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Psych hospital creating headaches

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The eight-story eyesore formerly known as the Northville State Psychiatric Hospital these days resembles a Florida beach front high-rise that was

guttled by a family of Category 5 hurricanes.

Stripped of its brick facade, the structure left towering near Seven Mile in Northville Township has been reduced to a hulking mix of tired cement and water-sloshed debris — the remnants of a demolition process that has

been delayed by the delicate removal of health-endangering asbestos.

Originally scheduled to be completely demolished last month, the building — and its accompanying two-story companion — will live to see 2019, according to township Assistant Manager Debbie Wilhelm.

"The demolition is still in the active phase," Wilhelm said. "They're using water now to remove a lot of the debris, so the process is weather-dependent. If it's below freezing, they'll have to wait until it warms up."

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BEYOND HER YEARS

Could Milford musician be the next Taylor Swift?

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She writes her own songs based on real-life experiences, has wowed crowds and professional talent judges with her soulful voice and has learned to play multiple instruments in a relatively short time.

Sound like anyone you've streamed on your iPhone recently?

OK, Aspen Jacobsen hasn't quite reached the level of her favorite singer, Taylor Swift, quite yet, but give her time — she just turned 14.

A freshman at White Lake's International Academy and a regular performer at downtown Milford's Michigan Rock School, Aspen has displayed a beyond-her-years knack for creating beautiful music.

With recently released CD "Aspen" already in the books, the future is brighter than a Colorado sunrise for the musician, whose best work is yet to come, according to those with an ear for success.

"Where do I start?" Michigan Rock School owner John Kozicki said, when asked to describe Aspen's robust skills set. "I first met Aspen four years ago at a songwriting workshop I hosted. At first, the lyrical content of her songs was what you'd expect from a 10-year-old, but the way she put her songs together was beyond her years."

"Aspen is not intimidated by anything, which is one reason she has progressed so far. When I encouraged her to try the bass, she didn't hesitate — even though her main instrument is guitar — and she picked it up right away."

Kozicki emphasized that even the most-talented musicians can fail if they're not well-rounded — a requirement that he says Aspen has embraced.

"It's not just about creating music ... you have to hustle, too, and find ways to market yourself," he said. "From what I've seen, Aspen understands this and will do whatever it takes if she decides



Aspen Jacobsen proudly displays her music CD during a release event at River's Edge Brewery in Milford.

"When I was young, I enjoyed acting, so I was able to overcome any stage fright I may have had by pretending I was the character I was playing."

Aspen Jacobsen Milford musician

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Local voters weigh in on Proposal 2

Brad Kadrach
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Apparently, voters in Hometown Life communities didn't like the idea of politicians setting the boundaries of their own districts any better than voters in the rest of the state.

Residents who cast ballots in the communities covered by Hometown Life voted largely in favor of state Proposal 2, which now ends the practice of politicians — those from the party in power — drawing districts that are favorable to them in elections.

"What they're doing now needs to be stopped," said Plymouth Township resident Dave Smilo, voting at West Middle School. "They're making these districts so they can keep them Republican or Democrat. You look at some of the boundaries and they're so convoluted. They're cut out to keep the parties in place."

With its passage, Proposal 2 shifts the task of redrawing Michigan's state and federal legislative lines from the political party in power in the state Legislature to a 13-member citizen commission that would be made up of four Republicans, four Democrats and five independents.

The final map would have to get approval from a majority of the commission, including at least two Republicans and two Democrats.

The complicated proposal was difficult for some to understand, something opponents stressed in late-cycle advertising campaigns.

The issue took Farmington Hills voter Chris Brown some time to understand. He said he did his research on it the night before and, ultimately, decided to vote in favor of it, but said it was clear more people would probably have an opinion on Proposal 1, which would legalize marijuana for recreational use.

"It is something I support," he said outside Greater Seth Temple, his precinct location. "It took a little bit more time, because I would say that the first

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Super Talk
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There are 365 days in a year, 24 hours in a day, 8,760 hours in a year. Take away eight hours a day spent sleeping and one is left with 5,840 waking hours in a year.

When the math is done, school accounts for less than 20 percent of the waking hours of a student.

Yet within that 20 percent, schools are expected to ensure that students learn to read, write, do math, understand their civic responsibilities and gain an understanding of how the world works.

In addition, schools are expected to help students learn to be college and career ready, healthy, understand positive relationships, take care of their bodies, make healthy life choices, reduce bullying, stand up against negative peer pressure, understand the power of technology, make good choices on social media sites, learn to appreciate the arts, gain confidence, stand up for themselves, make friends, reduce stress and know what they want to do with their lives.

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dent's waking hours.

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All of them. Not just the ones who fit in, but also those who some might consider oddballs or troublemakers or outsiders. All of our students need to believe that our community and our schools accept and support them.

Parents and our schools need to work together to emphasize the importance

of learning. The community needs to model that we are inquisitive and curious about the world. The community needs to model that we are eager to learn by going to the Novi Public Library, participating in meaningful discussions in our homes and contributing to the community good by voting and sharing in civic responsibilities.

Schools alone cannot be expected to raise the children of our community. All of us — community members, parents, students and Novi Community School District staff — can support our students and create a community where all can learn and grow.

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Delays in demolition mean this secondary building on the former state psychiatric hospital site in Northville Township will still be standing in 2019. ED WRIGHT | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Hospital

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"The timeline (for completion) is now in flux, but it will be 2019 before it's finished, obviously."

Detroit-based Adamo Group demolition company began what was expected to be a four-month demolition process in April.

However, the Adamo Group's demolition crew discovered much more asbestos than initially anticipated during the initial phase of the teardown, shifting the speed of the project to a snail's pace — all for the sake of safety.

The removal of the surplus asbestos will cost the township an additional \$2.5 million more than the demolition company's initial estimate, township Supervisor Bob Nix told the Northville Record in a July interview.

Once the site is cleared and cleaned up, it will serve as a sprawling park with nature trails, bike paths and play areas, Nix said.

The hospital was closed in 2003.

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Prop 2

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proposal is more of a social issue because it does greatly affect people's lives."

Adam Swallow of Northville was another voter who found Proposal 2 "too confusing."

"I couldn't figure it out," Swallow said. "I couldn't figure out what in the heck they were trying to do with that. I did my research. I studied that for about a month. I just didn't think it was, at this time, something to vote for."

Chad Carr, a Birmingham voter, said while the proposal isn't the best solution, it's a big improvement over the current method of determining how the legislative lines are drawn.

"Even though Proposal 2 may not be the perfect way to handle redistricting, it's certainly better than the opaque, politically-driven process we have now," he said.

Milford resident Tommy Brunswick liked Proposal 2 so much, she volunteered with Voters Not Politicians, the group that developed the proposal and



Adam Swallow shows off a sticker he received for voting at Northville's second precinct at Amerman Elementary School. SHARON DARGAY | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

got it on the ballot.

But Milford resident Nancy Thompson wasn't so sure.

"I voted no on gerrymandering," Thompson said. "This would create more confusion and not get us anywhere. It would cost more money and not end up helping us."

Elise Burton of Canton disagreed,

casting a "yes" vote on Proposal 2.

"I'm definitely voting against gerrymandering," Burton said early Tuesday. "I don't think anyone should be able to draw their own lines."

Plymouth Township resident Mary Weidel was more interested in what happens next.

"It's going to be interesting to see

how it is established, how the process will work its way through," Weidel said. "I'm curious: Is it modeled after another state? Was it successful somewhere else? I'm leaning toward eliminating the squiggly lines."

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Aspen

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to make music a career."

Aspen has already compiled a resume longer than a sheet of music.

Performing original music and covers, Aspen was a semifinalist at the 2018 Michigan State Fair's superstar competition held at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. She has also earned several music-related scholarships, including ones from the Great Lakes Music Camp and Folk Alliance Region Midwest.

Aspen sings and plays bass and guitar for Milford-based band Red Couch.

The well-spoken ninth-grader developed a comfort level performing in front of crowds by starting in the theater.

"When I was young, I enjoyed acting, so I was able to overcome any stage fright I may have had by pretending I was the character I was playing," she said. "So when I started singing and performing my music in front of crowds, I

wasn't as vulnerable.

"The only CDs I'd listen to when I was in elementary school were Taylor Swift's. I loved the way she sang about her life experiences."

Jill Jack, winner of 44 Detroit Music Awards since 1997 and the owner of Dream Big Inc., a company that consults up-and-coming musicians, has worked with Aspen for the past year.

To say Jack is impressed with the young artist is an understatement.

Talent abounds

"The thing that surprised me the most about Aspen is that, for as young as she is, she has a very old soul," said Jack, who has opened for a star-studded list of performers including Bob Seger, John Waite and Emmylou Harris. "Aspen is extremely focused for a teenager. She knows what she wants and is determined to get it — in an assertive way, though, not an aggressive way."

"Everyone has drive at the beginning. The key is sustaining that drive and I sincerely feel that Aspen has what it

takes. I can visualize where she'll be in 20 years and it's a good place."

In the beginning

Aspen's mom Stephanie readily admits that neither she nor her husband Ken have a strand of musical DNA in their makeup. However, it was a piano that was handed down to Aspen's mom that kick-started her musical journey.

"When Aspen was young, she was drawn to the piano," Stephanie said. "We signed her up for lessons and she was doing really well. Since then, she's taken on the mandolin, ukulele and fiddle and, three years ago, she started playing guitar."

Aspen's mom remembers one particular moment when she realized her daughter may be instilled with some musical magic.

"Three or four years ago, we took her down to the Ann Arbor Art Fair and she played the ukulele on one of the corners for tips," Stephanie said. "I don't remember exactly how much money she made, but she got enough to buy her first

guitar.

"It just kind of took off from there. She started writing songs and she loves all kinds of music, which is unusual for someone her age."

While music is a huge part of her life, it is not all-consuming, Aspen said.

"I sit down and do hard-core practicing probably two or three days a week," she said. "I'm doing something musically every day, because I love it so much, but not for hours and hours."

Is 'The Voice' in her future?

The Jacobsens sent a video of their daughter performing to the producers of NBC's "The Voice" in hopes of Aspen getting selected to audition for a spot on the show during an upcoming event in Detroit.

"I would love to get a job in the music industry some day," she said. "If performing doesn't work out, I'd at least like to teach music."

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Hegira Health announces new name

After nearly 50 years and serving hundreds of thousands of metro Detroiters, Hegira Programs Inc. has changed its name to Hegira Health Inc., in order to better reflect its commitment to comprehensive care for residents of Wayne County in all aspects of behavioral and physical health.

Hegira Health Inc. is one of Michigan's largest freestanding integrated, behavioral health care organizations, providing a variety of quality, individualized mental health and substance-use treatment services to Wayne County residents of all income levels and ages, from infants to adults.

Hegira provides services for mental health, substance-use disorders, intellectual and developmental disorders, co-occurring disorders and primary care services at 10 clinics across Wayne County, including in Detroit, Westland,

Livonia, Inkster and Canton.

Its staff of 520 psychiatrists, nurse practitioners, physicians, social workers and counselors offers a variety of services, including 24-hour adult crisis care, outpatient services for those with serious mental illness, suicide prevention and counseling, primary care services for adults, substance-use treatment and prevention and more. In fiscal year 2016-17, Hegira served approximately 30,000 people, for everything from opioid addiction to toddler mental health services.

"We are very proud of this next phase in our organization's story and look forward to serving even more of our neighbors across Wayne County," said Carol Zuniga, executive director of Hegira Health. "A lot of thought goes into changing the name of an established, strong and proud organization like ours,

but we have transformed from an institution offering programs for behavioral health treatment into one that takes a holistic approach to our clients' total well-being. This change is reflected in our new name and dedicated mission."

The many processes behind the change began last winter, after Hegira's Board of Directors overwhelmingly approved the name change, with the new name now in effect publicly.

"For nearly half a century, we have pledged to meet the diverse health care needs of Wayne County," said Edward Forry, president and CEO of Hegira Health. "Over that time, best practices and the needs placed on our organization have changed, and we have changed with them in order to better meet the challenges faced by those in our community."

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 will reopen to the public each Sunday in June 2019. Mill Race relies on rentals and memberships to maintain the village. Consider becoming a member or making a donation; go to www.millracenorthville.org for details.

Upcoming events

Christmas in the Village: Noon to 4 p.m. Nov. 18. Free to the public.

Victorian Christmas Cream Tea: 12:30-3 p.m. Nov. 18. Drop-in. Small fee for entry.

Children's Christmas Workshop: 10 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. Dec. 1.

Greek Christmas Tea: 1-3:30 p.m. Dec. 8. Sold out.

General info

Volunteers: The Northville Historical Society 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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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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When: 10:30-11:15 a.m. Friday, Nov. 16
Details: Little ones — babies to age 2, along with parents and caregivers — can enjoy music, simple stories and playtime. Just drop in.

Drop-In Super Saturday Storytime

When: 11-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17
Details: Join us in the Storytime Room for stories, music and wiggles all about bears. Best suited for children 3 and older, but all ages welcome. Just drop in.

How to Avoid Getting Scammed

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Fall Storytime

Details: For ages 4-5. Enjoy stories, music and creative activities in this fun, interactive, small group experience. Children must attend independent of a caregiver and should also have basic cutting skills with craft scissors. Registration begins Wednesday, Sept. 5, for Northville residents; open to non-residents next day. See library website for dates and times.

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GM has offered buyouts; here's what to consider



Money Matters
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Just after releasing better than expected third-quarter earnings, General Motors announced that it was offering buyouts to approximately 18,000 salaried workers in North America. Currently, General Motors has approximately 50,000 North America salaried workers, which means that approximately 36 percent of GM's North American salaried workers are eligible for the buyout.

In order to be eligible, you must have at least 12 years at General Motors. GM is offering the buyout, which basically gives workers six months pay in order to cut costs and to be proactive, as sales in the world's two largest car markets and GM's largest markets, China and the United States, are slowing down. Eligible employees will have until Nov. 19 to decide if they wish to accept the buyout. Depending upon how many workers accept the buyout, General Motors has indicated that, after the Nov. 19 deadline, it is possible it would have forced layoffs. Obviously, General Motors is offering buyouts because it feels it's in the best interest of the company. If you're offered the buyout, what should you do? General Motors is doing what is best for General Motors; you should do what's best for you.

In deciding if the buyout works for you or not, the key is to look at your own situation. What is good for your next-door neighbor or your brother-in-law may not be good for you. The key is to look at your goals and objectives and use them as a guide. Here are a few things you should consider in helping you make your decision.

Where do you stand with your pension benefits? Many people who are offered the buyout will find that they have not worked at General Motors long enough to receive their maximum pension benefit. In fact, many people will find that, if they work for a few more months, their pension benefit would increase substantially. The effect on your

pension should be a major consideration in deciding on the buyout offer.

The buyout can have an impact on other benefits that you may receive from the company, such as health care. In addition, your Social Security benefits can be impacted if you take the buyout. It is important that you analyze how other benefits that you may be entitled to would be affected before you decide on the buyout.

Many people who are contemplating accepting the buyout are going to retire. The question those people need to ask themselves is do they have the resources to be retired for the rest of their life. It is important that, if you are thinking of accepting a buyout and you are going to retire, you have the financial resources to provide yourself with a rising income throughout your life. If you won't have the resources and you still want to accept the buyout offer, you have to consider obtaining new employment.

Even though jobs are plentiful these days, we all know that for older people it's not as easy to find new employment, particularly at the salary you may desire. If you are thinking of accepting the buyout and you are going to need employment before you accept the offer, you should explore what the realistic possibility of obtaining a new job is and what that compensation would be. Keep in mind, if you don't have the wherewithal to retire, accepting the buyout may not be such a good idea.

The key to making the right decision is to focus on your own situation and not let emotion enter into the equation. Unfortunately, General Motors did not give its employees sufficient time to make their decision. My advice is to start the process as soon as possible and don't be afraid to sit down with someone professionally if you need to.

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Howell shopkeepers closing Up North Decor business

Jennifer Timar
Livingston Daily
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

While shopkeepers Donna and Tim Hostetler have had a good experience owning their rustic home decor shop Up North Decor, they said the time has come to close and retire.

The downtown Howell shop at 113 E. Grand River Ave. will close before the end of December.

The Hostetlers hope holiday shoppers will clean them out of inventory first.

"We're going to try to have the store open until just before Christmas," Tim Hostetler, a 67-year-old Howell resident, said. "Our lease runs out at the end of December ... so, the week after Christmas, we'd be taking care of anything in the store to close and have it ready for (building owners) to lease it."

Up North Decor sells rustic furniture, art, throw blankets, tapestries, wind chimes and gifts. Items for sale at the shop are outdoors-themed or Michigan-themed.

"It's very bittersweet and I'm going to miss it," Donna Hostetler said. "My husband calls it my playhouse, because I'm always coming in rearranging things and doing displays."

The Hostetlers opened the shop four years ago. They previously owned a similar shop, Ranger Bob's Trading Post, in Gatlinburg, Tenn., for about seven years before selling it to new owners in 2008 and moving to Howell.

"The store has an up north, lodge, cottage, lake house feel," Tim Hostetler said. "We use many Michigan suppliers and also suppliers from around the country from when we had the shop in Tennessee and we tried to specialize in rustic home decor and specialty gifts."

Donna Hostetler said many of the customers shop there to buy gifts for people with lake houses or own lake houses or cottages themselves.

"We have a lot of the stuff you'd find in stores up north, but we kept the prices down to compete with up north and some people bring what they buy here up there with them," she said. "And I think our best customers come



A view inside Up North Decor in downtown Howell shows rustic home decor and gifts owners are try to sell off before they close the store in December. JENNIFER TIMAR | LIVINGSTON DAILY

from out of town and know downtown Howell is a good place to shop."

The couple agrees downtown Howell needs brick-and-mortar retail to keep its reputation as a shopping destination.

"I think retail brick-and-mortar in general is probably more challenging than it used to be with a lot of people shopping online, but I think there is still a need for it and Howell's a unique place that does draw people in from outside the city," Tim Hostetler said.

The retiring couple plan to travel, spend time with their grandchildren and enjoy their free time. They are the store's only two employees.

Building co-owner John Cleary said he is looking for a new tenant to fill the space. Members of the Cleary family, who own and operate Cleary's Pub next door, own several retail spaces on the block.

"You couldn't have asked for nicer people and I wish them well in retirement," Cleary said. "I think the store was an asset to downtown, because anytime you have specialty retail downtown, it's a good thing."

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School board reacts to city lawsuit

We have served as your school board for a collective 34 years, and in that time we have rarely seen the need to publicize matters affecting this community outside our regular board meetings. However, we feel it is vitally important that the community understand action the City of Northville taken against the city's own schools.

Late last week, the city sued Northville Schools in State Court. The city apparently wishes for us to continue to use your taxes entrusted to our care – not for books, teachers and so on – but to maintain a building we cannot use: Main Street School.

The process of determining the best opportunity to preserve our two Main Street facilities has spanned several years, and this included discussions to combine district and city offices to co-habitate within Old Village School. The city determined their budget would not make this a viable solution. Without a community partner to fund revitalization, our board then moved forward with its own plan, informed by our obligation to focus on kids rather than only on architectural considerations.

After thoughtful consideration and seeking the advice of a bevy of legal and real estate experts, the district chose to dedicate significant funds to rescue the much older and more beloved Old Village School and to relocate the board offices and early childhood programs from Main Street.

