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## Northville eyesore now dust in the wind

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In one crashing cascade of concrete, the former eight-story state psychiatric hospital in Northville Township went from nothing but trouble to nothing but rubble Nov. 30.

Closed in 2003 by then-Gov. John

Engler, the former mental health facility was a magnet for thrill seekers and ghost hunters until earlier this year, when Adamo Group, the company hired to demolish the towering structure, erected fences around the property's perimeter and brought in security guards to ward off trespassers.

Securing the property prior to Adamo's presence added a strain to the

Northville Township Public Safety Department.

The building proved to be a quiet menace to township taxpayers until its final days, as unforeseen issues with hidden asbestos extended the demolition process by two months and pushed the cost of bringing it down from an initial estimate of \$5.8 million to between \$8.7 to \$9 million.

"Obviously, we're relieved it's finally down," Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix said. "The rubble will be cleared as long as the weather allows and the project will be officially finished in the spring."

"We're excited that we were able to fulfill our commitment to take down the

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## BEACON OF LIGHT



Trish and Mike Mahoney remember daughter Karen at the Compassionate Friends candle-lighting. TOM BEAUDOIN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Candlelight vigil honors children lost too soon

**Brad Kadrich**  
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Rhonda Temple believes December is one of the most important months of the year for the people who depend on The Compassionate Friends for emotional support.

The international group, and its Livonia chapter, provide support for loved ones of children who died too soon. Temple, the Livonia chapter's event coordinator, said December — with the Christmas holiday looming — is a difficult emotional period.

Temple should know. She and her husband Lee lost their daughter Alyssa to leukemia 12 years ago.

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Families gather in memory of loved ones taken too soon during the Compassionate Friends candle-lighting Sunday in Kellogg Park. TOM BEAUDOIN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Prosecutor combats 'CSI' effect at local town hall

**Matt Jachman**  
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Kym Worthy wants to push back against the "CSI" effect.

That's what the Wane County prosecutor sees when jurors, misled by television forensic dramas like "CSI" into thinking that every criminal case has clear, unassailable scientific evidence that can be processed immediately, bring that expectation into the courtrooms where Worthy and about 180 assistant prosecutors handle thousands of felonies each year.

"Every juror walks into a case expecting to see what you see on 'CSI' and you're not going to see that," Worthy, the prosecutor for nearly 14 years, said last week during a town hall meeting in Northville Township.

Instead, Worthy said, she wants jurors who will listen to the evidence and the prosecution and the defense, with open minds.

In fact, Worthy herself has served as a juror — though not on a criminal case, she hastened to add. "That experience as a juror made me a better prosecutor for sure," she said.

Worthy's Nov. 29 appearance at Northville Township Hall drew a crowd of local elected and law enforcement officials, assistant prosecutors and everyday citizens. It was the first of a series of town hall meetings she plans to hold around the county.

Worthy was an assistant county prosecutor for about 11 years and a judge for nine years before becoming chief prosecutor in 2004, succeeding Mike Duggan, now Detroit mayor.

She touched briefly on how her office, which is headquartered at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit and has about 180 assistant prosecutors, tackles prosecutions in one of the nation's most populous counties. The office handles between 18,000 and

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**When:** 11-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15  
**Details:** Make the most of your week-end. Join us for frosty winter stories, music and movement Best for children ages 2-4, but all ages welcome.

## Snow Falls!

**When:** 4:30-5:15 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20  
**Details:** For grades 1-3 Learn about the season of winter and make a snowman out of marshmallows and TicTac candies. Register.

## Drop-In Coloring for Kids

**When:** 2-3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26  
**Details:** Kids of all ages drop by to choose from a variety of awesome coloring sheets to color with markers and colored pencils. No ticket required.

## Movies &amp; Munchies for Kids: 'Paddington 2'

**When:** Noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 27  
**Details:** Rated PG for action and mild rude humor. 104 minutes. Snacks and beverages provided. Children of all ages welcome.

## Battle of the Books Registration

**When:** Through Jan. 31  
**Details:** Register your team for this

fun reading competition for middle school students who live or go to school in Northville. Books available now at the library and school media centers. Team registrations due Jan. 31.

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**When:** Ongoing  
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**When:** 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. each Tuesday; 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. each Thursday  
**Details:** Free one-hour session with our Digital Services librarian to help you navigate our downloading services, help with email, Facebook, DropBox and more. Not for computer repair or configuration questions. Register online or in person or call 248-349-3020.

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Here is all that remains of the former eight-story state psychiatric hospital in Northville Township. FRED SHADKO

## Hospital

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eyesore and now we're looking forward to the future of the site."

Like with all major projects, Nix said the township expected minor cost overruns, but the findings of the hidden asbestos were impossible to predict.

"We did our due diligence as far as investigating all aspects of the project prior to the start of demolition," Nix said. "However, when Adamo started the demolition process, they found a water-proof tar-type material between the outside and inside brick and it contained asbestos. There was no way of knowing it was there unless you started to peel off the bricks. It was a very, very unique case, Adamo told us."

Cost overruns will be paid from money the township acquired from the sale of the property near Beck and Five Mile roads that formerly served as the site of the Robert Scott Correctional Facility.

Nix said he is optimistic about the site where the former hospital stood.

"We're still looking at options for some kind of recreational activities at the site," he said.

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## Brick's of Northville to host charity music party

Giving Songs, an all-volunteer organization focused on helping families with legally blind, multi-disabled children, hosts a release event 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, at Brick's of Northville.

The event is timed to the release of Giving Songs' new holiday album composed entirely of songs recorded by local musicians.

The event at will feature live music, silent auctions and raffles.

"The proceeds will be used to purchase wheelchair accessible vehicles for families with blind, multi-disabled children," Giving Songs founder Brent Johnson said.

Johnson and his wife Jaime founded Giving Songs after discovering how challenging it is to raise a fully disabled child and how few resources are available to families like their own.

Giving Songs provides a platform where art and community intersect, re-



Brent and Jaime Johnson founded Giving Songs.

sulting in relief to families who often go without basic necessities so many take for granted.

Brick's is located at 133 W. Main Street in downtown Northville. For more information, call 248-974-2032 or go to [givingsongs.org](http://givingsongs.org).

## 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](http://www.millracenorthville.org) for details.

### Upcoming events

**Ticket sales begin for Victorian Lace Tea** to be held Feb. 9: 12:30 p.m. Dec. 8.

**Lecture series — The Legacy of Rita and Bruce Turnbull:** 7-9 p.m. Jan. 30. Drop-in event. No fee, but donations appreciated.

**Victorian Lace Tea:** 1-3:30 p.m. Feb. 9. Ticketed event.

**Valentine's Day Wine, Cheese and Chocolate Tasting:** Tentative event, Feb. 14, time TBD.

### 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.

**Building rentals and school and private tours available:** Call or email the office to rent the Cady Inn or church for a wedding or party. You may also schedule a school tour or a private tour. Many dates are available. You may find more information on the website.

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## Worthy

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22,000 felony cases annually, she said, and 41 percent of all felony trials in the state are in Wayne County.

The prosecutor's office has units that focus on specific types of crimes, often staffed with specially trained attorneys. These include child abuse, elder abuse and the newest department, the business protection unit.

That unit, Worthy said — understaffed with just one attorney currently handling 51 cases — tackles organized retail fraud, which involves fence operations posing as legitimate pawn shops that hire "boosters," or shoplifters, to hit area retail outlets, especially big-box stores, and fill specific orders.

On the police side, she said, Canton Township led the way in investigating such operations, which she said cost county retailers hundreds of thousands of dollars. "We are on it and we want to focus on this," she said.

Worthy also mentioned domestic vi-

olence, which, she said, saw a spike in the county in 2017. A typical year will bring between 6,000 and 8,000 domestic violence cases, she said, but last year's total neared 9,000.

"We really have a rampant, widespread ... domestic violence problem in the county," Worthy said.

Domestic violence cases are examined closely, she said, in order to protect victims from ongoing danger.

Another crime that's seen a spike, Worthy said, is threats of school violence. Since the mass shooting at a high school in Parkland, Fla., in February, she said, there have been more than 100 threats made involving schools in the county.

"We get several a week," Worthy said, and almost every community in the county has been touched. "We take them very seriously."

It's often found that the threat-makers don't have the means to carry out their threats and that they were intended as a joke, Worthy said. But she urged parents to talk to their school-age children about the serious nature of such threats. A felony charge of making a ter-



Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy listens to a constituent after the town hall in Northville Township while Bradley Cobb, an assistant prosecutor, takes notes. MATT JACHMAN

rorist threat or a false threat of terrorism each carry a penalty of up to 20 years in prison.

Other issues Worthy discussed included:

■ The 11,341 rape kits — each kit containing evidence collected in sexual assault cases — found in the Detroit police warehouse in 2009. Nearly all have been tested, Worthy said, and the results have helped investigators identify 833

serial rapists in cases that reach into 39 other states. Prosecutors so far have claimed 152 convictions, but more cases need to be investigated and prosecuted, she said.

■ Police body cameras, which Worthy said are an extremely helpful tool, but also taxing for her office, as prosecutors sometimes have to review video footage from multiple officers for one case.

Nevertheless, "I'm a proponent of anything that helps to get to the truth," she said. "We want to work with any police department that's thinking about them."

■ Alternatives to incarceration, which Worthy said she supports in cases in which defendants do not appear to be a danger to society. Rehabilitation, diversion, and making restitution to victims are important steps in the aftermath of many crimes, she said, and society can't arrest its way out of a crime problem.

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The Compassionate Friends worldwide candle-lighting lights the skies over Kellogg Park in Plymouth. TOM BEAUDOIN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Todd Cloutier and Ryan Sarna come in remembrance of Megan Cloutier. TOM BEAUDOIN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Terry Anderson looks at her son Charlie's ornament in Kellogg Park before the Compassionate Friends candle-lighting. Charlie, 15, died nearly three years ago. TOM BEAUDOIN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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# Plymouth Township startup unveils electric pickup

**Eric D. Lawrence**  
Detroit Free Press  
USA TODAY NETWORK

You won't mistake the Rivian R1T for any other vehicle — and that's the intention.

The truck has a "very identifiable face," according to the company's CEO and founder, R.J. Scaringe.

The non-traditional front end, without the big grille seen on internal combustion engine trucks, features a daytime running light strip across the width of the truck in front of the hood, broken up by a pair of vertical "stadium" headlights. The look is meant to convey a "friendly, but tough" vibe.

It's a design theme expected to carry across Rivian's planned product line, which should begin coming into view as the startup unveils its first concept vehicles — the R1T and an electric SUV — in connection with the Los Angeles Auto Show.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology-educated Scaringe and other Rivian executives and personnel offered a glimpse of the truck in Antarctic Silver last month to journalists at Rivian's engineering center in Plymouth Township. In a re-imagined industrial space complete with "wellness" rooms, natural lighting and repurposed shipping containers, the executives and engineers showed off the truck that Scaringe and others hope will lead it to a lucrative future.

Whether the company can pull off a successful vehicle launch to deliver the R1T in late 2020 and meet the challenges inherent in auto production and distribution is unknown, but Rivian — a kind of mashup name representing the Indian River in Florida, where Scaringe grew up — has set its own course. Unlike electric vehicle maker Tesla, which has at times struggled to meet production targets, Rivian, with about 560 staffers, has located its operations both in tech center corridors, such as San Jose and Irvine, Calif., and in the industrial heartland, in Plymouth Township and at a former Mitsubishi manufacturing plant in Normal, Ill.

The company, which has a logo based on the look of a compass, is aiming for customers who live an active lifestyle. It



Rivian, an automotive startup with an engineering base in Plymouth Township, planned to unveil its five-passenger R1T electric pickup concept in conjunction with the L.A. Auto Show. BEN MOON

wants to be, creative director Larry Parker noted, "a brand that brings people in."

## Patagonia template

Rivian sees itself fitting into a similar space in the automotive world side as the Patagonia brand is in the clothing universe.

"We're trying to develop a vehicle that we all love to drive," said Mark Vinels, Rivian's executive director of engineering and programs. "It's not just designed to look pretty. It's designed to get dirty. It's designed to go out and it's designed to have an adventure."

The five-passenger R1T pickup pledges 400 miles of all-electric range (with the largest of three battery options) to eliminate "any hint of range anxiety" and the equivalent of 800

horsepower. Rivian said the R1T will hit 60 mph in three seconds and 100 mph in less than seven, depending on the battery.

The battery should manage 200 miles of range for every 30 minutes of DC fast-charging or 300-400 miles of range for an overnight charge using a slow Level 2 charger.

A quad motor system provides "precise torque control to each wheel, enabling active torque vectoring and maximum performance in every situation, from high-speed cornering to low-speed rock crawling," the company said in a release.

The company calls the R1T's skateboard platform the vehicle's foundation, providing a low center of gravity and packaging "the battery pack, drive units, suspension, braking and thermal system all below the height of the wheel, providing the packaging space above for occupants and their gear."

## Added storage

Storage is pitched as a key selling point for this vehicle.

Without the need for a big engine under the hood, the R1T provides clean item storage space no gas-powered truck can boast, enough for a Coleman cooler and a duffel bag. To the rear of the back seats is a "gear tunnel" running the width of the truck, with outside access doors, good for hauling "snowboards,

golf bags or strollers," the company said. The access doors also serve as a step for accessing the roof or as a seat while you put on your shoes.

The truck bed is more than 4½ feet long with the tailgate up and the company said the truck has a tow rating of 11,000 pounds.

Movable and collapsible crossbars are designed to go over the bed as well as the roof to provide additional options.

The inside features synthetic leather, floor mats made with material that passes the "ketchup and mustard test" and hidden cup holders, officials said. A rechargeable Rivian-branded flashlight is also tucked into the driver side door.

"The biggest challenge was creating an interior design that delivered a premium experience, while still being comfortable as a space that is heavily used. To do this, we looked outside the automotive industry and took inspiration from contemporary furniture, as well as hiking and outdoor gear, to drive the design," Jeff Hammoud, vice president of vehicle design, said in the release.

The company also promises over-the-air software updates and driver assistance features capable of Level 3 ("hands off wheel and eyes off road") autonomy for highway operations.

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Monday, December 31, 2018  
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A 4,050 sq. ft., 5 bedroom, 5 bath home is now available for immediate occupancy at Westridge Estates, the highly-coveted new community in Canton offering resort-style amenities, including a clubhouse with fitness room, gathering room, kitchenette, locker rooms, pools, sand volleyball court, children's play park and walking paths. Westridge Estates is located just south of Ford Road west of Ridge Road, and home prices start in the low \$500,000s. For more information, visit [WestridgeofCanton.com](http://WestridgeofCanton.com) or call 734-844-0279.

#### Villas in Ann Arbor

The low-maintenance villas at Kensington Woods, located on the north side of Scio Church Road, just west of Maple Road in Ann Arbor, are nearly sold out. Final villas feature immediate to quick occupancy and an exceptional list of included features in a stunning setting with pricing from the mid-to upper \$400,000s. For details, call (734) 995-5503 or visit [KensingtonWoods.com](http://KensingtonWoods.com). The sales center is located at the builder's Trailwoods community at 229 S. Staebler Rd., just a few minutes away.

#### Move-in Ready in Ann Arbor

Trailwoods of Ann Arbor is Toll Brothers' newest community of single-family homes tucked into a gorgeous country setting with Ann Arbor schools, low township taxes, and city services. Two collections of homes offer all new open home designs with an impressive list of included features. Prices begin in the low \$400,000s. Two model homes are now open and immediate and quick occupancy homes are available.

For more information, visit [TrailwoodsOfAnnArbor.com](http://TrailwoodsOfAnnArbor.com) or call (734) 995-5503. For mapping, use 229 S. Staebler Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

#### Townhomes and Villas in Ann Arbor

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The Villas range from 2,041 to 2,631+ square feet and offer first- or second-floor master suites, island kitchens, open layouts, loft space, and more. The Townhomes range from 1,861 to 2,400+ sq. ft. and include a 2-car garage and the option to add a rooftop deck. A clubhouse with a fitness center, billiards, great room with fireplace, verandas overlooking the lap and wading pools, locker rooms and a play park is now open.

Several townhomes are available for late winter/early spring move-in. North Oaks is located minutes from the University of Michigan's north campus, the VA Hospital, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, C.S. Mott Children's Hospital, and downtown Ann Arbor. Children attend Ann Arbor Schools with the elementary and middle schools just 3 minutes away. For details, call 734-224-6686 or visit [North-Oaks.com](http://North-Oaks.com).

#### Luxury Living in Northville

Toll Brothers at Montcaren is in prestigious Northville, on the south side of Seven Mile Road, 1 1/4 miles west of Beck Road just minutes from the historic downtown. A range of home designs are available with an exceptional list of features on grand oversized 1/2- to 1+ acre home sites. Prices start in the upper

\$700,000s. Call 248-924-2601 or visit [TollBrothersAtMontcaren.com](http://TollBrothersAtMontcaren.com) for details.

#### Great Northville Location

Dunhill Park, on the north side of Eight Mile Road, west of Beck Road, features a highly-coveted location in Northville with Northville schools and just minutes to downtown Northville. Stunning home designs offer an array of luxury features and hundreds of options to personalize, priced from the upper \$700,000s. For more information, visit [LiveAtDunhillPark.com](http://LiveAtDunhillPark.com) or call 248-924-2601. The sales office is located at Montcaren on the south side of Seven Mile Road, 1 1/4 miles west of Beck Road.

#### Novi Villa Living

This is the final opportunity to own a luxury low-maintenance villa in the heart of Novi at Ridgeview. Several immediate and

quick occupancy homes are now available with prices starting in the mid-\$400,000s. Located on the east side of Novi Rd., just south of Ten Mile Rd., the Villas range from 2,041 to 2,676 sq. ft. and most offer a first-floor master suite. Residents enjoy Novi schools and paved walking paths leading to The Sports Club of Novi, a dog park, and an ice arena. For details, visit [RidgeviewVillas.com](http://RidgeviewVillas.com) or call (248) 904-8515.

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## Planned Parenthood supports women's health



**Lori Carpenter**  
Guest Columnist  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

We expected the sidewalk protests. We knew a cluster of highly vocal residents would crowd Livonia's City Council meetings when word got out that Planned Parenthood of Michigan was replacing an aging, obsolete clinic with a new and up-to-date facility.

After all, protests are standard practice when the nation's largest non-profit, reproductive health organization opts to invest its resources, as we are now doing in Livonia and in other Michigan cities where we serve 60,000 state residents annually. We are creating a modern, welcoming facility for the 4,000 Livonia women and men who seek our help in their city every year — they deserve no less.

