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Local dancers tap to gold in Germany

Two Northville students place first at world tourney

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Yes, Northville teenagers Alisa Zhavoronkova and Olivia Steele have happy feet and million-dollar smiles.

But it took way more than those attributes to elevate them to the upper echelon of the international tap-dancing stage.

Driven by hard work and a passion for performing, Zhavoronkova and Steele both earned a gold medal as part of a group performance titled Apocalyptic in the junior large formation category at the World Tap Dance Championships, Nov. 27 through Dec. 1 in Riesa, Germany.

It was the first time dancers from

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The U.S. team celebrates after winning the gold medal Dec. 1 at the World Tap Dancing Championship in Riesa, Germany. KAYTA ZHAVORONKOVA



FOP Local 128 member Jim Starnes shopped with Aiden Roehm of Novi. CURTIS DROGMILLER

Annual shopping event pairs children with heroes

Some 30 children are going to have a merrier Christmas thanks to the efforts of police officers and local youth assistance groups.

The Fraternal Order of Police—Stanley Clark Southwestern Oakland Lodge 128, working with Novi Youth Assistance, Lakes Area Youth Assistance and the Huron Valley Youth Assistance, made it a happier holiday for the children with their annual Shop With a Hero event at

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See more photos from annual Shop With a Hero event, 4A.

the Wixom Meijer.

Each child enjoyed pizza and conversation with the officers, then shopped with their hero thanks to some \$200 in gift cards. At the end of the evening,

each child received a box filled with groceries for them to take home for a holiday feast.

"This is a yearly tradition for us," FOP event chair Jon Jacobs said. "We would like to thank Meijer of Wixom for their continued support in making holiday dreams come true for these special children."

Group offers seniors way for safe drug disposal

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Residents at a Novi senior housing facility got a chance to get rid of unwanted prescription medications thanks to a program sponsored by Families Against Narcotics.

The aim of the on-site drug collection has two aims — first, to keep the drugs from being abused by someone other than the person for whom it was prescribed; second, provide environmentally safe disposal.

"This product makes the medication inert — it deactivates it. Once you add liquid, the medication can't be re-used," said Chris Fought, vice president of the FAN southwest Oakland County/Livingston County chapter. "It deactivates it so it is environmentally safe for disposal."

A South Lyon police sergeant, Fought and FAN board member Pam Blair took the drug collection program using a product called Detera to Rose Senior Living at Providence Park in Novi.

"It was an outreach from our FAN chapter. I contacted the senior living and they said they would do it," Fought said. "We didn't get a ton of people, but we did get a ton of pills."

The collection puts the unwanted medication into a container with the liquid Detera, which deactivates the active ingredient in medications. Individuals can also buy Detera in smaller, dry quantities that handle 50-100 pills, he said, once water is added.

Like most area police departments, South Lyon has a prescription drop-off

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Drugs

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bin in the lobby, but that's not always something seniors may be aware of or easily utilize.

"A lot of seniors aren't on Facebook or aren't aware of drug disposal programs. It's easier down the hall than to drive to the police department," Faught said. "As a police officer, I've seen other people taking pills (from seniors), like grandkids and kids."

With the focus on dealing with nation's opioid epidemic, the drug collection focus is aimed at keeping unwanted medications out of the wrong hands, but Faught said the environmental aspect is also important.

"I've seen hospice nurses put medications in a little bag and add water (to make the medication unusable), then

throw it into the trash," he said. "This is a safe way to dispose of pills and get more drugs out of the medicine cabinet."

FAN also works with area police departments on the Hope Not Handcuffs program to help facilitate getting people

with drug addictions into treatment. The Southwest Oakland County/Livingston County FAN chapter holds a monthly public forum at the New Hudson United Methodist Church, 56730 Grand River, at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month.

For more information, email sw.oakland@familiesagainstnarcotics.org.

Contact LeAnne Rogers at lroggers@hometownlife.com or 734-883-9039. Follow her on Twitter: @LRogersObserver.



Pam Blair and Chris Faught of Southwest Oakland County/Livingston County Families Against Narcotics Chapter took a drug disposal program to a Novi senior housing complex recently.

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Upcoming events

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

preciated.

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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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 & 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.

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When: 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3
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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.

Seeking ESL Volunteers

When: Ongoing
Details: Do you have excellent interpersonal communication skills and a desire to help others? Consider becoming a facilitator for our weekly English as a Second Language conversation group.

Must enjoy working with and learning about different world cultures. The group meets 10:30-11:30 a.m. each Tuesday. Contact Vicki Dixon at vdixon@northvillelibrary.org for more information.

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When: 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. each Tuesday; 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. each Thursday
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When: 10:30-11:30 a.m. each Tuesday
Details: Join us for informal conversation to help improve your English. Just drop in.

Tap

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Michigan earned a gold medal at the event, often referred to as "The Olympics of Dance" by tap-dance insiders.

"I love tap, because it's like making music with your body," said Steele, 13, an eighth-grader at Meads Mill Middle School in Northville. "It's a hard style of dance, but you have to try to make it look easy."

The dancers practice up to five days a week at a studio in Northville. Their practice regimen was accelerated noticeably during the months leading up to the world event.

"To prepare for the competition in Germany, we traveled to Boston for five weekends to rehearse," said Zhavoronkova, 15, a sophomore at Northville High School. "We practiced probably nine hours a day when we were there. The whole audition process is pretty intense, because you're competing against dancers from all over the country."

"We're both very proud of our achievement, because it took a lot of hard work."



Alisa Zhavoronkova (left) and Olivia Steele (right) perform during the World Championships in Riesa, Germany. KAYTA ZHAVORONKOVA

Steele revealed she sometimes practices her steps at home on a makeshift stage.

"I can't tap on our hardwood floors, because it marks them up, so I have a little square piece of wood," she said. "It's kind of small, but it's big enough so that I can get a little practice in when I'm home."

The dynamic duo had to endure a rigorous audition and tryout sequence just to make the U.S. National Tap Dance Team, which included 20 dancers from across the country.



Northville residents Alisa Zhavoronkova (left) and Olivia Steele both earned a gold medal during the international tap-dancing championship in Germany.

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The U.S. team was one of 24 competing in the junior large group category. It

survived four elimination rounds before being crowned world champion.

"It was very nerve-racking every time they announced who was moving on," Steele said. "When we found out we had won, it was an amazing feeling."

The teams were judged on a variety of skills, including synchronicity.

"The judges look at whether your lines are straight and if your routine is innovative," Steele said.

Jazz is a popular background music for tappers to perform to, given the dance style's heritage.

"You can also perform a cappella, which I like because your feet are making their own music," Zhavoronkova said.

In addition to the Northville dancers, South Lyon's Caroline Julian also competed. A senior at South Lyon High School, Julian placed fifth in the trio category, fifth in small group and sixth in formation.

Julian competed in the adult division.

The international event attracted teams from 30 countries and close to 1,500 individuals.

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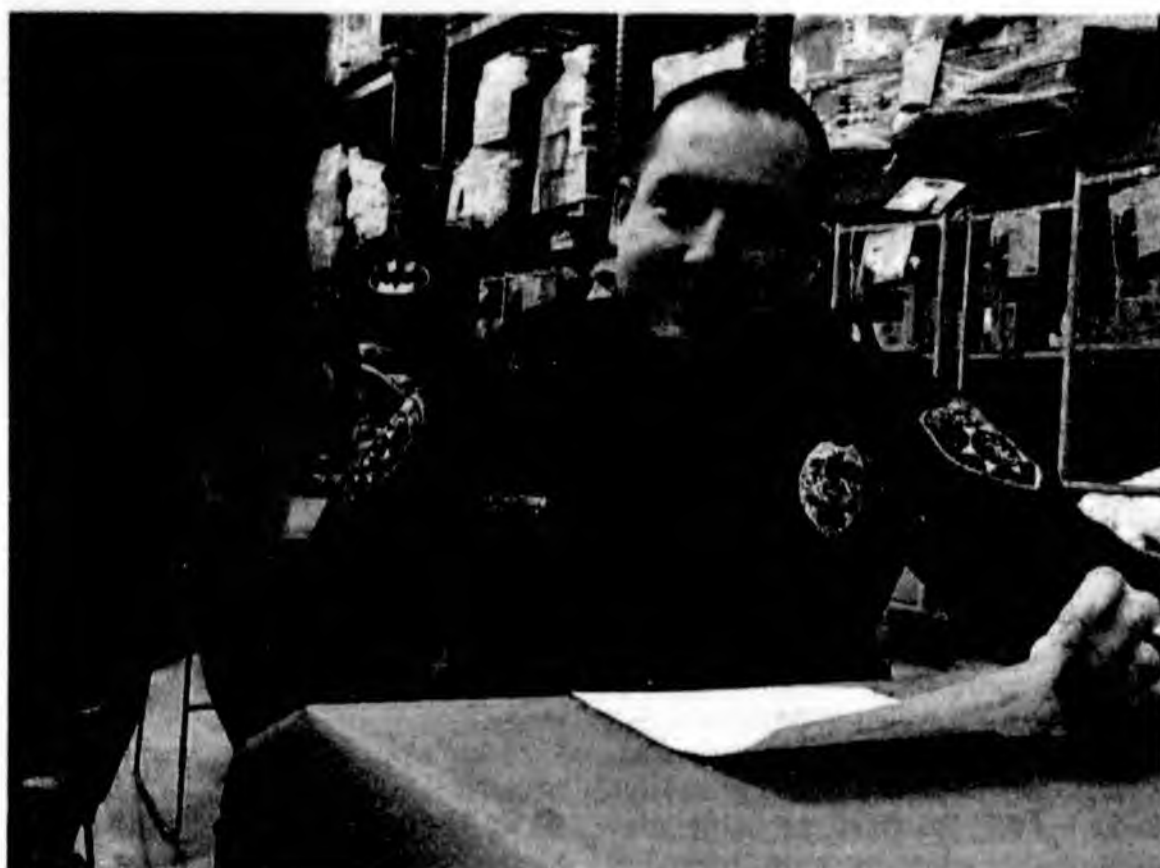
Area officers host Shop with a Hero event



Thirty children were chosen to Shop With a Hero during the annual event at the Wixom Meijer store. CURTIS DROGMILLER



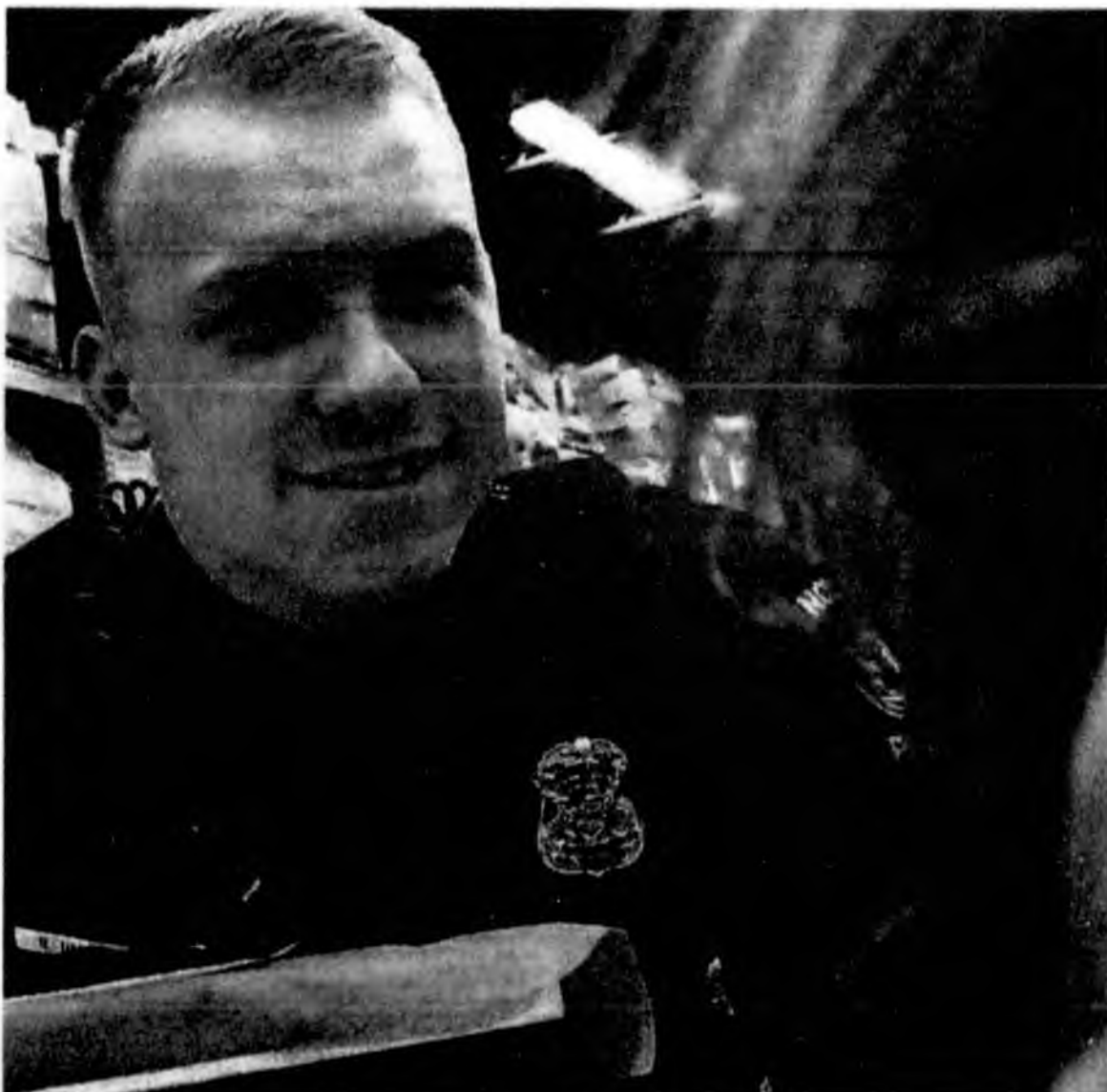
FOP 128 President Alex McLellan with his shopper, Logan Shaman of Novi. CURTIS DROGMILLER



Shop With a Hero gives children a good experience with local police officers. CURTIS DROGMILLER



Shoppers in the Shop With a Hero event enjoyed some pre-shopping pizza. CURTIS DROGMILLER



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Q: I have just bought a condominium loft in a newly renovated condominium project. A number of the lofts, including mine, have leakage from the roofs. I am wondering what I can do along with my other neighbors who are similarly situated. They seem to think that the developer will take care of things, but our efforts to get it done have not resulted in any reasonable response. What do you suggest?

A: You need to convince your fellow co-owners, and perhaps the board, that the next step has to be taken. Assuming control of the board of directors has been turned over to the co-owners, the

board should be reviewing the physical integrity of the common elements and pursuing the developer to make sure that all of the problems that have been documented by an architect and/or engineer, as the case may be, are corrected. The board has a legal responsibility to pursue these issues on behalf of the co-owners.

On the other hand, if the developer still controls the board of directors, you can be sure the board is not about to initiate legal action on the association's behalf against the developer. In this case, it may make sense for the co-owners to pursue what is known as a "derivative action," which is appropriate for circumstances in which the board is not pursuing the best interests of the association's corporate entity. By derivative action, the concerned co-owners seek the power to act on behalf of the association instead of the board.

In any case, you will likely need to band together with your fellow co-owners and raise a war chest to pursue the developer before anything is accomplished. Too many times, I have seen co-owners seeking out legal representation only as a last resort after the developer has convinced them that fixes are just around the corner, they just need to coordinate scheduling with their busy subcontractors, or they are just waiting on materials to arrive, etc. And at that point, options may be limited.

Don't buy into delay and empty promises — the statute of limitation applicable to your defect may be brief. This means you have the responsibility to take swift action or forfeit your right to pursue remedies through the court system. So be sure to involve capable legal counsel early in the process and not as a last resort.

Finally, please be cautioned that the

specific approach to getting a developer to fix mistakes, whether through court action or otherwise, has to be carefully evaluated with assistance from legal counsel. For example, there may be provisions in the governing documents that require certain approvals to be secured and disclosures to be made before filing suit.

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Salvation Army donations falling short of goal

The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit is encouraging the community to give generously during the last few weeks of the nonprofit's 2018 Red Kettle Campaign. The Salvation Army is reporting it's nearly 20 percent down in red kettle donations. Total contributions to date are lagging behind projections to reach its \$8.2 million fundraising goal.

"With 14 percent of Michigan residents living in poverty, we simply can't afford to miss making our goal this year," said Maj. Russ Sjögren, general secretary and metro Detroit area commander for The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit.

"We are counting on the generosity of metro Detroiters to help us keep doing the most good this Christmas season and throughout the entire year."

Storefront red kettle donations, online and direct mail contributions, as well as major corporate and individual gifts, contribute to the annual end-of-the-year campaign goal. Funds will help The Salvation Army continue providing critical programs and services including

youth and senior programs, Pathway of Hope, anti-human trafficking efforts, drug and alcohol treatment, free legal aid, emergency disaster services and more.

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Volunteer opportunities are still available to ring bells at hundreds of storefront Salvation Army red kettles around metro Detroit. Kettle donations account for more than one-third of all contributions. With this year's goal, that's more than \$2.2 million in jeopardy when the red kettles are unmanned. Those interested in volunteering can go to www.ringbell.org to register for shifts through Monday, Dec. 24, excluding Sundays.

Citizens Bank invites nonprofits to apply for funding

As part of its ongoing commitment to give people the confidence and tools they need to budget, save, invest, be fiscally healthy and ultimately inspire them to pursue new and greater goals, Citizens Bank is now accepting applications from nonprofits for critical finan-

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Lessons from a Mexican children's home



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My youngest daughter Charissa, a recent Salem High School graduate, is doing a "gap year" before going to college next year. She is working at a children's home in the town of Vicente Guerrero, Mexico, where 80 kids live. She works in "The Cuna," the house for babies through 3-year-olds. We recently Face-timed her as she walked through the house with a toddler on her hip. Then she paused, set the phone down and, still holding the toddler, we could see her reaching back and forth for something. "What are you doing?!" we asked. "The laundry," she replied.

So here's my 18-year-old daughter, in Mexico, in charge of nine babies and toddlers, changing the laundry over as she Face-times with her parents in Michigan. Now I believe my daughter is incredibly capable, but it does speak to an immense need that an 18-year-old is in charge of so much, so constantly, even when she's calling her parents!

For those of you who do missions trips, my daughter has developed some opinions since she's been at the children's home. She says that most people who come down want to play with the kids, but it is actually most helpful if they clean or paint or cook or, say, do the laundry, so the staff — whom the kids know — can do their jobs with the kids. Over the long Thanksgiving week-

end, we flew to San Diego, rented a car and drove the five hours south to visit our daughter. What we saw there was quite inspiring. Of the nine kids in "The Cuna," the five youngest babies do not stay there overnight. Instead, staff members — who teach in the school or work in the medical clinic or some such job during the day — keep those babies overnight in their apartment or trailer so the baby has a more family-like atmosphere and they don't wake up the other kids if they cry at night. This is Christian compassion at its most inspiring.

Returning home was something of an ordeal. Going in, we had passed through Tijuana with no trouble, seeing three different tent cities of migrants along the road. But Sunday, as we drove north, about two hours into our trip, we heard that the border crossing at Tijuana had been closed. So instead, we headed toward the crossing at Tecate, about 50 miles east of Tijuana. Unfortunately, so did everyone else. After waiting in line for five hours, 20 minutes, we missed our flight from San Diego. We're home now, but with all that we saw in Mexico — from the children's home to the people fleeing their homes because of violence and poverty — it reminded us that this is not a time to just live for ourselves. This is a time to give and go and serve and love and show compassion for a world where there is so much need.

The Rev. Dean Johnson is senior pastor at Lake Pointe Bible Church in Plymouth. Email him at DeanLPBC@sbcglobal.net.

Saint Joseph Mercy names new VP

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System announced the appointment of David Ripple of Plymouth Township to vice president of development, effective Dec. 1. In his new role, Ripple has assumed executive leadership over the design and implementation of strategic fundraising initiatives which support the health system's five southeast Michigan hospitals, six urgent care facilities and more than 25 specialty centers.



Ripple

"We are excited to have a proven fundraiser join our executive team," said Rob Casalou, president and CEO of Mercy Health and Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. "David's experience developing large, sustainable fundraising programs will be instrumental as we continue our mission of being a compassionate and transforming healing presence in the communities we serve."

Throughout his 25-year career in philanthropy, Ripple has focused his expertise on fundraising, team building and strategic partnerships. For the past three years he has served as president of The Remington Group, a leader in philanthropy consulting, helping regional and national non-profits develop sustainable fundraising programs to fulfill their missions.

