He did not make it to match play after two days of stroke play.

Valuable experience

Kneen is looking for better results this year and believes having previous U.S. Amateur experience will be a great benefit.

"The first time I played in this, I felt I was kind of star-struck, because I saw a lot of big names that I saw on TV or winning college golf tournaments and national championships, stuff like that," said Kneen, who will play in the Michigan PGA of Champions, which starts July 30. "Now I can go in expecting to see players of that caliber and I think my game is good enough to compete with them."

The U.S. Amateur qualification simply puts a great exclamation point on Kneen's memorable summer.

In his final season at OU, Kneen was named the Horizon League's Golfer of the Year, ranking first on the team and in the league with a 72.76 average. In June, he became just the state's sixth amateur to win the Michigan Open, which was played at Grand Traverse Resort and Spa in Acme.

Needs his total game

Kneen, whose strength is his iron play, realizes he's going to have to pummel Pebble Beach with his all-around

shooting arsenal.

"I'm going to have to be on top of my game out there. It's always been tough. Scores have always been high there for some of the best players in the world," Kneen said. "I'm just going to have to work hard on all facets of my game. I don't think there's going to be any one thing in particular."

"I just really want to go out there and enjoy the experience this year. Playing Pebble Beach is going to be something only happens once in a lifetime, maybe," he added. "I need to soak that in, but by the time the practice rounds are in, I'm going to focus and do the best I can do. I think the No. 1 goal is to make match play and go as far as I can from there."

Following the U.S. Amateur, Kneen plans to take his shot at the pro circuit when he heads to the web.com qualifying tour. In fact, he held off turning pro just so that he could attempt to qualify for the U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach.

"Essentially this summer, I wanted to try for the U.S. Amateur one more time before I turn pro. The plan is to turn pro this fall," Kneen said. "But I was talking to my parents earlier in the year and we said, if I could qualify for the U.S. Amateur this year to play Pebble Beach, that would be something special. It was worth taking a little bit of time to stay amateur before turning pro. Luckily, I did."

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MHSAA news and notes

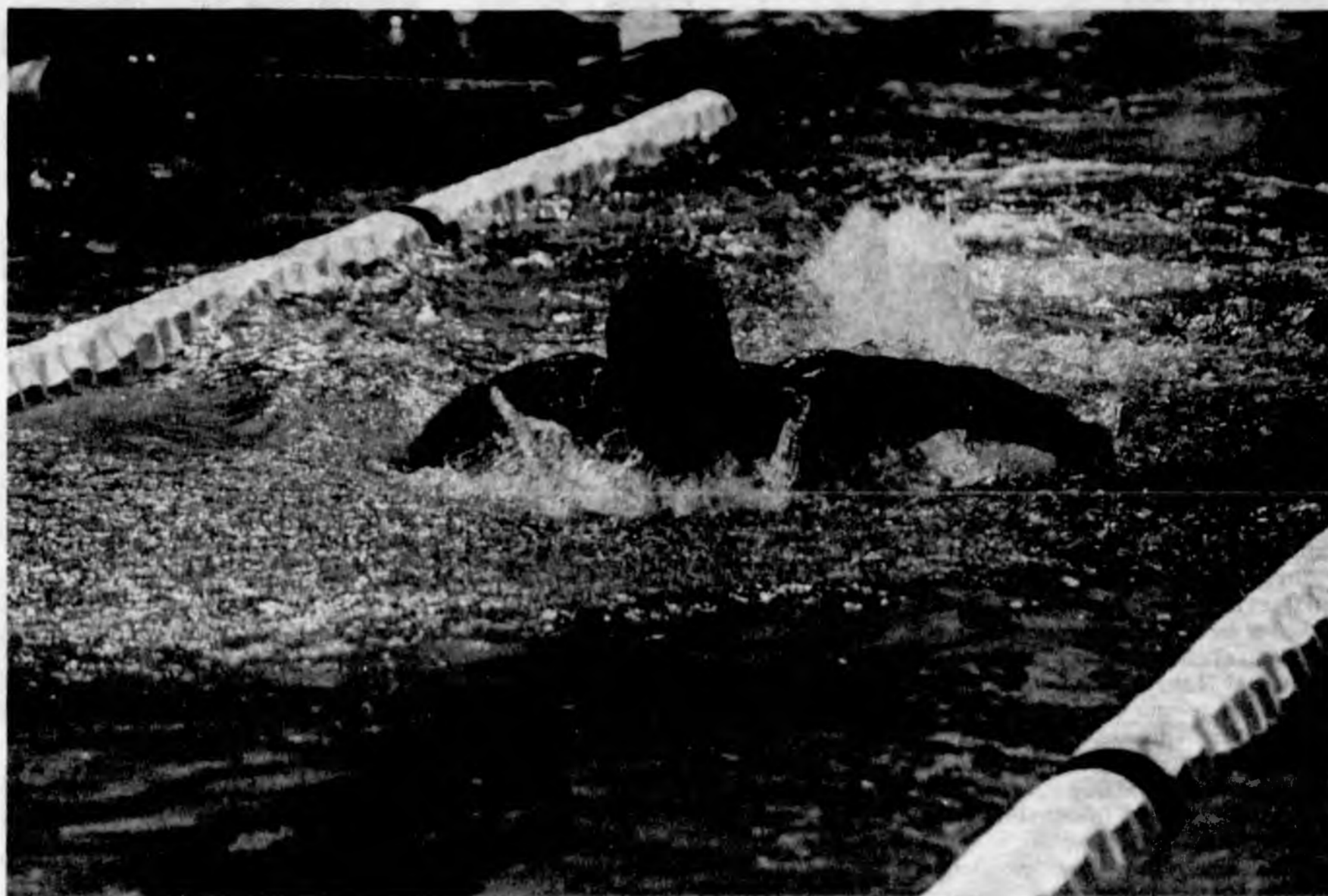
■ The Michigan High School Athletic Association saw a rise in student-athlete participation in the 28 sports in which it sponsors postseason tournaments. A total of 284,920 participants competed in MHSAA-sponsored sports for the 2017-18 school year, up 0.46 percent from 2016-17. It is the best participation rate in four years and occurred despite a 1-percent drop in enrollment among member schools. Girls participation rose for the third straight year (121,349), while boys participation fell to 163,571 — less than one-10th of a percent decline from last year.

■ Jack Fairman from Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood High School is one of eight student-athletes who will be juniors at their schools and have been selected to serve a two-year term on the MHSAA's Student-Advisory Council. The council is a 16-member group that provides feedback on issues impacting educational athletics from a student's perspective. The others selected to the council this year are Grace Beardley (Gladwin); Kaitlyn Bricker (Pellston); Nathan Eccles (Port Huron Northern); Alexis Mohnney (Mattawan); Trevin Phillips (Caro); Isabella Santiago-Lindsay (North Muskegon); and Lance Wiltse (Saginaw Michigan Lutheran Seminary).

Campus clips

■ Len Cierniecki (Seaholm HS/Birmingham), a sophomore at Albion College, was placed on the Scholar All-America Teams as selected by the College Swimming & Diving Coaches Association of America. The award recognizes student-athletes who have achieved a 3.5 or higher grade-point average and competed in their respective NCAA/NAIA/NJCAA championships. Cierniecki achieved All-America status in the 400-yard medley relay at the NCAA Division III Swimming & Diving Championships in March.

■ Addisyn Lewis (Plymouth HS/Canton) is among five recruits — the only one from Michigan — who will join the Malone (Ohio) University women's soccer team this fall. Lewis played for the Wildcats soccer and basketball teams and also excelled academically as she was a four-year recipient of the Scholar-Athlete Award. She also earned the AP



Len Cierniecki (Seaholm HS/Birmingham), a sophomore at Albion College, was placed on the Scholar All-America teams as selected by the College Swimming & Diving Coaches Association of America. ALBION ATHLETICS

Scholar Award and was a member of the National Honor Society. Lewis plans to major in pre-law with a minor in finance.