Meanwhile, the protesters hit the sidewalks. For them, trying to stop any new Planned Parenthood clinic is as traditional as the green bean casserole at Thanksgiving dinner. They appoint themselves judge and jury, oppose access to contraception, cancer screenings and other basic health care services — even when Planned Parenthood of Michigan provides a setting, such as the Livonia clinic, that is not among our locations that provide abortion services.

But don't be misled by those hoping to convince you they represent the people, that Livonia residents are angry about the building and opposed to a women's reproductive

health clinic in their area. We have operated a Livonia clinic for 17 years, closing it last spring to relocate.

Our critics suggest we're out of touch with the community.

In fact, voting patterns and health statistics show that precisely the opposite is true: Livonia residents are not buying the inflammatory propaganda and religious rhetoric voiced by our critics.

Earlier this month, Livonia voters elected two pro-choice women, Dayna Polehanki and Laurie Pohutsky, to represent them in Michigan's Legislature. They also helped send to Washington, D.C., a new congresswoman, Haley Stevens, who made support for women's health and reproductive choices a campaign centerpiece. Locally and nationally, voters expressed the view that access to affordable health care was a priority.

These new legislators won their races for a rational reason: their constituents share their views.

Livonia residents want, and sometimes desperately need, the affordable, high-quality health care services that Planned Parenthood of Michigan is proud to provide.

The steady drip of opposition to Planned Parenthood and reproductive health has been eroding the health of Michigan women for decades. The state's maternal mortality rate — which

counts pregnancy-related and associated deaths — remains one of the nation's highest. Contrary to what our opponents say, reproductive health care is a lifeline. Amy Zaagman, executive director of the Michigan Council for Maternal and Child Health, has consistently cited improving access to contraception as a proven way to cut the unintended pregnancy rate.

At the Nov. 7 city council meeting, an opponent attacked Planned Parenthood for operating under "the cloak of darkness." Yes, we used our facilities holding company to purchase the site and build out the new clinic. That is a common business practice; it's also what you do when you're Planned Parenthood and you want to make an affirmative difference in women's lives. Our role is providing health care, not fighting for headlines.

Until the critics denouncing our good work are also pushing for access to quality health care — trying to enhance the lives of real women — we choose to get on with our mission.

We don't have time to waste fighting those who would keep us from the simple but important task at hand: Opening a new, inviting health clinic in a properly zoned Livonia building, to serve area residents. Please don't keep them waiting.

*Lori Carpenter is president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of Michigan.*

## Why you should oppose Planned Parenthood



**Monica Migliorino Miller**  
Guest Columnist  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Livonia has experienced a raging controversy over the proposed opening of a new Planned Parenthood clinic on Farmington Road. Hundreds of Livonia residents have participated in demonstrations and filled the City Council Chambers to voice their opposition.

In another guest column, Lori Carpenter, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of Michigan, tried her best to diffuse the protests through the usual Planned Parenthood propaganda tactic that they are all about providing quality women's health care while deliberating downplaying her organization's promotion and facilitation of abortion. To that end she indicated that abortions will not be performed at the new site.

Even should, for now, the killing of the unborn not actually occur at the Planned Parenthood clinic, the good residents of Livonia, and frankly all others who care about the sanctity of life, must express their outrage. We are not simply opposing a particular Planned Parenthood site.

This organization should be unwelcomed because of what it stands for. It should be unwelcomed because it is founded on a dangerous philosophy regarding the value of human life and the meaning of human sexuality. Planned Parenthood

treats the unborn as if they were not human. It supports abortion, advocates for abortion and exterminated the lives of no less than 321,384 unborn children according to its own 2016-2017 annual report. Each year nearly one third of all unborn children killed in America have their lives extinguished within the walls of a Planned Parenthood facility.

It can tout its other services all it wants, but no amount of STD tests makes up for a single life killed by abortion.

The good residents of Livonia would never tolerate a business that openly and proudly discriminated against a minority group — and yet that is exactly what Planned Parenthood advocates — as it discriminates against the most helpless people on the planet, innocent unborn children, actively denying them their right to life, euphemistically calling such violence "reproductive health care."

Contrary to Carpenter's caricature of the protesters, no one is protesting this proposed clinic because it will offer "access to contraception, cancer screenings and other basic health care services." She failed to mention that many women will be referred for abortions out of that building, as the Planned Parenthood clinic will feed its other clinics where abortions are performed. Thus the deaths of the unborn will be fa-

cilitated at the Farmington Road location. That alone is reason enough to tell Planned Parenthood it is not welcomed.

Planned Parenthood knows very well its business is controversial, yet it deliberately bought a building not 12 feet from a residential district and right next door to a Catholic dentist. Planned Parenthood does "set up shop" under the "cloak of darkness." I personally spoke to the head of the contractor company renovating the building. He had no idea he was working for Planned Parenthood and was greatly upset.

Planned Parenthood tried to build a mega-abortion center in Auburn Hills. A deed restriction held by the Comfort Inn stood in its way. To get the owners of the hotel to give permission for them to set up their clinic they only presented themselves as a mere "medical office" never letting on that it was Planned Parenthood at all. When the hotel owners found out that Planned Parenthood intended to build an abortion center in its own front yard Planned Parenthood was taken to court and lost.

When an organization causes the killing of the innocent and advocates an immoral, irresponsible sexual ethic that leads to abortion, opposing such a group is a matter of justice. According to michigan.gov there are no less than 239 federally-qualified community health clinics in our state. Patronize them instead.

*Monica Migliorino Miller is director of South Lyon-based Citizens for a Pro-life Society.*

## Planning your funeral can help ease loved ones' burden



**Money Matters**  
Rick Bloom  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

As I was watching the funeral of former President George H. W. Bush, I was thinking about the planning that must have been done ahead of time to make sure everything ran as smoothly as it did. Although you and I are not going to have funerals like President Bush had, it is a reminder that we will all eventually leave this great Earth and how important it is to be prepared. I thought I would run through some issues that at least you should consider.

The first issue when it comes to planning for when we will no longer be around is to make sure we have an up-to-date estate plan. Whether it is a will or trust, it is important that you have one and that it is current. We live in a world where everything changes at a rapid pace. When family situations and dynamics change, it could affect your estate plan. The first step in being prepared is to make sure that your current estate plan is up to date. If you don't have an estate plan, you either don't want to think about your demise, you're lazy or you think that the state of Michigan is best to determine how your affairs are to be handled at the time of your death. No matter what your reasoning is, I think you need to reconsider it.

I wish I could tell you that doing an estate plan is painless, but in many situations it is not. You have to

**Don't forget, if you do want to preplan your funeral, you need to make sure you put it in writing and give it to your loved ones. Typically, funeral wishes are not put in the will and trust, but in a separate document.**

face certain realities that you may not want to deal with, but kicking the can down the road or doing nothing potentially can create significant issues for your loved ones. As adults, it is our duty to make sure our affairs are in order, so we can protect our loved ones.

Another issue that we need to consider is whether we should preplan our funeral. We all know that death always occurs at the wrong time and it's always emotional for our loved ones. I'm not sure the best time to plan a funeral is when the family is grieving. In many situations, it makes sense to do some planning for your funeral. It can be nothing more than choosing the funeral home you would like and also the casket. One thing I see quite frequently is that, in the midst of grieving and not wanting to look cheap, many people overpay for a funeral. If you preplan your funeral and choose the type of casket and accessories you want a head of time, you are removing that burden from your loved ones and probably saving your family a signifi-

cant amount of money.

As a side note, many people are surprised to hear this, but you do not have to purchase your casket through a funeral home. In today's world, you can buy caskets from a number of different places, including online.

If you do decide to preplan your funeral, some other issues that you should consider: Do you want to be buried? Where? If you choose to be cremated, what happens to your ashes? You can consider the type of service you want or if you want no service at all.

Don't forget, if you do want to preplan your funeral, you need to make sure you put it in writing and give it to your loved ones. Typically, funeral wishes are not put in the will and trust, but in a separate document.

One last note — should prepay for the funeral? On the whole, I'm not a big fan of prepaying for a funeral. There are a variety of issues that you have to consider, such as what happens if the funeral home goes out of business, what if you no longer reside in the area or what if you just change your mind. On the whole, I'm in favor of preplanning, not prepaying.

We all know our days are numbered and there is nothing that we can do to prevent it. By doing some preplanning, you are making things as easy as you can for your loved ones — isn't that what it's about?

Good luck!

*Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com). If you would like him to respond to questions, email [rick@bloomassetmanagement.com](mailto:rick@bloomassetmanagement.com).*

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Sidewalks needed

My wife, our grandchildren and myself enjoy walking and bicycling, but find it very difficult and dangerous on Pontiac Trail between 8 mile and 9 mile roads. At some points where there are no sidewalks you have to walk in the gravel and sometimes mud along the edge of the road.

Yes, in maybe 25 or 30 years as businesses pop up along that stretch of road some sidewalks will be added, but we need them now!

Tim Weir  
Salem Township

## Baby Boomers and Christmas

This seems like an appropriate time of year to tackle this topic: Baby Boomers' love of Christmas. One thing can

truly be said about Baby Boomers — they surely do like to celebrate Christmas.

This doesn't mean that other generations don't also appreciate Christmas, but for Boomers, Christmas is part of the wool and warp of their very core.

As you probably already know, Boomers were the generation born after World War II. Americans were weary of war after 1945 and decided to give baby making a try. Kids who grew up in the 1950s and 1960s experienced two of the most novel decades in American history. The sixties were especially unusual. If you weren't a male of draft age, you got to be a kid playing with G.I. Joe dolls rather than be a Joe in 'Nam. Christmas was an especially magical time, and those experiences left life-long impressions.

For a Boomer, a 1960s Christmas had

a unique charm which made the holiday especially endearing. One can easily identify vintage holiday decor of the 1950s and 1960s by its art style which unlike the contemporary, realistic kind was cartoonish, stylized and even kitschy, but to a Boomer, it really represented Christmas. You can see it in the representations of Santa, snowmen, elves, reindeer, etc., as well as in such things as Halloween decor.

It isn't uncommon for a Boomer to collect such vintage Christmas decor, just as they might collect almost anything from their childhood era which stokes their nostalgic fond memories of that time, including music, clothing, toys, comic books, etc.

One of the odd yet charming pieces of 1960s Christmas decor was the window stencil. These were wax patterns which were applied to a window using a

sponge and Johnson's Wax. If your Christmas tree was placed near such a decorated window, the colored lights of the tree would sparkle through the designs. When Christmas was over, the dried soapy art-work was easily removed with water. When the Johnson's company went out of business, my family used Turtle Wax as a substitute but that didn't work as well.

Another item which was indicative of the 1960s culture was the aluminum Christmas tree replete with a color wheel, famously celebrated on the classic Charlie Brown Christmas cartoon. You can actually still buy these online in both vintage and reproduction offerings.

Leo Weber  
Livonia

# Three events worth checking out this weekend

David Veselenak

hometownlife.com  
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Has Thanksgiving really been over for three weeks? This holiday season is flying by and so is the opportunity to get out and have some fun this weekend.

If it's time for a reprieve from everything at home this weekend, check out one of these three events happening this weekend across the Hometown Life area.

## Youth symphony orchestra concert in Livonia

It's time to celebrate a big milestone for the arts in Livonia.

The Livonia Youth Symphony Orchestra is marking its 60th anniversary this season and will hold its annual winter concert at 2 p.m. Saturday in Kresge Hall at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft.

The symphony has several members from Livonia and surrounding communities and performs two shows a year. It's a group that's attracted hundreds of musicians throughout the years.

Tickets are available the day of the concert, but are limited in number. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and \$4 for seniors. For more information, including how to audition for the spring session, go to lysom.org.

## Jurassic Quest in Novi

If you need a break from holiday-themed events this weekend, head to Novi to go back in time millions of years

ago.

Jurassic Quest returns to the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River, Friday through Sunday. This exhibit allows children to see how the dinosaurs would have appeared more than 65 million years ago with lifelike reproductions and even ride an animatronic dinosaur.

The show runs 3-8 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Tickets for children and adults begin at \$20 and at \$18 for seniors, with discounts given to police, fire and military families. Parking is \$5 a car. For more information, go to jurassicquest.com.

## Wild Lights at the Detroit Zoo

There's nothing like the time-honored tradition of heading to the zoo at night during December.

The Detroit Zoo's Wild Lights program continues this weekend. More than five million lights take over the zoo, 8450 W. 10 Mile Road, in Royal Oak. Those interested can attend a showing of "The Polar Express" as well for an additional cost.

Wild Lights will run Friday through Sunday this weekend and return Dec. 20-23 and again Dec. 26-31. The zoo is open 5-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 5:30-9 p.m. Sunday. Ticket prices vary online. Zoo members will still need to purchase tickets for the special event.

For more information, go to detroitzoo.org.

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



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the representative for Northern Equities Group requesting a Temporary Special Land Use Permit in accordance with 7.6.2 of the Novi Zoning Ordinance for temporarily Driving Vehicles for Component Testing at parcel 50-22-01-200-044, north of Thirteen Mile and east of Haggerty Road from January 4, 2019 through January 4, 2020. The property is zoned OST (Office Service Technology) and the use is contrary to 3.14.1.A of the Novi Zoning Ordinance.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner whose property is located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for a temporary special land use permit.

A public hearing will be held at 1:30pm on January 4, 2019 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road in the Mayors Conference Room. All written comments should be directed to Katherine Oppermann and must be received prior to Wednesday, January 3, 2019 at 3PM.

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### CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT ADOPTION EMERGENCY ORDINANCE #12-03-18

Notice is hereby given that the Northville City Council has adopted an ordinance amendment to the City of Northville Code of Ordinances as follows:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 12-03-18

#### AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 18 BUSINESSES TO PROHIBIT MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE

##### Section 1. The City of Northville ordains

Chapter 18 – Business is hereby amended by added the following described text revisions

##### Section 2. Amend Article I – In General to add Sec. 18-4

Sec. 18-4 – Local, State, and Federal Laws.

All businesses located within the City limits of the City of Northville shall abide by all Local, State and Federal laws.

##### Section 3. Add Article VIII – Marihuana Establishments to Chapter 18 Business in the Code of Ordinances

##### ARTICLE VIII – MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS

Sec. 18-401 -Marihuana Establishments Prohibited  
Marihuana establishments as defined in Section 3 of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, and as it may hereafter be amended from time to time, are completely prohibited within the City limits of the City of Northville, as provided for in Section 6 of the Act.

This Ordinance shall expire and cease to be in effect as of June 30, 2020, unless renewed or amended by the City of Northville City Council.

City Council adopted the ordinance amendment as an emergency ordinance at its regular meeting on December 3, 2018, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Chapter 7, Section 7.3 of the City Charter, and the ordinance amendment was effective at 3:15pm December 4, 2018. The complete text is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

DIANNE MASSA, CMC  
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## AREA EVENTS

Send calendar items to [LIV-OENewstip@hometownlife.com](mailto:LIV-OENewstip@hometownlife.com). Items must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

## Tuba Christmas in South Lyon

All tuba and euphonium players are invited to participate in South Lyon's Tuba Christmas concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, at the Salem-South Lyon District Library, 9800 Pontiac Trail. Registration for the concert is at 5 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 640 S. Lafayette Street, with rehearsal scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

Participant registration fee is \$10. The rehearsal is indoors, but the performance is outdoors and three miles from rehearsal. You need to provide your own transportation. Music stands should be brought. Music books (\$20) will be for sale at rehearsal.

For more information, call Dale Marzewski at 517-548-1603.

## Visits with Santa

Santa will be at the Village Center Mall, 400 N. Main Street, in Milford from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday until Dec. 22, as well as 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 13, and Friday, Dec. 21. Bring your own camera as a professional photographer will not be provided.

## Runestad to meet residents

State Rep. Jim Runestad, R-White Lake, invites residents to join him for local coffee hours Friday, Dec. 14. Coffee hours will take place 8-9 a.m. at Leo's Coney Island, 6845 Highland Road, in White Lake; 10-11 a.m. at Colasanti's Market, 468 S. Milford Road, in Highland; and noon to 1 p.m. at Baker's of Milford, 2025 S. Milford Road, in Milford.

No appointment is necessary. Those unable to attend may contact Runestad at 517-373-2616 or via email at [JimRunestad@house.mi.gov](mailto:JimRunestad@house.mi.gov).

## 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](http://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. For more information, go to [www.northvillearthhouse.org](http://www.northvillearthhouse.org).

## Interfaith Series explores Hinduism

An educational program about mystic traditions in Hindu thought will be held 7-9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 17, at the Sri Venkateswara Temple and Cultural Center, 26233 Taft, in Novi. Shama Metha, who has a master's degree in pastoral ministry and is a board-certified chaplain, will be the presenter.

The Hindu mysticism program is the last in the Detroit Interfaith Leadership Council's "Exploring Our Religious Landscapes" fall series. Pre-registration via

email is encouraged at [www.detroitinterfaithcouncil.com](http://www.detroitinterfaithcouncil.com). Walk-in guests are welcome. Refreshments will follow the program and a \$20 donation is suggested.

## 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](http://www.huronvalleyarts.org) or call 248-889-8660.

## '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, Dec. 13-16 and 20-23. Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

For more information, go to [www.tippingpointtheatre.com/tenors](http://www.tippingpointtheatre.com/tenors).

## Winter Collage concert

The South Lyon High School Music Department presents its annual Winter Collage Concert Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m., in the South Lyon High School auditorium. The vocal and instrumental music departments will once again join forces and deliver an exciting concert of winter and holiday selections displaying the wide range of musical talent at South Lyon High School.

Choral selections will include pieces by Tchaikovsky, Chopin, Kim Andre Arnesen, Philip Stopford, Kate Rusby, Daniel Gawthrop, Craig Courtney, and many more. Instrumental selections will include works by Jeff Simmons, Andre Jutras, Brian Beck, Steve Reistetter, Leroy Anderson, and more.

The concert will conclude with the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah, performed by the combined bands and choirs. Director of Choirs Andrew Hathikhanavala and Director of Bands Kevin Cort are excited to continue the tradition of the Winter Collage Concert this year and are extremely proud of their students' accomplishments in preparing for this energetic show! The concert is free of charge and ample parking is available.

## 'New Year's Musical Cabaret'

Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady Street, in Northville will present "Time After Time: A New Year's Musical Cabaret" by Kryssy Becker on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 28-29, as well as Monday, Dec. 31. Show times are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 9 p.m. Monday (doors open one hour prior).