As vice president for development at Ohio State University, Ripple led the fundraising staff for a portion of the \$3 billion But for Ohio State campaign, partnering with the university's academic leaders and development teams and collaborating with key volunteer leaders to increase support for the university. He helped lead Ohio State to its second largest fundraising year in the university's history in 2014-15 as friends and alumni gave a total of \$405.5 million. Prior to that, Ripple served as

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Wayne State University's vice president of development and alumni affairs, where he led the successful conclusion of its first comprehensive campaign, Wayne First, raising \$500 million.

Ripple was director of major gifts in Saint Joseph Mercy Health System's Office of Development from 2000-02. During this time, he partnered with executives, physicians, development staff and volunteer leaders to engage the community in support of St. Joe's, including St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor's successful Campaign for Women's Health.

Ripple has provided counsel through CCS fundraising, directed development work at the American Red Cross and Angela Hospice and served as an adjunct assistant professor at Madonna University. He earned his master's degree in English from Eastern Michigan University and dual bachelor's degrees in journalism and public relations from Madonna University.

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ing Citizens Manage Money. The program also leveraged the financial expertise of Citizens' bankers, included volunteer outreach by Citizens' colleagues and a social media campaign that shared financial tips about topics such as goal-setting, saving, and managing

credit.

To be considered for funding, eligible nonprofits in the communities served by Citizens Bank should submit an online application by Dec. 31. Recipients will be announced during Financial Literacy Month in April 2019. For more information on nonprofit programs and services that may qualify for funding or how to submit an application, go to www.citizensbank.com/community/financial-literacy.aspx.

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Legislators calls for Brennan's resignation

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All of Livingston County's state elected officials have renewed calls for the resignation of Livingston County District Judge Theresa Brennan after felony charges were filed against her Dec. 12 by the Michigan attorney general's office.

Sen. Joe Hune, Sen.-elect Lana Theis and state Rep. Hank Vaupel released statements after Attorney General Bill Schuette's office announced charges of perjury, tampering with evidence and misconduct in office Dec. 13.

"While nothing can make up for the heartache that so many of our neighbors have had to endure while Theresa Brennan has been on the bench, I am happy that she may finally be held accountable for her misconduct," Hune said.

"As we wait for the Judicial Tenure Commission decision on whether to further discipline or remove her from the bench, I again call for her to resign immediately. It is sad that this situation has come to this point and all of us would have been better off had Brennan done the right thing and resigned her office a long time ago. Time's up."

Brennan is accused by the AG's office of destroying or tampering with evidence because, during depositions for her 2016 divorce case, Brennan said she did not delete content from her iPhone after a motion was filed Dec. 6, 2016, by her then-husband Don Root's attorney to preserve evidence in the case, including the iPhone.

In April 2017, Michigan State Police seized the iPhone and found it had been restored to its factory settings days before Root's attorney, Tom Kizer filed the motion, according to the AG's office request for a warrant. But during her testimony in a Judicial Tenure Commission evidentiary hearing in October, she changed her story, testifying that an AT&T store representative reset the iPhone. A forensic examination of the phone revealed it was reset after she purchased a new iPhone on Dec. 8, 2016, two days after the motion was filed to preserve evidence, according to the AG's office.

The perjury charge stems from a review of the Judicial Tenure Commission



District Judge Theresa Brennan considers her response to a question from commission executive director Lynn Helland during a Judicial Tenure Commission hearing. GILLIS BENEDICT | LIVINGSTON DAILY

testimony transcript indicating she lied in the divorce deposition, the AG's office said. That is the most serious of the three felony counts, with a penalty of up to 15 years in prison. During that deposition, she said she had not deleted information from the phone. During the Judicial Tenure Commission hearing, she said she did and that "I never intended on making Mr. Kizer's job easy."

The charge of misconduct in office stems from a statement made by Brennan's court reporter, Felicia Milhouse, during the Judicial Tenure Commission hearing earlier this year. Milhouse testified that Brennan requested she search online for ways to remove or delete a Hotmail or Gmail account from an iPhone. State police examined Milhouse's county computer and confirmed she did conduct those searches Dec. 8, 2016, two days after the motion

to preserve evidence.

The tenure commission's wide-ranging complaint against Brennan was filed in June, accusing her of misusing her office for personal advantage or gain, failing to maintain high standards of conduct, failing to respect and follow the law, among other issues.

Special master and retired Judge William Giovan concluded an evidentiary hearing last month that lasted nine days and is expected to issue an opinion on the tenure commission's complaint in the coming weeks. The tenure commission could eventually ask the state Supreme Court to discipline Brennan, up to and including removing her from office.

Theis: 'This has gone on too long'

Theis echoed Hune's call for Bren-

nan's resignation.

"I'm glad to see that these charges have been filed," said Theis, a Brighton Republican. "It is the beginning of ensuring that justice can be done. The good people of Livingston County should no longer be subjected to her shenanigans and, frankly, criminal activity. This has gone on far too long and calls into question the decisions that were made in her court."

Vaupel said the people of Livingston County deserve honesty, integrity and the rule of law restored to the district court bench.

"I appreciate the attorney general's commitment to the pursuit of justice in filing these charges today against Theresa Brennan," said Vaupel, R-Fowlerville. "If it weren't evident before, it surely is now: Theresa Brennan must resign immediately."

Theis, Vaupel and Jim Runestad, R-White Lake, introduced a resolution in the state House in September calling for Brennan's impeachment.

In June, Vaupel and Theis joined six county commissioners calling for Brennan to step down, just days after Hune called for her resignation.

A statement was provided by Runestad, chair of the House Committee on the Judiciary and member-elect of the state Senate's 15th District starting in January.

"I think it's a good procedure they're pursuing, because Judge Brennan has obviously a problem with ethics and telling the truth," Runestad said. "We have to have a judiciary the people can trust. Judges have enormous power they wield over the populous that come before them and they have to be assured we don't have a judiciary that is tainted by corruption, perjury, collusion, etc."

The resolution is pending in the House Committee on the Judiciary. If the resolution is approved by the state House, an impeachment trial would take place in the Senate. If convicted, Brennan would be removed from office.

Former Livingston County Circuit Judge Daniel Burrell has requested a grand jury investigation into Brennan's conduct, an effort that is continuing to wind its way through the courts.

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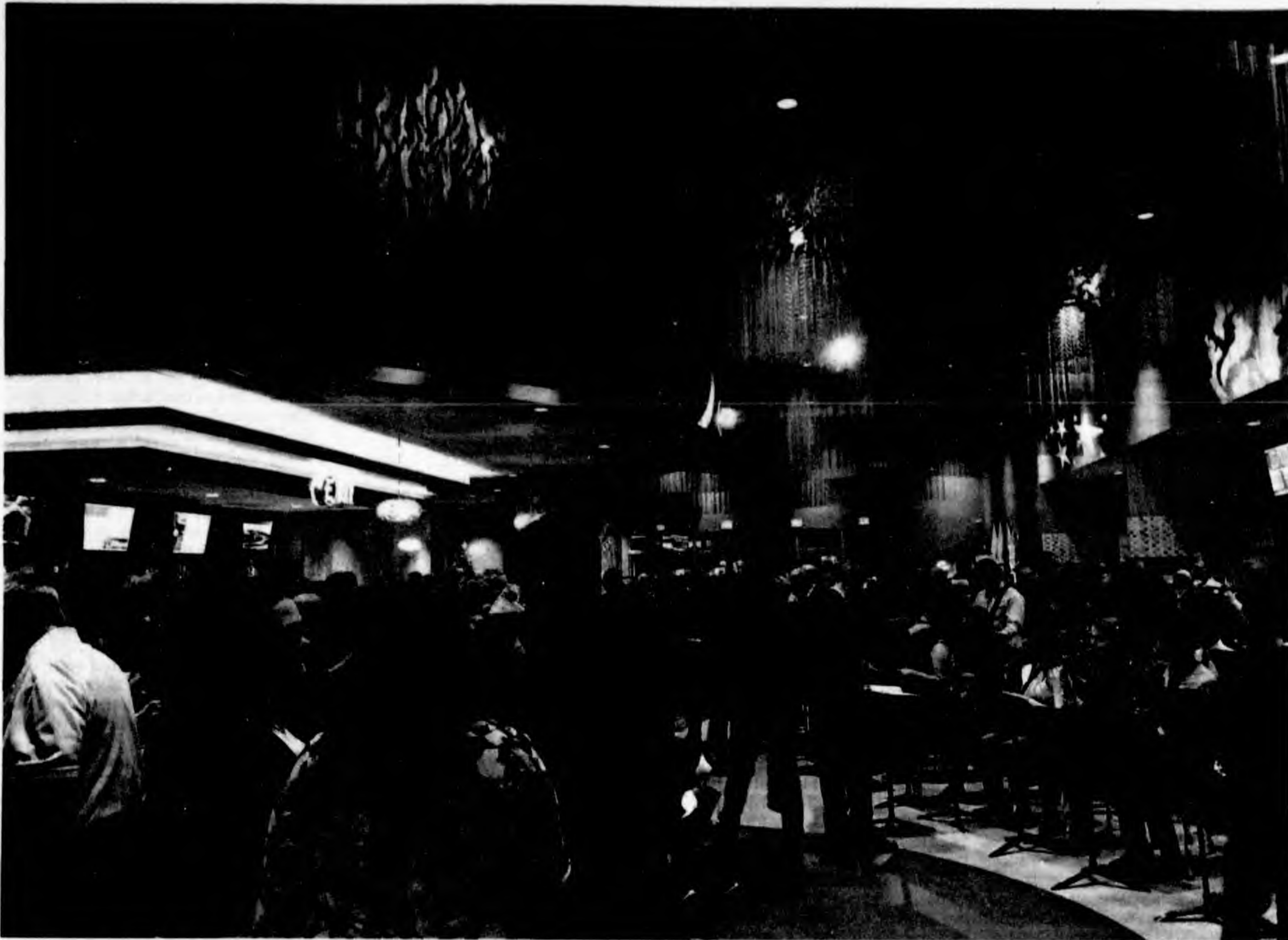
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A crowd of 400 people gathered to celebrate the opening of Emagine Entertainment's new movie theater Emagine Hartland, with musical accompaniment provided by the Hartland High School band. JENNIFER TIMAR | LIVINGSTON DAILY

New Emagine Hartland movie theater opens

Jennifer Timar
Livingston County Press
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A crowd of 400 people who attended a sold out charity event Friday were the first to experience Emagine Entertainment's new movie theater in Hartland Township.

The 10-screen, 55,000-square-foot Emagine Hartland theater opened to the general public Saturday at 10495 Hartland Square Drive.

Emagine Entertainment officials have been touting the new \$15 million building as a luxury upgrade to the format of traditional theaters.

Jim Bergmun's first impression of the theater is that it resembles "a five-star hotel," he said at Friday's charity event.

"It feels like walking into an elegant hotel lobby with a bar," said Bergmun, 31, of Howell. "It's, like, where's the elevator to go up to your room?"

Movie-goers can drink craft cocktails, beer and wine at a lounge-like bar with a lobby seating area around a fireplace. The concessions area features a brick pizza oven. Customers can opt to have food and snacks served to them at their seats.

"Seeing movies used to be just going for the movie and then leaving," said Halsey Pierson, 53, of Fowlerville. "You could come here for dinner, drinks and the movie, come an hour early."

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The main entrance to Emagine Entertainment's new movie theater. SCOTTIE DAVISON | LIVINGSTON DAILY

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All of the screening rooms in the 1,140-seat theater feature laser projectors with high-contrast lenses, immersive Dolby Atmos sound systems and wall-to-wall screens. They also feature heated, power-reclining seats and two-person seats the company calls "cuddle chairs."

Theaters range in size from a 20-person screening room to a 200-seat large-format theater, which the company refers to as an EMAX.

"The EMAX is awesome," said Russ Oblenes, 49, of Lyndon Township. "The theaters are state-of-the-art as far as the Dolby Atmos sound ... and we like the love seats where you can cuddle."

Now playing

Movies playing at the theater opening weekend included "Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald," "Spider-man: Into the Spider-verse," "Ralph Breaks the Internet," "Creed II," "The Mule," "Mortal Engines," Dr. Seuss' "The Grinch," "Instant Family" and "Elf."

Other films coming to theaters this month include Transformers movie "Bumblebee," action movie "Aquaman" and "Mary Poppins Returns," a sequel to the 1964 Disney classic.

Advance tickets and movie times are available online at www.emagine-entertainment.com.

Hartland Area Chamber of Commerce hosted Friday night's Night on the Red Carpet charity event, which was expected to raise \$15,000 each for two local charities. LACASA Center, a non-profit shelter and counseling center for victims of abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault, and Gleaners Community Food Bank-Livingston will benefit from money raised at the event.

"The buzz is the movie theater is going to be good for businesses and bring people into Hartland and they will want to stay, have an entertainment experience and then eat or go to other businesses," Hartland Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Katie Chuba said. "I think other businesses will follow."

Hartland resident Lois Baranski said the community is excited to have a movie theater.



All 10 theaters at Emagine Entertainment's new movie theater feature heated reclining seats and two-seater "cuddle chairs." SCOTTIE DAVISON | LIVINGSTON DAILY



Reclining seats in Emagine Entertainment's new movie theater are also heated. SCOTTIE DAVISON | LIVINGSTON DAILY



The lobby of Emagine Entertainment's new movie theater features a wall of television sets playing movie previews. SCOTTIE DAVISON | LIVINGSTON DAILY

"We've been getting a lot more things in Hartland and this is a nice addition," Baranski, 71, said.

Emagine Entertainment operates 19

other theaters in Michigan, Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin and plans to double in size in the next 10 years.

"This is a prototype theater we hope

to build elsewhere," Emagine Entertainment CEO Paul Glantz said. "As long as we don't find something we've severely underestimated, we'll keep building them like this one and we hope to build two or four per year."

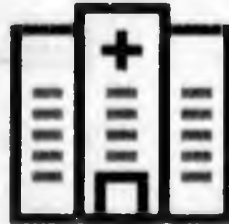
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'The unknown' played role in citizenship quest

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Those dime-a-dozen "I voted" stickers distributed every election day were worth more than pieces of priceless art for Canton Township twin sisters Helen Goderis and Suzanne Cooper.

Residents of the United States since their family moved from England to Chelsea almost 40 years ago, Goderis and Cooper exited Discovery Middle School the night of midterm elections as first-time voters — an experience made possible by their recent months-long quest to become naturalized United States citizens.

"We had never voted our entire lives," said Cooper, her British accent hidden like her sister's by four decades of living in America. "We couldn't vote when we visited the United Kingdom because we weren't residents and we couldn't vote here because we weren't citizens — that is, until this year."

"It was such a cool experience," Goderis said when asked about the voting process. "We got a picture taken together with our stickers on. Now that we're officially citizens, we can vote and make a difference."

Born and raised for the first eight years of their lives in the town of Epsom, which is just south of London, the sisters moved to Michigan in 1979, when their father accepted a position in the automotive industry.

They adapted to their



It's official: Suzanne Cooper poses with her citizenship certificate moments after becoming an American.

new country well, despite some early obstacles.

"In England, they keep twins together in the same classroom, but in Chelsea we were separated," Goderis said. "Same school, but different classes. I think it may have been harder on our mum than us, as her babes were split apart. As an 8-year-old, you think your world is coming to an end, but we adjusted."

Another job-related move to Searcy, Ark., eight years later provided the sisters with a taste of life in the Deep South.

"There really wasn't a lot of culture shock moving to America from the U.K.," Cooper said. "But moving from Michigan to

Arkansas, now that was culture shock. Getting used to the Deep South took a while. We were juniors in high school — the formative years — but during our senior year of high school in Searcy, we both applied to and were accepted at Michigan State University, so we moved back to Michigan."

The sisters lived fulfilling lives, making sure their green cards were updated every 10 years, and ultimately settled in Canton, where they live on the same street in the same subdivision.

But the citizenship void compelled them to take action in February — especially given the unsettling climate non-citi-

zens face these days.

"It makes you nervous, even though we've been here 38 years as upstanding citizens, we've been in absolutely no trouble, you just don't know what's going to happen next," Goderis said. "You don't know what's coming around the corner. The U.K. has a good relationship with the United States of America. It could change, and we weren't willing to risk it."

In February, the sisters visited an immigration attorney in Ann Arbor and both paid the \$750 to get the process started.

"We both felt that was a worthwhile amount of money to become a citizen of a country," Cooper said.

The process included fingerprinting, eye scans,



Helen Goderis officially became an American citizen a few months after her twin sister.



Twin sisters Helen Goderis (left) and Suzanne Cooper voted for the first time as United States citizens Nov. 7, almost 40 years after first moving to the U.S. from England.

interviews with immigration officers and a test that covered U.S. history and procedures.

"Before you take the test, they give you a booklet with 100 questions in it," Cooper said. "We both studied it so well that we knew all 100 answers by the time we took the test. They ask you 10 questions — it's similar to a civics test — and you

have to get six right to pass."

"We kind of had a leg up on a lot of the people seeking citizenship because we've been in the United States so long and we were educated in American schools," Goderis said. A couple of the questions she had to answer were: What is the capital city of Michigan? and What is an amendment?

Cooper's oath ceremony unfolded in May, while Goderis had to wait until August — even though they both registered the same day in February.

"The ceremony was very emotional," Cooper said. "The Fourth of July meant a little bit more to me than it normally did."

"It's such a moving ceremony that people who were in the building for jury duty would come sit in the room to watch," Goderis added.

Following the ceremony, both sisters surrendered their green cards and accepted their all-important naturalization certificates.

"Now that it's over, I feel safer — there are no more what-ifs when I travel back to the U.K. — and I know I can make a difference here by voting," Goderis said.

"And I'm even looking forward to getting called for jury duty," Cooper added with a smile.

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PZ18-0047 (Coy Construction Inc) 44682 Dunbarton Dr, East of Taft Road and North of Nine Mile Road, Parcel # 50-22-27-376-013. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.5 to allow a 10 foot rear yard variance for a proposed 25 foot setback for a proposed screened in porch, 35 feet minimum required by ordinance. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-3).

PZ18-0055 (Chris Ketzler/Toll Brothers) 20857 Dunhill Dr, West of Beck Road and North of Eight Mile Road, Parcel # 50-22-32-402-004. The applicant is requesting a 2% variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.2 to allow the 27% proposed lot coverage for a new home, 25% allowed. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-1).

PZ18-0057 (Somnio Global LLC) 45145 West 12 Mile Road, East of Taft Road and South of Twelve Mile Road, Parcel # 50-22-15-126-015. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Ordinance Section 4.68(2) to allow an exterior bulk Nitrogen Storage tank required for research. Limited warehousing or storage of products used in research is allowed by code. This property is zoned Office Service Technology (OST).

PZ18-0059 (Brian Luke) 41032 S McMahon Circle, East of Meadowbrook Road and South of Ten Mile Road, Parcel # 50-22-25-104-016. The applicant is requesting a variance from the Novi Code of Ordinance Section 3.1.5 for a 21 foot variance for a proposed front yard variance of 9 feet to allow for a new carport addition, 30 feet minimum required. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ18-0061 (Jenny Griffith) East of Old Novi Road and South of East Lake Drive, Parcel # 50-22-02-357-010. The applicant is requesting variances from the Novi Code of Ordinance Section 3.1.5 for a 16 feet front yard variance for a proposed 14 feet setback, 30 feet required, a 25 foot variance for a proposed 10 foot rear yard setback, 35 feet required, a 6 and 11 foot variance for a proposed 4 feet by 4 feet side yard setback, 25 feet total allowed, a 26% variance for a proposed 51% max lot coverage 25% required and a 19 foot front deck variance for a proposed 6 foot deck, 25 feet required. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ18-0062 (Nancy Simmons) 117 Maudlin St, West of Old Novi Road and South of South Lake Drive, Parcel # 50-22-03-453-007. The applicant is requesting variances from the Novi Code of Ordinance Section 2.2 to allow accessory use on parcel 50-22-03-453-016 absent a primary use, Section 4.19 parcel 50-22-03-453-016 absent a primary use and allow a structure in the rear setback, Section 3.32 to allow a structure in the rear setback. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ18-0063 (Chris Ketzler/Toll Brothers) 20735 Dunhill Dr, West of Beck Road and North of Eight Mile Road, Parcel # 50-22-32-400-013. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Ordinance Section 28-6 for a of 44 square feet variance to allow the installation of a 64 square foot temporary sign, 20 square feet allowed. Section 28.6 for a 3 foot sign variance for proposed a 9 foot high sign, 6 feet allowed. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-1).