With Main Street vacant, the board openly bid for repurposing Main Street. The city could have bid for Main Street School, but failed to do so. Eight bids were received for consideration, several of which called for its demolition and one that would have preserved it as is. Our board held numerous public meetings and heard from scores of citizens at these meetings about what to do with the bids. The community loudly objected to saving and repurposing Main Street, which would have involved making it into a 20-40 unit condo or apartment building. Citizens cited concerns with traffic and potential threats to the students attending the early childhood

programs next door, among other considerations.

If state law supported this action, perhaps we could agree that reasonable minds differ here. However, this same kabuki theater played itself out in Walled Lake just recently. In that case, the city of Walled Lake wanted the school district to foot the bill to preserve an old school building, and they sued to stop demolition. After everyone paid their lawyers and the dust settled the demolition was allowed – because the law says the authority to deal with school properties resides exclusively in the school board as overseen by the state Superintendent. (After all, we are the ones who have to pay for school property maintenance!)

In short, your city has chosen to appease a few preservationists to try to block the demolition of a building the city does not pay to maintain and has no budget to maintain and which it does not have jurisdiction to regulate. Worst of all, this action means you (the taxpayers), are now suing you (the taxpayers). That's not a typo. City residents: your city is using your tax dollar to sue us, and we in turn have nothing but city and township citizens' tax dollars to be used to defend the district. And, again, all of this is designed to force us to expend district operating budget dollars to preserve a building we cannot use.

We think that is wrong and hope you let the city know if you agree this is a terrible decision for our community.

Northville Board of Education

Thanks for SHAC support

It was a fantastic turnout. The Village Fine Arts Association (VFAA) wishes to extend our most sincere and loving thanks to everyone who made the Nov. 3 Wine Tasting Fundraiser for the VFAA and the Suzanne Haskew Art Center, the SHAC, a great success.

Proceeds help keep the SHAC moving forward with art programs, art events and cultural space for the Huron Valley community to enjoy. Event supporters include Raymond James of Ann Arbor, Bryan Gutierrez of KW Realtors, Oak Pointe Church, The Wine Studio by Mil-

ford House, and Sarah and Ron Martin. Delicious finger food to accompany the fantastic wine samples was provided by The Wine Studio, The Village Butcher, Jeni's Ugly Pies, Milford Proving Grounds coffee and Rivers Edge Brewery. Silent auction items and door prizes were generously donated by Main Street Art, Milford House, Joann Guile, Barlow's BBQ, Alicia Brown, Pat Bombach, Blossoms on Main, Linda Onderko and Jennifer Thrift. We are awed and inspired by the dedication and hard work by our planners extraordinaire: Ryan Wiltse of Rivers Edge Brewery and Isaac Perry, for visualizing this event and making it a reality. And of course, we couldn't have done it without our other fantastic volunteers, VFAA members Alicia Brown, Andrea Perry, JoAnn Guile, Charles and Jennifer Thrift, Jan Corrigan, Cindy Rashid, Janice Dumas, Linda Onderko, Kathy Fish and Susan Gollon. Please forgive us if we missed anyone. It was definitely a labor of love which we will do again next year.

The VFAA is a mostly volunteer organization and nothing uplifts us more than knowing that our efforts have the support of our community. Thank you to everyone who promoted, attended, helped in any way, even just wished us well. You are appreciated.

Susan Gollon

executive director, VFAA

Many helped at Empty Bowls

Thank you to our local communities for calling attention to hunger in our home towns on Nov. 4 at Community Sharing's Empty Bowl Event. Hundreds shared a soup lunch knowing that their donation would help feed the needy in our area. It was one big community family that came together in record numbers at Bakers of Milford.

Community Sharing's Empty Bowl Committee appreciates its many generous sponsors, especially those at the following levels – Platinum Tureen: Dr. Robert Moore Awesome; Chiropractic; Regina Goodwin; Anne & Scott Hoenesheid; Denise & Lyle Tyler; In Memory of John Welker; Lisa & Bob Willard. Gold Bowl: Bakers of Milford; BRIO Develop-

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To our talented chefs, thank you for carefully preparing your delicious soups. Guests tasted and enjoyed soup from: Americus, Bakers of Milford, Cleary University Culinary, Colasanti's Market & Snooks Butcher Shoppe, Coratti's on Main, Czapski's Kitchen, D's Café, Dukes of Highland Restaurant & Bar, Hector & Jimmy's, Henry Ford W. Bloomfield Hospital, Highland House, The Root Restaurant & Bar; Schoolcraft Culinary Art. Making the simple meal complete were the bread donors: Crazy Gator, Henry Ford WB Hospital, Hungry Howie's, Jet's Pizza, Little Caesars, Marco's Pizza, Village Pizza & BBQ.

The silent auction was another big success thanks to the generous contributions from Mary Bajaz, The Clothing Cove, Community Sharing Trivia Night/ Golf Outing, Detroit Experience Tours, Detroit Princess Riverboat, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, Enchanted Photography, General Motors Proving Ground, Henkel Corporation, Larry Keef, Linda Lefkowitz, Sharon Mancini, Milford House Bar & Grill, Motor City Party Bus, Sybil Phelps, Juanita Rogers, Helen Springer, Two Moms & a Mop, Waterfall Jewelers, Wendy Willinganz, Natalia Wohletz, Thesia Wolf, Linda Yellin-Feet on the Street, Carl's Family YMCA, Your Nesting Place, Lauri & Greg Zinkosky.




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Coffee roaster opening first shop in Howell

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Coffee roaster Kevin Ridge, who founded Black Iron Coffee Roasters about three years ago, opts for uniquely-flavored beans produced in small batches by single farms and co-ops around the world.

Ridge never uses mass-produced beans in his original handmade blends.

"Depending on where the coffee comes from, kind of like wine, you can get totally different notes," said Ridge, a Novi resident. "I want to take people on a trip. ... You get different flavors from Central America, Africa, South American, Indonesia and other places."

Ridge is gearing up to open his first brick-and-mortar coffee shop at 119 W. Grand River Ave., which he is leasing, in downtown Howell, where he will hand-roast specialty coffees on-site.

The shop will also serve food and tea and feature live music and art.

He started selling bags of coffee he roasted by hand at farmers markets after experimenting with roasting as a hobby. He also makes custom blends for several businesses and sells online.

"We're not buying coffee from big producers and then throwing out the cheapest and easiest to get. ... We do a lot of tasting and my supplier visits the farms, on the ground, to see how they operate and make sure they pay a living wage," he said. "It's all single-origin ... like I might get it from a farm that only produces 3,000 or 4,000 pounds."

Ridge has developed three signature blends and experiments with limited-supply, single-origin specialty blends.

The names of his signature blends are inspired by his long-time career as a welder and 15 years as an instructor of welding and metallurgy at Henry Ford College in Dearborn.

He named his Blend 26 House Blend coffee, which has notes of sugar cane, nuts and fruits, after the atomic mass of iron.

His Cast Iron Espresso Blend is a dark roast with notes of caramel and chocolate.

Wrought Iron Blend is his newest signature blend. He said it features beans sourced from Kenya that leave a subtle



Black Iron Coffee Roasters owner Kevin Ridge and his wife Darcie will open their first brick-and-mortar coffee shop in downtown Howell this year. GILLIS BENEDICT | LIVINGSTON DAILY

fruity taste on the tongue.

"And we'll also be rotating single-origin, specialty blends, like maybe an Ethiopian and then switch to Costa Rican for a couple weeks," Ridge said. "We will get coffee from areas not as well known, like a couple times we got some from Malawi, Rwanda, places you might not think of."

His wife Darcie Ridge said coffee beans are comparable to wine grapes.

"The weather, temperature and earth all gives them different flavors," she said. "Because it's all custom-done and not from big batches, there can be just slight variations (in taste) over time."

The shop will also serve nitrogen-infused cold brew coffees and teas.

A seasonal menu of baked goods, sandwiches and soups will be cooked

on-site.

Ridge plans to feature live music and art in the coffeehouse.

The shop, located in the former Mom and Pop's Bakery, which closed, will seat about 55 people at cafe tables, long communal tables and in a corner lounge area with a couch.

"Our goal for opening is a month, month and a half from now," he said Nov. 3.

Jamie Creason, who owns the Apple-sauce Inn bed and breakfast in Bellaire, sells bags of coffee that Ridge custom makes for her and serves his coffee to her guests.

"His coffees are so unique that I hope one day he comes (opens a shop) up here," Creason said. "We are both small business owners and Michigan people,

so just to be able to support someone like that was a big part of selling his coffee."

Nathan Ryder Hazlerig, owner of Chicago-based hand-crafted furniture and decor workshop Urban Billy's will sell bags of Black Iron Coffee Roasters coffee and serve it to customers, once he opens his new store in the Lakeview neighborhood of the city.

In the meantime, Hazlerig is custom making furniture for Black Iron Coffee Roasters shop in Howell.

"He's a man of his craft and very careful with everything he does," Hazlerig said of Ridge. "He gauges his roasting just right, never over-burnt, and it allows for a lot of the flavor, characters and notes to come out of the beans. He's an artist."

Pharmacy offers access to doctor by phone 24/7

Sharon Dargay
hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

You wake up in the middle of the night feeling sick.

Should you go to urgent care or wait it out until morning?

You Google your symptoms, but can't decide. You worry.

Yvonne Gallagher, president of Sav-Mor Pharmacies, wants to put your mind at ease with a new program that gives customers 24/7 phone access to a doctor for diagnosis and consultation.

"A lot of people have high deductibles," she said. "If you have pink eye or an earache or something like that, you're going to go to the doctor's office and pay \$100. Well, with this plan, you pay \$14.99 and you can call a doctor 30 times or more. There is no limit. Any time of the day or night, there is a doctor on call."

Sav-Mor, which is headquartered in Southfield, works with independent drug stores and has partnered with My T Health Plus on the new "telehealth" program.

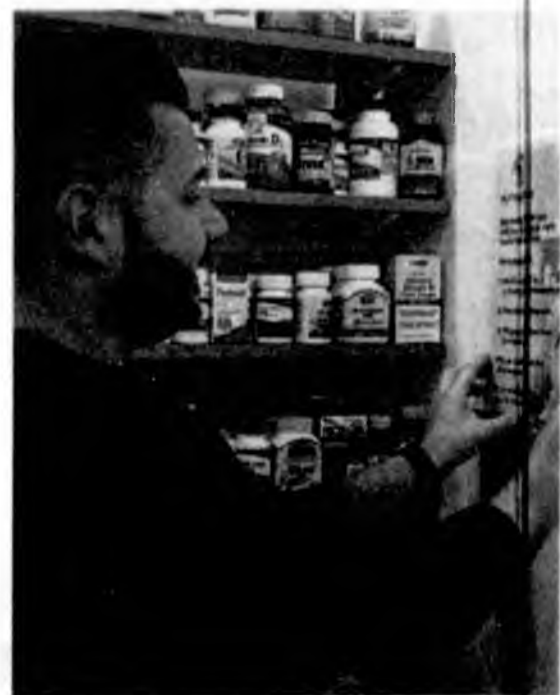
Customers pay \$14.99 per month for access to a doctor licensed to practice in Michigan. The board-certified physician can diagnose, offer medical advice and prescribe medications and call in prescriptions to a pharmacy by phone if needed.

The service covers all family members living under one roof and it renews automatically each month. Customers also may discontinue the program and renew when necessary.

"No controlled substances or narcotics or anything like that," Gallagher said. "But basic things they can look at on your phone. You take a picture of, say, a burn. You need a cream for it, things like that."

She hopes the service will bring peace of mind to patients who might otherwise check for their symptoms on various medical websites or simply sit home and worry.

"By reading the Internet, I think I just got 10 diseases," she said. "I couldn't tell you right now if I had the flu or not. I



Marwan H. Isa, owner of Lincoln Rx Pharmacy in Oak Park, places a poster about a new Sav-Mor telehealth program in his store. SHARON DARGAY | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

can't differentiate between the flu and a cold, but a doctor can."

Customers can sign up through Sav-Mor's website or at participating Sav-Mor pharmacies. She expects the program will gain traction in January, when insurance deductibles begin for the new year. Gallagher also hopes employees who can't afford to provide health insurance for their employees will consider buying into the My T Health Plus program.

She pointed out that some of the chain drug stores offer clinics and at least one offers a doctor-by-phone program, but it costs \$59 per call.

The 33 participating Sav-Mor drug stores include Star Sav-Mor Drugs, 155 Opdyke, Bloomfield Hills; Minute Script Pharmacy, 2020 Middlebelt, Suite 3, Garden City; Lincoln Rx Pharmacy, 25901 Coolidge, Oak Park; Alliance Pharmacy, 29201 Telegraph, Southfield; and Pontiac Trail Sav-Mor Pharmacy, 620 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake.

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Folsom latest to be honored as top veteran

Donald Folsom, a World War II veteran from Livonia who served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1942-46, was honored as the November 2018 Veteran of the Month by the Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 32, of the Myron H. Beals American Legion Post 32 in Livonia.

Folsom was born in March 1923 in Bad Axe. His family moved to California during the depression and, in 1935, they moved to East Detroit and then Rosedale Gardens in Livonia. It was Sunday afternoon, Dec. 7, 1941, that news came across the radio that Japan had bombed Pearl Harbor.

"I was eager to get into the fight," Folsom said. "I tried to enlist on Monday, but my parents, wisely, insisted that I finish my last six months of high school."

In 1942, Folsom graduated from Plymouth High School and, in November 1942, went to the recruitment center in Detroit and joined the marines. He was sent by train to Chicago then to the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego for boot camp and combat training.

"Boot camp was a challenge at first," Folsom said. "But I loved every minute of becoming a Marine. I was a pretty good shot on the rifle range, a skill that would help me stay alive during four battles."

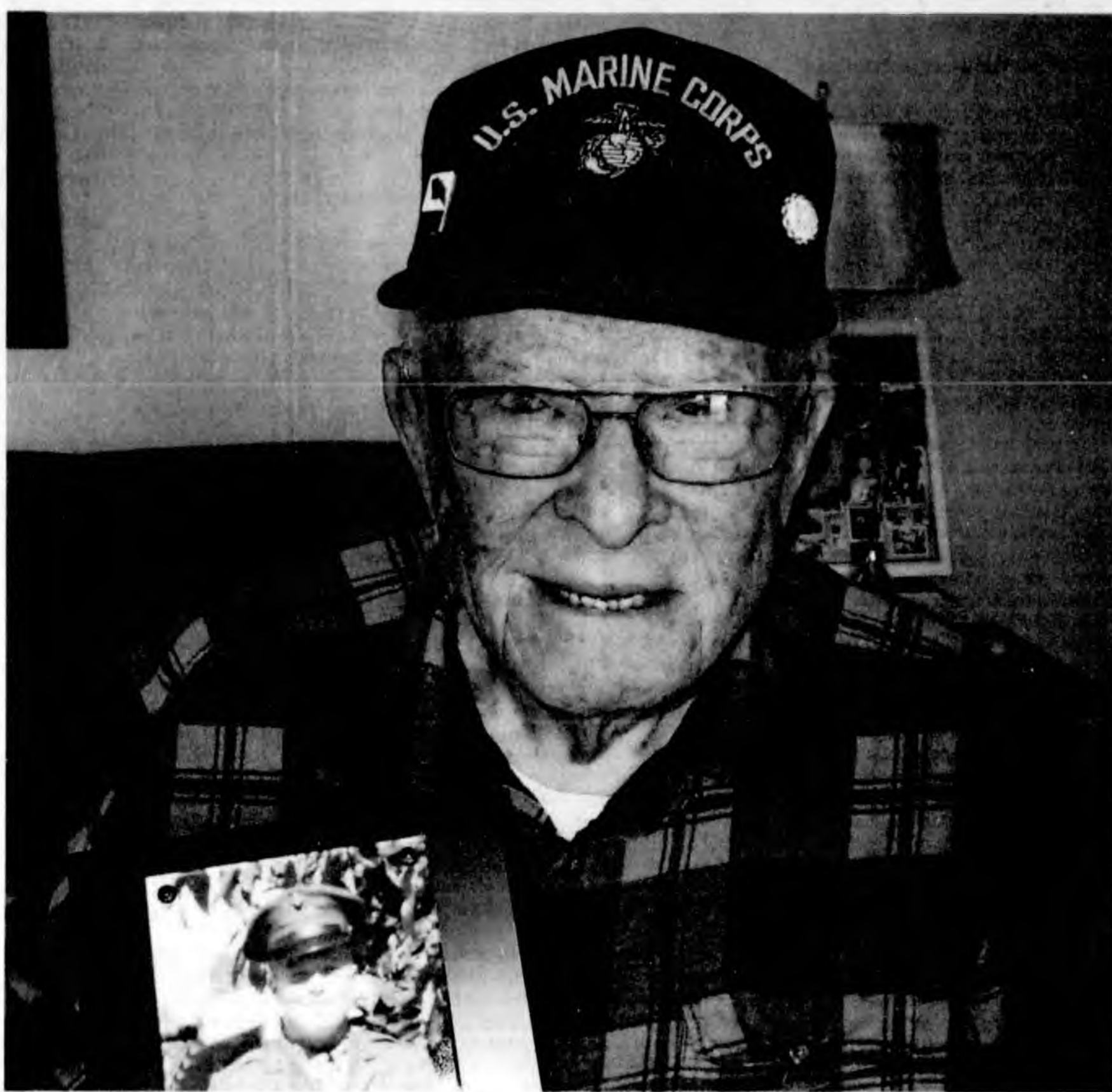
Folsom was deployed July 1, 1943, with the 2nd Marine Division to Hawaii, then New Zealand, for amphibious combat operations in the Pacific. His training included all aspects of light and heavy artillery and high-explosive demolition.

In November 1943, Folsom participated in action against the Japanese at Tarawa, in the Gilbert Islands. "Tarawa was hell on earth," he said. "There's no way for me to describe it. It all begins with a dangerous climb down a net hanging off the side of the transport ship into an LCPV landing craft. As we approached the island, the sound of the shells screaming overhead from the battleships, heavy and light cruisers and destroyers was deafening. The sight of dead marines floating in the water gave me an idea of what was to come. I was scared, the sounds of bullets hitting around us and mortar shells exploding added to the fear we were all experiencing. I lost two buddies from Plymouth High School on that island."

During the battle, Folsom served on a 105mm Howitzer crew. Rear Adm. Meichi Shibasaki of the Japanese fleet said it would take the Americans 1,000,000 men and 100 years to take the island. It took the Marines 76 hours with 1,100 American casualties and 4,500 Japanese lives. "After the battle, we searched the dead bodies of our fellow marines for dog tags, pictures and wallets so they could be identified and then we buried them. It was a tough job," he said.

Folsom's fighting days did not end there. Beginning in mid-June 1944, Folsom (now a corporal) participated in battles on Saipan and Tinian in the Marianas Islands. The landing at Saipan met with heavy resistance from the Japanese.