■ Boston University's Justin Flynn (Rochester Hills/Brother Rice) set the 100-meter record in a gold-medal showing at the recent Patriot League championship meet with a time of 10.45. The time broke the BU school record of 10.48, set by both Cam Williams (2015) and Johann Jack (1998). Flynn also was a member of the 400-meter relay team that placed third, which also included former high school teammate Chiebuka Onwuzurike (Bloomfield Hills/Brother Rice). Flynn competed as a graduate student, while Onwuzurike completed his sophomore year with the Terriers.



Flynn

■ Carlie Castiglione (Northville/Northville) is one of 10 women's soccer recruits for the University of Detroit Mercy. The 5-foot-8 goalie earned three varsity letters for the Mustangs and was credited with more than 225 career saves. Castiglione played club soccer with the Michigan Hawks, Jags and Rush and helped lead her team to the state semifinals. "Carlie is technically sound and will add to our great goal-tending group," U-D head coach Mike Lupenec said. "She is hard-working and very vocal and demands a lot out of her back line. She is also very good with her feet and plays out of the back well."

Kickoff Classic tickets on sale

The Prep Kickoff Classic will be held Aug. 23-25 at Wayne State University and tickets for the three-day football fest are on sale.

The 2018 Xenith Prep Kickoff Classic features seven games at WSU's Tom Adams Field, starting with Oak Park against Utica Eisenhower 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23. The second game that day is Detroit Catholic Central against Walled Lake Western at 7 p.m.

The two Friday games are Allen Park vs. Trenton (4 p.m.) and Davison vs. Southfield A&T (7 p.m.).

The three-game Saturday slate starts with Center Line against Madison Heights Madison (noon) and continues with Detroit Cass Tech against River Rouge (3 p.m.) and Detroit King vs. East St. Louis (Ill.).

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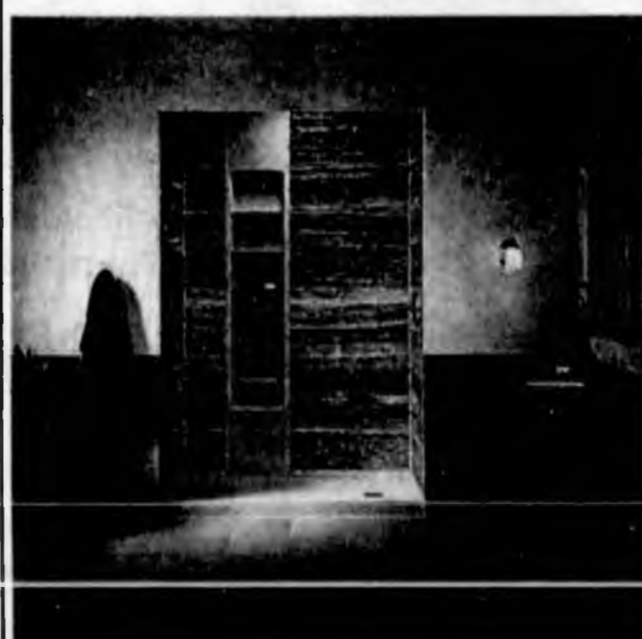
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GIRLS SOCCER

Eichenlaub captures Gatorade state honor

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Bloomfield Hills Marian's Jansen Eichenlaub recently was honored as the 2017-18 Gatorade Michigan Girls Soccer Player of the Year.

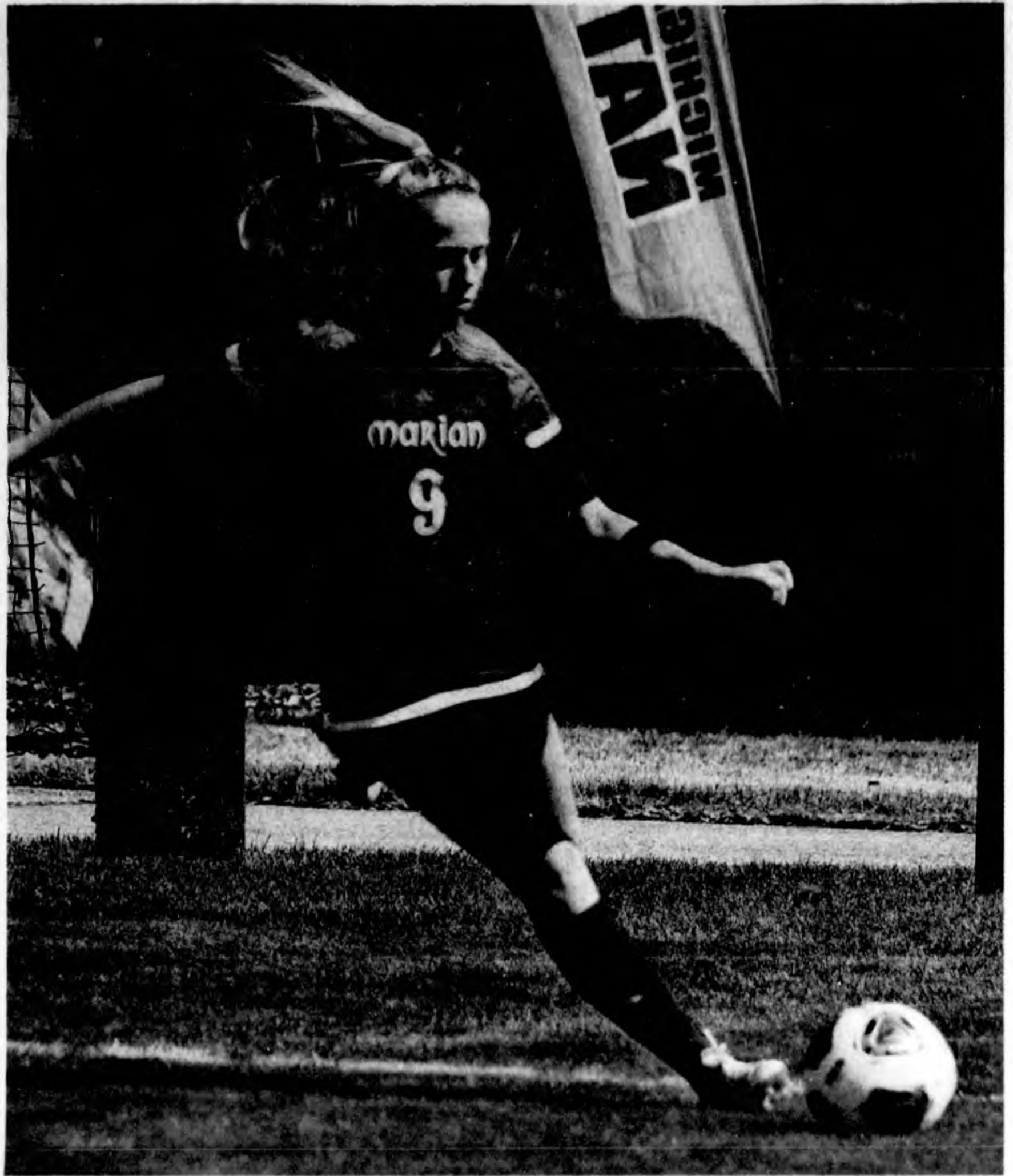
The award recognizes Eichenlaub, who last month led Marian to a second straight Class B state championship, as Michigan's best high school girls soccer player. She is the first Marian player to win the award and joins an elite list of past national winners, including Alexi Lalas (Cranbrook, 1987-88), Abby Wambach (Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y., 1997-98) and Mallory Pugh (Mountain Vista, Colo., 2014-15).

The senior-to-be at Marian scored a team-high 34 goals and helped the Mustangs finish with an undefeated (19-0-1) record this past season. She posted eight multi-goal games — five hat tricks — and made the all-state Dream Team for the second straight season.

Eichenlaub, who has committed to play soccer at the University of Virginia, maintains a 3.74 grade-point average.

A few of the recent Michigan girls soccer players who have won the award are Megan Buckingham (Northville, 2013-14), Madi Lewis (Plymouth, 2012-13) and Olivia Brannon (Athens, 2010-11).