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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. Friday, Dec. 21. Bring your own camera as a professional photographer will not be provided.

'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. 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 <https://www.tippingpointtheatre.com/tenors>.

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, H2O: An Exhibition of Fine Art Photography, at HVCA, 205 W. Livingston Road, in Highland. There is no admission fee for the event.

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

'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.

Country Garden Club

The Country Garden Club of Northville will hold its next meeting at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2, at Ward Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, in Northville. Guest speaker will be Cheryl English. Light snacks are provided.

Novi Choralaires rehearsals

The Novi Choralaires choir is seeking new members for all voice parts. Those interested in joining for the 2019 winter/spring season are invited to attend the open, non-audition rehearsals held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8 and 15, in the Novi Middle School's choir rehearsal room, 49000 W. 11 Mile Road.

The group was founded in 1975 and operates under the umbrella of Novi Parks Performing Arts. It performs a Christmas concert series each December, a spring concert in May and at a number of venues throughout the season, which runs from September through May.

Rehearsals are 7:30-9:30 p.m. each Tuesday at Novi Middle School. The cost is \$60 per season. For more information, email novi.choralaires@gmail.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.

Ultimate Fishing Show

The annual Ultimate Fishing Show is scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, Jan. 10-13, at the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue, in Novi. Hours are 1-9 p.m. Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The show will feature hundreds of the newest fishing boats and more than 200 booths of fishing gear, outfitters, guides and lodges. An all-star lineup of professional anglers will also be at the show, with salmon, bass and walleye clinics.

Admission is \$12 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6-14 and free for children age 5 and under. For more information, go to www.UltimateFishingShow.com or call 800-328-6550.

'Tinkerbell' at Marquis Theatre

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

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

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.

Area Agency on Aging class

Aging Matters, an educational service of AAA 1-B, is kicking off 2019 with a free six-week class titled Powerful Tools for Caregivers, scheduled for 1-3:30 p.m. each Monday beginning Feb. 4 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road.

To register or to get more information, call 833-262-2200 or email wellnessprograms@aaalb.com.

Barn dance at Kensington

The Kensington Metropark Farm Center, 4570 Huron River Parkway, will host a pair of barn dances Saturday, Feb. 18. 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.

Adopt-A-Reader

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

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

Youth Alpha film series

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

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Portrait photographer clicks with kids

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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Elaine Yaker is part psychologist, part entertainer and non-stop talker as she coaxed her client into position under studio lights at Pierce Street Portraits in Birmingham one recent December morning.

She had already sung "Happy Birthday," switched out her client's seating three times at his insistence — from a stool to steps to a stool again — played "Simon says" while simultaneously clicking her camera shutter, coaxed stuffed dinosaur toys into and out of her young subject's hands and kept her cool through the occasional sulky shouts of "no" and "I don't want to."

Nearly a half-hour into the session, the veteran portrait photographer placed a puppet on her head.

"Isn't this ridiculous?" she asked David Rea, 5, of Birmingham. He responded by throwing a soft toy at her and giggling uncontrollably.

"That was the best picture of the day," Yaker told David's mom, Anna Rea of Birmingham, while simultaneously beginning a new game of puppet toss, puppet catch with her client.

Welcome to the world of child portrait photography, where every customer, every session, every smile, is different every day. After nearly three decades in the business, Yaker knows how to roll with the occasional tantrums, think on her feet and capture personality frame by frame.

"I've had four kids and 11 grandchildren and I've absorbed and learned a lot from all the years I've been working with kids," Yaker said. "It's a rare day I walk out of here not feeling good. Maybe there have been two or three times I knew the session wouldn't produce what I want. That is almost unheard of after all these years."

"I never force any child to do anything. I encourage them. I try to make it gamesmanship. Simon says shove your hands into your pockets — well, there you go, you've got attitude already. That's part of what I look for, is their attitude and what is unique to them. What I hope for is something that is real, authentic, natural, the way they would appear if they didn't have a camera sitting



Elaine Yaker has photographed young clients at her studio, Pierce Street Portraits, for nearly 30 years. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

in front of them. One of the goals I have is to make the camera fairly incidental to the experience."

Photo gallery, studio

The Farmington Hills resident will mark 30 years in the business in 2019. She has a loyal following and has photographed some families on a regular basis, while watching their children grow up through the lens.

Yaker opened her first business, a photo gallery, on Pierce Street in 1979 with two partners. They held five shows a year for 10 years before switching the space to a photography studio. The partners left approximately 12 years ago and Yaker has worked out of a studio at 1000 S. Old Woodward for several years.

Art-oriented, black and white photos, her specialty, and color images line

the walls of her office and fill her file cabinets. There are photos of children who sit for new portraits every year, of siblings that were photographed periodically during their childhood and now are young adults, of two and three generations in group photos. Some adult clients recreate the same posture and expression they had when Yaker photographed them as a child. Many of the subjects are in bare feet, some have props and all are shown in a full body pose, either seated or standing.

Yaker prefers a simple setting with few or no props and a plain paper backdrop. She supplies stools and a set of stairs for seated photos, but also encourages youngsters to stand during their session. They may include a favorite toy, although Yaker warns parents the object may end up in every shot if the child is reluctant to relinquish it.

Unusual prop

"When we were still on Pierce Street, I had a mother that said, 'Do you mind if I bring my child's favorite toy?' I said, 'Of course not.' I hear this b-bang, b-bung, b-bang going up the steps. This kid was truly in love with an upright vacuum cleaner, obsessed with this vacuum cleaner," Yaker said with a laugh. "It was

probably four times the size of the kid. That thing with the cord was in almost everything."

Rea brought a box full of toys for her son's sitting. David held his favorite dinosaur toys for several frames, then put them aside. Rea waved toys and puppets at him while Yaker worked.

"Elaine and I go way back. Fond memories, it's all good," Rea said.

Yaker, who studied photography at Oakland Community College, Wayne State University and the College for Creative Studies, maintains a few simple rules during photo sessions. There's no running on or around the paper backdrop. She asks parents to refrain from using their cellphone cameras while she's working. She may ask a parent to step out of the room if they demand certain behaviors, such as smiling on cue.

"I never rush anything. I never allow less than one hour," she said. "The most energy I have is right here. I can collapse for an hour after I leave here, but when I'm here I feel energized and I feel excited because every situation is new."

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 09, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **A RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL FOR A STARBUCKS EXPANSION WITH A DRIVE-THRU, SITE PLAN NUMBER 18-33, FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN WITH A PD-2, PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OPTION, SPECIAL LAND USE AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL.** The subject property is located on the west side of Novi Road south of Twelve Mile Road in West Oaks Shopping Center in Section 15. The applicant is proposing an expansion of the existing Starbucks coffee shop with an addition of a drive-thru facility. The applicant will be utilizing the Planned Development 2 (PD-2) option to propose a drive-thru.



Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

Subject Parcel ID: 50-22-15-200-059 (14.92 Acres; Development boundary 1.52 Acres)

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 09, 2019.

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Northville's McCauley has mission with new book

Tim Smith
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When Joseph McCauley grew up near the bustling, bustling Detroit intersection of Grand River Avenue and Greenfield Road, life could be busy, crazy and, sometimes, magical.

Hey, you could spot Gordie Howe watching youngest son Murray practice at the Jack Adams Ice Arena or see teen-aged Little Stevie Wonder perform the 1963 harmonica-driven tune "Fingertips Part 2" over at Arena Skate Club.

That intersection was the hub of the 48227 ZIP code, bordered by Puritan on the north, Southfield Freeway on the west, West Chicago on the south and Meyers Road on the east.

Neighborhoods from the end of World War II until Detroit's 1967 riots were highlighted by red-brick homes sitting atop manicured lawns — adjacent sidewalks jammed with baby boomers riding bikes or playing catch.

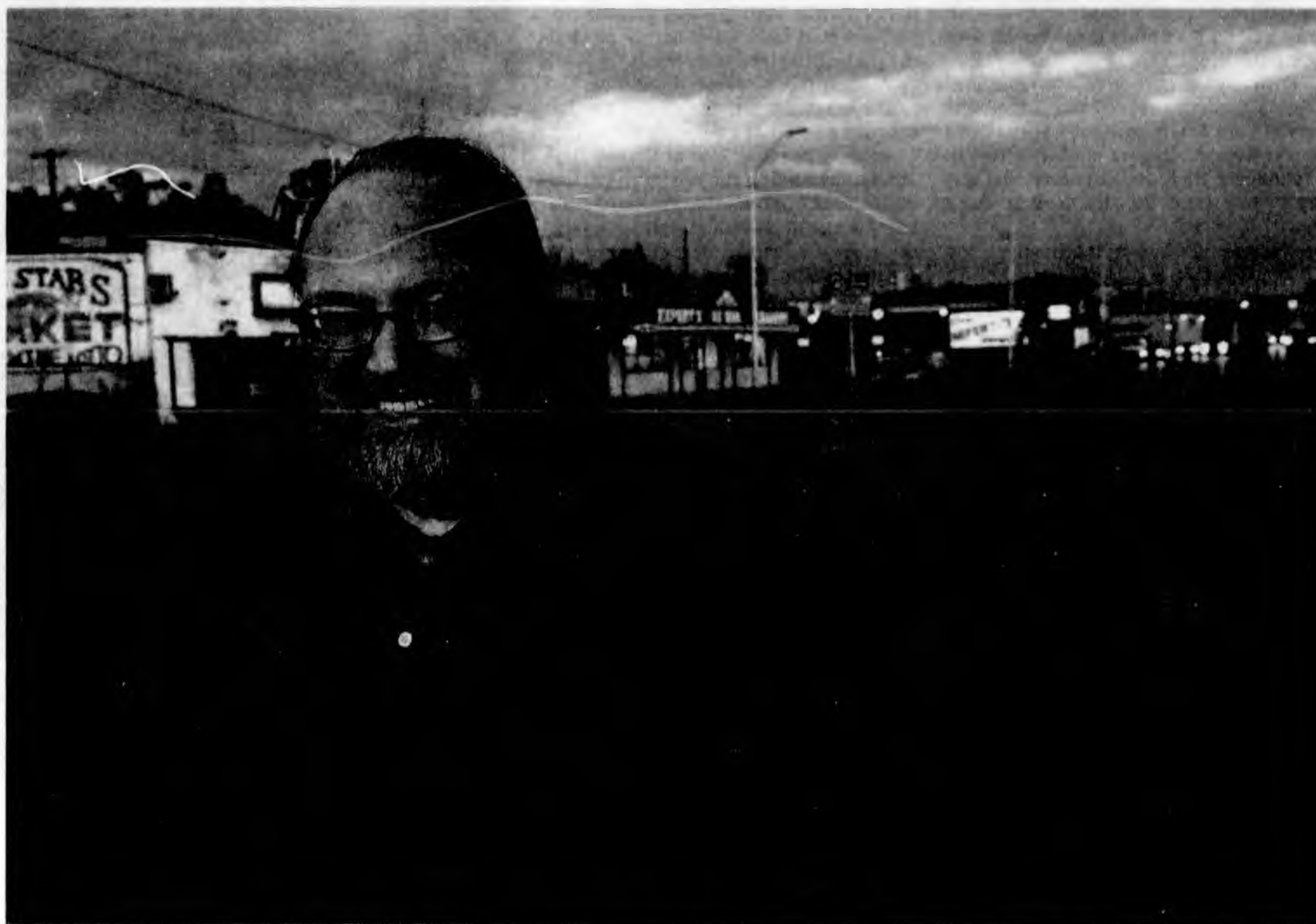
There were bowling alleys, movie theaters (hello, Great Lakes), restaurants (Dimambro's anyone?) and department stores lining up to greet the masses.

And those very images are brought to life within the 96 pages of McCauley's new book, "Detroit's Grand River & Greenfield Neighborhood" (Arcadia Publishing, \$23.99).

"It was probably one of the more wealthier areas of Detroit and I'm sure it was the second largest retail center in the city besides downtown," McCauley said. "There were just so many stores. You got Montgomery Ward, you got Federals, you had Cunningham's drug store, you had Meyer Jewelry Store, you had the Big Boys, you had the Sanders."

McCauley, now retired after a 30-year career with the United States Postal Service, spent about six months researching and collecting archived material to include in what became a colorful, photo-packed paperback now available on Amazon.com and at area bookstores such as Barnes & Noble.

"The book's about the



Author Joe McCauley grew up in this neighborhood in Detroit. His book is "Detroit's Grand River & Greenfield Neighborhood." BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

neighborhood in the '50s, '60s and '70s," McCauley said. "And the kids that grew up and some of the activities. Almost all the schools and all the churches I've got listed, with a little bit about each one of them. It's all about the 48227. I pretty much stuck with that. I wanted to stick with that particular area."

"(The book) brings back a lot of memories, because I have so many things that I cover. Things about celebrations, so I got kids out there with sparklers and hula hoops."

He talked about the era when Grand River-Greenfield was the center

of the neighborhood's universe during a recent book discussion at the Henry Chaney branch of the Detroit Public Library (16101 Grand River).

Then and now

Among those there for the presentation were former residents of the 48227, including Ted Lietz — a classmate of McCauley's from the 1969 graduating class of St. Mary's of Redford High School.

"I worked at Legel's Party Store and that was owned by Jack Legel, who eventually became a congressman in Lansing," said Lietz, now a resident

of Ferndale. "(The store) was on the corner of Fenkell and St. Mary's. My parents moved us there in 1960. It was Tom's Party Store when I was a kid."

"(McCauley's book) is interesting. It was fun to look through and see some of the places ... what they were like then and what they're like now. My biggest surprise was, the place we liked to hang out at was the Red

Devil Pizzeria, over near Greenfield and Fenkell. I think Joe said in here somewhere that it's now a Caribbean restaurant. Things change."

Lietz added that the 48227 was "a great place to grow up. It was the '60s, so there were tons of kids on every street."

McCauley's childhood home (1951 until 1978, after he left Wayne State University, where he

studied journalism) was on Winthrop, near Greenfield between Kendall and Schoolcraft.

"We could see the Wrigley's supermarket on Greenfield right from our backyard, which is kind of convenient," McCauley said. "In fact, the place just got torn down within the last year."

"I used to come back at

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The Board of Education of Northville Public Schools is accepting firm prime contractor trade specific bids for all labor, materials, equipment and all other services to complete the interior remodeling work at Northville High School.

Plans and specifications may be downloaded electronically and are available for review at the office of the Auch Construction, 65 University, Pontiac, MI 48342 248.334.2000, on or after December 10, 2018. Bid Package consists of Instruction to Bidders, Proposal Forms, General and Supplementary Conditions, drawings and pertinent trade specifications. Contact Dennis Smith or Shawn Debo for download instructions.

Your proposal will be accepted **NO LATER THAN 12:00PM NOON, Monday January 7, 2019 TO: NORTHVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION - 405 WEST MAIN STREET, NORTHVILLE, MI 48167**. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud beginning at 1:00 P.M., January 7, 2019 at the Northville Board of Education, 405 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

A pre-bid walk through is scheduled for Monday, December 17, 2018 beginning at 3:00 pm and meeting at Northville High School main entrance lobby, 45700 Six Mile Road, Northville MI 48168. This meeting is not mandatory but highly recommended.

All contracts to be entered into by the Northville Public Schools must and will comply with the equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan.

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet.

All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with MCL 380.1267 and attach this information to the bid proposal. The bid proposal will be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Northville Public Schools, Board of Education or the Northville Public Schools, Superintendent. The District will not accept a bid proposal that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

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least once a year and I'd see how it was going downhill."

Over on the corner of Abington and Glendale, across from Dossin Elementary School, is where Steve Backus lived as a youngster. He now is 65 and lives in Wyandotte. He found out about McCauley's book (and the discussion) via a Facebook page.

"To me, it's important (to have the 48227 documented)," Backus said. "And I think it's important to a lot of people that don't live there anymore and miss it."

He added that the wealth of photos in McCauley's book can trigger memories.

"It's history, it's where we came from, where most of us grew up, (so) I think (readers) would be interested in this," Backus said. "Everybody's been kind of scattered, so it's nice to have a way to get back."

You never know

Whether or not the Grand River-Greenfield area ever sees the kind of successful reboot going on right now in downtown Detroit remains to be seen. But rumors are afoot that a renaissance might be coming.

"I think everybody knows it got run down," Backus said. "Hopefully, it's coming back or people will help to re-

build it."

The neighborhood's potential rebirth — pinned to talk that the Forman Hills department store will be moving into the erstwhile Montgomery Ward building — would have been happy news to the ears of the late Mike Ilitch.

An enormous reason downtown Detroit has returned to life during the 21st century was Ilitch's belief that it could.

Ilitch, a baseball star at Cooley High School (located in the northern portion of the 48227, at the intersection of Hubbell Avenue and Chalfonte Street), went on to play a major role in downtown's comeback, through his ownership of the Detroit Red Wings and Tigers.

"People are really excited around here about (Forman Hills) going in there, because they got these dollar stores, that just doesn't cut it," McCauley said. "That will be more of a place where people want to go."

Old landmarks of mid-1900s business are gone now, replaced by nondescript shops.

There are crumbling homes where there once were showpieces. But McCauley is hopeful something good is coming. It is one reason he wanted to write his book.

"It's one of these parts of the city, it's like you got the downtown that's doing pretty well," McCauley said. "It still hasn't reached out to the neighborhoods yet."

"But I got a feeling that maybe we'll see it in our lifetime. You never know." If you have a compelling story to tell,



Recently at the Henry Chaney branch of the Detroit Public Library, Northville author Joseph McCauley (center) talks with Steve Backus (right) about the Detroit neighborhood his book is about. At left is McCauley's wife Grace. TIM SMITH | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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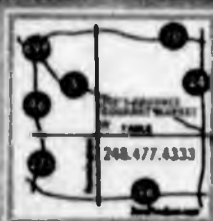
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USA HOCKEY

Russia wins, takes Four Nations Cup

Overtime victory against U.S. clinches tournament

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Shortly after Russian defenseman Shakir Mukhamadullin fired a shot into the U.S. goal during overtime, young Americans stood in disbelief and disappointment Saturday night as they watched their international rivals hoist the U-17 Four Nations Cup.

The winning goal at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth came on a four-on-three power play (OT began with teams playing three-on-three) and gave Russia a 3-2 victory — exacting revenge for Friday's 4-2 win by the U.S. in the final

game of the tournament's round-robin portion.

Mukhamadullin stepped up from the blue line to receive a pass from the wing and let a high shot go from above the circles that eluded screened U.S. goaltender Drew Commesso.

It was the third power-play goal of the game by the Russians, enough to offset a two-goal performance by U.S. forward Ty Smilanic (both of his goals also were on the power play) and a 36-22 deficit in shots on goal.