Regular seats are \$30 and cabaret table seats are \$45 (includes one drink ticket per seat) for the first two shows; they are \$85 and \$100 (includes a special TPT gift and first access to the post-show appetizers) for the New Year's Eve show. They can be purchased at <https://tix5.centerstageticketing.com/sites/tippingpoint6/event-details.php?e=366>.

For more information, call 248-347-0003 or go to [TippingPointTheatre.com](http://TippingPointTheatre.com).

## PFAS health seminar

The Wellhead Protection Program under the city of South Lyon Water Department will present a public health seminar titled PFAS and the Huron River: What We Know and What We Need To Know 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 9, at the South Lyon City Hall auditorium, 335 S. Warren Street.

Speaker will be Laura Rubin, executive director of the Huron River Watershed Council based in Ann Arbor. The Huron River watershed includes waterways in the areas of Oakland, Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

For more information, call 248-437-4006 or go to [www.southlyonmi.org](http://www.southlyonmi.org).

## '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](mailto:marquistheatre@sbcglobal.net) or go to [www.northvillemarquistheatre.com](http://www.northvillemarquistheatre.com).

## 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 mid-January, it will feature the artwork of Renee Hoag.

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](http://www.milfordvfaa.org).

## Adopt-A-Reader

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

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

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# Women's addiction facility opening in Canton

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The road to recovery for hundreds of women struggling with addiction will go straight through Canton Township.

Beginning Monday, Dec. 10, Personalized Nursing Light House began providing services to women from Wayne, Washtenaw, Oakland and Macomb counties when it opened the doors to its new facility on Canton Center Road, just down the street from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Women accepted into PNLH's multi-step program will be housed in apartments in the Canton Crossings apartment complex and transported to and from the Canton Center Road facility five days a week for group and individualized treatment.

The recovering addicts — some of whom are homeless, others without jobs or transportation — will live with other PNLH patients in the apartment complex that is located approximately a mile-and-a-half from the office.

A PNLH employee will oversee each unit that houses patients, but the monitors will not live full time at the complex.

Why did PNLH select Canton as the site of its newest office?

"There are a couple of reasons, No. 1 being that this gender-specific program is designed to serve women who have post traumatic syndrome, along with their addictions," said Stephen Wiland, the facility's clinical director. "It's a complicated combination to treat and there are no other providers in this area that provide this kind of work. 'Also, we already have a presence in western Wayne County with an office in downtown Plymouth. When we were looking to open our next office, Canton became a candidate because of the lack of the lack of good treatment in the area.'"

Wiland explained that PTS is often a companion to women's drug addictions due to domestic violence and prior sexual assaults.

"Many individuals try to keep (PTS) a secret the best they can, but it's actually a risk factor for developing an addiction," Wiland said. "Walking around with PTS is very uncomfortable, so if someone discovers that an opioid, for example, or



Canton Chamber of Commerce president Thomas Paden (right) looks on as Personalized Nursing Light House chief executive officer Joseph Paliwoda cuts the ribbon. ED WRIGHT | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Personalized Nursing Light House clinical director Stephen Wiland uses the Canton facility's white board. ED WRIGHT | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

alcohol takes the edge off, that predisposes them to addiction."

PNLH will start its Canton operation with three two-bedroom apartments, with 12 total clients.

"Then we're hoping to ramp it up to another 12 soon after," Wiland said. "(Canton Crossings) has been a great partner with us since we've had the Plymouth office. We have a van that picks up the ladies on the days they have treatment here, mostly Monday through Friday.

"As they become more stabilized in our program, we encourage the women to get jobs so that they can take more responsibility in their lives."

Similar programs in neighboring communities — Milford for one — have faced resistance from residents, who fear bringing in transient people dealing with addictions could lead to increased crime or the presence of drug dealers looking to prey on the patients' fragile state.

Wiland emphasized that these fears are base-

less.

"The biases these women face are based on fear and ignorance," he said. "One thing that prevents a lot of women from coming forward for help is they fear they will be looked at in a bad light."

"If you ever have a family member or friend who is struggling with an addiction, you'll be glad there is a program like ours for your loved ones."

Wiland said that statistics PNLH has compiled show that close to 70 percent of its clients are sober one year after completing the program — a significantly higher success rate than the average addiction-treatment facilities.

"It's impossible to do follow-ups on all of our clients, but the majority of the ones we can follow are staying sober, which is something we take great pride in," Wiland said.

A typical stay for PNLH clients is close to a month, with the initial three days serving as a detox phase when the patients endure acute withdrawal, Wiland noted.

Clients usually stay in the residential treatment program 21-27 days.

"Depending on the client, the intensive outpatient program could last up to three months," Wiland said. "We want to see that they're getting some traction in their recovery and making sustainable gains."

Clients must agree to random drug tests.

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# Brinkerhoff joins DIC as new CEO

The Detroit Institute for Children Board of Trustees has announced the appointment of Roxanne Brinkerhoff as the agency's new chief executive officer, effective Oct. 1, succeeding Marge LaRuffa, who recently retired.

With nearly 20 years' experience providing visionary and strategic leadership in the field of child and family services, Brinkerhoff is uniquely qualified to help take the Institute to the "next level" in terms of serving children with special needs across southeast Michi-

gan and the state.

Among her previous positions, she served as chief operating officer at Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan and as senior director with The Guidance Center, a multi-faceted human services agency serving nearly 25,000 children and adults annually at 23 Downriver locations. While with The Guidance Center, she was responsible for all operations within Autism Services and the Center for Early Childhood, Center for Excellence and Children's Advocacy



Brinkerhoff

Center. A graduate of the University of Michigan and Leadership Detroit XXXVII, Brinkerhoff also serves in a volunteer capacity as vice chair of the Wayne County Great Start Collaborative. She and her husband reside in New Boston with their two children.

Based in Commerce Township, the nearly 100-year-old Detroit Institute for

Children is an innovative nonprofit organization that annually provides more than 45,000 hours of services to children with special needs. With therapeutic programs that include speech language pathology, occupational and physical therapies, social work, psychological services, and special education consulting, DIC treats the whole child.

For more information about DIC and its programs, go to [www.detroitchildren.org](http://www.detroitchildren.org).

## HOPE FOR THE HOLIDAYS



Birmingham photojournalist Linda Solomon held a reception at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History for her Pictures of Hope program benefiting Cass Community Social Services. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Birmingham photojournalist Linda Solomon teamed up with the Birmingham-based Eugene and Marcia Applebaum Family Foundation to present Pictures of Hope.

On Oct. 20, 10 youngsters from Cass Community Social Services were presented new digital cameras and an as-

signment to photograph their dreams in images. Mentors were assigned to each child to help capture the photographs. Prints from photos taken that day were made into a greeting card gift set and are for sale at <https://casscommunity.org/picturesofhope/>. All proceeds will benefit CCSS.

A reception was held Nov. 28 at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, where the kids once again met with their mentors and were presented a print of their photo appearing on the cards.



Ethan, 8, gets to take the print of the photograph he made showing his hope to go to college that is part of a 15-card set available for purchase at the Cass Community Social Services website for \$20. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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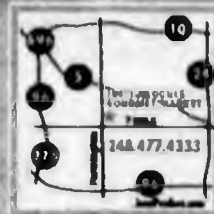


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Carter Solomon kept creeping up. At the mile mark, the Plymouth High junior was in 17th place with a time of 4:50.4. At 1.5, he had moved up to ninth in 7:17.5. At the two-mile marker, he maneuvered into seventh in 9:55.9.

And by the finish line of Saturday's 40th annual Foot Locker Cross Country Championship National Finals at Balboa Park in sunny San Diego, Solomon found himself fourth overall with a 5,000-meter time of 15 minutes, 25.3 seconds.

Not bad considering it was his first appearance in the prestigious event, which drew the top 40 high school boys runners representing four different regions from across the country.

Solomon, who can now call himself a Foot Locker All-American, was representing the 10-member Midwest team after placing fourth (16:13.3) Nov. 24 in a muddy regional in Kenosha, Wis.

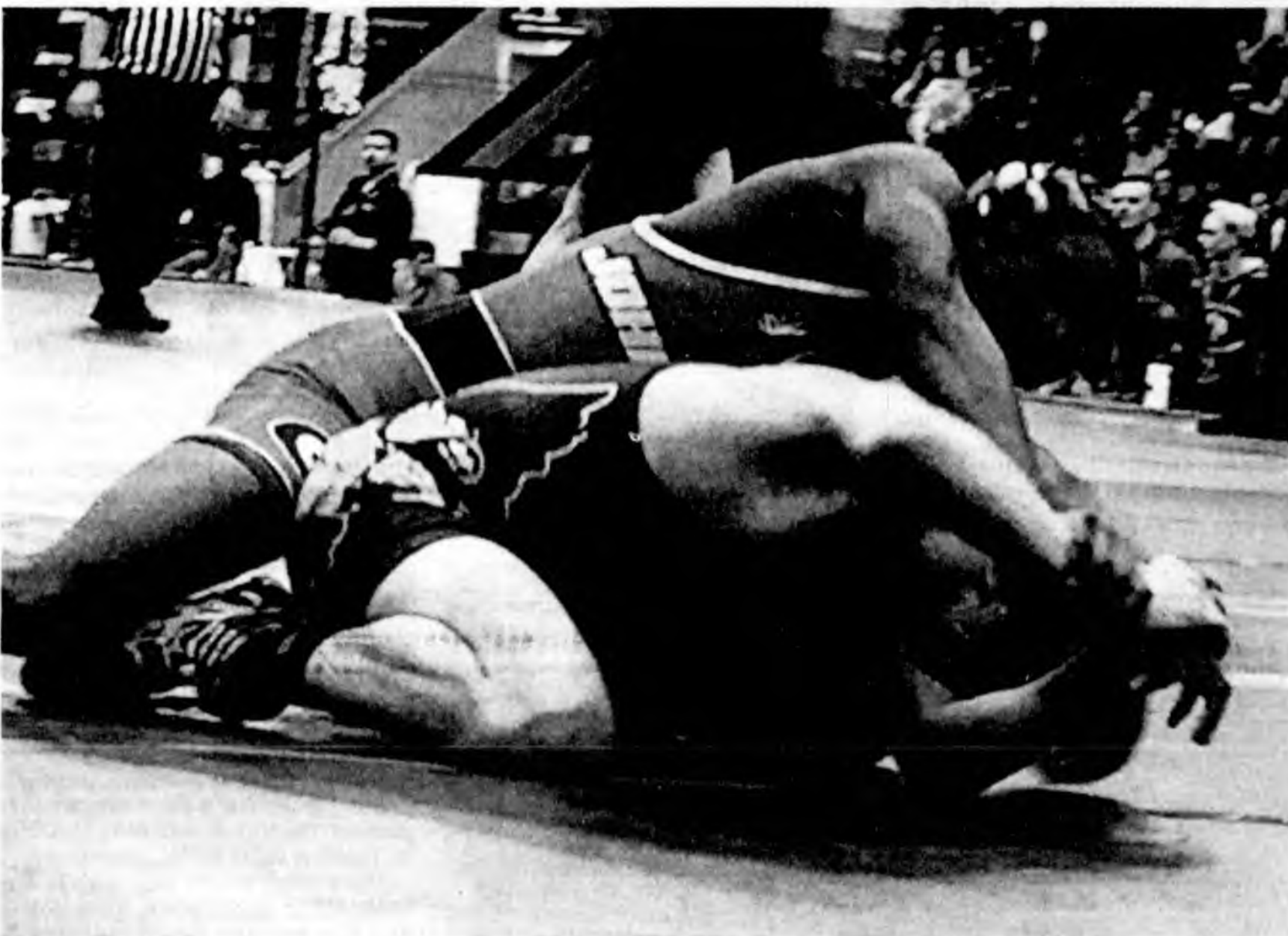
Indianapolis (Ind.) Cathedral senior Cole Hocker became the new Foot Locker champion as he posted a 5K time of 15:13.7. Knoxville (Tenn.) Catholic senior Jake Renfree was runner-up in 15:19.5.

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Plymouth junior Carter Solomon (right) hits the finish line in fourth place, just ahead of Drew Bosley of Thiensville, Wis., during Saturday's Foot Locker Cross Country National Championship. VICTAH SAILER | PHOTORUN.NET

## PREP WRESTLING



John Glenn's Caleb Meekins returns after placing fourth in last year's Division 1 individual state finals. BRAD EMONS | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

### John Glenn reloads for another state tourney run

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Out of the frying pan and into the fire. That's the mantra Bill Polk is sticking with entering his 21st season as Westland John Glenn's wrestling coach.

Glenn finished 25-4 last year in dual matches and reached the MHSAA Division 1 team state quarterfinals in Kalamazoo before losing a close encounter to Davison, 28-25.

The Rockets lost three state placers to graduation, including 125-pound champ Michael Mars (Michigan), 140 runner-up Anthony Gibson (Northern Illinois) and 130 Isaac Lefler, who took fifth.

Glenn will be led by a pair of returning state placers this season in senior

Caleb Meekins, who finished 50-10 en route to a fourth at 119. He'll move up to 125 this year and is ranked No. 1 preseason in his weight class by Michigan-Grappler.com.

"He had a great summer," Polk said. "We had 20 guys wrestle all summer long, but probably he probably did more wrestling than anybody. He was a high school All-American a couple of times in big tournaments, so he put a lot of time in."

Brenton Polk, nephew of the head coach, took eighth last year at 145 and went 41-17 overall. He will move up to 152. Regional qualifiers Shawn Brown (145) and Ty Cowen (112) also return.

The newly constructed KLAA East Division features not only John Glenn,

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John Glenn coach Bill Polk.

## BOYS HOCKEY

### Salem blanks Churchill to make it two straight at 'The Vic'

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Perhaps the Salem Rocks have found a new home-ice advantage at the Victory Ice Center in Plymouth.

Salem's varsity boys hockey team blanked defending Division 3 finalist Livonia Churchill 4-0 Saturday in the Rocks' second appearance at "The Vic," following a 6-3 win Dec. 6 over Howell.

With senior goaltender Gavin Hall perfect between the pipes for Salem, the only offense the Rocks needed came on a short-side snipe by sophomore forward Dante Douthe late in the first period. That goal, with 24 seconds to go, made it 1-0. Assisting on the goal was junior defenseman Anthony Gattoni.

"We were running a play, go D-to-D up to the winger and then they chipped it out," Douthe said. "I saw I had space, a 50/50 battle, went up there, beat him and I saw a (Churchill) guy to my left and I knew the clock was running down, I just fired it and it went in."

"Yeah, I thought it hit back bar, I'm 100-percent sure it did. I don't think everyone else did, though, but the ref was right there and I saw him signal and I was just so happy."

Salem head coach Ryan Ossenmacher, meanwhile, credited Hall for providing strong, athletic goaltending for the second time in two starts. In his debut, Hall defeated Brighton, the defending D-1 champion.

"I would say he's off to a pretty good start," Ossenmacher said. "He's an athletic goalie. If you were just going to watch him positionally, he's not the prettiest. But he tends to make the right save."

"And even if he doesn't put it in the right spot after the initial save, he's athletic enough to get back in position to make the second save. He did that well tonight."

Ossenmacher also likes how his team is adjusting to Victory Ice Center, which features an overhang at one end with the famous Joe Louis Arena exte-

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Salem senior goalie Gavin Hall turns aside an in-close bid by Livonia Churchill's Jack Boyk. TOM BEAUDOIN | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Salem

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rior sign and a section of red seats from the Detroit Red Wings' former home rink.

"I wish we had more home games now, I guess," Ossenmacher said. "Two-for-two and we don't have another one until January. It was good, tonight's crowd was fantastic, our student section was full. I thought the atmosphere was really fun.

"You hear it all the time, but that's what high school hockey's all about, playing in front of your classmates, playing in front of friends and family."

Salem (4-2 overall, 1-0 KLAA Black Division) doubled the lead to 2-0 on a dazzling individual effort by junior defenseman Josh German with 3:13 left in the second period.

German cut into the Churchill zone, broke around a defender and roofed a shot past Chargers sophomore goalie Bryant Riley.

The young Chargers, who fell to 1-3-1 overall and 1-2-0 in the division, had a five-on-three power play late in the middle period, but could not cash in against Salem's strong penalty kick and goaltending.

### Key stretch

Both coaches said that might have been a turning point.

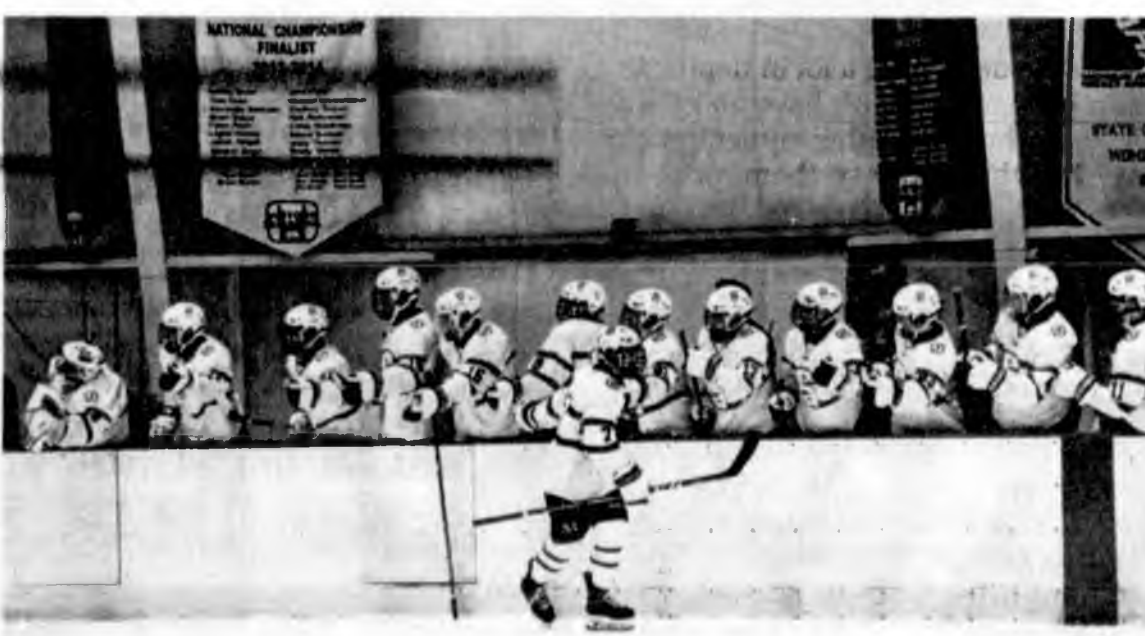
"I thought we did a better job of moving the puck around the zone," Churchill head coach Jason Reynolds said. "I thought we had some more composure, just needed to get some more shots to the net and try to get some traffic in front. I don't think we did that nearly enough."