"We were on the beach and under mortar attack when the guy next to me said we should run and take cover under a downed tree. He no more than got the words out of his mouth when a mortar exploded next to him, killing him," Folsom said. "We would drive them back during the day, only to have them come back at night. One morning, I woke up in my foxhole and found my buddy, who was on guard, sleeping. I looked out and saw a Japanese soldier coming directly



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at us with a grenade in his hand. I grabbed my M-1 and emptied the clip in him and then I gave my buddy hell. Another time, we thought things were under control when all hell broke out. The Japanese had broken through our lines and were coming in droves. They were using everything they had as a weapon, even bayonets lashed to bamboo poles. We started shooting buckshot out of our 105 and then were told to back off as the army infantry moved in. We could see the Japanese falling in droves as the army fought back."

Three weeks into fighting on Saipan, Folsom and the 2nd Marines, along with the 4th Marines, were ordered to take Tinian. The island had been under heavy bombardment for seven weeks prior and resistance was weak. The island and its 8,000 Japanese were easily defeated within two weeks. "By the end of July, we were in really bad shape. Between the heat, exhaustion and dengue fever, I think we could have been beaten by a Boy Scout troop," Folsom said.

In April 1945, Folsom again saw action in the invasion of Okinawa, the last major battle of World War II and one of the bloodiest, with 100,000 Japanese and 50,000 allied casualties.

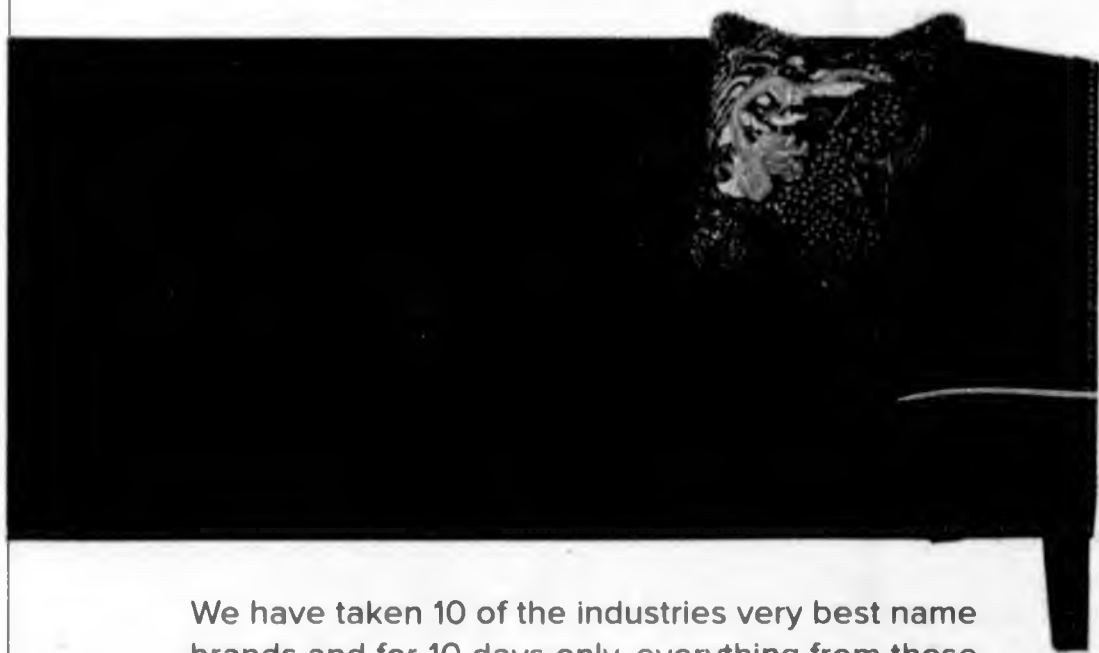
Folsom was in Pearl Harbor when the war ended in September. He was discharged in January 1946 and went back to Livonia. He joined the Livonia Fire Department as a volunteer in 1949 and was the second fireman to be hired by Livonia in 1951. He served his community honorably for 28 years until his retire-

ment in 1979 as battalion chief. Folsom and his wife Lois, who died in 2014 after 61 years of marriage, have two sons, one daughter and two grandchildren.

Folsom was interviewed by members of S.A.L. and a DVD was made of the interview and shown at the S.A.L. November

membership meeting with Folsom, his son Richard, daughter Diane, granddaughter Rebecca, sister-in-law Jean and Richard's father-in-law Tom Debol-ski, a member of Post 32, in attendance.

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'Tinkerbell' at Marquis Theatre

The Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main Street, in Northville will present "Tinkerbell Visits Storyland" throughout the months of November, December and January. Showtimes are 2:30 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday through Jan. 27, with weekday special performances scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, Dec. 26-28.

Tickets for all performances are \$9. No children under age 3. Group rates and reserved seating are available for groups of 20 or more. For more information, call 248-349-8110, email marquistheatre@sbcglobal.net or go to www.northvillemarquistheatre.com.

'Comedy of Tenors' at Tipping Point

Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady Street, in Northville is producing Ken Ludwig's "A Comedy of Tenors" Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 15-18, 23-25 (no show Thanksgiving Day), Nov. 29 through Dec. 2, Dec. 6-9, 13-16 and 20-23. Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. There are also performances scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28 and Dec. 12.

Tickets for Nov. 15-16 are \$26 and include a post-show discussion with producing artistic director James R. Kuhl and director Angie Ferrante.

In addition, the performance Nov. 25 will benefit American Association of Women - Northville Novi. Tickets are \$45 with a reception that includes food and beverage. AAUWNN is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to support equity and education for women and girls, providing scholarships and educational programs for local women and children.

For more information, go to <https://www.tippingpointtheatre.com/tenors>.

Northville holiday parade

The annual Northville Holiday Lighted Parade is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16. This year's parade theme is the "A Northville Christmas Carol - Past, Present and Future." Highlights include the Northville High School marching band, floats adorned with festive lighting, marchers decked out in holiday gear, a full lit fire engine and the appearance of Santa Claus.

The Parade begins on Cady Street, behind the Community Center and will head north on Wing Street to Main, west on Main to Linden, north on Linden to Dunlap, east on Dunlap to Hutton, Hutton south to Main, west on Main to Center, south on Center to Cady and west on Cady, to return to the Community Center.

Following the parade, head to Northville Town Square for the community sing-along, led by Shawn Riley. Mayor Ken Roth and Citizen of the Year Chuck Murdock will greet Santa and officially light the Town Square Tree. Santa will greet guests throughout the evening.

For more information, go to www.northville.org or call 248-349-7640.

Maybe-Baby Brunch & Learn

Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, in Commerce Township will host an event titled Maybe-Baby Brunch & Learn from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17. The event will include presentations, panelists of health care experts who will answer questions, tours of the birthing center, free information booths and a light brunch.

The event is free, but pre-registration is recommended by calling 313-578-6768 or register online at www.hvsh.org/maybebaby.

Young artist art fair

The Northville Art House will present its third annual Young Artist Juried Art Fair from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main Street. More than 30 artists, in grades 2-12, will showcase their talents and be selling their original artwork. Featured work will include: acrylic, watercolor, illustrations, jewelry, mixed media, fiber art, photography and much more.

The Northville Strings Students will open the art fair with a performance 10:30-11:15 a.m. Lunch and snacks will be available for purchase to support the First Presbyterian Youth Group's Mission trip to Puerto Rico this July. Suggested donation of \$3 at the door to the Young Artist Juried Art Fair. Kids under age 12 get in free.

Closing the event is musical guest Neil Woodward, Michigan's troubadour. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for kids ages 14 and under. All proceeds go toward the Northville Art House outreach programs and events.

For more information, call 248-344-0497 or go to <http://northvillearthouse.org/young-artist-art-fair-2018/>.

Winter ducks outing

The Huron Valley Audubon Society will host its annual winter ducks outing at 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, at Kensington Metropark, 4570 Huron River Parkway, in Milford. The day will highlight the migration of ducks, geese and other wildfowl heading south for the winter. Bring binoculars or viewing scope.

Meet at the Nature Center parking lot. The event is free, but requires Metropark entry fee. For more information, go to www.sierraclub.org/michigan/crossroads.

South Lyon Area Historical Society

The South Lyon Area Historical Society will host its ninth annual dulcimer concerts Sunday, Nov. 25, in the Little Village Chapel, 300 Dorothy Street. The Village String Dulcimer group will be performing at two seatings 4 p.m. and another at 6:30 p.m. Tickets will be available at Bakman Florist, Parkside Cleaners and Java House.

Kaleidoscope Lecture Series

The Friends of the Novi Library continue will Kaleidoscope Lecture Series 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27, will a discussion of Early Roads in Metro Detroit. Paul Sewick, a historical researcher, will lead the talk at the library, 45255 W. 10 Mile Road.

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. Through the end of November, the exhibit will feature pastel and oil paintings by multi-award winning artist Patricia Bombach.

This free exhibit will be displayed during regular library hours (9:30 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday) unless the room is hosting another event. For more information, go to www.milfordvfaa.org.

Holiday season tribute

Northville's Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main Street, will present a holiday season tribute featuring Gary Sacco as Frank Sinatra and Matt King as Elvis at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1. Tickets are \$25 and are available at 248-349-8110, from the Marquis Theatre box office or at the door. Senior and group discounts are available. For more information, go to www.northvillemarquistheatre.com.

Veterans clothing drive

St. George's Episcopal Church, 801 E. Commerce Street, in Milford is having a winter clothing drive of new/gently used items for both men and women. It will also accept shoes, boots, outdoor wear and small sized toiletries. Clothing must be clean and in good condition. Items collected will go to homeless veterans.

The drive runs through Saturday, Dec. 1. Donations may be dropped off from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and each Sunday morning. Call 248-684-0495 in advance during the week before dropping off items.

Novi Choralaires concerts

The Novi Choralaires vocal group has scheduled two holiday concerts for this season: 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Church of the Holy Family, 24505 Meadowbrook, in Novi and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, in Farmington Hills.

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors and children under age 12, as well as for groups of 10 or more, and will be available at the door. For more information, go to www.novichoralaires.org.

Detroit Lutheran Singers concert

The Detroit Lutheran Singers group will present Benjamin Britten's "A Ceremony of Carols" during a concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at St. Mary Catholic Church, 1955 E. Commerce Road, in Milford. This collection of Christmas music is based on old English carols and is accompanied by a harp. In addition, there will be wonderful arrangements of traditional songs of the season and the audience will be invited to sing the "Hallelujah Chorus."

Northville Newcomers & Neighbors holiday party

The Northville Newcomers & Neighbors club will host a holiday dinner dance 6:30-11 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at the Northville Hills Golf Club, 15565 Bay Hill Drive. Tickets are \$50 for members and spouses, \$60 for guests.

Make checks payable to NNN and send to: Claudia Snyder, 17945 Stonebrook Court, Northville, MI 48168. Seating is limited. RSVP and entrée choice are due Nov. 26. Please organize your tables of eight or let us seat you with new friends.

For more information, email Patt.Doyle@yahoo.com or grandmaabba@gmail.com.

Square dancing at VFW

The VFW Hall, 125 E. McHattie, in South Lyon will host a traditional American square dance 7-10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7. The event is open to the public, no experience necessary. Couples, singles or families (kids ages 9 and up with parents). All dances taught first.

Entrance fee is a \$5 per person donation to the VFW. For more information, go to <http://squaredance.michigan.tripod.com/southlyon.html>.

Cookie and candy sale

The Milford United Methodist Church, 1200 Atlantic, will host a cookie and candy sale from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 8. Proceeds help missions (local and worldwide) of the United Methodist Women.

Animal shelter donation drive

Provident Dentistry, 40105 W. Grand River Avenue, in Novi is hosting a holiday donation drive benefiting the Oakland County Animal Shelter. Donations will be accepted at the office through Friday, Dec. 14.

Items in need include towels and blankets, leashes and collars, canned cat food, cat litter and pans, bound carpet samples, pet carriers, pet toys/treats/food and food dishes.

For more information, call 248-471-0345 or go to www.providentdentistry.com.

Northville Art House exhibit

The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street, will host an exhibit titled TRANSFORM: Contemporary Artworks in Ceramics, Glass and Metal, featuring the innovative expressions of metro Detroit artists Herb Babcock, John Beckman, Pamela Day, Ray Katz, John Albert Murphy and Ann Smith, through Dec. 15.

The exhibition is open during Art House hours, noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. The Art House will be closed Wednesday through Saturday, Nov. 21-24, for Thanksgiving.

For more information, go to www.northvillearthouse.org.

New exhibit at HVCA

Four award-winning photographers are featured in Huron Valley Council for the Arts' last exhibit of the year in the gallery exhibition and sale, H20: An Exhibition of Fine Art Photography, at HVCA, 205 W. Livingston Road, in Highland. There is no admission fee for the event.

Featured artists are Jerold Hale, Sylvia Ford, Lucinda Huff and Amy Lockard. Exhibit hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, through Dec. 22. For more information, go to www.huronvalleyarts.org or call 248-889-8660.

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.

Barn dance at Kensington

The Kensington Metropark Farm Center, 4570 Huron River Parkway, will host a pair of barn dances Saturday, Feb. 18, 2019. There are two sessions to choose from: 6-8 p.m. (daddy-daughter, mother-son, parent-child) and 8-10 p.m. (adult couples, singles and families with older children).

Light refreshments will be provided. Advance tickets (\$8) are required. Call the park office at 810-227-8910 to order.

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 fun night out of the house.

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The 25th annual Wayne County Lightfest is just around the corner and this Wayne County Parks crew (Julie Jones of Belleville, Andre Bufaalini of Livonia, Darryl Taylor of Detroit and Don Williams of Livonia) was setting the displays last weekend along Edward Hines Drive, near Beech Daly. A fee of \$5. per car is charged. Lightfest will begin 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15 and continue through Monday, Dec. 31, along Edward Hines Drive. DAVID MALHALAB

Nessel happy with decision to run, win or lose

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Obviously, when Dana Nessel hit her precinct at the Plymouth Cultural Center to vote in the general election, she had no idea how her own race was going to turn out.

Nessel, a Plymouth attorney who was locked in a heated battle with Republican Tom Leonard in the race to replace Bill Schuette as Michigan attorney general, said that while there were "things I would do differently," she's happy with how her first try for public office has worked out.

"I will say this — regardless of the outcome tonight, I think I will have done everything I could possibly do," said Nessel, who said she's been campaigning since August 2017. "I've been to every county in the state, so many places multiple times. I've talked to every voter who was interested in talking to me. I've done dozens and dozens of town halls and candidate forums. I can't think of anything else I could have done that I did not do."

"I feel like I'm leaving it all out on the field," she added. "It's in the hands of the voters."

Nessel said making a bid in a statewide election as your first run for office is "grueling," because a first-time candidate doesn't have the campaign know-how a veteran politician might have.

To have that be her first run was "difficult."

"I didn't have any frame of reference for any of the things I did ... I had to learn on the job," Nessel said. "Would I have done some things differently? I might have, had I run before. You have to develop everything. You have to learn who all the actors are around the state, you have to form a donor base. ... You have to start from scratch on everything you do."

"That's been very difficult, but it's also been great," she added. "I've met so many amazing people around the state."

The hardest thing for her is the hardest thing for a lot of politicians: the loss of family time. She said she misses time with her wife, Alanna Maguire of Plymouth, and the couple's two sons.

She misses so much time, she said with a smile, that even something as simple as household chores become difficult.

"Obviously, it's been hard," she said. "I haven't seen my family nearly as much as I'd like to. Little things in the household that you normally don't have a problem with, like buying soap, I forget to do. I'll be looking forward to spending more time with my family, one way or the other."

The family doesn't seem to mind. Maguire and their sons have been with



Michigan attorney general candidate Dana Nessel casts her ballot at the Plymouth Cultural Center with a little help from her son Zach. BRAD KADRICH | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Nessel much of the way. Maguire, herself a candidate for the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees in 2012, understands the demands.

"I am incredibly proud of Dana," Maguire said. "I have watched her pour her heart and soul into this campaign because she knows that she can make a real difference in the lives of ordinary Michiganders. Voting for her today was truly moving. I am proud to stand by her side now and always."

It's been even harder on the family as the campaign has sprinted down to the wire — and gotten ugly. Attack ads against her have intensified near the end — "The Republicans spent \$7 million in negative ads ... that's insane!" Nessel said — and have made it tough on her sons.

"Were there times when I didn't want my kids to turn on the TV? Yeah, of course," Nessel said. "But I'm proud of my work, I'm proud of my career. I hope the voters will see it the same way."

With the campaign over, Nessel wouldn't say whether she'd do it again. "Talk to me after tonight," she said Tuesday morning, laughing. But she doesn't regret any of it.

"No, I don't regret it," Nessel said. "I think someone needed to be out there talking forcefully about issues I've been discussing since day one: clean and safe drinking water, protecting a woman's right to choose, protecting consumer rights ... things we just haven't had an AG who's cared about in a very long time."

"Obviously, I'm hoping I'll be successful," she added. "But I'm hoping whoever wins these government offices gets back to a place where they care about really protecting the people who live here."

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Charlene Misener and Sheri Duke wait for the food distribution to begin. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Veterans Haven celebrates 25 years of helping vets

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Veterans Haven is a place that's not hard to miss while driving along Wayne Road in Wayne. The small, former day care facility is tucked back off the road, sandwiched between two homes.

But its impact reaches far through western Wayne County and impacts the lives of hundreds of people across the region, something that's been taking place for 25 years, a lot longer than Judy Berna thought it would.

"I really didn't," she said. "I didn't realize the need there is until we got going with this."

The organization began in Berna's apartment with her husband Vince, a Vietnam-era veteran, back in 1993. After running the organization out of their home for six years, they acquired their current building at 4924 S. Wayne in 1999.

They collect donations for area veterans and provide food on a weekly basis at their building. It's not uncommon to see nearly 150 people at the facility gathering each week to collect food brought to the site by Gleaners Community Food Bank.

Berna said her husband was forced to retire early from a grocery delivery business several years ago. He was affected by the number of homeless veterans he saw on the streets of Detroit and other cities and decided they needed to do something.

"It was his dream to start a place where a veteran could lay their head and be at peace with nobody bothering him," she said.

Today, they help feed veterans with the weekly food drives that attract people from as far away as New Boston. That also includes providing "vet packs," a box full of non-perishable food that honorably discharged veterans can get from Veterans Haven once a month.

The organization eventually blossomed into providing some temporary housing for veterans. When issues forced it to close those, it worked with the city of Westland to secure several apartments for permanent housing.

Mark Iscaro resides in one of those apartments. He grew up in Westland and lived all across the country after he left the U.S. Marine Corps back in the 1980s as a sniper. He ended up falling on hard times and found himself homeless, sleeping in the woods.

He got involved with Veterans Haven, lived in some temporary housing and, eventually, moved into an apartment. Today, he's become very involved in the organization.

"I became a client and I went from the big house to



Judy Berna, wife of Veterans Haven founder Vince Berna, serves as office manager. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

the four-plex and then they put me on the board and I've just been staying here," he said. "I've been here since."

Moving forward, Berna said the goal is keep on helping the region's veterans. She's seen veterans come back from places such as Iraq and Afghanistan and see they get some assistance, but it's not nearly enough for their needs.

"The ones that are coming back now, I'm glad to see the military is helping them now, but they still need help," she said.

Those interested in donating to Veterans Haven can go to veteranshaven.org.

Contact David Veselenak at dveselenak@hometownlife.com or 734-678-6728. Follow him on Twitter @davidveselenak.