"You can't get in the box as much as we did tonight against Russia, so we

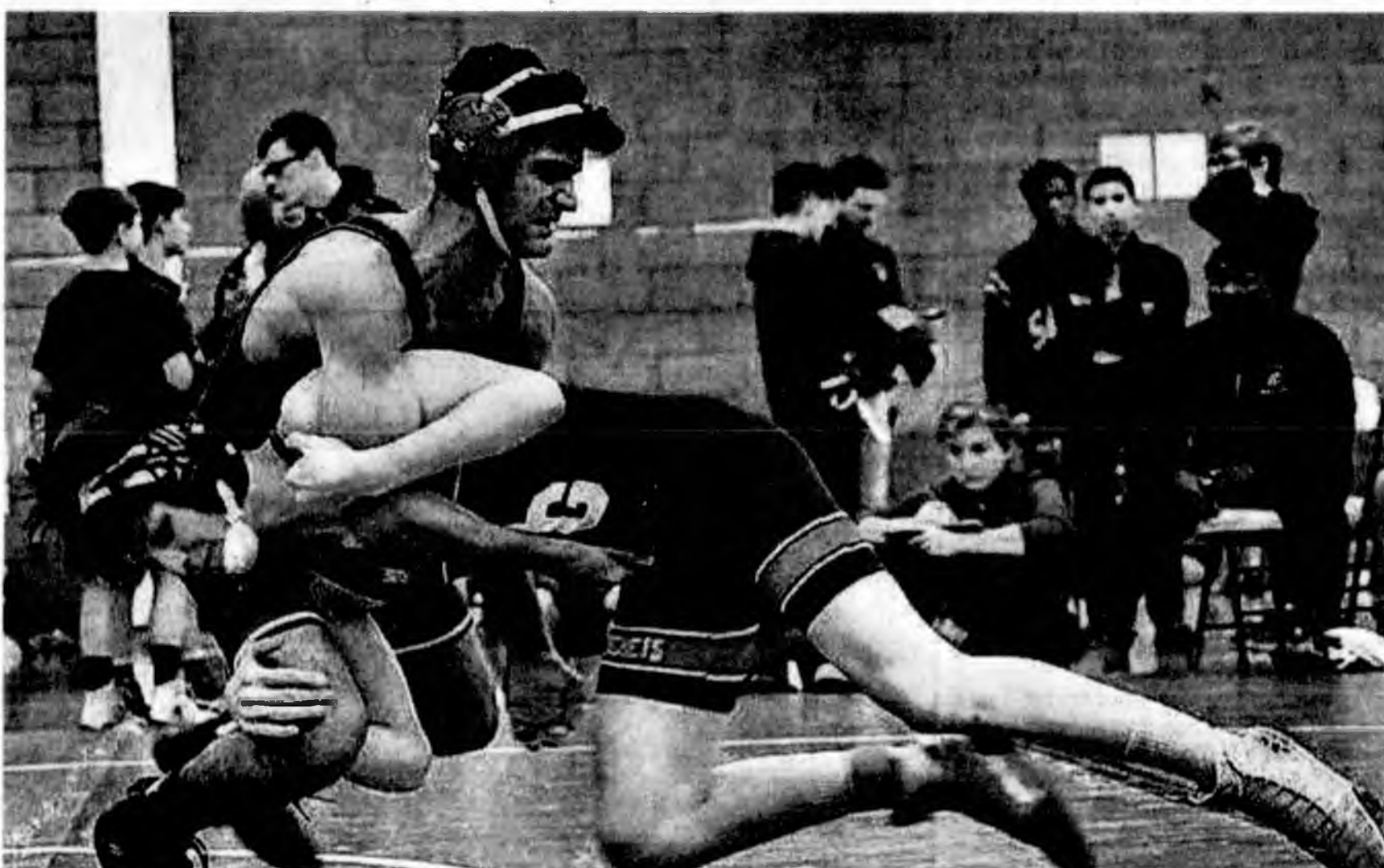
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Players from the U.S. and Russia shake hands after Saturday's U-17 Four Nations Cup championship game. Russia won 3-2 in overtime. RENA LAVERTY | USA HOCKEY

PREP WRESTLING

John Glenn captures county championship



John Glenn's Charlie Kersten (bottom), the county runner-up at 130 pounds, takes a shot against Canton's Ahmed Al-Khekani. TIFFANY BARNUM

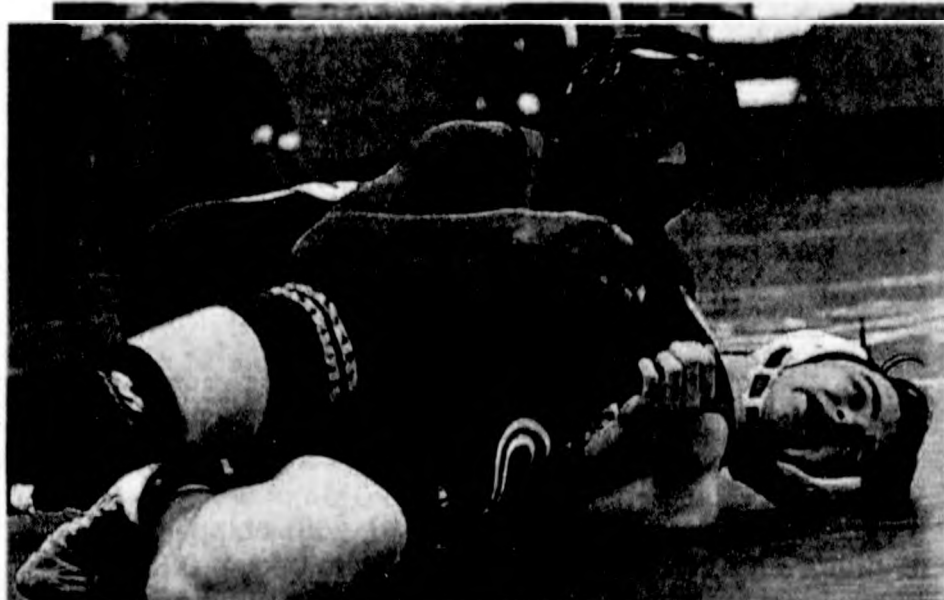
Woodhaven runner-up; host Wyandotte third in 25-school field

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Everything fell into place Saturday as Westland John Glenn captured its sixth consecutive Wayne County wrestling tournament championship.

The Rockets scored 262.5 points, but Brownstown Woodhaven made it relatively close by boasting four individual champions to score 222.5 while earning runner-up honors.

Rounding out the top five were host Wyandotte Roosevelt (146), Livonia



John Glenn's Caleb Meekins, the 125-pound County champ, takes down Franklin's Jimmy Polk. TIFFANY BARNUM

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BOYS HOCKEY

Stevenson edges St. Mary's in Showcase

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Livonia Stevenson took a total of 12 penalties during Saturday's 3-2 boys hockey win over Orchard Lake St. Mary's in the annual MIHL-KLAA Challenge Showcase at Edgar Arena — not exactly the recipe for a victory.

And it was ironic that one of the two goals the Spartans allowed came when St. Mary's was fighting off a penalty.

Goalie Eric Polzin, however, was a big reason the Eagles went 0-of-10 with a man advantage as the senior made 27 saves as Stevenson improved to 7-1 overall.

"You have to give our penalty kill a lot of credit," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said. "And for your penalty kill to be good, your goaltender has to be your best penalty-killer and I thought Eric Polzin was outstanding tonight."

The lanky 6-foot, 162-pound Polzin stood tall throughout the game.

And with 1:37 remaining, the Spartans took their 12th penalty of the night, but St. Mary's was unable to score the equalizer with the man advantage as time expired.

"When I'm going through something like that, I see my teammates out there blocking everything and battling," Polzin said. "Our penalty kill was great. We didn't give them many opportunities when you look at it."

After a scoreless opening period, St. Mary's (4-6) took a 2-1 lead entering the final period on goals by Bryce Kalen and Preston Hazelton (short-handed), while Stevenson's Jaydon Spears countered with a short-handed goal of his own from Brendan Heard and Stephen McDonald.

Josh Suzio's goal from Ayden Adamic tied it at 2-2 in the final period

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BOYS HOCKEY

Plymouth iced by Cranbrook in MIHL-KLAA Challenge

Cranes score four times in opening period en route to 5-1 victory

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It was anticipated to be one of the better match-ups for the day-long Challenge Showcase put on Saturday at Livonia's Edgar Arena by the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League and Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

But as Detroit Red Wings TV broadcaster Mickey Redmond likes to say, "It was bingo bango" before you know it as Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook jumped on Plymouth for four goals during the opening period en route to a convincing 5-1 victory.

Cranbrook improved to 8-3 overall, while Plymouth had its six-game winning streak snapped after losing its season opener to Hartland.

"We came out really hard, the boys were buzzing and we just really wanted to get this win," said Cranbrook senior forward Connor McGrath, who had two goals and one assist in the victory. "We're looking to go 4-0 over this weekend and next weekend, so we knew we had to bring it and that's why we came out hard."

Cranbrook's Connor Mathison opened the scoring at 2:26 of the opening period on a power-play goal from linemate Kam Hellman. At 6:45, McGrath made it 2-0 from Hellman.

The Cranes converted their second power-play goal of the period, this time from Oliver Doran just 20 seconds later.

Cranbrook's lead mushroomed to 4-0 when McGrath scored at 14:42 from Hellman and Doran.

"We had our minds right," McGrath said. "We just came in, knew we had to take care of business, knew we couldn't do anything too fancy and get shots and pucks to the net and get rebounds."

It was a rough period for the Wildcats (6-2), who were outshot 11-5.

"They're so well-coached, there's no room for error and every mistake we made, especially in that first period, they capitalized on," Plymouth coach Gerry Vento said of the Cranes. "It's tough to bounce back from that."

At 3:31 of the second period, Cranbrook increased its lead to 5-0 on Tim Hellweg's goal from Hellman and McGrath's on a shot from the point that eluded Plymouth goaltender Joel Drucker.

"When you get off to a good start like that, the other team is digging themselves out of a hole right off the bat," Cranbrook coach Andy Weidenbach said. "For us, we were on the good side of that equation and, unfortunately for them, they were on the bad side, so they were trying to play catch-up the entire game."

Plymouth finally got on the board with only 3:29 left in the game, on Jack VanDenBurgeury's power-play goal from Kyle Krause and Adam Rebecca to spoil the shutout bid of Cranbrook goaltender David Blask, who made 17 saves.

But it was too little, too late for the Wildcats.

"We got off to a tough start, there's no denying that," Vento said. "You go down 4-0, you're on your heels, but I was



Cranbrook's Alex Ceritano (left) hits the ice hard after flipping over Plymouth's Nathan Stoneburg during the MIHL-KLAA Challenge Showcase. MICHAEL VASILNEK

proud of the way the boys responded. I thought after that point, we kind of played an even game. We lost 5-1 and the score is what it is. I don't think it was a 5-1 game."

Cranbrook outshot Plymouth 25-18.

"Good win; they're a good team, for sure," Weidenbach said. "They're well-coached and they play a real physical style. I think a couple of penalties in the first period probably hurt them a little bit because we scored on the power play. But after that, the game kind of evened up a little bit. I thought the first and second period was really good for us and I thought, in the third period, the game just got a little sloppy for us."

Meanwhile, the line of McGrath, Hellman and Doran was clicking on all cylinders.

"We've had a few rough patches here and there but, for the most part, we we're going," said McGrath, who is looking to play junior hockey following his senior season at Cranbrook.

For Plymouth, it's back to the drawing board.

"When you come to a Showcase like this against quality teams ... you can get exposed," Vento said. "There's some things we have to work on. We've got some young players and a young blue line, but we'll get there."

Vento hopes senior goaltender Josh Montroy, who has been battling a hip issue since the off-season, will return soon for full-time duty.

"He battled an injury in the spring and we're still hoping to have him back, but you play with who you have and you go at it," Vento said.

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Plymouth's Jack VanDenBurgeury (right) checks Cranbrook's Tyler Lee during the MIHL-KLAA Challenge Showcase. MICHAEL VASILNEK

Showcase

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and Spears came through with the game-winner — his second of the night — as the Spartans capitalized on a five-on-three advantage with 8:28 remaining. Austin Adamic and Patrick McGowan drew the assists.

"Spears is very, very quietly become an elite hockey player for us," Mitchell said. "He's playing in all situations for us and he's a guy who has that speed to match up with any teams. The kid works hard and just stays focused, a low-maintenance kid. Very happy and proud of Jaydon Spears."

Polzin, in his second varsity season, entered the game with a .903 save percentage and a 2.16 goals-against average in six starts.

"We're growing, we're learning. Obviously, we've got to cut down on the penalties because it can hurt us down the road," Polzin said. "But it's a young group of guys. Our confidence is growing. We've got a lot of talent."

Polzin served as a backup last season to starter Will Tragge and now feels comfortable in his role after nine games.

"It's been a fun ride, great guys, great

student section, coaches," Polzin said. "They believe in me and I just put in the work."

And speaking of work, the Spartans have to find a way to stay out of the penalty box. St. Mary's, however, helped the cause by getting whistled for 11 penalties of their own.

"Too many penalties. We have to be cleaner, we have to be better," Mitchell said. "But again, give Orchard Lake credit. They put us in a lot of those situations with their speed. A lot of our penalties were taken because their speed was so fast and we didn't adjust well to it. And so when a team is that fast, they force you into taking penalties and that's what they did."

St. Mary's goaltender Preston Lenarcic made 25 saves in a losing cause.

Here is a rundown of some other games played Saturday at Edgar Arena in the Challenge Showcase put on by the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League and Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

TRENTON 5, SALEM 3: Brandon Clark scored a pair of goals, including a short-handed tally, as the Trojans (7-1-1) pulled away in the final period to beat the Rocks (4-3).

Nolan Szczepaniak added a goal and assist, while Gregory Obyrcki (power

play) and Devin Dunn also scored for Trenton, which outscored Salem 3-1 in the final period.

Colin Goleniak had a goal and assist, while Dante Doue added a power play goal for Salem.

Joey Cormier was in goal for Trenton, while Austin Goleniak was in net for Salem.

CANTON 5, GROSSE POINTE NORTH 2: Chris Hagan's hat trick lifted the Chiefs (7-4) to a win over Grosse Pointe North (1-6).

James Monteith chipped in a goal and assist, while Declan O'Hare added Canton's other goal. Other assists went to Austin Woelke (two), Sammy McArdle, Alex Poe, Hugo Fonovic and Lenny Kubitski.

Brock Spicher and Chris Lorelli scored goals for the Norsemen.

Jaxon Taylor went all the way in goal for Canton, while Brian Clogg was in net for North.

DE LA SALLE 3, CHURCHILL 1: Goals by Jacob Frederick (power play), Seve Litz and Brendan Peltó gave Warren De La Salle (6-3-1) a triumph over Livonia Churchill (3-4).

Vaughn Kendall scored a power-play goal from Jimmy Targosz with only 1:45 left in the final period to spoil De La Salle goaltender Daniel Miscavish's shutout

bid.

Bryant Riley went all the way in goal for the Chargers.

U-D JESUIT 2, NORTHVILLE 1: Ben Charboneau's goal, assisted by Alex Chapie, with only 25 seconds remaining in the third period gave University of Detroit-Jesuit (9-1) the win over the Mustangs (3-5).

U-D took a 1-0 first-period lead on Chapie's goal from Jack Miller, but Northville's Nick Bogenhagen countered in the final period on a power-play goal from Barad Rohan and Jake McNeil with 8:31 to play.

Northville goalie Owen Moruzi made 17 saves, while U-D's Owen Przybylo had 10.

PORT HURON NORTHERN 3, NOVI 2: Sophomore Cameron Barlass scored a pair of goals as the Huskies (4-5) edged the Wildcats (2-5).

Ethan Smith also scored for Northern, while Isacc Gibbs and Jon Changes (power play) scored for Novi, which also got assists from Tanish Nicanametla, Max Rallis and Sam Lewinski.

Kyle O'Brien was the winning goaltender, while Evan Budd played all 51 minutes in net for Novi.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Novi edges Northville on Verma's clutch triple

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Chris Housey's first and now second win as head coach of Novi's varsity boys basketball team is something he'll never forget.

Neither will senior co-captain Aryan Verma, who sank a trey from the left corner with 11.4 seconds to go to lift the Wildcats to a 49-48 win over host Northville.

Novi was coming off a buzzer-beater 42-41 win just three days earlier against Bloomfield Hills.

But before Housey, Verma and the Wildcats could celebrate, they had to weather the Northville storm — three field-goal tries in the closing seconds, any of which would have turned the game into a Mustangs victory.

All three missed the mark to close out an emotion-packed, see-saw KLA West Division battle.

"This is a great momentum-builder for us," said Housey, whose team improved to 2-2 overall and 1-0 in the division. "It's a great league win, first league win for us going forward. I think it's going to help build a lot of momentum."

"We still got a lot of work to do. But it means a lot, especially in a big rivalry game like this. It's my first one and it was great."

Locked in

Verma had gone scoreless until he found the range, getting open to grab a feed from senior guard Giovanni Miles (21 points to lead all scorers), eye the rim and sink the 3-pointer.

"At the beginning of the play, the shot was designated for Jio," Verma said. "But everyone was on him because he was hitting everything all day. So I was completely wide open and I felt nothing when I hit that shot. I was just in the game, I was locked in."

He soon was overwhelmed with energy and emotion when he realized the magnitude of his clutch basket.

"No emotions, but as soon as it went in, all my emotions came back in," Verma said.

The Mustangs, led by junior forward Zach Shoemaker's 15 points, trailed 25-24 at halftime, but roared back in the third to go up 40-35 entering the fourth. Head coach Todd Sander's team (2-1, 0-1) still held a 47-41 advantage midway through the final quarter.

That's when things seemed to get away from Northville, with costly turnovers and fouls — not to mention one play where a missed Novi free throw turned into an "own" basket, accidentally knocked in by a Mustangs player around the rim.

"We were a little tentative down the stretch, I thought," Sander said. "The defense that they were playing, to really



Novi's Bruce Turner takes the ball to the rim against Northville's Daniel McLaughlin during Friday's game. JOHN KEMSKI | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

make it hurt, you have to attack it. And I felt we got a little bit tentative and were maybe a little bit afraid to drive it in there, which led to us maybe not getting a good shot or then maybe one of those later turnovers.

"It's a close game whenever these two teams get together. We made a lot of big plays after they jumped out on us early. Our guys never quit. We love them, but we got to continue to get better."

Game of inches

With Northville clinging to a 48-46 lead with less than two minutes to go, the Mustangs got the ball back after a missed free throw. But instead of having a chance to go up by four points, a Northville player was called for stepping on the sideline near the home bench.

"That's basketball and that's all sports, right?" Sander said. "But really it doesn't always come down to that last play. There's a lot of stuff leading up to

that last sequence or that last play that, if you do something differently, maybe you're not even in that situation."

"Every possession is equal and we preach that. So the turnover in the first quarter is just as big as the turnover with three minutes left."

Sander credited his team for bouncing back from a tough start. Novi broke out to a 12-3 lead with 3:10 left in the opening quarter. But the Mustangs started chipping away and trailed just 14-9 after the quarter, thanks to a buzzer-beater by senior forward Daniel McLaughlin (nine points).

Sparking the attack in the middle quarters, to get the Mustangs out of the early hole, was Shoemaker. After not scoring in the opening quarter, he scored seven points in both the second and third.

"Zach had a really nice finish to the game," Sander said. "He had 15 after getting shut out in the first quarter. That was certainly a positive. This was probably the best offensive game, for most of



Northville's Daniel McLaughlin tries to split Novi defenders Troy Atkins (left) and Giovanni Miles en route to the basket. JOHN KEMSKI | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

it, that he has played.

"He's only scored two and four up until this point. But he made a lot of big plays when we really needed it."

Also playing well for Northville were senior forwards Ryan Pumper (eight rebounds) and Steven Morrissey (seven points), along with senior guard Paul Kearis.

"Ryan Pumper is a machine down underneath," Sander said. "He didn't get a ton of points tonight, but he controls a lot of the action, he controls a lot of the glass."

"(Kearis) did a nice job decision-making, attacking against their pressure. We didn't shoot the ball real well early on and I certainly think that was a difference, why it was only a one-point game at halftime."

Coming up big

Miles was the only Novi player in double figures. Scoring six points each were senior Troy Atkins and juniors Bruce Turner and Miles Sloan.

"Troy Atkins and Jett Porter were just battling down there and I'm sure (Miles) had a few defensive rebounds as well," Housey said. "It was just a total team effort. It was everybody contributing throughout the whole game at the right time and it was just a great win for us."

And about Verma saving his best for last, Housey smiled.

"He's been in a little bit of a slump and we talked about that," he said. "It's a great sign of a captain to persevere, to come back and be able to keep his head up and heat that shot."

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Wrestling

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Franklin (130) and Southgate Anderson (122). A total of 25 schools participated.

"My team stepped up and wrestled well all day," Glenn coach Bill Polk said. "It takes a team effort with everyone contributing points to win individual tournaments. We had 13-of-14 wrestlers place; that's hard to beat. What I'm most proud of is every wrestler on our team placed at or higher than they were seeded. Usually when that happens, you wind up with a good outcome."

Glenn boasted three individual champions: Caleb Meekins (125 pounds), who upped his record to 12-1 with a pin over Detroit Mumford's Kobey Caldwell; Kyle Borthwell (135), who won his 12th straight match without a loss with a 16-2 major decision over Southgate's Ryan Cacicedo; and Brenton Polk (152), who upped his mark to 12-1 with an 8-3 decision over Grosse Pointe North's Raymond Hamilton.

Josh Mars (103), Charlie Kersten (130) and Sadiq Sheikhmeeri (189) all placed second for the Rockets.

"I'm happy for the guys and our program," coach Polk said. "My wrestlers put in the time. We pride ourselves in outworking everyone. Usually good things happen when you do that. We are the best in the area. Hopefully, we can keep improving and be one of the best in the state by the end of the season."

Franklin's lone individual champion was junior Jake Swirple (285), who defeated Fordson's Mahdi Hazimein in the finals, 4-1, to run his season record to 12-0.

"Jake is wrestling really well this year,



Westland John Glenn's wrestling team captured its sixth straight Wayne County tournament championship. DAN KERSTEN



Swirple

but he was definitely tested today," Franklin coach Dave Chiola said. "The Fordson kid and him will see each other a lot this year and I'm sure they will all be close."

