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Wayne chief coming to Northville

Maciag hired to replace Carlson, who retired in July

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Alan Maciag, a 20-year veteran of the Wayne Police Department and its chief since 2014, is to become the next police chief in the city of Northville.

His appointment was formally announced during the Dec. 17 Northville City Council meeting and Maciag introduced himself to council members. He wrapped up his career in Wayne on Friday and assumed the Northville job Wednesday.

"This is an honor for me and a privilege," Maciag told council members. He called Northville a "great community" and said its police department has an

excellent reputation.

Macaig will succeed former Chief Michael Carlson, who retired at the end of July after more than 20 years with the department. Northville Capt. Dustin Krueger, who has been the acting chief since Carlson's departure, will step back into his previous role, which includes administrative, training and patrol duties.

Maciag, who lives in Grass Lake, began his police career in Wayne in April 1998. He has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Western Michigan University, a master's degree in criminology from Eastern Michigan University and attended both the FBI National Acad-

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Alan Maciag, the police chief in Wayne, speaks to the Northville City Council. He became Northville police chief on Dec. 26. MATT JACHMAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

WHAT'S THE SECRET?



The members of Girls Who Code strike a determined pose. In the front row (from left) are Mary Jiang, Noelle Robert, Sophia Nguyen and Claire Smith. In the back row (from left) are Jackie Wilson, Alison Nguyen, Arta Palushi, Elizabeth Tracy and Emily Dabao.

These girls know the 'code' for joining tech world

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These girls code — and they want to rock the future world of computer programming.

A group of female high school students from Livonia are taking on long-held stereotypes and stigmas that only males are welcome in that world.

If the smart, assertive members of Girls Who Code have anything to say about such antiquated beliefs, it's that they no longer apply.

"I view myself as a powerful woman and as an individual who can try to overcome things," Alison Nguyen, 17, a Livonia Stevenson student, said following a Girls Who Code presentation Dec. 15 at the Civic Center Library. "I don't think it's too difficult (to change gender gap) if you try hard enough. If you overlook the stereotypes and stigmas that 'Oh, only males can go into computer programming or engineering' ... it doesn't matter."

Girls Who Code was a spin-off from the Livonia Warriors robotics program in the Livonia Public Schools district. A dozen students (mostly from Churchill,

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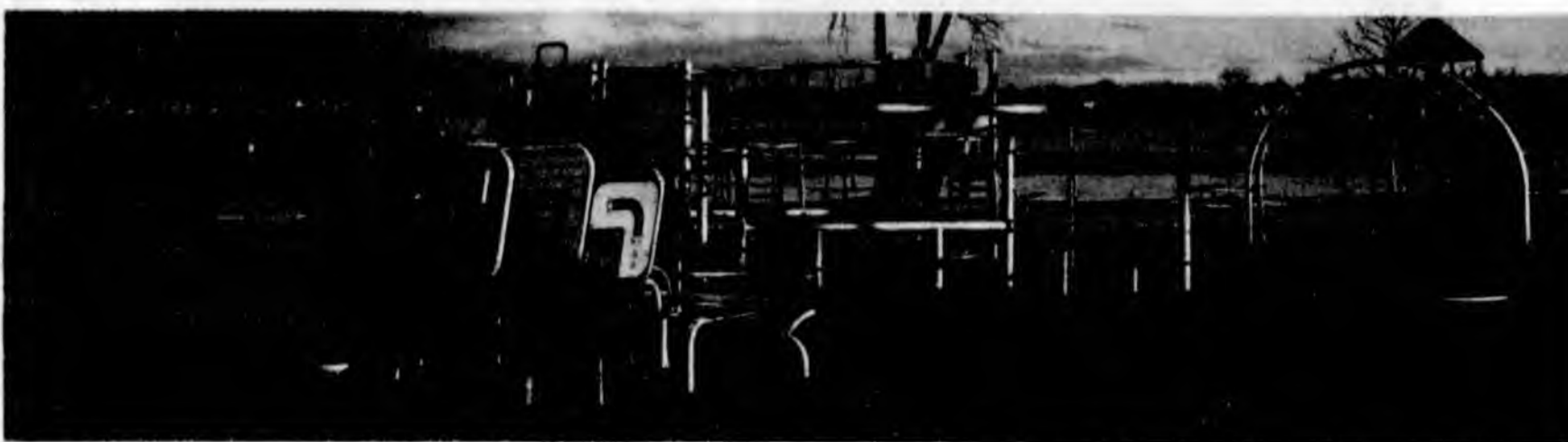
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Well, that was fast.

Less than a month after the Novi City Council approved a new playground at Pavillon Shore Park, the structure is up and ready for fun, just in time for the Christmas break for area children.

Jeff Muck, the city's director of parks, recreation and cultural service, said it's the fastest turnaround he's seen on such a project during his time with the city.

"What makes it even more unique is, when you're talking about playgrounds, there are literally thousands upon thou-



New playground equipment on the shore of Walled Lake. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

sands of color combinations and designs and structures that you can get," Muck said. "So to make decisions that quickly and have it be unanimous, it's pretty unique."

The concept of a play structure at the park, located near 13 Mile and Old Novi roads on the shores of Walled Lake, came up at a council meeting in October. The council brought it back up at its Nov. 13 meeting and approved the build and a budget of about \$100,000. The work on the structure was completed Dec. 14 and it was opened to the public.

Since then, several children have found their way onto the structures, which are near the pavilion that opened in 2016.

The play structure, built by Brighton-based Penchura, has several features, including an Oodle swing, rope bridges and a wave board for children to balance on with Walled Lake in the background, making for a great backdrop for that Instagram photo.

The structures all have things for all children to play with, including those looking for more sensory exploration. Muck pointed out several additional little features added to structures, including sliding rings on handles and little spinners inside the structure to use.

"There's a lot of tactile features in it, so you can sit and play at the board and move marbles around on it," he said. "We want to be inclusive. Not every kid is going to run and jump and play. Other kids want the smaller areas to just sit and have more of a sensory experience."

It's just the latest addition to the



Jeff Muck points out interactive features for kids. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

park, which opened in 2013. After the pavilion opened in 2016, a bicycle station with an air pump and other repairing tools was installed in 2017, along with some additional benches. The playground is 2018's addition to the park, which sees regular usage from walkers, bikers and those simply looking for a beautiful place to read a book.

The playground's opening provides an additional play area for children on the city's north side, something that will be welcome once work begins at nearby Lakeshore Park, which is expected to see major renovations in 2019.

The silver, blue and red color scheme in the structure was specifically designed to connect with the "Fate of Empires" sculpture in the southeast portion of the park, as well as keep the natural beauty of the space, Muck said.

"We tried to really tie in the colors with the lake. I feel that the spinner there ties into the David Barr artwork across the way," he said. "We really wanted to maintain views of the lake."

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Coloring for Grownups

When: 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2
Details: Explore creative relaxation. A variety of coloring pages and art supplies provided. No registration required, just drop in.

Lustron Homes with John Heider

When: 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3
Details: Former 21-year Northville Record staff photographer John Heider will discuss his unique all-metal Lustron home. About 2,500 Lustrons were built around the country soon after World War II and Heider will tell about the company's history, the development of these porcelain-enamel coated homes and their unfortunate early de-

mise in the post-war market.

Popular Social Media

When: 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10
Details: Come learn what everyone is talking about. This class will cover some of the most popular social media like Facebook, Messenger and Snapchat. Tablet or smart phone required. Register.

Teen Harry Potter Yule Ball

When: 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12
Details: Join us for our very own Yule Ball inspired by "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire." There will be dancing, crafts and magically delicious snacks. Dressing up is encouraged. Register.

Kidz Time

When: 4:30-5:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17

Details: For grades 1-3. Learn about Chinese New Year, including the Chinese Zodiac and your own special Chinese animal, make a Chinese bracelet and sample some yummy Chinese treats. Registration begins Jan. 2.

Battle of the Books Registration

When: Through Jan. 31
Details: Register your team for this fun reading competition for middle school students who live or go to school in Northville. Books available now at the library and school media centers. Team registrations due Jan. 31.

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.

One-on-one tech help

When: 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. each Tuesday; 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. each Thursday
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NORTHVILLE MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is located at 215 Griswold, north of Main Street, near Ford Field. Grounds open daily dawn until dusk. Buildings will reopen to the public each Sunday in June 2019. Mill Race relies on rentals and memberships to maintain the village. Consider becoming a member or making a donation; go to www.millracenorthville.org for details.

Upcoming events

Lecture series — The Legacy of Rita and Bruce Turnbull: 7-9 p.m. Jan. 30.

Drop-in event. No fee, but donations appreciated.

Victorian Lace Tea: 1-3:30 p.m. Feb. 9. Call office for ticket availability.

Valentine's Day Wine, Cheese and Chocolate Tasting: Tentative event, 7-9 p.m. Feb. 14. See website or call office for ticketing information.

Lecture Series — Henry Ford: Relationships with Early and Vital Employees: 7 p.m. Feb. 27. Drop-in event. No fee. Donations appreciated.

General info

The office and archives are closed Dec. 21 through Jan. 7.

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

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Donations: Archives donations accepted from 9 a.m. to noon each Tuesday.

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Chief

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emy and the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command, training programs for top-level law enforcement personnel.

"He's got a lot of really good experience, great background. Really into community policing," City Manager Pat-

rick Sullivan said. "It seems like he'll be a really good chief and a really good fit for the community."

Maciag will be paid \$95,000 a year. Sullivan chose Maciag from what he said was a good field of candidates, five of whom were assessed by Empco, a company that specializes in testing applicants for public sector jobs, particularly in public safety. Maciag was the high scorer in an Empco assessment, Sullivan said.

"It's nice when you have a lot of applicants. It speaks well of the city," Mayor Ken Roth said.

Though Wayne, with a population of about 17,000, is about three times Northville's size, Maciag said both cities have a small-town feel and that leaving Wayne will be bittersweet for him.

But "it was a job I couldn't pass up," he added. Policing, Maciag said, "is the best job in the world."

What keeps him motivated?

"Getting out there, working with the community, solving problems," he said. "It has its challenges, certainly, but I still love it."

The Wayne City Council was expected Tuesday evening to name Lt. Ryan Strong the interim chief while the city searches for a permanent replacement for Maciag.

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Code

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Franklin and Stevenson high schools) signed up for a 12-week club held at the library, regardless of experience in computer coding.

At the most recent presentation, they delved into the "sisterhood" and sense of shared purpose and discovery that yielded their new website dubbed We Are Girls Who Code (proj18.livoniagirls-whocode.org).

They began the 12-week program as relative newbies and came out of it with splashy, creative and compelling technological work.

"I heard about Girls Who Code, which I thought was really cool, that it's a team specifically for girls," said Claire Smith, a Churchill freshman. "I decided to learn more about it, because I am also in the MSC (math, science and computers) program and I am taking a coding class next semester. So I thought (Girls Who Code) would be a nice, little dip-your-toe-in type of thing."

Empowerment

They learned the basics about computer programming, about how to write code instructions that are translated into specific tasks — including components of a website, which the Girls Who Code group created from scratch.

Moreover, the hands-on group also had an ulterior motive, to show that young girls have what it takes to perhaps crack the code for computer software or engineering careers.

"The mission of this club is, basically, to empower girls to learn coding," said Mary Jiang, a Churchill junior who was



Stevenson students Sophia Nguyen, Noelle Robert and Alison Nguyen. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

the group's student facilitator. "Most coding classes, I was the only girl ... and I wanted to make another community that would empower these girls to learn these things that they probably wouldn't learn — and because we want more representation in the computer science field. So I thought this was a good starting point."

In hopes of closing the gender gap in those careers, the adults in the room (co-founders Jing Xu and Ny Derry and communications facilitator Joey Doran) wanted to provide girls with inspiration, knowledge and confidence to start venturing into uncharted waters.

"I am the Livonia robotics team programming mentor and 90 percent I have are boys," Xu said. "So I'm thinking, I need to teach the girls, because the girls are always intimidated by the boys for the program-

ming. "This is the reason I have (the) Girls Who Code club. I want to teach those girls how to program and how to be confident themselves. They have the skill and the brain (and) can do it."

Derry also has been a mentor with the Livonia Warriors and her two daughters (both from Franklin and now taking computer programming in college) took that robotics program.

Although Girls Who Code wasn't around then, Derry said the Warriors "gave them a confidence that 'I can do this. All we need is exposure.'"

