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Huron Valley-Sinai nurses get a break

Susan Bromley Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

A judge recently determined that Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital engaged in unfair labor practices with its nurses by suddenly enforcing a prohibition against combining meal breaks and rest periods.

Judge Arthur J. Amchan said in his decision the Commerce Township hospital violated the National Labor Relations Act by not bargaining in good faith with the Michigan Nurses Association. The nurses union was formed at the hospital in 2016 and has 350 members. Amchan ordered Huron Valley-Sinai to allow the combination of 30-minute

lunch breaks and 15-minute rest periods until a contract is mutually negotiated that says otherwise. Without specifications in a negotiated contract, the hospital can also not cover meal breaks with non-union clinical coordinators instead of nurses; can not threaten nurses with discipline for missing breaks; nor retaliate against bargaining unit mem-

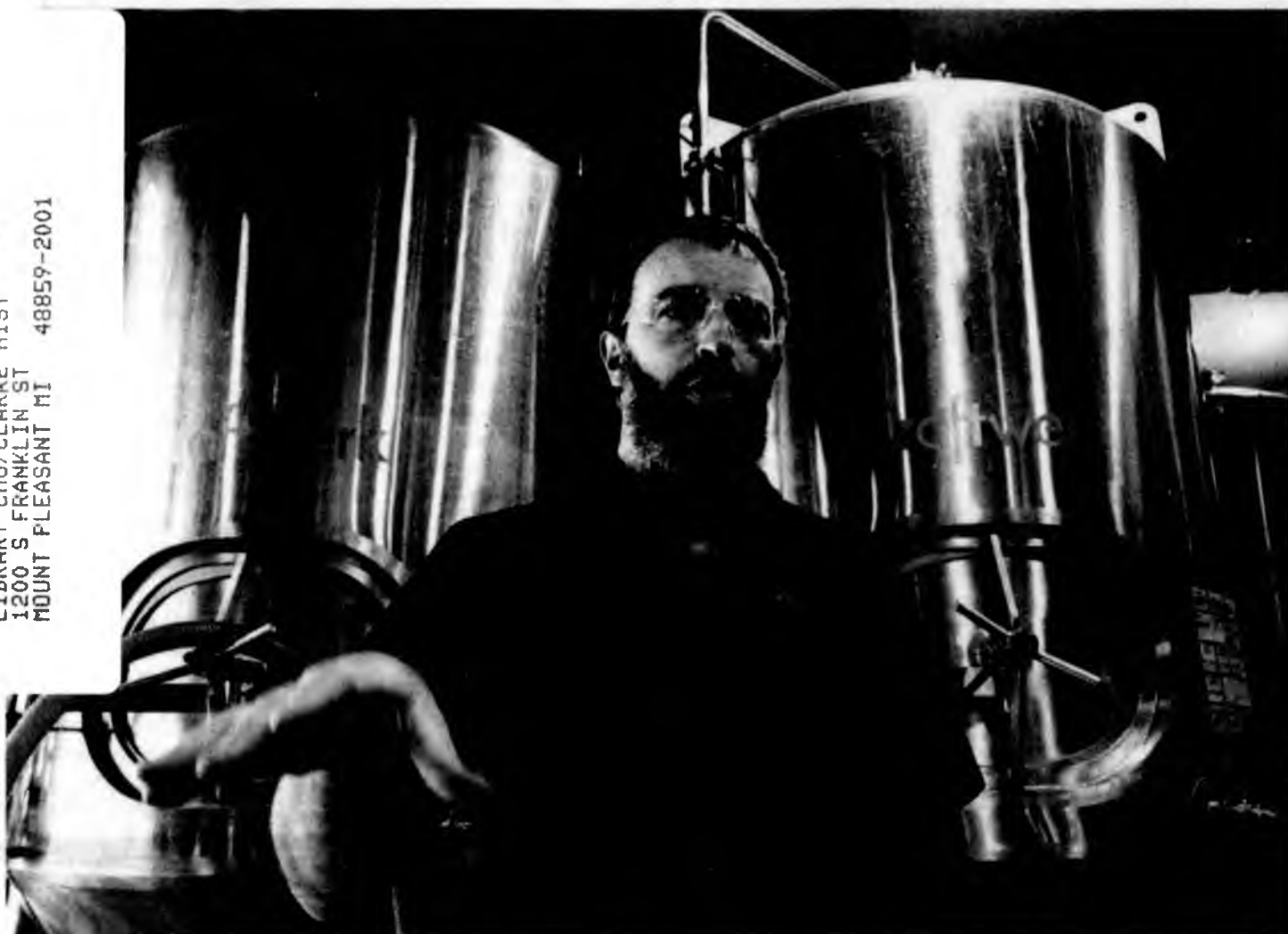
bers for the conduct of union representatives.

Tina Grossman, a Milford resident and emergency room nurse at Huron Valley-Sinai, was pleased with the decision.

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Ryan Cottongim, owner of Witch's Hat Brewing Company in South Lyon, talks about the process of making beer and ales in their Lafayette Street brewery. Their Blueberry Lemonade Gose won a gold medal at the World Expo of Beer in April. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

How to shop at farmers markets like a pro

Shelby Tankersley Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

By the end of the week, most Michigan farmers markets will have opened their doors for the summer and all of the produce, honey, jam and baked goods that come with them will be ready for buying.

Here's everything you need to know before heading to the market, whether it's the big Eastern Market, Oakland County venues or any of the other local markets across the region.

When to go

For most farmers markets, peak attendance is in the afternoons. To miss the crowds, head out in the morning or the evening. But, markets that are only open once a week tend to be busy all day long after a small morning lull.

"Especially in the cooler weather, people prefer to sleep in," said Mary Heim, the manager of the Plymouth Farmers Market (open 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays). "If you're not a sleeper like me, the morning is the best time to go in."

If you're wanting to check out the live music at markets like the Birmingham Farmers Market (open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays), those peak times might be more friendly.

Think seasonal produce

While the weather still warms up, those summer fruits and vegetables won't be around as much this month. Throughout May, expect to encounter lots of spring produce like salad greens, asparagus, rhubarb, mushrooms and oregano.

"It's going to be a lot of cold-weather crops, like a lot of dark, leafy greens," said Rob Lindman, manager of the Canton Farmers Market (open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays). "In the summer, you'll have your melons, peppers and all of that."

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Local brews win gold at World Expo of Beer

Susan Bromley Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Three local breweries are golden when it comes to beer.

Witch's Hat Brewery in South Lyon, Drafting Table in Wixom and Griffin Claw in Birmingham all won top honors in distinct categories in a worldwide beer contest.

More than 800 beers were entered in the 2019 World Expo of Beer competition April 20 in Frankenmuth, with many coming from across Michigan, but some from as far away as Germany.

Witch's Hat in South Lyon took gold in the malternative category for its Blueberry Lemonade Gose. A salted, tart,

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Wixom's Drafting Table brew-pub owner Aaron Rzeznik draws a pint of their award-winning Professional Pils at their Pontiac Trail location.

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In fight against Alzheimer's, love wins

Brent Jones visits his wife, Gerri, every day, hoping she'll remember life together

Kristen Jordan Shamus
Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

Brent Jones fell hard for Geraldetta Toney.

It was during a business meeting in Detroit at The Wellness Plan when he first saw her.

"All of a sudden, this beautiful lady walked into the room," he said. "I said, 'Wow! Who's that? She's cute.'"

She was known by friends and family as Gerri, and Brent soon learned that she was the company's no-nonsense, hard-working director of health care quality.

Both were single parents and neither was

looking for love, but Brent said he saw something special in her. He kept asking her out, and she kept refusing.

Finally on March 3, 2001, Gerri agreed to go to dinner with Brent.

"I guess it went pretty well," he said. "We have been together since."

Theirs is a love story without all the tropes of a Hollywood romance. It's riddled with the bitter-sweet reality that sometimes people get sick.

And in the depths of that sickness, a person might forget about that special first date, her wedding, and even, on the hardest days, the love of her life.

Helping her remember

Brent, 71, now lives alone in a 2,900-square-foot, two-story house in Novi.

Black kitten heels sit neatly by the steps leading up the stairs. Women's clothes are piled in a laundry basket nearby, ready to be washed.

Gerri, 68, lives five miles away in Farmington Hills. Brent does her laundry and brings those shoes for her to wear when he takes her out on weekly Saturday dates. Sometimes, they go out to dinner or to the movies, to visit a friend or her sister.