The Patriots, coming off their fourth straight Livonia city championship Dec. 12, have been battling the injury bug so far this season.

"At the beginning of the season, I thought we had a legitimate shot at winning this, but we have really been hit hard with injuries this year," Chiola said. "If the season ended today, we have had more injuries this year than any other year I've coached. Every team gets its

share of injuries, as we always have, but this year has been particularly bad. I'm hoping we can get some kids back soon before we get into the second half the season. It's tough, because it doesn't just effect the meets and tournaments, but it effects the practices."

Other Hometownlife.com-area individual champs included Salem's Ja-Quan Baker (171), who ran his record to 9-2 with a pin over Canton's Chris Little; and Plymouth's Andrew Atallah (189), who pinned Sheikhmeeri in the final to raise his record to 8-1.

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TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Westland John Glenn, 262.5 points; 2. Brownstown Woodhaven, 225.5; 3. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 146; 4. Livonia Franklin, 130; 5. Southgate Anderson, 122; 6. Salem, 76; 7. Belleville, 104; 8. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 94; 9. Livonia Churchill, 92; 10. Dearborn Fordson, 91.5; 13. Plymouth, 78; 14. Canton, 69.5; 22. Livonia Stevenson, 35.5; 23. Wayne Memorial, 26.

INDIVIDUAL FINALISTS/PLACERS

103 pounds: Marcello Luna (Woodhaven) dec. Josh Mars (Glenn), 2-4; 3. Jono Pailhan (Sgate); 4. Ethan Cheng (Franklin); 5. Alex Biundo (Wyan.); 6. Jack Gattoni (N'ville); 7. Brandon Liu (N'ville); 8. Sam Alaqel (Fordson).

102: Zein Bazzi (Crestwood) won by major dec. over Jamal Chakkour (Crestwood), 11-3; 3. Ty Cowen (Glenn); 4. Abdullah Nassr (Edsel Ford); 5. Devin Sawmiller (Riverview); 6. Jake Campbell (Wyan.); 7. Dominic Megdanoff (Glenn); 8. Greg Howard (Grosse Ile).

105: Alec Balogh (Sgate) dec. Isaac Stench (Sgate), 10-4; 3. Christian Gerber (Franklin); 4. Ethan Collins (Glenn); 5. DeQuan Baker (Salem); 6. Mohammed Almadani (Edsel Ford); 7. Logan Lach (G.P. North); 8. Thomas Leese (Belleville).

125: Caleb Meekins (Glenn) pinned Kobey Caldwell (Mumford), 1:31; 3. Nick McPhail (Wyan.); 4. Joey Corless (Allen Park); 5. Collin Schultz (Salem); 6. Jagger Kwiatkowski (Franklin); 7. Ayden Collins (Glenn); 8. Alex Roth (G.P. South).

130: Aseel Almudhala (Fordson) won by major dec. over Charlie Kersten (Glenn), 11-3; 3. Nick Biundo (Wyand.); 4. Garrett Englehart (Churchill); 5. Mitch Stricker (G.P. South); 6. Daniel Bragiel (Churchill); 7. Collin Miracle (Allen Park); 8. Connor Armstrong (Salem).

135: Kyle Borthwell (Glenn) won by major dec. over Ryan Cacicedo (Sgate), 16-2; 3. Joseph Marano (Edsel Ford); 4. Nicholas Pyle (Woodhaven); 5. Max Hirvela (Salem); 6. Drew Bush (Churchill); 7. Ali Moussa (Crestwood); 8. Shawn Burke (Belleville).

140: Mason Grasso (Woodhaven) dec. Josh Hettrick (Annapolis), 10-8; 3. Shawn Brown (Glenn); 4. Kyle Cox (Wyan.); 5. Christian Neff (Lincoln Park); 6. Rocco DiPonio (Franklin); 7. Cameron Howard (Belleville); 8. Devyn Griffin (G.P. South).

145: Mikale Mitchell (Woodhaven) p. Mike Hakim (Crestwood), 3:25; 3. Kyle Thompson (Riverview); 4. Anthony Ferencik (Woodhaven); 5. Nicholas Gattoni (N'ville); 6. Jacob Johnson (Franklin); 7. Dominic Duprie (Roosevelt); 8. Gabe Browne (Allen Park).

152: Brenton Polk (Glenn) dec. Raymond Hamilton (G.P. North), 8-3; 3. Dylan Slowik (Canton); 4. Jared Deichholzer (Roosevelt); 5. Eric Viera (Lincoln Park); 6. Jacob Jackson (Stevenson); 7. David Miller (Belleville); 8. Ahmed Chami (Dearborn Fordson).

160: Kyle Emery (Woodhaven) dec. Blake Williams (Belleville), 10-4; 3. Graden Bowen (Glenn); 4. Ty Wyka (Edsel Ford); 5. Trevor Williams (Lincoln Park); 6. Michael Bragiel (Churchill); 7. Mahmoud Dakroub (Fordson); 8. Jarell Wilkinson (Stevenson).

171: Ja-Quan Baker (Salem) p. Chris Little (Canton), 1:53; 3. Joshua Watters (Woodhaven); 4. Jalen Adams (Wayne); 5. Jesus Plasencia (Roosevelt); 6. Connor Majewski (Belleville); 7. Spencer Vos (Plymouth); 8. Noah Grunwald (Riverview).

189: Andrew Atallah (Plymouth) p. Sadiq Sheikhmeeri (Glenn), 1:05; 3. Erick Reaves (Franklin); 4. Ivan Hernandez (Lincoln Park); 5. Jacob Phillips (Woodhaven); 6. Joe Bloom (Annapolis); 7. Alex Laskowski (N'ville); 8. Bryan Puryear (Annapolis).

285: Ian Norscie (Sgate) dec. Matt Wilson (Churchill), 6-0; 3. Scotty Grunwald (Riverview); 4. Miles Dearing (G.P. South); 5. Markus Sturgill (Woodhaven); 7. Cardear Anderson (Wayne); 8. Alec Maine (Annapolis).

288: Jake Swirple (Franklin) dec. Mahdi Haxime (Fordson), 4-1; 3. Nicholas West (Lincoln Park); 4. Jaden Rice (Belleville); 5. Derian Wesley (Woodhaven); 6. Evan Kirkpatrick (Salem); 7. Christian Haddad (Churchill); 8. Antoine Hines (Glenn).

Russia

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need to learn from that," U.S. head coach Seth Appert said. "They're a team that's deadly on line rushes and deadly on the power play. And we did a really good job both games of limiting their line rushes with our back-checking and our gaps of our defensemen."

"We didn't give them much five-on-five really all weekend, but we gave them too many power plays."

Plenty of growth

Appert, however, said his team's tournament showing — three wins and an overtime loss — demonstrates a large step forward in improvement since the team's performance against Russia at the U-17 World Challenge in Canada.

"In the last six weeks, this team gained a huge chunk of ground on Russia," Appert said. "Now have to keep moving forward in prep for the February Five Nations (in Sweden)."

"Now you got to use the disappointment, the bitter, bitter sting of disappointment of watching them get a trophy on our ice and you got to use it every day to outwork them. And outwork Sweden. And outwork Finland. So that we can gain more ground for the next time we play in February internationally ... that's the message, you got to use this to fuel you."

Smilanic again showed why he is one of the most-coveted prospects of his birth year with two power-play goals from the right circle. His second one, with 6:18 remaining, fired up the crowd of 1,202 and lifted the proceedings to another level for the remaining portion of the third period and overtime.

"The first one (at 3:31 to open the scoring) came into the zone fairly early in the game, just shot it on net, didn't even know it went in actually," said Smilanic, who scored four goals in the tournament. "Pretty happy with that one."

"And the (one-timer), it was nice to tie it up, for sure, got the energy going on the bench. In OT, I had an empty net and I'm pretty frustrated I didn't score that one."

Becoming complete player

Appert said Smilanic's all-around



Ty Smilanic (right), celebrates with teammates Dylan Peterson (left) and Jake Sanderson after scoring a power-play goal for the U.S. RENA LAVERTY | USA HOCKEY

game continues to get better.

"He's grown tremendously in his overall game," Appert said. "Not only is he an offensive force for us, but now he's a guy we trust in big-time defensive situations, and penalty kill, and D-zone face-offs."

If Smilanic had one moment he could get back from Saturday's game, it would be for a high hit in the corner that resulted in a minor and misconduct.

Although Russia did not score during that subsequent power play, the early U.S. momentum briefly was lost.

And three more penalties called in succession on the U.S. ultimately result-

ed in the Russian equalizer on a five-on-three power play at the 15:24 mark of the first period.

Alexander Pashin sent a cross-crease feed to Ivan Didkovski for an easy tap-in at the right post, evening the contest at 1-1.

"What the Russians do is, they let puck do the work," Appert said. "And that puck is snapping and snapping and snapping. And nobody's holding it for more than a second or so."

The U.S., meanwhile, had a pair of five-on-three power plays early in the second period, but could not beat goalie Semyon Sharabarin.

Russia scored another power-play goal at 14:37 of the second period to go up 2-1. Dmitri Zupan took a centering pass from Pavel Tyutnev and slammed it home.

That set the stage for Smilanic's second goal, which like the first one was set up by a perfect pass by Dylan Peterson.

Although he and his teammates came close a few times after that, they could not solve the acrobatic Sharabarin and capture the coveted trophy.

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Canton's Fedewa GAM's top Super Senior

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Canton's Mike Fedewa was old enough to play in the Super Seniors division of Golf Association of Michigan championships four seasons ago, but he didn't embrace the idea until summer 2018.

"I felt I could compete with the seniors (ages 55-65) and I still do, but I finally said this is going to be the year I make the switch," he said. "I committed to doing Super Senior tournaments all the way and I'm really happy about that."

Fedewa, 69, is the 2018 GAM Super Senior Player of the Year.

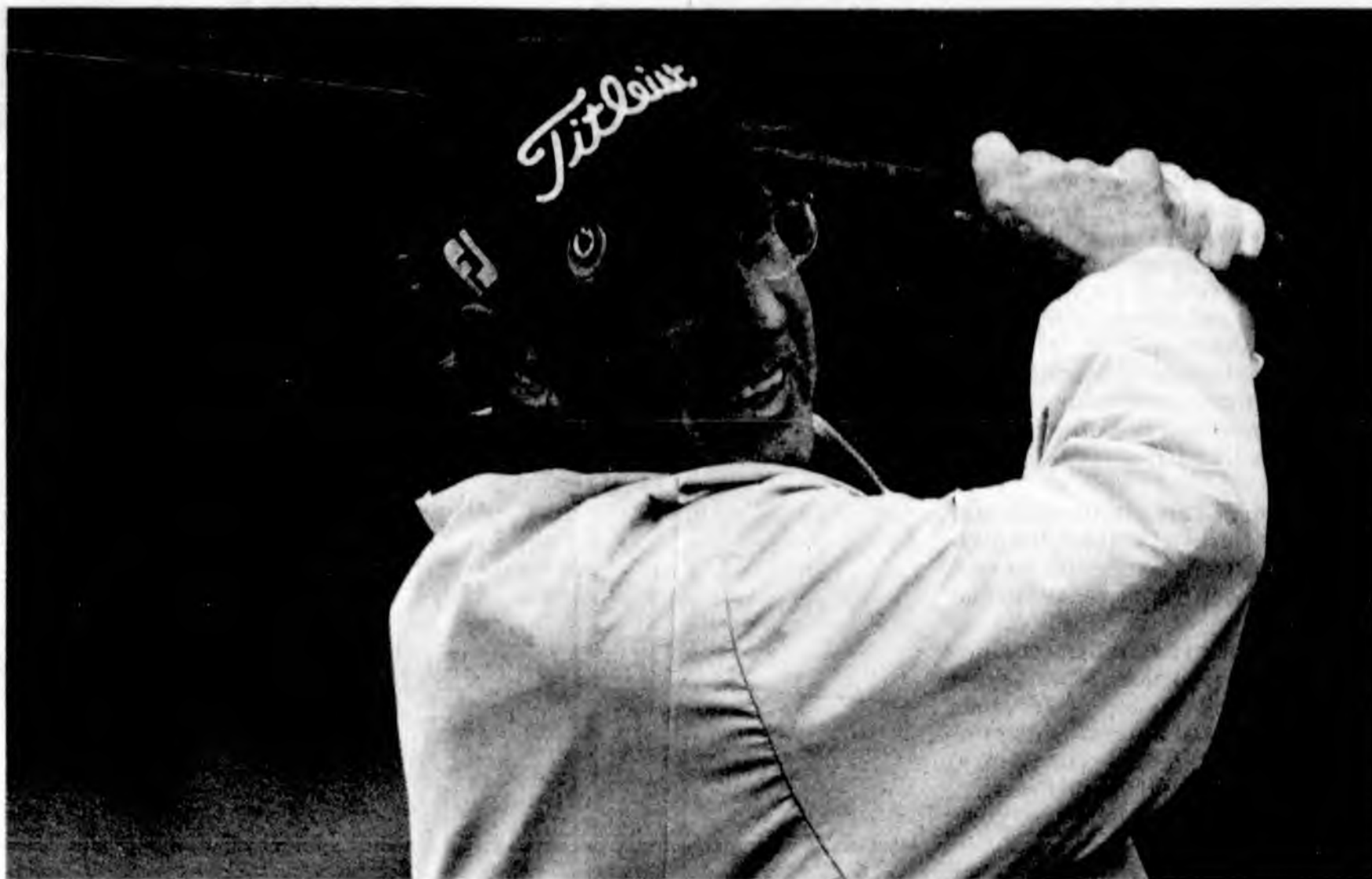
"When I see Mike, I don't think Super Senior," said Ken Hartmann, senior director of rules and competitions. "He still looks young and he hits the ball like a young guy. He has always been very competitive and very consistent in his play."

GAM Players of the Year are determined by the GAM Honor Roll points system. Point totals can be found under the Championships tab at gam.org. Over the next few weeks, the GAM will announce more Players of the Year in gender and age categories.

Previously, Alex Scott of Traverse City was named the Men's Player of the Year and Kerri Parks of Flushing was named the Women's Player of the Year. Mitch Wilson of Portage was named the Senior Men's Player of the Year and Julie Massa of Holt was named the Senior Women's Player of the Year.

Fedewa, a GAM member through Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton, totaled 230 points, keyed by four second-place finishes in senior championships this summer.

He was runner-up in the GAM Senior Match Play Super Senior bracket to Pete Saputo of Bloomfield Hills and Oakland Hills Country Club, second to Rick Herpich of Orchard Lake and Orchard Lake Country Club in the GAM Senior Championship Super Senior division, second to Tom Rex Jr. of Charlevoix and Belvedere Golf Club in the GAM Mid-Am Super Senior division and second in the



Canton's Mike Fedewa was named 2018 Golf Association of Michigan top Super Senior. GREGORY JOHNSON

Michigan PGA's Senior Open to Mike Sequite of Marshall and The Medalist Golf Club.

Herpich finished second to Fedewa on the Honor Roll with 139 points. Ian Harris of Bloomfield Hills and TPC of Michigan was third with 135 and Sequite with 120 and Saputo with 105 rounded out the top five.

"Second place was my place this year and it seems like I've finished second a lot over the years," said Fedewa, who retired from General Motors and the Milford Proving Grounds in 2008 after 36 years and has worked the last 10 years on the grounds crew at Pheasant Run part time. He and his wife Darlene live in a condominium near hole No. 12.

"I played a lot of golf in the 1970s, but then with family commitments and work I didn't play competitive golf for

over 30 years," he said. "My first tournament back in competition was in 2007, the year before I retired from General Motors. It was the GAM Senior Championship at Belvedere and I won. It was a good start back."

Fedewa, who also captured the Senior Mid-Am Team Championship in 2016 with his son Steve, said he can't say enough about the tournament opportunities available to seniors.

"It's such a great selection of tournaments and it has been a lot of fun," he said. "I tell my son not to worry about not having time to play at his age. He has senior golf to look forward to and it's great. The GAM runs great tournaments."

Fedewa said he used to joke about retiring and then working on a golf course. "Turns out, I did and I've been at

Pheasant Run 10 years now," he said. "It's good. It keeps me active and able to play. I've had some back troubles the last few years, but this year it didn't bother me as much and it showed in my golf game. I was much more consistent."

Hartmann is never surprised to see Fedewa's name on the leader boards at tournaments.

"He's a self-taught guy, never had a lesson, and that's pretty impressive with the game he has," he said. "When he's in a tournament, I'm surprised when his name isn't up at the top because he's so solid. He's just good and Mike and his son won the Senior Mid-Am Team a couple of years ago and that's not easy. A lot of great teams and the best players in the state are in that every year."

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BOYS HOCKEY

Angry Hartland squad routs Northville

Bill Khan
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As Hartland's boys hockey state championship celebration was winding down last March, the torch was passed from senior snipers Josh Albring and Jake Behnke to Joey Larson.

Larson had provided quiet excellence on the offensive end for the Eagles, while Albring and Behnke commanded most of the attention.

The transition may have actually begun during that championship run, as Larson led Hartland in tourney scoring with 10 goals and nine assists in six games.

Now a senior, Larson is the undisputed leader of Hartland's attack, the player opponents focus on shutting down.

So far, nobody has succeeded in that regard.

Larson scored a natural hat trick during a first-period explosion Dec. 12 that carried Hartland, the top-ranked team in Division 2, to an 8-0 two-period victory over ninth-ranked (Division 1) Northville at Hartland Sports Center.

In seven games, Larson has 10 goals and four assists.

"There's not a better kid than Joey Larson," Hartland coach Rick Gadwa said. "I should call him a man, not a kid; he's a man. He's done a great job of leading this team. You saw how he does it on the ice, but he also does it in the room."

Larson is in his third season skating with senior Brenden Tulpa, who has a goal and six assists. They are joined by junior Kieran Carlile, who has three goals and nine assists.

"I've got good linemates, so they've been setting me up," Larson said. "It's been good. We've been working the puck well. Everyone seems to be finding each other. I'm just gonna tap the easy ones home."

"I've played with Tulpa for all my years at Hartland. We've created a lot of chemistry. It's nice having a guy like him. I've been playing with Kieran just



Hartland's Max McIlmurray prepares to take a shot against Northville goalie Conner Boucha. TIMOTHY ARRICK | LIVINGSTON DAILY

this year. I've never really played with him before, but he's been doing good, too."

Northville (4-4) was in the wrong place at the wrong time against the wrong team.

Hartland (6-1) was in a foul mood, coming off its first loss since last February, a 2-1 setback to three-time defending Ohio state champion Cleveland St. Ignatius.

The Eagles took out their frustration on the Mustangs, pumping home six goals in the first 8:34 of the game.

Dakota Kott opened the scoring at the one-minute mark. Larson's three straight goals came at 1:21, 3:43 and 4:45, chasing starting goalie Owen Moruzi.

Backup Connor Boucha got a rude reception, as the Eagles made it 6-0 by the midway mark of the period on goals by Trent Krause at 5:42 and Adam Pietila at 8:26.

"Everyone was mad," Larson said. "We just wanted to come out and prove ourselves, start on time. We ended up doing it."

Northville settled down after the early onslaught, holding Hartland scoreless for more than 19 minutes before Max McIlmurray scored at 10:48 of the second and defenseman Sam Kastamo scored his first high school goal with 3:20 left in the second period.

With an eight-goal margin after two periods, the game ended via the mercy rule, a stunning outcome for a Northville

team that allowed only 12 goals in its first seven games.

"We came out flat," Northville assistant coach Jon Gates said. "The game started at 7:30 and we started at about 8:15. They were a lot faster than any team we've played all year. It's our eighth game and by far that's the most talented team we've seen so far."

"We got down. We got a little shell-shocked, got back on our heels. We competed better in the second period and let a couple in, but they battled a little better in the second. That first 10, 12 minutes wasn't real good for us."

Brett Tome needed to make only eight saves for his second shutout of the season.

BOYS HOCKEY

Catholic Central wins showdown with Brighton

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The message from Paul Moggach was the same Saturday as it was 52 weeks ago.

"Nothing's ever as bad as it seems," the Brighton hockey coach said.

For the second straight year, Brighton lost a three-goal decision to rival Detroit Catholic Central in the KLAA-MIHL Showcase, this time by a 4-1 score at Eddie Edgar Ice Arena.

The task for the Bulldogs now will be to turn things around like they did following a 3-0 loss to the Shamrocks in the showcase last season. When the teams met again 83 days later in the Division 1 state semifinals, Brighton earned a 2-1 victory on its way to a second straight state championship.

"It's not even Christmas," Moggach said. "We're still trying to figure out our character and the kind of team we're going to be. I believe we're going to get it."

