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## Sober-living homes raise concerns

### Milford residents air complaints during meeting

Ed Wright  
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Fragility of life, property values, small-town conflict and the country's ongoing drug addiction epidemic were all woven into a complicated tapestry at the Jan. 7 Milford Village Council meeting.

Roughly one year after a handful of Milford residents raised concerns about the number of sober-living homes operating within the village's boundaries

(four), the topic of discussion at the meeting was dominated by what — if anything — should be done to restrict the number of residences that are occupied by recovering drug and alcohol addicts, as well as the number of residents in each home.

The meeting, attended by an overflow crowd that spilled out of the civic center's chamber and into an adjoining hallway, was peppered by emotional debate from proponents and residents of sober-living homes, as well as village residents who are less than thrilled by

the community's higher-than-average number of recovery homes.

Village attorney Jennifer Elowsky set the table for the discussion by explaining how an ad hoc committee had chiseled out a series of ordinance-altering recommendations that would affect all rental properties in the village, not just those inhabited by recovering addicts.

"We looked at all the issues very thoroughly and pulled apart all the sections of the existing general code and ordinances to see if any needed to be enhanced, eliminated or left alone," Elow-

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Elizabeth and Rhett Reader stand in front of the historic home they transformed into a sober-living home for recovering drug addicts just south of downtown Milford.

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## Mourners gather at vigil for Abbas family



Beth Tryon of West Bloomfield (center) and Renee Fein of Southfield remember their friends from the Abbas family during a candlelight vigil at the Ford Field Park. JUNFU HAN | DETROIT FREE PRESS

### Northville family honored after dying in horrific accident

Micah Walker  
Detroit Free Press  
USA TODAY NETWORK

Hundreds of candles illuminated the night as friends and family members gathered Friday at Ford Field Park in

Northville to remember the Abbas family.

Issam Abbas, 42, his wife Dr. Rima Abbas, 38, and their three children Ali, 13, Isabelle, 12, and Giselle, 7, were returning from a Florida vacation early Jan. 6 when they were struck by an on-

coming pickup on I-75 in Kentucky.

William Jones, principal of Hillside Middle School, which Ali and Isabelle attended, urged people to carry on their spirit.

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## Dismissal of Maybury Farm director questioned

Ed Wright  
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Why was the person who directed the recent robust turnaround of Northville's Maybury Farm abruptly forced to resign last Halloween?

The only people who know for sure are the board members of the Northville Community Foundation — and they're not talking.

Throughout a two-hour-plus public forum held Jan. 10 at the Northville Senior Center, the approximately 50 attendees were told by former farm director Cindy Kern about her sudden dismissal, the sequence of events that led up to it and the direction the farm apparently is heading these days with no on-site director.

Sprawling across 85 acres of farmland and forest just west of downtown Northville, Maybury Farm provides visitors "endless opportunities to enjoy and learn about Michigan farming, agriculture and habitats," according to its website.

The farm is owned by the state of Michigan, which partnered with the NCF on a 45-year lease in 2003 under the condition that the state could conduct inspections.

According to Kern, the farm had increased its annual revenue from \$200,000 when she took over in 2016 to \$400,000 during her final full season as director.

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Kern

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## Drop-In Crafty Saturday

**When:** 2-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19  
**Details:** Kids of all ages are invited to make an adorable penguin

doorknob hanger with this easy craft kit. Just drop in.

## Foreign Film: 'The Fencer'

**When:** 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28  
**Details:** A champion fencer on the run from the Soviet secret service finds himself inspiring Estonian schoolchildren to take up the sport. (Estonian, 99

minutes). Just drop in.

## Learn the Beautiful Art of Henna Design

**When:** 4:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29  
**Details:** For ages 9-12. Register.

## Triva at the Sports Den

**When:** 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29  
**Details:** Straight from your favorite paper company, not "The Dummies," but a night full of Office Olympics, koi ponds and "BBB" but mostly a couple of games of "The Office"

trivia. Register for teams up to four people. For ages 21 and older.

## 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 vldixon@northvillelibrary.org for more information.

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

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## 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

**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. Contact the office for more information.

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

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**Office:** The office is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. All other times by appointment only. Call 248-348-1845 or email office@millrace-northville.org.

## City launches new website

The city of Northville has launched a new website that provides a fresh look for the city and easy-to-access pages with organized content for each department. It was developed as a public-friendly website, enabling users to quickly find what they are looking for through-

out the site. It's mobile responsive, adapting to various screen sizes — from desktops to phones — without losing quality. It's also ADA-compliant.

The website features banner photos and candid shots of people who live and work in the city or come to visit. Photos of events, neighborhoods,

the Historic Downtown — the "Heart of the City" — and unique spaces depict the city's vibrant character. Graphic elements, such as accordion files and news articles with previews, make it easy to view information and scan topics.

Main sections of the website are Government,

Business, Community, Services and How Do I? — a short cut to finding commonly asked questions. Services include: Allen Terrace, Building and Planning, City Clerk, Communications, Finance, Fire Department, Police Department and Department of Public Works.

The website was designed by Civic Live (an entity of West) of Kansas City, Mo., which specializes in websites for municipalities and school districts. A website committee was actively involved in the project, led by Communications Manager Liz Cezat. Staff will update the website on a regular basis, using a content management system that allows for the placement of copy, photos and links.

The previous website had been in place for 10 years, with a home page makeover in 2016.

View the website at <http://www.ci.northville.mi.us/>.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE  
NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS  
OFFICE CLOSING

The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, January 21, 2019 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The offices will re-open at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2019.

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Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi will hold a Public Hearing on the use of Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Hearing will be held Monday, January 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., EST, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2017 reprogramming of funds as follows:

## Existing (from) — 2017 Program Year

Activity Number	732185
Activity Description	Youth Services
Amount	\$8,629.25

## Proposed (to) — 2017 Program Year

Activity Number	731227
Activity Description	Minor Home Repair
Amount	\$6,629.25

Activity Number	732185
Activity Description	Child Care Services
Amount	\$2,000.00

All interested citizens are requested to attend this Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at the City Clerk's Office, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 5:00 p.m., January 28, 2019. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpreter will be made upon receiving 72-hour advance notice. Contact City Clerk, Cortney Hanson at 248-347-0456 for special services.

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Northville City Council on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building — Council Chambers, 215 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167. The purpose of the public hearing is to solicit comments on the Proposed Northville Parks and Recreation Five Year Master Plan. This is the final comment opportunity before adoption and submittal to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

A copy of the proposed Northville Parks and Recreation Five Year Master Plan is available for review at the Parks and Recreation Department, 700 W. Baseline Road, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9941, 8:30am-4:30pm, Monday — Friday, or on the Parks and Recreation website [www.northvilleparksandrec.org](http://www.northvilleparksandrec.org). All interested residents are invited to attend this meeting.

DATED: 1/8/19 MARK GASCHKE, CPRP, PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR  
 DIANNE MASSA, CMC, CITY CLERK

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CITY OF NOVI  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Chapter 33, Article III, Division 5 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Novi, Michigan, a snow emergency shall be deemed to exist whenever: (1) freezing rain, sleet or four (4) or more inches of snow has been forecasted for the area by a newspaper circulated in the city, or by a radio or television station with a normal operating range covering the city; or (2) freezing rain or sleet has fallen or four (4) or more inches of snow have accumulated in the city.

Whenever any vehicle without an operator is found parked or left in violation of any provision of this Division, the Director of the Department of Public Works, or his designee, or the Police Department may immediately remove the vehicle or cause the vehicle to be removed to a place of safekeeping at the expense of the registered owner of the vehicle.

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Jeffrey Herczeg  
 Director of Public Works

Published: January 17, 2019



# Mancini named new library director

The Northville District Library has appointed Laura Mancini as new director of the library. Mancini, who was hired by the Library Board of Trustees at a special board meeting Dec. 5, succeeds Anne Mannisto, who retired from the library after 22 years, serving as assistant director and, most recently, director. Mancini began Jan. 14.

Mancini served as director of the Oakland County Library for the past 15 years. In that capacity, she administered the county's library programs which at various times included the Ad-



Mancini

ams-Pratt Law Library, the Library for the Visually and Physically Impaired and the Research Library, each of which offered services to county residents and employees. Prior to coming to Oak-

land County, Mancini held positions at the GM Media Archives, the Cranbrook Archives and the Benson Ford Research Center.

Mancini is a graduate of Wayne State University, with a master of library and

information science degree. She has spent her 22-year career as a librarian in the public and private sectors. Mancini is also a trustee for the Southfield Public Library and has served as an adjunct faculty member for Wayne State University's School of Library and Information Science.

"The Northville District Library is well-known throughout the Michigan library community for its first-class library services provided by a stellar board and staff. It is a genuine privilege to begin the next phase of my career at

such a library," Mancini said. "As incoming director, I wish to continue the work done by my predecessors to make the Northville District Library a place that connects communities and serves as a source of enrichment and inspiration. I look forward to meeting the residents of the Northville communities and working with them on this endeavor."

The library is located at 212 West Cady Street. For more information, go to [northvillelibrary.org](http://northvillelibrary.org).

## Bell elected new county commission chair

Wayne County Commissioner Alisha Bell, D-Detroit, was elected chair of the Wayne County Commission in a vote of her fellow commissioners Jan. 8 during the commission's organizational meeting for its 2019-20 session.

She is the first new commission chair since 2010 and the ninth under the current Wayne County charter, which was approved by voters in 1981 and went into effect Jan. 1, 1983.

Bell is in her ninth commission term, including serving four terms as the commission's vice chair. She represents District 7, which includes neighborhoods in central and western Detroit.

"I am proud of the commission's role in stabilizing county finances," Bell said. "Working together, we were able to eliminate an \$82 million accumulated deficit and create a general fund surplus for four consecutive fiscal years. The commission will remain committed to keeping this financial progress going."

Bell also commended Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and other countywide elected officials for their fiscal discipline and pledged to continue working closely with the executive's office to keep the county on sound financial ground. In addition, she will seek closer ties with the legislative leaders in Oakland and Macomb counties and the city of Detroit on critical regional issues, including regional transit, road infra-



New Wayne County Commission Chair Alisha Bell is sworn in to office Jan. 8 by her daughter Morgan. Accompanying Bell is her husband Kranston Young and her son Kranston II.

structure and human trafficking.

Bell is responsible for scheduling and presiding over meetings, approving agendas and selecting appointments of members to the commission's standing committees. She is also responsible for drafting and administering the commission budget and supervising commission employees.

In addition to serving on the county commission, Bell also serves as chair of the Wayne County Zoological Authority and Wayne County HealthChoice, which provides a variety of health care options for county residents and families who qualify. She is also immediate past president of the National Association of Black County Officials and current chair of the National Association of Counties' Justice and Public Safety

Committee.

Bell replaces former commission Chairman Gary Woronchak, D-Dearborn, who left the commission at the conclusion of its 2017-18 session after serving on the commission for 14 years, the last eight as its chair.

Bell is a graduate of Cass Technical High School and holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Florida A&M University and a master's degree in education from the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

In other action during the commission's organizational meeting, Commissioner Joseph Palamara, D-Grosse Ile Township, was elected vice chair and Commissioner Jewel Ware, D-Detroit, was elected vice chair pro tempore for a fourth consecutive term.

Palamara was first elected to the commission in 1998 after serving seven terms in the Michigan House and has most recently served as chair of the commission's Committee on Ways and Means, which helps create the county budget.

Ware was first elected to the commission in 1994 and served as its chair from 2003-08. Most recently, she has served on commission committees on Economic Development and Government Operations, along with its Special Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

Three newly elected commissioners also took their seats during the Jan. 8 meeting: Monique Baker McCormick, D-Detroit, who represents District 6; Melissa Daub, D-Canton Township, who represents District 10; and Sam Baydoun, D-Dearborn, who represents District 13.

The commission is the county's legislative branch of government. Its primary role involves approving the county's \$1.47 billion budget, enacting ordinances and adopting resolutions. The commission also approves county contracts, makes appointments and establishes rules.

The 15 commissioners are elected every two years. Wayne County residents can contact their individual commissioner at [www.waynecounty.com](http://www.waynecounty.com).



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## Homes

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sky said.

### Prohibitive ordinances considered

Among the recommended changes brought before the council that day were those limiting the number of unrelated residents per rental property using a resident-per-square-footage formula, requiring the installation of fire-prevention sprinkler devices based on the number of residents and a minimum number of off-street parking spaces.

"They know they can't do this, so they create new ordinances," said Elizabeth Reader, co-owner of three of the village's sober-living homes along with her husband Rhett. "It's called intentional structural discrimination."

"For instance, the fire sprinkler systems cost \$30,000 to \$50,000 per home. They know this would impact us a great deal. We've never received complaints about our residents' parking, but that's another ordinance they're looking to add."

### How many is too many?

But the No. 1 topic of the near two-hour public comment session was: How many sober-living homes are too many for a 7,000-resident community?

"How many (sober-living homes) are permitted?" Milford resident Brian Serello said. "Could we have 50? One hundred? My research shows that there are communities in other states with 50, 100, 150 sober-living homes and the home values in these communities have dropped."

"If a sober-living home opens in our neighborhood, can you guarantee us that our homes won't lose value?"

"We can't guarantee you if a regular person moves in next to you that your home values won't go down," council President Jerry Aubry said.

Milford resident Dave Decker told the audience that the recovering addicts living in the recovery homes should be the least of the village's worries.

"It isn't the people trying to recover in these homes that are the ones bringing the drugs into your village. It's your children, the people on the streets, who are the ones who need help ... and their



It was an overflow crowd at the village council meeting, with most people there to discuss sober-living facilities in the community. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

need for help is not being addressed," Decker said.

"It irritates me how many people come up here and say, 'I want people to get sober' ... but they always add a 'but not in my backyard-ism.'"

The discussion turned testy when Milford resident David Caldwell repeatedly asked members of the council if they knew the average number of occupants per home in the village, the state and the country — pausing between each query.

When council member Dave Pehrson urged Caldwell to "get to your point," the tension grew.

"Sir, you lack decorum; you need to check yourself," Caldwell said, looking at Pehrson. "You work for me and everyone else in this room."

"My point is this: It is out of character for a village like Milford to have 18 unrelated people living in one home. This is about changing the characteristics of

single-family neighborhoods and having 18 unrelated people living in one home is way above the average."

Caldwell listed communities across Michigan that he said limit the number of unrelated people per home.

"For example, Holland just dropped theirs from six to four, Howell just passed a similar ordinance; you can go across Michigan and find examples of these community ordinances," he said.

"This isn't about sober living. It's about protecting the characteristics of single-family neighborhoods. And when you have a business behind it, it's even more out of character."

Russell Deladurantaye, who resides in one of the recovery homes operated by Milford Counseling, pleaded to council members to refrain from adding restrictions to the village's sober-living home operators.

"These homes are saving people's lives. They saved my life," Deladuran-

taye said. "Thanks to the recovery program, I can live anywhere I want now; I can hold a job and support myself."

"As far as being worried about (sober-living home residents) bringing drugs into the village... it's here. It's everywhere."

Deladurantaye closed his comments by saying the world needs more recovery homes, not fewer.

"I had a good friend of mine die today. Today!" Deladurantaye said. "Please don't make your decisions based on the animosity-based stigma placed on recovering addicts. We're good people. We really are."

Elowsky said council members' feedback on proposed ordinance changes will be sent back to the planning commission, which will then review the information before taking further action.

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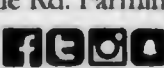


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# Will a marijuana dispensary be opening near you?

**Ed Wright**  
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Attention, marijuana smokers: Even though your drug of choice is now legal in Michigan, you still may need a G-P-S to find your p-o-t.

Several communities in metro Detroit are taking advantage of a loophole that will allow them to prohibit the opening of marijuana dispensaries, fearing — among other things — that the potential rise in law enforcement costs would outweigh the tax revenue that may be generated by businesses that sell pot.

On Nov. 6, Michigan residents passed Proposal 1, which legalized the use of recreational marijuana for people over age 21.

The proposal includes a system of taxes on the sale of marijuana and marijuana products, while at the same time giving municipalities an option to ban pot-selling businesses.

"I think Canton Township was a little late to the party as far as opting out of allowing marijuana dispensaries to open, but we wanted to wait and make sure we had all the facts straight about the new law," Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams said.

"My thinking — and I'm sure most of our trustees would agree — is that the negative impact on law enforcement-related costs would outweigh any gains

we would see."

The list of communities that have joined Canton under the opt-out ledger include Milford, Northville Township, Plymouth and Livonia.

South Lyon Mayor Dan Pelchat said city officials researched the subject thoroughly before deciding on a plan to watch how the dispensary model works in other communities before moving forward.

"We took a look at everything — including the fact that we don't want to limit small businesses from opening — but we've decided to give the state more time to figure everything out regarding dispensaries and take a watch-and-see approach," Pelchat said.

"It's definitely not a 'no, not ever' stance, but we want to do let our legal team and our council collect more information over the next year — observe what happens in communities that opt in to the plan — and look at it again down the road."

The city of Wayne allows the operation of medical marijuana dispensaries within certain boundaries, but the sites cannot be located within the downtown district that is laid out in the city's master plan.

## Legit logic

It's hard to argue with the say-no-to-dispensaries communities' logic, according to Stephen Wiland, a clinical di-



Leaves of the marijuana plant.  
BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

rector for the addiction treatment provider Personalized Nursing Light House, Inc.

Wiland, who works with recovering addicts on a daily basis, emphasized the dangers of making access to drugs more convenient for abusers.

"Just like with alcohol, there are many people who can drink socially and there are people who can use marijuana socially," Wiland said. "But the person who can't use them in moderation and ends up sliding into an addiction that trashes their health, life, family and everything else ... well, it's tragic and preventable."

"Most addiction treatment providers are not in favor of (the marijuana law).

It's a bit of a slippery slope. The law, as it exists now, is in conflict with the federal statute and, as a federal-funding recipient, we have to follow the federal standards. We can't excuse the use of marijuana with someone who is seeking treatment for something else."

Unlike drunken driving tests, Wiland noted there are no roadside tests approved yet that can determine a person's level of THC in their blood.

"I have heard, though, that the Michigan State Police is rapidly developing a roadside test," he said.

Wiland said he considers marijuana more dangerous for a driver in some respects than alcohol.