Mark Iscaro started out as a client of Veterans Haven. Now he works there. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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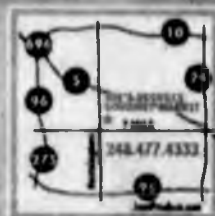
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That's the consensus of the Association's coaches as they embark on the 2018-19 season.

The reconfigured KLAA features two strong divisions, including MHSAA Division 1 and 2 state champions Brighton and Hartland, respectively, from the KLAA West, along with Division 3 run-



Ossenschlager Reynolds Brown

ner-up Livonia Churchill in the KLAA East.

"The team looks forward to competing in the KLAA, one of the premier leagues in the entire state," said first-

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Churchill's Michael Mancina (right) returns for the Division 3 state runner-up team. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

PREP FOOTBALL

Groves tops Franklin in shootout to win regional

Marty Budner
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Groves is making a return trip to the state semifinals.

The host Falcons remained alive in the Division 2 football state playoffs with a wildly entertaining 53-29 victory Friday over Livonia Franklin to claim the regional championship. It marks the second time in program history that Groves has advanced to the semifinals — the first just two years ago, when it lost a heart-breaker to Detroit King.

Henry Van Faussien was a sophomore in 2016 who experienced the state playoffs as a varsity call-up. This time, he's going as a senior tri-captain and can't wait.

"This is awesome. We're only the second team to have made it (to the semifinals)," Van Faussien said. "There are a lot of parallels between those teams. We have strong leaders, but we also have strong juniors. Everyone steps up and makes plays for us."

Groves' offense was hard to stop once it got started against Franklin.

The Falcons trailed 2-0 after the opening quarter, but exploded for three second-quarter touchdowns on three consecutive possessions to take a 21-2 halftime lead. Groves continued its onslaught in the second half by scoring 32 points en route to its biggest offensive output of the season. Six different players accounted for the seven Falcons touchdowns.

An offensive explosion

Veteran head coach Brendan Flaherty figured the teams would put on an offensive show despite the cold, windy conditions.

"I did expect this (shootout). I abso-

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All four of Franklin's touchdowns Friday against Groves in the Division 2 regional championship game came on passes from quarterback Jacob Kelbert to three different receivers.

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NO MORE CHEERS



Farmington Harrison's Andrew Brown walks off the field for the last time after the Hawks fell to Chelsea, 21-14, ending the school's football program on its home turf at Buller Field. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Chelsea stuns Harrison to end school's glorious run

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For Chelsea, it's five more days of practice and a chance to play for a state championship Thanksgiving weekend at Ford Field.

For Farmington Harrison, it's the wrap on a fabulous 49-year football run as the host Hawks gave up two touchdowns during the final 2:07 and were stunned by Chelsea, 21-14, in the final game that will ever be played at Buller Field in the MHSAA Division 4 regional final.

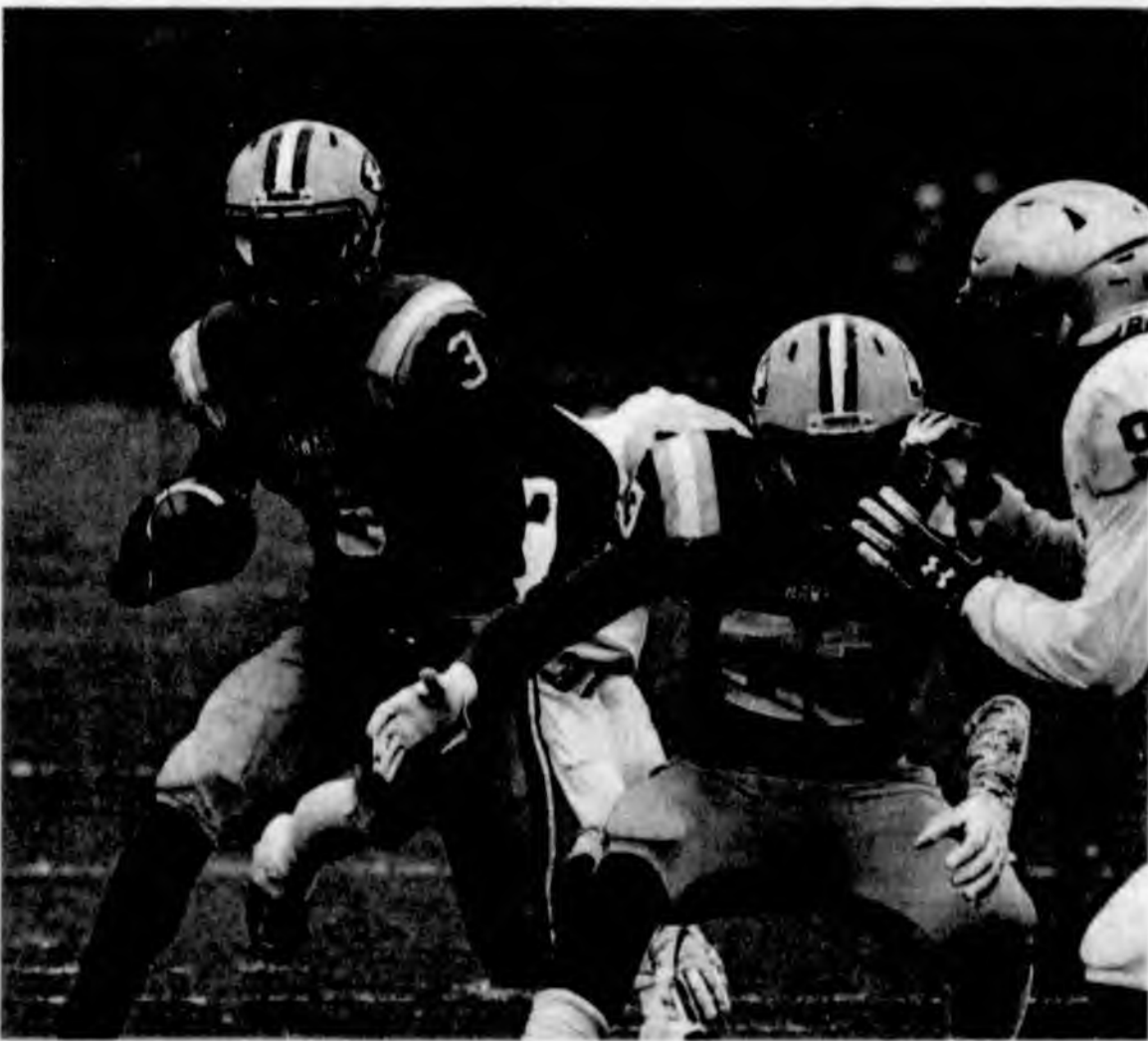
With the school closing its doors next June, the Hawks' goal of adding to their record 13th state title under coach John Herrington appeared to be still on track as they carried a 14-7 lead deep into the fourth quarter.

But after a short Harrison punt, Chelsea got the ball at midfield and drove 52 yards in 10 plays, resulting in an 11-yard TD pass from quarterback Quinn Starkey to Hunter Neff with only 2:07 left to tie the score at 14-14.

Harrison then went to a hurry-up offense and drove to the Chelsea 42, only to have disaster strike as an errant snap from center eluded QB Keel Watson, who was unable to get a handle on it as the Bulldogs' Nicklas Holmberg recovered the fumble at the Hawks' 42 with only 46.2 seconds remaining.

And Starkey came through on the second play with a 22-yard TD strike down the sideline to Aaron McDaniels

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Farmington Harrison senior Roderick Heard runs during first half of the Division 4 regional final. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"(W)e were a little bit lucky to win it last week and lost when we were a little bit unlucky this week. That's the way football is."

John Herrington Harrison coach

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year Northville coach Gordie Brown, who takes over from Clint Robert. "Having three KLAA teams make it to the state finals last year and two of them winning their respective divisions tells you that you are in one of the top leagues and that you really can't afford to take any days off. We look forward to competing every day."

And that's just for starters.

Livonia Stevenson was a D-2 quarterfinalist a year ago and is the defending KLAA champion, while Plymouth was ranked No. 2 last year in Division 2 and Churchill was ranked No. 9 in Division 3 before making a run all the way to the finals last March at USA Hockey Arena.

"Our schedule is as demanding as ever, which is the exactly the way we want it," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said. "We cannot take a night off or, for that matter, a day off. We must continue to understand that growth with this group can't be optional, it needs to be excepted. We have high expectations for the season but, more importantly, we have high expectations day by day. This group is learning that expectations are a gift and we all must embrace them. If we do this, we could have a very memorable season. We are excited to get started."

Brighton coach Paul Moggach, entering his 24th season, knows what the KLAA competition is all about.

"I think the KLAA West is one of the strongest in the state," he said. "I don't think there's many teams on our side that can't win on any given night. I think it's going to be a good battle for our league and I think also outside our league, when we play our non-conference teams, it's going to be at a pretty high level and it's going to be tough."

The revamped KLAA East features Livonia Franklin, Churchill, Stevenson, Canton Salem and Plymouth, while the West features Brighton, Hartland, Howell, Northville and Novi.

"Our league is probably up there with the MIHL (Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League)," Novi coach Mark Vellucci said. "Those are two of the top leagues in the state."

Here's a capsule outlook for the 2018-19 this season in the KLAA.

KLAA East Division

Livonia Churchill

Head coach: Jason Reynolds, seventh season.

Last year's record: 16-12-2.

Titles won last year: MHSAA Division 3 runner-up, regional champion.

Players to watch: Zack Vendittelli, Sr. F; Matt Gibboney, Sr. D; Michael Mancina, Jr. F; Cameron Greener, Jr. F; Keith Peterson, Jr. D; Jimmy Targosz, Soph. F; Donovan Young, Soph. D; Bryant Riley, Soph. G; Devin Genzel, Fr. F.

Reynolds's 2018-19 outlook: "I'm really excited about the character we have in our locker room ... possibly the highest we've ever had. We're a young roster, although we have a solid core returning from last year's historic run. We'll be relying on our leadership to set high standards our young players in order to prepare them for a very challenging KLAA schedule. Our culture will demand that they compete and we'll achieve growth through winning and learning."

Livonia Franklin

Head coach: Ken Anderson, first season.

Last year's record: 8-16-1.

Players to watch: Jacob Cox, Jr. F; Dakota Keaton, Sr. F; Nolan Niva, Jr. F; Justin Pedersen, Sr. F; Sebastian Stukel, Sr. F; Steven Morris, Sr. D; Ryan Kerr, Jr. D; Josh Boze, Soph. D; Steven Hicks, Jr. G; Kyle Fugedi, Soph. F.

Anderson's 2018-19 outlook: "With a new coaching staff and eight new players joining 10 returners, we will have to have patience with each other going through the start of the season. We will have to have a strong five-man commitment in our defensive zone to limit the opponents' scoring chances. Look for some scoring from our defensemen, since we don't have a lot of experienced goal scorers up front. We look to be an aggressive, disciplined team that will give our opponent a tough hard-fought game every game."

Livonia Stevenson

Head coach: David Mitchell, seventh season.

Last year's record: 23-6.

Titles won last year: Division 2 regional, KLAA Association and KLAA Black Division.

Players to watch: Austin Adamic, Sr. F; Adam Hillebrand, Sr. F; Josh Suzio, Sr. F; Seth Lause, Jr. F; Jaydon Spears, Sr. F; Patrick McGowan, Sr. F; Steven Hunt, Sr. Def.; Joe Sharkey, Sr. D; Stephen McDonald, Sr. D; Eric Polzin, Sr. G; Jonah



Austin Adamic (left) returns this season for Livonia Stevenson. TOM BEAUDOIN

"Having three KLAA teams make it to the state finals last year and two of them winning their respective divisions tells you that you are in one of the top leagues and that you really can't afford to take any days off."

Gordie Brown
Northville coach

Heath, Sr. G.

Mitchell's 2018-19 outlook: "As always, competing each day is our top priority. We have a good, deep group that understands the type of work, focus, preparation and execution that other Spartan teams have put before them to have some success. We have had a good off season and have some nice additions in key spots that should allow us to be a deeper team come January and February. Our leadership is solid and experienced, they are helping to evolve our culture."

Canton

Head coach: John Bartle, second season.

Last year's record: 11-13-1.

Players to watch: Hugo Fronovic, Jr. F; Austin Woelke, Sr. C; Declan O'Hare, Soph. C; Alex Poe, Sr. D; Addison Eilers, Jr. D; Jaxon Taylor, Jr. G; Michael Renzi, Soph. G; Lenny Kubitski, Soph. F; Kunal Kale, Soph. F; Chris Hagan, Jr. F; James Monteith, Soph. C; Hadley Hudak, Soph. D; Tyler Laski, Soph. D.

Bartle's 2018-19 outlook: "We are continuing to rebuild with a young, talented team. It takes a few years to get a program back to where it should be, but I believe we are slightly ahead of schedule. We topped the previous five years by seven wins. Our top returning scorer is (Hugo) Fonovic (51 points in 24 games). We have two solid goalies returning in (Jaxon) Taylor and (Michael) Renzi, who may be the strongest tandem in the league."

Plymouth

Head coach: Gerry Vento, eighth season.

Last year's record: 17-8-1.

Players to watch: Adam Rebecca, Sr. D; Jack VandenBergeur, Sr. F; Nathan Stoneburg, Sr. F; Ian Smith, Jr. F; Kyle Ahearn, Jr. D; Josh Montroy, Sr. G; Joel Drucker, Jr. G.

Vento's 2018-19 outlook: "We graduated a lot of talent and leadership last year, so there will be plenty of opportunities for players to step up and fill some pretty important roles. With four sophomore defensemen playing their first year of varsity hockey, it will be exciting to watch them develop and grow as a group. With a healthy (Josh) Montroy in net and (Joel) Drucker working hard at his first year of varsity, we are very confident in our goaltending. While we lost some key components from last year's team, I have no doubt with the returners we have along with players we added from prep and outside the program we will be fine. The work ethic and attitude has been very encouraging and I expect to see a much different team at the beginning of February than we see at the beginning of November."

Salem

Head coach: Ryan Ossenmacher, 13th season.

Last year's record: 12-12-1.

Titles won last year: Lash Cup.

Players to watch: Colin Goleniak, Sr. F (leading scorer); Josh German, Jr. D; Anthony Gattoni, Jr. D; Alex Schaumburger, Jr. F; Dante Doute, Soph. F; Devan Grayshaw, Soph. F.

Ossenmacher's 2018-19 outlook:

"This year's group returns six out of top seven statistical performers from last season. Our schedule is extremely challenging with teams from Michigan, Ohio, Ontario and Illinois, including road trips to Chicago and Traverse City. This will be one of the more skillful groups we have had at Salem and, if we can commit to playing a complete game, we should be an entertaining team to watch."

KLAA West Division

Northville

Head coach: Gordie Brown, first season.

Last year's record: 13-13.

Players to watch: Owen Moruzi, Sr. G; Nick Bogenhagen, Sr. D (captain).

Brown's 2018-19 outlook: "Owen (Moruzi), who played 18 of 26 games last season, will be a big key to the team's success. Owen gained a lot of experience last season and has earned the starting position. He has spent the off season working hard on and off the ice, and there are some colleges that have taken notice of this and are interested in Owen playing for their programs after he graduates from Northville. Nick (Bogenhagen) provides exceptional leadership, has an outstanding work ethic and great two-way ability on the ice."

Novi

Head coach: Mark Vellucci, sixth season.

Last year's record: 9-17.

Players to watch: Ethan Hunsinger, Sr. G; Ryan Pinho, Sr. F (captain); Evan Chipka, Sr. F (alternate captain); Chris Martin, Sr. D (alternate captain); Nate Erskine, Soph. F; Sam Lewinski, Soph. D; Max Rallis, Soph. D.

Vellucci's 2018-19 outlook: "We have a very difficult schedule, we'll play a lot of great teams. We'll have to work hard and compete every night to have a successful season. Our greatest strength will be our goaltending and defense. We have a majority coming back. We're really going to be a junior-sophomore team. The seniors we lost we replaced with sophomores, who we're going to rely upon to be a big part of our team. A majority of my guys have a year under their belt of varsity hockey ... I expect good things. We're not quite as talented as the other teams, but I think our work ethic will lead to more success than last year. I believe we'll be better than a .500 team. It all depends on what Novi team shows up. I'm encouraged. We haven't had one bad practice yet. It's a long way to go, but I like the start we're having."

Brighton

Head coach: Paul Moggach, 24th season.

Last year's record: 24-6-1.

Titles won last year: Division 1 state and regional.

Players to watch: Timothy Erkkila, Sr. D; Caleb Seiter, Jr. D; Will Jentz, Jr. F; Jason Verhelle, Sr. F; Evan MacDonald, Sr. F; Braden MacDonald, Jr. F; Harrison Fleming, Sr. G.

Moggach's 2018-19 outlook: "It al-

ways hard to defend a state title, league title or regional title. It's just really hard. You have a target on your back and everybody is going to give your your best game. But I think there's parity now in high school hockey with a lot of teams that have some talent. It's a battle, but I'd rather be defending than not defending. You really have to monitor the expectations of your players, so that they aren't living off last year's championship. It starts all over again every season. We've got a lot of young guys. We graduated a lot of offense and we'll probably have to play a defensive style to begin with and try and find our offense. We're happy with what we got and we hope it works out for us this year."

Hartland

Head coach: Rick Gadwa, eighth season.

Last year's record: 23-6-1.

Titles won last year: Division 2 state, regional and KLAA Gold Division.

Players to watch: Joey Larson, Sr. F; Brendan Tulp, Sr. F; Brett Tome, Sr. G; Owen Pietila, Sr. F; Gabe Anderson, Sr. F; John Druskinis, Jr. D.

Gadwa's 2018-19 outlook: "We return 11 players off last year's state championship team. Combining that with the new talent acquired, we look to be strong this year ... on paper. The challenge is, names on paper don't win hockey games, teams do. Leadership and work ethic will determine the success of our program this season. With 12 seniors on the roster this will their team. We go as they go. We will be challenged with one of the toughest schedules in the state with the likes of Brighton, (Birmingham) Brother Rice, Stevenson and an annual trip to Houghton to play Hancock and Houghton, Orchard Lake St. Mary's, (Cleveland) St. Ignatius and the MIHL Showcase, to name a few. We've had success within our program due to returning players carrying on tradition. If this team does that, you never know what can happen come playoff time."

Howell

Head coach: Eric Hirzel, seventh season.

Last year's record: 11-14-1.

Players to watch: Graham Hassan, Sr. F; Josh Farr, Sr. F (captain); Ethan Ryan, Sr. G; Dominic Rossi, Jr. D; Gavin Sheffer, Sr. D; Brandon Eoll, Jr. D; Leander Daavettilla, Sr. F; Nolan Schick, Sr. D; Stefan Frantti, Jr. F; Cam Sturos, Jr. F; Wes Smith, Sr. F; Brent Wolf, Jr. F.

Hirzel's 2018-19 outlook: "Ethan (Ryan) is our returning goalie. He'll be our go-to guy. He'll be our number guy. We have Graham Hassan back, he was our leading scorer, who made second team all-state. He's going to be a top guy to watch. Stefan Frantti played really well at the end of last season. Those guys are going to be good. Nolan Schick, our senior defenseman, is going to be a tough one to play against. (Dominic) Rossi is a high-powered offensive defenseman that was all-state honorable mention. I think we're going to be in a little bit better shape than last year. We're really trying to work on speed. We're trying to play a fast game. Obviously, it's the toughest league around, the East or the West, just the KLAA in general."