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Jansen Eichenlaub, who will be a senior at Bloomfield Hills Marian this fall, recently was named Michigan's Gatorade Player of the Year for soccer. MARTY BUDNER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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YOUTH WRESTLING

South Lyon's Honiss runner-up in Cadet Nationals

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South Lyon's Max Honiss earned a podium spot with a runner-up finish in Greco Roman style wrestling during last week's U.S. Marine Corps Junior and Cadet Nationals held in Fargo, N.D.

The incoming ninth-grader, a member of the Michigan Matcats, earned spot in the nationals after taking a top four finish in May at the USA Wrestling Central Regional in Ada, Ohio, after placing in the top two at the state finals.

After missing the freestyle podium at the Central Regional, Honiss regrouped and dedicated himself to seven grueling weeks of Greco Roman training while watching his weight, according to Matcats coach Steve Richardson.

During the eight-day tourney in Fargo, Honiss walked through his bracket to place second overall.

"Max could have called it a season and been content with his qualifier status, but that wouldn't be his style," Richardson said. "A freshman is not supposed to compete at Fargo. A freshman is not supposed to win a match, a freshman most definitely is not supposed to make it to the round of 32. Max has ignored every 'supposed to' and did things his way. I, along with all of his coaches, are extremely proud of Max for his accomplishments and look forward to his high school season next year."

Triple crowns

The Matcats boasted five All-Ameri-

cans, including three who completed triple crown titles in freestyle, Greco Roman and folkstyle following the AAU Grand Nationals held July 19-21 at Fraser Hockeyland.

Both Gavin Boller and Drake Pollins made it through each event without having a point scored on them.

"These two have dedicated the last nine months of their lives to wrestling. It's fitting to see them celebrate their goals as nationals champions," Richardson said. "Both are true leaders that every Matcat looks up to."

Travis Richardson also went undefeated for his third straight AAU National and completed his triple crown, much to the delight of his father.

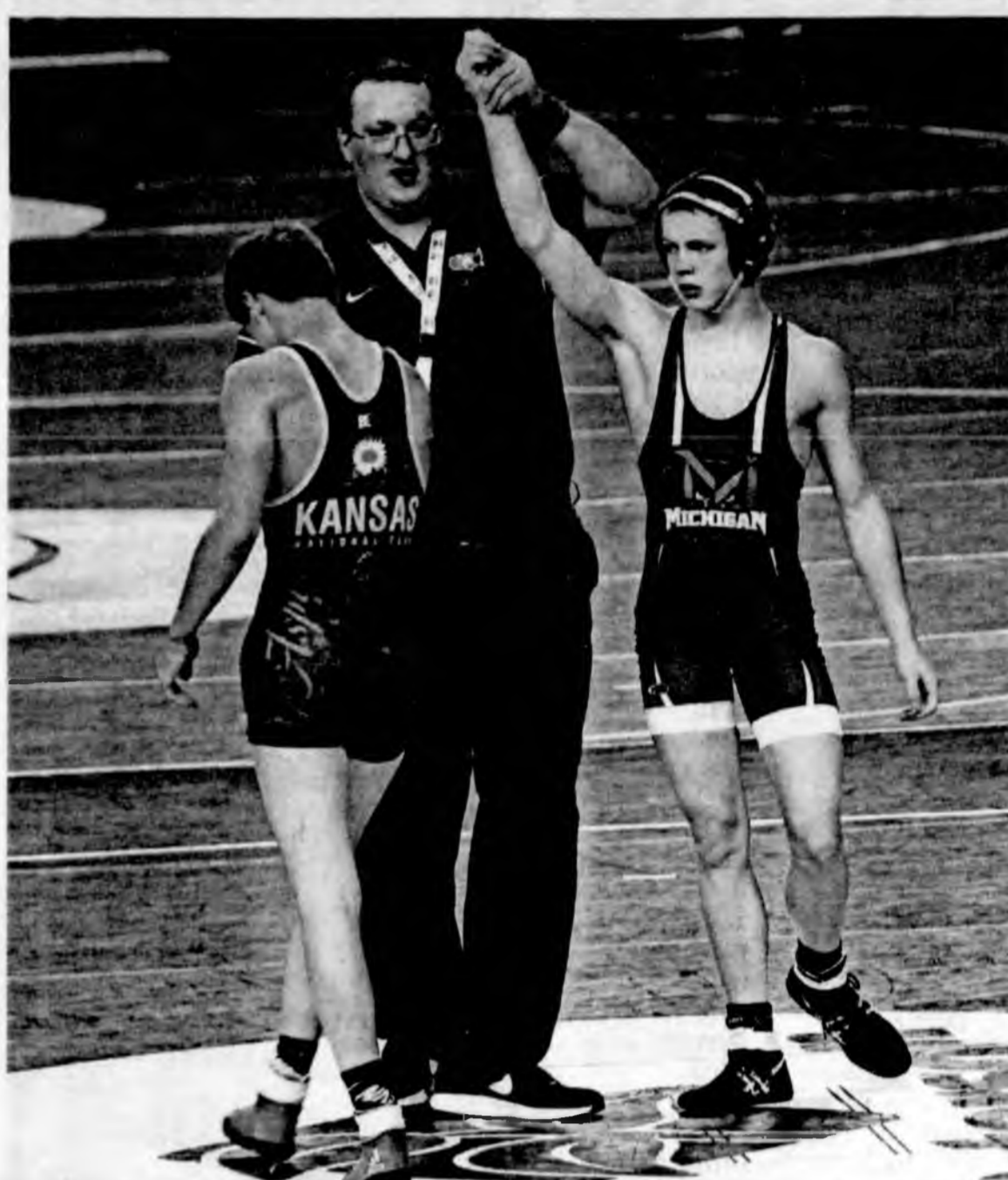
"Being the coach's son is extremely hard," Steve Richardson said. "He rarely gets recognition, seldom gets any lime-light and almost never gets any accolades from the head coach or anyone on the staff. Travis would not have it any other way. He leads by example and never wants attention drawn to him."

Travis Richardson deflected the praise and credited his teammates.

"There are so many Matcats that deserve recognition each week," he said. "I want them to shine, I want to see their names. That's what keeps our team big and competitive."

Meanwhile, Matcats member Rayna Richardson gained national runner-up honors, while teammate Jace Garcia was third in folkstyle.

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South Lyon wrestler Max Honiss (right) gets his arm raised during the U.S. Marine Corps Junior and Cadet Nationals in Fargo, N.D. RANDY HONISS

RUNNING

Sowa reaps Northville Road Runner Classic title

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Dan Sowa proved Saturday he was up to the challenge for the newly designed Northville Road Runner Classic 8-kilometer course.

The 24-year-old from Farmington Hills, who placed second a year ago, gradually pulled away from runner-up Adam Lawrence of Royal Oak to earn the 8K title in 30 minutes, 14.23 seconds, in the 13th annual event held at historic Maybury State Park in Northville.

Sowa, a Pittsburgh native who ran middle distance in track and cross country at Ohio Northern University from 2012-16, averaged 6:05 per mile, while Lawrence finished in 31:41 (6:23 pace). Plymouth's Kevin Pline was third in 32:55.

"It was definitely humid and hilly, but I just pushed through it and ran a good race," said Sowa, a mechanical engineer for Design Systems, Inc. "The second-place runner (Lawrence) was with me for a little bit in the trails at the start, then I felt myself pull away."

The toughest stretch on the newly designed 8K course was a steep climb on a gravel road just prior to the three-mile mark.

"What made it difficult was running by myself and the hills, for sure," said Sowa, who joined the Northville Road Runners as a club member in 2016. "I thought it was a great course, definitely improved over last year. I think it's a good run for anybody to run."

South Lyon's Amy Hartman was the overall female winner in the 8K, leading 40 entrants with a first-place clocking of 42:17.59 (8:31 pace). Northville's Jasmine Beltrame was runner-up in 43:46, while Redford's Sarah Romanik was third in 45:58.