"Marijuana tends to slow a person's thinking process down, but they're not conscious of being slowed down, so they still think they have the same reaction time (as when they're not high)," he said. "It's an illusion."

Wiland emphasized that today's marijuana isn't what your parents or grandparents smoked.

"Today's marijuana is up to five times more potent than marijuana was back in the '60s and '70s due to enhanced growing techniques like hydroponics, genetic engineering and the fertilizer that is used," he said. "Growers are going to do whatever they can to make it more potent, because they want their customers to keep coming back."

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## Super blood wolf moon eclipse is set for next week

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The first total lunar eclipse of 2019 — also called a wolf moon — is expected to be both a super moon and a reddish-copper blood moon.

Folks across the United States may be able to catch a glimpse of a super blood wolf moon eclipse.

In the Eastern time zone, the total eclipse will be visible from 9:36 p.m. Jan. 20 to 2:48 a.m. Jan. 21, according to an In-

dyStar interview with Brian Murphy, director of the Holcomb Observatory & Planetarium and Butler University professor.

Eclipse data from NASA indicates the eclipse is expected to be visible throughout North and South America.

NASA projects the total eclipse duration at about 1 hour and 2 minutes. The peak is expected at 12:16 a.m. Jan. 21, according to Space.com.

EarthSky Communications Inc., a Texas-based science website, says the Jan. 21 event is also expected to be a super moon, or a "new or full moon closely coinciding

with perigee, the moon's closest point to Earth in its monthly orbit."

The moniker super moon sounds gargantuan and the orb may be closer than normal — a moon must come within 90 percent of its closest approach to Earth to qualify. But EarthSky writers explain that super moons don't actually look bigger than ordinary full moons.

However, they do appear brighter and may elevate the ocean's tides within a day or two of the event, the site explained.

According to Space.com, the full moon will become a red-orange color as it enters

the Earth's shadow.

Murphy told the IndyStar that this red tint will be most visible between 11:40 p.m. Jan. 20 and 12:43 a.m. Jan. 21.

The first full moon of the year is also traditionally called the "Full Wolf Moon," a name that comes from early colonial times, according to The Old Farmer's Almanac.

Looking to spot the super blood wolf moon eclipse? The IndyStar says no special equipment is necessary.

It's best to view in clear sky or minimally cloudy sky, but Murphy said people should get away from any streetlights and head out to their backyards to see the eclipse.

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## McBride latest veteran to earn monthly recognition

Richard McBride, a Vietnam War veteran from Livonia who served in the U.S. Army from 1969-71, was honored as the January 2019 Veteran of the Month by the Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 32, of the Myron H. Beals American Legion Post 32 in Livonia.

McBride was born in Homeworth, Ohio, in 1946, the youngest of 14 children. In fall 1969 the Vietnam War was still raging and McBride was drafted into the army. He was sent to Fort Campbell, Ky., for six weeks of basic training. He then went to Fort Polk, La., for eight weeks of advanced individual training. He was assigned a military occupational specialty code of 11B, army infantry rifleman. His training was very specific: "I trained hard and learned how to kill," he said. "We were taught to protect ourselves, our fellow soldiers and to eradicate the enemy."

McBride's next assignment was Vietnam. On Jan. 3, 1970, he landed in Cam Ranh Air Base, Vietnam, where he spent three days processing. He was outfitted with everything he would need for his duties in Vietnam and was assigned to the 25th Infantry Division, which was based at the Cu Chi army base, located halfway between Saigon and Cambodia.

The whole area around Cu Chi was inundated with tunnels that were used by the Viet Cong to launch attacks. The base was rebuilt after being destroyed in 1968 by the Viet Cong TET offensive and stayed on constant alert. McBride, along with his fellow troops, was sent on search and destroy missions to find and destroy tunnels and to go into Cambodia to disrupt Viet Cong supply lines and capture supplies and equipment.

"We were on patrol for one to two weeks at a time," McBride said. "We slept in rice paddies or wherever we could find a safe place. It was rugged and no one liked it, but it was our job. Then we would go back to base camp for a couple of days rest before doing it all over again."

McBride spent about five months on these patrols without injury until the inevitable happened.

"One day, as we were getting ready to go out, my platoon leader told me it was my turn to go point," McBride said. "That meant that I would have to walk out in front of everyone else, as there



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were all kinds of booby traps in the area. We were walking through a grassy area and I hit a trip wire. As soon as I felt it, I hit the ground. After the explosion, I thought I was OK, but I felt something on my left leg and it was blood. Next, I noticed blood on my arm, my side and running down my face. Fortunately for me, it was a low explosive warning charge or I would have been killed. There was a Viet Cong underground hospital nearby and it was their warning

device."

McBride was immediately evacuated back to base camp and treated for his wounds. The doctor convinced him that there was no need to remove the shrapnel, as it would eventually work its way out. He told the doctor that he was having trouble hearing and was sent to an otolaryngologist. They found numerous perforations on his ear drum that were caused by the blast.

"It was a million-dollar wound," he

said. "I was not allowed to be near any loud noises or go on any patrol duty. In other words, I was assigned to the base. They noted that I had taken a typewriter class in school and put me at a desk as a company clerk. I never thought that that class would ever be of any use to me."

At the end of 1970, the war was slowing down and troops were being sent home. "We were told that anyone with less than 60 days remaining on our tour would be sent back," he said. "I was lucky because I only had 56 days left, so I was sent back."

He was sent to Fort Hood, Texas, where he served out his remaining time. He earned many medals for his service, including the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal, Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal and numerous other medals and badges.

McBride went back to Ohio and found there were no jobs. His girlfriend Mary Lou had completed college while he was in the service and received an offer from Hudson's and had moved to Detroit. McBride packed his bags and headed for Detroit and, in 1973, they were married and moved to their present home in Livonia. Mary Lou died in 1997, but they have a daughter and a son and four grandchildren. McBride retired in 2005 after 35 years as a sales representative for various material handling companies. "It was a great job, my basement was my office," he said. "I was able to spend a lot of time with my family and didn't care about traffic." McBride is also a 20-year member of American Legion Post 32.

McBride was interviewed by members of S.A.L. and a DVD was made of the interview and shown at the S.A.L. January membership meeting. A plaque was presented to him from Livonia Trophy with his picture and service information. An additional plaque was also put on display in the vestibule of the American Legion Hall. The S.A.L. invites local residents to attend their monthly meetings to listen to the Veteran of the Month. The public is also encouraged to nominate veterans to be honored at its meetings. Nomination forms can be picked up at the American Legion Hall, 9318 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48150.

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# Lessons from the genealogy of Jesus



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There's a passage of Scripture that I had never preached on or led a Bible study on until recently, because I thought it was uninteresting, unhelpful and unimportant. Its Jesus' genealogy from Matthew Chapter 1. "Abraham begat Isaac" and so on for 42 names. But God put it in the Bible, so perhaps its more interesting and helpful than I thought. The most interesting thing about it is probably the four women who are listed. That was unusual at the time, because usually a genealogy in the 1st century only listed the male ancestors. Perhaps there's something God is trying to show us by breaking protocol.

The four women are Tamar, Rahab, Ruth and Bathsheba (called "Uriah's wife"). These four women are a strikingly unconventional group to include in the pedigree of someone you're claiming is God's holy Messiah! By including these four women, Matthew seems to want to communicate something more than just a list. It is a historical list, but there's something more we're supposed to get here and it's quite encouraging for those of us who are flawed sinners.

Tamar was a Canaanite (a non-Jew) young woman who had a sexual relationship with her father-in-law, Judah, who impregnated her. Yes, that was Jesus' family. God used her in the line to bring his Messiah. Rahab (another Canaanite) was a prostitute in the town of Jericho. Yes, that is Jesus' family. She saved a group of Jewish men, is mentioned in God's "Hall of Faith" in He-

brews 11 and God used her in his plan.

Ruth was a young widow from Moab. The Moabites were a disgraced people who had had their inception in an incestuous relationship. That's where Ruth came from. But God found her a new husband, through whom would come King David and, eventually, Jesus. The fourth woman was Bathsheba, an Israelite woman who had renounced Israelite citizenship when she married a Hittite man. But King David had her husband murdered so he could take Bathsheba in adultery. Yes, that was Jesus' family. God used her in the family line of His Messiah.

As one of my favorite Christmas songs says, "This is such a strange way to save the world." Strange, yes, but pretty encouraging, too.

Perhaps God included the four women because they were all non-Jews, to

demonstrate that his love and salvation is for all people. Perhaps He included them because all were tainted by a background of sexual sin, to demonstrate not only his forgiveness, but also that He can and will use anyone willing to serve Him, no matter what their background. In the very next paragraph, Matthew records how another young unmarried woman would actually be the one to give birth to the Messiah.

The genealogy of Jesus is tinged with heartache, failure, disappointment and mistakes, but God promises that a new day has arrived. You and I have heartaches, failures, disappointments and mistakes, but a new day of grace and his salvation has arrived.

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# Replace stages of grief with action



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As the frequency of news about national disasters and school shootings rises, it seems timely to turn attention to the important, although uncomfortable, subject of death and dying and grief and grieving.

Elizabeth Kubler-Ross was a pioneer psychiatrist in the field of death and grieving. Her book, "On Death and Dying," made her one of the most respected authorities on the subject. She died in 2004.

Kubler-Ross identified five stages in the process of death: denial, anger, bargaining, depression and acceptance. Other workers came to identify these same stages as applicable to mourners — the loved ones left to live after the loss of another.

David Kessler wrote with Kubler-

Ross. He also worked with thousands of mourners as well as the dying, including Mother Theresa, who by some is credited with beginning the hospice movement. Kessler recently published a book, "On Grief and Grieving."

When I met Kessler, he concisely showed how the five stages of death and dying are indeed the five stages of grief and grieving for those of us who go on living after losses. Furthermore, he postulated a possible sixth stage, which could be termed "replacement." This is a highly adaptive and healthy stage of grieving whereby the mourner creatively recaptures the energy which was once confined to the loved one and invests it in a new person, activity, adventure, etc., which not only gives the death meaning, but allows other people to benefit from the loss. A good example of this is the founding of Mothers Against Drunk Driving by the mother of a daughter killed by a

drunken driver.

It is important to know that these stages of grieving don't occur in any time frame or predictable order. A mourner can pass to and from the various stages over a long period of time. The object of mourning isn't to "get over the loss" as much as it is to "learn to live with the loss," preferably in a way that lets some good come to the world at large.

It is also important to realize the "tasks" of the mourning process. Other writers in the field of death and grieving note four basic "jobs" that must be done: 1) to accept the reality that the loved one is dead; 2) to express grief in all its various forms; 3) to get used to the absence of the loved one and, finally; 4) to replace. I think this "task of replacement" can go on indefinitely. Also, I think that "stages" of grieving implies a passive participation for "going through a stage or phase." Whereas tasks are "an active job" of working through

the mourning process.

The Red Cross mental health disaster specialists, firefighters, police officers, EMS workers and others will be dealing with survivors of recent disasters for a long time to come. The lines of mourners who are in need of help are very long. All need to know that there are stages to the process of grief, as well as tasks to be accomplished through the journey of mourning. Hopefully, this can replace some of the chaos with greater understanding for those tragically affected by loss and faced with the difficult, but healing, task of mourning.

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## Abbas

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"A memorial is not a rock, a brick, a bench or a plaque," he said. "What you do moving forward, taking this message is the spirit of A.J. and Izzy, the kindness, the generosity, the offering of friends, a place at the table. That's a living memorial, honoring their memory and paying it forward."

Several other people spoke, including U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Dearborn. She talked briefly about an initiative to crack down on drunken driving. Authorities suspect the pickup driver had been drinking.

Ruth Ann Stice, a relative of the Abbas family, told the Free Press she was in the grocery store when her niece called her with news about the accident.

"We were so upset. I just can't believe a whole family is gone because of a drunk driver," she said.



Rana Abbas Taylor holds a photo of her sister Rima Abbas, while being comforted by her husband Tom during a candlelight vigil for the Abbas family. JUNFU HAN | DETROIT FREE PRESS



Northville Mayor Ken Roth speaks during a candlelight vigil for the Abbas family. JUNFU HAN | DETROIT FREE PRESS



Condolences written by students of Hillside Middle School are presented to the Abbas family. JUNFU HAN | DETROIT FREE PRESS

## Maybury

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From the outset of her involvement with the farm, Kern said she was disappointed in the NCF board's "limited understanding of how the farm operated."

"The staff was few and far between and highly dysfunctional," she said. "One employee was rude to volunteers and guests and was incapable of completing the farm work that needed to be completed."

Kern's husband Rich, who was a regular volunteer at the farm once his wife's involvement ramped up, described pre-Kern conditions at the farm that were deplorable.

"It was a mess — unkempt, unsanitary, unsafe... the lack of care was evident, first of all the care of the animals," he said. "The animals were fed once a day and there was no feeding schedule. One of the old Clydesdales they had there was so underfed, its ribs were showing."

"The water trough was filthy, with inch-thick algae. The chicken coop was covered in inches-thick layers of feces. And the lack of care was not due to a lack of money. There was \$400,000 in the sustainable fund."

Conversely, volunteers who attended the public forum raved about Kern's vision for the farm, her passion for its success and her non-stop enthusiasm.

So why is she on the outside looking in?

"They can't talk about why they fired me because they have no valid reasons," Kern said, minutes after the forum ended. "There were tensions between myself and the board leading up to my dismissal, but I never thought they'd do a hard stop like they did. They



Cindy Kern speaks at the forum organized to explain her abrupt forced resignation as the manager of Marbury Farm. ED WRIGHT | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

didn't give me a reason, they didn't give a response and they offered no transition plan for the farm."

"I was in complete shock that day. It was quite traumatic, which is one reason we waited until now to hold this forum. I wanted to make sure we had processed everything and grieved it."

### Foundation chair mum

One forum attendee — Northville resident Matt Kosmowski — didn't need to be enlightened regarding Kern's status. Kosmowski is chairman of the NCF.

Earning praise from several Maybury Farm supporters at the forum for stepping into a somewhat unpleasant environment, Kosmowski agreed to stand at the podium and answer questions — except one: Why was Kern let go?

"Unfortunately, I cannot comment on (Kern's firing) because there are employee/employer confidentiality laws I can't cross," Kosmowski said. "I am one man and I can't speak for the entire board."

"Just know that my best interests are with the farm. That's why I'm here tonight."

Several longtime volunteers at the farm and donors to the facility delivered emotional testimonies in support of Kern, who shortly before her firing delivered a proposal to the NCF board that included, among other things, that a separate nonprofit organization be created to oversee the farm due to the NCF's "lack of interest" in its day-to-day operation.

"If I owned my own company, I'd hire you in a minute," Maybury volunteer and Northville resident John Dennis said. "I'm still scratching my head about how we ended up where we are today."

"When Cindy came on board at the farm, the improvements were immediate and exponential. The

changes were like night and day. To see something like this happen is a blow to the community and I don't know if the community realizes that yet."

On Oct. 31, Kern was sitting in her Maybury Farm office, awaiting a meeting with Kosmowski to discuss a proposal she made to the foundation board.

"Instead, two other NCF board members showed up, told me my proposal had been rejected and that my resignation had been accepted," Kern said. "When I told them I wasn't resigning, they said that I had insinuated as much in my proposal email."

"They told me to clear out my office and that they weren't leaving until I was gone."

When asked if she would return to her position as farm director if asked in the future, Kern was non-committal.

"I loved my job at the farm," she said. "It was the hardest job I've ever had, but one of my favorite jobs ever. I would love to go back, but I would not go back to work for the current board. I won't put myself under their authority again based on their treatment of myself and my family."

"If a new nonprofit was formed or there was an entirely new board making the decisions, I'd definitely go back."

During a discussion focused on the topic of what farm fans can do to improve the future vision of the farm, Kern said they should find out how they can run for one of the four open seats on the current NCF board.

Kosmowski said he would oblige anyone who wanted to meet him at the farm and check out its current status.

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# Hundreds pack Save Hines Park meeting

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The size of the crowd Jan. 9 packed into the Robert and Janet Bennett Library in Livonia had Northville resident Nancy Darga on the brink of tears.

She was moved with emotion over the number of people wanting to hear more about Hines Park and Wayne County's plan to sell some of the historic mills and some of the surrounding property.

"I'm trying to not tear up, because I'm so happy to see this many people," she said. "This is an indication that the parks have a chance, because you're here to fight for it."

Darga, former chief of design for Wayne County Parks, was one of the people on stage leading the meeting, put on by the organization Save Hines Park. That group has formed to rally against the county's plan to sell some of the historic Henry Ford mills in Hines Park for commercial development. It's many of the same people who were involved in keeping the Warren Valley Golf Course in Dearborn Heights a golf course when county officials were looking to sell the course for housing developments several years ago.

The standing room-only crowd of more than 300 in the library's auditorium heard from several people, including Darga, Bill Craig and librarian Carl Katarfiasz, who gave a presentation on the history and creation of Hines Park.

The county's plan includes selling two additional mills, the Newburgh Mill near Newburgh and Hines Drive in Livonia and the Wilcox Mill at 230 Wilcox in Plymouth. The plan, dubbed the Mill Run Project, would see those mills sold to private developers, who would in turn renovate them into usable public spaces, such as restaurants, breweries and more. The plans would require developers to keep the mills and the surrounding land usable for the public.

A purchase agreement has been reached with a local developer, Critical Mass LLC, which plans to turn the Phoenix Mill in Plymouth Township into a banquet facility and restaurant with an investment of at least \$2 million, according to Wayne County officials.

A website has been created by the

county for the project. It can be found at [waynecounty.com/millrun](http://waynecounty.com/millrun).

The Save Hines Park members are concerned over the sale of the land, which would take it out of the county's hands forever. That's a concern several elected officials expressed Monday night at the Livonia City Council meeting, where the county came to the council to request to speak more about the plans to members at a later date.

County Commissioner Diane Webb, D-Livonia, who chairs the commission's public services committee, told the Livonia council she was concerned over the county executive's staff bringing the concept of selling the mills to local government before taking it to the county commission.

"They got the cart in front of the horse," she said. "They really should be bringing decisions to be made with county assets to the county commission before they bring them to local council folks."

Assistant Wayne County Executive Khalil Rahal pushed back the next day on Webb's comments, saying the county has had more than 50 meetings with several local groups, including some county commissioners, ramping up to the sale of the mills.