Girls Who Code became the logical next step and even Derry is becoming inspired — she recently graduated from a coding "boot camp" in Detroit.

"What interests me is Java, because we use Java in our programming in robotics," Derry said. "So I went with no coding ex-

perience. It was so grueling and so inspiring. ... Now that I am an empty-nester, I want to go back to work in the IT field and doing Girls Who Code inspired me even more, me being a stay-home mom wanting to make a career change and I took the step to do it."

Time for change

Joey Doran works with Derry in helping organize and communicate Girls Who Code. She also works with HTML and CSS, "which really is making the layout and design of the website and apps, things like that. It's really about planning and I helped the girls learn how to plan the website."

Doran said she moved to Livonia a year or so ago and wanted to become involved with a community club, which is how she found herself smack dab in the middle of Girls Who Code.

"I researched clubs

and Girls Who Code was one of them," Doran said. "I thought, 'Oh, that would be perfect.' And you know what I noticed? When I went to school, there wasn't a robotics club. A lot of these women have been exposed to code already, but just haven't dove in yet. So I think that the passion is there and it's just that next step and I think that club brings the next step."

According to Mary Jiang, a catalyst for Girls Who Code was the apparent lack of opportunity and respect for young women with interest in computer science.

During a brief discussion about the nuts and bolts of the project, Jiang said she took a summer computer programming class at Schoolcraft College, where she was the "literally the only girl in the room. And I felt kind of alienated by that and I felt like they didn't respect me for who I was and for what my talent was."

Her mission then grew to form a club, a community, "where everyone can support each other and learn these important skills that you can, hopefully, use later in life."

Jiang then introduced the "Girls Who Code feminism website, with buzz words and phrases such as 'Feminism' and 'The Future is Female' on the splash page. We have three pages, (including) a home page, which includes this awesome slide show that you have been seeing."

After the presentation, Jiang said Girls Who Code isn't just about how to turn words and numbers into bona fide website magic.

"Of course, they learned a lot about coding, but I think they learned a lot about collaboration and teamwork because you all had to work together to learn

these skills," Jiang said. "And you had to work together to build this website. I think that's a really important skill, no matter what you're going to do in life."

Bold and brash

Nguyen also talked about the process that resulted in the product on the screen. Instead of using stereotypical pinks and pastels, they used colors that were designed to shake things up.

"Bold, vibrant, powerful, that's how we want to express ourselves," Nguyen said.

One of the team leaders, 15-year-old Ayushi Roy Choudhury (who lives in Livonia, but attends International Academy East in Troy) already is "super-passionate" about stopping animal cruelty.

Now she has two passions and wants to combine them by creating a website to inform people about how many animals are terribly mistreated.

"My mom introduced me to this club and I've never done coding before," Choudhury said. "I've always heard about it and my parents are super-interested in science, computers and everything. So I tried this out and I really enjoyed this program and I wanted to use something that I'm super-passionate about and try something new."

"Obviously, I'm passionate about animals, so I'm going to be creating a website, spreading awareness about animals through coding. It's about the issues of each part of animal cruelty. ... Spreading awareness, basically, and how to stop it, how to change minds."

One of the few dads who attended the Girls Who Code unveiling came away very impressed.

"What's really cool is seeing this thing taught by somebody who's only a junior in high school (Mary Jiang)," said Redford Township resident Julian Tracy, whose daughter Liz participated in the club. "She was very well-spoken and you would have thought she was a college student. Even if these young ladies had no interest in this, to have the skill, to know the framework upon which everything they look on their screens every day is really cool."

"Any of these young ladies can do anything they want. There's no reason to think anything else."

So watch out world, here they come.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Planning Commission has prepared draft text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding the following topics:

1. Drafted new language called the Seven Mile - South Main Street Overlay (SM-O) as Section 11.05. This overlay provides special zoning regulations given the unique conditions of this part of the City. The ordinance lists permitted and special land uses, and regulations for residential density, height and placement of buildings, vehicular access, parking, pedestrian enhancements, Wayne County amenities, streetscape elements, stormwater management, outdoor storage, and architecture. This new overlay will apply to the parcels shown in the map below:



2. Revised ordinance language of Section 18.12 that regulates using "apparatus" such as flatbed trailers, campers, mobile homes and similar vehicles to store materials, equipment or other items while parked or stored on a property.

The proposed text amendments will be considered at a public hearing conducted by the Planning Commission on January 15, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the City of Northville, 215 West Main Street, Council Chambers. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public input on these proposed changes. The complete text of the draft amendments can be reviewed at the City Hall during normal business hours.

Dianna Massa
City of Northville, City Clerk

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Michigan female murderers: We're victims, too, they say

Kristen Jordan Shamus
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Teenage rebellion turned deadly and Melissa Chapman paid the price.

She was 18 when she was arrested Christmas Eve 1987, along with her abusive boyfriend. She hasn't tasted freedom since that day.

Now 49, Melissa has lived in prison longer than she's lived anywhere else.

It's because of what happened one afternoon in mid-December 1987, when she and her boyfriend, Robert Goodyear, went to a Genesee County Meijer store with Michael Keith Gaines, Goodyear's friend, to set up a drug deal.

Gaines was flirting with Chapman, who sat between the two men on the bench seat of his pickup truck, court records show. In a jealous rage, Goodyear pushed Chapman out of the way and pointed a gun at Gaines' head. He pulled the trigger, twice.

Goodyear then turned the gun on Chapman and said, "I could kill you, too. I could kill you," she told the Michigan Parole Board during a June public hearing.

He let her live and she helped him drag Gaines' body into a field. Together, they cleaned out the blood-soaked



This is a 2000 MDOC photo of Melissa Chapman. MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

truck, stole items from Gaines' apartment to pawn, and set his remains on fire.

She was acting out of fear, she told the Michigan Parole Board. If she ran, if she tried to tell police what Goodyear had done, she was convinced he'd kill her.

Melissa is among five women whose cases the Free Press examined in an analysis of those who were sentenced to life in prison without parole for their roles in slayings connected to domestic violence and sexual abuse.

All five women were convicted on first-degree murder charges; and all are serving time in Michigan's only prison for women, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility in Ypsilanti.

Their sentences will keep them locked up until the day they die — unless they are granted clemency from the governor, which is rare.

The odds for them are slim — a paltry 0.149 percent.

Only six commutations have been granted since 2011 — despite 4,017 requests in that time. Every person who was granted commutations in that seven-year span was freed from prison for medical reasons, according to the Michigan Department of Corrections.

The five women have all appealed to the Michigan Parole Board and Gov. Rick Snyder for clemency and all wait hopefully for news on whether the governor will grant their commutations in his final weeks in office.

But time is running out.

When Snyder leaves Lansing on Jan. 1, he will take with him any hope these

women lifers have for being released for at least four years — or possibly eight if Gov.-elect Gretchen Whitmer wins re-election in 2022.

Granting commutations is generally not a popular political move. Most come at the end of a governor's final term in office, when it's less likely they will face political backlash from angry voters at the polls.

The Michigan Women's Justice & Clemency Project, where Carol Jacobsen has been a vocal advocate for women in prison since the early '90s, supports all five bids for clemency.

"Now each case is unique, but the history of violence and abuse is there," Jacobsen said. "These women who are in for murder are not criminals and do not have criminal histories. These are women who were acting in violent situations in survival mode."

Many of the women were sentenced decades ago, at a time when there was limited knowledge of the effects of domestic violence, when there wasn't a large network of support systems for battered women like shelters and toll-free crisis hotlines. It also was a time when police were less willing to intervene in domestic and sexual abuse cases, Jacobsen said.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS 2019 BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING DATES

Please take notice that the Board of Trustees Regular Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at 44405 Six Mile Road, unless otherwise posted and/or noticed*. The public is invited and welcome to attend.

The 2019 Regular Meeting Dates are:

January 17, 2019	April 18, 2019	July 18, 2019	October 17, 2019
February 21, 2019	May 16, 2019	August 15, 2019	November 21, 2019
March 21, 2019	June 20, 2019	September 19, 2019	December 12, 2019*

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Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk
Charter Township of Northville

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NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE Chapter 67

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees will be considering adoption of the proposed amendment to Ordinance Chapter 67 to create §67-7 (Prohibition of establishments under the MRTMA) at their Regular Meeting on January 17, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. at the Northville Township Hall located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168. This amendment was introduced at the Board of Trustee meeting of December 13, 2018.

The proposed amendment will include the addition of §67-7 Prohibition of establishment under the Michigan Regulation and taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA), Section 6.1 within its boundaries and penalty.

The Charter Township of Northville ordains that pursuant to the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA), Section 6.1, marihuana establishments as defined by the MRTMA are hereby prohibited within its boundaries.

Violation of this Section shall result in penalties assessed pursuant to Section 1-10 of this Code. In addition, any violation of this section is a public nuisance and may be abated by injunctive or other equitable relief. The imposition of a penalty does not prevent injunctive relief or civil or quasi-judicial enforcement. In the enforcement of this Section by injunctive or equitable relief the responsible party shall be responsible for all reasonable attorney fees.

State Law reference – MRTMA, MCL 333.27951 to MCL 333.27967

A copy of the full Ordinance and amendment can be viewed during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Office of the Township Clerk, Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville Michigan 48168.

Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.
Clerk

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NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE §91-11 HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees approved the adoption of amendments to Ordinance §91-11 (Historic District Commission) at their Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 13, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. at the Northville Township Hall located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168.

The proposed amendment would specify that the Commission is comprised of seven to nine members. This amendment will unify the ordinance and Historic District Bylaws with PA 169 of 1970.

The introduction of the amendment was approved at the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on November 15, 2018.

A copy of the full Ordinance and amendment can be viewed during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Office of the Township Clerk, Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville Michigan 48168.

I certify that the forgoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees at a Regular Meeting held at Township Hall on the 13th day of December, 2018.

Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.
Clerk

Introduced: 11-15-18
Second Reading: 12-13-18
Effective: 12-27-18

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – PUBLIC HEARING January 16, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. The ZBA will consider a variance request to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance as follows:

- 18801 Sheldon Rd, (ID#77 038 99 0008 000), Article 3, General Use Provisions (Accessory Structures)

Written comments regarding these requests will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals

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SYNOPSIS

DECEMBER 13, 2018 – REGULAR MEETING (CLOSED SESSION 6:30 P.M.) CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, December 13, 2018

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Treasurer Banner called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

PRESENT: Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Christopher Roosen, Trustee
Symantha Heath, Trustee Fred Shadko, Trustee
Mindy Herrmann, Trustee

ABSENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

CLOSED SESSION: As permitted under the Michigan Open Meetings Act (PA 267) of 1976 or MCL 15.268, Section 8 (C) for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing. – Approved

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- Agendas:**
 - Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items** – Approved
 - Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
 - Township Annual Employee Appreciation – Years of Service** – Presented by Director Wilhelm & Manager Snider
 - Public Safety Presentation** – Presented by Director Mutchler
 - Reappoint Paul Slatin to Zoning Board of Appeals** – Approved
 - Reappoint Brian Doren to Zoning Board of Appeals** – Approved
 - Reappoint Joe Vig to Building Authority Review Board** – Approved
 - Reappoint Ann Goolsby to Northville Youth Assistance** – Approved
 - Reappoint Bill Bufe to the Ethics Board** – Approved
 - Reappoint Janice Wilkiemeyer to EDC/BRA** – Approved
- Public Hearing:** None
- Brief Public Comments:** None
- New Business:**
 - Public Services – Starbucks Amendment #2** – Approved
 - Public Services – Chick-Fil-A Amendment #3** – Approved w/ Conditions
 - Decision from Closed Session regarding Union Negotiations** – Approved
 - Decision from Closed Session regarding Union Negotiations** – Approved
 - Budget Amendment 2018-08** – Approved
 - Wayne County Annual Permits** – Approved
 - Replacement of Cardiac Monitors/Defibrillators** – Approved
 - Replacement of Hydraulic Cutter & Spreader** – Approved
 - Non-Motorized Path Maintenance Agreement – Zhongding** – Approved
- Unfinished Business:** None
- Ordinances:**
 - Historic District Commission Ordinance Amendment** – Adopted
 - Marihuana Ordinance** – Introduced
- Check Registry:**
 - In the amount of \$ 3,863,177.55 for the period of 11/3/18 to 11/30/18** – Approved
- Board Communication & Reports:**
 - Marjorie Banner, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Christopher Roosen, Shadko, Chip Snider
- Any other business for the Board of Trustees:** None
- ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

A draft of the minutes will be available December 27, 2018.