According to Ossenmacher, "Anytime you go down five-on-three, and I think at the time it was a 2-0 game, that can go one way or the other, right? They pop a goal in, it's 2-1 and they're back on the power play and get another one (and) it's 2-2. But our guys did a good job. We blocked a couple shots, won a couple draws."

In the third period, after an apparent goal by Colin Goleniak was called off due to contact in the crease with Riley, the Rocks added a pair of goals to win



Salem and Livonia Churchill players get after it Saturday at Victory Ice Center. Watching from the end zone are Salem students, sitting in the so-called Joe Louis Arena section. TOM BEAUDOIN | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Salem sophomore Dante Doute is congratulated by teammates after scoring Saturday's first goal. TOM BEAUDOIN | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

going away.

With Salem on a power play, junior forwards Ethan Granowicz and Alex Schaumburger teamed for a goal with seven minutes left. Sophomore Devan Grayshaw drew the second assist.

Schaumburger threaded a feed from the right side in front to Granowicz, who tipped it past Riley.

Closing out the scoring with 2:48 to go was sophomore forward Nathan Zylik. He chipped a shot over Riley's trapper, with assists going to German and senior defenseman Nick Hanson.

Hall needed to come up with a pad stop in the final seconds to preserve the shutout. After the final horn, he was mobbed by his teammates.

"My team was hyping me up before the game," Hall said. "They were hoping that I'd get the shutout and, as you can see looking at the score, I did it. ... I love the arena, everyone loves it. It's just like home."

### Road warriors

But the Rocks won't have another game at The Vic until Cleveland (Ohio) St. Ignatius visits Friday, Jan. 11.

Until then, Salem will play in the MIHL/KLAA Showcase at Eddie Edgar Arena in Livonia, face campus rivals Plymouth and Canton on the road and then make the annual trek to the Traverse City Central tournament (games Dec. 27-29 at Centre Ice Arena).

Meanwhile, the Chargers hope to learn from Saturday's outcome.

"This is a gritty team, we're not a pretty team anymore," Reynolds said. "And again, this is a young group, these guys are really trying to establish an identity for themselves."

"It's good to play teams like this, but at the same time it certainly brings to light the shortcomings that we have right now."

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## Solomon

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Grayden Morris (Aledo, Texas), the Foot Locker runner-up last year, placed third in 15:25.1, less than a second ahead of Solomon.

"Honestly, I've been ecstatic since the race," Solomon said. "It was incredible. I had expectations for myself going into the race, but finishing fourth was beyond my expectations. I couldn't be more happy with the result."

Solomon didn't know what to expect going against nation's elite runners.

"I kind of just went in to race," he said. "I didn't have any kind of strategy, because I knew everybody was going to have some kind of strategy. I kind just wanted to sit behind the leaders and close as hard as I could with 400 meters to go. I feel like I executed the plan to the best of my ability. My coach (Jon Mikosz) and my dad (Brian) both came out and kind of came up with a plan. They shared a room. They love it out here.

They're having a blast."

Conditions were more than ideal under sunny skies and 60-degree morning temperatures in San Diego, a far cry from the sub-30 temps and windy conditions in sloppy Kenosha.

"Oh my gosh, this was nothing compared to Wisconsin," Solomon said.

Afterward, Solomon was on cloud nine and was soaking up the red carpet treatment provided by the Foot Locker people. It was his first trip to California.

"They had lunches for us, just some games and then we were playing cornhole and what not, took a shower, some post-race interviews, ate some ice cream ... it's been awesome," Solomon said. "They treat us very well and the weekend still isn't over yet. Me and my buddies keep going down to the beach, because it's so beautiful down there. We can't get enough of it."

Solomon was coming off a dream cross country season, as he led the Wildcats to their first MHSAA Division I team state championship Nov. 3 at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, where he was runner-up indi-

vidually to Ann Arbor Pioneer's Nick Foster with a time of 15:18.1.

Solomon also was the regional (14:59.4), Kensington Lakes Activities Association (15:07.3) and Wayne County (15:09.2) champion this fall. His personal best of 14:59.0 came Oct. 13 at the Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Invitational.

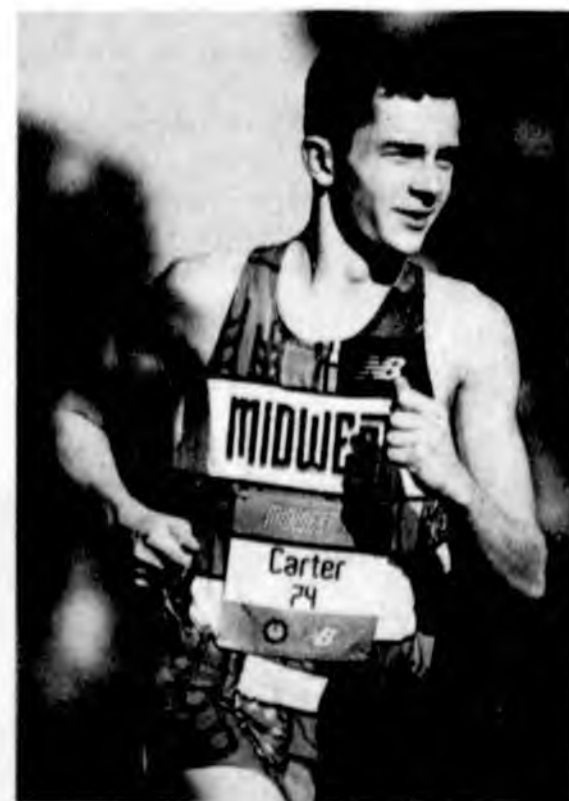
After the long cross country season, Solomon will now take a much-needed break.

"I'll do some indoor races to just kind of maintain some leg speed and then really try to pound it this outdoor track season," he said.

And with his family and coach in attendance, his first Foot Locker championship meet went beyond his wildest dreams.

"That was the happiest I've ever seen him after a race," Solomon said of his father. "When I qualified, he was just, like, over the moon. After this race, he was even more excited. It was awesome seeing. My coach (Mikosz) was just as excited."

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Plymouth's Carter Solomon comes out for the pre-race introductions at the Foot Locker Cross Country National Championships. ANDREW MCCLANAHAN | PHOTORUN.NET



## Wrestling

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but also Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson, Wayne Memorial, Belleville, Dearborn Fordson and Dearborn High.

"I like it, I think it should be competitive," Polk said. "Belleville has some tough kids and Fordson always has some scrappy kids. I think it's going to be a good decision."

Franklin, coming off another district title under 19th-year coach Dave Chiola, should give Glenn a strong push.

The Patriots will be led by junior Jake Swirple (285), who placed eighth a year ago in the Division 1 finals while sporting a record of 49-10. Two-time state qualifier Russ Rusnell (119) also returns for his senior season.

Meanwhile, Gila Ridge, Ariz. transfer Christian Gerber, a junior who placed third in his division with a 49-11 record, should also give the Patriots a boost along with three other regional qualifiers in sophomore Rocco DiPonio, Marino DiPonio and Logan Evanchuk. The Patriots also return three others who recorded 30-plus wins.

Churchill is banking on three returning regional qualifiers in Drew Bush (135), Connor McNally (160) and Matt Wilson (215), while Stevenson will be led by regional qualifier Mitchell Plucinski (152).

Wayne Memorial has a new varsity coach as Hekima Humphries takes over for Jamie Preiss.

The KLAA West Division race is more daunting as Division 1 runner-up Brighton, bolstered by three high-profile transfers, and elite eight qualifier Hartland (No. 7), will be the teams to beat.

Brighton, the defending KLAA dual champion, pulled in state placers for this season including River Shettler (Hartland), who was runner-up at 160; Sam Freeman (Walled Lake Central), a junior who took third at 119; and Rhett Newton (Novi Detroit Catholic Central), a senior at 145.

Also trying to contend in the KLAA West is Salem, a district championship team led by state qualifier JaQuan Baker (160), who went 42-17 last year. Regional qualifier Max Hirvela (130) is also back.

Canton expects to be improved under third year-coach Billy Taylor and will be led by regional qualifiers Chris Little and Dylan Slowik.

Other regional qualifiers returning include Plymouth's Andrew Attallah (189-215); Northville's Nicholas Gattoni (145) and Brandon Liu (112); Novi's Alvin Freeman (171) and Matt George (160).

Here is a closer look at the Hometownlife.com-area teams in KLAA.

### East Division

#### Livonia Churchill

**Head coach:** Jake Meadows, third season.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Drew Bush, Sr., 135 (regional qualifier); Connor McAnally, Sr., 160 (regional qualifier); Matt Wilson, Jr., 215 (regional qualifier); Invi Bella, Soph., 135; Garrett Englehart, Soph., 130; Aiden Haupt, Soph., 119; Mike Bragiel, Jr., 160.

**Meadows' 2018-19 outlook:** "The depth of our team will come from a mature sophomore group and a solid incoming freshmen class. We return eight starters to the lineup, with five returning to the same weight class from last season. With returning regional qualifiers at 135, 160 and 215, we should be able to halt any team's momentum against us. We have multiple weight classes with more than one tough wrestler, which should give us some flexibility to bump guys around. We have the potential to catch teams off guard, which should prove for an exciting season."

#### Livonia Franklin

**Head coach:** Dave Chiola, 19th season.

**Titles won last year:** Division 1 district.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Jake Swirple, Jr., 289 (eighth, Division 1 placer; 49-10); Russ Rusnell, Sr., 119 (state qualifier; 47-9); Christian Gerber, Jr., 119 (transfer from Gila Ridge, Ariz.); Rocco DiPonio, Soph., 140 (regional qualifier); Marino DiPonio, Sr., 160 (regional qualifier); Logan Evanchuk, Sr., 135 (regional qualifier); Jacob Johnson, Sr., 152; Jager Kwiatkowski, Soph., 119; Erick Reaves, Jr., 189.

**Chiola's 2018-19 outlook:** "We have some solid kids returning this year, although we had several key people decide not to join. The big obstacle will be getting all the weights filled. We have huge depth at some weights, while other weights are very thin. I really like our freshmen this year. Some have never wrestled before, but they are learning quickly and coming on strong. If we keep everybody healthy, I think we can

have a pretty decent team. We're going to set high goals for ourselves and take it a week at a time."

#### Livonia Stevenson

**Head coach:** John McCurdy, second season.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Mitchell Plucinski, Sr., 152 (regional qualifier); Ethan Barel, Soph., 112; Jared Wilkinson, Sr., 152-160; Logan Schopert, Sr., 125-130; Dylan Kuschel, Soph., 160; Quincy Salter, Fr., 152; Jack Micallef, Jr., 189.

**McCurdy's 2018-19 outlook:** "This is my second year with the program, but we've only had one off season, but we're looking to make the next step. My goal is always the process. It's not about the destination, it's about the journey. I'm feeling like we're going to be pretty good by the end of the year. We're going to be way improved. Our numbers are way up. Last season we wrestled with 14 kids. I've got 37 in my room every day this year. We had an awesome summer. We set a team goal to wrestle 1,000 matches as a team and we did it with the 14 we had. We took a team to camp and wrestled some preseason meets. My guys have really pushed hard and I expect us to be competitive and I us to keep moving forward in the process. I think we're probably a year away from real contention because I have a lot of good sophomores and juniors, but we'll be pretty good this year."

#### Westland John Glenn

**Head coach:** Bill Polk, 21st season.

**Titles won last year:** Division 1 district, regional, KLAA Black Division.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Caleb Meekins, Sr., 125 (fourth, Division 1 placer; 50-10); Brenton Polk, Sr., 152 (eighth, Division 1 placer; 41-17); Shawn Brown, Jr., 145 (regional qualifier); Ty Cowan, Soph., 112 (regional qualifier); Kyle Borthwell, Sr., 130; Ethan Collins, Sr., 119; Graden Bowen, Sr., 160 (captain); Justin Morrison, Jr., 171; Antoine Hines, Sr., 285; Josh Mars, Fr., 103; Jalil Traylor, Sr., 140-145.

**Polk's 2018-19 outlook:** "I think we can be every bit as good as we were last year. My biggest concern is staying healthy because we have a real good group of kids, but there's a few weights where we don't have a lot of depth. Our numbers are great. We have 60 kids on the team, but I'm hoping my seniors can stay healthy and keep them all in the lineup so I don't have to plug those younger kids in yet."

#### Wayne Memorial

**Head coach:** Hekima Humphries, first season.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Kalib Linder, Sr., 152; Jalen Adams, Sr., 171; Cameron Briggs, Sr., 160; Jayvon Johnson, Sr., 189; Brianna Sexton, Sr., 112-119.

**Humphries' 2018-19 outlook:** "The outlook is positive as far as we're going to learn and we're going to grow. I'm looking towards the future here as I have a young team. We have a lot of middle schoolers and elementary schoolers that have been participating in our youth program, the Wolf Pups, and they'll be coming up, so the future looks bright. This year I'm looking to get those top tier wrestlers that I do have maybe contending for regional and state places."

#### West Division

##### Canton

**Head coach:** Billy Taylor, third season.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Chris Little, Sr., 189 (regional qualifier); Dylan Slowik, Jr., 152 (regional qualifier); Mitch Winnie, Jr., 152; Sam Wolf, Jr., 130; Gabe DiCola, Jr., 125; Ahmed Alkhekani, Soph., 135; Mario Succurro, Jr., 140; Logan Hammond, Soph., 160; Brendan Watkins, Fr., 103; Dillon Vanderpool, Jr., 125; J.C. Morgan, Fr., 119; Adam Nicholas, Fr., 145.

**Assistant Ty Jasman's 2018-19 outlook:** "We have to improve every day that we're in the room and we always want to look at the next opponent in front of us, not towards individual districts, regionals or anything like that, just look toward the next meet and try to be the best that we can be. As of right now we have one open spot, I believe, at 285. Everything else is already covered. We have a lot of new guys this year. We have a lot of new freshmen coming in. And we actually had some upperclassmen who haven't wrestled for us before come out, people who are juniors that decided that they decided to come out for wrestling. I hope for Chris (Little) and a couple of other guys as well (qual-



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ify for states). He's been working hard in the room and we hope the best for him."

#### Plymouth

**Head coach:** Patrick Durocher, first season.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Andrew Attalah, Sr., 189-215 (regional qualifier); Josh Kne, Sr., 285; Andy Stevens, Soph., 112; Frankie Dettore, 119; Owen Fahey, Soph., 145-152.

**Durocher's 2018-19 outlook:** "We're looking for kids to go out there and wrestle hard. We're a fairly young team. I expect to do a lot of teaching this year and getting kids some good, quality varsity experience. Hopefully we'll win a district title. We've got about 35, so we can fill all the spots in our lineup."

#### Salem

**Head coach:** Jeremy Henderson, sixth season.

**Titles won last year:** Division 1 district.

**Wrestlers to watch:** JaQuan Baker, Sr., 160 (state qualifier; 42-17); Max Hirvela, Sr., 130 (regional qualifier); Dylan Fleming, Fr., 103; Kaden Cushman, Fr., 119; Collin Schultz, Sr., 125; Dustin Murphy, Sr., 140; Ty Wagner, Fr., 140; Ash Mewha, Soph., 145; Ben Bennett, Sr., 152; Sean Barnett, Sr., 152; Justin Pronyk, Soph., 189; Warren Cox, Soph., 215; Donte Gipson, Soph., 215; Evan Kirkpatrick, Jr., 285.

**Henderson's 2018-19 outlook:** "Salem wrestling is looking to build on there fourth straight District title. We have a great group of seniors, along with a very up an coming batch of freshman and sophomores. Were looking to put a good group of guys to individual regionals, get a handful to 'states', got a couple on the podium and be top 16 in the state teamwise. It starts with hard work and heart and this team has a lot of it. It's going to be a very exciting season. Most of the guys on the lineup have varsity experience, so we're looking for our seniors to lead the way and our underclassmen to follow and be tough kids on the mat."

#### Northville

**Head coach:** Tyler Schneider, third season.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Nicholas Gattoni, Jr., 145 (regional qualifier); Brandon Liu, Jr., 112 (regional qualifier); Grant Gattoni, Jr., 112; Demir Tagani, Jr., 285; Ibrahim Abdur-Rauf, Sr., 125; Reid Garbaciak, Sr., 135; Ethan Galdikas, Sr., 171; Jack Gattoni, Fr., 103; Jacob Frost, Jr., 189; Carmen Raad, Soph., 125.

**Assistant coach Todd Gattoni's 2018-19 outlook:** "We're hoping to bring a handful of kids to regions this year. It's a promising, young team with some strong veterans coming back. Last year year Nick Gattoni and Brandon Liu both made it to regions, both came close to making it through to 'states', so we're optimistic that will happen. It's a promising season for us. Our numbers are growing. The program has expanded probably three-fold the past two-to-three years. We're expecting to win probably 75 of our dual matches and be one of the contenders to our part of the KLAA this year. We're going to have a full team. We have depth at every weight. We have two or three kids competing which really makes your team a lot sharper. The old cliché 'steel sharpens steel' and that's one of the things we're trying to bring here at Northville. . . increased toughness and we're getting there. We're optimistic about a great year and a lot of support from the administration."

#### Novi

**Head coach:** Joel Smith, ninth season.

**Wrestlers to watch:** Alvin Freeman, Sr., 171 (regional qualifier); Matt George, Sr., 160 (regional qualifier); Ryan Heur, Sr., 152; Kyle Heslop, Sr., 215; Ryan Faris, Sr., 130; David Shim, Sr., 119; Drew Heur, Jr., 189; Michael Dragos, Soph., 285.

**Smith's 2018-19 outlook:** "The team has been working very hard so far. We're looking forward to getting some competition to test our preparation. We start out the year at Birch Run where we know we know we will be tested. Oakland County is soon after, and before we know it, we will be planning for end of season. We will be leaning on our seniors for their leadership this year. Good luck to all our MHSAA teams."

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## BOYS BASKETBALL

## Coach gives Thurston 'A' for strong 'D' against RU

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Momentum in a high school boys basketball game can turn on a dime.

And that was certainly the case Friday at Redford Union, with the Panthers letting a big early lead slip away against Redford Thurston. The Eagles, behind 15 points and 12 rebounds from senior forward Jamar Boyd, registered a 41-35 victory in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference opener for both squads.