Brent Jones smiles down at a photo of his wife, Gerri, who has Alzheimer's disease. He says it's stealing the woman he once knew. "I mean, Gerri was brilliant. That's the hardest part, you know?" he said.

RYAN GARZA/DETROIT FREE PRESS

'I just regret that we didn't have more time'

When they met, Brent and Gerri both had children from previous marriages. They didn't want to rush into a wedding.

They went on dates, and Brent, an Ohio native and die-hard Ohio State Buckeyes fan, convinced Gerri to go with him to college football games in Columbus.

"We've had Ohio State season tickets in our family for 20 years," he said. "Gerri had no interest, but I finally forced her to go to an Ohio State football game with me. ... The first time she saw it, she said, 'I can't believe this. Look at all of these people! They've all got on red!' And I said, 'Now Gerri, it's scarlet. Get it right. If you're gonna be a Buckeye, you gotta get it right.'"

"She became a fan. She went to several games with me. I got her a jersey and we'd go and hang out. She got into it. ... I never let her forget that she's a Buckeye."

They took a trip to the Bahamas in 2002, and began to plan their future. "She is the love of my life," Brent said. "I bought this house because Gerri and I were dating and it was obvious we were going to get married, and I thought we would buy here, she would sell her house and we would put both our names on this house. But it didn't work out that way," he said.

They waited until 2010 to say their I dos.

"I just regret that we didn't have more time together as husband and wife, you know?" Brent said. "We had all of these plans. ... Now, of course, Gerri got sick and all that went down the tubes. ... It is what it is. Whatever life is, you deal with it."

Brent said he first noticed Gerri's symptoms in 2012, after she had back surgery.

"The first signs were kind of confusion, not knowing where she was at, forgetting things," he said. "My mother passed

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City of Northville NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF BUDGET

FY 2020 CITY BUDGET The budget for the various Funds of the City of Northville are proposed for the year ended June 30, 2020 as follows:

Revenues		
GENERAL FUND		
Property Taxes	\$5,436,488	
Licenses, Fees and Permits	415,125	
Grants	4,000	
Racetrack Breakage\Police & Fire Service	12,557	
Cemetery Revenues	87,500	
State Shared Revenue	621,556	
Sales and Services	713,931	
Fines and Forfeitures	18,450	
Other Revenues	584,092	
Interfund Transfers	0	
Use of Fund Balance	\$200,000	
General Fund Total	\$8,093,699	
EXPENDITURES		
Administration	1,333,615	
Buildings and Grounds	330,265	
Police Department	3,228,145	
Fire Department	1,063,790	
Technology	62,200	
Department of Public Works	471,275	
Planning, Zoning & Inspection Services	337,300	
Shared Services	230,291	
Contributions to Other Funds	807,557	
Debt Service	52,096	
Insurance & Central Supplies	52,165	
Contingency	\$125,000	
	\$8,093,699	
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		
Street, Drainage & Sidewalk Improvement Fund	676,317	676,317
Major Streets Fund	702,483	702,483
Local Streets Fund	2,114,500	2,114,500
Parking Fund	565,702	565,702
Arts Commission Fund	168,650	168,650
Housing Commission Fund	921,355	921,355
ENTERPRISE FUNDS		
Refuse & Recycling Fund	631,992	631,992
Water & Sewer Fund	3,849,580	3,849,580
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS		
Street Bond Debt Service Fund	350,063	350,063
DDA Bond Debt Service Fund	173,830	173,830
Housing Bond Debt Service Fund	96,848	96,848
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS		
Public Improvement Fund	576,765	576,765
Fire Equipment Replacement Fund	696,000	696,000
Police Equipment Replacement Fund	144,230	144,230
Housing Commission Capital Outlay Fund	188,237	188,237
Street Bond Construction Fund	1,996,000	1,996,000
INTERNAL SERVICE FUND		
	431,015	431,015
COMPONENT UNIT		
Downtown Development Authority	872,420	872,420

PUBLIC HEARING A public hearing will be held on Monday, May 20, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers of the Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, for the purpose of receiving testimony and discussing the proposed 2019-20 Annual City Budget. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing.

TRANSFERS BETWEEN APPROPRIATIONS As provided in State statute, the general appropriations resolution is proposed to allow the City Manager to transfer up to ten percent (10%) of each appropriation to any other appropriation within each fund and up to ten percent (10%) of the total salary and fringe appropriations for distributed Public Works Labor and Equipment Rental between the General, Major Street, Local Street, Equipment, Refuse and Recycling and Water and Sewer Funds. All other interfund transfers require approval of the City Council.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN The six year capital improvement plan has been prepared and is a part of the annual 2019-20 City budget document.

COPIES OF PROPOSED BUDGET AVAILABLE A complete copy of the 2019-20 Annual City Budget document will be available for public inspection beginning May 9, 2019 at the City Clerk's office during regular business hours and on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us.

Dianne Massa
City Clerk
Northville Record

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- Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Commission
- Planning Commission

If you are a registered voter and interested in volunteering to serve on a City Board or Commission, information about the various Boards and Commissions is available at cityofnovi.org or at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375, (248)347-0466.

The deadline for filing an application (available online at cityofnovi.org or at the City Clerk's office) is Friday, May 24, 2019. Applicants will be contacted by the City Clerk's Office regarding the date and time of interviews.

Courtney Hanson, City Clerk

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CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF PROVISIONS OF THE NOXIOUS WEED ORDINANCE

TO: All owners, occupants or possessors of subdivided lands or lots:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Chapter 21, Article II, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Novi, Michigan, all noxious weeds, or other weeds, grass, brush, or deleterious, unhealthy growths exceeding a height of eight (8) inches, growing, standing or lying upon any property in the City of Novi, shall be cut down, destroyed or removed as the case may be, at least twice in each year, once during the last half of the month of May and again during the last half of July of each year and more often as may be necessary.

If the owner or occupant, or any person or persons, agent, firm, or corporation having control or management of any subdivided land or lots or any other non-subdivided parcel of land upon which any building or buildings have been erected shall fail, refuse, or neglect to comply with the above mentioned Code provisions, the city shall cause the weeds, grass, brush, deleterious, unhealthy growths, rubbish, to be cut down, destroyed, or removed. Provided, further, that any lands which are situated within the floodplains or any natural streams or watercourses, or any area between the lower or upper banks of such streams or watercourses shall be exempted from the provisions of such Code provisions. The expense incurred by the City in the cutting, destruction, or removal of same, together with an administrative charge established pursuant to resolution of City Council, will be levied and collected against such property in the manner provided by law.

Failure to comply with the requirements set forth in Chapter 21, Article II, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Novi, Michigan, may also result in the prosecution for same, and liability to the extent of the penalty therein provided.

Charles Boulard, Building Official
City of Novi

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Question on a 401(k) check deposit deadline



Money Matters
Rick Bloom
Guest columnist

Dear Rick:

Back in January, my husband had a dispute at work with his boss and as a result he quit. Unbeknownst to me, right after he quit, he requested a check for his 401(k) plan, which he received a few weeks later. My husband has had the check since early February and has not done anything with it.

Recently, we were told that since he's had the check for more than 60 days, he will have to pay tax on that money, and because he's in his 40s, he would also have to pay a 10% penalty. I am extremely upset.

My first question is if the information we received is correct. I'm curious at the fact that since my husband did not cash the check, if that creates an exception or not. Second, do you have any ideas of how we can remedy the situation; and third, if we do have to pay the tax, what bracket are we taxed at?

Thank you, Robin

Dear Robin:

Unfortunately, the information you received was accurate. Your husband had a variety of different options when he chose to close the 401(k) plan, and the one he selected gave him 60 days from the time he re-

ceived the check to deposit it into an IRA. Unfortunately, there is no extension of time on that 60-day period.

The 60 days starts when you receive the check. Therefore, if your husband received the check in mid-February, he'd have 60 days from that period to complete the rollover. If someone who receives a check from their 401(k) plan, and does not roll over within the 60-day period, they are taxed on that money. In addition, if the person is under 59½ years old, there is a 10% penalty.

The tax that you would pay is whatever your ordinary income tax bracket is. Of course, depending upon the amount of the distribution, it likely could throw you into a higher bracket. The distribution that you receive is added on to your other income and that is why it is likely the distribution will throw you into a higher tax bracket.

Although, there is no extension of time on the 60-day rollover period, I have a potential solution for you.