Respectfully submitted:
Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor
Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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Laws have also changed. Jacobsen doubts the women sentenced decades ago to life in prison without parole would get such hefty sentences if they were convicted today.

"A lot of the women that we've represented over the years never had abuse presented at their trials," she said. "There are so many that deserve a chance. We don't need to keep people in prison for 30 years. ... We are just way too punitive.

"The governor is the sole person who has this unique power to redress an injustice and it is critical that that power be employed for the sake of mercy, but also for the sake of justice," Jacobsen said.

Rebellion costs Chapman everything

Chapman was young and in love, living fast and partying too hard.

She'd dropped out of high school in 11th grade and moved out of her parents' home to live with her boyfriend, Goodyear — even if it meant sleeping on couches and in the garages of friends and relatives. They stole cars and broke into houses to get money for drugs, for food, to pay for the lifestyle.

"I was rebellious against my parents," she said during a public hearing to consider her commutation request. "I didn't want to listen to a lot of what they had to say. I was a bit of a free spirit. I was involved in kind of a partying life."

At 17, Goodyear had a long history of violence. Chapman quickly discovered that he also was intensely jealous. He didn't allow her to look at or speak to other men; he rarely let her out of his sight — even accompanying her to the bathroom, she said.

At first, she thought the jealous, controlling behavior was proof he liked her. But then the beatings came more frequently, she said. He punched her in the face, threw her to the ground.

"He would put handcuffs on me and handcuff me to things and put a gun to my head. He would sit there and click it until I threw up. He would get off on that," she testified at the hearing. "Robert would tell me if I ever left him, he would kill my father. He would rape my mother and kill her and make me watch."

The night Goodyear killed Gaines, Chapman testified that he shot at her, too.

"We got into an argument. ... I took off running from him because I wanted to get away from him and he pulled the gun out and he shot at me," she said. "He shot it once and I felt it whiz by my head. I just stopped and I turned around and I went right back to him."

Pivotal testimony for the prosecution in Chapman's trial came from Ann Denny, one of her cellmates in the county jail. She told the jury Chapman goaded Goodyear into killing Gaines and said Chapman boasted about licking Gaines' blood and eating his brain tissue. Denny said under oath that Chapman worshiped Satan, according to trial transcripts.

Twenty years later, Denny, who now goes by the name Ann Louis Gordon, recanted her testimony in a sworn affidavit, Chapman's lawyer told the parole board. Chapman insists she never did those things, but told doctors during a psychiatric evaluation that she licked the blood off her fingers so it would seem like she was crazy. She hoped an insanity defense would help her at trial.

It did not.

Jacobsen said Chapman shouldn't have to do any more time in prison.

"She's has never excused her actions in any way, yet I think it's important to consider the context of the crime, that she was a teenager not long past the age that the Supreme Court has determined that a sentence of life without parole is unconstitutional," Jacobsen said.

"She did not anticipate, plan nor commit the murder, but lived in terror of Robert Goodyear and obeyed him out of a justified fear for her life. Given the torture she survived at his hands, it's miraculous Melissa is alive and that she was not the one murdered."



A 2011 photo of Delores Kapuscinski. MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Delores Kapuscinski endures rape, rage

When Delores Kapuscinski went to prison in 1987 for killing her husband as he slept, spousal rape wasn't considered a crime in Michigan.

It wasn't illegal for a man to sexually assault his wife in the state until 1988 — one year after Kapuscinski was charged with murder in the death of Thomas Kapuscinski.

She testified during a July public hearing before members of the parole board that her husband molested her for most of their 17-year marriage, forcing her to have anal sex and to pretend she was a prostitute. He had been emotionally abusive as well.

"The sexual abuse had gotten so bad that I, I ... felt worthless," she said, explaining that she sank into a deep depression and considered killing herself in the wee hours of Feb. 18, 1987, in their home on Porter Hollow Drive Northeast in Rockford, near Grand Rapids. But she couldn't bear the idea of Thomas raising their children Wendy, 7, and Christopher, 5.

She testified that he often demeaned them, too.

"He would call (Wendy) a f---ing c---. He would ... call my son a bastard in front of them," she said. "He would tickle them, hold them down and tickle them until they were in tears. ... When he wrestled them or played with them, he would come real close to their groin areas, especially my daughter. And knowing how he was sexually with me, that was, that was a fright for me. I was frightened for my daughter."

So rather than take her own life, Kapuscinski turned a .22-caliber hunting rifle on her husband, firing once, reloading and shooting a second time.

She has been in prison 31 years.

Jacobsen said that's an injustice.

"We know about the racism, but we don't hear much about the misogyny of our criminal legal system," Jacobsen said. "It is not justice when it comes to women, especially women, who are seen to be violent."

"The story is that most women — whether it is a petty crime or murder — are acting on some level of survival. You know, sometimes it's stealing or prostitution or whatever to support themselves and their kids whose fathers aren't held accountable by the law. In murder cases, they're often with a male who did the murder and/or they're acting against an abuser to defend themselves or their kids."

Prosecutors built a case against Kapuscinski on the couple's financial situation.

They were about to lose their home to foreclosure and were months behind on their mortgage payments. Kapuscinski, they argued, killed her husband to get about \$200,000 in life insurance money to pay off their debts and be rid of his abuse.

During a July public hearing to consider her commutation, parole board member Anthony E.O. King suggested Kapuscinski changed the narrative of her story over the years, adopting the identity of a battered woman to justify killing her husband.

"You're now redefining your life experiences based upon the knowledge that you've acquired about domestic violence and abuse as a very serious social problem in this country," King said. "And if you're trying to force that onto your life, retrospectively, it can be prob-

lematic. It can be helpful, but it can be problematic and that's what I'm struggling with."

Rothermel objected to her commutation on behalf of the state attorney general's office and urged the governor to deny her clemency.

But retired prison psychologist Nels Thompson, who treated Kapuscinski, argued otherwise at the hearing:

"I would like to state something clinical and something personal about Delores," he said. "Clinically, a woman who is forced to have anal sex, marital rape with demeaning language, is in a rage. Frequently, people who are in rages do not realize they are in a rage. Rage is very impolite to acknowledge and express, so it takes other forms, such as depression, disassociation, etc. But Delores had been rageful for some time.

"I wouldn't suggest that she didn't make horrible mistakes and that this is a terrible outcome of that marriage. I wouldn't suggest that. But I would say this about Delores Kapuscinski: She is a woman of integrity and honor. ... She will not hurt the public in any way should she be released from prison. And I urge Gov. Snyder to do so."

Battered women face legal obstacles

Social justice advocates say that, for a number of reasons, battered women and those who suffer sexual and emotional abuse like Kapuscinski often don't get fair trials when they kill their abusers.

Self-defense cases are extremely hard to win in situations like these and that's because juries and judges have misconceptions about victims of domestic violence, said Cindene Pezell, legal coordinator for the National Clearinghouse for the Defense of Battered Women.

"People still have a notion that battered women should have just left the situation and there's a lot of problems wrapped up in that assumption," she said. "One is that they could have left the situation. Two is that had they left, then their life would have been so much easier or safer, which we know is not necessarily true. Third is that they had a duty to actually leave an abusive situation. Instead of asking why do people batter their partners, instead they ask why didn't they leave?"

"There is definitely a baked-in culture of disbelieving women's claims of being abused so any time that responsibility can be shifted from what a victim did not do, people take that route. Nobody wants to feel helpless and they want to feel like, if they were in that situation, they would pack up and leave. They just don't get it."

Piling on is the fact that the criminal justice system is male-dominated, said Lora Bex Lempert, a sociology professor emerita from the University of Michigan-Dearborn who spent years interviewing and meeting with 72 prisoners serving life sentences at Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility and wrote a book, "Women Doing Life: Gender, Punishment, and the Struggle for Identity" (New York University Press, \$27).

Susan Farrell gets life; son gets 5 years

Susan Farrell maintains her innocence. Like Chapman, Farrell said she didn't pull the trigger of any gun or wield a deadly blow.

Rather, she insists it was her then-23-year-old son, Robert Baker, who swung the sledgehammer that smashed Terry Farrell's skull as he lay in his bed one April night in 1989.

Farrell is now 73 years old. Her feet shuffled slowly as she walked from her wheelchair to a black plastic chair pushed up to a faux wood Formica table inside the visitor's area at Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility.

"If I stand too long, it hurts," she said.

Farrell endured years of violence, including sexual assault, that caused so much physical damage, she said, "they've done surgeries because of what my husband did to me. I have a bad vaginal prolapse and a bowel prolapse.

"He would never let me say no" to sex, she said of her late husband, who was a mechanical engineer for Chrysler.

"He'd say, 'Too bad.'"

She said he often used objects to violate her: "He would punch me, grab me, slap me on my face. If I said no to something, it would get him a little bit angry. I tried to keep myself from being confrontational."

In a case that pitted mother against son, Farrell was convicted on first-degree murder and conspiracy charges and sentenced to life in prison without parole Feb. 6, 1990.

She acknowledges she lied to police about what had happened the night her husband died, but denies conspiring with her son to kill Terry for his life insurance payout.

"They said I aided and abetted. I didn't tell the truth. I was part of it," she said of prosecutors in her case. "But I didn't do that."

Rather, Farrell alleges that her son blew up in an argument over money the night of April 13 and early morning hours of April 14, 1989. Baker, she said, went to the garage of their Rochester Hills home for a sledgehammer and then coolly walked to his stepfather's bedroom and struck the deadly blows.

He threatened to tell police Farrell put him up to killing her husband if she didn't lie to investigators about his role in her husband's death.

"He threatened me. ... He said, 'If you tell on me, I'm going to tell them that you told me to do it,'" Farrell said of her son.

All along, Baker alleged it was Farrell who smashed in his stepfather's head and Farrell who wanted him dead for the life insurance payout.

The jury believed him.

In the end, Baker was acquitted of murder and conspiracy, but was found guilty of being an accessory after the fact on both charges. He was sentenced to 30-60 months in prison. He also was convicted separately on a statutory rape charge for having had sex with a neighbor younger than age 13. He served five years in prison on all the charges combined.

Farrell got life in prison without parole.

"I just know one thing," she said during a July public hearing before the parole board. "I never wanted my husband killed. I never asked to have him killed and that is the absolutely truth."

Farrell testified at her June hearing that the night her husband died, she smeared blood on her nightgown, face and body so, when police arrived, it looked as if she'd been lying in bed next to him when an intruder killed him.

She admitted she lied to police to protect herself from her son's threats. But she seemed confused about the abuse she'd suffered over the years and her relationship with her late husband. Some of her testimony was contradictory.

Rothermel noted that Farrell stood to inherit \$400,000 from her husband's estate after his death. She said she thought it was \$125,000.

Oakland County Prosecutor Jessica Cooper objected to Farrell's commutation request, writing: "Inmate Farrell's convictions arose from her direct and significant participation in the planning and execution of the brutal murder of her husband. Her desire was to end ... her boring and unsatisfying marriage in a manner that would ensure that she received a financial windfall from her soon-to-be late husband's estate. Allowing inmate Farrell to re-create her past in an attempt to portray herself as the victim in this case does a disservice to those genuinely battered women. Inmate Farrell is not a victim. She is a ruthless and calculating murderer."

Farrell's life in prison without parole sentence is excessive, Lempert noted.

"What possible danger is Susan Farrell to anyone?" she said. "What possible danger is she? It always seems idiosyncratic to me, who gets re-sentenced or commuted. ... I don't know what the rationales are. They're not ... not consistent and they're not accessible. What do you have to do" to get clemency?

Nancy Seaman and battered woman syndrome

In Michigan, getting an acquittal in cases like these is made more difficult, advocates say, because case law limits the use of expert testimony about bat-

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tered woman syndrome.

A form of post-traumatic stress disorder, battered woman syndrome occurs when a woman fears her life is in danger because of abuses suffered at the hands of a romantic partner. It can also occur in men, but experts note the majority of people who are abused are women.

Psychologists are often called to testify at trial to explain why battered women behave as they do and why they can lash out violently when their lives are threatened.

"For many of the women serving time in prison, having abuse and domestic violence in their backgrounds is a very common thread — in Michigan, especially, because the law is so restrictive," said Lenore Walker, the psychologist who coined the term battered woman syndrome and documented the cycle of abuse.