More public meetings are planned later on, though Rahal said they are waiting to receive more detailed information on the proposals.

"Some of those meetings have been with staff at those local levels," he said. "What we are doing now is vetting the offers before we have the public meetings."

"To say that the county has not been transparent, to say she had no idea about this project is disingenuous."

County Commissioner Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, urged the Livonia City Council to be careful when receiving information on the plan, since he felt there had been some incorrect info being spread.

"I think it's worth repeating that the process has not been transparent at this point," he said. "Dearborn Heights learned that lesson with Warren Valley with this current administration."

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A full crowd came to the Save Hines Park meeting Jan. 9 in Livonia.

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Nancy Darga, a Northville resident and former chief of design for Wayne County Parks, speaks to the crowd at the Save Hines Park meeting Jan. 9 in Livonia.

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# Board members under no edict to reveal votes



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**Q: Whenever the board of directors of my condo association prepares minutes of their meetings, they never include how the individual directors voted on things. Shouldn't they have to include that so we know what's going on?**

**A:** Actually, unless there is a special provision in your governing documents requiring this, there is no requirement at law that the minutes include a breakdown of who voted for or against a measure. I don't know if your association has adopted an official parliamentary procedure manual, but most standard parliamentary procedures do not require this either. It is common to simply state that a measure was approved or disapproved by the board.

Regardless, some boards of directors choose to include this information in their minutes in an attempt to be transparent. However, there is a drawback to that approach, as it can compromise the

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board's efforts to present a united front in governing the association. Generally speaking, board members should support the board's decisions, even those with which they may disagree, and that

may be difficult if they are on the record in dissent. There also may be negative consequences when legal disputes arise and the split decision can be used to the association's detriment.

Occasionally, individual directors may demand that the minutes reflect their dissenting vote because they are concerned that they will be personally held liable for what they consider to be a bad board decision. In that case, you definitely will want to contact your experienced community association attorney to evaluate the matter and assist in providing a response.

**Q: My employer has informed me that there may be new opportunities for me in Australia or New Zealand, perhaps in one of the bigger cities there. What is the real estate market like?**

**A:** Real estate in Australia is extremely expensive in the cities. Indeed, houses in Michigan that would sell for \$100,000 to \$200,000 are close to \$1 million in Australia. Many people are moving from Sydney to Melbourne because property is slightly cheaper, although the closer you live to the inner

city or the water, the more expensive it becomes. In the outback, of course, it is a totally different story, with very little, if any, settlement.

In New Zealand, Queenstown is very hot in a real estate sense, as well as Auckland and Wellington. Again, real estate near water is substantially more than one might expect, even in cities comparable to Chicago and San Diego. One good thing is that the U.S. dollar is very strong relative to the Australian and New Zealand dollar. You are best advised, of course, to obtain a competent real estate broker who can assess the real estate opportunities where you wish to reside. Obviously, the more rural, the cheaper it is per square meter.

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## Oakland County Republicans elect new leadership

A. Rocky Raczkowski of Troy was elected as the incoming chair of the Oakland County Republican Party by the newly elected OCRP Executive Committee.

Raczkowski, a retired colonel with the U.S. Army, served as majority leader in the Michigan House of Representatives prior to 2002. Raczkowski is founder and owner of Imperium Logistics, LLC. He is also active with a variety of charitable and community groups in our



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state and nation.

"As someone who has run for office, I know what Oakland County needs to do to become great again," Raczkowski said. "Our party can do much better in the 2020 election. We must do a better job of promoting the Republican core values that include lower taxes, more personal freedom and less government. As chair, my

No. 1 focus will be to rebuild our party across all elected positions. We need to do better in local, county-wide, statewide and federal campaigns. We have work to do and I am excited to lead this effort."

Also elected was Rosanne Ponkowski of West Bloomfield as OCRP co-chair. Ponkowski is a long-time Republican activist and is co-founder of the Michigan Conservative Coalition. She is a small business owner.

Other OCRP officers elected were: Linda Brandis of Commerce, secretary; Mari-Ann Henry of Lake Orion, treasurer; Ann Rauwerdink of West Bloomfield, deputy treasurer; and Jacob Newby of Leonard, youth chair.

The two-year term for all elected officers started Jan. 1. The Oakland County Republican Party represents the largest group of Republican activists in Michigan.

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## Highland Recreation Area hike

The Sierra Club will host a hike at 1 p.m. Saturday Jan. 19, at the Highland State Recreation Area, 5200 Highland Road, in White Lake. Meet at the trail head parking area in front of the historic barn for a five-mile hike through hardwoods and wetlands.

Cost is free, but requires state park entry fee or passport. For more information, go to [www.sierraclub.org/michigan/crossroads](http://www.sierraclub.org/michigan/crossroads).

## Artist lecture from VFAA

The Village Fine Arts Association will host photographer Bryce Denison at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Suzanne Haskew Art Center, 125 S. Main Street, Suite 700, in Milford.

VFAA informational meetings are free and open to everyone interested in the area art scene and are the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October. For more information, email [contactus@milfordvfaa.org](mailto:contactus@milfordvfaa.org) or call the SHAC at 248-797-3060.

## 'Last Five Years' at Tipping Point

Jason Robert Brown's raw musical creation, "The Last Five Years," will be performed Jan. 24 through March 3 at Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady Street, in Northville. Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, with special performances scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Previews Jan. 24-25 offer tickets for only \$25 and include a talk back with the director and Tipping Point's producing artistic director, James R. Kuhl. Tickets for opening night Jan 26 are \$47 and include a catered reception from BrownDog Bar & Restaurant after the performance. For more information, go to [www.TippingPointTheatre.com](http://www.TippingPointTheatre.com) or call the box office at 248-347-0003.

## Motown turns 60

The Salem-South Lyon District Library will celebrate the 60th anniversary

of Motown with live concert held 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1224, 125 E. McHattie Street, in South Lyon.

Professor, musician and award-winning author M.L. Liebler will perform with his band. Liebler's book "Heaven Was Detroit: From Jazz to Hip-Hop and Beyond" was the winner of the 2017 Michigan Library Notable Book Award and is a finalist for both the Forward Indie Book Award and Next Generation Book Award.

For more information, call 248-437-6431.

## New exhibit at HVCA

Color + Thread = Art, the work of fiber artist Katie McGrath, is on display at Huron Valley Council for the Arts, 205 W. Livingston Road, in Highland.

Exhibit hours are 1-5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, in January. For more information, go to [www.huronvalleyarts.org](http://www.huronvalleyarts.org) or call 248-889-8660.

A quilt-making workshop using free cut piecing/drawing with a rotary cutter, 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 [www.huronvalleyarts.org/1/257/classes.asp](http://www.huronvalleyarts.org/1/257/classes.asp).

## Northville Art House exhibit

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

The exhibit runs is 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](http://www.northvillearthouse.org).

## 'Tinkerbelle' at Marquis Theatre

The Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main Street, in Northville will present "Tinkerbelle Visits Storyland" throughout

January. Showtimes are 2:30 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday through Jan. 27.

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

## VFAA exhibit at library

The Village Fine Arts Association, in partnership with the Milford Public Library, 330 Family Drive, exhibits its member artwork in the library Community Room. Through mid-January, it will feature the artwork of Renee Hoag.

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

## American Square Dance

The South Lyon VFW Hall, 125 E. McHattie Street, will host a traditional American Square Dance 7-10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1. The dance is 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 [squaredancemichigan.tripod.com/southlyon.html](http://squaredancemichigan.tripod.com/southlyon.html).

## 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@aaa1b.com](mailto:wellnessprograms@aaa1b.com).

## K. of C. free throw contest

The Knights of Columbus Father Edmund Battersby Council No. 7586 will host a free-throw shooting contest at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, at St. Joseph Church, 830 S. Lafayette Street, in

South Lyon. The contest is open to boys and girls ages 9-14. For more information, call 313-550-1990.

## 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.

## SLA Historical Society

The South Lyon Area Historical Society will present "92 Years and Still Going Strong — Michigan Seamless Tube" at its next meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, in the Village Freight House, 300 Dorothy Street, in South Lyon. Larry Ledbetter, a retired employee and member of the society, will lead the program with pictures, stories and a video of the Tube Mill's beginning and growth, into the largest and oldest manufacturing business in South Lyon.

## Capernaum Health Clinic

The Capernaum Health Clinic, which provides free health care through a coalition of South Lyon-area churches for those without adequate insurance, is scheduled for Monday through Friday, March 4-8, at First United Methodist Church, 640, S. Lafayette Street, in South Lyon. Services that may be available include medical, dental, vision, audiology, podiatry and mammograms.

Appointments are necessary for most services. Call 248-225-4581 or email [capernaumhealthclinic@gmail.com](mailto:capernaumhealthclinic@gmail.com) for appointments and information.

## Youth Alpha film series

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

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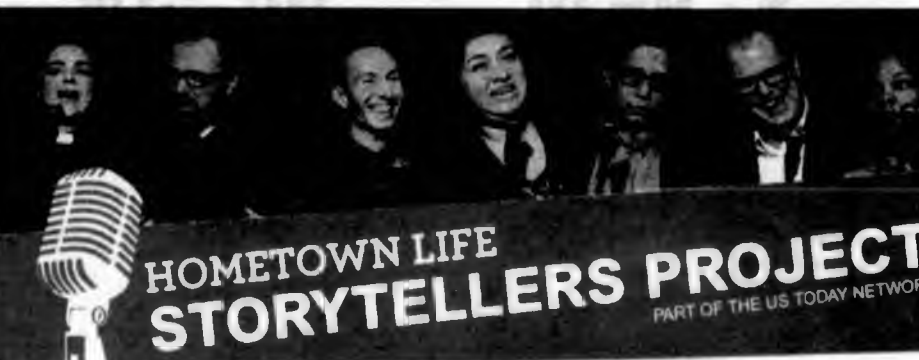
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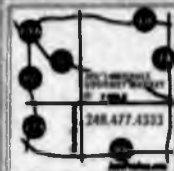
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## BOYS BASKETBALL

# Glenn's Moon nets school-record 44 points

Senior guard hits 3-point at buzzer to tie game at 70-70, but Rockets fall, 81-78

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Even though Joe Moon IV scored a school-record 44 points and surpassed the 1,000-point mark in his career at Westland John Glenn, nobody took the Rockets' 81-78 overtime loss Friday at Belleville harder than the senior guard.

"It's a really tough feeling. I hate losing and I wanted this one more than anything in the world," said Moon, who sent the game into overtime with a clutch 3-pointer at the buzzer.

Moon scored 30 points to help orchestrate a second-half comeback after the Rockets were down by as many as 17 in the second quarter.

With 5.1 seconds left in regulation, Belleville junior forward Connor Bush, who led the Tigers with 26 points and 12 rebounds, split a pair of free throws to give his team a 70-67 advantage.

But somehow, somehow, coming out of the timeout and with three defenders draped around him, Moon found an opening against the Tigers' triple-team and nailed the 3-pointer at the horn to send the game into OT.

"It was for two people, it was for me and Ren (Thrasher) and whoever wasn't covered, that's who was taking the shot," Moon said. "I just got it myself and shot it."

Moon earlier had smartly signaled for a timeout with 1.5 seconds left after the Rockets pushed the ball up the floor.

"Coach (Kirk) Bradley drew up a great play, the guys executed it to the 'T,'" Glenn coach Rod Watts said. "Sharieff Liddell made a great pass to Joe ... all he needed was a little space, little bit of daylight and, if he could see the rim, we thought we had a good chance."

In the overtime, Thrasher (23 points) hit two quick buckets to put the Rockets up 74-70, but Belleville charged back, getting a big hoop by Bush to go up 78-77 with only 7.7 seconds to go after Moon had put Glenn ahead, 77-76, on one of his patented drives to the basket less than 10 seconds earlier.

"They have two really excellent guards in Moon and Thrasher," Belle-

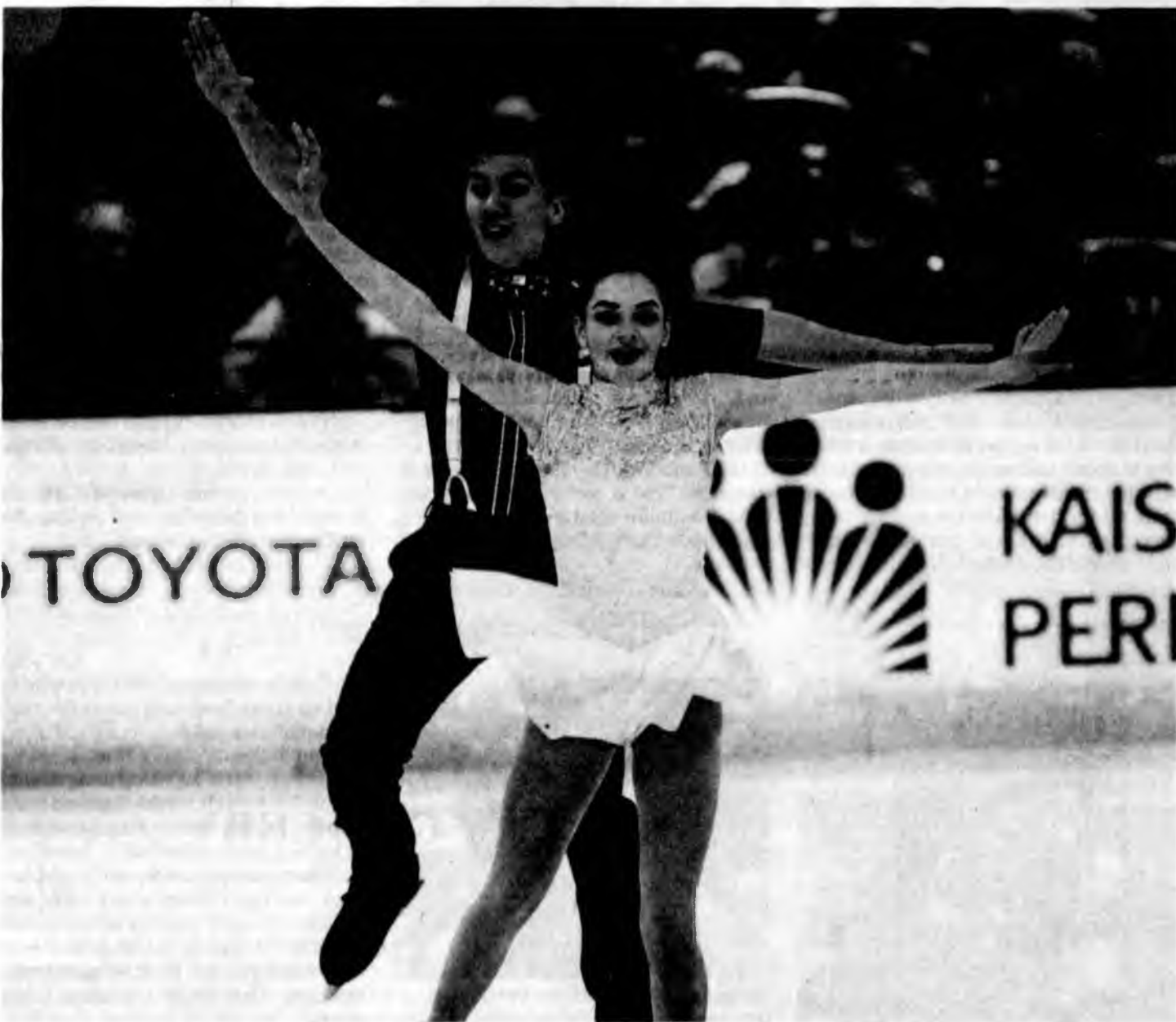
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John Glenn's Joe Moon IV (left) takes Belleville's Jamari Buddin off the dribble on his way to a school-record 44 points. THOMAS BEAUDOIN

## FIGURE SKATING

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Local pairs skaters Jacob Nussle and Cora DeWyre will have the home crowd behind them at Little Caesars Arena. U.S. FIGURE SKATING

## Junior pairs team of DeWyre, Nussle eyes skate at LCA

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For national-level junior pairs skaters Cora DeWyre and Jacob Nussle, it's all about the process.

In their fourth season together as a team, it's become a marathon more than

a sprint for the 16-year-old DeWyre, a sophomore at South Lyon High School, and 23-year-old Nussle, who hails from Linden.

The two have spent countless hours training and gone to five different competitions over the past year as they prepare for the 2019 GEICO U.S. Figure Skating Championships, which will be

held Jan. 18-27 in their own backyard at Little Caesars Arena in Detroit.

DeWyre and Nussle will be among 12 juniors pairs team that will perform Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 23-24, at LCA and the excitement is building. They earned a spot on the national

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## PREP WRESTLING

# Shamrocks pin Indiana powerhouse Cathedral

Turner leads way as Shamrocks recognize six seniors in ceremony

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It was another surgical-like performance turned in Saturday by the top-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central wrestling team, which held its annual Super Duals tournament.

The Shamrocks, who recognized their outgoing senior class, went 4-0 on the day to raise their overall season match record to 17-0.

The two-time defending MHSAA Division 1 state champs capped off the day with a 40-16 triumph over Indiana's defending state champion and top-ranked Indianapolis Cathedral.

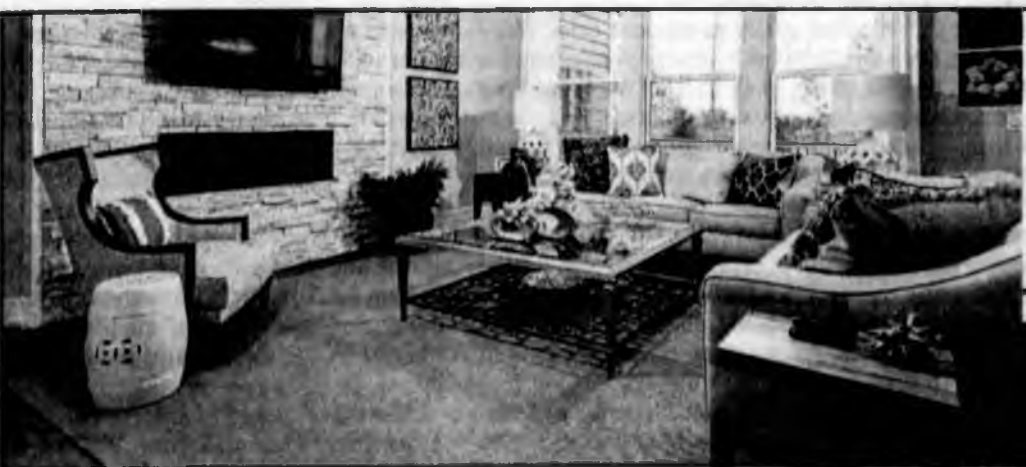
Other wins for the Shamrocks came against Culver (Ind.) Academy, 68-12; defending MHSAA Division 3 state champion Dundee, 60-7; and Brownstown Woodhaven, 66-3.