The 8K masters (40-and-over) male and female champions, respectively, were Canton's Tomochiro Muramatsu (33:23.24) and Northville's Elizabeth Sankaran (45:46.09).

In the 5K race, Jeff Novak (Plymouth) came away with the title with a time of 19:35.26. Novak, a U.S. Coast Guard Detroit Sector captain, averaged 6:19 per mile and finished almost a minute ahead of Ann Arbor's Ryan Moore (20:34) and Northville's Benjamin Hartigan (20:51) to lead the men's field.

Northville's Katie Johnston averaged 6:44 per mile to win the female 5K in 20:54, while Plymouth's Amy Master-nak was runner-up in 21:49. Hartland's Megan Moore placed third (25:40).

Master-nak, a Detroit school teacher and breast cancer survivor, was the female masters champion, while Farmington Hills' Takeshi Chikagawa was the masters male winner in 21:03 (6:47 per mile).



The 8K runners get off to a fast start in the Northville Road Runners Classic at Maybury State Park. E. MARIA FOX

"It was definitely humid and hilly, but I just pushed through it and ran a good race."

Dan Sowa
Farmington Hills resident

The 5K race drew a total of 87 competitors, while the 8K had 97. The event also included one-mile fun run-walk. All participants received finisher medals and tech shirts.

All proceeds were donated to the Friends of Maybury.

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Northville's Kathy Johnston was the overall female winner in the Northville Road Runner Classic 5K. E. MARIA FOX



Dan Sowa of Farmington Hills was the overall winner in the 8K at the Northville Road Runner Classic. E. MARIA FOX

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Aldridge makes his pitch for another shot at major leagues

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Keaton Aldridge is hoping to make the most of another opportunity.

The hard-throwing right-handed pitcher from Birmingham is currently playing with the Eastside Diamond Hoppers in the United Shore Professional Baseball League. The ultimate goal is to return to a Major League Baseball affiliate after being released by the New York Mets last year.

"I still wouldn't be playing if I didn't think I could make it back (to Major League Baseball)," Aldridge said. "It's not all rainbows and sunshine, but unless something happens injury-wise, my goal is to make it back to affiliated ball and try to get to the big leagues as quickly as possible while getting better playing (in the USPBL)."

"This is a unique situation. It's a different kind of league. We don't play every day, which most leagues do. Honestly, in a lot of independent leagues, it's tough to get picked up out of, but I know they have a good relationship here with scouts and farm directors and people like that."

"So I took the opportunity and I'm thankful for the opportunity and it's good," he added. "I'm very happy and it's working out well."

An interesting transition

Aldridge, who turns 26 Friday, has thus far leap-frogged through a rather interesting baseball career in which he has transitioned from one side of the battery to the other.

During his high school and college careers, he was a catcher.

After attending Birmingham Seaholm High School as a freshman and sophomore, Aldridge transferred to Glenwood High School in Phenix City, Ala., graduating in 2011.

Aldridge earned an athletic scholarship to the University of Memphis, where he played for three years. In his final year as a junior, he hit .300 while starting 29 of 38 games. He then transferred to the University of Tampa to finish his college career and was a member of the Spartans' NCAA Division II national championship team.

Even though Aldridge went undrafted after graduating from Tampa in 2015, he never gave up his dream of playing in the major leagues. Because of his strong arm, scouts from the New York Mets saw potential and signed the 6-foot-2, 205-pounder as a free agent with the intent of turning him into a pitcher.

The conversion had a painful start.

Twenty pitches into his pro debut in fall 2015 with the Mets' Rookie League team in Port St. Lucie, Fla., he blew out his right elbow.

"I didn't even make it through my first inning of pro ball. I wasn't very happy, to say the least," Aldridge said. "I was just signed and playing on one of the back fields and I blew it out on my 20th pitch. I had been throwing bullpens and live BPs, but this was my first game of rookie ball."

Dream has never wavered

Aldridge underwent Tommy John surgery — ulnar collateral ligament reconstruction — and missed the entire 2016 season.

After extensive rehab, Aldridge restarted his career as a closer in 2017 for the Brooklyn Cyclones, the Mets' Sin-



Birmingham native Keaton Aldridge is playing this summer for the Eastside Diamond Hoppers in the USPBL and still entertaining dreams of returning to a Major League Baseball affiliate. MATT CRIPSEY

gle-A affiliate in the New York-Penn League. He eventually got called up to the organization's Single-A affiliate Columbia in the South Atlantic League.

The Mets then released Aldridge, but the dream has never wavered.

Aldridge's passion for baseball led him home to the USPBL.

"I got released kind of out of nowhere by the Mets last October. I threw for a bunch of teams just to kind of keep it together," Aldridge said. "I'm from Birmingham and I had the opportunity to come home and live at home for the first time in nine years and it's been a pretty good opportunity."

Aldridge, whose grandfather Stan owns Indianwood Golf & Country Club in Lake Orion, said it's rewarding to be playing in his hometown.

"It's nice. My parents would also come to see me play, but they never got to see me on a consistent basis," Aldridge said. "I have friends who had never seen me play because I have been all over the country. Now they get to come and enjoy it. It's a unique opportunity, for sure."

USPBL offers hope

Thanks to some tutoring from Justin Orenduff, the USPBL's director of baseball operations and a Los Angeles Dodgers draftee who was a two-time All-America pitcher at George Washington and VCU, and the coaching of manager Paul Noce, Aldridge has found some success.

Aldridge is a closer for the Eastside Diamond Hoppers and has pitched 14 innings in 13 games. He has earned two saves, the latest in a 3-2 win over the Utica Unicorns during which he allowed one run but struck out the side in the bottom of the ninth inning.

"It's been going well. I've been having



Birmingham native Keaton Aldridge, who has made the transition from catcher to pitcher, aims to make the most of his opportunity in the USPBL. MATT CRIPSEY

some success," Aldridge said. "I added a new pitch about six weeks ago with a new little curve ball that I throw now and then. But it's really just been working on fastball command and moving the ball around the plate."

"I'm mainly attached to my fastball. I mean I'm 93, 95, but I can run it up to 96 (mph). I've been groomed to be a late-inning reliever. I'm a little bit on the crazy side, so it's worked out well."

"I know pitch sequencing and reading hitters quite well just from being behind the plate for so long," he added. "It's definitely been a benefit for the pitching side. Every time you go out there, you're working on stuff, trying to get better and learning different things."

Aldridge can take hope from former Hoppers teammate Logan Gillaspie.

Like Aldridge, Gillaspie is a former catcher turned pitcher. He recently became the 22nd USPBL player to catch on with a Major League Baseball organization as he signed a contract with the

Milwaukee Brewers.

"Realistically for me, it was pro ball or bust. I enjoyed myself in college and I got a great degree," said Aldridge, who majored in international business. "But I wasn't going through all of that just to hang it up after I graduated."

"I'm trying to make it to affiliated ball and, eventually, to the big leagues. And once that doesn't happen, I'm done. Once that dream is gone, I'll be hanging it up, gather my thoughts and think about what I want to go into."

"I couldn't be more thankful for the opportunity and I hope to take advantage of it," he added. "It's nice to be back home to go through the ranks and get back to affiliated ball."

The USPBL, in its third season of play at Jimmy John's Field in Utica, is meeting its goals of providing affordable family entertainment while sending players on to Major League Baseball affiliates. Aldridge aims to be another one of those players.

Michigan connections

Aldridge is not the only player from Michigan playing in the four-team USPBL. Following are the others listed on the rosters:

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD BEAVERS: Seth Freed (infield), Bay City; Jack Hranec (infield), Orionville; Todd Weiss (outfield), Bloomfield Hills.

EASTSIDE DIAMOND HOPPERS: Pat Adams (outfield), Warren.

UTICA UNICORNS: Donald Goodson (utility/pitcher), Detroit.

WESTSIDE WOOLLY MAMMOTHS: Clifton Landess III (pitcher), Carleton; Ethan Wiskur (outfield), Clio.