Walker testified for the defense in the case of Nancy Seaman, a fourth-grade teacher who in May 2004 killed her husband in the garage of their Farmington Hills home.

The case captivated the public and the press gloried in the gruesome details: A well-regarded teacher in a sleepy Detroit suburb who brutally killed her husband with a hatchet and a knife after three decades of marriage.

What wasn't explained, she said, were the years of abuse she suffered before that day.

In court, Seaman testified that she and her husband Robert began to argue the night of May 9, 2004, about yard work and overgrown landscaping. It was Mother's Day, but Seaman said she drove that evening to Home Depot to buy a hatchet so she could chop down the unruly foliage.

She testified during her trial that, the following morning, she was in the kitchen when she told Robert that she intended to leave him. He was furious, she said, and cut her with a knife. She fled to the garage, where she said he pushed her to the floor and kicked her.

The hatchet, Seaman

told the jury, was the first thing she could grab to defend herself. She swung it over and over again and then took the knife Robert had used to cut her in the kitchen and stabbed him repeatedly. Later that day, she said, she wrapped his body in a tarp and put it in the trunk of the family SUV and methodically cleaned the garage.

Her behavior, Walker said, can be explained by battered woman syndrome.

"Even though I testified, I wasn't allowed to testify that it was my opinion that she was a battered woman in Nancy Seaman's case," Walker said. "I could testify as to what battered women's syndrome was, but I couldn't say she had it."

That's because of a state Supreme Court ruling, *People v. Christel*, that doesn't allow experts to connect the behavior with the crime during a trial.

Seaman testified that her husband had beaten her for years, but she'd always tried to hide it, to cover it up, to make it look as if theirs was a happy marriage. She wanted the world to have an impression that their life was perfect, idyllic.

And that, said Thompson, a psychologist who oversaw a domestic violence program from 2000-10 for women at the now-shuttered Robert Scott Correctional Facility in Northville Township, is why Seaman went to such lengths to clean up after killing her husband.

The Seamans' two sons, Jeff and Greg, painted entirely different portraits of their home life, too.

Their younger son Greg sided with Seaman in court, corroborating her claims of abuse. The older son Jeff testified that his father didn't beat

his mother, even though Jeff's wife Rebecca testified that she'd urged Seaman to get out of the marriage "before something happened." Rebecca told the jury that Seaman had complained of escalating abuse, of bruises and a fractured wrist.

Seaman seemed to be following that advice. She bought her own condo in April 2004 and was preparing to file for divorce.

"I think the jury had questions," Walker said. "Because she had two children, each of whom testified differently, you'd think that they grew up in different households, their testimony was so different. But that's very typical in domestic violence cases, where the parent makes an alliance with one child or the child makes an alliance with one parent and not the other."

"It's very important because the impact from domestic violence flies in the face of what we know intuitively. We are trained to believe it takes two people to make a fight, but not in domestic violence cases. It just takes a batterer to pick a fight."

"In domestic violence cases, the man doesn't let the woman go. That's the time when she's most likely to get killed or more seriously harmed. These are things that have to be demonstrated to the average lay person so they understand, especially those who don't know anything about domestic violence."

Judge troubled by evidence in Seaman case

Although a jury convicted Seaman of first-degree murder, Oakland County Circuit Judge John McDonald was concerned jurors didn't hear all the evidence — particularly Walker's complete

testimony on the effects of long-term domestic violence and battered woman syndrome.

Some facts in the case also just didn't add up in his mind. Why would Seaman kill her husband when she had purchased her own condominium and was about to leave him? Also, why did one of the Seaman's sons testify that his father had been abusive to her while the other son testified the opposite?

Seaman had gone to great pains to clean up the garage where her husband was killed, mopping and bleaching the floors, repainting the blood-spattered walls. She also wrapped his body in a tarp and hid it in the back of their SUV.

Walker would have testified that those behaviors all can be tied to things a battered woman would do to hide the abuse, to make everything seem normal in a very abnormal situation, McDonald said. She could have explained why the Seamans' sons picked opposite sides.

It was then that McDonald said he realized that Seaman might not have gotten a fair trial.

"After the case was over with, there was a motion filed ... by an appellate attorney raising all kinds of legal issues, you know, ineffective assistance of counsel, prejudicial comments made by the prosecution in the closing arguments, a whole number of issues," he said.

"I denied them all, but I felt that after seeing her report, the written report, that the jury didn't get the full picture. I felt that had they gotten that, they probably would have

said, 'Look, there was no premeditation, there was no deliberation, which reduces the case from first degree to either second degree, involuntary manslaughter or the possibility of not guilty by reason of insanity.'

"So I reduced the case from first degree to second degree, but then I was reversed by the Court of Appeals in a 2-1 decision, saying it was an abuse of discretion for me to do that."

The case then went to federal court, where U.S. District Judge Bernard Friedman called for a hearing where he took a video deposition from Walker and ordered a new trial, saying that the jury didn't hear all the evidence it should have heard from Walker on battered woman syndrome.

"He was reversed by the (U.S. Sixth Circuit) Court of Appeals in Cincinnati. That's where the case stands," McDonald said.

Lu Anne Szenay begged for police help

Lu Anne Szenay couldn't see any other way out.

She called police to report her husband Timothy's abuse "dozens of times," she said.

"They'd say, 'Lady, it's your husband. We're not going to do anything about that. ... If we didn't see it, we can't arrest him.'

"But I didn't want him arrested. I wanted to keep peace in the family. I wanted them to say, 'Tim, you can't do this.' If somebody would have stepped up and said, 'You're not going to do this to her,'

maybe he would have stopped," she said during an interview from prison, where she's served 28 years.

After he twice kidnapped their daughter Jennifer and threatened both their lives, Szenay said she felt as if she was in a kill-or-be-killed situation. She hired a hit man who fatally shot her husband Jan. 18, 1990, in his Bay City home.

She regrets her decision and says she knows it was wrong. But maybe, just maybe, she wonders, if police had intervened, she wouldn't have taken such a drastic step to stay alive.

She was 19, she said, when she fell in love with Timothy, a soon-to-be-divorced body builder.


"He was gregarious," said Szenay, who wore a blue, button-down prison-issued top and matching pants during a June interview with the Free Press. "He was Superman. He swept me off my feet in 15 seconds. He charmed the world."

She could never have imagined when she said "I do" in May 1978 that their love would turn violent, that her beloved would beat her and stalk her and that she would end it by conspiring to take his life.

"When I met him, his first wife had left him and I thought she was a fool," Szenay said. "He bought me an engagement ring in the first few weeks of dating. His divorce went through and we were married right away."

The newlyweds lived in Bay City through the late '70s and '80s and ran a business together selling water distillers. The

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818 W. 11 Mile Road
Royal Oak, Michigan 48067
Phone: 248 594-5850

BID DUE DATE: Until 2:00 PM EDT on January 21, 2019 the Owner will receive sealed Bids for the work as set forth in the Bid specifications and proposal forms ("RFB documents") at:

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Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time. Bids received after the above date and time will **not** be accepted. Bids that do not include a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship between the Owner and the bidder as defined in Michigan Public Act No. 232 of 2004 will not be accepted.

RFB documents will be available on or after December 13, 2018 and can be obtained by registering at the following website: <http://www.vlbp.com/launch/wrighthunter/home.php>.

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Clemency

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business blossomed into a health food store they named the Health Nut.

In 1981, Szenay learned she was pregnant and everything changed.

"The lid popped off the can," she said. "It was horrible. He started going out and not coming home at night. When he was home, he would hit me, slap me, throw me on the ground — and I was pregnant."

"People noticed the bruises and, when people would comment, he would say, 'She is the clumsiest person on Earth. She falls all the time.' I was on crutches and pregnant with bruises.

"I don't mean to slam him," she said, her hands fidgeting in her lap, "because this isn't about him. I did this horrendous act and it was wrong, but I had been so afraid."

At 5 feet, 3 inches, and 110 pounds, Szenay wears her gray hair short, in a pixie-style cut that she said she is trying

to grow out. She is 61 now.

"He was a body builder and lifted weights all the time. He had a fantastic physique," she said.

She talked about how, when he was especially enraged, he'd grab her by the neck with one hand, lift her up and then throw her onto the floor, kicking her repeatedly.

"I would say, 'Please, God, just let me live three more seconds.' I would say that over and over and over again until he was done. If I did that, I didn't really feel it as much," she said, sitting in a large visitor's room inside Michigan's only women's prison one especially bright June day.

In April 1982, she delivered their daughter Jennifer in their home because, she said, "Tim refused to pay for the hospital." A doctor came to their house to help her through it.

Szenay says her husband repeatedly told her she couldn't leave him, that she'd never survive on her own.

Still, Szenay filed for divorce twice — the first time was when her baby girl was about 9 months old. But it didn't

take.

"I felt like people want to throw in the towel too easily," she said. "I thought one day he would open his eyes and realize I was the best thing in the world. I did whatever I could to keep him happy. As long as he was happy, I felt I would be OK. It would be OK. I could win him over."

But by 1989, Szenay had had enough. Her husband was going out more and coming home drunk or high.

"My daughter started finding cocaine in the house," she said and the abuse ratcheted up.

"He told me it's my way or the graveyard," she said. "He said he would never let me go. We lived on a river, the Kaw-kawlin River. He bought a Sea Ray fishing boat. My mother told me when he bought that boat that she thought he was going to kill me and use the boat to dump my body."

"He told me if I didn't do everything the way he wanted me to do it, he was going to kill our daughter, too."

She filed for divorce in November 1989 and moved out the same day.

"He was walking around our store with a bottle of booze in a paper bag in the middle of the day and he was having sex with the help he hired. It was just horrible," she said. "He'd say, 'I don't know if I'm going to kill you, kill her or kill both of you.'"

A month after she filed for divorce, Szenay hired James Blau, a college student, to work at the store. She initially had Blau running deliveries of Christmas gift baskets to clients, but soon began to rely on him for more.

"He thought of himself as a body-guard," she said, to protect her from her husband, who was stalking her.

Two days after Christmas 1989, Szenay and her daughter went out to dinner and saw a movie. She had parked her car outside her apartment building when, she said, Tim grabbed Jennifer out of her arms. She sprayed him with pepper spray, but he still got away with their daughter.

"That night I called everyone I knew," Szenay said. "I didn't know if Jen was dead or alive and I told them he took her."

The next day, Blau came to the Health Nut and said: "Let me take care of this guy. He won't bother you anymore. I said, 'OK,'" Szenay said. "He says, 'I know a guy out of state. He is a professional. He can take care of anything.' I

knew he wanted to take his life."

Court documents show that Blau brought Shawn England, a friend he'd met at a Florida security guard training school, to Michigan to complete the crime. In exchange, Blau and England negotiated a share of Timothy's life insurance payout.

"I felt it was the only way Jennifer and I were going to survive," Szenay said. "I feel horrible that I took someone's life and I destroyed a family, but I survived. And my daughter is OK. That means the world to me."

"I understand I have (a) life without parole sentence. But they have to look at the individual situation. If they would have looked at my whole picture, all the violence, I still would have been convicted, but I probably wouldn't have gotten a life without parole sentence."

England also was convicted on first-degree murder charges and is serving life in prison without parole. Blau never went to trial. He pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and conspiracy and also was sentenced to life in prison.

Commutation clock is ticking down

Thompson supports clemency for Szenay, Seaman, Kapuscinski and Chapman, but he said he never worked with Farrell when he was a prison psychologist and thus cannot support her bid for commutation.

Although he's retired now, Thompson said all his years working in prisons in Michigan led him to the conclusion that "domestic violence is the absolute worst crime in America. Home is where I want my family to go to be safe. I want home to be where my wife can go where she feels people are on her side, where she is safe. ...For these poor women, home is a battlefield."

As Jan. 1 approaches and Snyder's term nears its end, the women lifers who applied for commutations anxiously wait for news.

Seaman and Szenay were not awarded public hearings before the parole board earlier this year and that makes their bids for clemency more unlikely.

Anna Heaton, a spokeswoman for Snyder, wrote in an email to the Free Press that the governor intends to follow the commutation guidelines in the state constitution. That process includes a public hearing with representatives of the parole board.

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'Big flip' sends Hansen to Sparty

Harrison senior takes MSU offer over Chippewas

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Maverick Hansen was eagerly looking forward to college football's early signing day.

The Farmington Harrison senior woke up Dec. 19 fully expecting to honor his commitment to Central Michigan University.