"I'm pretty excited for our guys," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "Our guys have been through a meat grinder the last four weeks with Brecksville (Ohio) Tournament, the CC Invite and now the Super Duals. Next week, we'll be at

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Catholic Central's Easton Turner (bottom) lifts Indianapolis Cathedral's Luke Adams off the mat en route to a 19-7 major decision at 195 pounds during the CC Super Duals. SCOTT CONFER



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## GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Sollom's return lifts Hartland over Northville

Junior center sees first action of the season as Eagles pull away for 51-21 KLAA West Division win

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The wait is finally over for Hartland's Whitney Sollom.

The standout 6-foot-4 junior center was itching to get back onto the court and when she entered the KLAA West Division girls basketball game Jan. 9 at Northville with 4:17 left in the opening quarter, she immediately made her presence known, nailing her first two shots and assisting on another basket.

After undergoing a procedure May 23 to repair a chipped bone in her knee, Sollom was cleared to play and she helped lift the Eagles to a 51-21 KLAA West Division victory over the previously unbeaten Mustangs.

Hartland, which captured its fifth straight, improved to 5-1 overall and 3-0 in the KLAA West.

"Oh my gosh, it felt so good to be out here," said Sollom, who made all four of her shots in just under 12 minutes of action. "I've been waiting for this and I've been out so long. And just to be out here with my teammates, it just felt awesome to be out there. My knee felt awesome and I'm glad to be back."

Sollom, considered a Big Ten-caliber prospect, had what is called osteochondritis dissecans of the knee.

"I had the surgery May 23 and I was out for all summer, my travel (team) and even summer ball with my high school team ... my first five games with my high school team and now I'm back," Sollom said. "It felt awesome just to get back into it. I'm excited to make this season great with my team."

Northville (6-1, 2-1) led 21-20 with 6:09 left in the third quarter on a basket by Ellie Thallman, but then the roof caved in.

Hartland finished the game by outscoring the Mustangs 31-0 during the final 14:09 to win going away.

"I knew that we had had a run, but I didn't realize it was that many," Hartland coach Don Palmer said. "It just kind of snowballed. We went to about shooting the ball as poorly as we can do it, to being special. The score was not indicative of the game. We felt we'd be challenged tonight and we were, I thought."

Turnovers were the major issue for the Mustangs, who committed a total of 31 on the night. Northville made just 1-of-15 field-goal attempts during the second half.



Northville's Sophia Jeromsky (left) tries to take Hartland's Amanda Roach off the dribble. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Northville's Ellie Thallman (left) tries to drive on Hartland's Whitney Sollom. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"I think we kind of woke up a sleeping giant at halftime," Northville coach Todd Gudith said. "Our kids played a good first half, a great 20 minutes, really. Then about halfway through the third quarter, it just seemed Hartland kind of ramped up their defense and we really struggled ... a lot of turnovers, didn't take care of the basketball and didn't get

off many quality shots the second half. And that's a credit to them. I thought our kids played hard ... just couldn't do anything in the second half."

Hartland, which started five underclassmen, got a game-high 15 points from freshman guard Amanda Roach, who made three of the Eagles' five 3-pointers.

"She was a kid that we took note of in seventh grade and I thought, in eighth grade, she could have played on the varsity. Obviously, we thought she was that good," Palmer said of Roach. "Offensively, she's razor-sharp. Defensively, she's got to kind of put them both together. But she's got a nose for the rim and then she can hit that three-ball. She's got to work at it, like everybody else. I told everybody last year that we've got a kid in eighth grade that can start for us. She was pretty good then."

Yet another freshman, 5-11 forward Gracey Metz, contributed nine points as Hartland made 13-of-27 shots from the floor during the second half after going 9-of-33 over the first two quarters.

Thallman scored seven points to lead Northville.

But with Sollom lurking inside, the Mustangs had trouble finding the bottom of the net. They made only 23.6 percent of their shots from the field (9-of-38).

"That changes the game a little bit and makes it difficult for us to try and attack the basket, knowing she's there to protect the rim," Gudith said. "It's just another weapon that you have to worry about for them. Not only can their guards shoot lights out from outside, now we've got to worry about the inside presence, too. So they kind of hit you both ways."

Sollom, who was cleared to play a week before Christmas, will have her minutes managed gradually before she can go at full speed.

"She got a little more than I wanted, but she was dying to play," Palmer said. "She was allowed to practice on the 18th and she didn't have any fear, any favoritism on that knee. And she was allowed to scrimmage at St. Johns, which was a very, very physical scrimmage, and she handled that well, so I wasn't apprehensive about putting her in tonight."

Conditioning is Sollom's biggest challenge going forward.

"I'm a little out of shape, but as soon as I got out there and I was running up and down the court, it felt better and better," Sollom said. "The first couple of scrimmages at practice I was sucking for air. It's getting better."

Meanwhile, it's back to the drawing board for the Mustangs, who had their six-game winning streak snapped.

"We've just got to believe in ourselves," Gudith said. "We saw that we could play with them for 2½ quarters. And when we put it all together, we're a pretty solid team. Put this one away and move on, because it doesn't get any easier in this division."

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## Shamrocks

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Lowell. Just really impressed just by how the team responded today. I thought we were very aggressive and put some big points on the board."

Detroit CC captured 10 of the 14 matches against Cathedral, getting pins from Josh Edmond (138 pounds) and Steven Kolcheff (heavyweight), while Anthony Walker (106) won by technical fall.

The Shamrocks also received major decisions from Manny Rojas (170) and Easton Turner (195), while Derek Gilcher (145), Kevon Davenport (152), Cam Amine (160), John Browning (182) also captured their matches.

Turner, the defending MHSAA state champ at 215, boosted his career record to 108-24 with three pins, capped by a 19-7 major decision over Cathedral's Luke Adams.

"It was a great day for everybody," Turner said. "Matt (Anderson) really did well today, Kevon (Davenport), Cam (Amine), myself, Joe (Urso) ... everyone just had a real good day. Lots of bonus points and every had fun. Good to see smiles on everyone's faces."

Turner's favorite class is A.P. biology. He carries at 3.8 grade-point average and scored 26 on his ACT. He would like to continue to wrestle in college and he's interested in going to either Indiana or Virginia.

He would like to go into the medical field and become a surgeon.

"And there's no doubt he can," Hancock said. "Easton works extremely hard, he's a very likable kid, very quiet, but I think it's just personality. He's always got a smile on his face. He's a 'yes sir, no sir' type of kid."

Turner has a vision condition called nystagmus, in which the eyes make re-



Catholic Central's Cam Amine (left) gets locked up with Cathedral's Jordan Slivka during a 160-pound match. Amine won a 9-4 decision. SCOTT CONFER

petitive, uncontrolled movements. According to the American Optometric Association, these movements often result in reduced vision and depth perception and can affect balance and coordination. These involuntary eye movements can occur from side to side, up and down or in a circular pattern.

"He's got a disorder in his eyes, like a stigmatism," Hancock said. "So if you ever watch him, his eyes always shift. So when you're talking to him, it's funny sometimes. I remember when he was a young kid and I smacked him in the head, right? I said, 'Focus on me, focus on me.' I didn't realize his eyes had this disease, so I had no idea. Pretty cool, he's special young man."

Scoring pins or technical falls against Culver for CC were Caleb White (113), Camden Trupp (132), Edmond (138), Amine (160) Yatooma (220) and Kolcheff (heavyweight). Urso won by decision and Kevon Davenport won by void. Against Dundee, earning pins for CC



Catholic Central's Kevon Davenport (top) rides out Cathedral's Elliot Rodgers en route to 6-2 decision at 152 pounds. SCOTT CONFER

were Derek Gilcher (145), Kevon Davenport (152), Rojas (170), Browning (182) and Turner (195), while Matt Anderson (120), Kam Davenport (126), Edmond (138) and Amine won by decision. Yatooma (220) got a void.

In the win over Woodhaven, CC got pins from Trupp (138), Logan Sanom (145), Kevon Davenport (152), Rojas (170), Turner (195), Yatooma (220) and Kolcheff (heavyweight). Earning decisions were Anthony Walker (106), White (113), Anderson (120), Kam Davenport (126) and Urso (160).

"We look really good right now," Turner said. "We had a couple of soft spots earlier in the season, but we're looking strong in every weight class."

Cathedral jumped out to an 8-0 lead against CC, getting a technical fall from Lucasz Walendzak (126) and a decision by Logan Bailey (132), before CC reeled off 40 straight points. Cathedral ended the bleeding when Zeke Seltzer (113) posted a technical fall, followed by Luke Gonzalez 3-2 decision over Anderson at 120.

"We looked at it as a challenge," Cathedral co-coach Brian Seltzer said. "We said, 'We'll come up and wrestle some of

the best in Michigan.' And that was our goal to come here and get some really good matches in."

Also in the CC Super Duals field was defending MHSAA Division 2 state champion Lowell, which finished 3-0 on the day, highlighted by a 35-34 tiebreaker victory over Cathedral.

"That was the match we'd like to have back, we didn't wrestle very well," Seltzer said. "I think we were looking ahead ... but that happens in high school wrestling when you put your faith in 17-year-old boys. They make mistakes, it happens."

Unlike Michigan, which determines its four divisional MHSAA team state champions in a dual match tourney format, the Indiana state team champion is determined by an individual tournament format with only one division.

"We're a better tournament team, by far," said Seltzer, whose squad came into the Super Duals with only one loss to Brownsburg. "We have seven guys who we think can place at the state finals this year and usually that's the magic formula."

CC, meanwhile, honored its six seniors and their parents prior to the Cathedral match.

Among those recognized was Davenport (152-10 career record), a three-time defending state champion headed to Nebraska; Amine (163-16), a two-time state champ bound for Michigan; Urso (134-36), who carries a 4.3 GPA and a 32 ACT; Anderson, who has a 32 ACT; and Michael Perrone, who sports a 27 ACT and a 3.92 GPA.

"Very well-disciplined, very good shape and they do the little things right," Seltzer said of CC. "That's the big difference and that's why they're highly ranked in the nation and they deserve it."

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## BOYS BASKETBALL

# Sorrows squad team captures two tourneys

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The Farmington Our Lady of Sorrows boys basketball team recently captured a pair of holiday tournaments, including the Detroit Catholic Central Christmas final with a 38-29 victory over Livonia St. Michael's.

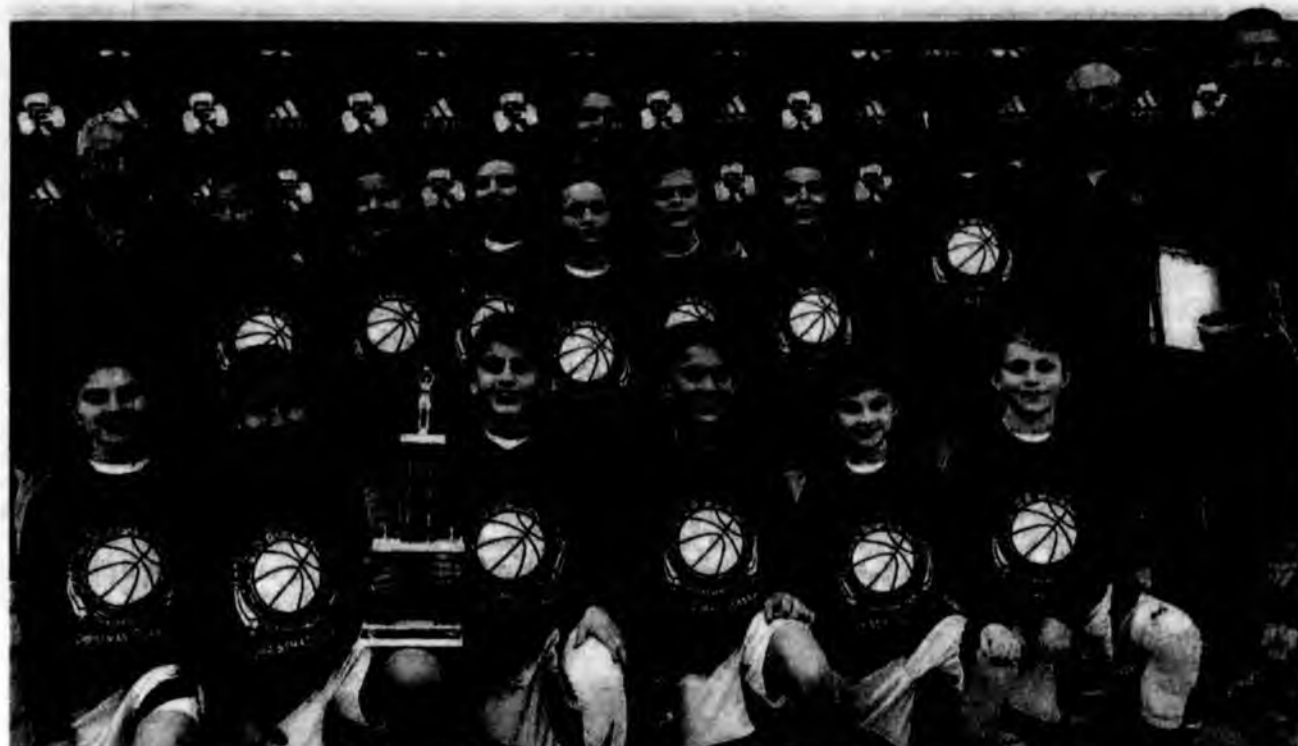
Sorrows outscored its opponents in the CC tourney by a 105-69 margin, which also included wins over Novi St. James (39-16) and Plymouth Our Lady of Victory (28-24 in overtime).

Sorrows, coached by Russ Zarras, also captured its own Thanksgiving invitational with a victory over Clarkston Everest Academy in the final, 29-28, along with beating Birmingham Holy Name (38-20) and St. James (30-21).

Team members include: Dillan Arafat, Antonio Boukouris, Matthew English, Bryce Fasi, Dylan Filia-  
traut, Luca Genrich, Jacob Hanna, Jackson Hargis, Onimisi Sadiq, Christian Shina, Derek Shina, Francisco Williams and Cole Wisniewski.

Assistant coaches are Tim Prokop, Nick Malzone, Alex Guys and Ryan Zarras.

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The Farmington Our Lady of Sorrows grades 5-6 boys basketball team captured two holiday tourneys.

## Skating

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stage after placing fifth Nov. 16-17 at the 2019 Midwestern Sectional in Fort Wayne, Ind.

It will be the fourth straight trip to nationals for the duo.

"I'm really glad we have the opportunity to skate at nationals for the fourth time," DeWyre said. "We've made it every single time. It's really exciting in our hometown, because our families get to come. We just want to do our best, probably get our personal best score. I don't think it really matters where we place, as long as we feel good about our program."

It's been a huge sacrifice for DeWyre and Nussle to get to this point in their skating careers, as they shuttle between two different coaches at the Ice House Skating Academy in Hartland and Brighton, along with the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills.

"I'd like to make the senior level, compete at the senior level for a little while and see where that takes me," Nussle said. "It's like working a full-time job ... it's more than that. You got to skate every day, obviously, even on the weekends. We're going to be here at 7 a.m. tomorrow, so we skate six days a week right now."

While DeWyre is a full-time high school student who takes one online classes to help augment her training schedule, Nussle works as a skating instructor and installs hardwood floors for a local contractor.

There is some free time, but not much. Sunday is their day of rest.

"I really like shopping, hanging out with my friends, but I mostly do my homework a lot, eat, sleep and skate," DeWyre said. "I want to continue doing pairs. I want to go to college and ..."

In 2018, DeWyre and Nussle took first at the Ann Arbor Springtime Invitational and the Fort Wayne Battle of the Blades. They were third at the Chicago Dance Pairs and seventh at Skate Detroit.

The team, however, suffered a brief setback earlier this fall.

"The training is going pretty good," DeWyre said. "I injured myself in September. I sprained my ankle, but besides that, we've been doing pretty good. We didn't get to do our programs fully at sectionals, but we still made it to nationals and nationals we're going to do everything in our programs."

They were fifth out of five teams at the Midwestern Sectional Championships and now it's on to Detroit.

"I just want to see them skate a clean program," said Michelle Hunt, one of the pairs' coaches out of Hartland. "They're perfectly capable of it and I think they'll be proud of themselves if that happens. I don't think they'll be on the podium ... that's probably not going to happen. But Cora is coming off a bad injury and they've done a great job and I'm really proud of them. And everyone around here is super-excited. We're all going to go and cheer them on, since it's close to home this year, and we're really excited about that. They're great kids, they're doing great."

In the short program, DeWyre and Nussle will perform to a Spanish-flavored selection.

"The Malaguena, it's like a bullfight and we're trying to get them to be fast and fierce," Hunt said. "Just really working on their choreography and their strength in their prep this year. All their elements are good, so hopefully you're going to see an exciting program."

Added DeWyre: "The short program is a little bit shorter, but not by much. I think both of them are high-energy. We move really fast. It goes from element to element. The long program is more tiring, it takes a lot of effort every single day. Element to element, we don't have very much stopping in the program."

In the free skate, or long program, the theme music will be by Canadian performer Michael Buble.

"I like it, but when we play it over and over again, it can get really repetitive, but I like the music and we skate well to it," DeWyre said. "I think Spanish music is really fun to skate to; it's very fast. It keeps replaying in my mind, but it's good when you have a nice program to skate to."

Despite the seven-year age gap, the two seem to fit well as a team.