I recommend your husband contact human resources at his old company to see if they will void his existing check and reissue it. If they do that, then the 60-day period would begin anew. Therefore, it would give your husband time to properly do the rollover and avoid all the tax consequences. The key is to get the company to reissue the check to you.

I don't know if there were hard feelings from the company's standpoint where they don't want to help

your husband; however, contacting the company is something I would recommend. In discussing this with the company, it is important to remind them that from their standpoint there are no additional fees or costs to them. All they are doing is voiding the check and reissuing a new one with the current date.

Hopefully, the company will work with your husband to resolve this issue.

When people leave their employer, they have a number of options as to what to do with their 401(k) plan. My advice for most people is that when they leave a company, they should have their 401(k) account directly transferred into an IRA. By directly transferring the money into an IRA, it leaves you in total control of your money from a cost and an investment standpoint.

In many situations, people leave their 401(k) money at their old company, and depending upon the cost of the plan and the investment options, this may work for some people.

However, I believe for the majority of people, in order to control costs and to invest the money as you choose, directly transferring the money into an IRA is the way to go.

Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial advisor. His website is bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like Rick to respond to your questions, please email him at Rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

Alzheimer's

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away from Alzheimer's, so I had seen the signs."

But he wasn't ready to admit that the same disease could be affecting his wife.

"I was pretty sure, having watched what my mom went through, but you don't allow yourself to say that," he said. "We saw these things happening, and they happened gradually. At first, I thought it was just pain and things from the surgery and recovery from that had her in a bad mood. But then, it just started getting bizarre. One night, she got completely confused. She didn't know who I was."

Brent said his father, Gordon Jones, worked tirelessly to care for his mother, Mildred Jones, as her memory slipped away. He didn't know it at the time, but he was teaching Brent by example what to do long before Gerri got sick.

"My dad is one of those people," he said. "It was like, 'My name is Gordon Jones. I can do anything. This is my wife. This is my family. I am going to take care of them and I don't need any help,' and my dad is one of those people who wouldn't give up on anything..."

Alzheimer's demands patience

As Gerri's symptoms progressed, Brent had to get creative. He was determined to take care of her on his own.

Brent put signs on the bedroom door telling her not to open it, hoping it would deter her from wandering out of the room while he was asleep.

"She got to the point where she couldn't sleep through the night. And if she couldn't sleep, I couldn't sleep because I had to keep an eye on her," he said. "One time, I had fallen asleep early in the morning on the couch. And I woke up and I called for her and she didn't answer."

"I went out and looked in the garage, and her car was gone. ... I had put an app on her cellphone that I could tell where she was going. It looked like she was going to her sister's, who lived in Detroit. She took 275 to Six Mile, but instead of turning east, she turned west toward Ann Arbor. I kept trying to call her, but she wouldn't answer the phone."

"Eventually, she realized she was lost and called me to come get her. I had her follow me back home."

He found other strategies, too.

Brent had a group text at the ready so he could message friends and family, asking them to call Gerri to distract her when she got agitated.

He discovered that judge shows were calming to her, so he recorded them and played them for her through sleepless nights.

But along with the confusion came anger and aggression. She grew increasingly suspicious, easily agitated and would lash out, hitting and scratching him.

"There's nothing you can do to change Gerri's mind if something has got her upset," he said. "There's nothing you can do to tell her it's OK. So what you learned to do is to go along with it — whatever she says. When she gets angry, you just let her do it. Whatever she says, you agree with. Arguing isn't going to get you anywhere. Whatever it is, go along with it and she's going to forget about it in a few minutes anyhow."

But one day, Brent said, he'd fallen asleep when Gerri got agitated.

"The next thing I know, she was standing over me," he said. "She had hit me on the head with something, and I had a big knot on my

head. I still, to this day, don't know what she hit me with. So then, I had to call the police."

That's when Brent finally realized he couldn't care for her anymore by himself. He needed help.

Moving Gerri to an assisted-living facility in June 2018 was one of the hardest decisions he ever made.

"My job is taking care of Gerri," he said. "She's my wife. When you get married, you promise to be there in sickness and in health."

"And having my dad go through that, now, every time I get weak with Gerri in the facility, I look up to the sky and say, 'Dad, I'm doing what you would expect.' Dad is my source of strength because he gave everything he could to my mom. And I intend to do the same with Gerri."

He goes to Gerri's place every day about 5 p.m. to have dinner with her. He always tries to think of something to tell Gerri that will make her smile when he gets there. Talking about her daughter, Kelsey, their three grandchildren and a 6-month-old great-granddaughter usually does the trick.

"That's one of the things I do to cheer her up because she doesn't remember," he said. "So every day, for three or four weeks after Iris was born, I'd say, 'Honey! Guess what? We've got a brand new great-granddaughter.'"

"That would put a big smile on her face."

He tells her he loves her in the same way every day, and then, they settle in together, watching TV.

"And then either myself or one of the caregivers gets her ready for bed," Brent said. "Then I just lay down with her with my clothes on top of the covers until she falls asleep."

He quietly slips out of bed so she doesn't wake and goes home. If she asks the next day where he's been, "I just tell her, 'I had to go to work before you woke up.'"

There used to be moments of clarity, when she talked to Brent like she used to. Now, he said, "she has a hard time, you know, expressing herself. She gets confused and just kind of mumbles sometimes."

The caregiver needs care too

Since Gerri got sick, Brent has lost 25 pounds.

"It's just such a horrible, horrible disease," he said. "And, of course, I always worry about it for myself because obviously my mother had it. ... We know it runs in the family. I keep telling myself, you've gotta take care of her. You can't get sick. You cannot get sick."

Brent still hasn't given up hope that Gerri can come home again.

A few weeks ago, he asked the Alzheimer's Association for a list of home health care aides who could help him with Gerri if she left the assisted living facility.

"Maybe we could even have someone come and stay overnight," he said. "I'm investigating what the cost of that would be vs. the facility and what not. I miss the hell out of her."

"I still to this day have

not given up hope that Gerri can come home. ... I haven't given up on that yet, and it may not make any sense, and it may not happen, but I can't give up hope on it."

Still, he thinks about what he might do if that dream is never realized.

"With this great big house with nobody but me in it, I'm starting to think of what I need to do to get rid of this house, and just get me a little condo or even just renting some place, you know?" he said. "So then I won't have to be responsible for the upkeep and the maintenance and all of that. I think in the next year or two, I'll probably sell this and just get a place for myself if Gerri is not able to come home."

"I know it's probably not realistic, but I just can't give up on it."

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF LYON OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended (the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act), notice is hereby given that the Lyon Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2019, for the purposes of considering proposed zoning amendments. The public hearing will be held at the Lyon Township Hall, 58000 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 48165.

A summary of the proposed amendments follows:

- Section 18.03(B) (Detached accessory buildings and structures) is proposed to be amended by: removing the size regulations pertaining to swimming pools on residential lots and allowing swimming pools to be regulated by the size of the principal structure on the property, provided side yard and detached structure setbacks (10 ft.) are maintained.

Complete copies of the proposed amendment are available for review at the Township Hall. Interested parties are welcome to attend the public hearing and present their comments. Written comments concerning the proposal may be submitted prior to the meeting to the Township Clerk at the address noted above.

Michele Cash
Township Clerk
Michael Conflitti
Planning Commission Chair

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2019-20 PROPOSED ANNUAL CITY BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 20, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers of the Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, for the purpose of receiving testimony and discussing the proposed 2019-20 Annual City Budget.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing.

PROPOSED 2019 MILLAGE RATES The following statements are provided, as required by State statute, concerning the 2019 proposed millage levies for the City of Northville.

The 2019 tax levy for the City Operating Millage is proposed to be 13.3538 mills, compared to 13.5188 mills in 2018, resulting in a decrease of 1.22%. The City Council has authority under the City Charter to set the Operating Millage rate within the maximum allowed rate of 13.3538 mills, as adjusted by the Headlee rollback formula.

The 2019 levy for the Improvement Program for Streets, Drainage and Sidewalks, approved by the voters on March 4, 1997, is proposed to be 1.6635 mills, compared to 1.6841 mills in 2018, resulting in a 1.22% decrease.

The new 2019 levy for Street Bonds for repayment of issued bonds, approved by voters on November 6, 2018, is proposed to be 0.9003 mills.