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Canton's Lloyd newest MU men's signee

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Canton High's Luke Lloyd is among the latest class of signees for Madonna University men's soccer coach Mark Zathay.

Lloyd, a center back who also played for the Downriver Rush Soccer Club, is joined by 2018 recruits Lucas Rea and Zak Merchant, Livonia Stevenson; Ronnie Kaczmarek and Nik Upshur, Salem; Joshua Butkevich, Westland John Glenn; Jacob Tremonti, Northville; Anthony Saucedo, Taylor Truman; Waseem Muthana, Hamtramck; and Francismary Eberechukwu Umejiego (De-

troit Mumford/Marygrove College).

The alumni game and senior day is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11, at Madonna.

Madonna opens the regular season at 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, at Northwood University. MU's home opener will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, against the University of St. Francis.

The Crusaders finished 16-4-1 overall and 9-1-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference a year ago while reaching the second round of the NAIA national tournament.

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Canton center back Luke Lloyd (left) signed an NAIA letter of intent with Madonna University coach Mark Zathay.

Q&A

What's best way to dig out of \$50K in debt?

Question: I'm 64. My credit score is about 656. For different reasons over a long period of time — including unemployment and health issues — I accumulated credit card debt of about \$50,000.

I intend to take out an unsecured personal loan, but I don't want it to have a negative impact on my credit score. I have a job now and I will pay my monthly payments on time. But what will happen if I cannot continue my payments to the lender? If I should file for bankruptcy, which is worse: defaulting on credit card debt or an unsecured personal loan?

If I try to negotiate a reduction of my debt with the creditors, do you think this procedure will be successful and not take too long? And what is a nonprofit debt relief company/agency, and how could they help me?

Bottom line: What strategy would you implement to resolve the debt problem if you were in my place? Do you think I could avoid bankruptcy?



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Answer: An unsecured personal loan can be an effective way to consolidate debt without hurting your credit score, as long as you can make all the payments on time, says April Lewis-Parks, director of education and corporate communications at Consolidated Credit, a credit counseling organization.

Depending on the term you choose, this option may reduce the monthly payment amount, "which can help because it allows you to balance your budget so you can stop making new charges and focus on debt repayment," she says.

If you use a loan to consolidate, it zeros out your credit card balances but typically leaves the accounts open. "As a result, you can run up new debt before you pay the loan off," she says. "This is why it's critical to create a budget that ensures you can live without using credit cards until you at least have your debt completely paid off."

Should you default on your unsecured personal loan, the lender would have to sue you in civil court to get a judgment to force repayment, Lewis-Parks says. "However, the worst outcome you could expect would be that the judge would order something like wage or tax refund garnishment."

Lewis-Parks also says you can try to negotiate repayment plans on your own with each creditor. But results may vary. Success depends on the creditor, your

history as a customer, the status of your debt and even whom you talk to in the customer service department.

If you decide to negotiate with your creditors, make it clear that you want to repay everything you charged in full, says Lewis-Parks. "If you settle for any less than the full amount owed, then you will damage your credit."

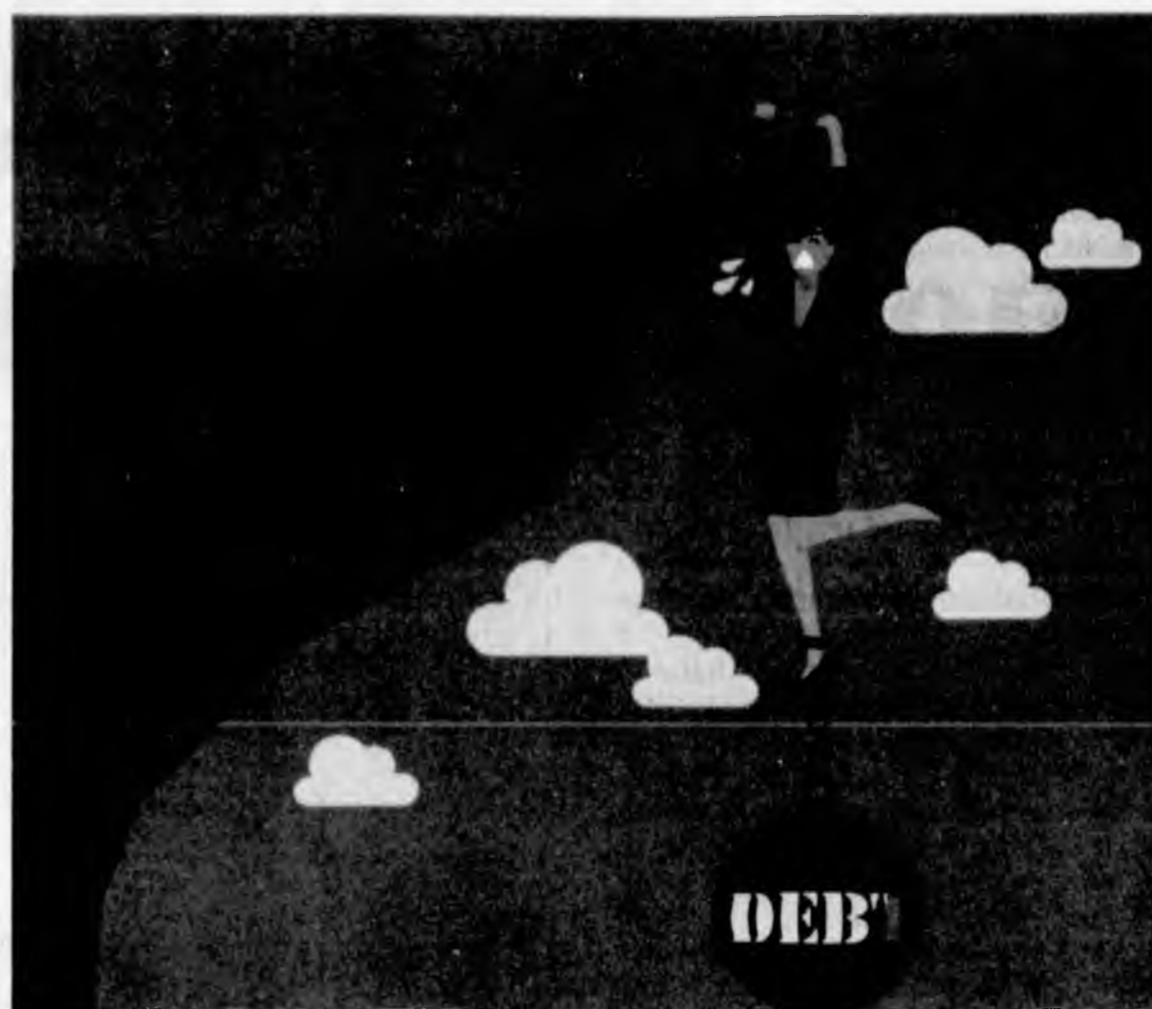
As for your question about a nonprofit debt relief company/agency, or what is also known as a credit counseling agency (such as Consolidated Credit), "These organizations basically offer a professionally assisted repayment plan," she says. "It's not a loan because you still owe your original creditors."

The agency talks to each creditor to set up a repayment plan and reduce or eliminate interest charges. It's the same as you negotiating with creditors on your own, except the agency can negotiate a single repayment plan that covers all your debts, she says.

Lewis-Parks says these agencies also have established relationships with creditors and proven records of helping other consumers get out of debt. "As a result, they often have more success negotiating on your behalf than if you try to negotiate on your own," she says.

There are other advantages to using a professional nonprofit debt relief company as well, she says.

"First, once you set up the repayment plan, all of your credit card accounts are frozen until you pay off your debt. This may seem like a disadvantage, but it keeps you from making new charges, which is one of the biggest pitfalls of



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consolidating debt on your own."

What's more, the credit counseling team will also help you set up a budget, so it's easier to manage your money and live credit-free while you're enrolled. "These programs are often more effective at helping people break bad credit habits," she says. Working with a nonprofit debt relief company should not damage your credit as long as the plan is set up correctly and you make all your payments on time, she says.