After spotting the Panthers a 10-2 edge in the first minute of the second quarter, Thurston started to chip away on a layup and two free throws by Isaiah Turner (10 points). And then RU had a chance to get up 12-6 when a Panther took the ball to the rack for an apparent dunk.

The player missed the slam and was called for hanging onto the rim, giving Thurston a technical free throw and the ensuing possession. All of a sudden, it was 10-10 and after that it was anybody's ballgame.

"We were down 10-2 and made a couple buckets and then got our legs underneath us," Thurston coach Brian Bates said. "I think that was the turning point. Even though it was early in the game, I felt that was a big turning point for us."

Boyd had a lot to do with Thurston's bounce-back effort. He cited the intensity and emotion whenever the two township rivals square off.

"Against RU, they're really good, we know most of the dudes on the team, it's really competitive," Boyd said. "But we got to go at our friends, even though we're real close with them."

"We started swinging the ball more. Communicating with each other on offense, trying not to take contested shots."

## Tide-turning moment

Lamenting the momentum swing



The action gets physical as Redford Thurston's Mar'Shai Carter-Tait (left) squares off against Redford Union's David Reese. TIM SMITH | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

was RU head coach Randall Taylor.

"That's what we call a turnaround play," Taylor said. "That went from momentum for us off a simple layoff, where he missed the dunk and did a pull up (on the cylinder), which gave him a technical foul."

"And that gave them the momentum. After that, that's when things really started to change. It seemed like we started to unravel from there."

Bates credited a ferocious team defense and toughness in the paint, which forced numerous Panthers turnovers as well as important rebounds at both ends

of the floor.

"I thought we played really good defense," said Bates, whose team improved to 2-2 overall and 1-0 in the WHAC. "We got back into the game playing defense. Switched up what we were doing offensively a little bit, got some buckets off of it. But defense won the game for us tonight. ... It's just not one person, it was the entire team tonight."

The game was deadlocked 15-15 at halftime and close throughout much of the second half. But whenever the Panthers might catch a spark (such as on a

basket by junior Ahmeer Cossom in the third quarter) to get to within 26-24, the Eagles responded.

Moments after Cossom's bucket, Thurston junior Marvus McWright tallied a pair of layups, off inside dishes (from Turner and Boyd, respectively) to build a 30-24 edge.

At the end of the third, Khali Freeman picked off a RU pass to keep the visiting team's student section in a boisterous mood.

And then Thurston's Davon Hedwood buried a triple while falling down in the left corner of the floor in the opening minute of the fourth quarter, making it 33-24.

Redford Union (2-2, 0-1) made a solid comeback bid that proved too little, too late.

Sophomore Nate Brown (10 points) sank a trey and junior Ahmer Cossom (nine points) scored on a put-back, slicing the Eagles' lead to 36-32 midway through the fourth.

A layup by Brown closed the gap to 37-35 with under three minutes remaining, getting hopes up for the Panthers and their fans.

But to Taylor's chagrin, the Panthers coughed up the basketball on three consecutive possessions and never added another point.

"We didn't play with any type of poise in the second half tonight," Taylor said. "Also, maybe the first quarter we played with a little bit of poise, we played under control and were up 10-2. And then we turned the ball over for lack of poise, just a lack of mental toughness."

"We also talked about playing for the fans tonight, as opposed to playing for the team. Being under control. There were times where the ball was turned over and we were out of control instead of playing smarter. But we're growing. It's a young team with some experience with some guys, and we're just growing and learning tonight."

Chipping in four points for the Eagles was senior Mar'Shai Carter-Tait, while RU junior Nahseer Cossom tallied nine points.

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## USA HOCKEY

# World players return to Plymouth this week

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There's no time like the present for National Hockey League scouts to start filling their notebooks about players still a couple years away from draft eligibility.

And with the 2018 U-17 Four Nations Cup at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, running through Dec. 15, scouts and hockey fans alike will have the chance to see what the future might hold for NHL teams.

The home team is the U.S. National Team Development Program's U-17 squad, coached by Seth Appert. The U.S. opened with a game 1 against Slovakia, followed by games against Switzerland and 7 p.m. Dec. 14 against favored Russia.

"I think anytime you have an opportunity to represent your country in international competition is incredibly special," Appert said. "And even though we get to wear that jersey on a daily basis, you only get three opportunities a year to do it in international competition."

"It's extremely special, our guys are chomping at the bit. And to get to play at home just adds another element to it."

### Change of pace

According to Appert, whose team is getting used to the grind of facing United States Hockey League squads that are bigger, older and stronger than U.S. players, the Four Nations Cup is a timely break in the schedule. It also is a worthwhile test to gauge progress the U-17 players are making.

"We're going through a lot of the typical U-17 ups and downs," he said. "The beauty of the U-17 year is you fail a lot. And the USHL games are really hard, because you're playing 18- to 20-year-olds and you're 15 and 16."

"You constantly are going through adversity, you're constantly being tested. And the guys just keep working and getting better and they stay true to the process."

### Future stars on display

Longtime play-by-play man Pete Krupsky (Plymouth Whalers, USA Hockey NTDP, Schoolcraft College) invited fans to see some of the tournament action.

"This is one of the early viewings for scouts for players that are 16, going on 17," Krupsky said, "guys that are going to be up for the 2020 and 2021 NHL drafts. Most scouts right now are concentrating on the 2019 NHL draft, so these guys are too young for that."

"For fans and the scouts that are here, they are go-



Four Nations Cup fans will want to watch rugged defenseman Tyler Kleven, one of four members of the U.S. NTDP U-17 team projected to be a future first-round NHL draft pick. RENA LAVERTY | USA HOCKEY

ing to get an early line on the guys up for the 2020 and 2021 drafts."

Krupsky cited the "20 for 2020" list compiled by Craig Button of TSN. Four players from the U.S. NTDP U-17 team are part of that coveted group — Luke Tuch (ranked seventh), Jake Sanderson (ninth), Ty Smilanec (10th) and Tyler Kleven (15th).

### Who else to watch

Other top-20 players who will skate in Plymouth include five players from Russia.

They are Yaroslav Askarov (17th and the top-rated goalie), Vasili Ponomarev (who led Russia in scoring at the recent World U-17 Hockey Challenge in Canada), Daniil Gushchin, Andrey Bakanov and Yan Kuznetsov.

Switzerland's Jeremie Bartschi and Noah Meier also are "must-see" players.

### Where to watch

Being inside the arena (14900 Beck Road in Plymouth, north of M-14) always is the best option. Ticket packages are \$15 for weekend doubleheaders (doubleheaders Friday and Saturday, Dec. 14-15).

It will cost \$25 for fans wanting to catch all four games to be played Friday (when the round-robin portion of the tournament ends) and Saturday (third-place game, 3:30 p.m.; first-place game, 7 p.m.).

For tickets, call 734-453-8400 or go to [www.USA-HockeyNTDP.com/4Nations2018](http://www.USA-HockeyNTDP.com/4Nations2018).

Krupsky's broadcast of all games will be available to stream at [www.hockeytv.com](http://www.hockeytv.com) and select contests will be aired live on Comcast Local (Channel 900).

### Why watch?

According to Appert, hockey fans won't want to pass up the chance to watch some "extremely passionate" hockey between some of the world's best.

"As excited as we are to represent our country, Slovakia, Switzerland, Russia feel the same about theirs," Appert said.

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## BOYS BASKETBALL

# Shamrocks' one-two punch proves too much for Spartans

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During a long stretch in the third quarter and into the fourth, Davis Lukomski was "feeling it."

The 6-foot-7 senior forward from Novi Detroit Catholic Central scored 17 points in a row at one point and it led to a career-high 30 as the Shamrocks rolled to an 80-50 boys basketball win Friday at home over Livonia Stevenson.

"I was able to get it going and my teammates were able to get me the ball and saw that I was cookin'," Lukomski said. "They did a really good job of getting me to my spots and I was able to knock shots down."

Lukomski was 10-of-17 from the floor, including four triples, and made 4-of-5 free throws as the Shamrocks improved to 3-0 overall.

"I've had over 30 playing over the summer and stuff like that, but it's my first 30-point (game) at Catholic Central," said Lukomski, who is getting some interest from NCAA Division I and II schools.

Not to be outdone was 6-5 senior Mike Harding, whose inside presence fueled a 16-8 first-quarter CC run.

Harding, a standout tight end on the CC football team, scored 10 in the opening quarter and six more in the second as the Shamrocks held a 34-24 advantage.

Harding finished the game with 18 points on 9-of-12 shooting.

"Mike is coming along well," Lukomski said. "He's a good basketball player, but he's been in football mode. Getting him back in basketball season is good because he's a really dominant force on the block with his size and his strength. Him being able to finish with contact is really good for our team."

Stevenson (1-1) was the team that couldn't shoot straight, especially in the opening quarter, when it went 3-of-19. For the game, the Spartans were a dismal 16-of-64 (25 percent).

"We shot very poorly today, but in fairness to them, (CC) played good defense and they made us take a lot of shots that our guys normally don't take on a consistent basis, especially practice-wise," Stevenson coach Kareem Smartt said. "So I have to credit them. They did a great defensive job keeping us away from the paint, because we wanted to get to the paint today."

Catholic Central, meanwhile, shot a blistering 54 percent from the field (33-of-61) as guards Jacob Woeckenberg and Keegan Koehler continuously dished off passes to Lukomski and Harding for easy buckets.

"That was the game plan, to pound it inside, kind of pick up where we left off on (Dec. 4)," first-year CC coach Brandon Sinawi said. "The kids responded. They found (Mike) Harding and Davis (Lukomski) at times and (Justin) Rukat (seven points) had a couple there ... but Mike was just a beast, in the first quarter especially, putting a body on them. He was physical and had an extra jump in his step, kind of set the tempo for us a little bit."

Although Stevenson got to within seven, 30-23, late in the first half on a pair of free throws by Chris Mars, the Spartans were unable to sustain their run as they were outscored 46-25 in the second half.

"I think we went away from that in the second quarter, tried to get fancy and take some outside shots and look pretty," Sinawi said. "But Mike Harding is all meat and potatoes. He's going to go in there and do the dirty work and it helped us kind of get out to a good lead and kind of work from there."

It was Lukomski's performance, however, that stood out above the rest.

"Any night, it could be somebody different," Sinawi said. "Tonight was just Davis's night. He found the right spots on the floor. His teammates found him, so he shaped up well tonight and was able to find himself some good looks. He hit shots in rhythm, things he's used to doing in practice. He didn't force much tonight. Proud of his effort. He was all over the ball and guys knew that, and they were finding him. I credit the guys putting him in spots to score."

Senior guard Nick Knoph had a team-high 10 points for Stevenson, which was coming off a 69-62 season-opening win Dec. 4 over Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

Smartt wanted to add new flavor to his team's non-conference schedule after going 17-7 a year ago and winning a Class A district title.



Davis Lukomski (left) drives to the basket. Stevenson's Chris Mars blocks the path. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"We're trying to play different schools, get a different variety instead of always playing the same schools with the same non-conference, and so I figured CC," the Stevenson coach said. "We never played a Catholic school. We lost last year (in the regional) to U-D (Jesus- it), so I was, like, 'Let's play a Catholic school, see what's that about.' We're just trying to get different competition."

Ironically, Smartt and Sinawi were teammates at Farmington Harrison during 1997-98 season.

"Me and Brandon, we go way back," Smartt said. "He's actually the one who got me the job at Stevenson. I was his JV coach while he was varsity. Then after he went to Novi, they gave me the varsity job, so good friends, good coach."

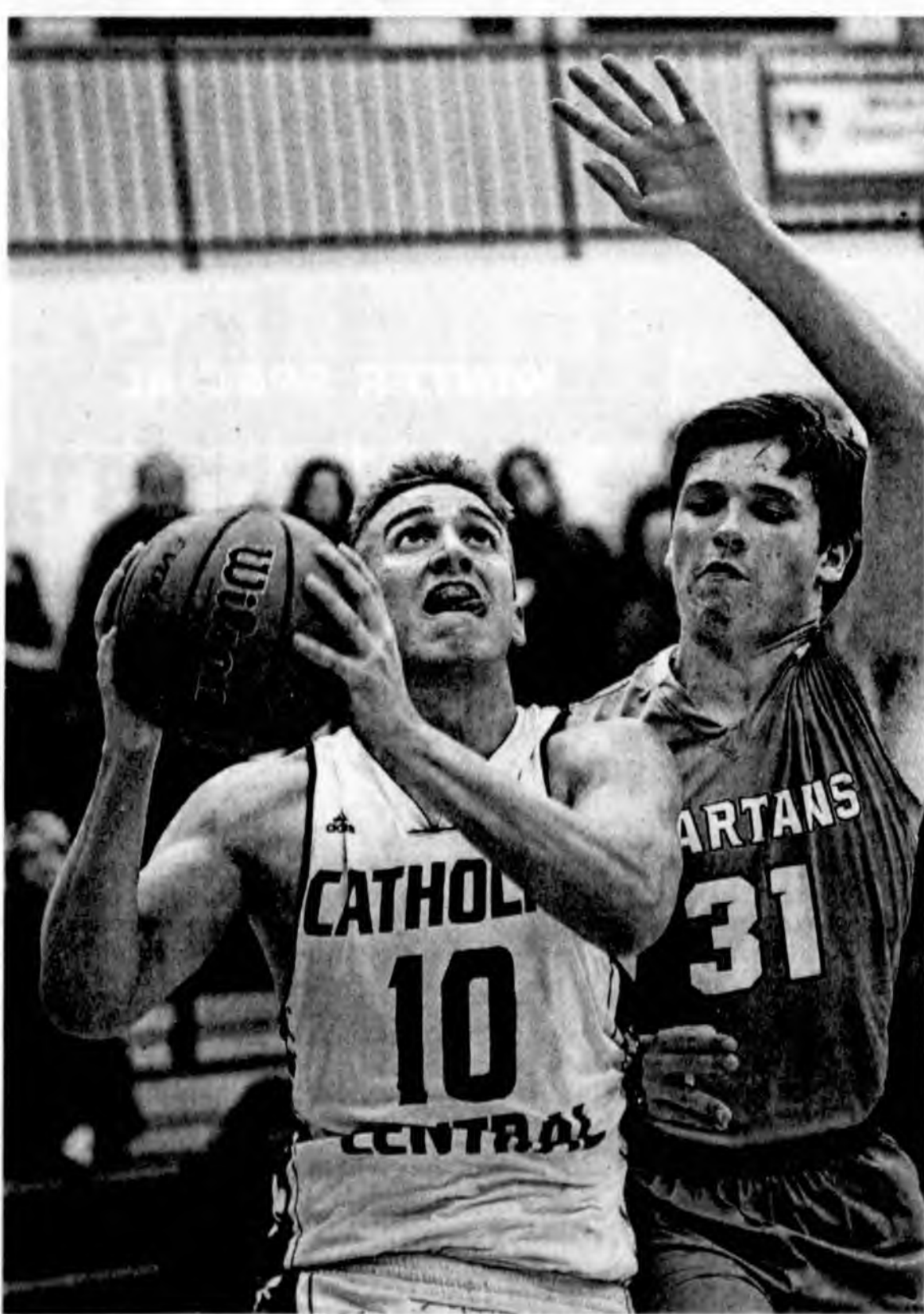
In attendance for the game was their former Harrison coach Mike Teachman.

"Wins and losses, all the hoopla ... relationships are so big when we talk about coaching," Sinawi said. "It's the bond you have with people and Mike has been an influence on both of our lives, both on the floor and out of the floor. I love Kareem and he knows I love him. Whenever we play, it's a special thing no matter what the score is. There were no nerves tonight. It's always fun to come in and compete against him. He does a great job with his kids. The score doesn't mean anything. I just know it was nice to see him and some old faces from Stevenson."

Smartt, however, is already looking toward a rematch.

"We definitely owe him," he said with a smile. "I always love playing against Brandon. He always has a well-coached team and my guys need that to see what that discipline is about so they can understand. So hopefully, coming up in districts we clash, because we're on opposite sides of the bracket."

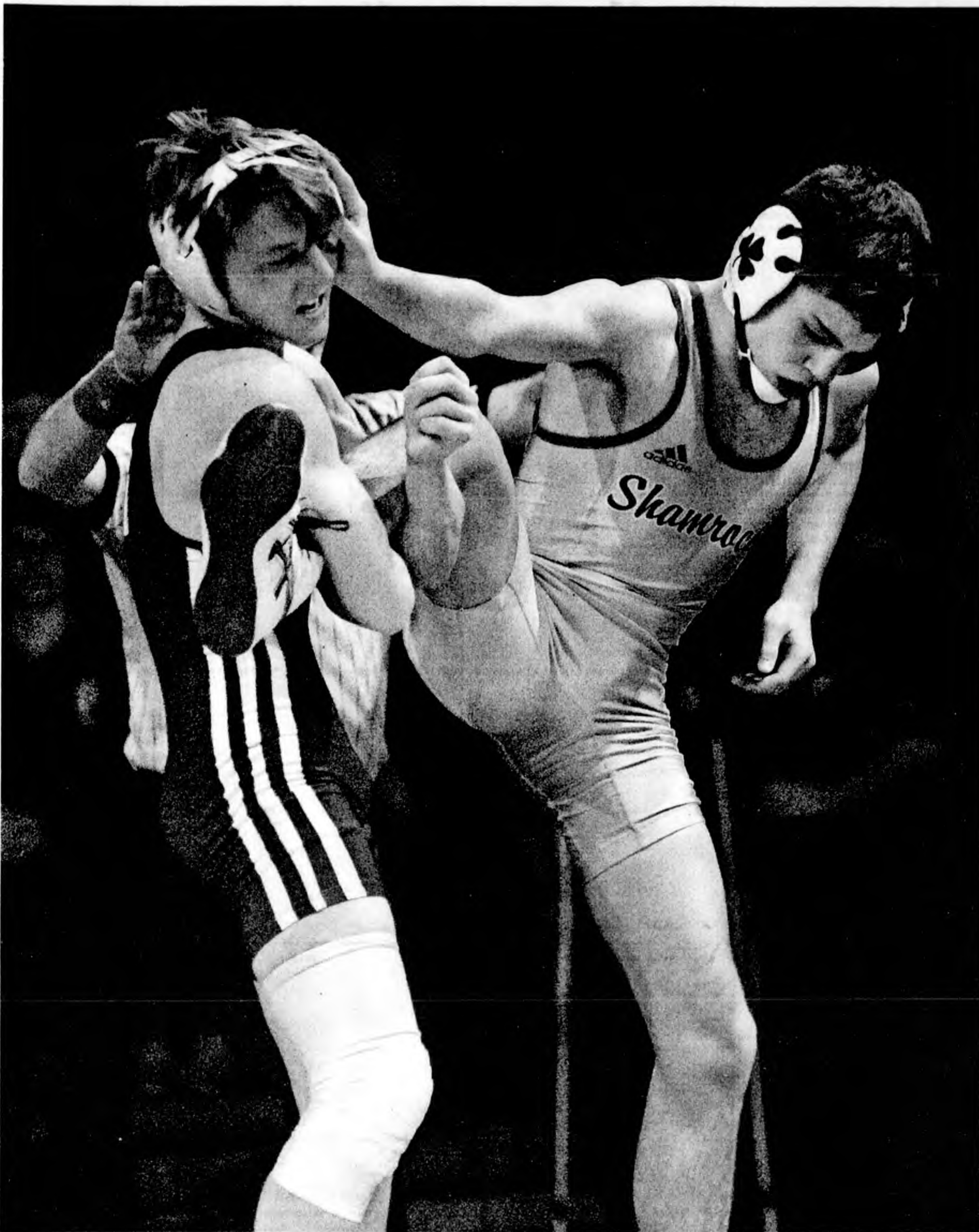
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Mike Harding (left) drives to the basket with Ethan Young right behind him. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



## PREP WRESTLING



Keegan Merenuk (left) of Hartland and Philip Birny of Detroit Catholic Central wrestle at 125 pounds. GILLIS BENEDICT | LIVINGSTON DAILY

# Hartland loses 'insane' dual meet at Catholic Central

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There couldn't have been a tougher introduction to high school wrestling for Hartland freshman Ethan Kinch.