The total City millage for operating, debt, and improvements is proposed to be 15.9176 mills in 2019. Compared to the 15.2029 mills levied in 2018, the increase is 0.7147 mills, or 4.7%.

ANTICIPATED EQUALIZATION FACTORS The 2019 equalization factors for both Wayne and Oakland County are expected to be 1.00 for all classes of property.

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In front of the Living and Learning Center on March 29 stand, from left, Dominic Zarnecki, mentor Silvia Robazzo, Angelica Tao, Gage Farrow, center director Rachelle Vartanian, and Delaney Sheridan. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Novi center gives help, hope to adults living with autism

Susan Bromley HometownLife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Ann Marie Evans, like many parents of children with autism, fears what will happen to her daughter after she is gone.

That worry rose to a panic four years ago when Evans, then 46, was diagnosed with cancer.

Before, she had consoled herself that she probably had 30 years to figure it out. Facing the disease and mortality, she suddenly was in a crisis that more and more parents are up against as the rate at which autism is diagnosed has increased.

"I was searching for everything I could find, and the lack of options is staggering," Evans said. "There is no safety net, no structure, no plan to address adults with autism. You would find a few and far in between things. The majority of programs they would age out at 17.

"I got a lot of responses of 'She is an adult, but she didn't have an adult mindset or age appropriate behavior.'"

In this time of desperation, Evans found the Living and Learning Center in Northville, which provides adults with autism a place to work on social, work-force and independent living skills.

The center has given Evans, as well as many other parents and their children, a light in what she has referred to as "a black hole."



A bulletin board serves as a scrapbook of Living and Learning Center activities.

Planning for the future

Rachelle Vartanian, founder and president of the Living and Learning Center, dreams of giving that ray of light to many more, particularly after receiving support from the Novi City Council for her plan to purchase the Massey Estate and run her operation there on a much larger scale.

The council determined the 14.64-acre parcel located at 801 Griswold,

which has a price tag of more than \$3 million, would be appropriate for the non-profit education and vocational center.

Vartanian's plans for the property include some of what she offers now at the center's Northville home, including art and music therapy and life and social skills groups.

But she envisions much more, including microbusinesses such as a dog daycare, wooden pallet upcycling, lav-

ender gardens, microgreens and even alpaca farming for yarn production and animal therapy.

All items produced by the center could be sold at an artisan market store the center owns in downtown Northville, or to and through local restaurants and businesses. A guest house on the property would be used as a pilot program for independent living.

Vartanian said 90 percent of adults with autism are unemployed and the center will help solve that problem.

"We have clients that are 47 and still living at home in their parents' basements," she said. "Their parents look exhausted and they are desperate. What will happen when they die? Independent living is a problem we can solve that currently has no answer, in a safe area that gives them a meaningful life."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in 2002, about one in every 150 children was diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), a developmental disability that causes "significant social, communication and behavioral challenges." In 2014, the latest year for which data is provided, about one in every 59 children is identified as having ASD.

Vartanian's son Anthony, 18, was diagnosed with autism when he was 4, leading her to found the Living and Learning Enrichment Center in 2015,

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Autism

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after a 20-year career as a special education teacher in Farmington. She started with one program and just kept adding to it, along with a clientele that has now reached 500.

Among those clients are Angelica Tao, a 22-year-old Canton resident who enjoys the center's art and video classes, as well as taking field trips with her new friends. She is excited about future prospects for the center, and has trouble choosing what might be most thrilling, maybe the alpaca farm, or potentially a cat café business, where people could enjoy feline company with a cup of coffee.

Evans' daughter, Delaney Sheridan, 23, has also been attending classes and social events at the center for the past three years, a relief to her mom, who has since recovered from cancer.

'A glimmer of hope'

Even as the pressure has abated, Evans is more focused than ever on what is next for her daughter and sees "a glimmer of hope" with the center's plans.

"It gives me peace of mind I haven't had in the last four years — actually, the last 23 years," Evans said. "This gives me the feeling that when I leave, my daughter will have a life she loves and feels good in."

What she doesn't want is to saddle Delaney's neurotypical brother with his sister's care. She doesn't care to envision her daughter homeless on a street corner.

The Living and Learning Enrichment Center is easing her fears for the future.

Sheridan appears to be like any other young woman, but her mother shares stories of sensory issues and vulnerability, including the time Sheridan was taken advantage of by an unscrupulous merchant who pressured her into making a purchase which cost her all of her Christmas money.

"People have this vision of autism, and they don't absorb the entire spectrum, which is so wide and more prevalent than it was years ago," Evans said. "We haven't put in a safety net and there isn't one for it yet, and they are exploding into the world. ...

"There are all these parents (of neurotypical children) thinking, 'It doesn't



Dominic Zarnecki works on emails at the Living and Learning Center on March 29.
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Director Rachelle Vartanian talks about her work and plans for the facility.



The center has a "Quiet Room" where clients can be assured of a calm, peaceful area in which they can relax.



As Gage Farrow, right, looks on, Delaney Sheridan talks about what she likes about the Living and Learning Center.

affect me,' but it will. The hot button now is entitlement and social welfare systems, but there isn't an umbrella to catch all these kids. Fast forward 20 years and your kids' peers will become their burden."

Sheridan and her friends at the center want to work and live happy and productive lives, just like their neurotypical

counterparts, she noted. And that is what their parents want for them, too.

The center aims to give that to these families, but Vartanian will need help in doing so. She estimates she needs to raise \$5 million to purchase the property and have funds to keep it sustainable.

So far, she has a \$50,000 verbal commitment from a private donor, and is

seeking additional sponsors and donations for the non-profit organization to make the dream a reality.

"This is going to happen," Vartanian said. "The Massey estate is perfect for us to help (adults with autism) live independent, meaningful lives."

For more information, visit the center website at livingandlearningcenter.org.

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Chick-fil-A looks to locate along Haggerty

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It's almost time to "eat mor chikin" along Haggerty Road in Northville Township.

The calls for Chick-fil-A to come to the region have been answered by the company, which plans to add a restaurant at 20155 Haggerty, in front of the Kohl's between Seven Mile and Eight Mile.

The company went before the Northville Township Planning Commission on April 30 seeking approval for a site plan for a new restaurant. That plan was recommended for approval with some modifications and will go to the township board later this year, said Jennifer Frey, the township's planning director.

"It will go to the township board likely in June," she said. "It really depends on when they resubmit their plans."

The restaurant would be a freestanding restaurant on the northern property line, Frey said, and would have a drive-through as well. The property is properly zoned for such a restaurant as well, Frey said.

The Atlanta-based fast-food restaurant chain known for its chicken sandwiches has long had metro Detroiters' attention for not being located in the area. The company has recently begun planning for more restaurants in the area after opening stores at Somerset Collection in Troy and Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

The company has planned for a new restaurant in Novi near Twelve Oaks Mall on Novi Road that's currently going through the city planning process. Other restaurants are planned in Allen Park and Shelby Township, as well as Roseville.

A message seeking more information was sent to Chick-fil-A on the Northville Township development Wednesday and had not been returned at press time.

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Northville man takes aim at Nat Geo with long shot

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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Troy Cini went to great lengths to get the perfect shot.

The Northville native flew to Iceland, rented a car and drove to a remote area on the east coast of the Atlantic Ocean and at the bottom of a mountain range and waited for the weather to clear to capture the northern lights in all their glory.

He has entered the image, titled "Illuminate," in National Geographic's "Your Shot" travel photography contest.

"I knew I wanted to capture the northern lights, it was a challenge with a good reward," Cini, a 2015 Northville High School graduate, said. "Every good photo takes time, this one took a little more to dial everything in."

Cini, who takes more down-to-earth shots of academic and athletics subjects as an in-house photographer for the University of Michigan, said travel photography is a hobby for him. He went to Iceland Jan. 22-29 specifically with the northern lights in mind, having researched locations and time of year to best view the phenomena.

They camped out in their rented SUV waiting for bad weather to clear.

The photograph was taken close to midnight on Jan. 24 with a wide angle lens on a Sony A7SII.

"I knew this was the shot, it took my breath away in that moment," he recalled. "The sky lights up, it was not a very full moon, you can still see the mountain range. It's not something a lot of people get to see in their lifetime."

The "Your Shot" contest "seeks to honor photography that inspires, surprises, challenges, and reveals the world around us."

People's Choice voting takes place May 13-17 and all entries can be viewed at nationalgeographic.com.