Fees charged by the agency are based on a person's budget, how many credit cards they have and how much they owe. The average client pays about \$40 a month, she says. The fees vary by state but are limited to \$79 a month.

The good news is that, given the situation described, the creditor in question should be able to avoid bankruptcy, says Lewis-Parks. "And as long as you repay everything you charged in full and avoid debt settlement, you shouldn't damage your credit either," she says.

As for which option is better — unsecured personal consolidation loan or repayment plan — that really depends on you and your budget.

With \$50,000 to repay, you are right at the cusp of what most people can af-

ford to repay with an unsecured personal consolidation loan, says Lewis-Parks. Plus, you'll likely need to use the maximum term to get payments you can afford, which is usually 48 to 60 payments, depending on the lender.

"On the other hand, the repayment plan that you enroll in through a nonprofit debt relief company is designed to help consumers deal with larger volumes of debt," she says.

So, it's up to you, says Lewis-Parks. "If you can afford the monthly payments on an unsecured debt consolidation loan and you think you can balance your budget and stop charging, then you may be able to go it alone," she says. "However, if you're concerned you won't be able to stop charging, do-it-yourself consolidation can be risky."

But if you try to consolidate on your own and start to run into trouble, you can still decide to work with a debt relief company.

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Time to talk about estate planning with parents

It's a sensitive topic, so establish a rapport first

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When you were a young'un, your parents may have sat you down to talk about the "birds and the bees." Now it's time to turn the tables and address another uncomfortable topic: *their* finances.

Such conversations mark a reversal in the traditional parent-child dynamic and also can be fraught with concerns over independence, trust and mortality.

As a result, in many cases these talks don't happen at all, and a perceived lack of urgency is to blame, according to a survey conducted this year by Wells Fargo.

Roughly one-third of parents over the age of 60 say they've never discussed later-life needs with family, including inheritance plans, beneficiaries, important documents or designated representatives, according to the survey. Meanwhile, adult children worry such conversations will cause conflict or make it seem as though they're after their parents' money.

As daunting as it may seem, it's important to have "the talk" about finances with your parents to help protect them from scams and elder abuse, which cost Americans more than \$36 billion each year, according to financial services firm True Link Financial.

These conversations also ensure that a rapid-response plan is in place in the event of disability and that there are no surprises after your parents die, says Ron Long, head of regulatory affairs and elder client initiatives at Wells Fargo Advisors.

These four tips can open lines of communication.

1. Start with one conversation

When's a good time to sit your parents down for a hard conversation about their financial well-being, plans for the future, and important legal and financial documents like a will, power of attorney or health care directives?



Share your end-of-life goals and get your parents to do so, too. GETTY IMAGES

Don't wait for tragedy to strike. A study by Ameriprise Financial found that a life-altering incident was the trigger for 90 percent of children who'd actually discussed estate planning with their parents.

Instead, carve out time for a family meeting — perhaps on Mother's Day, Father's Day or the Friday after Thanksgiving — when all the children are present, Long recommends. "It's a good way to get the conversation started, and then you can do a refresher or update down the road."

The first conversation should serve as a door-opener. There are weighty decisions at play — which may change over time with your parents' mental or physical health — so don't expect a one-and-done conversation.

2. Start with the basics

Talking about money inspires reactions ranging from secretive to forthright. Even if your parents aren't particularly prickly about discussing their finances, it's prudent to ease into such conversations.

Long says a strategy that's "very

Carve out time for a family meeting — perhaps on Mother's Day, Father's Day or the Friday after Thanksgiving — when all the children are present.

helpful" is approaching discussions from a group-planning perspective — sharing what end-of-life goals you're considering and asking your parents about theirs. "Remember, these are subjects that a lot of older folks hold close to their hearts," he says.

Be sensitive in that initial talk. Think less interrogative (how much money's at stake and who gets what?) and more collaborative (exchanging information about where accounts are held or who has power of attorney).

3. Broach serious topics

Once you've established a rapport, tackle topics that make either you or your parents uncomfortable, including the morose (funeral arrangements or declining health) and the dangerous (financial scams targeting seniors that

could wipe out their savings).

Don't let the prospect of an awkward conversation now create a bigger headache in the future. Strive for this balance: confronting reality head-on without infantilizing or offending your parents. A bad way to deal? Shutting down future conversations when talks are strained. A better way to deal? Involving other family members to facilitate discussion or working with a financial adviser to handle trickier topics.

4. Leave judgment at the door

Conversations with your parents may reveal wildly different opinions about how to handle finances. You're asking them to part with sensitive information; promise a judgment-free zone in return.

Because of the prevalence of financial abuse — it's estimated one in five elders have been affected — urge your parents to flag potential scams. Don't shame them for ill-advised financial decisions or falling victim to fraud. Focus on prevention, via routine communication about finances and keeping documents accurate and up-to-date.

Da Vinci exhibit opens at Cranbrook

Cranbrook Institute of Science is bringing to life the Italian Renaissance through the mind and vision of Leonardo da Vinci in Da Vinci Machines and Robotics, presented by PNC Bank. The exhibition opened to the public July 21. Showcasing da Vinci's dynamic inventions, paintings, sculptures and architecture, visitors will have the opportunity to interact with more than 60 machines, developed from original da Vinci drawings, including flying machines, nautical, hydraulic and architectural innovations, groundbreaking advancements in civil engineering and war machines.

"Da Vinci is an interactive exhibit where guests can touch and even operate reconstructed models of da

Vinci's extraordinary machines," said Michael D. Stafford, Ph.D., director of Cranbrook Institute of Science. "Kids of all ages will be immersed in design thinking as they operate da Vinci's machines. Adults will enjoy witnessing all of his masterpieces under one roof, and everyone will appreciate seeing the world's first helicopter, tank, scuba gear, car and more."

Reproductions of da Vinci's works of art, including some of the world's most famous paintings, the Mona Lisa and The Last Supper, rare copies of his codices (collections of his famous scientific writings), giant art panels, computer animations of his work and film screenings will be available to visitors.

The exhibit is open during regular business hours, with ticket prices ranging from \$6 to \$8, in addition to general museum admission. For information on hours and pricing, go to science.cranbrook.edu. The exhibit runs through Jan. 13, 2019.

Additionally, the Institute of Science will host A Summer Evening with da Vinci for its members 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 2. This exclusive evening will feature hands-on activities for children and further exploration of the Italian Renaissance at 7 p.m. Anyone who purchases a membership before the members-only event will have the opportunity to participate in member activities.



Greenmead in Livonia is hosting a Touch-A-Truck event Saturday.

Three fun events to check out this weekend

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The summer movie season is nearly at an end, making way for movies you haven't seen trailers for until a week before they're released. Apparently there's a romantic comedy called Dog Days coming out?

But the summer festival season? ...Well, that's getting to be *near* the end, but there's still plenty happening around town here at the end of July. If you want to get out and about this weekend, check out these three events happening this upcoming weekend.

Touch-a-Truck at Greenmead in Livonia

If you love pancakes and giant construction equipment, there's an oddly perfect event for you happening this weekend at Eight Mile and Newburgh.

The Churchill Rotary Interact Club and Rotary Club of Livonia AM will host the Touch-A-Truck event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Greenmead Historical Village, 20501 Newburgh in Livonia. The event will feature plenty of big trucks, such as public service; emergency; utility and construction, for those young and old to come and get a close look.

In addition, the city's historical commission will offer a pancake breakfast, though it won't be a traditional stationary breakfast. The 'cakes will fly at the the Alexander Blue House from 8 a.m. to noon. To catch these, you'll need to hold your plate steady as your pancakes are flipped through the air from the grill by Chris Cakes, who's been featured on the Food Network. Cost for the breakfast is \$8 per person, cash only. In addition, the village will be open for tours beginning at 11 a.m.

More information can be found at livoniaamrotary.com/touch-a-truck-2018.

Pour on the Shore in Novi

Drinks will flow along the shores of Walled Lake this weekend in Novi.