He and his teammates were surrounded by Detroit Catholic Central's entire student body, nearly 1,000 strong, creating one of the most intimidating environments in high school sports.

"That was insane," Kinch said.

The sound booming from the stands wouldn't have been as unnerving if it weren't for the caliber of wrestlers awaiting the Eagles under the spotlight on the mat.

The Shamrocks, winners of the last two Division 1 state championships and ranked No. 7 nationally, hosted Hartland in their annual school assembly dual to open the season Dec. 5. Given the manner in which Catholic Central has dominated the top teams in the state in recent years, Hartland's 54-22 loss was competitive by comparison.

Kinch, a freshman, had one of Hartland's four victories, pinning Valentino

Scicluna in 4:42 at 119 pounds.

"It was really challenging," Kinch said. "Everyone around you is screaming. You've got to block it out and just focus on what you're doing."

Hartland coach Todd Cheney isn't one to coddle his teams. He wanted the Eagles to experience what it's like to face the best team in the state while surrounded by hostile voices.

"We're obviously a lot different team than we were last year, but we also competed," Cheney said. "That was the goal — compete, compete, compete. It didn't matter who they put on the mat; we just wanted to wrestle our best. It's our starting point. So now we've got a gauge of where we need to go."

"You can't put them in a tougher environment, so to start out that way, they've seen the best of the best. We can chase that level now. That's what we have to do every day as a group."

Hartland's four victories came in a span of five matches after Catholic Central won the first five to take a 28-0 lead.

Sophomore Nick Huntsman, wrestling in the main varsity lineup for the first time, pinned Jack Anderson in 3:50

at 112 to get Hartland on the board.

"It was pretty fun," Huntsman said. "I was kind of nervous, at first. But when I got on the mat, the nerves went away and I worked hard for it."

Hartland's other pin came from sophomore Bryce Cheney, who beat Kameron Davenport in 1:42 at 130.

Cheney, the coach's son, has followed the success of Hartland's wrestling program his entire life. He never saw anything like what took place that day.

"There was an assembly dual at Hartland about five years ago, but it was nothing like this," he said. "This was pretty crazy."

Hartland's other victory was Kyle Kantola's 15-4 decision over Cam Tripp at 135.

Kevon Davenport, a three-time state champion who has signed with Nebraska, set the tone for the dual by pinning one of Hartland's best wrestlers, Tanner Culver, in 3:37 in the opening match at 171. Another of Hartland's top guns, Corey Cavanaugh, was pinned by Josh Edmond at 140. Davenport and Edmond are two of Catholic Central's five returning state champions.

"I thought it went as expected," Catholic Central coach Mitch Hancock said. "We're pretty young. We're pretty raw down low, but where we're good, we're good. We return six finalists and five champs; those guys can wrestle."

Having the opportunity to wrestle in front of their classmates is something the Shamrocks look forward to every year.

"It's a great opportunity," Catholic Central senior Cam Amine said. "It's a great thing to have, because you get to share what you love with the rest of the school and people we call our brothers here."

Detroit Catholic Central 54,  
Hartland 22

171 — Kevon Davenport (DCC) d. Tanner Culver 3:37; 189 — Easton Turner (DCC) d. Paul Corder 3:09; 215 — Brendin Yatesome (DCC) d. Jon Hartman 3:25; 285 — Steven Kolcheff (DCC) d. Cameron Shirley 13:10; 103 — Anthony Walker (DCC) d. Patrick Wlodyga 14:6; 112 — Nick Huntsman (H) d. Jack Anderson 3:50; 119 — Ethan Kinch (H) d. Valentino Scicluna 4:42; 125 — Philip Birny (DCC) d. Keegan Merenuk 11:3; 130 — Bryce Cheney (H) d. Kameron Davenport 1:42; 135 — Kyle Kantola (H) d. Cam Tripp 15:4; 140 — Josh Edmond (DCC) d. Corey Cavanaugh 2:38; 145 — Derek Glicher (DCC) d. Owen Edgar 2:13; 152 — Cam Amine (DCC) d. Devon Pietila 18:3 (2:48); 160 — Manny Rojas (DCC) d. Avery Dickerson 22:7 (5:51).



## PREP VOLLEYBALL

## MIVCA unveils 2018 all-state teams

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The Michigan Interscholastic Volleyball Coaches Association has selected the all-state teams for the 2018 season.

Each division has three teams and then up to 24 honorable mention players. Division 1 and 2 have 12 players selected for each team. Division 3 selects 10 players for each team and Division 4 selects eight players for each team.

Players are nominated by their varsity head coach to the regional level. After being selected to the region team, some players are nominated to move on to the state level.

Here are the honorees:

## Division 1

**First team:** Jaelianna Primus, 6-2 Sr. MH, Hudsonville; Emmy Webb, 6-0 Sr. MH, Rockford; Lindsay Taylor, 6-2 Sr. OH, Rockford; Desiree Becker, 6-2 Sr. OH-MH, DeWitt; Allison Wiese, 5-6 Jr. libero, Mattawan; Ryann Jaqua, 5-8 Sr. OH, Portage Central; Celia Cullen, 6-0 Jr. setter-RSH, Brighton; Jess Mruzik, 6-1 Jr. OH, Farmington Hills Mercy; Julie Bishop, 5-11 Soph. setter, Mercy; Paige Briggs, 5-10 Sr. OH, Lake Orion; Wren Macauley, 5-10 Sr. setter, Lake Orion; Jessica Robinson, 6-2 Sr. OH, Troy.

**Second team:** Jenna Reitsma, 5-11 Soph. OH, Lowell; Taylor Rutgers, 5-9 Jr. OH, Mattawan; Natalie Foster, 5-11 Jr. OH, Mattawan; Lexie Beeke, 5-8 Jr. setter, Richland Gull Lake; Sidney Schiller, 6-0 Sr. OH-MH, Battle Creek Lakeview; Kendall Murray, 6-1 Jr. OH, Ann Arbor Skyline; Ellia Louissia, 6-1 Sr. OH, Mercy; Kate Stration, 5-10 Jr. OH, Rochester Stoney Creek; Christine Audette, 5-9 Jr. OH, Birmingham Marian; Sydney Smith, 5-10 Jr. RSH, Lake Orion; Hannah Grant, 5-6 Sr. libero, Northville.

**Third team:** Megan Kolp, 6-2 MH, Petoskey; Ashley Slater, 6-2 Jr. OH, Grand Haven; Emilee Karelse, 5-8 Sr. setter, Rockford; Meghan Meyer, 6-0 Jr. MH, Lowell; Riley Homer, 6-1 Jr. OH, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern; Madeline Morrison, 6-1 Sr. OH, Flushing; Kenzy Corstange, 5-10 Sr. OH, Gull Lake; Karlie Kucharczyk, 6-0 Sr. OH-MH, Lakeview; Alexa Rousseau, 6-3 Jr. setter, Bloomfield Hills; Charli Atiemo, 6-1 Soph. MB, Mercy; Abbey Herrmann, 6-2 Sr. MB, Sterling Heights Stevenson; Clare McNamara, 5-10 Jr. MH-OH, Northville.

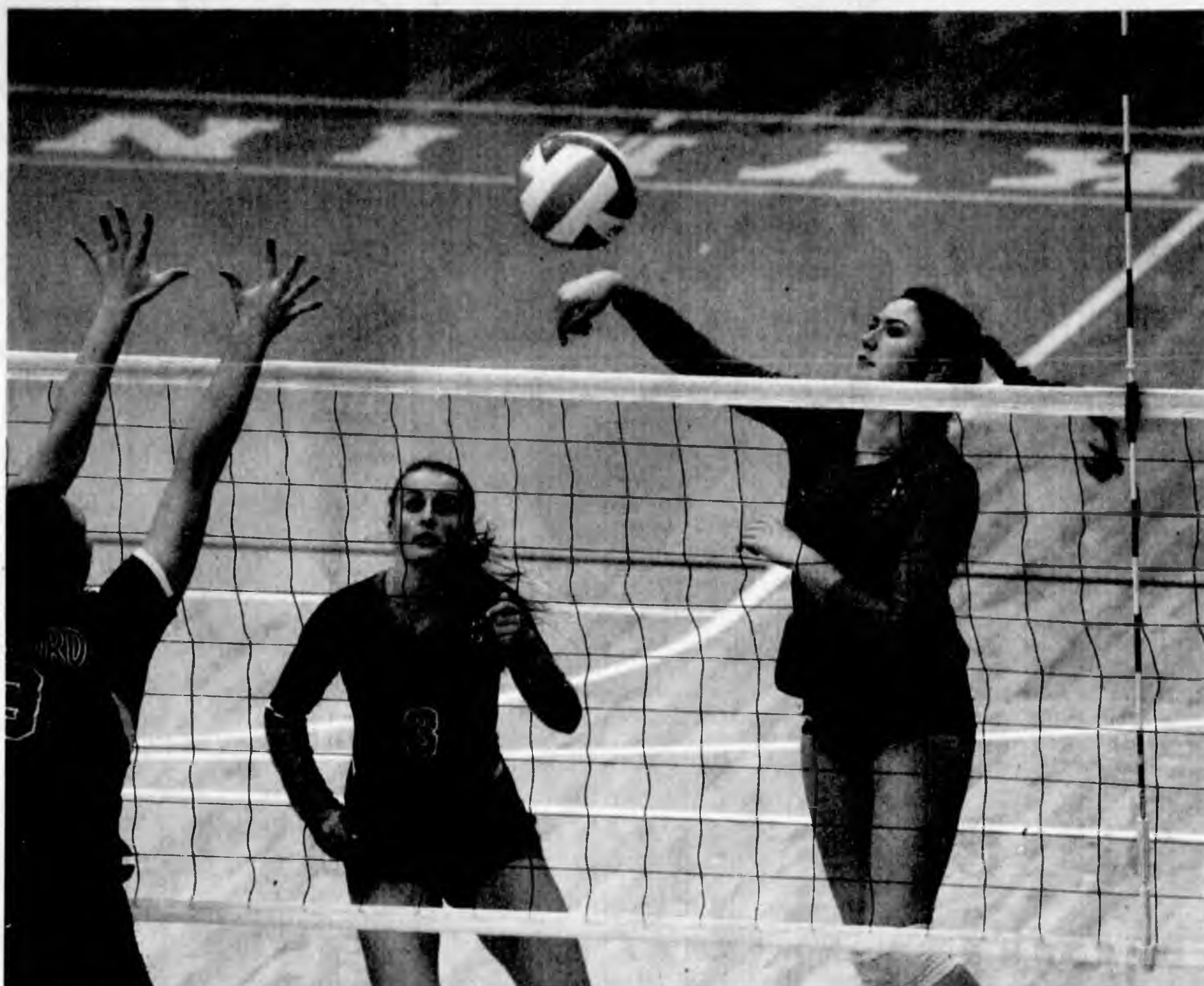
**Honorable mention:** Maggie McCrary, 6-2 Sr. MH-OH, Traverse City Central; Ashley Alford, 5-11 Sr. OH, Mount Pleasant; Katherine Perry, 5-7 Sr. MH; Midland; Kayle Maat, 6-0 Jr. setter, Hudsonville; Aubrey Wrubel, 5-8 Sr. OH, Jenison; Natalie Dunn, 5-10 Sr. OH, Holland West Ottawa; Lydia Harper, 6-0 Soph. setter, Caledonia; Sydney Mills, 5-11 Sr. OH, DeWitt; Chloe Idoni, 6-0 Sr. OH, Fenton; Kelsie Vanivelt, 5-8 Sr. setter, Grand Blanc; Tyler Scheid, 6-0 Sr. MH, Coldwater; Levin Lennard, 5-10 Sr. setter, Temperance Bedford; Breeanna Long, 5-6 Sr. libero, Bedford; Taylor Venuto, 6-2 Sr. OH-MH, Dexter; Olivia Cristian, 5-10 Sr. OH, Skyline; Abby Durecki, 6-1 Sr. MH, South Lyon; Clair Nowicki, 5-10 Soph. OH, Clarkston; Stephanie Smith, 5-8 Sr. setter, Stoney Creek; Ava Brizard, 5-11 Fr. OH, Marian; Samantha Palazzolo, 5-8 Sr. libero, Utica Eisenhower; Alexis Kopicki, 5-11 Sr. OH, Sterling Heights Stevenson; Sarah Dunn, 5-8 Jr. OH, Livonia Churchill; Madeline Douglas, 5-9 Sr. libero, Trenton.

## Division 2

**First team:** Maradith O'Gorman, Jr. RS, Lake Odessa Lakewood; Patsy Morris, Sr. libero-setter-RSH, Lakewood; Jordyn Gates, Jr. setter, Grand Rapids Christian; Maria Bos, Sr. OH, Grand Rapids Christian; Addie VanderWeide, Soph. OH, Grand Rapids Christian; Aubrey O'Gorman, Soph. MH; Lakewood; Elizabeth Norris, Jr. MH, Corunna; Allyson Severance, Sr. OH, North Branch; Cailin White, Sr. OH, Adrian; Madeline Chinn, Sr. OH, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep; Natalie Risi, Sr. OH, Notre Dame Prepl Emma Schlagheck, Sr. RSH, Wixom St. Catherine of Siena.

**Second team:** Jessica Lefler, Sr. OH, Kingsley; Aubrey Bates, Jr. setter, Coopersville; Olivia Keelean, Sr. OH, Grant; Kylie Oberlin, Sr. MH, Fruitport; Autumn Deshetsy, Sr. setter, North Branch; Alyssa Lester, Sr. libero, Hamilton; Makenzie Bonnell, Jr. setter; Marshall; Abby Welke, Soph. OH, Marshall; Taylor Wegener, Jr. MH, Ida; Madeleine Kennedy, Sr. OH, Chelsea; Katie Grose, Sr. setter, St. Catherine of Siena; Tyler Bieszczad, Sr. libero, Marysville.

**Third team:** Austyn DeWeese, Jr. MH, Kingsley; Abby Olin, Soph. MH, Coopersville; Jenna Core, Sr. OH, Spring



Northville's Hannah Grant (3), who has signed with Michigan State, earned second team all-state honors. THOMAS BEAUDOIN



Northville junior Clare McNamara earned third team all-state laurels. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Lake; Allysin Grams, Sr. MH, Whitehall; Madeline Zenas, Sr. setter, Croswell Lexington; Skye Leach, Sr. OH, Edwardsburg; Olivia Webber, Soph. MH, Marshall; Kyle Crandall, Soph. libero, Battle Creek Harper Creek; Alyssa Borellis, Fr. OH-setter-MH, Notre Dame Prep; Kennedy Bearden, Sr. OH, Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day.

**Honorable mention:** Brooke Kochanny, Jr. MH, Cadillac; Macy Brown, Soph. setter-OH, Cadillac; Jorday Carlyle, Sr. RSH-setter, Fruitport; Gianna Megna, Sr. libero, Whitehall; Morgan Smith, Sr. OH, Grand Rapids Catholic Central; Caitlinn Pistro, Jr. OH, Freeport; Jordyn Conrad, Jr. setter, Frankenthum; Sydney Sweet, Sr. OH-MH, Clio; Hannah Bader, Sr. libero, North Branch; Allison Bryce, Sr. MH, North Branch; Allison Ediger, Soph. OH, Hamilton; Claire Alby, Sr. setter, Edwardsburg; Abbie Harpenau, Sr. OH-MH, Niles; Jocelyn Hack, Jr. MH, Edwardsburg; Corbynn Wayner, Soph. OH; Hamilton; Faith Hayes, Sr. OH, Harper Creek; Alicia Lake, Sr. MH, Battle Creek Pennfield; Day'Anna Marr, Soph. OH, Adrian; Katie Carsten, Jr. OH, Ida; Maria Famularo, Sr. setter-OH, Notre Dame Prep; Payton Porter, Sr. OH, St. Catherine of Siena; Jenna O'Brien, Soph. OH, Warren Regina; Brenna Murphy, Sr. MH, Madison Heights Lamphere.

## Division 3

**First team:** Molly Mirabelli, 6-1 Sr. OH, Traverse City St. Francis; Rylee Zimmer, 5-9 Sr. MH, Unionville-Sebe-

waing; Andelyn Simkins, 5-10 Jr. OH, Schoolcraft; Ashton Wronikowski, 6-0 Sr. MH, Bronson; Keona Salesman, 5-11 Jr. OH, Bronson; Kiera Lasky, 5-5 Sr. libero, Bronson; Callie Bauer, 5-10 Soph. OH-setter, Hudson; Jayden Humphrey, 5-8 Sr. OH-MH, Manchester; Mikayla Hunter, 5-10 Soph. OH, Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central; Abby Jackson, 5-7 Sr. libero, Monroe St. Mary CC.