Two independent photographers and one staff editor judge all entries and award first, second, and



Troy Cini entered this photo of his friend Austin Ashley standing on Stokknes beach in Iceland in a National Geographic contest. COURTESY OF TROY CINI

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Restoration crews were at Black Rock Bar & Grill on April 26 after a grease fire. PHILIP ALLMEN/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Black Rock Bar & Grill prep cook injured in flash grease fire

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A Black Rock Bar & Grill prep cook in Novi was rushed to the University of Michigan's Trauma Burn Center on April 24 because of injuries sustained by a flash grease fire, said Jeffery Johnson, Novi's EMS and fire operations director.

Johnson said the cook's right hand, forearm and face were injured. He was treated and released that day, according to the restaurant's Facebook post.

The employee apparently was prepping food at the West 12 Mile Road restaurant when a pan of cooking oil caught fire. Fire officials said the employee was burned while trying to move the pan to the sink. Surrounding items caught fire, too.

Sprinkler heads were activated, and firefighters arrived to extinguish the threat of fire.

Restoration crews were out Friday, removing ceiling tiles, light fixtures and more. Tables, chairs and other fixtures inside were covered in plastic. The restaurant reopened Monday.

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Resort-class Amenities in Canton

Westridge Estates is the only new community in Canton offering resort-style amenities, including a clubhouse with fitness room, gathering room, kitchenette, locker rooms, pools, sand volleyball court, children's play park and walking paths. Westridge Estates is located just south

of Ford Road west of Ridge Road, and home prices start in the upper \$400,000s. For more information, visit WestridgeofCanton.com or call 734-844-0279.

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Toll Brothers is offering special savings on select kitchen and bath upgrades from May 11 to May 19.

a dog park, and an ice arena. Pricing begins in the mid-\$400,000s. Final home sites have been released so buyers should hurry in for best selection. For details, call (248) 904-8515 or visit RidgeviewVillas.com.

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A clubhouse with a fitness center, yoga room, billiards, great room with fireplace, verandas overlooking the lap and wading pools, locker rooms and a play park is now open. North Oaks is located minutes from the University

of Michigan's north campus, the VA Hospital, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, C.S. Mott Children's Hospital, and downtown Ann Arbor. Children attend acclaimed Ann Arbor Schools with the elementary and middle schools just 3 minutes away. For details, call 734-224-6686 or visit North-Oaks.com.

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Beer

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wheat beer that originated in Germany centuries ago with use of briny water, gose faded away and nearly went extinct until crafters brought it back in recent years. Witch's Hat owner Ryan Cottongim was among the first in Michigan to brew gose.

"For all of our recipes, we get a brain trust of brewers together and throw things at the wall," Cottongim said. "What the judges really look for is the beer and how it compares to the category or style it is supposed to represent."

The winning blueberry lemonade gose was the brain brew of Ryan Leidal, production manager at Witch's Hat. Cottongim said Leidal rightly believed the fruity flavors would pair well with the slightly salty, tart gose. The international bittering units (IBUs) on the Blueberry Lemonade Gose stand nearly at zero on a scale that goes to 100. The alcohol level is 5%.

It was brewed for the first time last year and has been available since only in their tap room at 601 S. Lafayette in

South Lyon. On May 1, it will be available at about 200 bars and restaurants across the state.

"I think it is very unique and well done," Cottongim said. "It has huge flavor and aroma and the blueberry and lemonade bounces and really explodes out of the beer. Outside of the competition, it has quickly become one of the best sellers in our taproom."

The brewery's Demon Cleaner Belgian Tripel also scored two silver medals, one in the Strong Belgian category and the other in the Trappist category.

Cottongim describes the beer as "very golden and pretty, very fruity and with delicate flavors." It is also low on the bitter scale, scoring a 10, but high on alcohol content at 10% by volume.

Witch's Hat also took home two bronze medals, one for Edward's Portly Brown in the American Amber/Brown category; and one for It Wasn't Me Export Stout in the Dark British category. Both are "chocolaty" brews.

Drafting Table in Wixom also scored multiple medals in the competition, with the brewery's professional pilsner winning the top honor in the Pale Bitter

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Damon Works, a Griffin Claw bartender, pours an El Rojo, a red ale which won a gold medal at the 2019 World Expo of Beer. SUSAN BROMLEY/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Nurses

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get combined breaks again when working a 12-hour shift and we have to be on the ball," she said. "We would take an hour, it gives us more time to decompress and we don't have to scarf our food down."

She added that was how things had been done since she came to work at the hospital in 2007 and it had never been a problem until a year ago when hospital administrators eliminated the position of the float nurse that covered lunches and breaks on a shift, covering instead with clinical coordinators.

When that happened, she said managers decided nurses couldn't be away from the floor for an hour at a time and coordinators couldn't be absent from their normal position that long.

"When we voted to form a union, we had our rights and were told the hospital and administration can't change past

practice when going through negotiations," Grossman said. "My union was following rules set forth and (Huron Valley-Sinai) weren't following their own rules, I called them on it. It's more about righting a wrong."

Amchan noted in his report that in a Labor Relations Board hearing, Grossman testified that a clinical coordinator told her she would only get a 30-minute break because of a "surprise" appearance of a union rep in the employee breakroom. She said the clinical coordinator later apologized and admitted that he had retaliated against unit employees in denying them a rest break because he believed the union rep had called him "an A-hole."

The judge noted in his decision that the clinical coordinator did not testify, and thus Grossman's testimony was not contradicted.

"We disagree with the recent decision of the administrative law judge and have started the process of filing an appeal with the National Labor Relations Board," Tonita Cheatham, spokeswoman

for the Detroit Medical Center, which oversees Huron Valley-Sinai, said. "We believe a fair review of this ruling will validate that Huron Valley's employment practices are fair and in accordance with the law. We always strive to foster a positive and supportive working environment for our employees so that they can provide the best possible care to the people we serve."

The Michigan Nurses Association at Huron Valley-Sinai filed multiple complaints with the NLRB between 2017 and 2018, as well as a lawsuit pertaining to unsafe staffing levels.

In Amchan's April 29 NLRB order, the hospital must also furnish the union with copies of exit interviews from all nurses (with names redacted) who have left Huron Valley-Sinai employment since June 2016, which would provide reasons for separation, including unhappiness with staffing levels.

Last November, the union ratified a contract with the hospital that addresses staffing provisions.

MNA Executive Director John Kare-

bian said the contract requires the hospital to maintain adequate staffing on every shift in every unit based upon patient census and acuity, and also requires nurses to have validated competencies in the department to which they are assigned.

A nurse-to-patient ratio was requested but not immediately provided.

"Thanks to our contract language and the vigilance of Huron Valley nurses, we've already seen changes in staffing at the hospital," Karebian said. "The hiring of additional nurses in the emergency room is a step in the right direction, and we look forward to ongoing improvements."

Karebian now hopes Tenet Healthcare in Texas, which owns the Detroit Medical Center, "gets the message" from the new NLRB decision.

"You can't break the law," he said. "You can't trample the rights of nurses. You can't ignore our concerns about safe staffing."

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Dwight Carpenter of Carpenter's Farm in Allen bags some early-season tomatoes for a customer at the Northville Farmers Market. The market is open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursdays at the southwest corner of Seven Mile and Center roads. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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But it's not all about produce. Fresh flowers are no strangers to farmers markets. At markets like the Farmington Farmers and Artisans Market (open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays) and Northville Farmers Market (open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays), local fresh eggs and meat are also frequently offered.

Watch out for Mitten specialties

While Michigan is known for cherries and honey, most Mitten-only items seen at local farmers markets are the hand-crafted goods. Michigan-themed clothing, kitchen supplies, home decor and more can be found in abundance at most markets.

But, Heim said, cherries, strawberries and blueberries are Michigan specialties throughout the short time they're in season. She loves the fresh-off-the-plant taste that doesn't come from a store.

"You're not getting stuff like at the store that's been sitting there for days on end," she said.

Save some cash

Getting super fresh food isn't always more expensive. Some of the local markets, like the Milford Farmers Market (open 3-8 p.m. Thursdays) and Walled Lake Farmers Market (open 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays) take Bridge Cards or offer food assistance programs.

"It's a myth that farmers markets are exorbitantly more expensive," said Timothy Davis, manager for the South Lyon Farmers Market (9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays). "Not only is pricing fair at farmers markets, but you're almost always getting an extremely fresh product."