Catholic Central has been one of many stumbling blocks for the Bulldogs this season.

Brighton is off to a 2-7 start, losing its last four games. Every game has been against a team ranked in the top five in their division in Michigan or Ohio.

Catholic Central, which has lost to Brighton in the last two state tournaments, keeps rolling along. The Shamrocks are 10-1 and riding an eight-game winning streak.

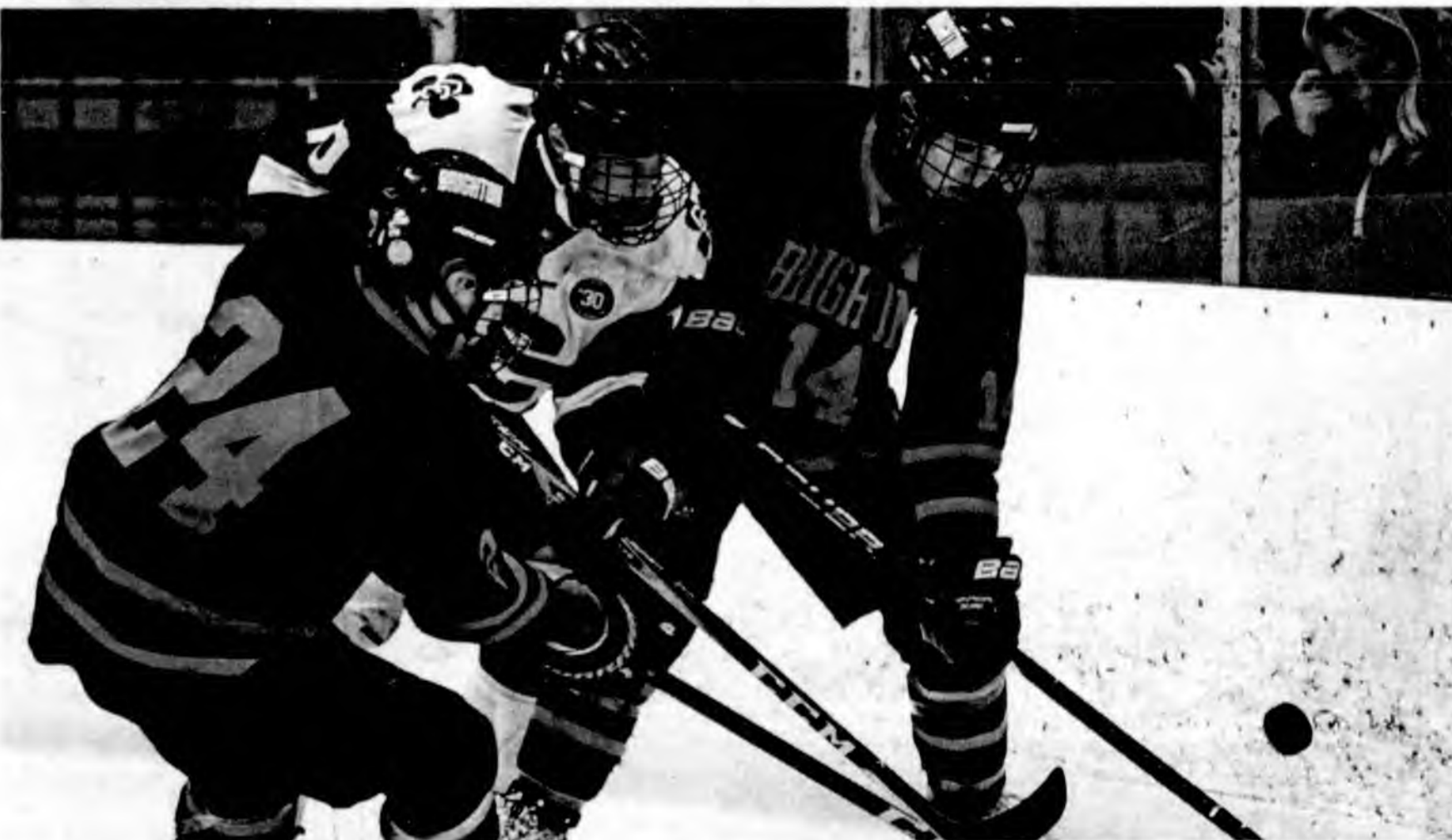
Catholic Central coach Brandon Kaleniecki tried not putting too much emphasis on a regular-season game with Brighton, though he's not sure his players do the same.

"I'm sure they were (extra motivated), but we try not to focus on that, because it's a different team every year," Kaleniecki said. "What we focus on is, you know they've got a good program, you know they've got a really good team. Try to get them to control their emotions so they don't get too amped up."

"I think maybe that's one of the things they've done, get a little bit too amped up, and it's gripping the stick too tight or whatever it is."

The Shamrocks took a 2-0 lead in the first period on goals by Kyle Gaffney at 11:58 and Dylan Dooley at 14:44.

The Bulldogs cut the lead in half in the second period, when Noah Stanko



Jason Verhelle (right) and Michael Forfinski of Brighton battle Detroit Catholic Central's Eli Brown for the puck. TIMOTHY ARRICK | LIVINGSTON DAILY



Brighton's Will Jentz (left) and Detroit Catholic Central's Brendan Hill go after the puck behind the net. TIMOTHY ARRICK | LIVINGSTON DAILY

scored at the 8:57 mark.

Brighton goalie Harrison Fleming left the game with 5:49 left in the second period and threw up in a trash can behind the team bench. He returned to start the third period and was chosen his team's Player of the Game in a postgame award

ceremony. Backup Cade Groman didn't allow a goal during his brief stint.

"We won that period," Moggach said. "We're just trying to win a period, win a shift. We were feeling pretty good about ourselves. Then we gave up that quick goal in the third and that kind of damp-

ened the spirits. But I don't think we ever quit."

Rylan Clemons scored just 47 seconds into the third period to re-establish Catholic Central's two-goal lead. Joe Borthwick completed the scoring with 7:54 left in the game.

"I thought our first period was pretty good," Kaleniecki said. "We were really moving our feet. We got up two goals after one; you can't ask for too much more in a game like that. Our second period was at times a little sluggish and, certainly, they came on a little bit; you can expect push back."

"So you go into the third up 2-1 and it's going to be a dogfight. The goal to start the third period from Rylan, that's huge. I didn't feel our second period was a great period. For that shift to come right away at the start of the third swings the momentum back."

Catholic Central's victory in the final game of the showcase gave the MIHL the championship trophy for the second straight year, 6-4.

BOYS HOCKEY

Lakeland squad off to historic start

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Lakeland's boys hockey team is off to a perfect start through its first seven games.

The Eagles defeated Troy, 6-2, Dec. 12 to hike its overall record to 7-0. It marks the first time in head coach Tim Ronayne's 11 years that his squad has gone undefeated this far into the season.

While Ronayne is excited about the strong start, he cautions it's a long season.

"We're obviously off to a great start. We've never had this kind of start before," said Ronayne, a 1974 Catholic Central grad. "It's been really enjoyable, because the players are all buying in to what we're trying to do and we're performing the way we practice. It's been really great."

"It's new territory for all of us and we certainly feel good about what we've accomplished so far," he added. "We all feel good about it as coaches and players, but everybody knows what the task at hand is."

Lakeland raised some eyebrows right from the season's opening face-off by winning a pair of games up north at the Chi Mukwa Community Recreation Center in Sault Ste. Marie.

The Eagles opened with a 2-0 victory over Big Rapids, then bounced back with an impressive 5-3 victory over Sault Ste. Marie. While it is not the first time Lakeland has swept its two foes on its annual season-opening trip to the Upper Peninsula, it is the first time it has ever defeated the host Blue Devils.

That victory gave the Eagles a big boost of confidence and helped jump-start their strong start.

"We beat two quality programs up there and that really got us started," Ronayne said. "For us to beat Sault Ste. Marie was a landmark for us. That kind of showed us we have a decent team and that we could play with a lot of different teams out there."

"I knew we would be competitive this year but, more importantly, that win showed the players they could win and they started to believe in themselves," he added. "It gave them a lot of confidence."

A collective effort

Ronayne has eight players returning from last year's squad, which finished 16-9. The Eagles placed second in the Lakes Valley Conference standings with an 8-2 mark, one game behind champion South Lyon.

While the Eagles have been getting strong play offensively from their top line, Ronayne said it's the complete team effort that has keyed the early-season success.

"It started in the off-season, when my assistant coach Matt McElwee ran a program and the players were buying into that," said Ronayne, whose team includes nine seniors. "Once we did that, we knew we had some serious players who wanted to play and perform."

"We've had some great scoring and good goaltending and we've just been competing well in all three zones of the ice," he added. "Everybody is contributing. Collectively, we are doing a great job."

Lakeland is led by the top line of senior captain Blake Jackson, junior captain Ben Getzen and junior forward Max Cohen.

After a four-point effort against Troy, Cohen continues to lead Lakeland in scoring with 21 points on 11 goals and 10 assists. Getzen is second with 15 points (six goals, nine assists) and Jackson is next with 12 points (six goals, six assists).

"Blake has been on the team since he was a sophomore and Ben has been here since he was a freshman — he was the first freshman I ever took," Ronayne said. "Ben is a really good player who plays hard in all three zones and Max is very gifted offensively."

"They all have a certain feel for the game and that's something you can't teach, that's something I think you're gifted with," he added. "They practice hard and compete hard and they are all very coachable."

Senior forward Jacob Lesnew is a senior captain and sophomore forward Nick Hrobosky has also reached double-figure scoring with 10 points (six goals, four assists).

Lakeland's defensemen are all underclassmen.

The returning juniors are Ryan Ramboer, Ryan Stichler and Nik Cascianelli. Junior David Dell and sophomores Matt Zarembo and Owen Arnold round out the capable blue line corps.



Senior captain Blake Jackson is one of Lakeland's top scorers.



Junior Ben Getzen is already a three-year varsity player for Lakeland head coach Tim Ronayne.



Junior Ryan Ramboer is one of six defensemen who are underclassmen for the undefeated Lakeland hockey team.

The goalies include seniors Bryce Samoylov and Jason Loo (three wins each) and Tristan Grant (one win).

"Everybody on our team wants to do

well, compete hard and improve," Ronayne said. "It's not about two or three guys. They all listen and they all buy into what we want to accomplish. As coach-

es, we're pretty happy about that."

Eyes on the LVC title

Ronayne and his Eagles have their collective eyes set on the LVC championship this season after last year's runner-up finish. They took a big step in that direction with a 4-3 victory over South Lyon in their first meeting Dec. 1.

Lakeland also hopes to make some noise in the state tourney, where it annually plays against some of the state's toughest competition. For instance, the Eagles last year dropped their first-round game to eventual Division 2 state champion Hartland.

"We want to win our league, for sure. That's a goal we always set," Ronayne said. "We know we have to bring it in every game to get that. We felt we kind of let it slip away last year and this year we're a lot more focused, especially in that game against South Lyon."

"We have a competitive schedule and we want to do that so that we can be prepared for the quality programs that we'll see in the (state tournament)," he added. "We feel we can compete with them and win. But at the same time, we understand what we're trying to do here."

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BOYS HOCKEY

Boback ready to push BU program

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Talk about hitting the ground running — or, in this case, hit the ice skating.

It's 45 minutes before practice Wednesday afternoon inside the Birmingham Ice Arena and first-year Birmingham Unified head coach Mike Boback is ready to go.

Sitting behind a desk inside the coach's office and wearing his dark BU jacket, Boback's skates are laced. His gloves rest on one corner of the desk with his black BU hat sitting on top of them, awaiting pickup.

"By the time (the players) get out of class and by the time they get here, we're down to 48 minutes is what I figure for skating and skills," Boback said. "School is their main priority, but as soon as they get here with me, let's go out and have some fun and start learning how to play hockey the right way."

"We have to get them in shape as well to last the season," he added. "We just try to grab as much ice as we can and rally the guys up with the pace I'm pushing them to play at."

Accepting the job

The Birmingham Public Schools district athletic department was looking for a coach to take over the BU program, formerly headed by Steve Kruk, who left after last season for a minor league coaching job in Wyoming.

Learning of the opportunity shortly after Kruk left, Boback happily accepted the job. In addition to taking over the high school program, he became the Birmingham Hockey Association's director of hockey at all levels.

"I think I'm having more fun that half the guys out here," said Boback, who also coaches the '09 Birmingham Rangers. "I've really enjoyed being around the guys and being a part of it."

The ultimate plan is to implement throughout the BHA a certain playing structure, which all players will learn as youngsters. The theory is, by the time they reach high school, they will have already been assimilated to his style of play.

"I thought if I took the job, I could really do something well in the association by grooming the kids," Boback said. "And by taking over the whole association, I could put my plan in motion. And that's how things evolved for me."

"As I got more and more acclimated to Birmingham and got to know people and got to know hockey, I saw that there were really some talented kids here," he added. "And the hockey player in you never leaves you. You get that smell, you get back in the rink and then your blood starts flowing again. Now I'm a full addict, as I was while growing up."

Playing for NHL organizations

The 49-year-old Boback grew up in Shelby Township and graduated from Utica Eisenhower High School.

He played junior hockey in the renowned Compuware program for Andy Weidenbach, who now coaches at Cranbrook Kingswood High School. He attended Providence College, where he enjoyed a four-year hockey career with the Friars from 1989-92. Boback finished his college days with 201 points, including 73 goals.

The right-handed shooting center was the Washington Capitals' 10th-round selection (No. 198 overall) in the 1990 NHL Entry Draft.

Boback played four seasons of professional hockey, three with Washington's AHL affiliates in Baltimore and Portland, plus a year with the L.A. Kings IHL affiliate in Phoenix. Boback was a member of the 1994 Portland Pirates team, coached by current New York Islanders head coach Barry Trotz, that won the AHL's Calder Cup championship.

He then spent a year playing hockey for Sodertalje SK of the Swedish Elite League before calling it a career because of injuries.

"Hockey is a fun game, there's no doubt," he said. "That's why you come back. I get back out on the ice and I feel like I'm 12 years old again. But my body just can't take (playing) any more. But I really enjoyed playing in the AHL."

After his pro hockey days were over, Boback entered the coaching ranks. He's coached at various levels with the Honeybaked and Compuware programs and with the Orchard Lake United travel teams.

Boback, a Birmingham resident, took a break from coaching in 2016 to spend more time with his family.



Birmingham Unified's hockey team will play an "aggressive" and "defense-first" style of hockey under new head coach Mike Boback. MARTY BUDNER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Mike Boback played four years of pro hockey with both the Washington Capitals and Los Angeles Kings organizations. MARTY BUDNER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

However, while Boback said it's going to be a challenge, he's glad to be back behind the bench.

"I've coached at this age level before, but not in high school. This is very different," Boback said. "This is the greatest challenge I've ever had, just because of the fact we only get an hour of ice. The kids rush in and rush out. It's really, to me, the hardest coaching position I've had just because of that."

"You get two weeks from the time they say pick your team and go and then you get hour ice slots three days a week. Before you know it, you're getting them out and getting them stretched and, the next thing you know, the Zamboni's coming out on the ice."

"So it's just getting them to think and challenging them to play at a different pace and at a different level," he added. "It's really condensing all that and it's a huge challenge."

Playing aggressive hockey

BU enjoyed two straight winning seasons

under Kruk, including last year, when the Kings finished at 18-4-2. Birmingham went undefeated through its first 16 games (15-0-1) and captured the OAA White Division championship with a perfect 10-0 record.

The Kings' season ended with a loss in the first round of the state tournament to Weidenbach's Cranbrook Kingswood squad.

Boback has a strong corps of 13 returning players from last year's varsity squad, including what he calls the four horsemen in senior captains Andrew Beggs, Dylan Resnick, Will Sanders and Daniel Zalesin.

Beggs was BU's top offensive player last year and Sanders earned the Del Schroder Award, symbolic of the most tenacious player. Zalesin is the lone defenseman among the group. Starting goalie Gabriel Barish also returns.

BU defeated Country Day in a recent exhibition game and opened the season Saturday against Troy.

"It's a hungry group. They're committed and they're dedicated," Boback said.

"They're learning a lot quick and they're absorbing it. It's a nice club. There's no doubt the gentleman (Kruk) who was here before me had given them some good concepts to work with."

"I've just taken them and accelerated them a little bit to put my flavor to it. Play a little bit more aggressive and less tentative. I'm more of a puck control offensive guy, that's how I played. I'm pushing defense first, be accountable in your own zone and magical things will happen."

"I can't wait to see what this team is going to be like in February," he added. "Two weeks really isn't enough to instill anything in them. I'm just trying to get them going and getting them to believe in themselves."

Boback is ready to push the pace. His skates are already laced.

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BOYS HOCKEY

Veteran Cranbrook coach Weidenbach calling it a career

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Andy Weidenbach had intended to stay one year at Cranbrook. Twenty-six years later, he's decided it's time to retire.

The veteran hockey coach is on his last tour of duty with the Cranes this season.

Weidenbach and his wife Martha, who also works at Cranbrook as an administrative assistant in the boys boarding program, are calling it quits together. Their goal is to start a new life in Florida and spend more time with their three boys — Andy Jr., John and Eric — and 11 grandchildren.

"You know, people have told me you'll kind of know when it's time," said Weidenbach, the longest tenured of Cranbrook's deep list of high-profile hockey coaches over the years. "I've had a great run here. This is my 41st year as a head coach and 26th at Cranbrook. So 41 years of coaching and it's been great."

"Every day has been a good day and it's been a blessing. There are no complaints whatsoever," he added. "But we have 11 grandchildren. It's growing and there are things we want to do with the family and do some other things. It's time for us to spend some time with them."

Their original plan was to retire in tandem last year, but the Weidenbachs delayed things until this year because of the volume of employees who are retirement-eligible.

"We would have like to have retired in 2018 in a perfect world, but the school had several people retiring in key positions and lots of people were retiring," Weidenbach said. "So the school asked us, along with some other people, to stay one more year."

Making an impact

Weidenbach is one of the most recognizable names on the high school coaching circuit. And it's not solely for all the on-ice success he's enjoyed at the renowned private school in Bloomfield Hills.

While he is proud of Cranbrook Kingswood's 10 state championships, 19 regional championships and four Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League crowns during his reign, Weidenbach expressed equal satisfaction for aiding in the growth and development of high school hockey across the state.

Weidenbach spent eight years as a board member of the Michigan High School Hockey Coaches Association — four years as secretary and four years as president. He also spent four years as rules committee member on the National Federation of High School Ice Hockey.

A 2009 Michigan High School Hockey Coaches Hall of Fame inductee, Weidenbach still serves as president of the highly-regarded MIHL, which some argue is the state's best prep hockey league. The league, which formed prior to the 1999-2000 season, has expanded from the original four to its current two-division 10-team format.