Then Hansen got the shocking phone call that caused the "big flip."

Around 8:25 a.m., Hansen answered a call from Ron Burton, the defensive line coach at Michigan State University. A few minutes later, he was talking with MSU head coach Mark Dantonio.

They offered him a last-minute scholarship and he excitedly accepted.

At the signing ceremony at Harrison,

which also included teammate Rod Heard (Northwestern) and classmate Monique Sampson (Henry Ford College for volleyball), Hansen announced he will be playing football this fall in East Lansing at Michigan State University.

"When I woke up this morning, I thought I was going to Central Michigan today," Hansen said. "But I got a call from coach Burton and coach Dantonio today telling me I had a scholarship and telling me I could be a Spartan. That was just an opportunity I couldn't turn down."

"Today was a big flip. I was shaking. I didn't even know what to tell people. I was just blown away all day," he added. "I was just walking around school looking stupid. I was smiling for ear to ear,

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Maverick Hansen, shown celebrating after Farmington Harrison's overtime victory at Detroit Country Day, signed to play college football at Michigan State University. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

BOYS BASKETBALL

Moon launch

Glenn senior scores 37 in game overshadowed by incidents in stands, technical fouls, player ejections

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It was game that featured a total of 51 fouls, including six technicals, two player ejections and a series of unruly fan incidents coming from the stands that resulted in three different stoppages of play.

But it couldn't and wouldn't overshadow the performance of Westland John Glenn senior guard Joe Moon IV, who proved to be the top Rocket as he scored a game-high 37 points in a 71-61 KLA East Division boys basketball win over rival Wayne Memorial.

With the help of fellow senior guard Renel Thrasher Jr.'s 22 points, host Glenn improved to 2-0 overall and 2-0 in the division.

The 6-foot-2 Moon racked up 20 of his 37 during the final quarter to help preserve the victory.

"Joe Moon is a two-way player," Glenn coach Rod Watts said. "He's probably the best-kept secret in the state of Michigan. I don't understand why people don't rank him higher, but he's got the keys to the car. And we know he's going to bring the car back the same. We put a lot of trust in Joe."

Accurate shooter

Moon, locked in all night, made 14-of-15 free throws, including 11-of-12 in the final quarter.

"We've been focused from the beginning," Moon said. "Since tryouts, we've been waiting for them. They beat us three times last year, so we wanted payback and we still got them two more times. We blocked out all the stuff in the stands. We blocked it away and just



Glenn's Joe Moon IV (left) drives to the basket, evading Wayne's Riccardo Covin and Kenneth Bowie (right). BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

won."

Moon also helped orchestrate a Glenn defense that put the clamps on Wayne senior guard Isaiah Lewis, who was coming off a school-record 50-point performance just three days prior during a 91-58 win over Dearborn.

Moon hounded Lewis, who wound up with 15 points, all over the floor.

"Just deny him the ball and Dreyon (O'Neal), that was the game plan," Moon said.

Rocky start

Against Wayne's zone defense, Glenn

got off to a slow start, trailing 10-4 after one quarter. The Rockets, however, got untracked offensively in the second quarter, outscoring Wayne 21-15 to pull even at 25-25 at halftime.

Thrasher connected on two of his four triples during the second quarter.

"When Renel hit those threes, that opened it up to come out of the zone, it gave me the ability to drive to the basket and finish," Moon said.

Glenn opened up a 36-27 third-quarter advantage before Wayne charged back to go up by three, 39-36,

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Canton's Robinson brings grit to court

Tim Smith
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Darius Robinson is ready for some basketball after finally deciding where he'll be playing Division I football next year.

And the 6-foot-6, 260-pound defensive tackle for Canton — who Dec. 19 capped off a long and winding decision-making process by choosing Missouri — looked free, easy and physical out on the basketball court the next day against host Northville.

Robinson looked as though he were still playing football on several stretches of the Chiefs' 65-46 victory, diving onto the floor for 50/50 balls and even "picking off" a Northville pass.

"You just got to be physical in football, basketball," Robinson said. "That's who I am. Everybody knows

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Northville's Ryan Pumper (left) tries to elude the tough defense of Canton's Darius Robinson. TOM BEAUDOIN | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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PREP GYMNASTICS

Farmington Unified opens season with win

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The Farmington Unified gymnastics team enters the 2018-19 season as defending state champion.

If the first score this season is any indication, the girls representing the Farmington Public Schools district are aiming for another big season. Farmington opened with an impressive 145.75-137.37 victory Dec. 14 over Huron Valley.

Farmington Unified is led by a strong corps of returnees who were all members of last year's title-winning squad, the sixth overall in FPS history and the fourth under veteran head coach Jeff Dwyer.

"It was a great team score for the first meet of the year. Anytime a team can hit the mid-140s, you have to be satisfied," Dwyer said. "In a typical year, this would place us in the top 10 teams in the state. It creates excitement as we head into the season."

Dwyer is impressed with the way his team performed, considering the loss of four gymnasts to graduation, including D-2 all-around state champion Elisa Bills and all-state standout Emily Stecovic.

"Not only do you lose that talent, but you also lose the experience of gymnasts who competed many years for a state title and pulled it off last year," Dwyer said. "Those gymnasts are invaluable."

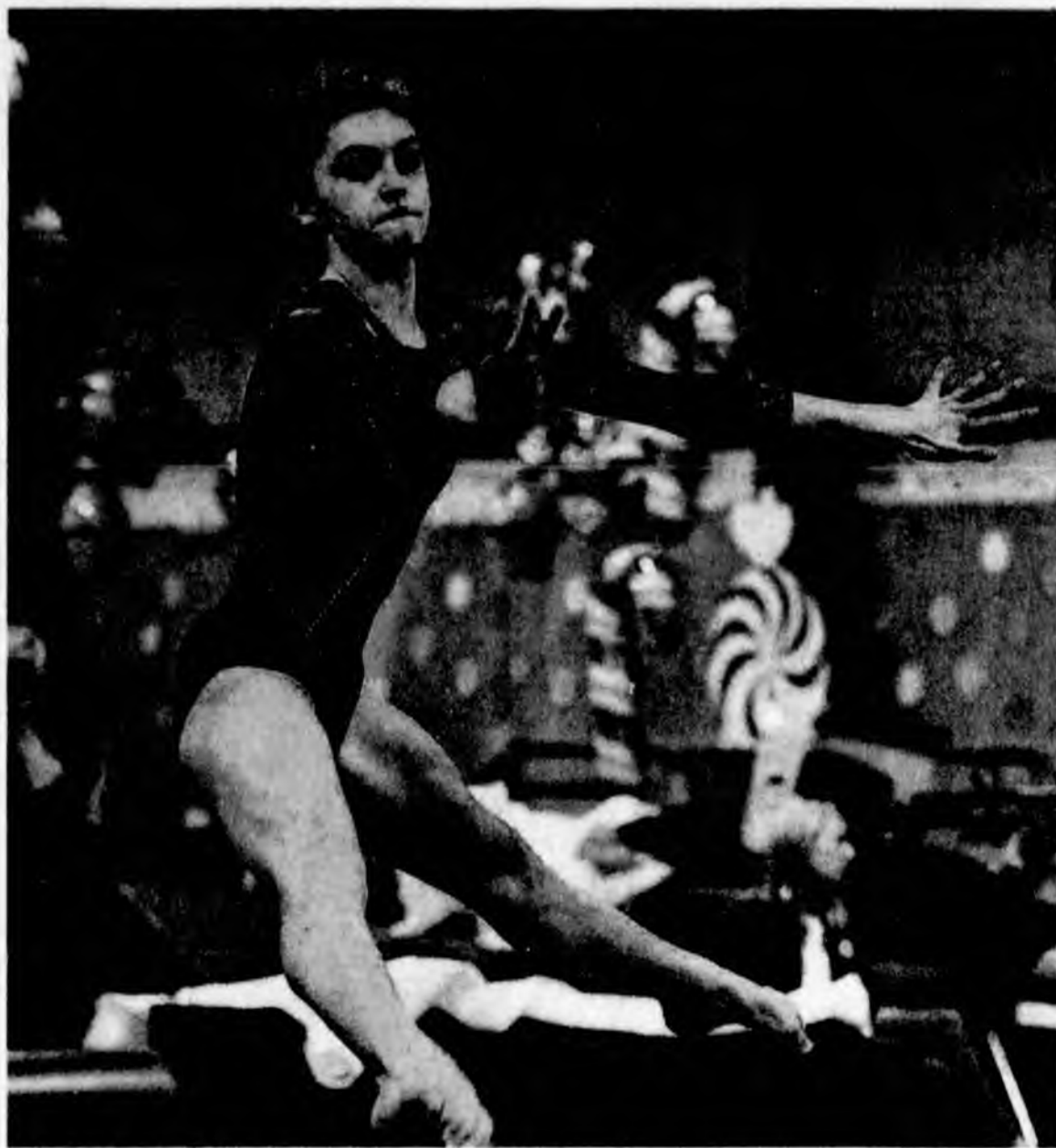
"We gained some talented gymnasts this year, but it remains to be seen how they come together as a team. I have had talented squads in the past who did not reach their potential for all sorts of reasons."

"They never really gelled as a team that only cares about the team," he added. "This is a good start. It remains to be seen how this new group will continue, but I like our depth and talent."

Depth and talent

That depth and talent centers around returning gymnasts Kacey Noseworthy (captain), Ava Farquhar (captain), Olivia Demming (captain), Shelby Smith, Lily Tyler, Sydney and Allie Schultz, Sara Kurkechain, Zoe Rasico and Maddy Weiner.

The top newcomers are Elena Vargo



Sophomore returnee Allie Schultz provides much-needed depth and experience for the Farmington Unified gymnastics team. KATHY BURNS

and Kamini Playle, while first-year gymnasts Andrea Ouellette, Kristin Fleming and freshman Sara Lashbrook will give the squad that much more depth.

"We have some experienced gymnasts who have competed at the highest level in the state and came out on top," Dwyer said. "Winning a state championship takes incredible determination and tenacity and having these gymnasts returning for another year makes life easier for the coaches, as they already know what to expect."

"The new gymnasts joining the team will only make us better," he added. "It is interesting to see how past gymnasts mesh with incoming gymnasts, but so far it appears we are all on the same page."

Vargo, whom Dwyer believes is

among the states' top Division 1 gymnasts, posted the top all-around score against Huron Valley with 37.725 after winning three of the four events. She won the vault (9.7), uneven bars (9.15) and floor exercises (9.725) and scored 9.15 on the balance beam, placing second to Farquhar, who won with 9.55.

Noseworthy was second off the vault (9.4), uneven bars (9.05) and floor exercise to take second all-around (36.1).

Farquhar was third all-around with a total of 35.775 and Sydney Schultz registered 35.1 to place fourth. Allie Schultz (34.675), Playle (34.425) and Smith (33.95) also contributed strong-all-around performances.

"This is not an easy feat to accomplish. It takes routines loaded with difficult skills and performed without many



Farmington Unified senior tri-captain Ava Farquhar soars off the vault during the season-opening victory over Huron Valley. KATHY BURNS



Farmington Unified senior tri-captain Kacey Noseworthy finished second on floor exercises and in the all-around competition during the season-opening meet against Huron Valley. KATHY BURNS

flaws," Dwyer said. "All of these gymnasts should be very proud in these scores, especially for the first meet of the season."

"As I look at the scores from the past meet, I like the fact that we are very deep with solid gymnasts," he added. "This returning group remembers all the little things that got the job done last year and, hopefully, they can continue to grow and influence this new team in a positive manner."

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Canton defensive end Robinson casts lot with Missouri

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First-year Canton football head coach Andrew LaFata may have summed it up best about Darius Robinson's signing an NCAA letter of intent Dec. 19 with the University of Missouri.

"I had no clue. Darius has got a great poker face," LaFata said of his 6-foot-5, 260-pound defensive end and tight end.

Before making his announcement in the Canton gym before immediate family, teammates, coaches, classmates and friends, Robinson had narrowed his four choices down to Colorado, Minnesota, Michigan and Missouri after receiving interest from a total of 23 Division I schools.

When the three-star recruit announced his choice, he donned a Missouri stocking cap.

"My thought process was Missouri and they answered all my questions as far as just playing in the best conference (SEC) in football," Robinson said. "My brother (Reggie) can be at a lot of things to support me and my family. That was the main thing about their support system and that's where I need to be successful. I'm just excited to get to work."