Local economies rejoice

Though market goods don't always come from down the road, most are grown or made within state lines. Davis and Heim said whether or not shoppers notice, farmers markets create positive ripples in the local economy.

"It just draws people in and helps the economy that way," Heim said. "Not just the farmers, but everybody else."

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Beer

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European category and a silver in the Czech Lager category.

Aaron Rzeznick, owner of Drafting Table at 49438 Pontiac Trail, Wixom, said the pilsner is a German-style that is not heavily hopped, but has a crisp, bitter aspect with an herbal character. IBUs are 40, with 5.2% alcohol by volume.

Also winning recognition was a silver in the Indian Pale Ale category for Rezo-lute, which has a piney, citrusy flavor and is a touch malty, and "pretty bitter," with an IBU of 75, and 7.7% alcohol content.

Drafting Table's Raspberry Tarty Slip, "a nice, refreshing beer" brewed with a pleasant tartness and just a touch sweet, took bronze in the European Sour category.

"This is our first year entering," said Rzeznick, who opened his company three years ago. "We were surprised, but this event has been on our radar. Fairly large even beer event in Frankenmuth, it never worked in our schedule and it finally did. ... It's encouraging. We put a lot of effort into the quality of the product and it's nice to see the judges and customers enjoy it. We get a certain gratification from that."

Griffin Claw also took home gold in the Amber Malt European category with their beer El Rojo, a red ale with caramel and roasted malts. The brew has an IBU of 25 and 6.5% alcohol.

Chris Klann, general manager of the tap room at Griffin Claw, 575 S. Eton, was pleased about the win for a beer he said is one of the brewery's staples.



Wixom's Drafting Table brew-pub won a gold medal for their Professional Pils in the Pale European Lager category. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"It's a very approachable beer, malty sweet," Klann said. "It's a really good introduction to craft beer."

He noted El Rojo also won a bronze at the Great American Beer Fest in Denver.

There were 41 categories in the World Expo of Beer commercial competition, with a total of 803 entries. Best in Show was 1842 Pilsner, crafted by Lumber Baron's Brewery in Bay City.

Nearly 300 beers, including the winners, will be featured at the World Expo of Beer. The beer sampling event opens to the public 5-10 p.m. May 17 and 3-10 p.m. May 18 at the Harvey Kern Pavilion at Heritage Park in Frankenmuth. Attendees must be at least 21 years old. Admission is \$10 and includes a free collector beer sampling mug. Beer sample tickets are sold separately.

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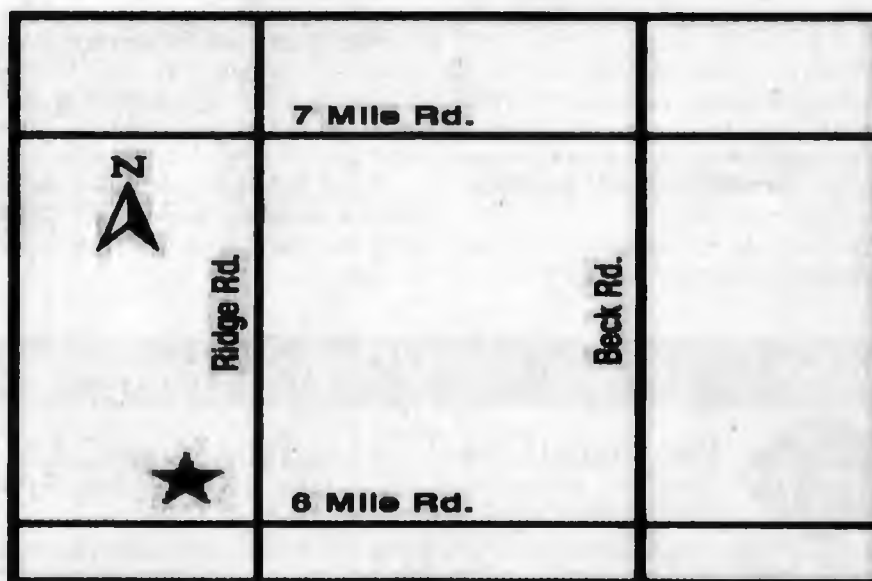
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A dash of liqueur goes up in flames as Tyler Barbaro, who trains Sedona Taphouse chefs, whips up a pan of sauteed Prince Edward Island mussels opening night. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Sedona Taphouse opens in Novi

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Looking for a midday beer while shopping at Twelve Oaks Mall?

The new Sedona Taphouse is the place its owners hope shoppers and diners alike think of.

The restaurant opened April 29 in the Novi mall between Macy's and JCPenney after several years of planning. Its co-owners, couples Marty and Lori Knollenberg and Erika and J.D. West, think the restaurant's signature fresh steaks and focus on Michigan craft beer is the right fit for the mall.

Marty Knollenberg is a former state legislator who represented Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Royal Oak and other communities in the state Senate until the end of last year.

He was defeated in his re-election bid last November.

Making the transition from legislator to restaurant owner wasn't too tough, he said.

"There's a lot of similarities in that it's a people business, and I sort of greet the guests and talk to people," he said. "People like it when the owners are present. It's not much different than dealing with constituents."

The restaurant is one of 13 Sedona Taphouses across the country. The cou-

ples own both locations in Michigan, the first on Big Beaver Road in Troy.

Despite the shared ownership, customers that go to the taphouse in Troy will get a different sense in Novi.

"To us, it's a completely different feel," Erika West said. "The looks are completely different."

The menu is highlighted with fresh-cut steaks and higher-end bar food, including house specialties, salads and more. More than 50 beers are on tap with 300 more in bottles and cans, with updates daily. The restaurant lists all its beers on its Untappd page.

Knollenberg said he was hesitant at first about coming to Novi.

"I initially didn't think we could afford to come here in Novi and wasn't really sure of the mall dynamic, if you will," he said. "But we did our research and it got us comfortable."

The restaurant employs 80 people, Knollenberg said; those seeking a job can inquire at sedonataphouse.com.

The restaurant is open 11 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sunday.

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Sedona Taphouse bartender Jake Ockert draws a beer from one of the restaurant's 50 brews on tap April 29 at the restaurant's new Twelve Oaks Mall location. Sedona Taphouse also has 200 varieties of bottled and canned beer.

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With Proposal 1 in effect, police now rarely ticket for marijuana

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Area police agencies have barely ticketed marijuana users since Dec. 6, when marijuana was legalized for recreational adult purposes.

Sixteen agencies surveyed ticketed about 50 people from the legal date through March 31. That compares to 670 for the same period the year before.

"The people in the state of Michigan have spoken," said Chad Baugh, Canton's deputy director of police. "Our job is to reflect what the community and the state want."

Of the surveyed agencies, Canton cited the most people — 32 — for marijuana-related possession and other marijuana incidents. That compared to 135 the year before for the same period.

Livonia came in second, citing five compared to 156 the year before for the same period.

Proposal 1 permits a person to have 2.5 ounces of marijuana, which can be rolled into a hefty number of joints, depending on the potency. Individuals can grow up to 12 plants for personal consumption. Driving under the influence of marijuana remains illegal.

Police say the low numbers are because they're not finding marijuana while they're patrolling streets and the leafy substance has been decriminalized. There's also criticism among law enforcement agencies that the recreational law is vaguely written.

Several communities stayed away from marijuana citations entirely. Some of their police officers explained that the substance isn't a problem in their community. Even if they found it, the law is too new and lacks clarity.