**Second team:** Anna Sytsema, 6-0 Sr. MH, Muskegon Western Michigan Christian; Annie Holesinger, 6-1 Sr. OH, Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian; Kaitlyn Ill, 5-11 Sr. OH, Millington; Joanna Larsen, 6-1 Sr. OH, Centerville; Kayla Onken, 5-7 Soph. setter, Schoolcraft; Jolie Smoker, 6-0 Sr. RSH, Bronson; Kaiya Wall, 5-11 Sr. OH, Adrian Madison; Paige Gallentine, 5-7 Jr. OH-setter, Brighton Charyl Stockwell Prep; Maddie Haut, 6-0 Sr. MH, Monroe St. Mary CC; Sydney Kusiak, 6-0 Sr. OH, Riverview Gabriel Richard.

**Third team:** Sage Schumacher, 5-1 Soph. MH, Beal City; Molly Gerow, 5-8 Soph. OH; Alexis Strait, 5-5 Soph. setter, White Cloud; Braelyn Berry, 5-7 Fr. OH, Morley Stanwood; Kendal Muxlow, 5-7 Sr. OH, Brown City; Samara Schlabach, 5-10 Sr. OH-setter, Centerville; Maggie Morris, 6-0 Soph. MH, Schoolcraft; Meagan Lasky, 5-4 Soph. setter, Bronson; Kayla Engel, 5-8 Jr. OH, Manchester; Rachel Speck, 6-0 Sr. MH.

**Honorable mention:** Celia Kiilunen, 5-10 Sr. MH, Calumet; Taylor Fleming, 5-10 Sr. MH, Rogers City; Ellie Louiselle, 6-3 Sr. RSH, Charlevoix; Kelli Ignat, 5-11 Sr. MH, Houghton Lake; Hannah Sido-

rowicz, 5-8 Soph. setter, Traverse City St. Francis; Lyndsey Fillenworth, 5-10 Jr. OH, Beal City; Kasey Firestone, 5-6 Sr. OH, North Muskegon; Syann Fairfield, 5-10 Soph. MH, North Muskegon; Eleya Jo Zichterman, 5-5 Sr. libero, NorthPointe Christian; Megan Schrock, 5-6 Sr. setter, NorthPointe Christian; Lindsey Matsumoto, 5-5 Sr. setter, Bath; Megan Greenup, 5-6 Sr. setter, St. Louis; Kelsey Vittitow, 5-5 Jr. libero, Saginaw Valley Lutheran; Aleix Wiltsie, 5-4 Sr. setter, Brown City; Amber Pleiness, 5-8 Sr. MH-DS, Harbor Beach; Madison Thompson, 5-11 Sr. OH-MH-setter, Reese; Carley Broekhuizen, 5-1 Jr. MH, Kalamazoo Christian; Kelby Goldschmeding, 5-8 Soph. libero, Schoolcraft; Keilyn Carpenter, 6-1 Soph. OH; Vermontville Maple Valley; Paris Outwater, 5-5 Sr. DS, Bronson; Ellery Cure, 6-1 Jr. MH, Hanover Horton; Lila Splavec, 6-4 Jr. MH, Charyl Stockwell; Cori Manore, 5-5 Sr. setter, Petersburg-Summerfield; Isabella Kandas, 5-3 Jr. libero, Riverview Gabriel Richard.

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**Second team:** Hanna Elwell, Sr. OPP, Leland; Mia Osorio, Soph. libero, Leland; Ashtyn Hescott, Jr. MH, Merrill; Brooklyn Witgen, Sr. OH-MH, Fowler; Marisa Snyder, Sr. OH, Fowler; Abby Austin, Jr. setter, Battle Creek St. Philip; Brooke Dzwik, Fr. OH, Battle Creek St. Philip; Jordan Stump, Jr. setter-OH, Camden Frontier.

**Third team:** Emily Judd, Sr. MH, Bay City All Saints Central; Lindsey Barry, Sr. OH, Calhoun Christian; Maddy Hallacy, Jr. OPP, Battle Creek St. Philip; Maya Segovia, Sr. MH, Battle Creek St. Philip; Alexis Koenig, Soph. OH, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes; Caitlin Warnshuis, Jr. OH, Southfield Christian; Madison Raymond, Jr. libero, Plymouth Christian.

**Honorable mention:** Rachel Beelen, Sr. MH, Rudyard; Cierra Molina, Sr. setter, Rudyard; Michael Werner, Sr. MH, Munising; Darcy Bennin, Jr. MH; Pickford; Calley Selke, Sr. OH, Onaway; Jordan Larson, Jr. libero, Onaway; Mallorie Neelis, Jr. setter, Onaway; Kristy Robinson, Sr. OH, Pellston; Kaitly Bricker, Jr. setter, Pellston; Colleen McCarthy, Jr. OH, Onekema; Michael Hubbard, Sr. MH, Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart; Peyton Nabozny, Sr. setter, Climax Scotts; Abi Nunez, Soph. OH, North Adams-Jerome; Frances Churchwell, Jr. libero, Camden Frontier; Sophia Hadash, Sr. OH-MH, Waterford Our Lady; Abigail Kawka, Sr. libero, Waterford Our Lady; Haile Ide, Soph. libero, Oakland Christian; Elise Miera, Sr. MH, Plymouth Christian; Isabella Racho, Sr. setter, Plymouth Christian.

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## PREP HOCKEY



Josh German (from left), Anthony Gattoni and Alex Schaumburger sit down to talk about Salem's new home rink. All three are juniors who last season bounced around between several rinks while the Victory Ice Center was renovated. They played at Plymouth Cultural Center two seasons ago. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# Salem Rocks pumped to begin new era at 'The Vic'

Tim Smith  
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

The Salem Rocks hope they have their own little slice of hockey heaven at Victory Ice Center in Plymouth.

They deserve to have one after their nomadic existence of 2017-18 — being shuttled to and from a handful of rinks for practices and games. So now, it doesn't get much better than having a place to call their own.

Players soon will find out how much of a home ice advantage they'll have at "The Vic," formerly known as the Arctic Pond. Salem's first home games this season were Dec. 6 against Howell and Saturday against Livonia Churchill.

"I think (that) when we get a game under our belt here, it's going to feel like a home-ice advantage," veteran Salem head coach Ryan Ossenmacher said following Monday's practice. "Because if we get a couple hundred people in here or more, it's just going to feel packed. It's going to be loud. The sound system's good. The fans are on top of the ice."

## One-stop hockey

According to some of the team's veterans, having a single destination almost is like a dream come true — particularly after what was experienced last season.

"The best thing about moving here is having a locker room and a place where we can all put our stuff," junior defenseman Anthony Gattoni said. "And it creates team bonding."

Sky high about how the Rocks' hockey fortunes have turned is junior forward Alex Schaumburger, one of the team's top goal scorers last season. Being able to hang with his boys, play cards and "chill" is as much a part of the Salem brotherhood as taking on Plymouth, Canton and all their other KHLAA rivals.

"Honestly I like 'The Vic' way more than (Plymouth Cultural Center)," Schaumburger said. "I feel like this is a more modernized rink. It's more hockey serious, we get to utilize more things. PCC didn't provide as much as The Vic does and that's what I like."

There is a top-end workout facility for players to utilize before practices and so-called shooting studios, where tiles look like cracked ice and athletes can fire pucks to their heart's content.

In previous seasons, Salem players went to separate facilities for workouts. Getting any extra shooting practice might have resulted in some dented garage doors, too.

"The difference between this rink and the Cultural Center is definitely the workout area," junior defenseman Josh German said. "When we were at the Cultural Center, we were working out at Barwis Methods. We had to drive back and forth. Now we got it right here at our own rink."

German, meanwhile, said he wouldn't be surprised if a new wave of interest in playing hockey for Salem High School starts to build, merely be-



Salem Rocks head coach Ryan Ossenmacher speaks with the team during practice. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

cause of Victory Ice Center's allure.

"Oh yeah, 100 percent, especially because the facility is so cool," German said. "(Younger kids) can look at Salem hockey and say, 'Yeah, I want to play there.'"

"Look at the coaching staff, you got a great coaching staff, too. That could build some confidence for some little kids to want to play high school hockey."

## Buzz in the building

Future players could be enticed. But those who currently make up the Salem Rocks are pretty pumped, too.

There is real excitement around the team, with practice skirmishes up-tempo and fun. With nets turned toward the boards, two forwards battled against a D-man and goalie, resulting in crunching hits, rapid-fire passing and gloved high-fives after finding the back of the net.

Even the dreaded skating drills were completed with additional vigor under Victory Ice Center's bright lights.

Having good times at their rink are overdue and deserved. Just consider that the Rocks, having moved out of PCC following 2016-17, were poised to move over to what was then known as Arctic Pond for the 2017-18 season.

Except the roof collapsed.

The team found itself playing home dates everywhere from USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth to Redford Arena, among others, while a \$3 million renovation took place at the building. Weekly itineraries had to be seriously perused, to make sure everybody knew where to be.

"Those are the guys I felt worse for last year. They went from having a locker room to having nothing," Ossenmacher said about players who left PCC

only to find themselves without an official team locker room with all the bells and whistles. "All the other guys (who were rookies in 2017-18) they came from nothing, went to nothing, so it wasn't a big transition for them."

"But to have a place to call home is always huge, especially when you have a place of this quality as your rink."

## Gordie and 'The Joe'

Once the state-of-the-art facility had its face-lift, it was no longer Arctic Pond. As the Victory Ice Center, it is headquarters for Victory Honda's acclaimed AAA youth hockey program.

There is a section of red seats on the balcony overlooking one of the nets, actually a relocated section from the former home of the Detroit Red Wings.

On the wall above those 60 seats is the famous Joe Louis Arena sign that once towered above the Gordie Howe Entrance. By the way, the Howe signage also made its way over to 40475 Plymouth Road, placed above the main entrance.

"We're hoping that the Joe Louis section of seats will be where our students will be at," Ossenmacher said. "I think that provides kind of a unique little atmosphere for them, being on top there and have that professional style seating."

"One of the guys that works here put it best, they view it as a boutique rink. That's really what it is, right? It's different. There's not a rink around where you have a single sheet of ice that's like this."

"Whether it be the Gordie Howe Entrance sign on the outside, the Joe Louis sign and seats on the inside ... a lot of other rinks have other things going on at them. This is designed and created and built for hockey."

About the Joe Louis Arena connection, Gattoni said he thought it was "pretty cool, because we grew up going to that rink and watching the Red Wings play. That rink will always have memories in the back of my mind, so it's kind of cool to look up and see it there."

## Like clockwork

Also pretty cool for hockey players is something perhaps not so exciting — knowing that non-game days will be pretty standard.

"We have our rink, we have our workout room," Schaumburger said. "It's close to our school, so we come from the school and hop right to the rink and we're on the ice by 4 (o'clock)."

What a difference a year makes, indeed.

"We were all over the place, practiced at five or six different rinks throughout the year, played home games at five or six different rinks," Ossenmacher said. "So for us to have a place to call home this year ... is huge for our program. That said, this rink has been phenomenal for us, the fact that the workout facility's here, we have a fantastic new locker room."

"Practicing (here) every day. It's just given us some stability. Last year we didn't have that."

And, he stressed, high school hockey is about stability.

"It's about program and it's about scheduling," Ossenmacher said. "It's about giving guys an opportunity to get home to do homework after practice. That's what the move here this year did for us."

"It's been good so far."

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# Obituaries

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## Eugene "Gene" Sypniewski

**COMMERCE TWP** - Eugene "Gene" Sypniewski, of Commerce Twp., passed away peacefully at home on December 7, 2018, after a short illness. He was 87 years old.

Gene was born in Detroit and lived there until he moved to Commerce Township 47 years ago. He was an expert carpenter, building houses, remodeling many area churches and homes and doing decor work in supermarkets. He was passionate about his work and his expertise was always in demand.

He is survived by his children, Michael (Robin) Marfizo, Thomas (Gretchen) Sypniewski, Mary Theresa (Peter) Colley; grandchildren, Jeremy (Cielo), and Margaret Sypniewski, Katie (Evan) McAllister, Dr. Peter Colley and Christopher (Jessie) Colley. Also blessed with two great-grandchildren Bryson Schrader and Severine Sypniewski. Gene is survived by his beloved wife of 64 years, Connie (Marfizo) Sypniewski and brother-in-law, Thomas Marfizo and many extended family members and dear friends.

Preceded in death by parents, Bronislaw and Theresa (Kwitniewski) Sypniewski, sister Evaline Tuznik and brother, Jim Sypniewski.

Gene was in the United States Marine Corps from 1952-1954 and was selected to play baseball for camp Lejeune, North Carolina, traveling to other Marine camps throughout the United States. He had the opportunity to play with some of the major league greats such as Willie May, Luke Appling, Wally Moses and his uncle, Cass Michaels of the Chicago White Sox.

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated at St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, Milford on December 11, 2018.

Interment of ashes & military honors took place at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly on Wednesday, December 12, 2018.

Memorials may be made in his name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

For further information, phone Lynch & Sons, Milford 248.684.6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com).

## Terry Lee Poster

**LIVONIA** - Terry Lee Poster, age 69, of Livonia, passed away December 4, 2018. He was born on September 16, 1949 in Pontiac, Michigan; son of Alvin Edward and Marilyn Mae (nee Hill) Poster. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Terry was united in marriage to Susan Crawford on September 17, 1971. Faithfully devoted to each other for over 47 years.

Terry and Sue raised their family in Northville and have lived in Livonia for 14 years. Terry was a very hard worker. He worked as a machine operator for Armor Industries; he retired in 2008. He also had a 2nd career as an auctioneer with Blue Star Auction Company in Northville. Terry was a founding member of Lake Shore Center for the Arts in New York.

Buddy, as his grandkids nicknamed him, was a very supportive and sassy guy. He taught his family how to truly live and how to have fun. Terry adored his family and they were the most important part of his life.

Terry is survived by his wife Sue; his children Terry "TJ" (Tina) Poster and Amy Poster-Joaquin; his sister Lori (Steve) Kovarik; his half-sister Cheryl Schooley; his grandchildren, Kaitlyn Joaquin, Devin Lee Poster, Dylan E. Poster, and Brandon Joaquin. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by mother Marilyn Poster, his father Alvin E. Poster, and his stepmother Betty Jo Sanders.

A service was held at Casterline Funeral Home on Sunday, December 9, 2018. A memorial service will be held in Westfield, New York at a later date.

Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Lake Shore Center for the Arts, 11 Union Street, Westfield, NY 14787 or the VFW Post 4012, 438 S. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

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## Dave Richardson

**SOUTH LYON** - Dave "Bo-Bo" Richardson, age 64, passed away November 13, 2018 after a courageous battle with lymphoma, lung cancer and 17 surgeries. Dave was born in Detroit on December 24, 1953 to Dallie and Audrey Richardson. Dave was known to many as Bo-Bo. He was a Union brother of Qualex at 400 McMunn Local 1900. He worked at Qualex from 1972 until he was disabled in 1995. After being disabled he acted as Santa during the Christmas Season at many charities and churches. His house was known as the "Hersey Bar House" because of his generous one pound Hersey candy bars he would pass out at Halloween. He was a faithful servant to God and a member of the First Baptist Church in South Lyon. He was an avid Wolverine fan! Dave married the love of his life, Suzanne Abbott on November 7, 1992. Suzie, his wife of 26 years, and his family, will love and miss him forever. With the terrible chronic pain he suffered for 24 years, it got to where pain meds would not help. Now he is with God - pain free. There was a lot of days, rainy or humid, that had him in misery. He took Gods hands to enjoy an eternal life in health and happiness... Pain free forever in Heavens paradise!!

Dave is survived by his loving wife Suzie Lee Richardson; loving children: Larry David Richardson II, Phillip Scott Richardson, Amy Michelle Richardson, Ashley Nicole Abbott-Mink; Allison Lee Richardson; loving grandchildren: Larry David Richardson III and Jessica Faith Richardson. He is also survived by his siblings: James Michael Richardson, Donald Paul Richardson, Linda Jane Richardson-Phillips and Sheila Faye Richardson-Dawson. He is preceded in death by his parents, his brother Aubrey Dorman Richardson and twin sister Laura Richardson. Funeral services were held and Bo-Bo was laid to rest in South Lyon Cemetery. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



## Margaret A. Fulton

-- Margaret A. Fulton, age 87, passed away December 2, 2018. She was born August 3, 1931 in Detroit, daughter of the late Earl and Barbara Keegan. She is survived by her loving children: Michael (Debra) Fulton, Linda (Ray) Alvarado, Patricia (Michael) Hill, William (Theresa) Fulton; her grandchildren: Michael Persons, Christopher Persons, Valerie (Derek) Chandler, Thomas (Lindsay) Hill, and Stacey (Christopher) Frey. She is also survived by five great-grandchildren. Margaret was preceded in death by her husband, Billye and her brother, Thomas and her sister, Jeanette. A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 10:00AM at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



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# Competition grows fierce for students

**Jeremy Ervin**  
Port Huron Times Herald  
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

In 2013, Armada Area Schools set up a billboard along I-69 near Capac.

It bid parents to choose Armada as the district for their children. Armada also sent mailers to Capac parents promoting Armada's Macomb Academy of Arts and Sciences.

St. Clair County RESA helped Capac issue a rebuttal, creating fliers that went out to parents in both Armada in Capac. RESA's then-Superintendent Dan Degrow said most districts in the Blue Water Area didn't advertise across borders, based on a "gentleman's agreement."

"Our superintendents have been really classy about not trashing each other and going after each other's students and that includes Croswell-Lexington," Degrow told the Times Herald in 2013.

But as St. Clair County's student population declines, competition has grown increasingly fierce for the students that remain.

With state funding in Michigan tied to student counts, the districts are marketing themselves to parents in hopes of enrolling their children through schools of choice.

The trend is not limited to St. Clair county or even Michigan. In Indiana, Indianapolis Public Schools are being sued by the family of a Shortridge High School student who say they were misled by the school's advertising campaigns.

National School Public Relations Association executive director Rich Bagin said marketing has become a greater concern for school districts as more options have emerged for parents.

"It's just natural for school districts to say, 'We have to let people know what we have to offer as well,'" Bagin said.

The NSPRA assists school districts with their communication strategies and sells books on related topics. To have successful marketing, schools must first have a solid understanding of their own strengths and weaknesses, before deciding how to market to local parents. Asking questions like "what do we stand for?" and "what are we good at?" are important steps, he said.

He urged school districts to stay grounded in reality. Exaggerating a district's capabilities can leave parents feeling deceived if the school doesn't deliver — resulting in a loss of credibility.

Word of mouth is powerful, he said, and people are often take the reported experiences of their friends and neighbors very seriously. Schools can also take marketing to a more personal level by creating opportunities to interact with parents and students in the flesh, he said.

Stories are more powerful than statistics to some people. Plastering a school's graduation rate everywhere might turn a few heads, but lots of people are compelled by narrative stories, he said.