Missouri is coming off an 8-4 season and 4-4 record in the SEC under third-year coach Barry Odom. The Tigers are set to face Oklahoma State on Dec. 31 in the Autozone Liberty Bowl in Memphis, Tenn.

"I just felt at home," Robinson said. "I just felt so comfortable with the coaching staff. I want to play against the best every week and compete against the best. I know playing in the SEC, it don't get no better than that. Coach (Brick) Haley (associate head coach) ... he's is a good man. His resume just speaks for itself and I'm just excited to learn from him and see where I can end up being



Missouri signee Darius Robinson (right), with Canton head football coach Andrew LaFata, after announcing his national letter of intent. BRAD EMONS | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

because everyone wants to go to the (NFL) and, with the opportunity, I'm forever grateful. I'm the first in my family to be offered a degree and I'm excited."

Robinson is currently playing basketball for Canton, but may not finish out the season because he may go to Missouri as an early enrollee next month.

"We're going to figure that out," Robinson said. "I'm taking classes so I can leave early, but we'll see what happens. I love my teammates. Second semester starts Jan. 22, so I'll have time. So if I leave, I need to get things in order."

Robinson played only two years of high school football after transferring from Canton Prep, where he played basketball. The charter school did not offer football.

"He showed up in the spring of 2017

at our camp and here he comes not playing football and that was the first time that most of us coaches saw him, so this is the product of two years," LaFata said. "He's only had one off-season working out."

LaFata said Robinson's best football days are ahead him.

"He's raw, because he's only been playing for two years," LaFata said. "But in those two years, he's worked his tail off. He really has. You can tell by all the people here, his teammates ... if they didn't like him they wouldn't be here. And they like him because he works hard. So if he keeps that up ... I think he learned to love the weight room and all the stuff that comes with that. If he continues doing that, he could be somebody you're reading about in a few years."



Canton's Darius Robinson (making tackle) signed an NCAA letter of intent with the University of Missouri. JON VESPAZIANI

Robinson, who earned all-state honors at defensive end, certainly fits all the measurables.

"He can tie his shoes standing up," LaFata said. "He keeps growing. That's what crazy. When you look at him, he looks closer to 6-6 now, but I swear he was closer to 6-5 a year ago with a baby face. He just keeps getting bigger and bigger. Every time you see him, he just looks older."

As a senior, Robinson was primarily on the defensive side of the ball, where he recorded 68 tackles, including six sacks and 12 for loss, with one fumble recovery.

His position in college will be determined.

"He can move inside as a three-technique defensive tackle," LaFata said. "They can try and trim him up and move him on the outside as a defensive end. He was a great tight end for us. He was a blocking tight end for us. It's somewhere on the the defensive line."

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Howell hits 3-pointer to slip past Plymouth

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When it comes to shooting the 3-pointer, Howell is never bashful.

"We like to get open shots, so if that happens to be a lot of threes, then will take a lot of threes," seventh-year Howell coach Nick Simon said. "If it's layups, we'll take layups. We're definitely ready and willing to shoot it if they're there."

The Highlanders needed all 10 of their 3-pointers, including the game-winner from Kip French with only 15.4 seconds left, Dec. 18 to beat host Plymouth, 44-43, in the KLA West Division boys basketball opener for both teams.

With the victory, Howell evened its record at 2-2, while Plymouth fell to 3-2.

After Howell took the one-point lead on French's triple, Plymouth called a timeout to set up a final play.

Senior guard Bryce Amison found an opening and drove down the lane, only to have his shot blocked by Howell's Tony Honkala during the final seconds. Howell was able to grab the rebound and escape with the victory.

One option coming out of the timeout was to try to get the ball in the paint to 6-foot-7 senior center Ryan Berger, who led all scorers with 14 points.

"We were trying to get down low," Plymouth coach Mike Soukup said. "We had a play set up for our big fella down low (Berger) and then we had the guy who set the screen coming off the screen for screener action, so we hoped for hitting on one of those two things. It was a clear lane to the basket and we just got our shot blocked. Risky play for (Honkala) to try and block the shot at the time, but he got it clean. The refs called a good game and it is what it is."

Cody Deurloo and Josh Palo led Howell with 11 and 10 points, respectively. Honkala chipped in nine and French added eight.

Howell attempted just two free throws all night, missing both, but 10 of the Highlanders' 17 made field-goal attempts came from beyond the arc.

"First of all, I've got to give a lot of credit to Plymouth," Simon said. "Plymouth is incredibly well-coached and they get after it defensively. They're as good of a defensive team as we've played all year, so lots of credit goes out to them and our guys came up and made some big plays at the end and we were able to pull out the victory."

Brice Baumgart contributed eight points, while Devon Wisniewski and Amison contributed seven apiece for Plymouth.

After going up by five, 37-32, near the end of the third quarter, the Wildcats made just 1-of-5 field-goal attempts down the stretch and committed five costly fourth-quarter turnovers.

"We played really good defense, I thought, tonight and they shot one in that last possession," Soukup said. "We over-helped a little bit too much and we couldn't get back out to the shooter (French) and they got us by one. But I've got to credit my boys. They played really hard tonight on both ends of the floor. It was just a grinder game. It was an old-



Plymouth's Bryce Amison (right) shoots the floater over Howell's Luke Russo. MICHAEL VASILNEK



Plymouth guard Curtis Moore (right) looks for an opening as he's being chased by Howell's Dan Lewis. MICHAEL VASILNEK

school slug fest, for lack of a better term, and we were just one possession short."

For Howell, it was pivotal win away from home.

"I told the guys, you look at Big Ten play, every single win on the road in the Big Ten is really, really difficult to get," Simon said. "So the same thing our conference. If you go on the road, especially if you have an hour-and-10-minute drive, it's going to be tough to pull out a victory and I'm happy we were able to do that."

Despite the loss, Soukup did find some silver linings.

"(Howell) are probably favored as one of the better teams in the league, so what does that mean for us?" Soukup said. "It will be interesting to see going forward. Does that mean that we can be considered in that echelon, too, or are we just going to be like a lunar eclipse? You see us every once in a while and play that well or don't see us for long stretches after that. We'll see what happens. But I like what I see from my guys tonight. Their fight was excellent. We did what we came to do tonight and we played our style, despite being down a little bit. We eventually wore it down and were one possession short."

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Hansen

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you know. I couldn't stop."

MSU was 'dream' school

Hansen originally committed this past July to play football at Central Michigan University for then head coach John Bonamego. However, the Chippewas finished with a 1-11 record and Bonamego was fired in late November and recently replaced by Jim McElwain.

The 18-year-old Farmington Hills resident said the coaching change had nothing to do with his decision. He also said he wasn't totally certain why MSU offered late.

"I was staying committed to Central until I signed," Hansen said. "The only thing that was going to change it was Michigan State — and Central Michigan knew that. They knew if Michigan State came through, I was going to change."

"I know (Michigan State) had been watching film on me for a while and were talking about it. But truthfully, I don't know why they got in touch with me. Maybe one of the people who were going to sign or something ... I don't know. I'm just excited that I'm a Spartan."

"Michigan State has always been my dream school," he added. "Ever since I



Hansen

was a freshman, they've been recruiting me and whatnot. I never got offered, obviously, until today. But I really liked Michigan State ever since the beginning. I'm just glad it came through."

Hansen, who will graduate in June with high honors, played three varsity seasons as an offensive and defensive lineman for legendary head coach John Herrington.

The Hawks finished with a 23-12 record during that span, including playoff appearances the past two seasons. This past fall, Hansen finished with 69 tack-

les, tied for the team lead, with one sack and one quarterback hurry.

The 6-foot-5, 265-pound two-way lineman said he will be playing on MSU's reputable defensive line as a tackle. Hansen said that was a nice switch, because CMU was recruiting him as an offensive lineman.

"I know that I worked hard on both sides of the ball and I'm going there as a defensive lineman, which is ever crazier to me," Hansen said. "That gives me a chance to get to my ideal physique. Michigan State is stacked on the offensive line, so they have to get me in as a defensive lineman."

"I like the defensive line, because I think you can get a lot of fame there. I can hear my name being called that way (on tackles). They don't say that 'Maverick Hansen had a 5-yard pancake.' But they say your name on the defensive line."

"But I could play both sides of the ball," he added. "I have love for both sides of the ball."

Well-prepared at Harrison

Harrison advanced to the Division 3 state championship game during Hansen's junior season, losing to powerful Muskegon, 28-10. The Hawks qualified for the playoffs again this fall, losing the Division 4 regional championship game to Chelsea.

Hansen said he is well-prepared for his college career after playing at Harri-

son under Herrington, the state's winningest head coach.

"It's been traditional at Harrison. You get from it what you put into it," Hansen said. "I was fortunate to have really good leaders as teammates while I was there. It's kind of like a brotherhood. The older brothers teach their younger brothers all about the Harrison tradition."

"It's not easy playing at Harrison. I know I am going to Michigan State knowing a whole bunch of stuff," he added. "I'm not going in blind. I know what watching film is like. I know what it is going through a whole day of practice. Being at Harrison taught me a lot."

Harrison will be closing its doors following this academic year and Hansen is sorry to see the school close and the Hawks football program cease.

However, he plans to follow North Farmington next year.

The Raiders recently named Jon Herstein as their new head coach. Herstein, a line coach at Harrison, plus a number of former Harrison coaches — including Herrington — will be part of the Raiders coaching staff next fall.

"I'm really disappointed that Harrison is closing," Hansen said. "But coach Herstein is taking the North Farmington job, so I'll still be able to come back and hang out with the kids and stuff. It's even better that he's taking some of the (former) Harrison coaches with him."

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Canton

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practices will be physical, games will be physical and it weakens your opponents. It definitely got to them."

Veteran Canton varsity boys head coach Jimmy Reddy said Robinson is adding another dimension to a team that often relies on the hot shooting of senior guards B. Artis White and Vinson Sigmon for offense.

"He's physical, he plays hard, plays within the rules and he does a lot of dirty work for us," Reddy said. "And he's helping us. It's a big body, he's 6-6, 260. Helps us rebound, a good screener. Can finish around the rim. Plays hard, he's helping us, for sure."

Canton (3-1, 2-0 in the KLAA West Division) broke open a close game in the second quarter, with a 22-11 edge that gave the Chiefs a 40-26 halftime lead. Scoring 14 of those second-quarter points (12 on four treys) was White, who finished with 23 points. Sigmon contributed 19 points.

For Northville (2-2, 0-2), senior forward Ryan Pumper scored 12 points, with senior forwards Daniel McLaughlin and Steven Morrissey adding eight and seven points, respectively.

"They have a tremendous backcourt," Northville head coach Todd Sander said about the combo of White and Sigmon. "Not just him, but like I said, probably one of the best duos in the state. There's a reason (White's) going to play Division I basketball (at Western Michigan). He's a very special and unique talent."

"But yeah, (White) feeds off positive energy. When things start to roll good for him, it seems like he feeds off that and makes some more shots. We didn't rebound the ball real well early, which led to some extra possessions for them. But our guys never quit, they showed a lot of fight. And we'll get better."

Meanwhile, Robinson's decision to go to Missouri — he also seriously considered Michigan, Minnesota and Colorado, which pursued him during the final weeks — actually is the second big one he's had to make in recent weeks.

The first involved whether or not to return to the court to play his senior season of basketball with his alma mater.

He toyed with enrolling early at a college, but that would have entailed not being able to play basketball. When that



This was a regular sight: Canton guard B. Artis White launching a long jumper. He drained five treys in the Chiefs' win over Northville. TOM BEAUDOIN | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

college option apparently disappeared, Robinson called Reddy.

"He didn't come out at the beginning at tryouts, because he was trying to enroll early (at a college)," Reddy said. "It seemed like it might not be an option anymore and he called me Thanksgiving weekend and said he wanted to come play basketball. We had him come and try out for two days and he joined us."

"He started Game 2 and started since and helped us. He's still trying to get into basketball shape, but he'll get there."

Now that he is back and finding him-

self in the middle of things on the floor instead of the gridiron, Robinson doesn't want to leave anytime soon.

"This basketball team is special," Robinson said. "It made my decision harder if I wanted to leave or go. But I love these guys, I love being out here every day and I'm just having fun. They know me, I just like to have fun. And I enjoy this."

Following are several other takeaways:

HOT SHOT

White's D-I talents also were on display, as he went on a tear beginning late

in the first quarter when he sank a rainbow trey from the left side to break a tie and put Canton up 18-15 after one.