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Harrison

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for the game-winning points with only 32.3 seconds left to stun Harrison.

The 77-year-old Herrington, who guided all 49 Harrison teams, reflected afterward on the finality of it all.

"The only thing I thought about it was Don Meredith and 'Monday Night Football,'" said Herrington, who finished with a state-best 443-112-1 record, including 13 state titles. "He used to say, 'Turn out the lights, the party's over.' I guess that's my quote. I thought we might go down and get a field goal to win it ... we were a little bit lucky to win it last week and lost when we were a little bit unlucky this week. That's the way football is."

Chelsea (9-3) moves into the state semifinals Saturday at Walled Lake Northern, where they will face Williamston (10-2), a 28-0 regional winner Friday over St. Clair.

Never give up

"Our guys never quit battling, they never panicked," first-year Chelsea coach Josh Lucas said. "We're trying to score. We're not trying to let this thing go to overtime. We're trying to go for the win."

The Hawks (8-4) opened the game with a methodical 13-play, 67-yard drive, capped by Roderick Heard's 10th straight carry on a 14-yard TD run with 4:41 left in the first quarter.

With 3:32 remaining in the second, Chelsea's Kyle Knight made a couple of shifty moves inside the Harrison defense and scored on a 38-yard TD run to even the score at 7-7.

On the ensuing possession, Harrison got down to the Chelsea 24. Watson then hit Heard on a 24-yard wheel route for what appeared to be a Hawks touchdown, but it was called back because of a chop block, negating the play.

The score was tied 7-7 at halftime. "The penalties killed us in the first half, then a couple of mistakes at the end," Herrington said. "(Chelsea) deserved it, they played real hard. They played well."

After holding Chelsea to 80 yards total in the first half, the Hawks' defense forced a three-and-out to start the second half and scored on an eight-play, 63-yard drive, capped by a nice hesitation move by Heard for a 12-yard TD run with 5:57 left in the third to make it 14-7.

And it appeared Harrison was in position to make another trip to the state semifinals.

"We were making first downs and everything, but when you get 15-yard penalties, it's a little hard to overcome," Herrington said. "We didn't do what we had to do. We did have the lead, 14-7, with about six minutes to go and we lost it. That's the way it is in football."

After going 5-of-8 passing for just 22 yards in the first half, Starkey was 11-



Chelsea's Aaron McDaniels falls into the end zone with the game-winning TD, ending the season for Farmington Harrison in the Division 4 regional final. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Farmington Harrison head coach John Herrington and his team prepare for the start to the last game of the Harrison football program as the Hawks lost in the Division 4 regional final 21-14 to Chelsea at Buller Field. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

of-17 for 119 yards during the final two quarters.

"Quinn is the real deal. He made couple of reads there where he wished he probably want to have back, left a couple of touchdowns out there," Luca said. "But he's an assassin. When we need him to do it, he makes plays. He's been doing it all year."

Heard, meanwhile, finished with 160 yards rushing on 25 carries.

"To be completely honest, I thought we really dominated them a majority of the game. I think we were able to do whatever we wanted," said Heard, a Northwestern commit. "Of course, (Chelsea) made plays and things like that, but they just came out with the win. We got a lot of penalties, a lot of missed plays and things like that. That's how it goes sometimes. Definitely, congrats to them on winning the game and, hopefully, they go far."

Reflecting on the season, Heard said has no regrets.

"We worked hard, committed ourselves," he said. "We had a pretty good season ... third round of the playoffs. A lot of teams wished they'd still be in the third round of the playoffs. That's an accomplishment in itself. We are district champs and that's another accomplishment. Obviously, it's not the total goal that we wanted to achieve, because we really wanted to go for that state title. But you win some and you lose some."

Harrison played its first home game in 1971, when it was a member of the old Western Six League.

"I remember the first home game we ever played as a school and that was over at North (Farmington)," Herrington said of the 1970 season. "But I can't remember that for sure. Somebody asked me that the other day what our first home game was here. I know it was

1971."

As far as Herrington's future plans? His first immediate business to take a trip in December to Florida.

"I don't have any yet," he said. "I'll think about it now that it's over. I don't think about this day in particular, but the whole year has been good. It's been tough in some respects, getting everybody on the same page. But we did good and our defensive coaches did a great job. They did a great job today. Couple mistakes at the end and plays that we knew that were coming ... we didn't stop them."

And his final message to the 49th and final Harrison football team?

"I just told them to be proud of themselves and that they stuck with Harrison," he said. "It would have been easy to bail out being with the program three years knowing it was going to close out. And the juniors, especially, that stayed in, I appreciate them. I think they won more games than a lot of people thought we would. I was proud of that."

Chelsea, meanwhile, seems to be peaking at the right time. The Bulldogs have won six of their last seven games. And the Bulldogs certainly played the spoiler role.

"It's a big deal, but it's just another football field to us," Lucas said. "We didn't get caught up in all the hoopla. We just came out here and played football. They knew it was their last year. It's hard. You've got to remember these kids are 16 and 17 years old. They've had cameras in their face all year. They knew it was the last game here. They had a lot on their shoulders and you could see it in the game, the emotions were so high. Our kids stayed even keel the whole time."

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Groves

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lutely did. I think (Franklin) does a great job," said Flaherty, whose team is now 10-2 on the season. "It's like three weeks in a row between (Seaholm head coach Jim) DeWald (and Rice head coach Adam Korzeniewski) and now (Franklin head coach Chris) Kelbert. These guys are really, really smart guys."

"This is awesome and it's a good testament for us and we always want to try and get a little better each week," he added. "I think it's a credit to the coaches and the players and everyone involved with the program for us to get back to the semifinal."

Franklin took the early 2-0 lead with a safety following a bad snap that ended up in the end zone on a Groves punt attempt.

The Falcons then did what they do best — tear up opponents with their big-play rushing attack.

Junior Colby Taylor burst up the middle and sprinted untouched into the end zone for a 67-yard TD run to begin the Groves comeback. Three minutes later, senior tri-captain Damonte McCurdy raced 30 yards into the end zone after shedding a couple of Patriots defenders.

Then, with just eight seconds left before halftime, junior quarterback Markis Alexander hit senior Christian Thomas in the corner of the end zone on an 8-yard TD pass.

Franklin, which finished fourth in the tough KLA East Division and got in the playoffs with a 5-4 record due to its brutal schedule, scored the first 13 points of the second half to get within six points at 21-15. Junior quarterback Jacob Kelbert completed touchdown passes to Cal Fournier (38 yards) and Frederick



Groves senior Christian Thomas (left) hauls in a touchdown pass just before halftime, which gave the host Falcons a 21-2 lead after two quarters. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Biles (15 yards).

But Groves quickly responded on its next possession, when McCurdy went in from 23 yards out. Two minutes later, Falcons defensive end Jacob Edelman intercepted a pass and ran it back 35 yards to the Franklin 5-yard line. Senior halfback Joel Mitchell romped in on the next play and Groves regained a comfortable advantage at 36-15.

Kelbert paces Patriots attack

Franklin's two other touchdowns

were passes from Kelbert to Biles (56 yards) and Davion Reno-Smetler (9 yards). The final two Groves touchdowns were by Khalil Dawsey (41-yard run) and Taylor (25-yard run). Groves kicker Moritz Preuss also hit a 37-yard second-half field goal.

"We just had a bad start. We didn't come out and fire on all cylinders there," said Franklin head coach Chris Kelbert, whose team ended with a 7-5 record. "In the beginning of the game, we got ourselves in an 18-point deficit and that was kind of the outcome. We had to play

catch-up from there on out.

"I challenged the kids at halftime to come out and make it the greatest comeback ever instead of the other side of that," he added. "They did what I asked. But Groves is a very talented team and they did what they needed to do."

Kelbert accounted for most of Franklin's offense with 263 passing yards (18-of-33) and 60 yards rushing.

Alexander completed 15-of-20 passes for 120 yards and McCurdy paced the rushing attack with 131 yards. Colby added 93 yards rushing and Dawsey had 41.

Groves will play Warren De La Salle (10-2) in the D-2 semifinal set for 1 p.m. Saturday at Hazel Park High School. De La Salle, the defending Division 2 state champion, advanced to the semifinal after Friday's 21-3 victory over Port Huron Northern.

"This feels great. We really have a lot of momentum going for us," Van Faus-sien said. "We're on a 10-game winning streak and I think we have a real shot at moving on. We're going to play our hearts out (against De La Salle), we're going to leave it all out on the field and we're going to make it to the state championship game."

"We didn't really finish off well last week (in the district championship win over Brother Rice) and that was on us," he added. "We have a non-stop drive to play aggressive. We play mean and we play hard. That's just who we are."

Flaherty knows the Patriots will be a huge obstacle to overcome.

"They are really, really good and it's going to be a huge challenge for us," he said.

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PREP FOOTBALL

DeWitt routs Farmington in regional final

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Injuries have limited the impact Tyler Warren could make on the field during his sophomore and junior seasons.

It was a knee issue that limited him two years ago.

Then last year, it was a broken bone in his ankle that limited him to just a few games for the DeWitt football team.

Warren has made his mark as a senior for the Division 3 No. 2-ranked Panthers. And he set the tone Saturday as DeWitt captured its first regional championship since 2013 with a 42-7 victory over Farmington at Lansing Catholic's Cougar Stadium.

"It's such a blessing," Warren said of being able to make plays. "I've missed a lot of football. To be here right now — I can't be more thankful."

Warren returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown Saturday while setting the tone for DeWitt (12-0). He later added a touchdown reception late in the opening half for the Panthers, who had a 42-0 advantage at the half.

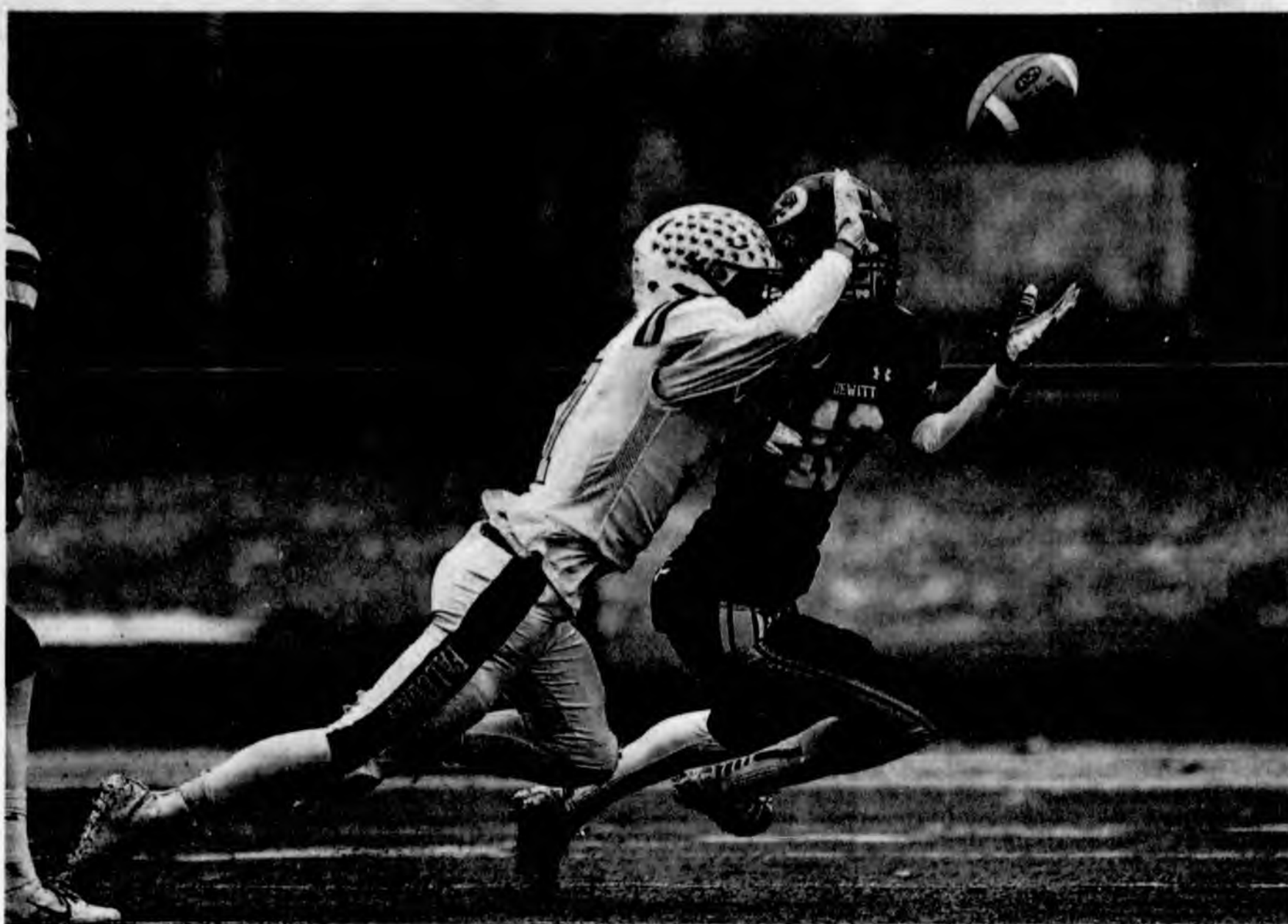
"He's been unbelievable and had another great game today," DeWitt coach Rob Zimmerman said. "He's the fastest kid I've ever had here."

Warren was among a large number of contributors for the Panthers in the regional win. Derek Hamp, Thaddeus Anwar and Andrew Debri also scored touchdowns.

Third time's a charm

The postseason journey for the Panthers had ended in the regional round each of the last two years. In 2016, it was eventual state champion Orchard Lake St. Mary's that rallied to beat DeWitt on the road. A year ago, eventual state champ Muskegon routed the Panthers in the regional final.

DeWitt had the motivation for a better outcome this time around. Warren's early score and an interception returned for a touchdown by Jace Preston less than two minutes later had the Panthers well on their way to capturing the title they had missed out on the last couple



DeWitt's Collin McCrackin nearly intercepts a pass intended for Farmington's Jacody Sikora. MATTHEW DAE SMITH | LANSING STATE JOURNAL

of years.

"It means a ton," Panthers senior lineman Michael Joseph said. "It's just unfinished business from the last couple years. The last couple years, we've been playing some great football teams in the regional finals."

"Farmington was a great football team, but it was a lot of fun to come out here and play like we did."

DeWitt's dominance Saturday earns it a date with Detroit King, which spent all season ranked in the top five in Division 2 in the Associated Press state poll, in this weekend's semifinal at 1 p.m. Saturday at Brighton High School.

A building block

Farmington put itself in a tough spot early, facing a 15-0 deficit a little more than two minutes in that was difficult to come back from.

But despite what the scoreboard said at the end of game, coach Kory Cioroch viewed the season as a positive for his program.

The Falcons were just 5-13 over the last two years before putting things together this fall. Farmington (8-4) played for an OAA Blue championship before falling short against Birmingham Seaholm. And it made its best state playoff

run since 2002 by posting wins over Auburn Hills Avondale and South Lyon East while claiming a district crown.

"I thought even though the score was what it was that our kids fought," said Cioroch, whose team got a late touchdown run by Kendall Williams.

"We talked at halftime about some of these kids have a half left in their life to play football and to come out and play with some pride. I thought they did. I'm just proud of them. I'm proud of them for getting here. No one thought we were going to be here. Winning a district championship — I think we're pretty happy."

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Mercy slams Marian again to claim regional

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Mercy never forgot the sting of losing to Marian in last year's Class A state semifinal volleyball match. The Marlins turned that disappointment into a season-long revenge tour against their Catholic League rivals.

No. 1-ranked Mercy defeated No. 6-ranked Marian for the sixth time this season Nov. 8 to claim the Division 1 regional championship. The Marlins won in three straight sets, 25-17, 25-20, 25-13, to complete the sweep.

Mercy also defeated Marian in the championship matches of the Stoney Creek and Dakota tournaments, twice in Catholic League regular-season play and then in last month's Catholic League tournament title game.

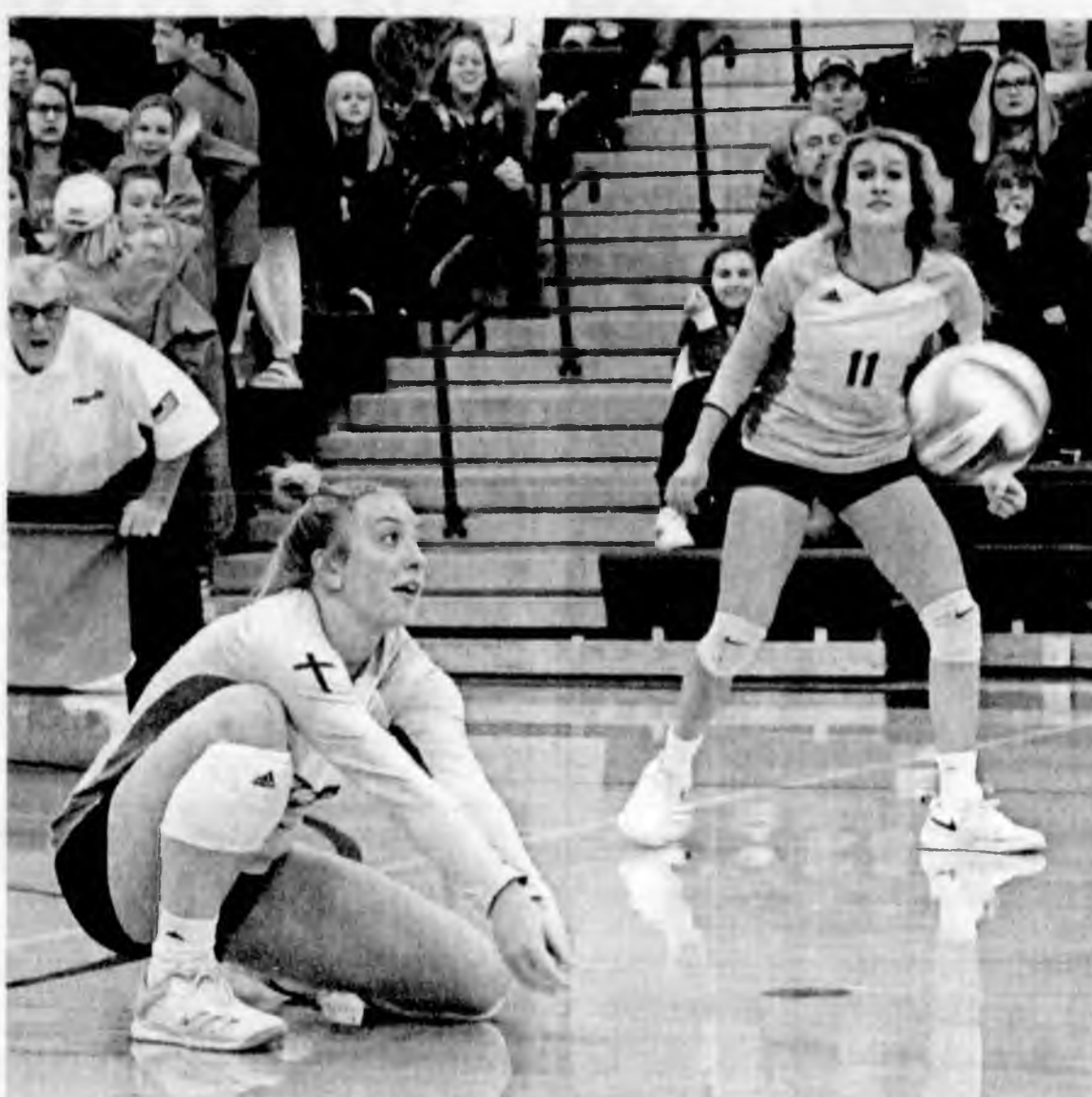
"The feeling is unreal. Ever since last November, when they knocked us out in the state semis, we've been waiting for this match and waiting to get our revenge on them," junior outside hitter Jess Mruzik said. "Everyone said it's hard to beat a team two or three times, but we beat them six times this year."