The fourth annual Pour on the Shore will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Friday at Pavilion Lakeshore Park, located at 43390 13 Mile on the south shore of Walled Lake. Put on by the Novi Parks Foundation, the event will feature food trucks, live music by the Social Bandits and eight pours from local beer and wine producers.

Tickets for the event are \$45 and can be purchased online or at Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services in the Novi Civic Center. Parking for the event can be done at Vibe Credit Union located at 44575 W. 12 Mile, where a shuttle will take event-goers.

More information can be found by visiting the Novi Parks Foundation website at noviparksfoundation.org.

Da Vinci work at Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills

Head back in time to the Renaissance in Bloomfield Hills and explore the work of one of history's most famous inventors.

"Da Vinci Machines and Robotics" may have opened last week at the Cranbrook Institute of Science, 39221 Woodward Ave., but it's a great option to head to if you're looking to escape the heat. A special exhibit at the world-famous science center, it contains more than 75 exhibits and reproductions made from the famous Italian scientist and artist's manuscripts.

Admission for the exhibit is not included in regular science center admission fees. More information on the display, including ticket prices, can be found at Cranbrook's website at science.cranbrook.edu.

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Head chef leaves popular Ferndale restaurants

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USA TODAY NETWORK

It's hard enough to run one restaurant kitchen, but Milford native Brandon Zarb's first gig as executive chef meant running two of metro Detroit's busiest.

Now, after three years at the helm of the high-volume Ferndale restaurants Imperial and Public House, Zarb is moving on.

Beginning Aug. 1, the chef will have a new title: culinary paraprofessional educator at Rising Stars Academy.

Based in Center Line, Rising Stars teaches culinary skills to special needs students between the ages of 18-26 with the goal of getting them employed within two years.

"I'm just looking to do something that's going to be a little bit more fulfilling and meaningful," Zarb said. "I love cooking food. I love being a chef and I'll go back to it. This isn't the end of the road for me. But Rising Stars actually changes people's lives. It actually contributes to a community in a way that a good restaurant can't really do."

Zarb said he'll teach students everything from safety and sanitation to knife skills and cooking methods.

But there's more to it than that.

"I also just kinda want to teach them some social skills you want to mix in there," he said. "One of the goals is to boost the confidence of a lot of these students. A kitchen can be an intimidating place for anybody, let alone someone that has some kind of intellectual disability."

Zarb said the program also helps fill a labor shortage in the food-service industry, which is only projected to worsen in Michigan over the next few years.



Milford native Brandon Zarb is leaving to teach culinary skills to special needs students at Rising Stars Academy. MARK KURLYANDCHIK | DETROIT FREE PRESS

The 31-year-old gave notice July 20 of his departure to the Working Class Outlaws hospitality group, which runs both restaurants.

It's initially unclear what the chef's departure means for the group's long-delayed forthcoming venture, the Asian-inspired AntiHero located next to Public House on West Nine Mile.

"I don't know when that restaurant is going to open up," Zarb said of AntiHero. "I've written and R&D-ed an entire menu for them. I'm happy to stay involved in that type of context almost as a consultant, but that stuff is going to be up to them."

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Thomas H. Larsen

- - Tom was born July 9, 1931, the son of Lawrence and Marjorie (Pickens) Larsen. He was raised in Livonia, MI, and graduated from Plymouth High School. Tom worked in banking for many years before going to work for Ford Motor Company as a Hi-Lo driver. Never idle, Tom had a side business as a handy man, and also obtained his builder's license. After retiring in 1996, he and his wife, Diane, moved to Canadian Lakes where he finished the entire inside of their home. Tom became an active member of the Canadian Lakes Players building sets and side stages while acting in numerous plays for 20 years. A true comedian, Tom could quickly light up a room and was always a ray of sunshine to his wife and children. He was a "hands on grandpa", never afraid to get on the ground to wrestle and play. During winter months, Tom and Diane would stay in Florida where he was a member of a kitchen band playing the washboard. Although he was never an exceptional golfer, Tom did manage to get three hole-in-ones on Florida courses, for which he was very proud.

Tom could best be described as kind, always willing to lend a hand, funny, and generous with his time.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 34 years, Diane Larsen; son's, Michael (Marilyn) Larsen, Jeffrey (Angel) Larsen, and Craig (Kim) Larsen; daughter, Lori (Jason) Martin; step-son, Cameron (Linda) Ramsey; 13 grandchildren; one step-granddaughter; 11 great-grandchildren, and his beloved dog, Gizmo.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents; son, Brian Larsen; step-son, Char Ramsey; brother, Lawrence Larsen, and sister, Patricia Korte.

Those desiring may direct memorial contributions to the Alzheimer's Association, or to New Hope United Methodist Church, in memory of Tom.

Friends may share a memory with the family online at JanowiczFH.com.



Arlene Bussiere

MILFORD - The family is sad to announce the passing of Arlene Mae (Hakala) Bussiere of Milford, Michigan on July 14, 2018. Arlene was born June 16, 1939 in Dearborn, Michigan to Matthew and Ellen (Koski) Hakala.

Arlene is survived by a son Charles Jac Bussiere (Peggy Haley), granddaughter Caycee Lynn Bussiere (Ryan Canady); sister Lois Staber; brother Thomas Hakala (Christie (Jody) Hakala); nephews, John Staber, Paul Staber (Shari Bernstein), Benjamin Hakala, Andrew Hakala, (Chrystal Charlton), Kalle Hakala (Jennifer Bloom); niece Marcia Staber (T. Michael Redd, Jr.); great nephews, Travis and Zachary Perna, Wyatt Staber, Samuel Staber; great nieces, Hannah Perna and Ella Hakala; and very good friend Pat Cullen.

A memorial service will take place on August 1, 2018 at All Saints Lutheran Church, 12701 Highland Road, Hartland, Michigan at 1:00 p.m.

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Thomas Richard Galuszka

SOUTH LYON -

Thomas Richard Galuszka, of South Lyon, passed away after a battle with myofibrosis, on July 19, 2018. He was 75 years old. He is survived by his wife, Pam Galuszka of 31 years; children, Jeff Galuszka, Renee (Scott) Bingham., Kellie Haudman, and Amy (Mark) Churella; grandchildren, Madison, Jacob and Lola; sister, Evelyn (Andy Desso) Pasko as well as extended family and many dear friends. Thomas was preceded in death by his son, Keith Aaron Galuszka; his parents, John Frank and Genevieve Galuszka and brother, Richard (Sue) Galuszka.

Mass of the Resurrection was held at St. Patrick Parish, Brighton on July 24, 2018. The Rev. Fr. Mathias Thelen officiated. Burial South Lyon Cemetery.

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What to do when your new raise isn't enough

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For many of us, there's nothing quite as exhilarating in our professional careers as the day we get a raise. In addition to having some extra money coming our way on a regular basis, it's a nice acknowledgment that our hard work and effort is appreciated. However, sometimes these moments don't go exactly as we envisioned. What do you do when you get a raise, but it's not quite as much as you were hoping for?

The "insufficient raise" can be a very tricky situation to handle. On the one hand, you don't want to show a lack of appreciation for the gesture, which hopefully came with good intentions. You also likely don't want to adopt an adversarial or hostile position with your boss. On the other hand, you don't want the powers that be at your job to think that you're a complete pushover with no ambition who can be bought off cheaply. You want to make sure that you're being fairly compensated for all of your hard work and effort. So, how do you proceed when you find yourself in this unfortunate position?

Don't react emotionally

Take a deep breath, relax and realize that you won't be



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doing yourself any favors by acting on your emotions.

Logic and reason are your best tools to convince your managers that you deserve a larger raise, so don't let them see you at your less-than-professional best.

If you can get ahold of your emotions and let reason lead you, you can calmly discuss the situation with your boss and try and reach a mutually beneficial arrangement. But if

you're feeling overly emotional and need some time to collect yourself, then by all means take it.

Negotiate

Keep in mind that most salary discussions, from the time you're hired through every raise, are open to some level of negotiation.