Sigmon also got in on the action with a 3-pointer with 5:20 remaining and White followed with back-to-back triples within a half-minute to open up a 31-19 Canton advantage.

Before halftime, White drained a couple of more treys for good measure.

"B. Artis is just a really good player, a really good shooter," Reddy said. "He did it for us (in a 70-48 win at Brighton), he had 28 points. I don't know how many he had today, but he shot it well, especially in that second quarter."

"And the best thing about B. Artis is he's a two-way player, he defends, he rebounds. He led us in rebounding against Pioneer a couple weeks ago with 11 rebounds. He does a lot for our team."

SHOWING FIGHT

The Mustangs were not within double digits of Canton throughout the second half, but Sander said there still was a lot to like about his team's performance.

"I thought Ryan Pumper was fantastic," Sander said. "He's been banged up most of the year, but he gives us great heart, great energy."

"Zach Shoemaker continues to make strides. I was proud of all our players, because they never quit. When the score got spread they kept playing and they kept fighting."

T-EEING IT UP

The Chiefs had an inauspicious start to the proceedings, when a player was called for a technical foul before the opening tip.

What was the offense? Dunking basketballs during the warm-ups.

Stepping up to the free-throw line to start the game was Pumper, who sank a pair of shots to give the Mustangs a 2-0 lead.

BREAK TIME

Northville is idle until hosting a Christmas tournament Dec. 28-29. The Mustangs face Trenton at 7 p.m. Friday and then will play either South Lyon or Utica Eisenhower the next day.

Sander said the long stretch between games will help the team to "get some good practice in."

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on pair of free throws by Lewis.

But the Rockets answered with a 9-0 run of their own during the final minute to lead 45-39 going into the fourth, capped by a Thrasher triple.

"Renel Thrasher was huge in knocking down some deep, Steph Curry-like three-balls," Watts said. "We had quite a few threes and he was unconscious with it."

Down the stretch

Glenn eventually pulled away in the final quarter and it quickly became a free-throw shooting contest. The Rockets went a total of 16-of-29 from the foul line, while Wayne was 25-of-38.

Senior center Cartier Muse-Suber led Wayne with 20 points, while Chayce Leslie and Kenneth Bowie both added eight.

But it was a forgettable night for the Zebras (3-2, 1-1), who also committed 19 turnovers.

"We were undisciplined and I take my hat off to Joe Moon, a better player on the court tonight," Wayne coach Nkwane Young said. "I thought Joe played very composed and I can't believe the kid doesn't have any Division I offers. I knew coming into the game we had to stop him, but he's really has improved his game. I really respect him and how he played. He didn't take any forced shots, he rebounded, he scored, he was very disciplined. I thought he did everything he needed to do for his team."

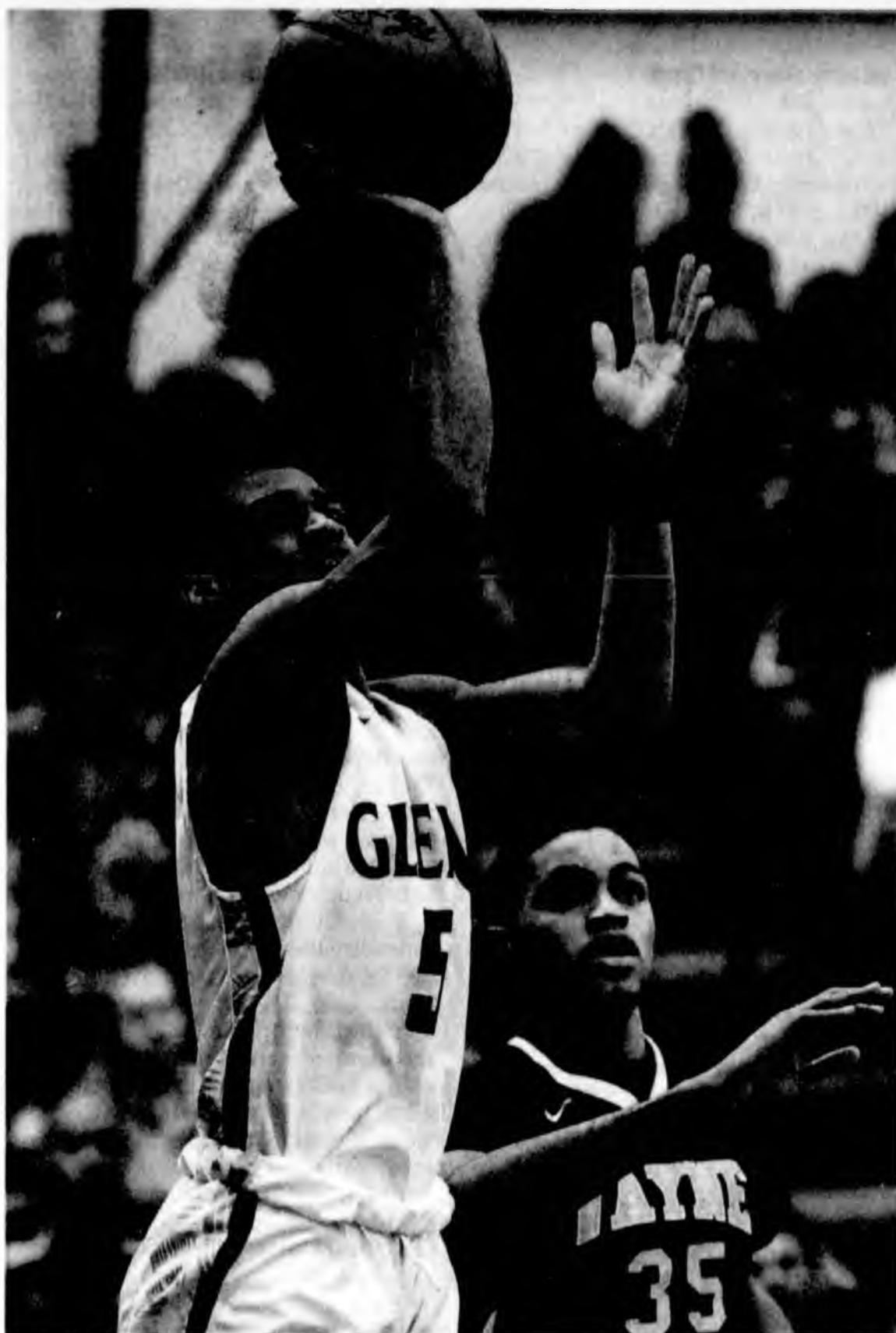
The Wayne coach, however, made it a point to question the officiating.

"I don't want to bring the referees in, but I feel they kind of took the game away from us, too, because their guys were doing the same things ... but I'm not going to cry about the referees," he said. "If we play disciplined, we win the game."

Ugly night

Despite a heavy security presence, which included administrators and faculty members from both rival schools, along with the police, tensions remained high throughout the game.

Near the end of the first half, a spec-



John Glenn's Renel Thrasher Jr. makes a 3-point shot over Wayne's Dreyon O'Neal. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Wayne's Kenneth Bowie is under the basket. Glenn's Sharrieff Liddell tries to stop the shot. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"I was proud of the guys staying focused and not getting involved in what wasn't going on in the game. All the drama took place outside of the court and so hats off to all the guys for staying focused."

Rod Watts
Glenn coach

wasn't going on in the game," Watts said. "All the drama took place outside of the court and so hats off to all the guys for staying focused. My coaching staff did a great job keeping them focused so that, when the game resumed, we could continue with the game plan."

Meanwhile, Glenn Principal Michael Wegher declined comment about the incidents regarding the unruly fan behavior that took place.

"It's something I'll direct you to talk to our central office," he said.

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tator was escorted out of the gym by Westland police. Two Wayne players were also ejected, one in the second quarter and one in the third. Another fan, who entered the floor, was thrown out in the second half, causing yet another delay.

With 5:11 left in the fourth, a fight broke out in the bleachers, causing offi-

cial to stop the game. They then huddled with school administrators from both sides. It led to a public address announcement warning fans that, if another incident occurred, the gym would be cleared of spectators in order to finish the game.

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'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.centerstage.ticketing.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.

New exhibit at HVCA

Color + Thread = Art, the work of fiber artist Katie McGrath, will be on display at Huron Valley Council for the Arts, 205 W. Livingston Road, in Highland, starting Wednesday, Jan. 2. A gallery reception for the exhibit will take place 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4; those attending will have an opportunity to meet McGrath and view her art quilts while enjoying light refreshments.

Exhibit hours are 1-5 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.

A quilt-making workshop using free cut piecing/drawing with a rotary cut-

ter, led by McGrath and Mary Bajcz, another art quilter and member of HVCA's The Art Shop artist collective, will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, with a "snow date" of Saturday, Feb. 2. The cost is \$50. For more information about the class, go to <https://www.huronvalleyarts.org/1/257/classes.asp>.

American Square Dance

The South Lyon VFW Hall, 125 E. McHattie Street, will host a pair of traditional American Square Dances 7-10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4 and Feb. 1. The dances are open to the public, no experience necessary. Couples, singles or families (ages 9 and up with parents).

All dances will be taught first. Dress is casual. Entry is \$5 per person donation to VFW. For more information, go to <http://squareancemichigan.tripod.com/southlyon.html>.

Northville Art House exhibit

The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street, will present Textile Geometry: Compositions by Katie McGrath and Kathryn Schmidt, scheduled for Jan. 4-26. This exhibition features textiles that emphasize the use of geometric shapes, colorful fabrics and thread embellishments.

The exhibit opens with a free public reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4. The exhibit runs in open during Art House hours, noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 248-344-0497 or go to www.northvillearthouse.org.

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@aaab.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.

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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@sics.us for more information.

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

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

Youth Alpha film series

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

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Jacqueline Joy "Meme" Bell

SOUTH LYON - Her Legacy... Jacqueline Joy "Meme" Bell, age 83, passed away December 14, 2018. She was born on July 2, 1935 in Toledo, Ohio to Charles and Jean (Patterson) Tomlinson. She married the love of her life, John Bell on June 18, 1955 in Maumee, Ohio. Together they raised four children. While raising her children in the home, Jacqueline enjoyed knitting, crocheting, wooden crafts and being behind her sewing machine. Most importantly she adored her family and enjoyed spending time with them. In later years she especially enjoyed watching her grandchildren play sports and spending time with her great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Her Family... Jacqueline will be missed by her husband of 63 years, John Bell; her children, Cathy LaChance, Caren (David) Earehart, Michael (Linda) Bell, Patrick (Coreen) Bell; 12 grandchildren and 7.5 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Jean Tomlinson, and her grandson, Brock Bell.

Her Farewell... Jacqueline's services will be private. Memorial contributions are suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Please leave a message of comfort for Jacqueline's family at 1-877-231-7900, or sign her guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.

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Dianne Renee Hibner

MILFORD - Dianne Renee Hibner, a longtime resident of Milford and Highland, passed away in her home on December 20, 2018 from complications of smoke inhalation from a fire at the age of 63.

Dianne is survived by her daughters, Lindsay (Keith) Plummer and Kristen Hibner and their father, Dave Hibner; grandchildren, Brynn, Connor and Brody; father, Larry (Pat) Easton; twin sister, Denise Eland; sister, JoJo Phillips; brother, Ken Easton; sister-in-law, Karen Hickerson; brother-in-law, Ed (Barb Krasiecko) Hibner as well as extended family and friends.

Dianne was preceded in death by her mother, Beatrice Easton.

Visitation will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford on Thursday, December 27, 2018 from 2-8 PM.

A Time of Sharing will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford on Friday, December 28, 2018 at 10 AM, with burial to follow at Milford Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial contributions encouraged to: Michigan Multiple Sclerosis Society, 29777 Telegraph Road (Onyx Office Building), Suite 1651, Southfield, MI 48034 or to Michigan Ovarian Cancer Alliance.

For further information, please phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248.684.6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



Daniel J. Smith

HARTLAND - Daniel J. Smith, a longtime resident of Hartland passed peacefully at home on December 17, 2018. Dan was a long time teacher at Thompson Middle School in Southfield and as a guest teacher at Hartland and Milford Schools. He is survived by his beloved wife of nearly fifty years, Marilyn R. Smith; their children Daniel F. (Brienne) Smith, Sandra A. (Scott) McDowell; grandchildren Colin McDowell, Sydney McDowell, Paulena Smith. Siblings: Thomas E. Smith, twin sister Dr. Marjorie Parsons, and the late William E. Smith. A Funeral Mass was held at St. John Catholic Church, Howell on December 20, 2018. Burial Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit lynchansonsmilford.com



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How to negotiate maternity leave with your employer

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Whether you're pregnant or merely thinking about expanding your family, it's important to know how to address the issue with your employer. We know it can be tricky to navigate the discussion, so we've compiled some tips on how to approach the topic with your boss.