"We've never had any fights," Nussle said. "We come here and get our job done and we come back the next day. It's kind of a group effort, we work together, we collaborate together. It's like, 'Hey, do you want to do this next or this next?' I'll be like, 'Do you want to jump, do you want to lift?' She'll be like, 'Oh, I want to



South Lyon's Cora DeWyre and junior pairs partner Jacob Nussle are headed to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, Jan. 23-24, at Detroit's Little Caesars Arena. U.S. FIGURE SKATING



Michelle Hunt, coach of junior pairs skaters Cora DeWyre and Jacob Nussle, already has her T-shirt ready for support when the two will perform at the U.S. Figure Skating Nationals in Detroit.

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The team of Jacob Nussle and Cora DeWyre are coming off a fifth-place finish at the Midwestern Sectionals. U.S. FIGURE SKATING

do the spiral sequence' and I'll be, 'OK, we'll do that.' We work together on a lot of things."

The pairs event combines the athleticism of singles skating with the precision of ice dancing, mixed with the thrilling acrobatics of overhead lifts and throws. Each movement is performed in unison, demonstrating exact timing and precision between partners.

"(Hunt) wants us to really focus on our speed in the program, finishing the elements nicely and do our best out there, getting everything really crisp," Nussle said. "We're trying the one-handed overhead lift this year, which is a little more points. We're going from a lateral entry, so we enter from forward from backward. And we've got a few more points there. The double twist is a pretty exciting element, I think that's the hardest one."

DeWyre and Nussle also train with coach Craig Joe-right at the DSC, which is well known for producing Olympians in dance, pairs and singles skaters (including 1998 gold medalist Tara Lipinski). The Japanese 2018 Olympic senior pairs team of Miu Suzuki and Ryuichi Kihara also train at the DSC.

"They have a lot of really good technical coaches and a lot of experience in pairs," Nussle said. "We don't have as many pairs skaters over here (at Hartland), so we had to go over to DSC to get that experience."

The junior pairs short program begins at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, followed by the free skate pro-

gram at 11:45 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 24.

And there will be a large local contingent fans of cheering on DeWyre and Nussle.

"It's absolutely a process and they are so much improved from last year ... so much," Hunt said. "Hopefully, we just keep doing that every year, sticking with it."

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ville coach Adam Trumpour said. "We knew they would make a charge in the second half. We're a young team. The six guys that were playing down the stretch ... five will be back next year and we only had one lone senior out there. So we're really just learning and it's the first time we've had a good lead on a good team and a well-coached team. It's learning experience for us."

Belleville converted 5-of-6 free throws in OT, while Glenn was only 2-of-6 to go along with a costly inbound turnover.

Bush's two free throws with only 2.1 seconds remaining sealed the win.

"Fortunately, we were able to make some plays down at the end," Trumpour said. "Connor Bush made some big plays and I'm proud of him for that. He's a good player and we're expecting a lot out of him, so it's exciting to see him make some plays in crunch time, so to speak."

Andrew Leamy added 13 points, while Brandon Jackson and Lorenzo Wright both added 10 for Belleville, which improved to 4-3 overall and 3-1 in the KLAA East Division. The Tigers are now 4-0 at home, but 0-3 on the road and at neutral sites.

"We're an evolving team and we've got a long way to go, this one step and one rung on a very tall ladder, but I'm proud of these guys tonight and we're going to build on this," Trumpour said.

Meanwhile, the loss was heartbreaking on many fronts for Glenn, which slipped to 4-2 overall and 3-1 in the KLAA East.

"I thought the first half we played so terrible, we were down 16 and I know we're a better team, so we're going to get back to the gym tomorrow and clean things up," Moon said.

Glenn got pounded on the boards during the first half and trailed 44-28 at intermission.

"We decided that we weren't playing our best defense the first half and then the guys took it upon themselves that they were going to do a better job in stopping their offense," Watts said.

"That's what we take our pride in, is winning the war on the boards. And we didn't do that in the first half. In addition to playing the defense, it was rebounds, because our thing is whoever wins the battle on the boards and whoever has the less turnovers, is probably going to win the game."

It was a somber Glenn locker room afterward and it was little consolation that Moon had taken down the 52-year-old school scoring mark of 42 set by Jerry Wright in 1966. He also inched closer to Nick Daniels' career mark of 1,170.

Moon hit 13-of-21 shots from the floor, including three triples, to go along with 15-of-21 from the foul line.

"I didn't know how many points he had," Watts said. "Yeah, it's heroic, but if you don't get the win, how heroic is it? It's a great milestone. It's his career-high, but we'd rather have the 'W' and I'm sure he would, too. I guarantee he'd trade in 40 of those for a 'W.' He's right there. We've been in this gym and we've come up short before."

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John Glenn's Elijah White (right) goes for the tip against Belleville's Jalen Williams. THOMAS BEAUDOIN

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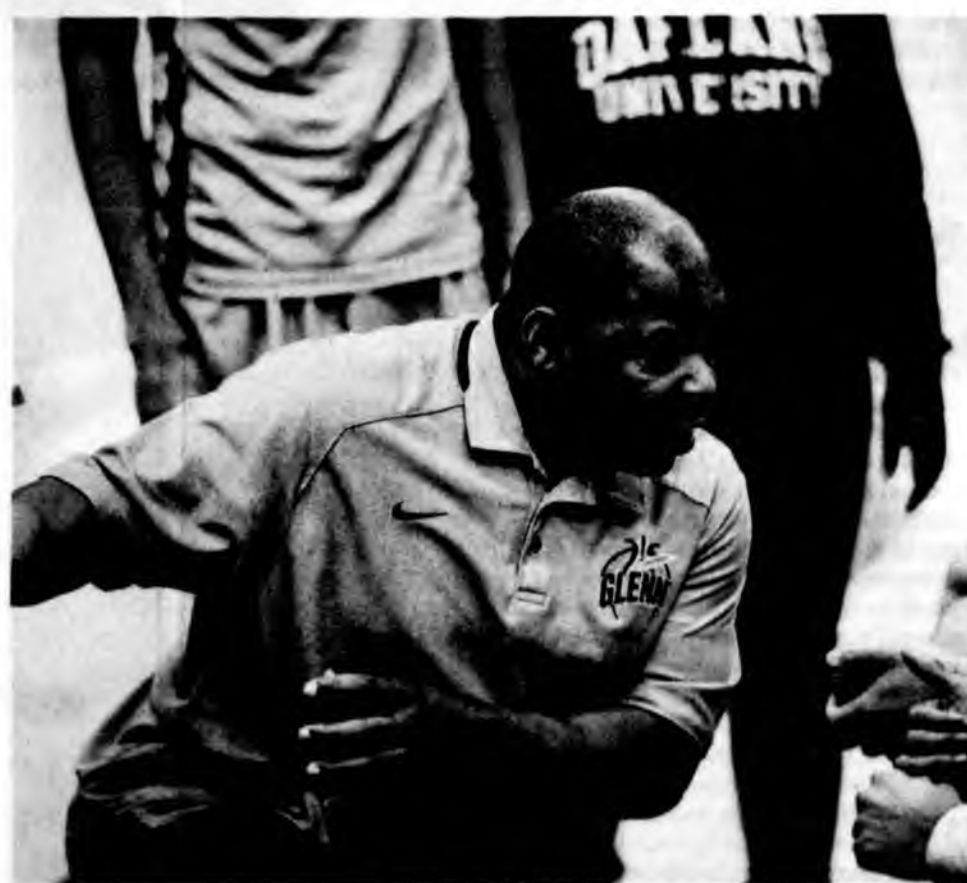
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## JUNIOR HOCKEY

## For more players, college dream starts in preps

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A few years ago, high school hockey showcases in southeast Michigan might garner a cursory glance from junior and college scouts.

But nowadays? Events such as the day-long MIHL-KLAA smorgasbord of prep pucks at Eddie Edgar Arena in Livonia are the places to be for those scouts. They fill notebooks and file reports with information that connects the dots between high school and — maybe someday — Division I college hockey.

"I emailed most of the teams in the North American Hockey League (about the Dec. 15 MIHL-KLAA Hockey Showcase) and I've heard back from quite a few of them," Salem head varsity hockey coach Ryan Ossenmacher said. "And they're, like, 'We're going to be there' or 'We can't make it this weekend, our schedule doesn't line up, but would love to know more about these guys.'"

"It's not a secret anymore." Ossenmacher is waving the banner for the outstanding, exciting and compelling brand of hockey now being played in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association and other high school leagues across Michigan.

More and more, those scouts are not needing such enticement to know that some potential standout talent is being groomed in high school hockey. At last year's MIHL-KLAA showcase, Fairbanks Ice Dogs scout Jon Frantti (who resides in metro Detroit) got a good glimpse at then-Plymouth senior defenseman Drew Garby.

Frantti sent the report. Garby subsequently was on the Ice Dogs' radar and made the 2018-19 team. He is thought to be the first Plymouth-Canton Educational Park alum (including Canton, Salem and Plymouth high schools) to make the direct jump to the NAHL (a Tier II junior circuit based in the United States, one tier below the United States Hockey League).

But current Alaskan Garby is just the tip of the high school-to-juniors iceberg. Another Plymouth player, forward Jack Chumley, is playing this winter for a Junior B team in Canada.

## Moving on

Other KLAA products are finding post-graduation roster spots in lower junior leagues, such as the United States Premier Hockey League, where the Fraser-based Metro Jets play. One of the Greater Ontario Junior Hockey League goalies that Chumley now faces is Livonia Stevenson alum Will Trage, who is with the LaSalle Vipers.

"We've had 15 guys move on to play juniors (from Salem) in the last 10 or 11 years," Ossenmacher said. "Most recently, Tyler German from last year. Tyler played for us the last two years and he is currently playing for the Metro Jets."

"It's a really good junior program, it's got a really good track record of moving guys to the next level of juniors."

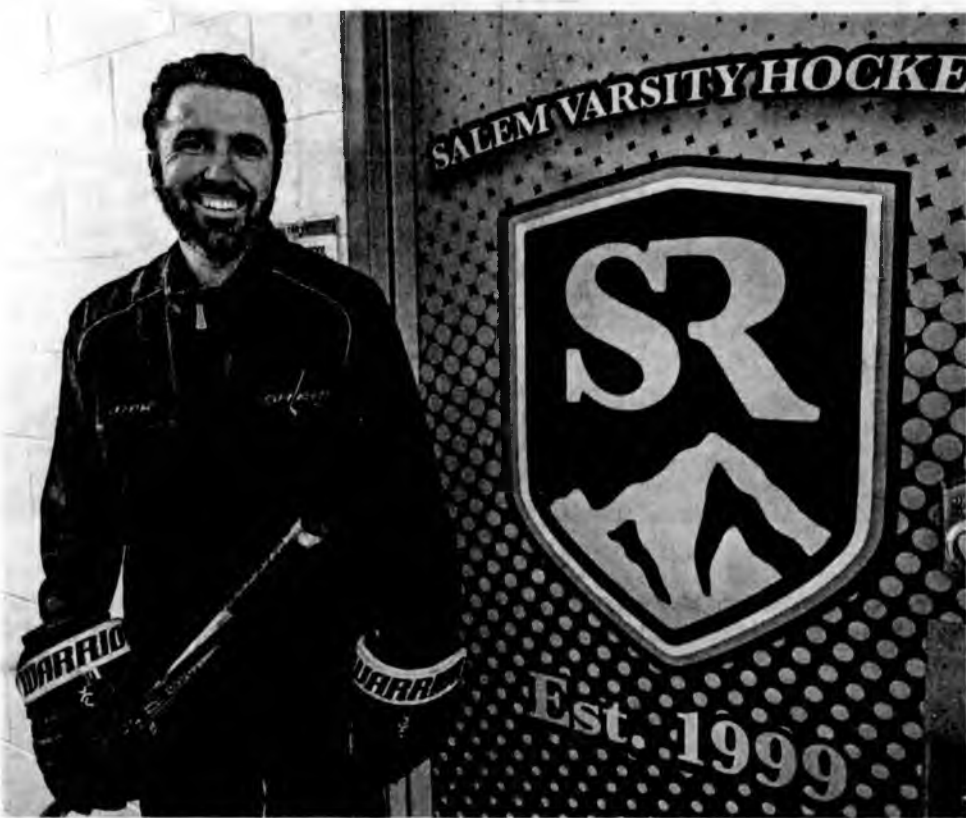
German is a forward with physicality, skill and intelligence.

"Yeah, it's a lot of fun. It's definitely a lot faster pace and kids are bigger and stronger," German said following the Jets' 4-3 win Dec. 15 over Pittsburgh. "It takes a while to get used to that. But once you get going, have a couple games in, it's a lot of fun. And it's awesome being part of such a great group of guys, too."

Just like his Salem days, German practices all week with the Jets and plays games each weekend. There are postgame meals and plenty of talk about paying their dues — and maybe



Salem alum Tyler German is learning the ropes as a rookie with the Metro Jets junior hockey program in Fraser. METRO JETS



A staunch supporter of high school hockey in Michigan is Ryan Ossenmacher, head coach for the Salem Rocks and Team Michigan. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

even playing college hockey down the road.

"Through 25 games, German has 11 points. He was held scoreless in the Pittsburgh game. He learns with every skate, just like he did at Salem."

"I think just try to keep working on the little things, get stronger, handling the puck, take it to the net more," German said. "Just have to sharpen up on the little details, then make a difference out there."

"It's a process. A lot of people think it's a race, but it's a marathon."

## Nothing's a given

German said he was steered in the direction of the Metro Jets by another former Salem stalwart, high-scoring forward Matt Schaumburger (who played for the Jets in 2017-18, when the team was in the NA3HL).

"(Schaumburger) was the captain my junior year on Salem," German said. "I was just looking for another step in that direction (college), to develop my game more."

He knows he has to keep working and that he likely will need to prove himself for two or three seasons in order to get an opportunity to move up in the multi-tiered junior ranks or play for a D-I college.

Nothing is a given. There are no promises.

And those hard truths are repeated every season by veteran, accomplished

high school coaches such as Ossenmacher. Hockey players know they won't go directly to college the way top football and basketball players do.

For the vast majority, it's all about hard work — and patience.

Consider forward Dominic Lutz, a 2014 Stevenson grad. He played two seasons with Topeka of the NAHL before beginning his college hockey career with D-I Ferris State University.

One step at a time is the solid choice for most.

"If you truly believe you're a NCAA college hockey player, you're going to have to be patient," Ossenmacher said, emphasizing that most high school players can expect to play a couple of years of juniors before even getting on to the radar of college teams. "Because unless you're one of those next-level talents, like a Dylan Larkin that can play at Michigan at 18 or 19, you're going to be 20, 21 when you enroll as a freshman."

"So if you're not patient and you're not willing to play two, maybe three, years of junior hockey, it's not going to happen."

"If that's not something that you're bought into, then go to school, get life started. Even the best guys that go to play juniors and go play university, what you're looking at is to get a college education."

## Opinions are changing

There still might be some people who

carry outdated opinions about what Michigan high school hockey is about, that there simply aren't enough games or that the quality is poor. But the ice dam is beginning to thaw.

Junior teams and even colleges are realizing the value of guys having a schedule with several practices during the week and games each weekend — where there is time built in to keep up with homework, family life and still get in all the hockey work players need in order to improve.

"Right now, of the kids playing college hockey from the state of Michigan, over 30 percent of them played high school hockey at one point," said Ossenmacher, also longtime head coach of Team Michigan, a summer tournament squad composed of the state's best and brightest prep players. "That's a significant percentage. If you were to go back 10 years ago, it wouldn't even be close to that."

"And so that's just continuing to build on what's a good model. Our high school model models college hockey. It's what it is. It's less games than some other places, but it's the weight training, tons of practice ice. It's the same reason why now you're seeing more guys in the NHL with college backgrounds."

Plymouth head coach Gerry Vento also scoffed at the idea that high school players in Michigan are not in demand.

"If you look across the state, countless high school players are getting the opportunity to play junior and college hockey, with some getting commitments in their senior year," Vento said. "When you look at the economics, along with the time factor and exposure, high school hockey is very attractive, which kind of makes it a threat to what many would consider the 'traditional' route."

"There are some great coaches in high school that work hard at what they do and really work at providing an environment for advancement to the player that wants to move on."

## Success stories mount

And the proof is in the growing list of success stories.

"We just had Logan Neaton, the goalie from Brighton, who played for Team Michigan," Ossenmacher said. "He committed to U-Mass Lowell, which is where (current Winnipeg Jets goalie) Connor Hellebuyck played. We cut Connor Hellebuyck from the summer team."

"You've got two goalies at Michigan State, Spencer Wright and John Lethemon, who both played high school hockey (at Novi Detroit Catholic Central and Farmington, respectively). It was unheard of years ago to have guys who were committed to play college that were playing high school."

Ossenmacher cited defenseman Brendan Hill, a 2018 graduate of Catholic Central who this year is playing for Minot of the NAHL. Hill is committed to play Division I hockey for Lake Superior State.

Four players from Brighton's 2018 Division I state championship team — Neaton, Mr. Hockey winner Jake Crespi, Sam Brennan and Adam Conquest — have committed to play college hockey.

And even the Park might soon be in bloom.

"For a team like Salem, for us, we got to get our first kid, that's the thing," Ossenmacher said. "We got to find our first one. And I think, honestly, it's somebody on this team, somebody on our current team, who will play college hockey."

Whenever that happens, whoever it is, that Salem alum will know the drill and be ready for the challenge ahead.

## YOUTH SPORTS

## Plymouth-Canton Little League offers fast-pitch softball

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Plymouth-Canton Little League has announced it will add fast-pitch softball for the 2019 season.

Chartered and sanctioned by Little League International, PCLL is the official Little League program for the Plymouth and Canton communities.

The PCLL adheres to all of the safety measures, game-play protocols and rules and regulations stipulated by Little League International. Little League fast-pitch softball follows the same game-play rules as most local travel programs, tournaments and area high

schools, including full fast-pitch wind-up delivery.

"We are really excited to add fast-pitch softball for 2019," PCLL President Jeff Holt said. "We've had two straight years of 25-percent growth, compounded, in our baseball division alone. We just know it's time to give our kids and our growing league another option by adding Little League fast-pitch softball."

During its inaugural season in spring 2019, PCLL will add fast-pitch softball divisional play for minors (ages 7-9), majors (ages 10-12) and juniors (ages 13-14).

Boys and girls (ages 5-6) will continue to play co-ed T-ball. Girls are welcome to register for softball or baseball.