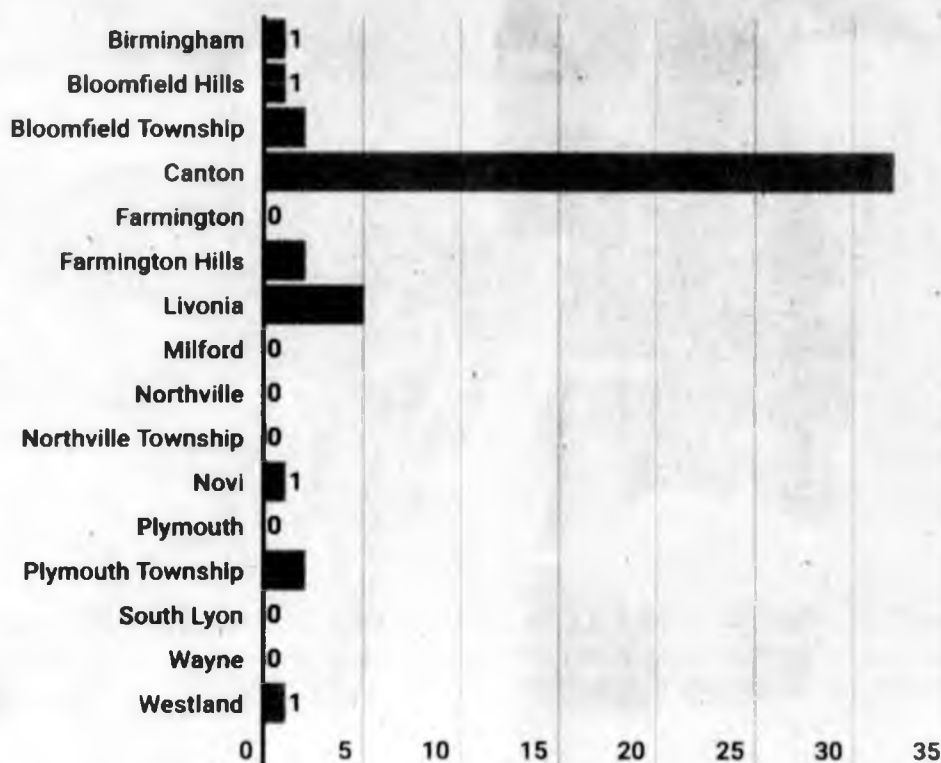
Attorney Barton Morris with the Cannabis Legal Group in Royal Oak said fewer citations were a Proposal 1 goal. But they're lower than he expected.

He agreed with some police officers that the new law can be vague, especially when it comes to penalties and proof needed for those in violation.

Michigan voters, by a 56-44 percent

Marijuana citations

Some metro Detroit police agencies have barely cited anyone for marijuana possession between Dec. 1 and March 31. Recreational marijuana use became legal Dec. 6.



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margin, made their state the first in the Midwest to regulate marijuana.

Nearly a quarter of Michigan's communities have banned recreational marijuana businesses because officials claim the November ballot proposal was too vague.

Milford, Farmington, South Lyon, Northville, Plymouth and Wayne are some of the communities that haven't cited anyone for marijuana possession since the new law took effect.

Milford Police Chief Tom Lindberg said the first arrests for violating Pro-

posal 1 have the potential to move through the courts and shape how law enforcers keep their communities safe.

"That's going to be a huge learning curve," the chief said. "Each legislative session is going to want to have its thumbprint."

While he and his officers may become more tolerant of marijuana possession, the chief said marijuana users should still consider where they bring out their marijuana.

The law specifically states "this act does not authorize ... consuming marijuana (sic) in a public place."

"We cannot get to a point where we're allowing Thursday nights in our Central Park people to be smoking marijuana," Lindberg said. "All my peers are on board with that."

Some police officials are concerned marijuana use will cause more traffic crashes. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety released a 2018 report indicating crashes are up by 6 percent in Colorado, Nevada, Oregon and Washington, compared with neighboring states that haven't legalized recreational marijuana.

Livonia Police Lt. Greg Yon remains concerned. From his perspective, marijuana cases, search warrants and perhaps seizures are bound to drop because of the new law.

As a law enforcer and as a parent, he said he sees no benefit to legalizing marijuana.

"It's just one more thing that can put people behind the wheel in an intoxicated state," Yon said.

Exactly 58% of the nation believes legalized recreational marijuana leads to more dangerous roads, according to the DriversEd.com's 2019 Cannabis and Cars Report. The report also concluded that 91% of Americans believe marijuana can impair driving abilities.

A Governors Highway Safety Association study documented 44% of fatally injured drivers tested in 2016 tested positive for drugs, up from 28 percent 10 years before. Nearly 40% of them tested positive for some form of marijuana.

What's the point of a quorum for condo association meetings?



Robert Meisner
Guest columnist

Q: Our condominium association's bylaws state that a quorum of a majority of the association members is required to hold meetings, but we never reach quorum.

We've tried to get people to come to the annual meeting, but it's like pulling teeth. Do we really need to reach quorum to have a meeting, and why is that?

A: The purpose of a quorum is to ensure that the will of the members is properly represented at a meeting. With a quorum, it is less likely that those with a minority position or interest will prevail just because some people are not able to attend a meeting.

In Michigan, statute provides a default quorum of a majority of the members, subject to any other quorum that may be provided in the articles of incorporation or bylaws.

Board meetings have a default quorum of a majority of directors, also subject to the articles or bylaws, but not less than one-third of the board. It's fairly standard for Michigan bylaws drafted by developers' attorneys to provide for a majority quorum.

Some associations prefer to amend their bylaws and reduce quorum for member meetings to something like 25% or 10%, or even do away with quorum altogether, reasoning that there is nothing wrong with decisions being made by the people who care to actually show up.

However, I generally advise that some quorum should be provided in the bylaws.

I believe the board of directors should do as much as it can to encourage members to attend meetings, and if the quorum is too low, the board doesn't have to work as hard.

Robert's Rules of Order, which is a

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widely adopted set of parliamentary procedures, suggests that quorum be set "as large as can be depended upon for being present at all meetings when the weather is not exceptionally bad." That's a pretty good yardstick (although Michiganders might wonder what it's like to have good weather).

And yes, you do need to observe the quorum stated in your governing documents.

If a quorum is required, any decisions made at a meeting without quorum are void and unenforceable. If you don't reach quorum, you can still hold an informal discussion without voting on anything.

If you regularly experience difficulty reaching quorum and proxies are not prohibited under your governing documents, efforts should be made to obtain proxies from the membership which can count toward satisfaction of quorum.

Also, be sure to make participation by remote communication available. Unless restricted by the articles or bylaws, you have to allow for it and take reasonable measures to ensure everyone can hear and participate fully in the meeting.

If all else fails, put a significant proposed increase in assessments on the agenda and just see how many come running through the door!

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Birmingham friends journey to South Pole

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John Hamaty and Richard Wallace celebrated New Year's Eve in a way that very few people ever will — standing at the South Pole.

The Birmingham friends and extreme adventure enthusiasts joined an exclusive club, one that takes mental, physical and financial fortitude.

Their journey cost roughly \$100,000 apiece and involved cross-country skiing 60 miles in negative-30 degree temperatures, with blinding sunlight in a disorienting glacial landscape that may as well have been the moon for all its emptiness.

What was the motivation for such a grueling adventure?

"I wanted to know what it is like to stand in a vast area like that," Wallace, 70, said. "There is nothing there for thousands of miles, nothing but snow. The ice is 3 to 5 miles deep. ...

"I've never been too intimidated by cold environments, but this one kicked my ass."

Hamaty shrugs, recounting that Wallace asked if anyone wanted to go with him.

"I said, 'I'm in,'" he recalled. "I've always been kind of adventurous."

Wallace laughed, adding:

"Who can live in the same clothes for 18 days? John can."

Phone call of a lifetime

Wallace, owner of ND Industries, Inc., and Hamaty, president of the Vibra-Tite Division of the company, began planning their latest adventure about a year-and-a-half ago after his phone rang while he was sitting in a Troy restaurant enjoying encrusted chicken and sipping Cabernet.

"It was the call of my life," Wallace said.

On the other end of the line was Ryan Waters, a guide for Antarctic Logistics & Expeditions, calling via satellite phone from the South Pole and telling him he should come down.

Wallace didn't have a problem answering a call to the wild.

He and Hamaty had previously climbed two of the highest summits in



Dan Conner, Richard Wallace, and John Hamaty stand at the South Pole marker on New Year's Eve. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

the world — Mt. Kilimanjaro in Africa, five years ago, and Aconcagua in Argentina just two years ago.

For this trip, they were joined by Texas friend Dan Conner.

For a journey to the South Pole, the southernmost point on the planet, they would consistently be at an altitude of about 9,500 feet, but with atmospheric pressure it would feel like they were at roughly 12,500 feet as they trekked about 60 miles in extreme cold.

The preparations came mostly in buying the right gear: boots, coats, gloves, and sleeping bags for the temperatures they would face. They would

travel to the South Pole in summer when temperatures are at their warmest, between negative 30 and negative 9 degrees.

Worst weather in 80 years

Hamaty and Wallace left the northern hemisphere and Michigan winter Dec. 9, eventually arriving in Puntas Arenas, Chile. From there, the plan was to take a four-hour flight, at a cost of about \$60,000, on a military cargo plane to Antarctica. They would wait more than a week for that flight, due to severe weather which they were told was the "worst in 80 years."