"Marian played a really great match, but I just think we were so mentally dialed in and we knew what we wanted to do," she added. "Everybody on our team stepped it up big time."

Second straight regional title

The victory lifted Mercy to its second straight regional championship and veteran head coach Loretta Vogel couldn't have been happier with her team's year-long ownership of Marian. The Marlins did not lose a set to the Mustangs all season.

"It's hard playing a team — what, six



Mercy's Jess Mruzik digs low to keep the ball alive while teammate Madi Malecki watches the action. MARTY BUDNER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

or seven times this season? I'm not fond of that," said Vogel, whose team is 52-2. "But this time, it worked out and we're thrilled. We knew what we wanted to do defensively and that had an impact on us. I thought all the girls really came through."

The first two sets were close, but Mercy was in control most of the eve-

ning.

The Marlins took a 4-2 lead in the first set and never trailed, although the Mustangs got to within a point at 17-16. Marian had a bad serve for a side-out and then Mruzik came up with a pair of ace serves to make it a 20-16 score to spark her team's eight-point victory, which ended on a block kill by senior

middle hitter Mallory Conrad.

The second set was also competitive, with the teams trading leads through the early going. The teams were tied at 14-14, but the Marlins went on a 11-6 run to win the set.

Mercy went up 7-4 in the third set and simply hiked the lead from that point on. The Marlins were ahead 24-13 and won the set on a kill by sophomore Charli Atiemo.

"They played their 'A' game tonight and we didn't play ours," said first-year Marian head coach Mayssa Cook, whose team finished 36-10-2. "We battled at times, really, really tough. But I thought we played a little tight. We played not to lose when, really, you don't have anything to lose against the No. 1 team in the state."

On to the quarterfinals

Mercy was led by Mruzik, who finished with 17 kills, two aces and a pair of block assists. Sophomore setter Julia Bishop posted 39 assists with five kills, while Atiemo added 11 kills. Junior libero Kayla Shields registered a team-high nine digs.

"I think our power on the pins (was the difference)," Mruzik said. "Senior Ella Loussia had an unreal game. She's been bringing it every day in practice and, really, each and every person has been bringing it. We've been working hard on serve-serve and power on the pins."

The Marlins headed to the state quarterfinals against Sterling Heights Stevenson.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Churchill earns second regional title in three years

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After a disappointing end to the opening set Nov. 8, Livonia Churchill's varsity volleyball players immediately went back to work in the second set against Woodhaven.

Eyeing their second Division 1 regional championship in three years, the Chargers — especially junior outside hitter Sarah Dunn — started hitting the ball harder in order to turn the momentum back in their favor.

Senior setter Grace Vaeth (31 assists) orchestrated a flawless attack, with front-row players such as senior middle hitter Summer Clark and junior middle hitter Mya Grant ready to augment the hard-hitting Dunn.

And on defense, junior libero Jessica Maladecki continued her outstanding play to help keep Warriors runs to a minimum. She tallied 31 digs and passed the ball at 100-percent efficiency.

It all led to Churchill's 3-1 victory (24-26, 25-17, 25-21, 25-13), enabling the Chargers to face Northville in a D-1 quarterfinal.

"As a team, we all have a lot of fight in us," said Dunn, who registered 28 kills and 19 defensive digs. "That fight just came out and showed. When we were down that one set, we knew we had to step it up even more to take the next three."

"I just, whenever I get a great shot, I just love to hit the ball as hard as I can and try and put the ball down. I was frustrated with the loss in the first set and I just knew I had to come back with more fire."

Woodhaven had trailed 23-18 late in the first set, only to storm back for the victory.

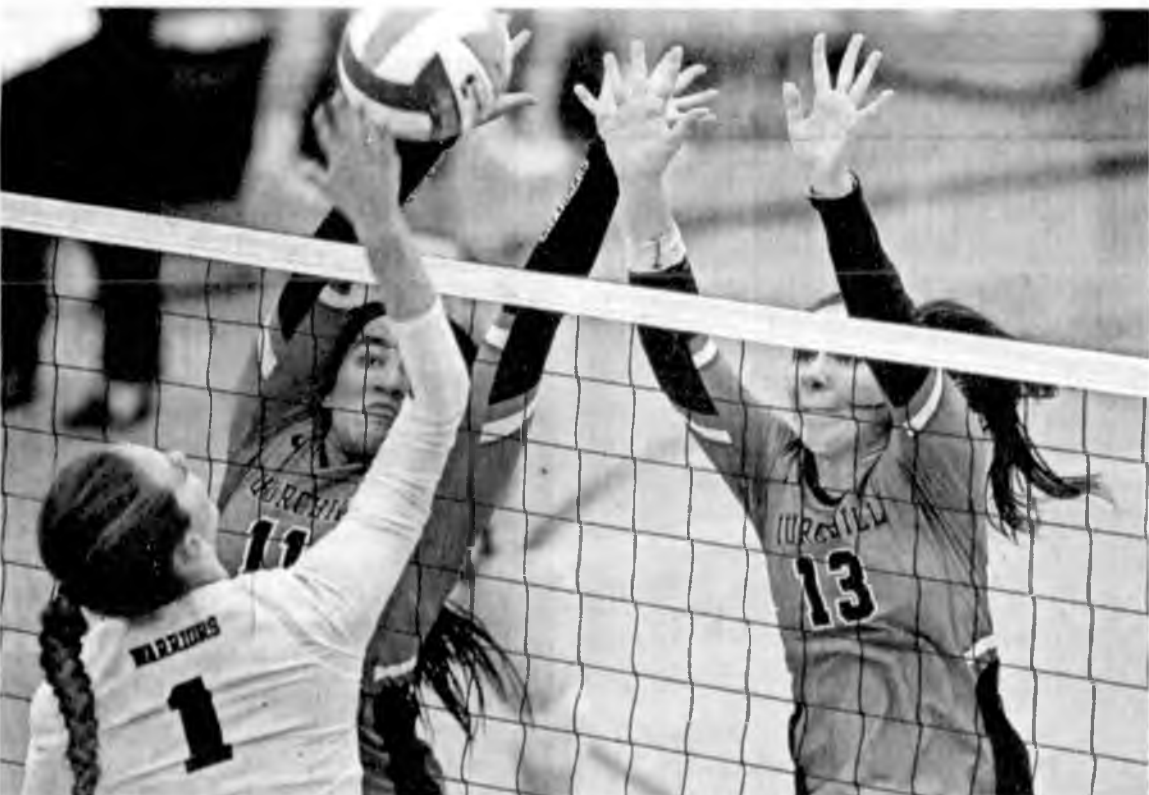
Quick recovery

But the Chargers (36-12) quickly turned the page and leveled the match in the second set.

"We had them to 23-18 and then they went on an 8-1 run, so it definitely kind of kills the momentum for (the second set)," Clutter said. "But my kids came back and played really great to close out the second, third and fourth sets."

Asked whether there was any motivational moment after the first set, Clutter smiled and said, "Yeah, there's still three (sets) left. Forget about the first one, you can't change the past, we just have to move forward and be better in the next."

Clutter said she did not feel as though



Churchill's defense is hot as Mya Grant and Sarah Dunn (right) deny Woodhaven's Isabelle Jucha a kill. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Churchill wins the regional championship. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

her team had the regional championship in the bank until the very last point of the fourth set, however.

"Woodhaven's a tough team. I give their kids a lot of credit, they never gave up," Clutter said. "They're a talented team, they're a big team, they're a strong team. I never count points before we have them."

Net presence

Churchill closed out the back-and-forth second set when Clark smartly directed a Vaeth set over the net.

In the third set, Clark continued to make significant contributions — with two blocks for points and another play where she slammed home a pass from freshman Jordan Wozniak (16 assists).

"Summer played her mind out today,"

Clutter said. "I actually think she was our most effective hitter today. She hit at almost 46 percent effective. Summer just killed it for us."

According to Clark, the desire not to let Woodhaven get out on runs was instrumental to the Chargers' defensive success.

"You just have to want that ball, you just want to put it down right away," Clark said. "It feels amazing. Since we lost (the regional final) last year, it's such a big accomplishment for us."

The Chargers jump-started the fourth set thanks to a four-point run by Vaeth and maintained a lead throughout.

But just in case the Warriors had another rally in store, Vaeth made sure to nip that idea in the bud with a spectacular defensive sideout to make it 16-12

and followed that up with another unbelievable play on the attack during Maladecki's ensuing six-point run at the stripe.

On the sideout, Vaeth — standing deep on the court with her back toward the net — blindly bumped the ball in desperation.

"We like to see what's open on the court and just go after it and push points as much as we can," Vaeth said. "I just don't want to let a ball drop, despite my (recent ankle) injury. I just want to push through it, get the fastest way to 25 and just win it."

Churchill's ability to bounce back had a lot to do with Vaeth being back in top form.

"Our setter Grace is back and we can just run a lot more offense now, it's amazing," Clark said. "She's a great setter and she helped us put down a lot of balls."

Many contributors

Maladecki said the entire team dug deep on every play, to make sure they kept dreams alive of going to Battle Creek for the final four.

"We played great defense," Maladecki said. "We made sure that not a lot of balls hit the floor and we had each other's back through the whole thing."

Woodhaven junior outside hitter Olivia Alexander, who was a thorn in Churchill's side, lamented not being able to build off the opening win.

"I thought they took the momentum back and we didn't take it back after that," Alexander said. "But all around, I thought we played good and it was the best game of our season."

Warriors head coach Carlie McGauley said Alexander has "been a rock star all season. She's just dependable, she's humble, she's coachable, she works hard every day and it pays off in games. She had over 350 kills on the season and she played great tonight."

Meanwhile, Clutter said having "a lot of contributors" was a big reason why the Chargers are still alive in the tournament. She cited three aces by junior Carly Dlugos and 16 assists from Wozniak.

"A lot of contributors today," Clutter said. "I thought my team did a great job stepping in when needed, making adjustments last minute when needed. And just executing our game plan."

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Northville earns first regional title since 2013

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Down 19-13 in the fourth set and with a decisive fifth set staring the Mustangs in the face against a fired-up Ann Arbor Skyline volleyball team, Northville head coach Julie Fisette was looking for a quick fix.

"Scott (Johnson) called it," Fisette said of her assistant coach. "And he said, 'We've got to put Izzy (Guleff) in. She can do it, she's calm, she's collective, she's great off bench.'"

The 5-foot-9 Guleff had only three kills on the night, but they all came in the fourth set and it helped catapult the Mustangs to 12-3 run to end the match as they survived a stiff test Nov. 8 against the host Eagles in the MHSAA Division 1 regional final, 25-19, 25-20, 22-25, 25-22.

"We put our serves in ... three kills and (Guleff) finally missed one, but then it was, like, everyone started lighting up," Fisette said. "And so everyone started getting that momentum back. Ellie (Czarnota) had that last block here that we had been working on all night long just to get."

The Mustangs served four aces in the final set, capped by the match winner by junior defensive specialist Nyla Setla.

"Izzy came in and lit it up and the servers kept it going," Fisette said. "I don't know, the gods were with us. It was awesome."



The Northville volleyball team is all smiles after capturing the MHSAA Division 1 regional title with a four-set win over host Ann Arbor Skyline. BRAD EMONS | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

It was the first regional title for Northville (46-6-1) since 2013 and it placed in the Mustangs in a quarterfinal match-up against Livonia Churchill.

Northville controlled the first two sets pretty much from start to finish before Skyline got untracked in the third behind the one-two offensive punch senior Olivia Cristian (23 kills) and junior Kendall Murray (22 kills).

Cristian had nine kills alone in the third set to force a fourth.

"I can't lie, (Skyline) were phenomenal," Fisette said. "They came alive and we couldn't stop them. We got really out of our game. We started tipping, we started thinking too much, like, where to place the ball. I said, 'Guys, we've got to hit the ball. We've got to stop and really get out there and play our game.'"

As usual, Northville featured a balanced hitting attack, led by junior Clare McNamara (16 kills, three blocks), sophomore Jenna Boksha (13 kills), senior

Michael VanAcker (11 kills) and sophomore Laryssa Imbuzeiro (seven kills, two blocks).

Setters Gabi Fisette and Emma Stiles each recorded 25 assist-to-kills, while senior libero and Michigan State-bound Hannah Grant sparked the defense with a team-high 28 digs. McNamara added 15 digs and Setla had nine. Stiles led Northville with three aces.

"I think they're just very resilient," Skyline coach Chris Cristian said of Northville. "They just know how to keep fighting. I think we put some pressure on them by serving them tough. We just needed to continue to do that. On our passing, we let too many points come back and we kind of let it slip away from us."

After building a six-point advantage, Skyline's serve receive and passing broke down.

"I think the nerves kind of got to us, we started making mental mistakes, something that we work a lot on on first contact," Cristian said. "But when you have so many nerves going through your body and you start making mistakes ... the girls were a little nervous and a little bit tight and that's where our serve receive failed."

The last time Fisette hoisted a regional trophy was in 2006, when she guided Novi to the Class A state semifinals.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL



Northville's Eleanor Knight and Laryssa Imbuzeiro (right) put the block on Bedford's Alyssa Griner. THOMAS BEAUDOIN

Northville's balanced attack too much for Kicking Mules

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With a history of success in the volleyball state tournament and a Hall of Fame coach in Jodi Manore, Temperance Bedford's program has become the envy of many schools over the years.

But that proved to be irrelevant Nov. 6 at Ann Arbor Skyline as Northville stopped the Kicking Mules for the second time this season in four sets, 25-18, 25-13, 25-15, to advance to the Division 1 regional final against host Skyline.

Northville, which improved to 45-6-1, controlled three of the four sets by using a well-rounded attack.

The only glitch for the Mustangs was the third set, when Bedford junior outside hitter Alyssa Griner got hot, racking up nine of her team-high 16 kills.

"I think it was just getting our team to settle down in the third," Northville coach Julie Fisette said. "They're a hard-bought team. You can't put one game, one hit, one thing past them. And getting them fired up doesn't help your cause. I think in the third set, we got a little lax in our blocking. We couldn't get together and they started getting some momentum. They did a hell of a job and they closed it out."

During the third set, Bedford hit a 100 clip, according to Manore.

"We got the balls there, got them up and made them look vulnerable," she said. "The other three (sets), we didn't. We'd get a couple of runs and fall apart and they'd get two or three points."

In the fourth set, Northville jumped out to a 6-1 advantage and never looked back to cruise home for the win.

"Just coming back (for the fourth set) we told the girls, 'Be strong, play your game, relax, settle down and have a

good time on the court,'" Fisette said. "I think all in all, it was an emotional game for my kids. I got some really young kids and they're their worst critics sometimes and they lose sight of some things. So just getting them all to rally around each other and help each other out ... we've got 16 (players) and every single one of them is beneficial to this team."

Clare McNamara, who was all over the court, led the way for Northville with 14 kills and three blocks.

"Clare is phenomenal," Fisette said of the 5-foot-9 junior. "And you can't stop her. Sometimes, she thinks too much and we just want her to 'hit the ball, Clare, because nobody is going to stop you.' She's a great athlete, great kid, great competitor."

Senior Michael VanAcker added nine kills, while junior Eleanor Knight contributed seven kills and three blocks.

Setters Gabi Fisette and Emma Stiles finished with 16 and 14 assist-to-kills, respectively.

On defense, Michigan State commit Hannah Grant led the way with 19 digs, while Nyla Setla added 10.

"Hannah dug a great amount of balls," Julie Fisette said of her senior libero. "And they rallied around each other. When one was down, the other one picked them up. Michael (VanAcker) had a phenomenal game on the front row again, swinging away. Eleanor (Knight) had some key blocks in that last game that always fires you up."

Bedford, which also lost to the Mustangs earlier in the season at the Birmingham Marian tournament, ended its season at 49-15-2.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

South Lyon defeated in five-set regional semifinal

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Ann Arbor Skyline unleashed its version of thunder and lightning in junior Kendall Murray and senior Olivia Cristian, but it was pesky South Lyon that nearly put the fear of God in them on the other side of the net.

Murray, committed to Michigan, teamed with Cristian to provide the muscle as they combined for 49 kills with 28 and 21, respectively.

But it still took five sets Nov. 6 for the host Eagles to oust the Lions in a Division 1 volleyball regional semifinal, 25-19, 26-24, 21-25, 28-30, 15-10.

"When we watched the tape, I think it didn't do justice," Skyline coach Chris Cristian said of South Lyon. "We didn't think it was going to be easy, but we saw we played some harder teams. But the thing, though ... they were very scrappy and that made a big difference."

With the win, Skyline improved to 33-9-3 while earning a spot in the regional final against Northville (45-6-1), which advanced with a four-set semifinal victory over Temperance Bedford.

Up a set, but down 22-20 in the second, the Eagles were awarded a pivotal point on a disputed call on a kill attempt that crawled along the net toward the antenna and out-of-bounds. Skyline went on to take the set, 26-24, to take a 2-0 lead.

"From our view and from I think everybody's view in the gym, it went off of the blocker's hands," South Lyon coach Rebecca Tincknell said. "The ref called it the other way, so ... that was a big point for them."

The Lions, however, responded in the third and fourth sets with a stirring rally to even things up at two sets apiece heading into the fifth.

"We knew what their game plan was," Tincknell said. "They switched it up on us a little bit on us the first two sets. Their outside (hitters) were coming around the middle and running a two-ball. It took a while for us to adjust to that. But I think once we got the hang of it, we were able to shut them down multiple times."

During the fourth set, Skyline thought it had won the match, 27-25, but Murray was called on a violation for being under the net and South Lyon fought back to even the sets at 2-2 with a 30-28 win on an ace serve by Danielle Booth.

"They called it and took the point back," Cristian said of the explanation from the officials. "It took the wind out of our sails, but we came back in the fifth set."

Murray recorded five kills as Skyline jumped out to a 12-8 lead in the



South Lyon's Danielle Booth (left) goes high on the attack against Skyline's Gretta Schorer and Lauren Lee (right). THOMAS BEAUDOIN

fifth set before closing it out.

"I told the guys, 'Let's just play our game and the thing is that we don't always have to bring the hammer,'" Cristian said. "We just tried to move it around, do different things, just be smart, especially when they were blocking us, and maybe start utilizing our middle. And that kind of helped in that fifth set."

South Lyon outside hitter Abby Durecki, despite being undersized on the front row against Murray and Cristian, was heroic in defeat with 15 kills. But more importantly, it was her eight solo blocks that helped fuel the Lions' comeback.