A full uniform will continue to be provided to players in both divisions. Players of all skill levels are welcomed.

"We want to build relationships, to serve the kids and to be a valued partner in the local communities," Holt said. "We are hoping to work closely with local area high school softball coaches to deliver a high-quality program that best prepares young players for the next level."

Registration for the 2019 PCLL softball and baseball programs, as well as winter skills clinics, runs through Presidents' Day (Feb. 18). For more information and to register, go to [www.plycanll.com](http://www.plycanll.com) or email [plycanlittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:plycanlittleleague@gmail.com).

## South Lyon free golf

Free girls golf instruction will be offered to all seventh- and eighth-grade girls who will be attending South Lyon High at the school's indoor batting cage.

Instruction will start in late January and early February.

For more information, call South Lyon girls golf Dan Skatzka at 248-437-9775 or email [danandjackle76@att.net](mailto:danandjackle76@att.net).

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## JUNIOR HOCKEY

# Plymouth hockey alums learning the ropes in juniors

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There is no script or blueprint for young hockey players to follow as they proceed toward the goal of playing Division I college and, hopefully, beyond.

Consider Drew Garby and Jack Chumley, both 2018 graduates of Plymouth High School and valuable members of the 2017-18 Wildcats varsity hockey team. They are the first players from the Plymouth program to move on to the junior ranks, but took different routes. One is playing in Alaska and the other in Ontario, Canada.

But that's merely the far and near of it.

Garby, 18, after three seasons playing for Victory Honda's local AAA program, was a dynamic player for the Wildcats his senior season.

The defenseman now is playing for the Fairbanks Ice Dogs of the North American Hockey League — the first Plymouth High School alum (and Plymouth-Canton Educational Park player) to make an immediate jump from high school to the NAHL (a Tier II junior circuit based in the United States). Yet it took a while to crack the lineup.

"I feel like I didn't have the greatest training camp. I started out pretty rough," Garby said. "But I just kept working hard, moving my feet. I think that really helped me. I just kept getting better every skate and I think that's what they might have liked about me."

"I was not in the starting lineup at the beginning of the year. I got scratched the first three games of the season."

And when he did get into a game, the other team scored during his very first shift. More bench time followed.

"I can't even remember (that play), it was kind of like a daze, you know?" Garby said with a laugh. "I didn't fumble it, I probably could have made a play on the puck."

Meanwhile, 19-year-old Chumley forward played all four seasons with his high school (his freshman year with Plymouth's prep team, which is comparable to junior varsity) and in 2018-19 is skating an hour west of Toronto with the Waterloo Siskins of the Greater Ontario Junior Hockey League.

The GOJHL is a Junior B circuit in Canada, considered a cut below the level of the NAHL.

"It's different, it's faster and a lot more physical (than the Kensington Lakes Activities Association), but I can't say it's a huge difference," said Chumley, battling a groin injury much of this season. "I know playing in that division in high school really prepared me for what I'm playing now."

"I remember before I was playing and I was watching the games, I didn't think it looked too much different from what I would see in high school. It definitely was a lot more physical than I was expecting, which isn't a bad thing. It's just a different style of hockey than I've ever played."

## Props for preps

Both are paying dues at different prongs of junior hockey in the hope of garnering interest from major colleges, hopefully D-I. Both also give big-time credit to their experience playing for the Wildcats, where hard work and doing things the right way are program staples.

"I went into Plymouth (for the 2017-18 season) and I wasn't exactly excited at first to start playing for Plymouth, because I played AAA," Garby said. "And there's kind of a, like, a stigma against playing high school hockey in Michigan. But I went in not really knowing what to expect and it was one of the greatest years of hockey I've ever had."

Garby now has a much better opinion of what high school hockey is about and noted that "there will probably be a lot more" prep players getting noticed by junior programs.

Chumley also stressed how important his high school career was in getting him to juniors, which potentially could lead to a chance in college hockey someday.

"I think high school hockey has been pretty underrated," Chumley said. "More recently, you'll see more players move on. But playing at Plymouth is the whole reason why I'm here."

"We had great coaches that taught me how to play hockey, really allowed me to get better. They created an envi-



Plymouth High School alum Jack Chumley takes aim at an opposing goalie during a recent game. Chumley is playing for Waterloo of the Greater Ontario Junior Hockey League. WATERLOO SISKINS



Drew Garby is the first Plymouth High School alum to directly go to the North American Hockey League. FAIRBANKS ICE DOGS



Drew Garby skates through the Fairbanks Ice Dogs tunnel at the beginning of a recent NAHL game. He is a 2018 grad of Plymouth High School. FAIRBANKS ICE DOGS

ronment that allowed me to thrive and allowed me to get better. I definitely wouldn't be where I am without it."

Both Garby and Chumley have nothing but praise for what they experienced with the Wildcats. But their former coach at Plymouth is just as quick to lavish accolades on the two players.

"Jack and Drew were both skilled players, which was evident when you watched them play," said Gerry Vento, whose Plymouth teams have become annual contenders both in the KLAA regular season and MHSAA state tournament. "But there are a lot of skilled players that don't get the opportunity to

play higher-end juniors.

"They both had unbelievable compete levels and were constantly working to improve their game any way they could. They were never satisfied and almost had a fear of losing that edge over the next guy."

## Facts of life

That competitive edge comes in handy when playing against guys who skate faster and hit harder than they dealt with during AAA or high school.

"The first (NAHL) game was really fast for me, but I think I've improved a lot," Garby said. "Coaches are pretty happy with my effort. I've been able to find and make plays more often."

"It's pretty quick ... but the guys are also a bit bigger, have longer reach, so that also makes it a little bit shorter amount of time that you have to make a play with the puck. You always got to know what you're going to do with the puck before you get it."

According to Chumley, the GOJHL is "really a good league" that he is adjusting to.

"It's technically Junior B, but it really doesn't play like a Junior B league would be," Chumley said. "It's a really fast-paced, hard-hitting game. It's definitely unlike anything I've ever played before."

"I've had my own struggles this year with trying to adapt to this level of play. But it's definitely a great league. There's been a lot of people that move on from this league and do great things."

"There's been NHL players that come out of here, like Mark Scheifele, Tanner Pearson ... it's a really good development league and it's really good hockey. It's definitely not what I expected it to be and it's really pleasantly surpassed my expectations."

## Staying college course

And now, whether living thousands of miles away in Fairbanks — which Garby describes as "just like every other place, really" with chain stores, restaurants and highways — or, like Chumley, just a few hours' drive from Detroit, the eye remains on the college prize.

"So I get this year and next year and then, ideally, after that I'll be playing college hockey somewhere," Chumley said. "For (Garby), I know he wants to play college hockey, too. He gets a little bit more time to do it than I do; it's just the hand I'm dealt."

It might take a couple of years for Garby and Chumley to find a spot on a college roster. It might never happen. But both Plymouth alums at least know they are on the right road.

"That's the ultimate goal, right?" Garby said, sounding an optimistic tone about maybe skating for a D-I team someday.



## BOYS SWIMMING

# Salem's Li returns to prep scene

Columbia-bound athlete glad to return to team

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Eugene Li took a sabbatical during his junior season of high school swimming and it's safe to say he did miss it.

But in actuality, he remained active in the same pool, opting to train with the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers, his club team, where he holds several age-group records and is coached by Alex Morgan and Joe Le.

"I've been waiting to come back to high school swimming," said Li, who set a new school record last month in the 100-yard freestyle. "High school is something completely different than club swimming. It's a different feeling. You get not only the support of the crowd, you get it from the school, too."

Li admits he not only enjoys the status of prep swimming, but he sees some other benefits as well.

"It's really fun to be with the team," he said. "It's a different set of people to be familiar with."

During last month's Plymouth Wildcat Relays held at the Salem pool, Li wasted little time setting his second school record with a clocking of 46.08 in the 100 freestyle, besting the mark of 46.69 set by Eric Lynn in 2001.

As a sophomore for Salem, Li broke the 100 breaststroke school record of 59.96, set in 1990, by former Michigan State standout Ron Orris with a time of 59.34.

During that 10th-grade season, Li earned all-state honors with an eighth-place finish in the MHSAA Division 1 state finals in the 50 freestyle, posting a season-best 21.29 during the prelims.

He also placed 10th in the 100 freestyle (47.21 in prelims) and was a member of the Rocks' 200 freestyle relay team that placed 21st (1:28.99).

That came on the heels of a freshman season when he placed 15th in the Division 1 meet in the 100 freestyle (47.37) and was a member of the Salem's state qualifying 200 medley relay that took 23rd (with a seed time of 1:39.67).

And now that he's returned, Salem coach Gloria Martinez-Perez couldn't be happier.

"He really, really wanted to be part of the team," Martinez-Perez said. "He was always around. He was going to the meets even though he wasn't swimming for the team. And he always kind of showed that he wanted to be with the team. So if we let him do it, he was going to be part of the team this year."

Li started competitive swimming at age 9 with the Cruisers in 2009.

"When I was little, I tried a bunch of different sports — baseball, soccer, basketball — and I really couldn't do any of them, so this was kind of the last resort," said Li, who now stands 6-foot-2 and weighs 185 pounds. "And then I just happened to stick with it. I couldn't do contact sports. I was afraid of the ball and afraid of other people."

During summer 2016, Li suffered a life changing experience when he lost part of his left pinky finger.



Salem senior Eugene Li already has two school records to his credit. FILE PHOTO



Salem's Eugene Li is back for his senior season and has already set a school record in the 100-yard freestyle. BRAD EMONS | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"It was a weight-lifting session over the summer, just an accident," Li said. "One of the coaches slipped with one of the weights and it happened to land on my finger. It was just an accident. I was in shock; I don't remember (going to the hospital)."

After losing part of his finger, Li then consulted his club coaches, high school coaches and teammates about his future prior to the 2017-18 season.

"We all decided it would be best that I stick with what I was more familiar with, I guess, with club swimming, just to get back in for that season," Li said. "At first, it definitely didn't change my swimming, I would say. It didn't hold me

back from swimming. But in terms of life, I guess, I've got a new appreciation for certain things that we might take for granted. Ninety percent of the time, I forget about it. I forget it even happened, so that's the best I can hope for."

Li, meanwhile, just might stand out more in the classroom than in the pool. Taking four Advanced Placement and two dual enrollment courses, his weighted grade-point average hovered near 5.0 last semester.

His favorite subject is history. "He's smart, you can just tell by the way he talks," Martinez-Perez said.

Li is committed and plans to continue his swimming career at Columbia (N.Y.)

University of the Ivy League, where he's leaning toward studying economics. But he remains opened-minded.

"Obviously, the academics are really great," Li said. "I was thinking about maybe finance or something related to that because New York (City) is a great place for internships or an experience like that. Also, I just wanted a big city and especially somewhere where it's cold."

Li's best individual event is the 100 freestyle, but he's also contemplating swimming the 100 breaststroke or 50 freestyle at this year's state meet March 8-9 at the Holland Aquatic Center.

"As a senior, probably win the 100 freestyle," Li said of his No. 1 goal, "but it's going to be really tough, now seeing the competition."

Martinez-Perez believes Li is more than capable of being a serious state title contender.

"My expectations are more into, like, time-wise, more than just placing," she said. "I think if he swims good, he should be in that top eight. So if everything goes like we're planning, he'll be there. And the goal this year is to get him to go as fast with a 44.0 possible going into college."

"He has a lot of talent. I think he could use it more. I think he could be better than what he is if he could like embrace the talent."

But just having Li around for his senior season has already begun to pay dividends.

"He is special," Martinez-Perez said. "He has this humor, kind of ironic thing, when he talks to people, so it's kind of hard to tell if he's serious or he's joking. Sometimes we don't know. We're trying to figure out that way to tell even with kids. It's fun and enjoyable because he's never taken things personally or taken things in a bad way."

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## PREP SWIMMING

## Harrison-Farmington alums turn back the clock

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The future met the past in the annual Harrison-Farmington Phoenix swimming and diving alumni reunion held Dec. 27 at Farmington High School.

The annual meet helps promote the swim program and the success it has seen over the past seven years.

It was the largest gathering to date and it featured alums as far back as 1978, with 58-year-old Jim Pogue, a competitive masters-age swimmer in both the state and national level, leading the way.

Also hitting the water along with Pogue were Eric Gensheimer (2011), Tyler Roshak (2013) and Steven Neill (2013), all of whom went on to swim in college.

Also returning for the event were 2017 grads Seth Fleming, Alex Millinoff, Luke Pierini and Jake Weinzapfel, along with 2018 grad Drew Hinckley, who continues to swim at Saginaw Valley State.

The alumni meet featured several competitive races between the current

squad and recent grads.

In the 200-yard medley relay, the alumni team of Fleming, Neill, Gensheimer and Hinckley outdueled the current Phoenix quartet of Brody Jamieson, Matt Lane, Trevor Jones and Tristan Strasberger, along with the Thunderbirds' Bella Feenstra, Dayna Borregard, Emma Inch and Ashley Turak.

The alumni event also featured sibling rivalry in lanes four and five as brothers Jake and Josh Weinzapfel competed alongside each other in several races.

Meanwhile, Gensheimer and Jamieson, both sprinters, went head-to-head in the 50 and 100 freestyles, respectively. Gensheimer, who still owns one school record, swept both events in 21.87 and 48.29, still giving him the title of G.O.A.T. (greatest of all time).

Alumni meet organizers Kristy Koza and Veronica Jamieson also thanked all the Phoenix parents that came out to support the event.

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The Harrison-Farmington swim alums gathered for their seventh annual alumni meet Dec. 27.



Alums from as far back as 1978 hit the pool for the seventh annual Harrison-Farmington reunion meet Dec. 27 at Farmington High.



COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# Farmington's Reese helps Florida subdue U-M offense

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David Reese lost his first two football meetings against Michigan, but he wasn't about to let a third one get away. The 6-foot-1, 248-pound junior linebacker for the University of Florida was determined to get it right after losing the 2017 season opener to U-M, 33-17, and in the 2016 Citrus Bowl, 41-7.

The Farmington High grad had three solo tackles and six assists Dec. 29 during a convincing 41-15 Peach Bowl victory over the Wolverines in Atlanta.

And it all came down to the right focus by the Gators' defense, as far as Reese was concerned.

"We made sure the emphasis was just on winning the game," he said. "We came in wanting to prove ourselves. We knew what we came in to do ... take down a big man like Michigan and we prepared great for that. I feel we outplayed them, physically, all throughout the game."

The key to putting the clamps on Michigan's pro-style offensive attack?

"We knew we had to stop the run and be more physical than them," Reese said. "We had to establish that early and then, after that, we had to make them pass the ball. They've got great wide receivers with (Donovan) Peoples-Jones, (Nico Collins) and Tarik (Black) ... they've got a great receiver corps, but we were able to make them one-dimensional and that was key to it."

Reese finished the year with 26 solo tackles and 58 assists. He had a season-high 14 tackles in a loss to Missouri.

His 2018 campaign was slowed by an early-season ankle injury when he got hurt in the season opener Sept. 1 against Charleston Southern. He missed the next two games, against Kentucky (27-16 loss) and Colorado State (48-10 win), before returning Sept. 22 against Tennessee (47-21 win).

To complicate matters, Reese had to undergo surgery on both his wrists during the off-season. He hurt one of his wrists in high school and never had it checked out.

"I didn't know something was wrong with my wrist, so I kind of just pushed through it the whole time," Reese said. "And then I hurt one in college and, obviously, the one from high school was worse because they didn't catch it then, so I had to have surgeries at the same time. And I really didn't get to work out during the summer. I have plates in both of them."

Reese has decided to return for his season season at Florida after the Gators, who finished the year on a four-game winning streak, went 10-3.

For now, the NFL can wait. "It was an easy decision. (I) wanted to come back and I feel we have a chance to win a national championship and win the SEC and I haven't done any of those things yet," Reese said. "There's still a lot of promise for this program. I feel like just coming back is going to be great for me to take on some more leadership with the younger guys here. Just enjoying college and taking all that's in for the last time."

Ironically, Reese originally committed to Michigan prior to his junior season at Farmington. He had offers from both Michigan and Michigan State.

Reese, who was a consensus all-state choice as a linebacker and running back at Farmington under coach John Bechtel, was recruited to Florida by former Miami head coach Randy Shannon. The two remain close and have stayed in contact, even after Shannon left Florida to become the defensive coordinator this fall at Central Florida.

"Coach Shannon, he came to my house," Reese said. "I just remember all the guys that he coached under him, all the great linebackers that he coached. The university itself ... you think of Florida Gators, you think (Tim) Tebow, you think national championships, you think winning with a program like this. Especially with the weather, you can't beat it. It's cold right now in Michigan, so I'm enjoying my life here right now."

Reese's first head coach at Florida, Jim McElwain, was fired after going 4-7 in 2017. McElwain was an assistant last season at Michigan under Jim Harbaugh before accepting the head coaching position last month at Central Michigan University.

McElwain was replaced by Missis-



David Reese returned this blocked extra-point attempt back for two points during the SEC championship game against Alabama. PAIGE SANTIAGO | UAA COMMUNICATIONS



Florida linebacker David Reese makes a play during an SEC game Sept. 22 at Tennessee. TIM CASEY | UAA COMMUNICATIONS

sippi State's Dan Mullen, who took over the Florida head coaching duties in 2018.

"Coach Mullen, he's an open guy, a great guy," Reese said. "He loves to win and has really changed the atmosphere here. It's just a smooth transition. And I want to go into coaching, too, one day, so (I) get to see the different types of people and how they work, how they deal with recruits, how they bring their family around ... you get to see all those different aspects and what goes into college coaching."

As a true freshman in 2016, Reese appeared in 12 games, but missed the Outback Bowl against Iowa due to the wrist issues. He played mostly as a reserve linebacker, but got four starts after the Gators sustained some injuries. Reese was also a member of the special teams unit as he returned a blocked extra point for a two-pointer against Alabama. He finished the year with 49 total tackles, including two for loss.

In 2017, Reese led the Gators with 102 total tackles, including 10 for loss, with 1.5 sacks and an interception. Since 2007, Reese is only the third UF linebacker to record 100-plus tackles in a

season. Overall, he's the second UF player to have 100 tackles since Ahmad Black in 2010.