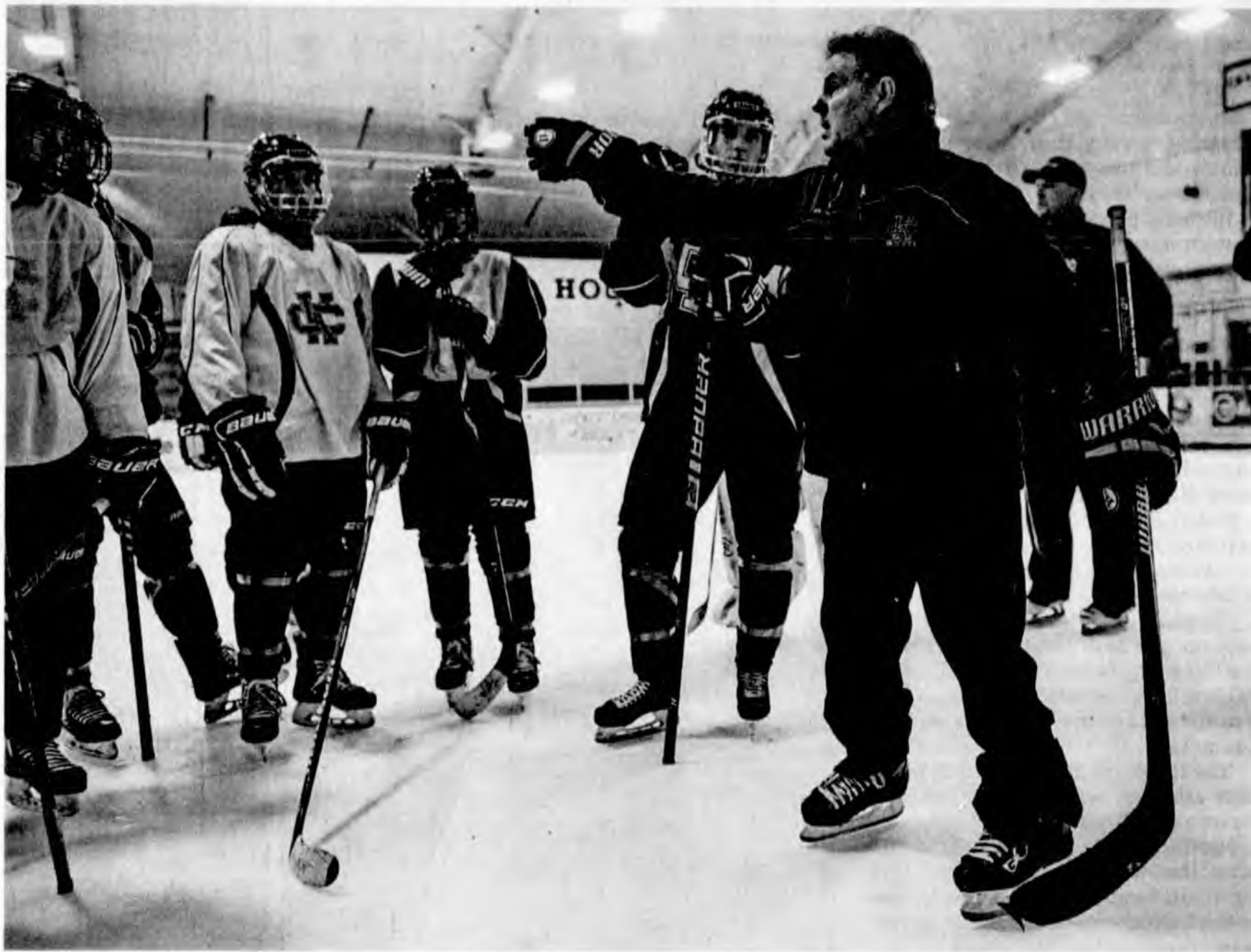
Weidenbach also has been instrumental in developing the MIHL Prep Hockey Showcase, which started with a 12-team field 18 years ago and has since grown to 42 teams. The annual event captures the attention of college and pro scouts across North America and beyond.

Three other accomplishments were helping the MHSAA adopt the current 17-minute period of play, developing the concept of fall hockey across the state and witnessing the advent of the Michigan Development Hockey League. He's delighted to see high school hockey grow from some 90 teams when he first started to more than 160 now.

"I think when people think of Cranbrook hockey, they see the (state championship) banners hanging in the rafters," Weidenbach said. "That's the first thing people think of and I don't deny it because it was fun to win state championships. The banners are a visual reminder of some of the success of the program."

"But there were a lot of things done here that people don't know about. We raised tens of thousands of dollars in charity over the years and we do a lot of community service work. We, Pat Ronayne and I, did lots of work with the MHSAA to get the 17-minute periods passed."

"We did lots of things for the greater good of high school hockey and those are some of the things I'm most proud



Andy Weidenbach will retire as Cranbrook Kingswood's hockey coach after 26 years, a run that included 10 state championships and 19 regional titles heading into his final season. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Cranbrook coach Andy Weidenbach speaks with the team during practice. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

of, along with many other people who were part of this process," he added. "I wanted to make high school hockey better, be part of the growth and have some influence on it. That was part of my goal when I first started."

Climbing the coaching ranks

After graduating from Allen Park High School in 1969, Weidenbach began his coaching career nine years later with the local bantam 'A' and mite teams. He quickly moved up the coaching ranks into the AAA and junior leagues, including with the well-known Compuware program and, eventually, into the Ontario Hockey League, where he coached future pros Eric Lindros and Mike Modano, among others.

Weidenbach took over the vaunted CK hockey program beginning with the 1993-94 season.

Incredibly, the rebuilding Cranes won just eight games that first year.

"It was a down period when I got here. We had some great kids, but we didn't have a great team," Weidenbach said. "They offered me to renew my contract after that first year. I thought, OK. I like it here."

"It's been fun. It's a great environment to work in. I had good assistants and good people to work with, so I stayed another year and, 26 years later, I'm still here. I really enjoyed coaching here and every year that went by I just thought this was probably the right place for me."

"After I arrived at Cranbrook and after a year or two, I thought that this might be the perfect fit for me," he added. "And it certainly ended up working out that way."

No question about it.

Weidenbach's record entering this year was a stellar 487-178-45 for a .686 winning percentage. The 2007 National High School Athletic Coaches Association Coach of the Year's first state title was in 1997 and the last was in 2015. The

Cranes won back-to-back titles in 2009-10.

Weidenbach developed five Mr. Hockey players since the MHSCHA started awarding the honor in 1993 — Johnny Kim (2002), Will Wallace (2002), Chase Langlais (2005), Andrew Miller (2007) and Austin Alger (2015).

Weidenbach said each of his teams have been unique.

"Every team has their own identity and they're all special," said Weidenbach, who was in the construction business before becoming a full-time head coach. "We've had some really, really good players and you would think those would be your best years — and they were."

"But some of the other teams I've had, like that first team which won only eight games, had some players I will never forget. I have a special fondness for every team I've ever coached, including junior hockey."

"Maybe we didn't have that level of players the past few years, but it certainly has been a good experience to have coached those players and be a part of this Cranbrook hockey legacy," he added.

Communication is the key

And what is the key to all of his coaching success?

"I think the best coaches find a way to relate to people and, in our case, it's our players," said Weidenbach, who never aspired to be a head coach growing up. "You have to find ways to get through to the players, to get them to overachieve or to develop a relationship where you get them to perform. To sum it up, I think the better coaches are the better communicators, typically."

"I never went to school for it or never studied for it. Growing up through the coaching ranks, though, I did attend a lot of coaching clinics and talked to a lot of coaches and asked a lot of questions. I wanted to be a better coach. I learned

early it was good to be a good listener. I always had an open mind for knowledge."

"I have coached some of the best players in the world (in the OHL). But coaching is coaching," he added. "Whether you're coaching a girls pee wee team, a high school team or a junior team, you're still dealing with people and developing life skills and those sorts of things."

In addition to his head coaching duties, Weidenbach doubled as the Wallace Ice Arena rink manager. He's excelled at both jobs.

Wallace Ice Arena has undergone extensive renovations under Weidenbach's reign. Prior to this year, new locker, weight and assembly rooms were constructed for the school's boys and girls teams.

"When I arrived here, there was no infrastructure. (The arena) was basically an open shell. I really got a clean slate and I was allowed to get this thing going," Weidenbach said. "This place has changed quite a bit in the 26 years I've been here. We renovated the facility a couple years ago and that was something we always wanted to do."

"But you know, I couldn't have written a better script," he added. "The support I've gotten from the administration has been spectacular. Cranbrook has treated me like royalty. I feel like a rock star here and I wouldn't have changed a thing."

Weidenbach hopes to end his final season with another strong tourney run.

Rewards are the relationships

Whatever happens, he knows he leaves the program and rink in great shape for John LaFontaine, who will take over both responsibilities. LaFontaine began his ice rink managing duties in July and is currently assisting the hockey team.

"It's a bittersweet feeling. The sad part is this era is ending and it's time to turn the page," Weidenbach said. "But yet the excitement is we're going into the next chapter. My wife and I are looking forward to beginning that next chapter."

"We are not leaving on a bad note at all. In fact, we're leaving on an up note. We just decided it was time, for no particular reason other than I think it's time to pass the torch. I don't want to be one of those guys who stay forever. I think passing the torch is a good thing."

"It's been very rewarding. There's no doubt about it," he added. "And the rewards are far greater having somebody come back and telling you they had a great experience and (you) changed their lives or impacted their lives. Again, winning a state championship is great, but the influence you have on young people is far more rewarding."

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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 Dec. 7 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.

Smart 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."

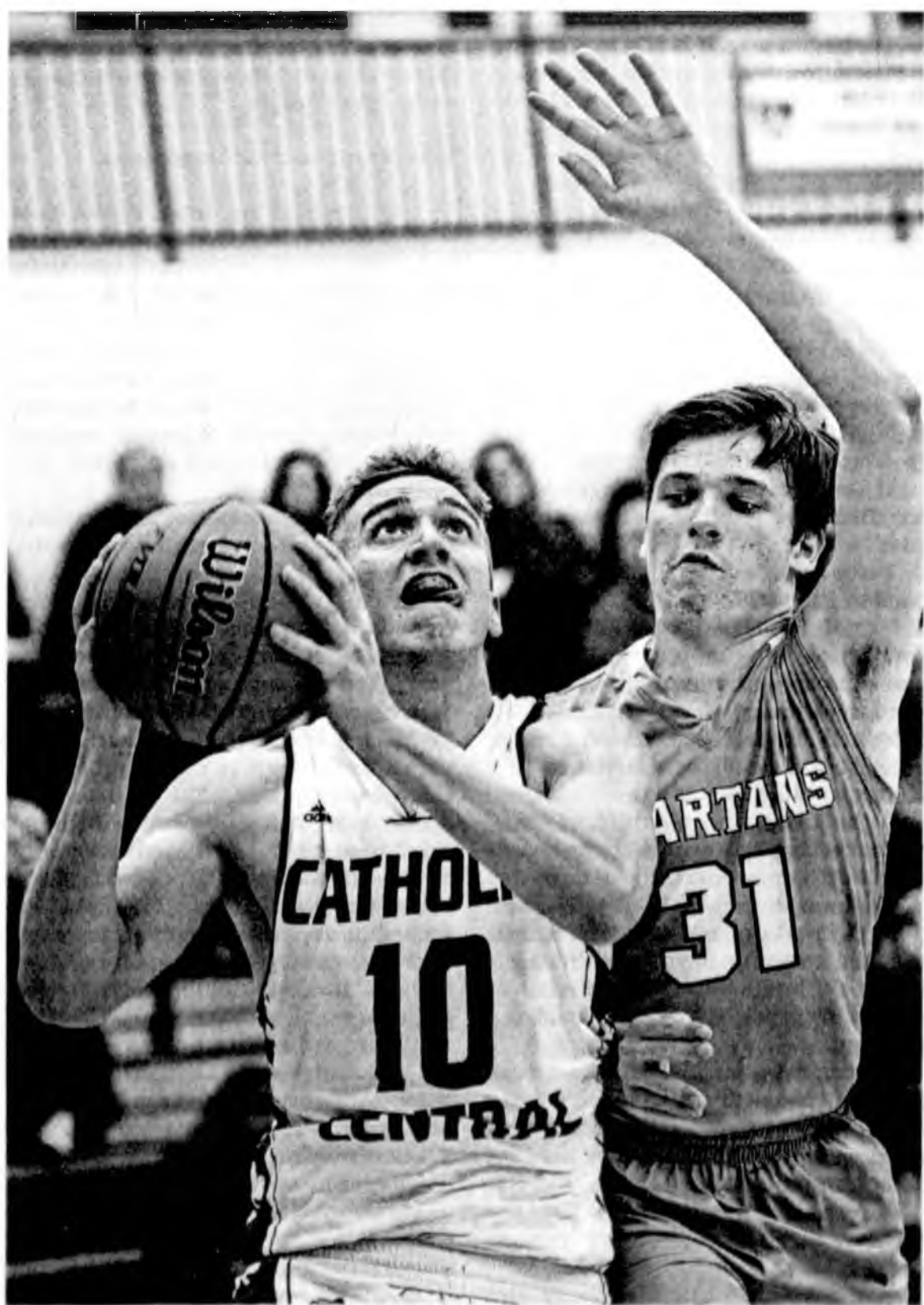
In attendance for the game was their former Harrison coach Mike Teachman.

"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

COLLEGE SIGNING

Schlagheck signs NCAA volleyball letter with Albany

Northville native earned Division 2 all-state honors as a senior

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For the first time in the school's 10-year existence, Wixom St. Catherine of Siena Academy has produced an NCAA Division I scholarship athlete.

Emma Schlagheck, a 6-foot senior from Northville, recently signed a volleyball letter of intent to play at the University of Albany (N.Y.) after leading St. Catherine (41-7-1) to an MHSAA Division 2 quarterfinal berth.

"It's kind of crazy how it happened," Schlagheck said. "I wasn't in contact with the University at Albany at all. The goal was to get a scholarship and it was during a tournament in Indianapolis that Kevin Cardoza, assistant coach for the Great Danes, noticed me. I toured several schools, but at UAlbany, everything felt right. The players were welcoming and it was easy to see a great coaching bond with players. It was a quick easy decision after that visit."

As a senior, Schlagheck finished with 258 kills and 101 blocks as St. Catherine captured its third consecutive district and second straight regional title. She also earned first team Division 2 all-state and all-Catholic League honors.

"Emma is a very strong and dynamic player who has been a key contributor in our program's success for the past few years," St. Catherine coach Malia Gabel said. "She is a hard worker, a powerful force at the net and consistent player in the back row, which allows for her to be a key factor in an entire match. We are so excited for Emma to continue her academic and athletic career with the University at Albany and cannot wait to watch her succeed at the next level."

During the final three seasons of her four-year varsity career, Schlagheck finished with a total of 801 kills with a .369 hitting percentage. She also had a total of 290 digs and 279 blocks during her sophomore, junior and senior year.

She began playing volleyball in eighth grade and was immediately recruited to play on a national level with Elite West, part of the Michigan Elite Travel Club. Her final travel season kicks off next with the Team 18 Mizuno.

Schlagheck possesses a 9-foot, 11-inch approach jump and a block up to 9-5.

"I'm super-excited," said Schlagheck, who was on the JVA Ultra Ankle Watchlist for 2017 and 2018. "I've always been such a team player and volleyball is a team-oriented sport. Volleyball has helped me grow personally as it has brought another aspect of friendship and leadership. Volleyball is such a sport of communication as you have to know where everyone is on the court, so you don't run into a teammate."

Schlagheck is one of five incoming



Northville native Emma Schlagheck, a senior right-side hitter at Wixom St. Catherine of Siena Academy, earned Division 2 all-state honors this season.



Emma Schlagheck signed her NCAA Division I letter of intent with the University of Albany (N.Y.).

recruits for the 2019 season for the Great Danes, who finished 16-11 overall in 2018

before losing to Stony Brook (N.Y.) in the America East championship final.

"Emma caught our eye," Albany coach M.J. Engstrom said. "She blocks well, has lots of shots from the right side and I think she's a good athlete, so there are lots of other things we can do with her. In volleyball, teams usually run the middle on a slide, but with left-handed Emma, we can run a flare, where the player comes in from the right side to hit off the setter. It's a play that is extremely difficult to block and extremely unusual and we look forward to working on it with Emma."

Although Schlagheck said many of her teachers and coaches have been influential, it's her father Larry who has been a true inspiration.

"I've always admired his work ethic and he helped me so much through the recruiting process," she said. "I learned so much about the business world such as how to send out a good email; or have a good call. I know that is all going to help me later in life."

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Last-second U-D Jesuit basket sinks Shamrocks

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With his team down a point and the ball being in-bounded with less than five seconds remaining, University of Detroit-Jesuit junior forward J.T. Morgan suddenly played possum.

Novi Detroit Catholic Central's defense was set up to stop U-D's speedy point guard Julian Dozier, who had led all scorers with 19 points.

But the play went instead to the 6-foot-7 Morgan, who took a lob pass and converted with only one second left to give the Cubs a stunning 60-59 boys basketball win Friday over the host Shamrocks.

Addison Kalmbach, who finished with nine points, dished out the game-winning assist to Morgan, who wound up with 13 points as U-D improved to 4-1 overall while handing CC its first loss in five games.

"(Kalmbach) was trying to get it to Dozier, but he was triple-teamed and I was just wide open ... I just had to make a layup," Morgan said. "I was, like, 'Where did the defense go?'"

After senior guard Jacob Woebkenberg made the go-ahead layup on a drive to the basket to put CC ahead 59-58 with 7.5 seconds left, the Shamrocks had three fouls to give.

Having to go the length of the floor,



Morgan

Dozier was fouled just inside of half-court and the Cubs followed with a timeout to set up a strategy.

"That's a play that we've run in the past," U-D coach Pat Donnelly said.

"We knew Julian was going to draw a lot of attention, so when we down screened for him, I told J.T., 'After you down screen, you've got to make sure you've got to open up.' I was a little nervous that Addison was going to miss him, because he was pretty wide open. But we're very fortunate. (CC is) a very good basketball team and we're fortunate to get a win."

The Shamrocks still had one more foul to give when Kalmbach in-bounded the ball, but elected to play it out on the final possession.

"We thought about fouling, but I didn't want to risk them just catching it and lifting it," first-year CC coach Brandon Sinawi said. "We didn't foul. We played through it. Give them credit for executing ... great drawn-out play. We had a mental mistake and that's all on me."

CC then tried a Hail Mary pass to center court, but Dozier batted the ball away as time expired.

The Cubs not only earned a big division win on the road, but they also did it without two key players in the lineup: 6-

10 senior center Jalen Thomas, a UMass commit, along with starting guard Daniel Friday, who recently committed to Brown.

"It's huge for us," Donnelly said. "We've got Daniel Friday home with the flu. He and Jalen (Thomas) in a boot. That's 40 points and 25 rebounds every night for us. These guys really scrapped. We gave up huge size at every position. (I'm) just really proud of the way the guys fought tonight."

Afterward, Sinawi took ownership for the loss and the last-second defensive breakdown.

"It's my fault," he said. "We don't ever switch, my teams never switch. And I decided for some reason in the timeout that we were going to switch every screen. We don't practice it and I put them in a very vulnerable position and they made a mental mistake. I take responsibility for that. The kids played their butts off and, obviously, (U-D) executed it, too. U-D did a great job on the in-bounds play."

Catholic Central led 21-18 after one quarter, but went cold in the second, making just 2-of-6 field-goal attempts to trail 30-27 at halftime.

The Shamrocks regained the lead 42-41 after three quarters and opened up a seven-point advantage, 50-43, on a basket by Keegan Koehler with 4:52 left.

But U-D refused to fold as Khy Winston scored 10 of his 12 in the final quar-

ter, including a big three-point play with 26.5 remaining to put the Cubs ahead, 58-57. Winston, younger brother of Michigan State guard Cassius Winston, also hit a pair of 3-pointers down the stretch.

Catholic Central's tall front line gave U-D fits throughout the game with 6-7 senior Davis Lukomski and 6-8 senior Justin Rukat scoring 16 and 15 points, respectively. Woebkenberg contributed nine.

"They were killing us on the offensive glass and we knew that was going to happen," Donnelly said. "We didn't do a very good job on the box out. We weren't very physical. They just threw us around down there. We've got to get better at that. That's something we've got to work on, but (I'm) very proud of our guys."

Another issue for CC was turnovers. The Shamrocks had a total of 19, while U-D had 16.

"(U-D) are really deceiving," Sinawi said. "They're good defensively. They're quick and they're strong. And so with us, we got the ball inside, but we rushed shots. We were not used to playing quicker and we rushed shots. If there's a good loss, it will be this one. We're not in panic mode. We'll learn from this."

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Here's where to find Santa Claus this weekend

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Naughty or nice list this year? This is the last weekend to find out.

If you haven't taken the little ones to see Santa Claus yet this year, we don't need to tell you this is the last weekend to do so before the North Pole's most famous resident makes his annual trip around the globe.

If you don't know where to look for good ol' Kris Kringle, here's where you can head this weekend across the Hometown Life area before the big days comes Tuesday.

Head to the malls in Livonia, Westland, Novi

The traditional location to visit Santa is the area's shopping malls this holiday season and he'll be making visits with the children at several area shopping centers until Christmas Eve.

Stop by Laurel Park Place, 37700 Six Mile in Livonia, to see Santa near the food court. He'll be around from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. during the week, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. He'll also be around from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Christmas Eve.

If you're around Westland, Santa will hold court at the Westland Shopping Center, 35000 Warren, as well. He'll visit with children from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday and 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday for Christmas Eve.

Children can enlist in Santa's Flight Academy if they visit Twelve Oaks mall, 27500 Novi Road in Novi, before Christmas. Santa will be available during the mall's open hours until Christmas Eve, where he'll be visiting with children who are in line by 3 p.m. In addition, Mrs. Claus will also be around Friday, Saturday and Sunday as well.



Kaleigh Swindell visits with Santa Claus. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Santa House in Plymouth

If you're in the Plymouth area, be sure to head downtown Saturday to visit the jolly elf.

Santa will be at his house in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. He'll hear from children from noon until 4 p.m. Saturday.

While there, families can also check out the Walk of Trees, which has plenty of decorated Christmas trees. That event remains open until Jan. 1.