"Warrior is a very good word," Tincknell said of Durecki, "our go-to, our girl who can get the team going and get rallying. She's had an amazing postseason from district. She's just the one we can always rely on."

Booth, a senior, added 11 kills, while senior setter Emily Kalinowski finished with 40 assist-to-kills for South Lyon. Defensively, digs leaders included Stephanie Kalinowski (18), Kendra Blackie (17) and Emily Kalinowski (15).

The Lions, Lakes Valley Conference champs, ended their season at 35-8-3. They lose eight seniors to graduation.

"This team is going to be a very hard team to top in future years," Tincknell said. "They've set the expectation for the program of what it's going to be, because they've shown the ninth- and 10th-graders what it takes to get to that level and it just doesn't come easy. They were phenomenal ... 16-0 in our conference. We beat some really good teams and they're going to be missed, for sure. A lot of big shoes to fill next year."

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BOYS HOCKEY

Trio of Detroit CC captains will lead team

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There's nothing like building around a veteran team. Just ask fourth-year Novi Detroit Catholic Central hockey coach Brandon Kaleniecki.

The Shamrocks return a slew of players off last year's 25-4-1 squad that made it to the Division 1 state semifinals before falling 2-1 to Brighton, which went on to capture its second straight state championship.

The Shamrocks will bank on three senior captains to show the way, led by forwards Mitch Morris and Carter Korpi, both back for their third varsity seasons, along with second-year defenseman Brendan Hill.

"I think we've got a really strong group of seniors, strong senior leadership," said Kaleniecki, who lost nine players to graduation. "I think anytime a team is built around that, you've got to have a good feeling about the rest of it, because that usually drives your team year-in and year-out is that senior group. Just knowing that we have that leadership and that core group of guys back, it makes you feel pretty good about what you might be able to get out of them."

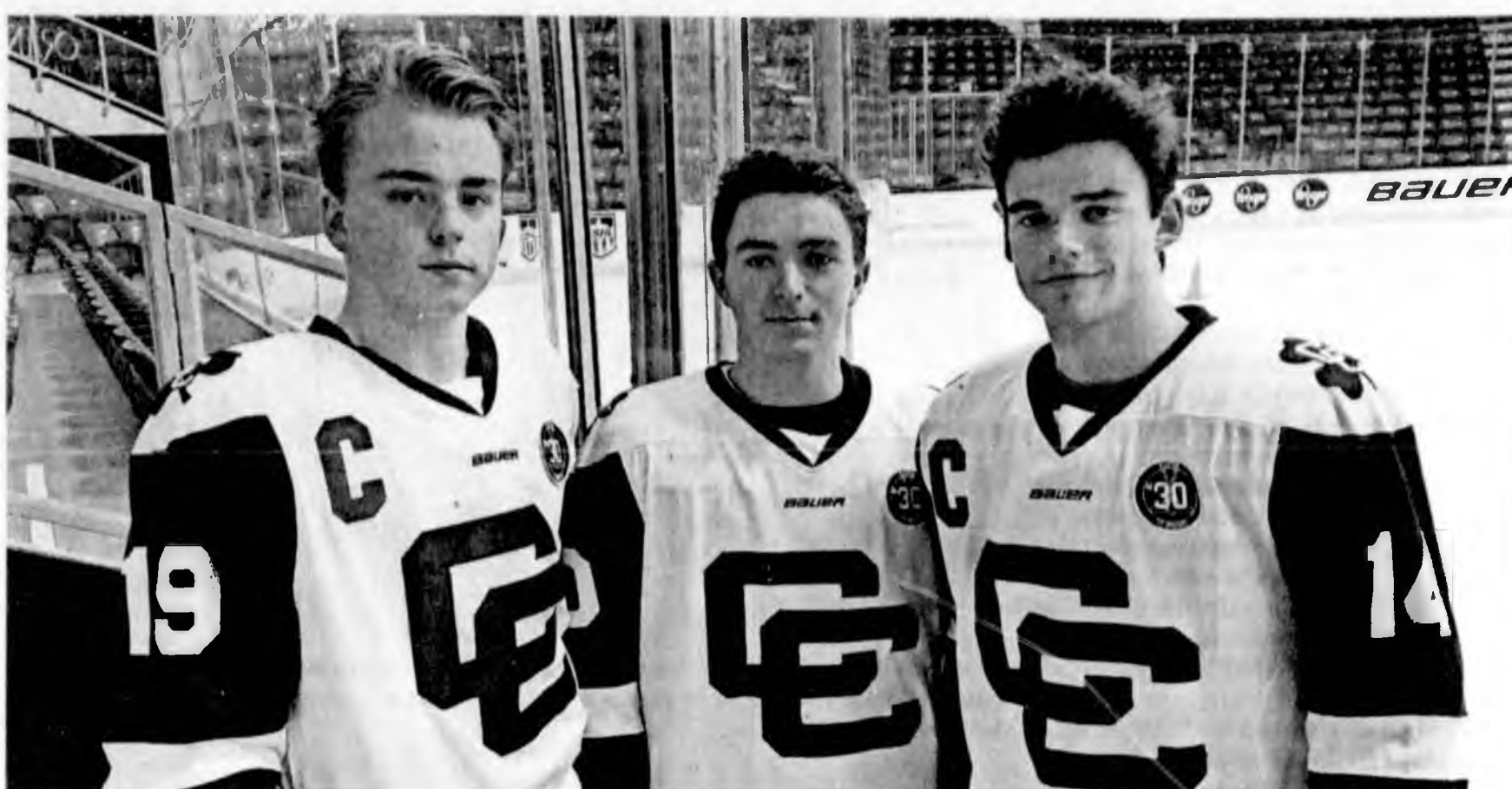
Morris might be small in stature, but he's somebody who looms large after scoring 17 goals and adding 15 assists in 30 games last year.

"He brings a lot of speed, very dynamic," Kaleniecki said. "He's always a threat on the ice because anytime the puck pops out, you never know when he's going to be off to the races and I think that's exciting for us. You're excited to be able to coach that type of speed and he just works extremely hard. He brings a lot of offense, but he's also always on the right side of the puck defensively."

Korpi tallied 11 goals and eight assists in 23 games a year ago and will make his presence known around the net and in the corners.

"Heavy on the puck, real strong skater, real strong hockey player, big, heavy shot," Kaleniecki said. "You've kind of got a lot of speed with Mitch, but Carter certainly has a lot of speed of his own, but he's also kind of a big body as well that's not afraid to throw it around. And I think that is kind of something that he really brings to his game."

Hill, who is committed to Lake Superior State for 2020, will anchor the CC



Detroit Catholic Central's hockey captains include (from left) Carter Korpi, Mitch Morris and Brendan Hill. BRAD EMONS | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

defense, along with senior Joe Borthwick and junior Brendan Miles.

"All three of those guys all played a ton of minutes for us last year," Kaleniecki said, "and we're excited to see all three of them back this year. They're all different players in their own right, but they can all really be exceptional. We feel we have a real nice anchor on defense with all of them."

Other key returnees on the forward line include seniors Rylan Clemons (11 goals, 17 assists), Ryan Marra (five goals, seven assists) and Zach Borchardt (12 goals, eight assists), along with junior Kyle Gaffney (four goals, 15 assists).

Meanwhile, the goaltending duties will be shared by senior returnees Zach Allan and Steven Sleva, with junior Adam Blust also in the mix.

Allan played in 20 games last season, going 16-3 with a 1.38 goals-against average with eight shutouts, while Sleva appeared in 12 games, finishing 9-1 with 1.35 GAA and five shutouts.

"Zach kind of played a little bit more down the stretch, but we're intentionally kind of trying to see how that plays out," Kaleniecki said. "Zach will get a few more shots early and Steven will as well, kind of like we did last year. Adam is right there as well. It's kind of hard to say. It's good thing to have ... three qual-

ity goalies as they are. We'll kind of let that play out over time."

The Shamrocks, defending Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League champions, opened their season against host Port Huron Northern before embarking on a two-game weekend road trip to play national prep power Culver (Ind.) Academy.

CC's home opener is at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21, against MIHL rival Birmingham Brother Rice at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth.

Kaleniecki, a former University of Michigan player, guided the Shamrocks to a state title in his first season as head coach (2016) and a runner-up finish (2017).

But like any coach, Kaleniecki has concerns entering a new season as the Shamrocks try to win their 14th state title in school history.

"After the first couple of weeks of practice, we have a lot of them," he said. "You always start to highlight areas you need to work on and certainly we have areas that we need to work on. I don't know how much I want to get into yet without playing a game. At this point in the season, it's hard to say. I guess we'll see fairly quickly where we're at."

Contact Brad Emons at be_@hometownlife.com. Follow him on Twitter: @BradEmons1.

Notice of Sale

Pursuant to Michigan Statute 570 – Self-Service Storage Facility Act: Novi Office & Warehouse LLC will hold a public sale of delinquent units in order to satisfy the owner's lien. Each unit will be sold by competitive bidding to the highest bidder for cash only. All property in the storage unit contains household items unless otherwise mentioned. Novi Office & Warehouse will conduct this auction online at Bid13.com. Location: 22222 Roethel Drive, Novi, Michigan 48375. Bidding will begin on Friday, November 23 at 12:00pm. All Bidding will end on Friday November 30 at 12:00pm. Unit 52, John K. Robertson. Wood furniture, store furniture, boxes. Unit 54, John K. Robertson. Kayaks, mattresses, furniture, appliances.

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City of Novi Notice of Public Hearing Community Development Block Grant Funds

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi will hold a Public Hearing on the use of Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Hearing will be held Monday, November 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., EST, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2019 application in the approximate amount of \$106,207 to fund eligible projects.

All interested citizens are requested to attend this Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at the City Clerk's Office, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 5:00 p.m., November 26, 2018. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpreter will be made upon receiving 72-hour advance notice. Contact City Clerk, Courtney Hanson at 248-347-0456 for special services.

CORTNEY HANSON, CITY CLERK

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OAKLAND COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS PY2019

Notice is hereby given that the City of Northville will hold a public hearing on the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds. The Hearing will be held on Monday, December 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Northville City Hall Chambers, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167, to hear public comments on the CDBG Program Year 2019 application in the approximate amount of \$7,000.00 to fund eligible projects. All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at Northville City Hall until Monday, December 3, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving 72-hour advance notice. Contact Tracey Emmanuel, Housing Director, at (248) 349-8030 for special services.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing to receive public input on the following request in regards to the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance: To consider a variance request on premises zoned R-1B, First Density Residential District, located at 248 Linden St., Northville, Michigan, 48167, parcel number 48-002-01-0462-002. The applicant is seeking a variance to construct a home addition that results in a lot coverage of 40%. This will require a 5% lot coverage variance, as the maximum lot coverage listed in Section 15.01 is 35%.

The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comment on the variance request. The variance application is available for review at the City of Northville Building Department during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, local prevailing time. Written comments pertaining to the proposed variance request will also be received at the above address.

Dominic Silvestri, Chairperson
Board of Zoning Appeals

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NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS PETER BASSO ASSOCIATES, INC. Moraine Elementary School Chiller Replacement PBA Project No. 2018.0319.00 Issued for Bids November 6, 2018

OWNER: Northville Public Schools
PROJECT: Moraine Elementary School – Chiller Replacement
ENGINEER: Peter Basso Associates, Inc.
5145 Livernois, Suite 100
Troy, Michigan 48098-3276
(248) 879-5666
PROPOSALS: Sealed proposals will be received for the construction and completion of the project as requested.
DUE DATE: Until 2:00 P.M., local time on November 20, 2018, any proposals received after this time will not be accepted. Oral, telephone, fax, or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration. The Owner will receive sealed proposals for the work as set forth herein and shall be addressed to:

ATTN: Michael Zopf
Northville Public Schools – Board Office
405 W. Main Street
Northville, MI 48167

At which time all bids will be opened and read out loud.

The approval of the bid will take place at the District's Board Meeting on November 27, 2018.

BID DOCUMENTS: Copies of the proposed Contract Documents may be obtained from:

Northville Public Schools, under the "DEPARTMENTS" tab, under the "FINANCE & OPERATIONS" tab, under "BID INFORMATION" tab of the home page: www.northvilleschools.org.

PlanWell via <http://www.e-arc.com/> (formerly dunnblue), Phone: (248) 288-5600

SIGMA via <https://www.michigan.gov/budget/0,4538,7-157-79033---,00.htm>

Proposal Guarantee - A certified check or bank draft payable to Northville Public Schools, or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and surety company, in an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the maximum proposal amount, shall be submitted with each proposal.

Contract Documents are on file for reference at the office of the Engineer.

Contract Security - The successful bidders will be required to furnish a satisfactory performance bond, and labor and material payment bond in amounts each of one hundred percent (100%) of the accepted bid.

The full deposit for up to two sets of Bidding Documents will be refunded to Bidders who submit a bid on a Form of Proposal and return the documents in good condition within ten (10) days after the opening of Proposals.

Complete documents returned by bidders in damaged condition, not acceptable for subsequent use, will be refunded 50% of their deposit. The full deposit will be forfeited for each set not returned within ten (10) days after the opening of bids.

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BOYS SOCCER

The Kensington Lakes Activities Association recently announced its East and West Division 2018 boys soccer teams. Here is a list of the players along with honorable mention all-KLAA selections:

All-Conference

Goalies: Kieran Malachi, Sr., Hartland; Aiman Kahil, Sr., Dearborn Fordson; Brendan Balko, Jr., Westland John Glenn; Olli Nurmiainen, Sr., Novi; Jacob Lambert, Sr., Salem; Buraq Oral, Sr., Salem; Scott Beebe, Sr., Livonia Franklin.

Defenders: Jason Tilley, Sr., Wayne Memorial; Seth Buff, Sr., Hartland; Ali Saad, Jr., Fordson; Hassan Jabber, Sr., Fordson; Mohammed Almaliki, Sr., Fordson; Ryan Cox, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; Mason Miller, Sr., Stevenson; Evan Campau, Sr., Stevenson; Jake Szerlag, Sr., Livonia Churchill; Danny Jakubowski, Fr., Churchill; Chase Foresman, Sr., Brighton; Josh Adam, Soph., Brighton; Colin Adam, Sr., Brighton; Jake Crippes, Sr., Canton; Jackson Percy, Sr., Canton; Larry Cheaney, Canton; Paul Kearis, Sr., Northville; Brian Politi, Sr., Northville; Mitchell Johnson, Jr., Northville; Rimpei Yamasaki, Sr., Novi; Kazuma Haraguchi, Jr., Novi; Ali Berry, Sr., Dearborn; Jon Musai, Sr., Salem; Tanner Rhoades, Sr., John Glenn.

Midfielders: Murad Othman, Jr., Fordson; Moshtok Alamri, Sr., Fordson; Zack Gacioc, Jr., Stevenson; Alex Bowser, Sr., Plymouth; Sam Marasco, Sr., Church-

ill; Ryan Richards, Soph., Churchill; Thomas Stanis, Jr., Brighton; Travis Huffman, Sr., Brighton; Josiah Yodar, Jr., Belleville; Michael Platt, Sr., Belleville; Carson Parks, Jr., Canton; Bennett Austin, Sr., Canton; Nikko Wood, Sr., Northville; Taiga Shiokawa, Jr., Novi; Gonzalo Sans Cristobal, Sr., Novi; Calvin Kalemaj, J., Novi; Mason Stroman, Jr., Novi; Husein Jammal, Sr., Dearborn; Kammal Kabbini, Jr., Dearborn; Evan Belaire, Jr., Dearborn; Adam Khreiss, Sr., Dearborn; Josh Stevens, Sr., Salem; Nicholas Corona, Jr., Franklin; Connor McIntosh, Jr., Franklin; Ian Manning, Sr., Howell.

Forwards: Anthony Tamas, Sr., Hartland; Ahmad Hamad, Jr., Fordson; Hussein Faraj, Jr., Fordson; Blake Grove, Sr., John Glenn; Cameron Simpson, Sr., John Glenn; Joe Cercone, Sr., Stevenson; John Evangelista, Jr., Stevenson; Justin Wojcik, Sr., Plymouth; Anthony Paul, Sr., Churchill; Charlie Sharp, Sr., Brighton; Austin Lally, Sr., Brighton; Seth Bedford, Soph., Brighton; Nick Provenzano, Sr., Canton; Tyler Turko, Sr., Canton; Peregrine Neujbert, Sr., Dearborn; Thomas Dono, Sr., Salem; Bryan Rodwell, Sr., Salem.

Honorable mention (West)

Brighton: Drew Tappen, Ben Cox, Hagen Carriere; **Novi:** Eric Schulte, Blake Maday, Miles Brown; **Canton:** Kyle Kulas, Ian Nielsen, Justin Gottschalk; **Salem:** Jeremy Pascarella, Aidan Walesch, Luke Bedford; **North-**

ville: Robert Damron, Yanni Kanellopoulos, Adam Silberg; **Hartland:** Danny Parisien, Brett Kuhlman, Yves Mugaru; **Plymouth:** Cameron Cieslik, Caleb Crawford, Alec Rogers; **Howell:** Nic Bishop, Max Reis, Joe Erickson.

Honorable mention (East)

Fordson: Mohamad Saad, Hassan Aljuwari, Mahmoud Faraj; **Dearborn:** Hadi Jawad, Hussein Mashour, Samih Arabi; **Stevenson:** Reece Brown, Adrian Rakipi, Alec Alaoui; **Churchill:** Chris Chashin, Collin Raszkowski, Nick Reina; **John Glenn:** Tanner Rhoades, John Paul Maala, Alex Salisbury; **Franklin:** Kellen Clegg, Massimiliano Pelle, Tyler Piper; **Belleville:** Trevor Cook, Isaac Morris, Aidan Garrett; **Wayne:** Gavin Herdon, Luis Martinez, Aiden Herdon.

Final standings

West Division: 1. Brighton, 8-3-3 (27 points); 2. (tie) Novi, 6-1-7, and Canton, 7-3-4 (25 points each); 4. Salem, 6-4-4 (22 points); 5. Northville, 6-5-3 (21 points); 6. Hartland, 5-5-4 (19 points); 7. Plymouth, 2-5-7 (13 points); 8. Howell, 0-14-0 (0 points). **East Division:** 1. Fordson, 12-1-1 (37 points); 2. Dearborn, 11-2-1 (34 points); 3. Stevenson, 10-4-0 (30 points); 4. Churchill, 6-6-2 (20 points); 5. Glenn, 5-6-2 (17 points); 6. Franklin, 4-7-3 (15 points); 7. Belleville, 3-10-1 (10 points); 8. Wayne, 0-14-0 (0 points).

Obituaries

Daniel J. Geisler

NORTHVILLE - Daniel J. Geisler, age 57, longtime resident of Northville, passed away September 9, 2018. He was born October 28, 1960 in Detroit, Michigan; son of Albert and Helen (nee Ryan) Geisler. He graduated from Northville High School; Class of 1979. Dan continued his education at Michigan State University where he was a member of Theta Delta Chi fraternity. Dan worked as a restaurant manager for many years, he later worked as the Director of Operations for Taste-Freeez.

Dan was an avid reader; he read all genres, but science fiction and history were his favorites. He enjoyed hunting and travelling. Dan was a wonderful cook and made delicious crepes. He was always happy to share his cooking knowledge with anyone who asked. Dan was incredibly social and a tremendous story teller. He loved to visit and have conversations with family and friends. Sharing his story with others and listening to their stories was very important to him, as a child he spent a lot of time visiting the residents at the convalescent home in town.