"David is a leader," Florida defensive coordinator Todd Grantham told FloridaGators.com. "David is a very conscientious guy. David gives the players around him some confidence and a calming effect in the sense he helps guys know what to do, how to do it and play. All of that makes our team better."

"He's a physical presence. He has good instincts for the ball. He knows where the ball is. And he can tackle. All of those things have allowed him to be a really good player for us."

Reese believes it's been a seamless transition from McElwain to Mullen.

"It's been smooth," Reese said. "We've always had great coaches here. When you're at a university like Florida, you're always going to have great coaches in the program, like, this it's just a standard that we have. They're always going to put in someone great for the job, so I had a relationship with all my coaches. I still do."

Reese, who is majoring in sports management with a minor in business, said he plans to graduate most likely in

June or prior to the start of the 2019 season.

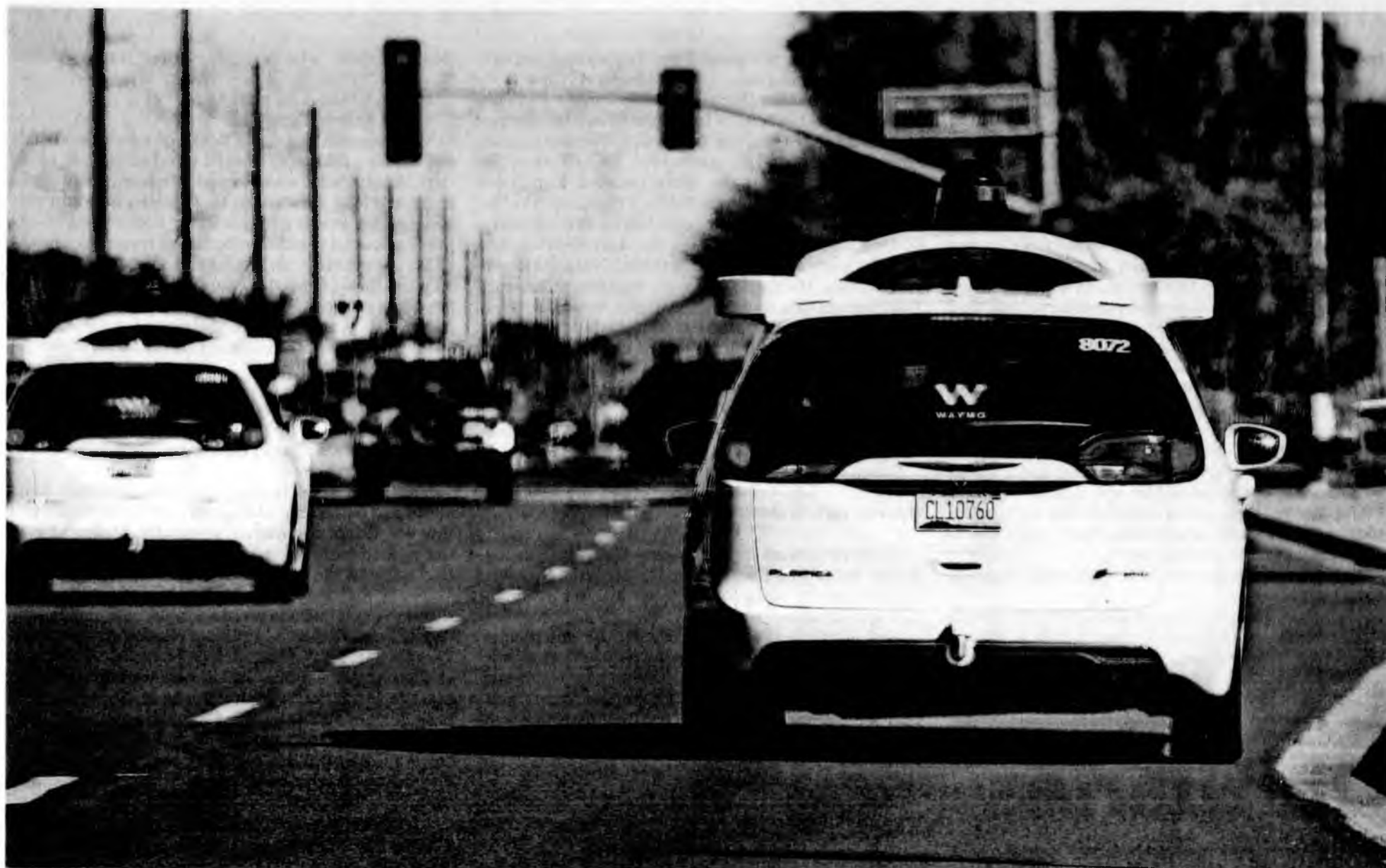
Prior to the Peach Bowl, Reese was able to come home briefly for the holidays, visit with his family and celebrate his birthday. (His father David Sr., a former coach at Southfield-Lathrup, Southfield and Oak Park high schools, is now principal at Farmington Central, the district's alternative school.)

Although Reese decided to stay in Gainesville following the Peach Bowl victory, he now has bragging rights.

"I feel like the season was great," Reese said. "For me, I didn't have the opportunity to play in the first couple of games, but our team won those games and did what we had to do to move on. And it was a story tale finish, being able to lead the seniors off ... beating Michigan, my hometown school, seeing all the work we put in during the off-season paying off ... and after not going to a bowl game to finishing top 10 in the country is a great feeling."

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Waymo self-driving vans have been targeted on Phoenix-area roads and freeways, but the company rarely seeks arrests. TOM TINGLE/USA TODAY NETWORK

# Self-driving vehicles often harassed on Arizona roads

Police have responded to dozens of calls regarding people threatening and harassing Waymo vans

Ryan Randazzo Arizona Republic  
USA TODAY NETWORK

A Waymo self-driving van cruised through a Chandler, Ariz., neighborhood Aug. 1 when test driver Michael Palos saw something startling as he sat behind the wheel — a bearded man in shorts aiming a handgun at him as he passed the man's driveway.

The incident is one of at least 21 interactions documented by Chandler police during the past two years where people have harassed the autonomous vehicles and their human test drivers.

People have thrown rocks at Waymos. The tire on one was slashed as it was stopped in traffic. The vehicles have been yelled at, chased and one Jeep was responsible for forcing the vans off roads six times.

Many of the people harassing the van drivers appear to hold a grudge against the company, a division of Mountain View, California-based Alphabet Inc., which has tested self-driving technology in the Chandler area since 2016.

"(The suspect) stated that he was the person holding up the gun as the Waymo vehicle passed by and that his intentions were to scare the driver," said a report from Detective Cameron Jacobs, after police arrested 69-year-old Roy Leonard Haselton on Aug. 8.

The self-driving vans use radar, lidar and cameras to navigate, so they capture footage of all interactions that usually is clear enough to identify people and read license plates.

According to police reports, Waymo test drivers rarely pursue charges and arrests are rare. Haselton was charged with aggravated assault and disorderly conduct, and police confiscated his .22-caliber Harrington and Richardson Sportsman revolver.

"Haselton said that his wife usually keeps the gun locked up in fear that he might shoot somebody," Jacobs wrote in the report. "Haselton stated that he despises and hates those cars (Waymo) and said how Uber had killed someone."

Haselton's wife told officers he was diagnosed with dementia, according to a police report.

Palos declined to discuss the incident. The Haseltons could not be reached for comment.

Haselton was indicted on a charge of disorderly conduct with a weapon and on Dec. 7 pleaded guilty to the felony charge. He is scheduled to be sentenced Monday in Maricopa County Superior Court.

Waymo test drivers usually call their own company dispatcher when they are threatened or harassed, using the in-car, push-button communications system, which allows them to talk without holding a phone.

They often do this instead of calling police directly, according to the reports.

Company officials said that the drivers are trained to handle threats.

"Safety is at the core of everything we do, which means that keeping our drivers, our riders and the public safe is our top priority," the company said in a statement.

"Over the past two years, we've found Arizonans to be welcoming and excited by the potential of this technology to make our roads safer. We believe a key element of local engagement has been our ongoing work with the communities in which we drive, including Arizona law enforcement and first responders."

Test drivers can call police directly if they feel the threat warrants it, according to Waymo.

Police have asked Waymo to have drivers contact police immediately when drivers are threatened, allowing faster response times, but the company appears to minimize police interaction.

After an incident in September 2017 where a man threw rocks at two Waymos, the company did not contact police for four days.

The incidents outlined in police reports show that despite the excitement by some about Arizona's role in developing the cutting-edge technology, not all Chandler residents welcome the self-driving car tests in their city.

That was clear Aug. 19, when police were called to Cheri Lynn Drive because a 37-year-old man who police described as "heavily intoxicated" was standing in front of a Waymo and not allowing the van to proceed.

"He stated he was sick and tired of the Waymo vehicles driving in his neighborhood, and apparently thought the best idea to resolve this was to stand in front of one of these vehicles," Officer Richard Rimbach wrote in a report.

Waymo's test driver told police the man did not say anything to her as he blocked the van's route. She told the officer that she would notify Waymo to stop routing vehicles to that area.

Phil Simon, an information-systems lecturer at Arizona State University and author of several books on technology, said angst from Chandler residents is probably less about how the Waymo vans drive and more about people frustrated with what Waymo represents.

"This stuff is happening fast and a lot of people are concerned that technology is going to run them out of a job," Simon

said.

He said the book "Throwing Rocks at the Google Bus: How Growth Became the Enemy of Prosperity" by Douglas Rushkoff attempts to explain the public backlash against successful technology companies with highly paid executives.

The book's title is taken from protests in San Francisco over the private shuttle buses that Google and other tech companies provide for workers, which some city residents view as a symbol of gentrification and a public nuisance.

Simon said it is hard for middle-class people to celebrate technological breakthroughs like self-driving cars if they have seen their own wages stagnate or even decline in recent years.

"There are always winners and losers, and these are probably people who are afraid and this is a way for them to fight back in some small, futile way," Simon said. "Something tells me these are not college professors or vice presidents who are doing well."

There may be many undocumented instances where people threatened Waymo drivers.

Police reports indicate the company doesn't always report threats or harassment after an initial encounter, but might do so later if one person continues to cause problems.

That was the case Nov. 7, 2017, when a Waymo driver had to take manual control of his van to avoid a dark Jeep that appeared to intentionally pull into his lane and drive at him head on.

Someone driving the same Jeep had pulled a similar move on another Waymo driver the day before, and on four others in prior months.

A Waymo representative said this had been an ongoing issue with the same Jeep and other Waymo drivers, Officer Samuel Garday wrote in a report.

Waymo told police the same Jeep on April 6, 2017, passed a Waymo and then braked aggressively in front of it, and about two months later drove head on toward a van near Del Rio Street and McKerny Avenue, forcing the Waymo vehicle to stop.

"The driver of the black Jeep, who was described as an adult female, jumped out of her vehicle yelling at the Waymo driver to get out of her neighborhood," according to a police report.

In early August of that year, the Jeep swerved toward two other Waymos, and did it twice more in November. The Waymo driver in one of those incidents

had been in a van hit by a rock in June 2017, according to police reports.

Police used video footage from Waymo to identify the license plate of the Jeep. Garday visited a home and spoke with the mother of the man who was the registered owner of the Jeep.

"I described the complaints, and warned about potential enforcement action or dangerous accidents if this behavior persisted," he wrote in his report. "She admitted she drove the Jeep sometimes, but did not admit to being the one in the complaints, nor did she say it was her son."

In some instances, annoyed residents have called the police on the self-driving cars.

That was the case on Oct. 5, when Juli Ferguson called to report suspicious activity by a Waymo.

She said the car's test driver appeared to be watching children playing for approximately 90 minutes. An officer contacted the driver, who reported conducting diagnostics on the vehicle and left.

"Everybody hates Waymo drivers," Ferguson told *The Arizona Republic*. "They are dangerous."

She said she called the police about the driver not because she dislikes the vans, but because the test driver had been parked in the area for so long.

Some police reports indicate that Waymo simply directs its vans to avoid neighborhoods where people have complained about them.

Ferguson said that before the incident with police, she saw the vans in her neighborhood all the time. Since then, she hasn't seen one.

Another event took place April 18, when Leah Bragdon called Chandler police to report what she thought was a drug deal between a Waymo passenger and a neighbor on her block.

"So this person was in the back of the van," she told *The Arizona Republic*. "I was concerned with the drug activity and thought it was interesting that the driver would allow that all to happen."

Police responded but did not make any arrests.

In recent months, Waymo drivers have reported cases of their vans being followed.

On Oct. 21 at about 10:35 a.m., an officer was dispatched to interview a Waymo driver who reported being followed by a black Hyundai sport-utility vehicle for close to an hour, starting near Baseline and Alma School roads.

On Oct. 10 a Waymo driver reported being followed for 5 to 6 miles by a red Kia Soul.

The Chandler police report indicates the same vehicle was reported earlier that day in Tempe for following a Waymo vehicle in that city.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Thanks to literacy partners

On Dec. 15, the Salem-South Lyon District Library partnered with Karen Backus, owner of the Coral Sash Boutique (South Lyon), for our first (of what we hope will be many) High Tea/High Fashion Christmas Teas.

There are no words to express our thanks to Karen, Chris Backus, and the whole Coral Sash crew for all they did to help make this event a success. Living and working in this community has shown us one thing – there is nothing that cannot be accomplished when you have great community partners... and this community is blessed to have so many.

All proceeds from our Tea will benefit the children's literacy program at the library, which in turn will benefit the community at large. It was gratifying to see that literacy is not just a commitment in our area, but nationwide. The outpouring of donations from our area and around the USA was unlike anything we have ever experienced. Saying thank you to the following sponsors of this event is so small in comparison to the good we know will result from the literacy efforts the library will be able to provide as a result of everyone's generosity.

We want to officially thank the following sponsors of the event:

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lem Township), Sleeping Bear Press (Ann Arbor), Cherry Republic (Ann Arbor) Midwest Tape LLC, Shaw Construction, Merritt Cieslak Design PLC, Library Design Associates Inc., Info Group/Reference USA, Baker & Taylor, Les Cheneaux Distillers, Janet Bernardino and Dr. Luv, Anita Hart, Ann Pylman, Janet Kaiser, Stella Greene, Mary Podsiad, Zap Zone, Lori McLaren/South Lyon Toffee, Friends of SSLDL, Amber Sakai (Los Angeles) and Merck Mothers Supporting Literacy around the USA: Amy Randall-Ray (South Lyon), Jen Skenfield (Seattle), Natasha Risotto-Scholtes (Portland), Dawn Wagner (Chicago), Traci Brown (Kansas City), Danielle Seereiter (New York) and Michelle Langston (South Carolina).

Thank you to all who attended our event as well. Victoria's Tea Salon provided a wonderful tea experience and we look forward to seeing everyone again at next year's event!

**Deborah A. Mroz, Donna Olson and Kathy Hutchinson**

*Salem-South Lyon District Library*

## Time to get to work

Congratulations to our Wayne County Commissioner Terry Marecki on her re-election. Now she needs to get to work for her constituents in Northville and Livonia.

Her election rhetoric claimed that she helped pass a budget with a "hefty surplus." That is outstanding! So it should be very easy to now reimburse the voters for her bailing out the Wayne County pension fund a few years ago. This bailout was a unilateral illegal action by the Wayne County Commissioners and Executive Warren Evans, and it was not approved by the voters.

That is stealing. This theft occurred in spite of Wayne County having the money without needing to steal it from the taxpayers. Now that there is a "hefty surplus" this should be easy to fix, right? Since she claims to have voted against the theft she must be highly motivated to reverse it, correct? When can we expect her to accomplish this? She need to get to work.

Also, as you are well aware Sheldon Road is overgrown with vegetation covering up some important road/safety signs particularly between 5 Mile and 7 Mile roads. This service request has been with Wayne County for 4 months now, as she knows. Just to make it look good she made the same request again recently so it didn't look like it was 4 months old and claiming the county could not find Sheldon Road. If our district manager for this can't find it, tell him to use the phone and call for help. Stop the nonsense. When will it be done?

This is typical Wayne County; steal your money, do nothing.

Her campaign literature stated: Terry Marecki "Working for You."

Terry needs to get working now.

**Mark Ritchie**  
*Northville*

## School board thanks

I invite you, along with the entire Northville schools community, to join me in honoring the crucial role our Northville Board of Education members play in the lives of our children, our schools and our community during School Board Recognition Month in January.

Public education is the backbone of American society and local school boards are deeply rooted in this tradition. Their job is to establish the district's vision, mission and goals and develop policies to achieve them; to strongly encourage continuous improvement in student learning; and to advocate at the local, state and national level in support of public education. This work includes an endless string of meetings and school functions to attend; reams of reports, agendas, proposals and other documents to read and study; and a never-ending commitment to thoughtful consideration of the issues, balancing perspectives, and making difficult decisions that are both fiscally responsible and focused on what is best for students.

We are fortunate at Northville Public Schools to have a Board of Education that supports our quest to open a world of possibilities for and with each and every student that will prepare them for work and life in the 21st century. Together with district leaders, the seven members of the Northville Board of Education develop policies and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our school district, and in turn our community. They bear the responsibility and oversight for an annual general fund budget of more than \$80 million, 7,151 students, 863 employees, and 11 buildings. Our Board of Education consistently gives the gift of time, expertise, heart and soul to ensuring we have strong schools focused on meeting the needs of our students, families, staff and community, beginning with our youngest learners in our nationally accredited Early Childhood Education and Extended Day Program to our Northville High School and Cooke School Special Education Center Program graduates.

While we make a special effort in January to show appreciation to our school board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. With this in mind, I invite all the members of our community to make a special effort during School Board Recognition Month to tell our Board of Education members that their hard work, dedication and commitment of time on behalf of our community's children has been noticed, and is truly appreciated and valued.

The individuals serving Northville Public Schools and their years of service are:

- Cynthia L. Jankowski, seven years
  - Matthew Wilk, six-and-a-half years
  - Roland Hwang, four years
  - Sarah Prescott, three years and four months
  - Laurie Doner, two years
  - Angela Jaafar, began four-year term Jan. 1
  - Suzanne Lynn, began four-year term Jan. 1
- We also recognize the following Board of Educa-

tion members, who completed their terms on Dec. 31, 2018:

- James Mazurek, eight years
- Ann Kalass, five years

We welcome incoming Board of Education trustees Jaafar and Lynn, elected to office Nov. 6, along with Hwang, who was elected to a second four-year term. We look forward to their leadership and service on our Board of Education. I also want to express a special thanks on behalf of the entire Northville community to Kalass and Mazurek who stepped down from the board at the end of December after completing eight and five year terms, respectively. We appreciate their leadership and service in support of the children and families of Northville.