"You can talk about facts until you're dead, but some people don't look at that much anymore," he said. "You need to tell some of the stories of how your kids have progressed."

Advertisements for Marysville Public Schools have been seen around St. Clair County — on billboards, in radio spots and notably on the side of Blue Water Area Transit buses.

Marysville Public Schools Superintendent Shawn Wightman said the district prefers to use advertising channels that offer sustained exposure, offering a consistent message over a period of time to drive the message home. He said messaging most often seeks to highlight the district's academic and performing arts achievements.

Marysville has seen growth since the 2013-14 school year, its student count rising from 2,737 to 2,830 in 2017-18, according to the Center for Educational Performance and Information. Memphis and Yale have seen slight upticks in recent years, but remain below their 2013-14 student counts, according to the state data.

Marysville's advertising has gone up and down over the past couple of years. In 2013-14, the district reported spending \$2,787 on advertising. In 2017-18, that number rose to \$22,462 — about \$7.94 per student enrolled in the district.

Wightman said advertising is important in an age where parents have so many choices in deciding their child's school. Remaining competitive in a crowded field helps keep the district on track to accomplish what it wants, he said.

"We choose to market ourselves as an option for families to consider so that we can not only maintain what we currently are trying to do in the district in regards to our budget, but also to do some things innovatively that otherwise wouldn't be possible," Wightman said.

Marysville Public Schools' foundation allowance, the dollars per student a district receives from the state, was \$7,631 in 2017-18. If the marketing effort brings in or retains even a few students, the money spent on marketing is worth it.

Marysville enrolls significant numbers of non-resident students through schools of choice. In 2017-18, 645 non-resident students attended Marysville Schools, according to CEPI. Of those, 561 came from within Port Huron Area School District, 49 from East China, 18 from Memphis and the rest from others are districts.

Those school of choice students brought in more than \$4.9 million in state dollars.

Most other districts in the county partake in some form of advertising.

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### 6 things you should do if you want to work abroad

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There are a number of ways to get a job overseas, but most of them require lots of planning. Before you hop a plane to Bali or Paris to scout local job opportunities on your own, there are a few factors and opportunities to consider to help you get the most out of working abroad.

#### 1. Start your job search before you go abroad

While it may seem adventurous or romantic to go exploring the world, there's a lot of research that has to go into creating a financially feasible plan. Landing a job is different than bumming around Europe with a backpack. While it can have similar benefits like language and cultural immersion, finding short-term and long-term work is much different than your average vacation. It may be as simple as defining your search delimiters on the right job site, to much more targeted, like seeking out the job ads that are in local news websites from your desired location or networking among friends and alumni organizations. Depending on your financial situation and ultimate goals for working abroad, lining up the job beforehand is almost always better than going broke for a month while you try to find opportunities locally.

#### 2. Nail down all paperwork well in advance

There's one tricky thing you don't worry about in your average job search in your home country: work permits. Technically, you can just show up and live for a few weeks in another country, but if you find a job, you'll need to know how to get a work permit. In many countries the work permit application may



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need to be approved before you arrive. Oftentimes a company procures a work permit for you for a particular job. You may also need to have a residency permit. Thus, changing jobs while you're overseas comes with an added complication: new work permit applications. There are also different types of visas, like a working holiday visa (for those between the ages of 18 to 35) and temporary work visas which are offered to American citizens by some countries like Canada and the UK for several months. Whether you're considering long-term or short-term work, it's best to set up your work permits before you pack up and move – even before you buy a plane ticket.

#### 3. Know you might have to deal with low-paid work

The tradeoff, for most overseas opportunities, is of course money. There are countless opportunities for volun-

teering and internships world-wide with various reputable organizations. Students can often take advantage of internships during study abroad programs. Joining the Peace Corps, an another example, will take you places and use your skills to serve an impoverished community abroad. This is good experience to broaden your horizons and for your resume, but this type of opportunity is one you have to weigh against your current financial stressors. The Peace Corps provides language training, cultural immersion by living with a host family, a monthly living allowance and paid airfare.

#### 4. Brush up on your teaching skills

You may have hated high school English but being able to teach English is one of those "needed skills" for many countries when you're applying for a work visa. If you don't want to teach long-term but do want to remain in a

foreign country, you can consider a teaching job as your foot in the door to find other local job opportunities. There are many teaching placement programs that can get you started, though some require prior experience.

#### 5. Consider global company opportunities

Even applying for a position at a global company could get you to the place you want to be eventually. This is perhaps the lengthiest way to find a job overseas, but also one of the most financially stable. Search for travel opportunities within your current organization. Business trips are a short-term way to get you to feed the travel bug, get paid to do it, and not worry about establishing residency in a foreign country. But you never know when your organization may be opening new positions overseas. Keep an eye out for these internal hiring opportunities.

#### 6. Find a job that will always go abroad

If you're just starting in your career or looking to change careers to one that brings you more travel opportunities, there are a number of fields that offer the travel-driven a regular influx of travel opportunities. Jobs in tourism and leisure, travel writing, and working for an international airline are perhaps the most obvious. But there are other less-obvious choices that require you to work globally like a job in geophysics, archeology, and many government jobs in foreign affairs.

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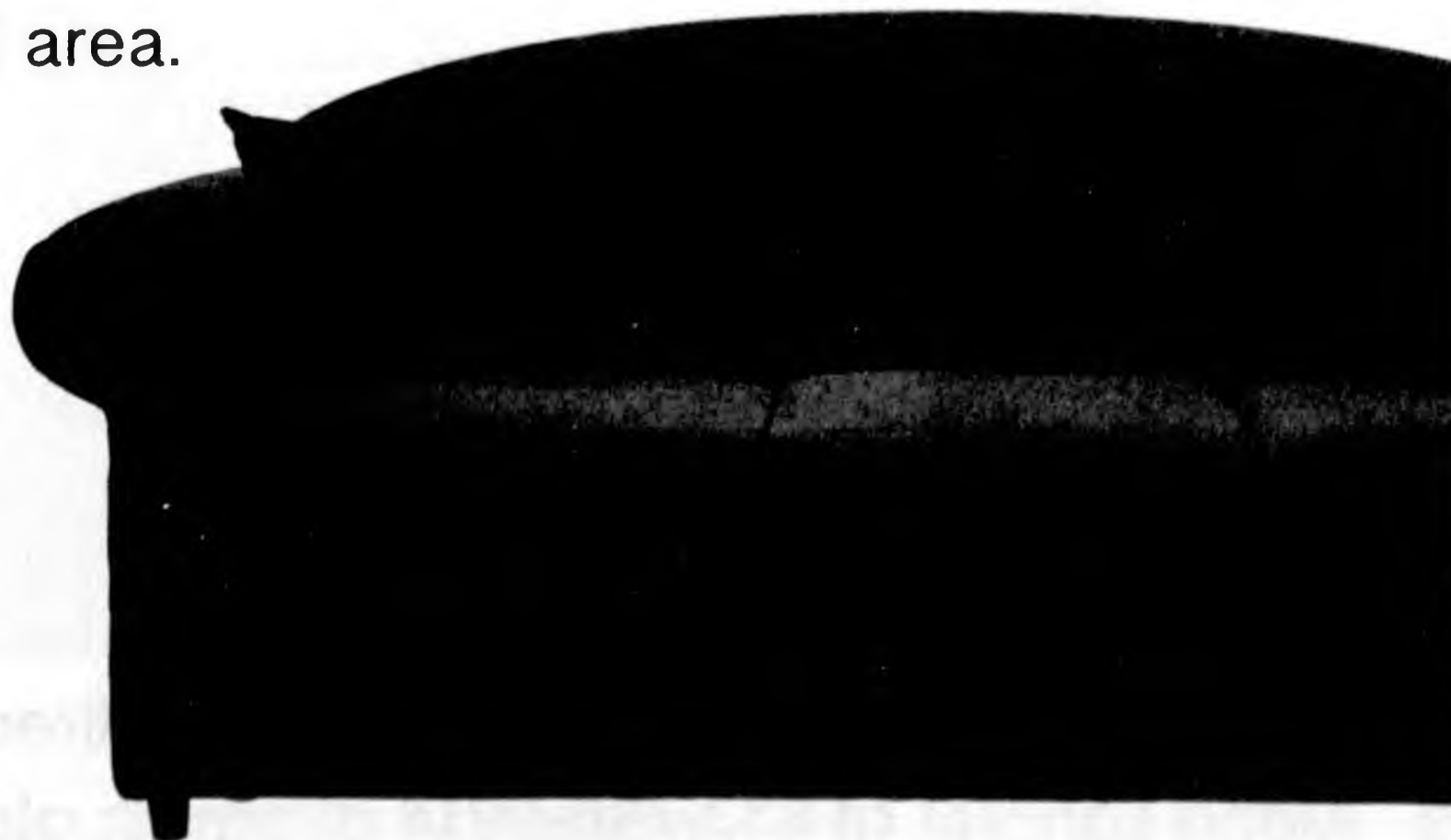
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9 Pa  
12 Incline  
16 Big — whale  
19 Person copying another  
20 Straight-ahead view  
22 Dandy sort  
23 "That raving guy is lying!"  
[1958, 1999, 1983]  
25 Regret a lot  
26 Mythical ship  
27 Plane-related  
28 Compass dir.  
29 Growing field  
30 Franklin brought a certain continent's nations back together?  
[1972, 1979, 1983]  
36 Very reactive element  
40 Actor Ely  
41 Inflexible  
42 Assist an unwise fugitive?  
[1965, 2002, 1961]  
49 Like cold fish  
50 Muscular jerk

- 51 Organic compound  
52 Castle encirclers  
56 Join others in the attack  
59 Poetic foot  
61 — long way  
62 Effortless progress with zero snags?  
[2017, 1999, 1980]  
69 Certain scroll key on PC  
70 — Dhabi (emirate)  
71 Mr. — ("Fantasy Island" host)  
72 Kings and queens hold agave liquor dear?  
[2013, 1966, 1958]  
79 High peak  
80 Revered sort  
81 Directs  
82 Cantata kin  
85 Dirt clump  
87 Ph.D. or MBA  
88 Allergic reaction?  
93 City's main business section during a tornado?  
[1982, 1967, 1965]

- 98 The Everly Brothers' — "Clown"  
101 Bovine cry  
102 Old Fords  
103 Rigg made Rooney go "Wow!"  
[1957, 2000, 1982]  
110 Many a seized car  
111 Honest prez  
112 Revered sort  
113 Messy stack  
117 Bitter brew  
118 This puzzle's each consist of three of these  
124 Actor Gulager  
125 Extolling  
126 Analgesics  
127 "Keystone" lawman  
128 Move upward  
129 Heckling cry  
130 Fresh beginning

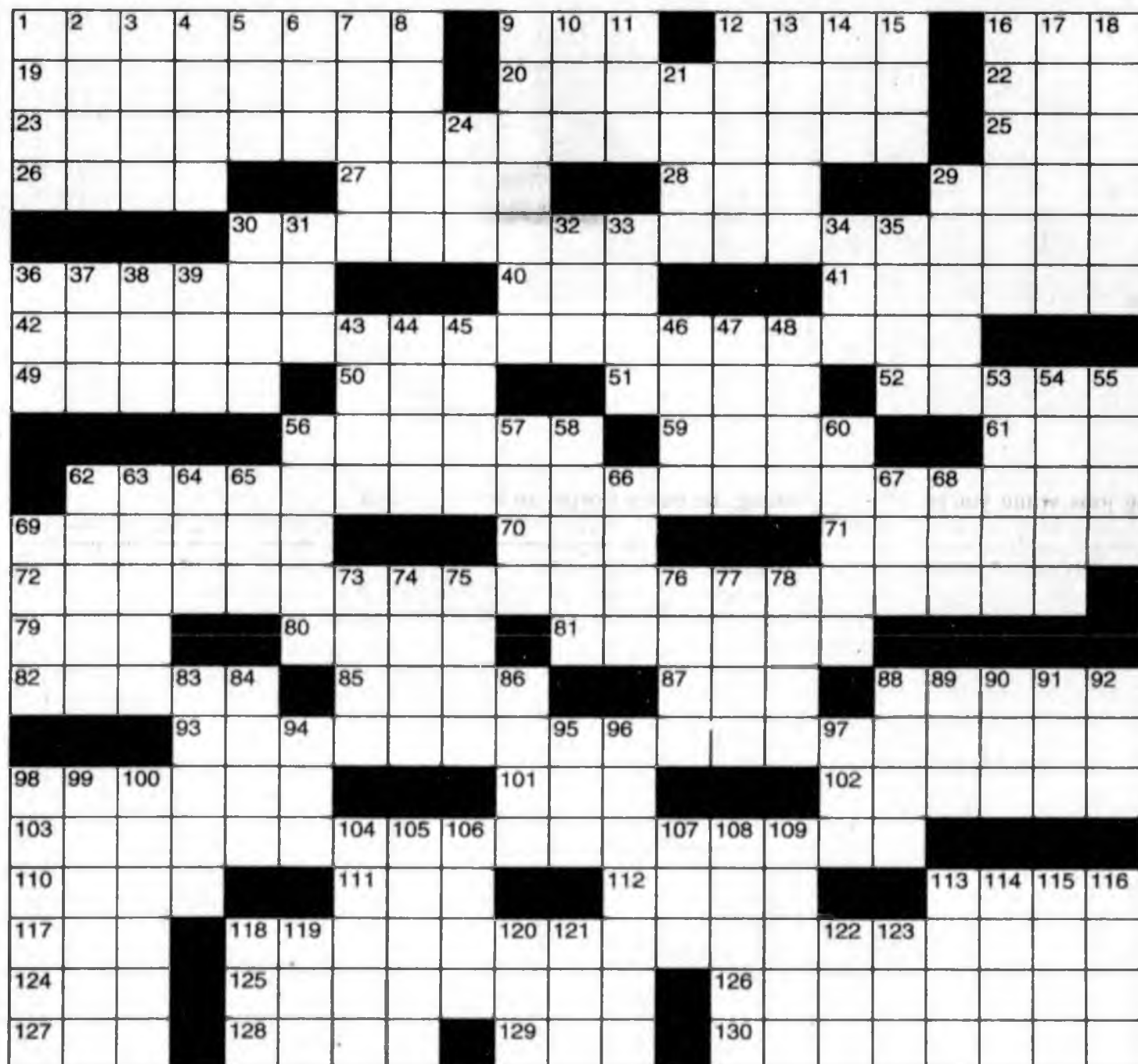
- 8 Less sweet, as wine  
9 Gobbles up  
10 In-favor vote  
11 JFK, e.g.  
12 High-strung  
13 Vine-covered  
14 Grassy area  
15 Mom's skill, in brief  
16 Fright-filled  
17 Wellspring  
18 Epithet for Tarzan  
21 Most recent  
24 Before  
29 Sorbet alternative, for short  
30 Shine up  
31 Broody rock genre  
32 Japanese dance-drama  
33 Concerning  
34 "So cute!"  
35 Beer bubbles  
36 — "ching!"  
37 Slim fish  
38 — Blo fuse  
39 NYSE debut  
43 Of ears  
44 Jaunty tune  
45 Frosts  
46 Modular part  
47 Ark-itect?  
48 Charity  
53 Katy Perry's "I Kissed —"  
54 Toy truck maker

- 55 Wise guy  
56 Cola biggie  
57 Actor Epps of "Shooter"  
58 "Ora pro —" ("Pray for us")  
60 Root beer brand  
62 Filmmaker Pier — Pasolini  
63 Nile's home  
64 Stephen of "Ondine"  
65 Suffix with play or faith  
66 Kick out  
67 Debt slip  
68 Chou En —  
69 Soho stroller  
73 Roman 350  
74 Consecrated  
75 Sufficient, in poetry  
76 Lamarr of "Comrade X"  
77 Ticked (off)  
78 Accordingly  
83 Prefix with botany or biology  
84 "— Little Tenderness"  
86 Lightest coin  
88 Actor Griffith  
89 Dol. parts  
90 Farming tool  
91 Barn percher

- 92 Slip — (mules, e.g.)  
94 D.C.'s land  
95 Silent "OK"  
96 Santo —  
97 Diminutive  
98 Audiophile's storage item  
99 Danny of "Ruby"  
100 Wrap, as a weak wrist  
104 Papas' partners  
105 Activist Hoffman  
106 Final letters  
107 Chemical suffix  
108 "Over There" composer  
109 Kevin of "Silverado"  
113 Pitcher — Wilhelm  
114 Central Sicilian city  
115 Golden — (senior)  
116 "Hey ... over this way!"  
118 "Car Talk" network  
119 "Mystifier" Geller  
120 Chest bone  
121 Artist Yoko  
122 Job for AAA  
123 1960s univ. radicals

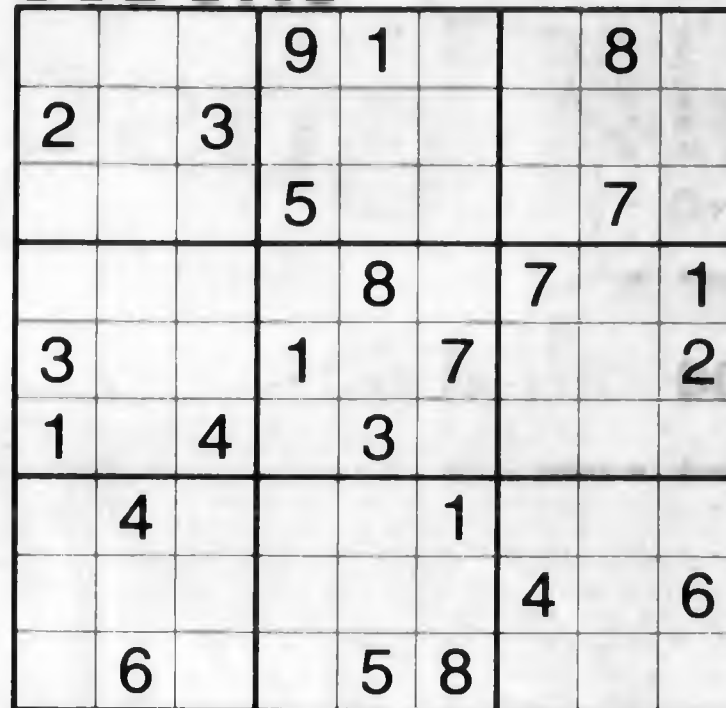
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- 1 Mother of Helen of Troy  
2 Love deity  
3 Chest organ  
4 Choir voice  
5 Test facility  
6 Gobbled up  
7 Actor Lloyd



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