You won't be the first employee looking to make a better deal and you certainly

won't be the last. In fact, your boss will not likely be shocked by a "counter-suggestion" regarding your raise, so don't approach the moment full of fear or the belief that you're entering hostile territory. If handled well, a conversation regarding your raise can be a polite and effective exchange of thoughts that may benefit both sides.

Consider the negotiation process an opportunity to

reassert your value as an employee, and possibly even redefine or clarify your position and responsibilities moving forward — which can be really beneficial for all involved.

Make your case

When you enter into a discussion regarding your raise, it's in your best interest to be prepared to back up your belief that you deserve more with some strong evidence.

When stating your case, highlight what you've done on the job to merit a larger paycheck. Discuss your accomplishments as well as any cost saving measures you've been involved with and demonstrate your value to the team moving forward.

The stronger your case, the more likely you are to get the raise you're looking for.

Have you just gotten a raise but aren't thrilled with the amount? Fear not — all is not lost. Use the strategies and advice presented here to try and salvage a challenging situation and turn the tables to your monetary advantage. Good luck!

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Wayne County Community College District

Notice of Position Opening External
Part Time Campus Police Officer (4013-18)

Posting Date: July 2, 2018 • Reports To: District Director, Public Safety • Grade / Level: Non Union (\$20.00 per hour)
 Applications will be accepted until positions are filled.

Summary of Duties:
 Under the direction of the Director of Public Safety, law enforcement work involving the protection of life and property, and the enforcement of laws and ordinances on all property owned and operated by Wayne County Community College District. Employees may be designated to represent the police department in various uniform and non-uniform capacities. MOLES sworn police officer will perform all related duties including, but not limited to, patrolling on foot or by vehicle, college property and on the public way adjacent to all college owned or controlled property to prevent and discover the commission of crimes, enforce State and Federal laws; enforce traffic regulations, conduct investigations on criminal offenses and traffic accidents to gather evidence, obtain witnesses and make arrests; provide documentation and testimony to Judicial Board and courts; and provide general security for college properties and citizens on campus to insure a safe environment for all.

Education:

- Must be a high school graduate, or equivalent. Associates Degree preferred.
- Must be MOLES certified. Previous experience as an MOLES police officer preferred.
- Must be a U.S. Citizen, at least 21 years of age.
- Possession of a valid driver's license.
- Ability to work as a team player in a multi-cultural diverse working environment.
- Experience with multi-cultural students and staff preferred.

Each applicant must meet the minimum employment standards for Police Officers as established by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MOLES). <http://www.michigan.gov/moles/0,4607,7,229-150169-,00.html>

Additional Requirements:
 Successful candidate must demonstrate ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. Applicants are subject to a background check for criminal convictions; a drug/alcohol dependency test (medical) will be conducted as a condition of employment.

Please reference this staffing number on all documents: 4013-18
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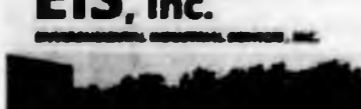
announcements, events...

Special Notices

BEST SELF STORAGE OF NEW HUDSON. 53600 Grand River Ave. Will hold a lion sale on Tues July 31, @ Noon

6387 Craig Schramm
6719 Scott Alverson
6522 Marianne Williams
6262 Michael Richardson
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6200 Mary Williamson
6241 Michael Bridges
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Livonia, 18350 Bainbridge Ave, Fri 7/27 & Sat 7/28, 9-5. A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING!

Livonia Rummage Sale, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 7 Mile, 1/2 mile west of Farmington Rd. August 2nd and 3rd - 8am - 4pm August 4th 8am-Noon

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THURSDAY PUZZLE CORNER

CROSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS

- 1 Farm output
- 5 Mosey along
- 10 Father
- 14 Verbal tests
- 19 Despise
- 20 Slow —
(Asian
primate)
- 21 Spoil
- 22 Bo of
"Bolero"
- 23 Magnetic
pull
- 26 Certain Arab
- 27 Place for
online small
talk
- 28 Author
Dinesen
- 29 One of
Nixon's
daughters
- 30 Hack down
- 31 Crow cry
- 32 Clear skies
and 70
degrees, say
- 35 Smell —
(suspect
something)
- 37 Novelist
Zora —
Hurst
- 39 Stopover site
- 40 Santa Fe-to-
Denver dir.
- 41 Horned viper
- 44 Annex
- 45 Sanctify with
oil
- 48 SF posting

49 What a happy couple makes together
54 Suffix with journal
56 Liberal arts subj.
57 With 90-Down, totally mistaken
58 Creepy quality
60 Rented living spaces: Abbr.
64 Screening airport org.
65 Appear to be
67 Fit snugly
68 Target rival
69 Notions that an imp might get
72 Habanero, for one
74 Pays mind to
75 Infant bed
79 Brand of nonstick cookware
80 Org. for drs.
81 Admin. aide
82 Like rhythmic verse
84 Mag bigwigs
85 Thither
86 Victory sign

88 Big sum given for finding a lost pet, perhaps
91 Conan's TV home
94 Understood by very few
96 Roth —
97 Uvea's organ
98 Granola tidbit
99 "Law & Order" spinoff, informally
100 Italian port
102 Low pair in poker
106 It's painted to make something seem better than it is
111 A Stooge
114 Inclined (to)
115 Oscar winner Helen
116 Emu relative
117 Food symbolizing America
119 Ed with Emmys
120 Equitable market practices
123 Thief
124 News bit
125 Brother, in Paris

126 Slaving
away
127 Not on time
128 Shot callers
129 Mended
130 Pot tops

DOWN

1 Ballroom
dance
2 Quite
3 Ontario city
4 Saucy
5 Big maker of
food cans
6 Label for the
Jackson 5
7 Hat's edge
8 Actress Tyler
9 Suffix with
journal
10 Non-poetry
11 Of hearing
12 Finicky
13 Ending for
meth-
14 Scenting
substances
15 Send, as
payment
16 Weaver of
mythology
17 Lax
18 Place for
downhillers
24 Oval part
25 Bill depicting
Lincoln
29 Lend's sport
32 Soup scoop
33 Fathers,
informally

34 Nintendo console
36 Greek "T"
38 Water, to Yves
42 Condition of equilibrium
43 Heaped up
45 Sale proviso
46 Fraction of about 11%
47 Forest cat
49 "You —!"
("Oh yeah!")
50 Comes after as a result
51 Swirly marbles
52 Shorn wool
53 Suffix with script
55 Pack tightly
59 Fixed price
61 Tropical fruit
62 Aftershock
63 Hair bit
66 Actress
Plimpton
68 Actor
Grammer
70 1999 Ron Howard satire
71 Clear kitchen wrap
73 Father, in Madrid
76 Have supper
77 PC readout of a sort
78 Not as tough

82 "Quo Vadis" director — LeRoy
83 TV producer Michaels
87 Like trade winds
89 China's — Zedong
90 See
91 57-Across
91 Certain rigging support
92 Coffee shop employee
93 Less lax
95 Quart fourth
100 Avocado dip for short
101 Measure of current flow
103 American elk
104 Sedating substance
105 Blood vessel openers
107 Walk (on)
108 Furious
109 Part of CEO
110 Tenures
112 Decided
113 Part of REO
117 Highest point
118 Plus others: Abbr.
120 Pine relative
121 A bit askew
122 Hosp. body scan

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Here's How It Works
Sudoku puzzles are
solve a sudoku,
Each number can
figure out the o
clues provided
solve the puzzle

TWO-UP

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d, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. You must fill each row, column, and box with the numbers 1 through 9. Numbers will appear by using the clues. Write the numbers you name, the easy way.

WORD SEARCH

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For assistance or suggestions on the Puzzle Corner, contact Steve McClellan at (517) 702-4247 or smcclellan@michigan.com. Want more puzzles? Check out the "Just Right Crossword Puzzles" books at QuillDriverBooks.com

SUPOKU

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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!

TWO-WHEELER WORD SEARCH

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