Daniel is survived by his brother John Geisler; his aunts Mary Ann Geisler and Lois Ryan; also loved by many nieces and nephews.

A Funeral Mass will be held Friday, November 23, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. with a time of gathering beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, 133 Orchard Dr., Northville. Dan will be laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate memorial contributions to Theta Delta Chi Educational Foundation, Inc. (a 501(c)(3) organization), 214 Lewis Wharf, Boston, MA 02110-3910 or (800) 999-1847. "Through scholarship, leadership and a responsible social life, the Brothers of Theta Delta Chi prepare each other to thrive in a changing world."

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Ruth E. Weber

NOVI - Ruth E. Weber, (nee) Duell, of Novi died November 6, 2018 at Angela Hospice in Livonia at the age of 94. Ruth graduated from the University of Michigan and raised a large, loving family. She loved music, and was a member of church and community choirs including Beyond Belief of Novi and played piano and organ in church. She was a talented artist who filled the walls of her home with watercolors and gifted portraits to those she loved. She attended Novi United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Les, and survived by daughters Kay Weber, Anne (Edward) Towey and Sue (Robert) Alpert; two sons, Alan (Sabine) and Don (Robin), 13 grandchildren including Johannes and Grace Weber of Novi and their brothers Josef and Joshua (Nelli), Matt (Amanda) Wizinsky Claire Weber, Brigit, Ted (Whitney), and Tricia Towey, Kyle and Ellen Weber, Tara and Brian Alpert; and 10 great-grandchildren. Internment will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery St. Louis, MO. Donations may be made to the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Expressions of sympathy www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

Kenneth Lyon

NORTHVILLE - Passed away on October 29, 2018 at the age of 67.

Kenneth was the loving husband of Sandra and the dear brother of Marilyn, Lois and Patrick. He was the cherished uncle to many nieces and nephews. Memorial services for Kenneth will be at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main Street on Friday, November 16, 2018 at 11 am. Share a memorial tribute with the family at www.griffinfuneralhome.com.

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David Allen Meagher

MILFORD - David Allen Meagher, a lifelong resident of Milford, passed away in the loving care of his family after his battle with brain cancer on November 11, 2018 at the age of 73.

Born October 28, 1945 in Detroit, Michigan, David was one of five children born to parents Kathryn "Kay" and Harold W. Meagher. David and his siblings were raised in Milford Twp. at the historic family farmhouse on Burns Road.

A 1964 graduate of Milford High School, David was proud to be a Milford Redskin and remained an active part of the Alumni association. Milford High is where David met Joy Biller of Seven Harbors, White Lake, Michigan—the two courted and fell in love and have remained sweethearts ever since. Following graduation, David continued his education at Western Michigan University where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Engineering and was a proud brother of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. In the early 1970s, David, his father and the extended family began to build his and Joy's forever home on the family property. As their children grew and started families of their own, Kathryn and Bill, with the help of their father, each built their own homes on the family farm. David and Joy were proud participants with Ulster Project as United States coordinators. Over the years, the Meagher's welcomed students from Ireland into their home and into their lives as a



way of teaching the project's mission: "creating unity amidst diversity."

The annual family reunion in July brought the large extended family back to the farm every year. This event was anticipated and planned for with great joy. David was like his father in that he was happy to have the property serving its purpose—to provide for the family and to keep them together.

David dedicated his life to his wife, his children, his grandchildren and continuance of his parents' dream of keeping the family farm a part of tradition and everyday life. David spent his career with the General Motors Company as an Industrial Engineer and retired in the year 2000.

David was preceded in death by his grandson, River Ruiz; granddaughter, Raelyn Ann Niestroy; and his parents, Kathryn "Kay" and Harold W. Meagher.

In addition to Joy, his beloved wife of 53 years, David is survived by his children, Kathryn (Christopher) Niestroy, William D. (Jeanne) Meagher, and Tonya Meagher; grandchildren, Chrysta, Kaitlyn, Meghan, Jarrett, Camryn, Patrick, David, Joseph, Brian, Brooklyn and Brennan; siblings, The Rev. Fr. Thomas Meagher, Susan (Thomas) Murphy, Rosemary Meagher, Mary Ann (Bruce) Bendure as well many nieces, nephews, extended family and dear friends.

Mass of the Resurrection was held at St. Patrick Catholic Church, White Lake, on Wednesday, November 14, 2018. The Rev. Fr. Thomas Meagher officiated. Burial St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Milford.

For further information, please phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

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Comparing your current position to a new job offer

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If there's one thing you can count on as you travel along your career path, it's that you'll encounter some challenging decisions along the way—and the choices you make can have a lasting impact on your professional journey as you move forward.

Among those challenges you might encounter is the often-dreaded "position decision." Does the following scenario sound similar? While at your current job, you've been either an active or passive candidate for other positions and at some point, a new offer comes your way. It's like reaching a big fork in the road on your career path—do you choose to hold on to your current position or take a leap (and a possible risk) and make a change? What factors should you consider when weighing your options? How do you handle this without losing a step in your current workload and responsibilities?

The first step in this process is to acknowledge that when you're faced with making a choice between two options, you need to figure out what determining factors matter to you. These will help you weigh the pros and cons of each, and hopefully will bring you closer to making a reasoned and informed decision.

The following are some potential key determining factors that you can use to help you make the right decision.

Salary

For almost everyone in the world of work, salary is one of the primary variables when deciding on a job. You can use salary as a point of comparison when weighing your current job against



Consider all of the intangibles that impact your work life. GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCKPHOTO

a potential new one. Does one offer a significantly higher salary than the other? This calculation should include both immediate salary and long-term potential salary. (Remember, your decision shouldn't just be based on short-term considerations; instead, you should also factor in the long-term potential for each position.) Are the salaries for both jobs in the same ballpark? If so, then move on to other important variables to help you make up your mind.

Benefits

Many companies offer benefits packages along with salaries as an incentive to join their teams. Use these perks to help you decide which opportunity suits you best. Everything is fair game—from insurance to bonuses and vacation time, tuition reimbursement for furthering your education, and even retirement planning benefits should be on the

table. Does one job allow you the opportunity to work remotely, which aligns well with your lifestyle and needs? Does another have paid family leave and you're looking to start a family? Again—weigh everything, and consider both your immediate and long-term needs and plans.

Culture and fit

In addition to more tangible factors like salary and benefits, make sure you consider all of the intangibles that impact your work life. Think about things like environment and culture of the company, along with your relationships with the people and teams you currently or will potentially interact with—because in many ways, these affect your day-to-day work life as much as money and benefits. How about the mission of the company you work for vs. the new potential company? Does one of them

excite you and energize you more than the other? This can really help bolster your need for professional fulfillment over the long haul.

Logistics

Consider the practical "nuts and bolts" of your job, which come into play when forming an impression of your position. What are the offices or work space like? Are they comfortable and inviting, and conducive to productivity? How about your individual workspace? Is one more attractive than the other? How do the commutes stack up against each other? By this point you know the drill—make a list of the things that matter to you, weigh one job against the other, and see where things stand.

Long-term goals

What are your professional goals both in the short-term and across your professional journey? Take some time to consider your answer to this question carefully—it's an important one. Are you looking for opportunities for career advancement? Are you looking to build your skill set and take advantage of learning opportunities? Do you want to make a difference in your field or industry—or in the world at large? Whatever your goals are, which job is better positioned to help you achieve them? Obviously, this calls for a bit of speculation on your part, but make a job change is always a bit of a leap—but you have the opportunity to make the jump (or not) fully informed and with your eyes wide open.

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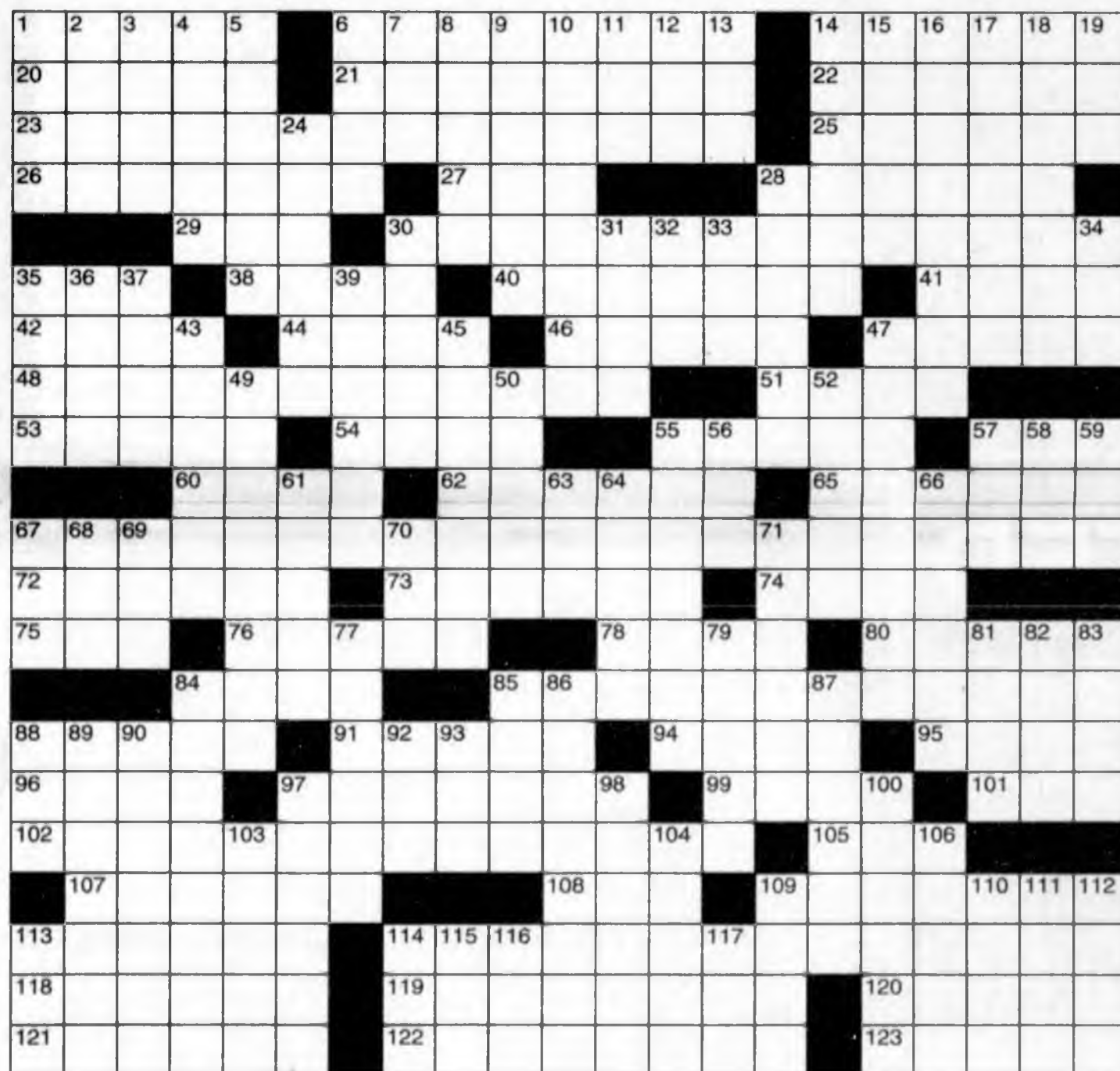
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ACROSS

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6 Very cloying things
14 "Li'l Abner" drawer
20 Fast Amtrak choice
21 Industry of a merchant marine
22 Not as fatty
23 1987 Steven Spielberg war film
25 Rubble on "The Flintstones"
26 Hangs on to
27 Start to doze
28 Herb that tastes like anise
29 Pixel, e.g.
30 1930s coalition between Italy and Germany
35 Suffix with Method
38 — Major (Great Bear)
40 Called off the relationship
41 Cacklers with clutches
42 Neophyte, in modern slang
- 44 — Harbor (Guam port)
46 Longtime name in restaurant guides
47 Mooch
48 Racecar track near a Japanese mountain
51 Has begun, as a TV show
53 Suffix with method
54 Ontario tribe
55 Put on one's big-boy pants
57 Rock's Reed
60 — Spumante (Italian wine)
62 "— lizards!"
65 Specialists in stone
67 What you do when you read the first words of 23-, 30-, 48-, 85-, 102- and 114-Across?
72 Like gluttons
73 "That so?"
74 Bruins' sch.
75 I, to Kant
76 Metric "thousand"
78 Lie dormant
80 Rub clean
- 84 Venue
85 Festive affair
88 Japanese noodles
91 Half of a 45
94 — avis
95 Whirlpool
96 Had a debt
97 Mosque turret
99 Fire: Prefix
101 Drivers' org.
102 Gratifying wry twist
105 Brand of TVs
107 Pago Pago islander
108 Aussie jumper
109 Things worth saving
113 Dearies
114 Composer of the musical "Rent"
118 "Encore" rapper
119 Invitation for radio call-ins
120 Mafioso Frank
121 Longtime Nissan
122 It helps pay for roads and schools
123 Lie dormant
- 2 Vertex
3 30-day mo.
4 24-book epic
5 Actor Len
6 General — chicken
7 Arena arbiter
8 "Jack Sprat could — fat"
9 In the house
10 Legless sideboard
11 — Vegas
12 Univ. URL ender
13 VIP in D.C.
14 Even though
15 "Big Deal" singer Rimes
16 "The A-Team" director Joe
17 Appended
18 Stripping off
19 Nose about
24 Snare
28 Enter like a butterfly
30 Less usual
31 Time to wear a conical party hat, for short
32 Brain wave test: Abbr.
33 Nutrition std.
34 Vancouver-to-Seattle dir.
- 35 Facts, briefly
36 Inner self
37 Magic charm
39 Coin money
43 Galoot
45 Long Island university
47 Do some dickering in court
49 Net message board
50 Tearful
52 Rash-causing plant
55 Perceive in error aurally
56 Kitchen pest
57 IM chuckle
58 Two halved
59 Navy vessel
61 "Give this a shot"
63 Bristol beer
64 Oyster find
66 Not crowded
67 Hi-tech special FX
68 Tolkien menace
69 "Ho-hum"
70 Yahoo! rival
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77 Tissue injury
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81 Verdi's slave
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83 "River" New Age artist
84 Delta deposit
85 Halliwell of pop music
86 Not normal
87 Library stall
88 Reel partner
89 Fantastic
90 Skin colorer
92 Shiba — (spitz breed)
93 "— Boot"
97 Foul vapor
98 Play on a life
100 Briny bodies
103 More bashful
104 Pitch-perfect?
106 30-day month
109 Construction toy brand
110 Villa d'—
111 Learning by memorizing
112 Short cut
113 "— So Fine"
114 "— Boys" (Louisa May Alcott novel)
115 Decide (to)
116 Tchrs.'s union
117 Santa — winds

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1 Boxer Max



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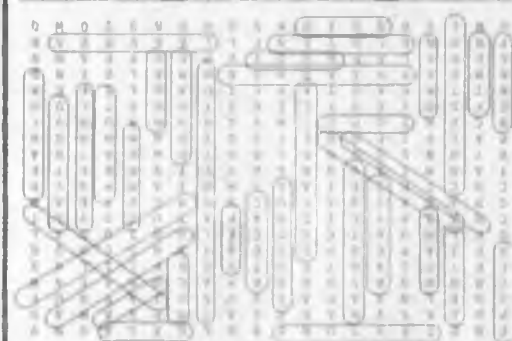
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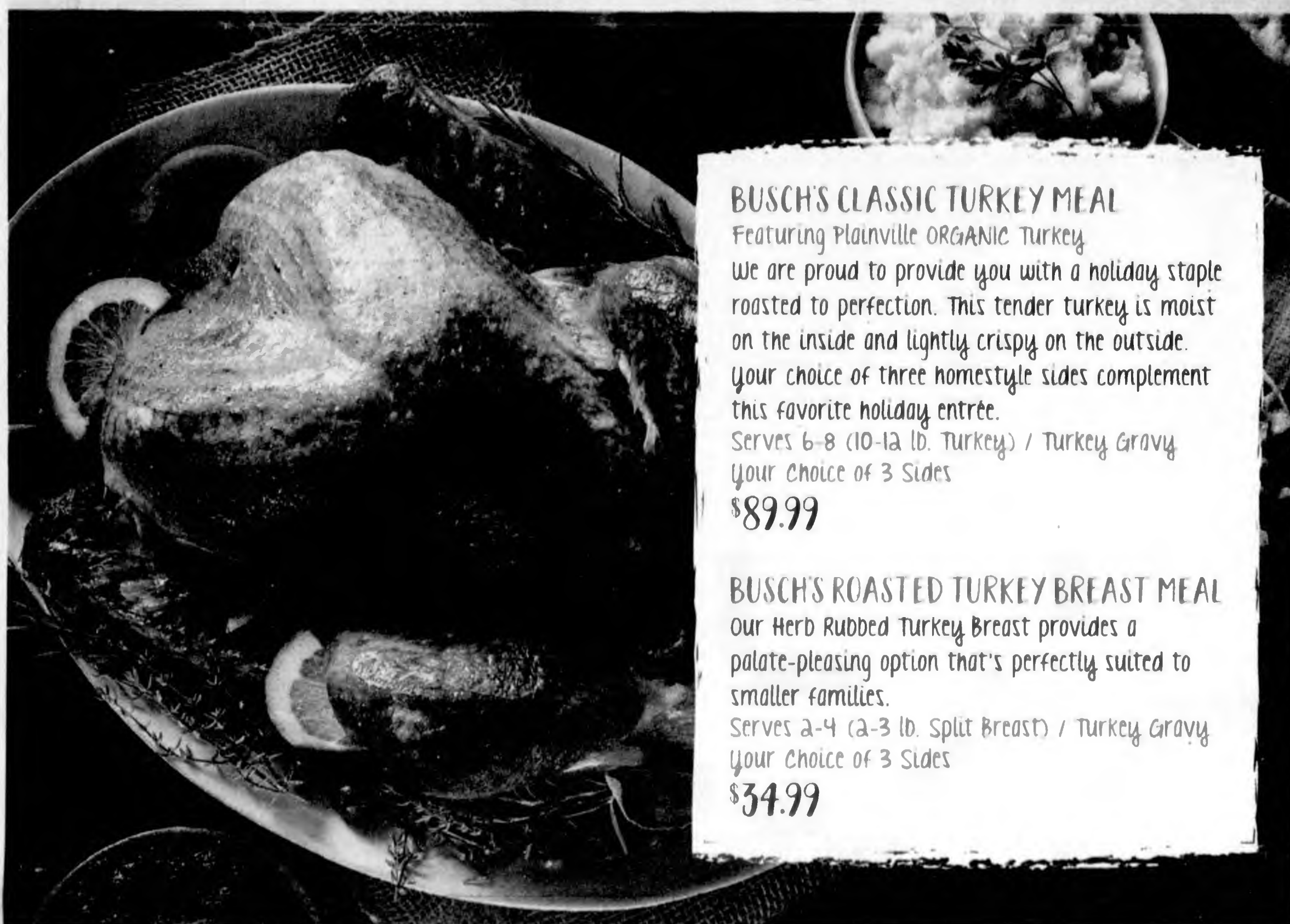
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