Know what kind of leave you're owed

Many companies offer some kind of paid maternity or parental leave (which can include paternity leave or the time to care for a newly adopted child). The length of time can vary, so be sure to check your own company's policies to see what the baseline is. With paid leave, the company pays for a certain number of weeks off.

If your company doesn't offer paid leave, or you want to take additional time off for parental leave, then you could be covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA). FMLA leave is unpaid, but it ensures that your job will be secure for up to 12 weeks' absence. This kind of leave can be used flexibly for any family purpose—like maternity or paternity leave, or caring for a sick relative.

Have a plan in place

Before you go to your boss, know what you're planning to do. How many weeks of paid (or unpaid) leave are you expecting to take? Will you have a mix of paid and unpaid leave? When will it start? When do you anticipate being back? Are you seeking a flexible work schedule once you're back to work?



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When you're planning for your leave, know what it is you want. If your company has a flexible policy or if you're hoping to negotiate terms outside of the stated leave policy, knowing what your options are and what you want to get out of the discussion is key. The more you have figured out up front, the better you'll be able to present a sensible plan to your boss and negotiate as necessary.

As you prep for your meeting with your boss (in person is best, even if you'll have to file a written parental leave plan later), it can also help to have information and statistics about how

parents and children benefit from that initial bonding time, and how self-care improves outcomes for new parents and their babies.

Don't wait too long

It's better to start talking with your boss about your plans as soon as you feel comfortable disclosing your pregnancy status. You don't have to announce it to your entire work world just yet, but kicking things off with a confidential discussion with your boss gives you (and your company) the time you'll

need to plan ahead for your leave.

Negotiate to get the leave you want

Negotiating leave is pretty similar to negotiating your initial job offer or when you want a raise. Like with any other negotiation, it's important to approach it with realistic expectations. Sure, in an ideal world you'd have, say, a year off with pay. In reality, most workplaces offer a limited number of weeks, so it's unlikely you'd be able to negotiate a huge extension of existing policy.

Instead, make sure your plan balances what you want and need for your family with your company's expectations. It may be that you can get more time, but at a reduced salary. Or maybe you can create a flexible schedule where you work a different schedule or part-time for a certain period of time. If you're seeking something above and beyond your company's stated policy, be ready to compromise and have other options in mind (like unpaid leave beyond a certain point if your employer can't or won't extend a certain amount of paid leave).

If you give yourself the time to hash this out with your employer and have all the necessary information at your disposal, you'll be able to come up with a plan that works for you, while keeping your professional life on track. And don't forget that haggling over these things now might seem stressful, but it can help you get the most out of your parental leave when the time comes.

Kate Lopaze is a career advice journalist for TheJobNetwork.com where this article was originally published. She investigates and writes about current strategies, tips, and trending topics related to all stages of one's career.

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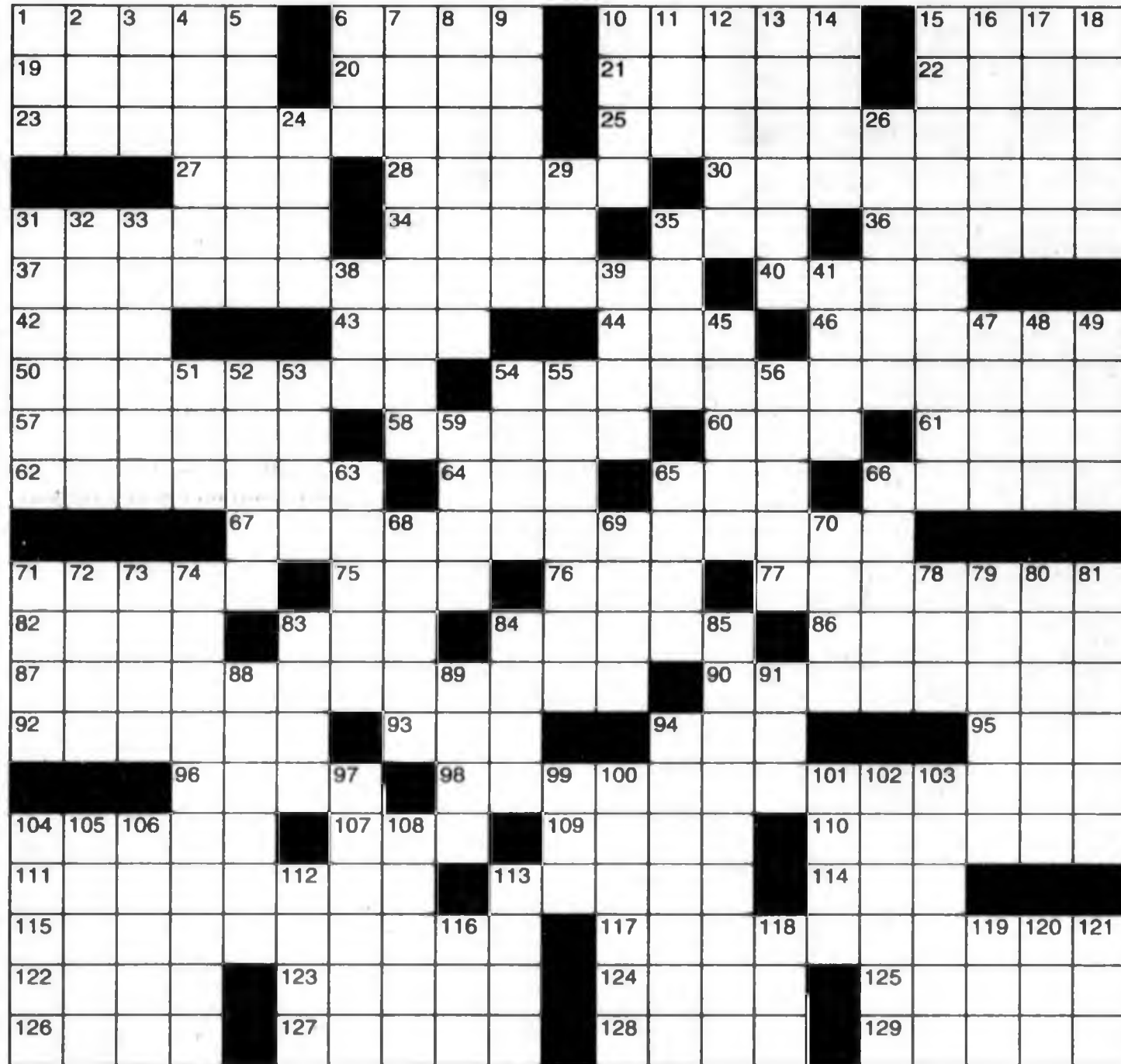


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- ACROSS**
- 1 Halo sporter
 - 6 Nest nuggets
 - 10 Had no being
 - 15 "Vamoose!"
 - 19 "I wanna try!"
 - 20 Cameo, e.g.
 - 21 Lend — (pay attention)
 - 22 Poi source
 - 23 Participants in a guided discussion
 - 25 Longtime kids' nature magazine
 - 27 Spanish for "bear"
 - 28 McDonnell Douglas jet
 - 30 Refuge
 - 31 Thelma's cohort, in film
 - 34 Use an entryway
 - 35 Velvet or Hallow ender
 - 36 — hop (jitterbug)
 - 37 14- to 18-year-old in a British youth association
 - 40 Source copy: Abbr.
 - 42 "BTW" part
 - 43 You, in Berlin
 - 44 Road given a no.
 - 46 Pop-rock singer
 - 50 Kind of sheet metal
 - 54 Border illumination on some smartphones
 - 57 Mini-whirlpools
 - 58 What bran provides, to Brits
 - 60 Grads.-to-be
 - 61 Basso Pinza
 - 62 Outfits anew
 - 64 "No" voter
 - 65 "— culpa!"
 - 66 Slender nails
 - 67 Large cosmological aggregate
 - 71 Imams' God
 - 75 U.S. tax org.
 - 76 Berlin article
 - 77 Ejected lava
 - 82 Waste time
 - 83 Party game
 - 84 "— not lost"
 - 86 1980s TV's Remington
 - 87 1966 Wilson Pickett hit
 - 90 The "I" of 75-Across
 - 92 Show up for
 - 93 Farm female
 - 94 Abbr. for those with only one given name
 - 95 Mil. unit
 - 96 Tooth anchor
 - 98 First extended stay on the International Space Station
 - 104 Spiny plants
 - 107 With 103-Down, didn't know at all
 - 109 Radio knob
 - 110 Loin steaks
 - 111 Put in order
 - 113 Writer Franz
 - 114 "Y" athlete
 - 115 Annual Arizona football game
 - 117 New York City fashion-industry agency whose name is apt for this puzzle
 - 122 Shoe fillers
 - 123 Conical tent
 - 124 Comics' Kett
 - 125 "Peachy!"
 - 126 Sommer of Hollywood
 - 127 Lauder of fragrances
 - 128 Asian nation
 - 129 Garish

- DOWN**
- 1 TV title alien
 - 2 Natal lead-in
 - 3 Yukon maker
 - 4 Avian-based skin care product
 - 5 To a smaller degree
 - 6 Botch it up
 - 7 "Sheesh!"
 - 8 Biochemical sugar
 - 9 Erma Bombeck's "The Grass Is Always Greener Over the — Tank"
 - 10 Alert
 - 11 Actress Ortiz
 - 12 Pick up on
 - 13 1998 Winter Olympics city
 - 14 Nonkosher
 - 15 More direct
 - 16 — terrier
 - 17 Curved
 - 18 Sweet white wine
 - 20 Word after film or play
 - 26 Frank topper
 - 29 Musician Brian
 - 31 Vowel, e.g.
 - 32 Bull leather
 - 33 Capsizes
 - 35 Ending for major
 - 38 Conn. hours
 - 39 Compulsion
 - 41 Inferior mags
 - 45 Someone — problem
 - 47 Tony winner
 - 48 Writer Blyton
 - 49 Huge heads
 - 51 More, in music
 - 52 "Psycho" co-star Janet
 - 53 Dog in "The Thin Man"
 - 54 Bidding site
 - 55 Common battery type
 - 56 Infuriated
 - 59 "What You Need" rock band
 - 63 Injured-arm supporter
 - 65 Actor Paul
 - 66 Yahoo
 - 68 Left the bed
 - 69 Kin of a tulip
 - 70 Once, once
 - 71 Mater lead-in
 - 72 Yahoo
 - 73 Rearmost
 - 74 It lingers in the mouth
 - 78 — annum
 - 79 Bodily band
 - 80 Benes on "Seinfeld"
 - 81 Investigates
 - 83 Annul
 - 84 Author Haley
 - 85 A lot like
 - 88 Rub oil on
 - 89 Wowed
 - 91 Future louse
 - 94 Bismarck is its cap.
 - 97 Realm of Oedipus
 - 99 PalmPilot, e.g., in brief
 - 100 — Tower (Paris sight)
 - 101 Agenda part
 - 102 Like an oval or rectangle
 - 103 See
 - 107-Across
 - 104 — latte
 - 105 Disney's "Little Mermaid"
 - 106 Streamlet
 - 108 Become a parent to
 - 112 Fence "door"
 - 113 Swiss painter Paul
 - 116 Really small
 - 118 Berlin article
 - 119 Water, to Somme folks
 - 120 "Inc." cousin
 - 121 — latte



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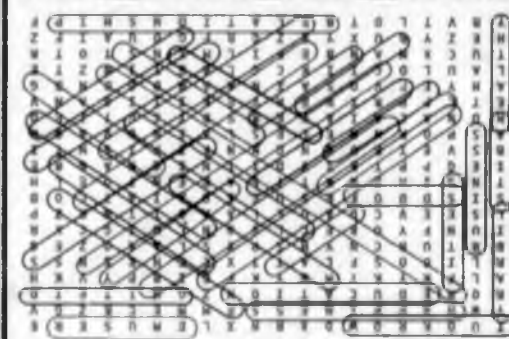
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ANSWER KEY



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