Santa visits in downtown Birmingham

Near Woodward this weekend? Santa will be in Birmingham, too.

The Santa House will open again this weekend in Shain Park in downtown Birmingham. Come visit St. Nick in the house at the pavilion at the park, where

he'll be available from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

The home is accessible to all, though those needing some special accommodations are encouraged to contact the Birmingham Shopping District at 248-530-1200 beforehand.

Santa stops by downtown Milford

Santa's coming to visit at Village Center Mall in downtown Milford, right behind the Village Toy Shoppe, at 400 N. Main Street, next to Center Street Park.

He'll be there 6-8 p.m. Friday and again 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

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Charitable contributions require a bit of homework



Money Matters
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We are now in the home stretch for 2018 and it's the time many people are making their last-minute charitable contributions. Here are a few thoughts that you should keep in mind.

If you are over age 70%, particularly if you do not itemize your deductions — and most people in 2018 will not — a great way of

making charitable contributions is to use your minimum required distribution. The advantage of this is that you avoid the tax on the amount of your distribution you give to charity.

If you are not 70% and not required to take minimum distributions from your retirement account, a good strategy if you are

going to make charitable contributions is to use appreciated securities. By using appreciated securities, you still can deduct the full fair market value of the charitable contribution; the advantage is you avoid paying the tax on the gain that you had in that security. As opposed to just writing a check to a charity, by using appreciated securities such as a stock or a mutual fund, you get an additional tax benefit.

Whether you write a check, give appreciated

securities or even use you minimum required distribution, it is important that before you give to a charity that you do your homework about that charity. Unfortunately, there are charities that are nothing more than scams. In other words, the money doesn't go to accomplish a charitable purpose, but goes into the pockets of the lowlifes. In addition, you have legitimate charities that unfortunately are poorly run and, thus, a significant amount of the money doesn't go to ac-

complishing the charitable purpose, but to marketing and salaries. When you give your hard-earned money to a charity, you want to make sure that the money helps that charitable purpose. It is important you do your homework on a charity before you give your money.

Two places that make it easier to check on a charity are www.charitynavigator.org or www.give.org. Both these websites have a wealth of information about charities. My advice is that you go

on these websites before you donate money to make sure that, not only the charity is legitimate, but that it's using its money for a charitable purpose.

This time of year, the crooks are out in force either by calling you or sending you an email to solicit charitable contributions. Many of these emails look very professional and their name sounds like they are legitimate charities, but they are not. The crooks know that people put their guards down and are more apt to be scammed. I cannot stress enough that every charity you give to, you need to at a minimum visit the aforementioned websites to make sure the charity is legitimate.

For those of you who may not have the time to properly research a charity and still get your charitable contribution in this year, you should consider potentially opening a donor-advised trust. In a donor-advised trust, you can put your money in and get your charitable contribution, but you don't have to allocate the money to an individual charity until you have had the proper time to review it. Donor-advised charitable funds have become very popular and you can establish them at a number of places, such as Fidelity and Schwab.

As Americans, we are the most generous people on Earth. Unfortunately, the crooks know that and try to take advantage of our good nature. We can't let them do that. As you get ready to make your year-end charitable contributions, make sure you spend the time to research the charity and make sure that your money will go to accomplish the charitable purpose that the money was intended for.

Good luck!

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Obituaries

Edith "Edie" Doran

MESA, AZ - 4/1/30 - 11/29/18

Edie Doran (Faltin) went to be with the Lord the morning of November 29th in Mesa, AZ. The place she called home, though, was Milford, MI. A first-generation American, she was born here in 1930 and graduated Milford High as salutatorian in 1948. Edie then spent a year at Michigan State, and in 1950 she married George Doran. They built their life in Milford, raising four children around the corner from Edie's parents, and while she worked as a real estate agent, George was at the Proving Grounds. Edie was an intelligent, resourceful, independent woman who valued her faith first and took great joy in spending time with her family and friends. She was also an avid reader who liked to stay informed, so in lieu of flowers, please donate to the Milford Public Library. Edie is survived by her daughter, Denise of Milford; her sons, Michael of Hubbard Lake, MI and Jon of Mesa, AZ; five grandchildren (Heather, Heidi, Michelle, Sarah and David); and one great-grandson (Xavier). She is preceded in death by parents Johanna and Adolph, brothers Elmer and Gerhart, and sons Greg, Daniel and David. Her memorial service will be held this Saturday, Dec. 22, 3pm, at the First Baptist Church in Milford. For inquiries, contact Sarah at 248 228 0800.



JoAnne M. Morgan

- - Age 83, passed

away December 16, 2018. She was born February 24, 1935 in Berkeley, Michigan daughter of the late Jaddie and Pearl Crouch. She is survived by her children: Patrick Morgan, Karen Washburn, and Matthew (Susan) Morgan; her grandchildren: Holly, Hallie "Robbie", Shawn, Heather, Caitlin; and her great-grandchildren: Ivan and Haley. She is also survived by her brother, James Crouch. JoAnne was preceded in death by her siblings: Marie Fleming, Roy Rolph, and Onnallee Jones. A private family service was held. www.phillipsfuneral.com

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Harold W. Ortwine

NOVI - The City of Novi and the Country lost another patriot from its "greatest generation" as longtime resident, Harold W Ortwine, 94, passed away peacefully December 7 in his home of 68 years.

Harold is survived by his 3 children - Delbert Ortwine of Howell, Cindy Carroll of Novi and Mark Ortwine of Royal Oak. He also leaves behind three grandchildren, Colleen Ortwine-Boes of Grand Rapids, Erin Miller of Belmont and Elizabeth Ortwine of Royal Oak and 5 great-grandchildren.

Harold was a proud veteran of World War II. "Corporal Ortwine" served in the Army's 592nd Field Artillery Battalion of the 106th Division "Golden Lions" and fought in numerous campaigns overseas including the Battle of the Bulge; receiving several prestigious awards and most recently, the French Legion of Honor.

Harold has lived in the Village of Novi since 1931, was Novi City's first mail carrier, working odd jobs that eventually led him to become one of the first Engineering Test Lab Technicians at the GM Proving Grounds. After meeting a "pretty usherette" at the Walled Lake Movie Theatre, he eventually proposed and married Audrey (Geyer), personally built his home, helped raise three children, played sports, enjoyed hunting and fishing, joined the Free Masons, helped his neighbors whenever he could, enjoyed life with family and friends, retired and then sat back and watched Novi grow. Once asked if he missed the "good old days" he replied, "if waking up at 3am to tend to farm animals before walking 2 miles to school, having little food on your plate and wearing shoes with holes in them is the good old days; then no, I don't! Having food on my table, a roof over my head and my family with me, is my "good days."

We'll all miss seeing Harold wearing his WWII hat, drinking coffee and chatting with "the guys" at various Novi restaurants every Saturday morning.



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How to handle anxiety and stress in the workplace

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The world of work offers many challenges. We get to learn more about our passions and interests, as well as our strengths and areas for improvement, and it gives us opportunities to mature as we take on new responsibilities, gain professional satisfaction, and chart a course for our lifelong career journeys—all key factors in leading a happy and fulfilling life.

However—there's a flipside to the work coin, which includes the reality that work is not always fun and easy. In fact, for most of us, our work lives can be a serious and persistent source of anxiety and stress, and it's no small matter. It can affect all facets of our lives—not just our time spent at work—and can have lasting effects on our physical and mental well-being.

The Anxiety and Depression Association of America (ADAA) recently conducted a survey regarding workplace stress and anxiety. Among their key findings:

■ **Employees say stress and anxiety** most often impacts their workplace performance (56 percent), relationship with coworkers and peers (51 percent), quality of work (50 percent), and relationships with superiors (43 percent).

■ **More than three-fourths** who say stress interferes with their work say it carries over to their personal life, particularly men (83 percent vs. 72 percent for women).

■ **7 in 10 adults** report that workplace stress affects their personal relationships, mainly with their spouses. Men (79 percent) report it affecting personal relationships more than women (61 percent).

■ **The main culprits** of work-related



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stress are deadlines (55 percent), interpersonal relationships (53 percent), staff management (50 percent), and dealing with issues/problems that arise (49 percent).

Does this sound familiar? If so, and you're experiencing anxiety and stress resulting from work, you're not alone—and you don't have to suffer through it with no end in sight.

Be honest about it

When some of us feel the weight of workplace stress and anxiety, our first impulse may be to write it off as something else. We analyze the symptoms—everything from lethargy to sleeplessness to irritability and changes in mood and behavior—and make excuses. We say that we're just tired, or we're just feeling sick, or even that it's due to the weather. Basically, we do anything but acknowledge that our stress has a direct and obvious source—our jobs. We also

try to rationalize that it's only temporary, and that things will get better after this project or this "busy period," even though it often never does. The truth is, these attempts to rationalize and "explain away" our work stress and anxiety only serves one purpose—to prolong it and avoid confronting it. The first step in handling workplace anxiety and stress is to be honest about it. This empowering move will help you begin to deal with it effectively.

Diagnose the problem(s)

Workplace stress and anxiety is similar to other problems in life in that you need to fully understand the issues contributing to the situation before you can turn the tide and overcome it. When you're feeling the effects of work stress and anxiety, take a step back from things and give yourself the time to fully understand each and every individual source and symptom that is affecting

your life.

Often, a "one size fits all" solution to your workplace anxiety is ineffective when there are multiple sources at play. Once you see all of the sources clearly, you can start thinking about effective individual solutions for each. Often, just understanding the problems can alleviate some of the strain and propel you on the path to improvement.

Get help

Like other issues involving our jobs, we're rarely completely alone in having to deal with stress and anxiety. Help is available—whether or not you choose to ask for it and accept it is your call. Depending on the issues that are contributing to your stress and anxiety and your specific workplace dynamic, you may benefit from taking the direct approach—be open with colleagues or bosses regarding the issues in an attempt to come up with effective solutions. Also, don't forget that friends, family, and peers can be great sources of help and guidance here—especially if they've gone through similar situations. Also, don't count out seeking the help of a professional. Many workplaces offer help through counseling and guidance services (both in-house and/or outside), and you always have the option of hiring a professional for help, the cost of which may be covered by your insurance plan. The bottom line is that you're not alone here, and seeking help to deal with difficult issues isn't shameful or embarrassing—it's smart strategic thinking!

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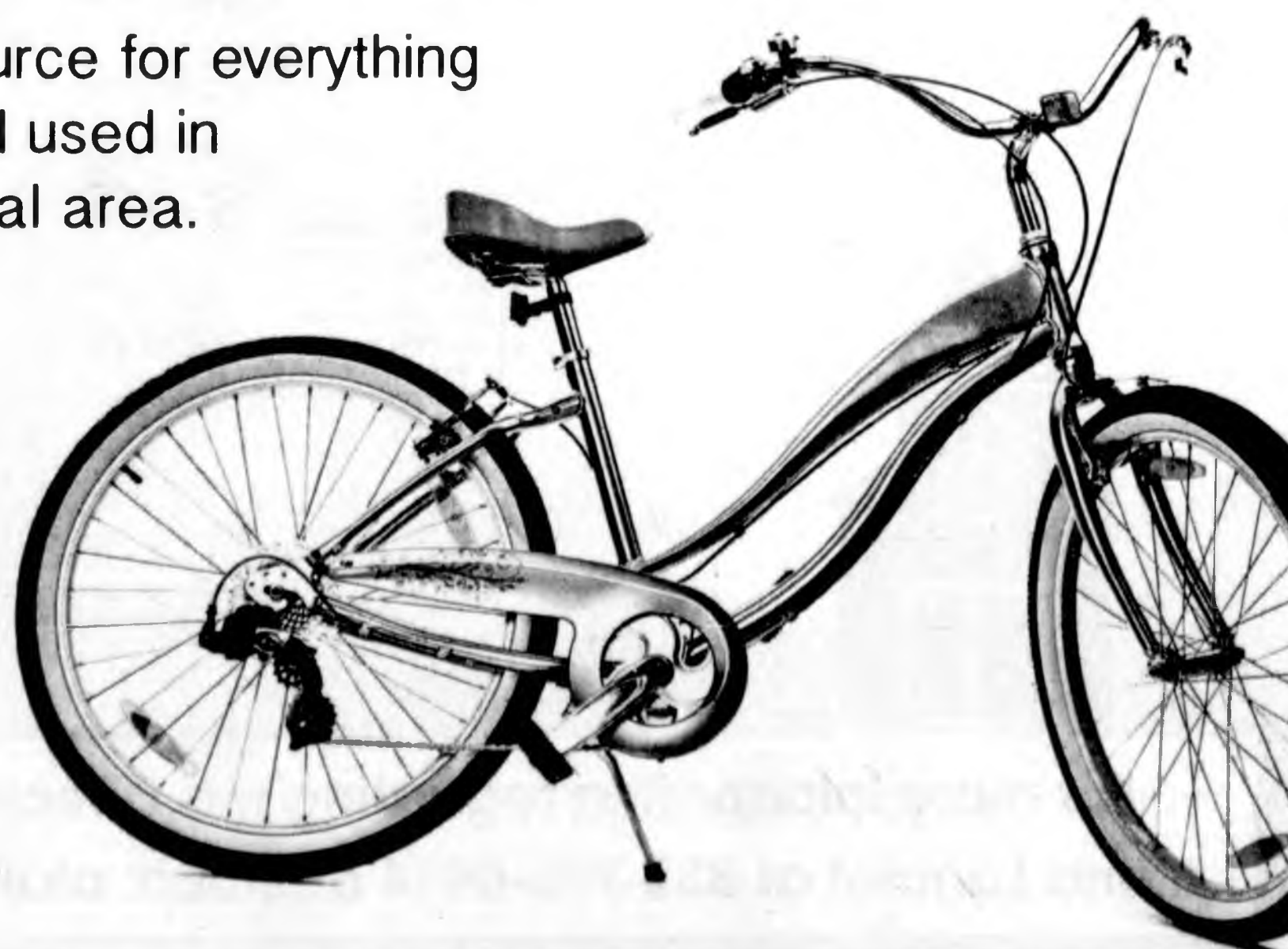
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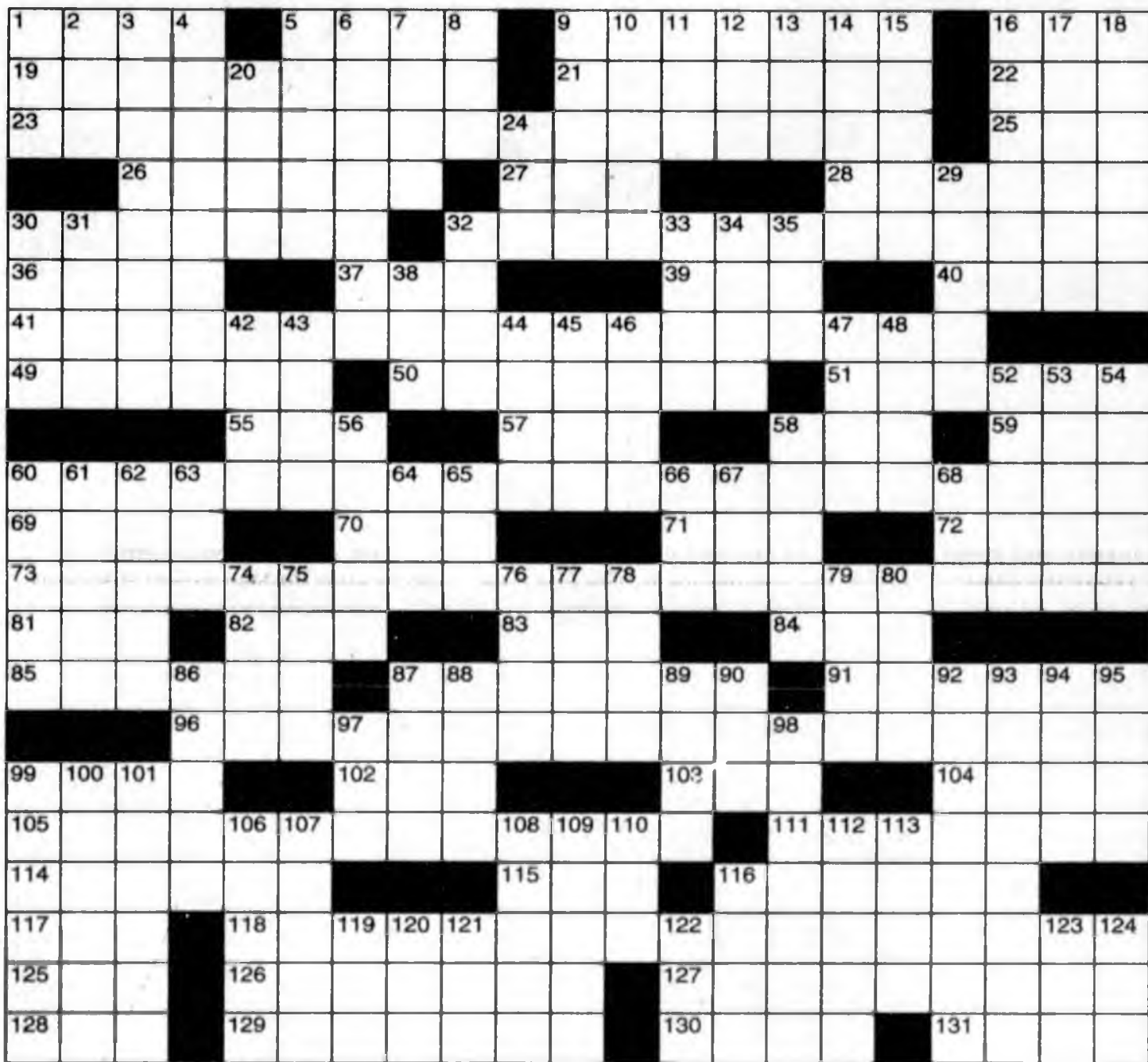
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34 Fish in a Pixar title
35 Doctors' gp.
38 With 22-Across, spaced out
42 "If — a Hammer"
43 Mouselike animal
44 1970s Chevy
45 "Curses!"
46 Shed skin or feathers
47 Doctors' gps.
48 Curse
52 Resident of Riyadh
- 53 Page of "Juno"
54 Album's first half
56 Make — in (begin working on)
58 "Grand" hotel
60 1983 comedy with Mr. T
61 Gasoline additive
62 Wading bird
63 Sickly
64 Label
65 Color shade
66 "Say again?"
67 Rock's Brian
68 Boat mover
74 With 130-Across, home of a Scottish "monster"
75 Say again
76 Old lovers
77 "Say it — so!"
78 — Field (Mets' home)
79 Drifting sort
80 English prep school
86 Aides: Abbr.
87 "Hrm, I guess so"
88 Grandiosity
89 In the past
90 Magazine or book divs.
- 92 Wall — (financial district employee)
93 Nearly massless particle
94 Lacks entity
95 "— boy!"
97 Vie for the love of
98 Lurches from side to side
99 For a spell
100 Generous type
101 It's west of Colombia
106 Bursts (with)
107 Of the past
108 Ski cottage
109 Like pop flies
110 Co.'s top dog
112 Hall's pop partner
113 Slightly built
116 Admiral Graf — (German warship)
119 Mao — tung
120 Sugar-name suffix
121 Big rabbit feature
122 Peak: Abbr.
123 Siouan tribe member
124 Abbr. on a bounced check



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1		3	6	4		8		
			2		3			
8								5
6	4						5	
3								9
	7						3	1
5								6
			1		4			
		2		3	6	7		8

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

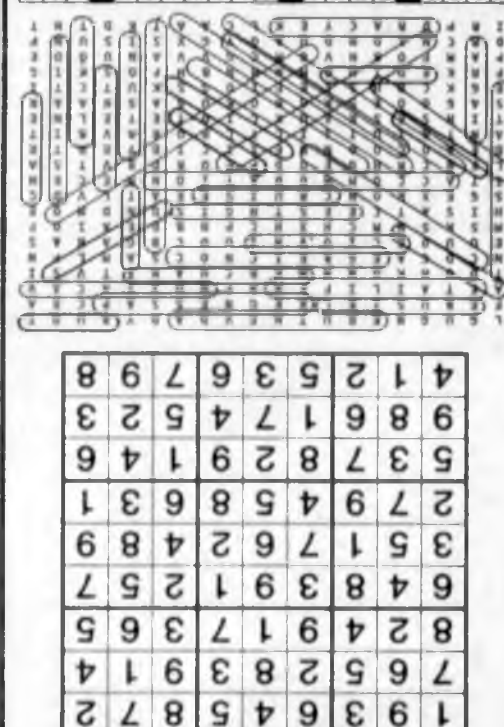
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