**Mary K. Gallagher**

*Northville Public Schools superintendent*

## Can't explain strange behavior

The Who once had a song wherein they sang about not being able to explain and I sometimes feel that way about some of the things I've observed over the years during my travels across Livonia. I'll mention a few of the weirder examples.

Some mysteries I've been able to solve either through explanations provided or by rational deduction whereas other things have alluded explanation. There was a deranged man living near Lyndon who'd shout out his window at anyone within ear-range but I found this out by talking to one of his neighbors. A lot of strange behavior occurs involving people and their cars. Logically, you'd think that a person would get into his car, drive to some place, enter a building or what not, conduct his business, and then drive back home – but oh no.

I have the misfortune of living near a parking lot and so I get treated to seeing a lot of moronic activity. When you see two people in a car practicing driving maneuvers, that's a parent teaching a child driving lessons. There are car pools. Then there is the lovers' rendezvous, a car pool with a naughty twist wherein an illicit couple arrives in two separate vehicles but leave in one.

Sometimes you'll see a car drive into a parking lot and drive around aimlessly for several minutes before exiting the way they came – bizarre. Sometimes some doofus will sit in a parking lot in the dark with his high-beams on, shining through residential households. Even in broiling summer or in the dead of winter, you can find some brain-dead yahoo parked in an empty parking lot, park, etc. Usually you'll never see a security guard or cop inquire into such matters although I've seen people interrogated over more innocuous matters.

I guess these 'Parking Peters' could be eating lunch or sleeping but if you approach too close, they drive away! Seems suspicious.

There are many other strange mysteries that could be included into 'Project Who Knew Book' including the guy reading a newspaper every morning by dashboard light (escaping a nagging wife?), the cab which sits for hours in the dark without a fare (who's his employer?), and the guy who drives a few houses down the block every morning to sit for a few minutes in a female neighbor's driveway (we'll call him 'sex with your ex'?).

**Leo Weber**  
*Livonia*

## Be thankful, and remember

Can we just take a moment to pause?

Can we take a moment to put down the phone and look at our neighbor. A time when we can, like the proverbial saying goes, "take a walk in their shoes".

I have said for the last 10 years that we as citizens have little or no understanding about the generations and the gaps that exist. Now, during the most blessed season for most we again have controversy over old and beloved traditional holiday songs. Without listing the song or controversy lets get back to an understanding of the past.

For those of you willing to take a minute, there was a time...

There was a time when vaccines did not exist. It was not uncommon for said disease and sickness to take many a child. In my own family my great-great grandmother had to bury 6 out of 12 children in Poland.

There was a time when pregnant women smoked cigarettes.

It wasn't until 1946 when Dr. Benjamin Spock came out with a book on babies and child rearing before parents were given a clue by anything but their parents on how to raise a child, it was know as the bible of raising a child. So when you are annoyed at any unsolicited advice from the elderly perhaps you should consider where they learned to act that way and the fact it is out of concern and love.

There was a time when boys not yet men went to war for our country scared but confident in their beliefs of country and duty. They left behind (and still do) mothers and fathers, spouses, children. If you want to talk about strong women start here with those left alone to raise children, keep the house, work and still take time to volunteer for the USO, not to mention build planes.

There was a time when neighbors knew each other and cared. We kept our homes in the smallest of neighborhoods clean and neat and felt proud. We listened to the radio, did the dishes and made our beds.

I hope every day that my fellow human beings and particularly politicians remember that "there was time," when they consider eliminating pensions of those who worked their entire life to earn them or pass public policy without considering the aging population and their experiences. A wise person once said, "the opposite of love is not hate but indifference." Can we just take a moment to pause?

**Mary Skolarus**  
*Canton*

## Obituaries

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## Ellen Joan Johnson

## FARMINGTON HILLS

JOHNSON, Ellen Joan, age 78 of Farmington Hills, MI, passed away on Friday, January 4, 2019 at Hummingbird Hartland Senior Care. She was born in New Castle, PA on October 22, 1940. Ellen was the beloved wife of the late John C. Johnson, loving mother of Holly (Robin) Scott and Robert (Julie) Johnson, proud grandmother of Justin, Ryan, Zachary and Joshua, sister of the late Bill, June, Dorothy, Jack. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. She retired from Novi Middle School where she worked as the head cook and baker for many years. The family will receive visitors from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Friday, January 11, 2019 at the Highland Chapel of the Elton Black and Son Funeral Home, 3295 East Highland Rd., Highland, MI 48356. Please visit [www.eltonblackandsonhighland.com](http://www.eltonblackandsonhighland.com).



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## Kathleen Rossman

-- Kathleen Rossman completed her journey through life January 6, 2019 following a brief illness. Surrounded by her family, she was reacquainted with her husband of 61 years, Don, who passed over a year ago.

Kathleen must be remembered as the perfect wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Her superpower was the ability to give without limits to her family. As a mother, she made sure competition costumes were properly sequined, basketball and baseball uniforms were cleaned and pressed and homework was completed. She was a master organizer, disciplinarian, and counselor.

Her roll expanded with grandchildren. She embraced the opportunity to support and spoil. No task too small or too big. She didn't want to miss a moment, perhaps realizing time passes too quickly to take a day off.

Her defining moment in life came with her love affair with Don. With his health declining, she nursed him with uncompromising compassion. Her oath she gave Don on their wedding day was honored to his last day. The only explanation was love without limits.

Kathleen is survived by her daughters Nancy (John) Dolan, Lori Hilbig, Kim (Phil) Milner and son Mark (Tami) Rossman. She is admired by her beautiful grandchildren Bram, Erik, Jaret, Nicole, Natalie, Hunter, Joe, Emma, Bryanne, Jake, Kim and four great-grandchildren, Zoe, Finn, Henrik and Monroe. Kathleen was preceded in death by her son in law, Bill Hilbig as well as her granddaughter, Sara. Family and friends celebrated her life at Nancy and John's house.



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### Are you being paid fair salary? Here's how to find out

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Here's a question that will inevitably come up at some point (or several points) during your professional journey: Am I being paid what I'm worth?

It's a fair question—and one you should be comfortable with asking yourself whenever you do a "status check" while traveling along your career path. Why? Well, the truth is, in today's ultra-competitive job market, employers in any given industry can offer a wide range of salaries for positions, and it's absolutely within your best interests to know what end of the salary spectrum you're on.

Of course, many variables will come into play when you're given a salary offer at the time of hire for a position (things like geographic location, years of experience, and even the relative financial health of the company can factor in), but one thing that's true for employees across fields, positions, and locations is that the salary you agree to for a position can have a real impact on your long-term earning potential—both at your current position and company and for future positions, either there or at a new company. Many companies base things like salary offers and even raises and bonuses on your prior earning history, and if your salary is below the industry average for your position and experience, it may take years before you're able to catchup to other, better compensated colleagues.

Taking into account the time and effort most of us put into our professional lives, it's obviously important to ensure that you're getting paid a fair salary for the work you do and contributions you make to your employer. And you can't have faith that your employer is staying



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on top of what's fair. In the tricky world of salary negotiations, you're often going to be your own best advocate towards ensuring that you're being compensated fairly.

Hopefully, it's now clear why educating yourself about compensation standards, practices, and trends in your industry is a valuable use of your time. Consider using the following strategies to help you determine if you're being paid a reasonable salary.

#### Research

You don't need us to tell you that the Internet is often your best friend when you're in need of doing some research on a subject. When it comes to gathering salary info, it's an invaluable tool as well. In fact, there are sites that are practically dedicated to this—check out Salary.com's salary calculator tool or Glassdoor to determine what other folks in your field and position typically make.

In addition, professional associa-

tions in your field may openly share important information like average salary and compensation to help you figure out where you're at relative to your peers. Many professionals across industries maintain blogs that are designed to create supportive communities and share key information with their colleagues—use these to your advantage and feel empowered to ask questions as needed.

#### Utilize your HR department

Remember, your company's HR department is there to support you with all sorts of issues that come up during your professional tenure. If you have questions or concerns regarding compensation, these are often good places to start. And if they don't have all the answers you're looking for, if they're good at their jobs they'll be able to direct you where to go for next steps.

#### Check yourself

Don't forget that the issue of profes-

sional satisfaction, which includes being content with your current salary, is highly personal—what makes you feel satisfied and fulfilled and meets your life needs will be different than anyone else. Therefore, a strong source to determine if you're being paid reasonably is yourself. Look within, do a personal inventory, and try to assess whether or not you feel as if you're currently in a good place salary-wise. Regardless of what others in similar positions make, if you feel content with where you're at, take that into consideration when deciding whether you're compensated fairly.

#### What not to do

Salary issues can be highly emotional. If you feel as if you're underpaid, it may set you off on a charged and volatile footing. That's never a good place to operate from when it comes to issues involving your career. Be sure to keep your emotions in check when addressing compensation matters with your company. Also, avoid discussing salaries with your coworkers—many companies frown upon this, and it can also lead to animosity if there are clear disparities.

One last thing to avoid—avoid ignoring the issue. If you feel unsatisfied or unclear regarding your compensation, simply ignoring it will undoubtedly lead to ongoing negative results. Take proactive steps to ensure that you're a valued and fairly compensated member of your organization, and both you and your company will benefit from it.

Kate Lopaze is a career advice journalist for [TheJobNetwork.com](http://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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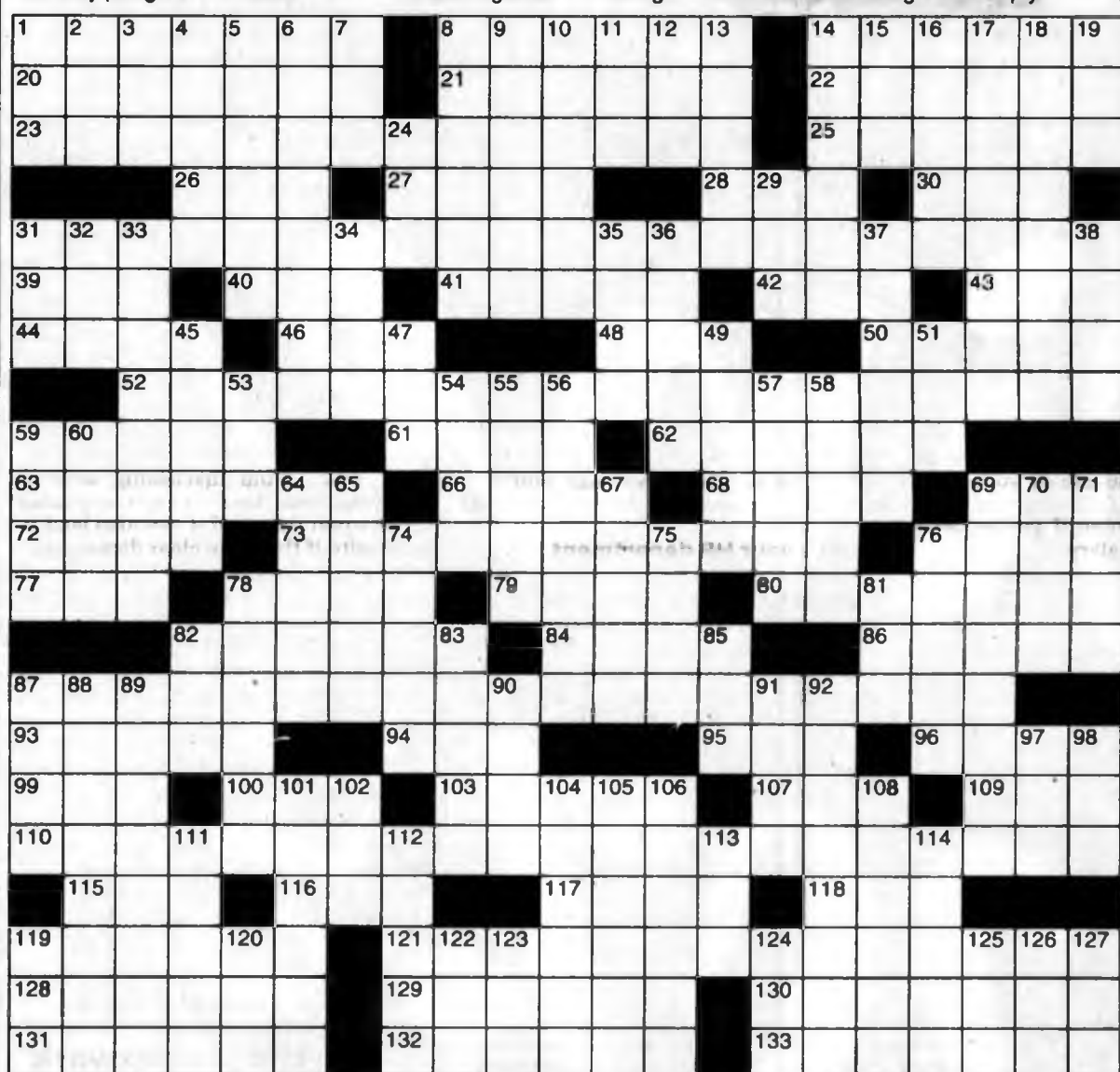
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Stuff pumped into a 747  
8 Bracing devices  
14 Teeny bit  
20 "Stephen," to the French  
21 Rip into  
22 Untrue rumor  
23 Start of a riddle  
25 "Ironie" singer  
26 Enzyme name ender  
27 Solo for a 41-Across  
28 Not feeling well at all  
30 Set aflame  
31 Riddle, part 2  
39 Shar —  
40 No, to Burns  
41 Certain opera singer  
42 Actress Joanne  
43 Bit of slander  
44 Neighbor of a Croat  
46 The, to Josef  
48 Apt rhyme of "grab"  
50 — O-Fish (McDonald's sandwich)  
52 Riddle, part 3  
59 Very pungent
- 61 Certain opera singer  
62 Adders, e.g.  
63 Most blaring  
66 Sculling tools  
68 As blind as —  
69 Elegant tree  
72 Pharmacy amount  
73 Riddle's part 4  
76 Blackthorn  
77 Fire residue  
78 Lady Grey  
79 Sauce brand since 1937  
80 Stays away from  
82 Total or Life  
84 Neighbor of a Swede  
86 Goes fast  
87 Riddle, part 5  
93 NATO part  
94 Mineo of "Tonka"  
95 Knighted one, e.g.  
96 Pleasant  
99 The Beatles' "Loser"  
100 "Citizen X" actor  
103 Equine noise  
107 Do a lawn chore  
109 Relo vehicle  
110 End of the riddle
- 115 Dir. from Del. to Vt.  
116 Busy mo. for a CPA  
117 Big particle physics lab in Switz.  
118 "Hail, Nero!"  
119 Big name in sneakers  
121 Riddle's answer  
128 Lenient  
129 Beethoven's Third, familiarly  
130 Mark Antony's wife  
131 Local lingo  
132 Wet slightly  
133 Wee baby
- DOWN**
- 1 Seder celebrant  
2 Ordinal number ender  
3 Carrere of "True Lies"  
4 Beyond embryonic  
5 Oneness  
6 Baja California resort port  
7 Permit to  
8 Biblical angel  
9 Chicana, e.g.  
10 Many flying creatures  
11 Got together
- 12 Compadre  
13 "Shrek!" author William  
14 Like time, speed and temperature  
15 Bad, to Luc  
16 Including everything  
17 Author Steel  
18 More sandlike  
19 MS markers  
24 "Yuk" relative  
29 PC screen variety  
31 Special — (mil. group)  
32 Toll, for one  
33 Atomizer for spraying paint  
34 Turned right on a horse  
35 Has no life  
36 — Ark (biblical boat)  
37 With  
57-Down, supporter for a caterer's dishes  
58 Persia, e.g.  
63 Country singer Rimes  
65 Suffix with lion  
67 Army group  
68 Ball of perfume in a closet  
69 Exhausting
- 53 Keats verse  
54 Gobs  
55 Railing locale  
56 Hurricane relative  
57 See 37-Down  
58 Green-lights  
59 Alan of "White Mile"  
60 Doves' calls  
64 Horrify  
65 Reasonably muscular  
67 Lactose, e.g.  
69 Unrequired course  
70 Rob of the Brat Pack  
71 Disorder  
74 Gets close  
75 Mom or dad's sister  
76 "Da Doo Ron Ron" singer  
78 — Tull (rock band)  
81 — Magnon man  
82 Persian, e.g.  
83 Country singer Rimes  
85 Suffix with lion  
87 Army group  
88 Ball of perfume in a closet  
89 Exhausting
- 90 Urged in defense  
91 Intentions  
92 Close friendship between guys  
97 "Wheels"  
98 Nav. officer  
101 Expunges  
102 African viper  
104 Implant that helps in returning a lost pet  
105 Athens' land  
106 Husband of Lily Munster  
108 Greet with a hand motion  
111 Resulted in  
112 Followed a curved path  
113 Hit skit show since '75  
114 "— & Kei" (1990s teen show)  
119 — Khan  
120 Height fig.  
122 Hunters' gp.  
123 — de plume  
124 Cyclotron bit  
125 Actress Longoria  
126 Apt humor  
127 Letter encl. to facilitate a reply



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

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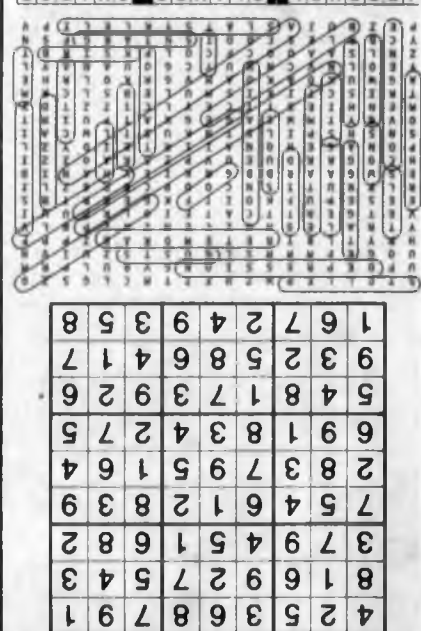
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