"There was a certain amount of anxiety," Hamaty said. "What were we getting into?"

A window of decent weather finally allowed them to fly safely to Union Glacier Camp, ALE's private facility which provides summer accommodations to tourists. The camp is erected in November and dismantled in January.

A second flight, at a cost of about \$30,000 each, took Hamaty and Wallace to their drop-off point 60 miles from the South Pole, in the middle of what looked like "nowhere."

"You get dropped off and watch the airplane take off, and you look around 360 degrees and there is nothing but vastness," Hamaty said, who felt genuine fear for the power of nature. "That was the first time I was like, 'We're really doing this.'"

It was Christmas Eve, and he, Wallace, and Conner, led by Waters, headed off on their trek.

Over the course of the next week, the small group moved across the empty, frozen terrain, pulling their 100-pound sleds, and covering about 1/4 miles per hour, with no sense of time or direction in a place where the sun never sets and the cold would frost over their goggles.

The weather and physical exertion exacted a toll, but the journey was also mentally taxing.

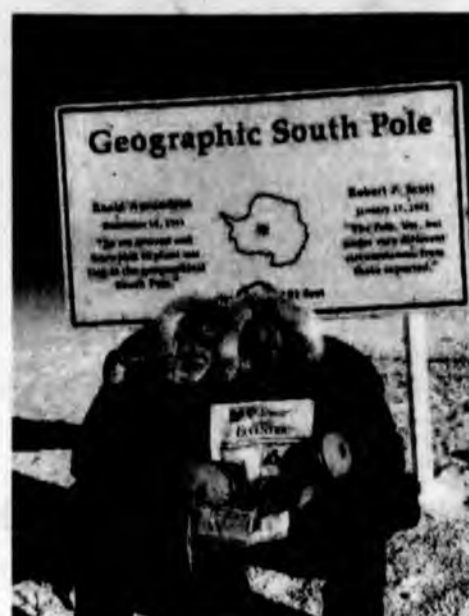
Movement gave them a measure of warmth and any delay could increase the chance for a storm to pop up which could confine them to their tents for who knows how long.

When they did have to stop, taking a 10- to 15-minute rest each hour, the first thing they had to do was put on their expedition coat over the many layers they were already wearing.

They stopped traveling each day at about 3-4 p.m. to set up camp. Their guide carried a propane tank and they would heat ice to drink. Breakfasts were protein or chocolate bars, lunches were often sausage and cheese snacks high in calories. For dinner, they used the propane to cook pasta.

After dinner, they would retreat to their tents, climbing into sleeping bags made for negative 40 degree weather, which worked remarkably well. Hamaty recalls he would even wake up sweaty because of the sun beating down on the tent.

They would spend about 14 hours in those tents, reading or listening to books on tape. For Hamaty it was the author David Baldacci; for Wallace, audiobooks about Nikola Tesla or polar ex-



Wallace and Hamaty brought a copy of the Birmingham Eccentric with them.

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President of Vibra-Tite Division of ND Industries, Inc., and extreme adventurer

plorer Ernest Shackleton.

The next day, they would get up to make more progress.

They saw no wildlife, and heard only the wind and the sounds they made as they crossed the ice, with the exception of the time Waters was digging a latrine — waste cannot be left and had to be carried with them — and hit an air pocket in the ice.

"The ground under the tents was shaking and it sounded like a massive bomb went off. It probably went for a mile," recalls Wallace of the ice break.

Trudging across a continent inhospitable to civilization with no distractions leaves a lot of time to think.

Hamaty said he designed a garage in his head. He thought about his kids and what they might be doing at home. About how nice his bed would feel when he finally made it back.

Wallace thought about an expansion to his cabin, but noted his mind also went into a kind of blank state.

"It's meditative," he said, "Next stop, the moon."

A New Year's arrival

While it may have felt that way, their journey's end brought them in sight of no space oddity, but instead the geographic South Pole marker and the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station, a permanent U.S. scientific research facility which is staffed year-round.

The tourists weren't able to enter the station, but were welcomed into Antarctic Logistics & Expeditions' South Pole camp a short distance away, where they celebrated New Year's Eve and the accomplishment of a rare feat: reaching the end of the world.

Wallace had but one thought. "Thank God we're here," he said, adding, "And we finally had a meal."

Their celebratory dinner was prime rib and wine, which he said was indescribably delicious after slurping gelatinous blueberry mush packaged in plastic in the preceding days.

The travelers were also able to make satellite calls to their families.

On New Year's Day, they flew back to the Union Glacier camp, and a day or two later, left Antarctica, flying back to Chile where they stayed a few more days before finally arriving home Jan. 5.

Wallace and Hamaty called their adventure "awesome and 'once in a lifetime,' but once was enough."

The takeaway is a sense of wonder at a place on Earth that is difficult to imagine and nearly impossible to realize for most, and immense gratitude for the everyday, common comforts of home.

"I find I appreciate family and friends so much more," Hamaty said. "I tell my kids, life is about experiences, and if you get the opportunity to do really unique experiences in life, you should take advantage of them."

For Hamaty and Wallace, the next journey might be to Patagonia in Argentina, or Mt. Elbrus in Russia, but maybe not the other end of the world.

"I think the North Pole is out, but never say never," Hamaty said.

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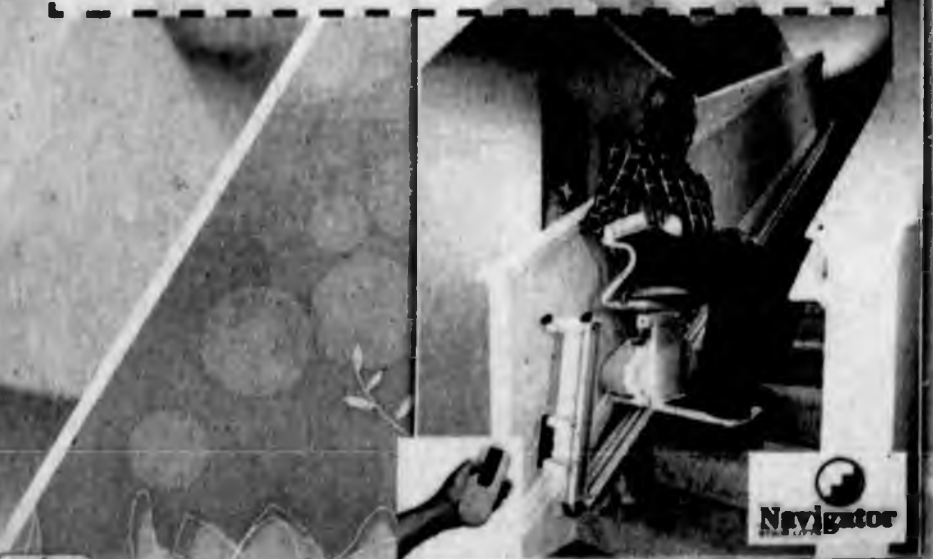
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Northville's Demetri Zervos jumps against Novi last week on Senior Day. COURTESY OF KAREN MCCALLUM

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It was a record-breaking day for the Northville boys track and field team at the Golden Triangle Meet of Champions hosted at Saline High School on Friday.

Senior Nick Couyoumjian won the 800 run and broke his own school record in the event as he crossed the finish line in 1:53.04. It's the fastest time recorded in Michigan this year and the 12th-best in the country in the event.

"Nick ran a smart race," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "He was patient and was confident in his ability to close out the race. He trusted himself. His experience showed through tonight."

The boys 4 x 200 relay also broke the school record as Brandon Kearney anchored the team of Zack Phillips, Demetri

Zervos and Nolan Knight to a second-place finish in 1:29.80. The former record, 1:30.10, was set in 2010.

"After the race, these boys didn't realize how well they ran, they were just upset because Fenton beat them," Dalton said. "They are chasing some big goals these next four weeks."

Northville's 400 relay took first place with a time of 43.33. Ben Shuart ran the lead leg for the team of Phillips, Zervos and Kearney.

The second place 3,200 relay was made up of Brandon Liu, Ryan Vig, Alex Flegel and Raymond Jiang (8:19.03).

In the 4 x 400 relay, Novi edged the Mustangs for the victory. Northville finished in 3:25.92 with the team of Liu, Couyoumjian, Knight and Kearney.

Northville's long jumpers turned in strong marks as well. Jacob Pichler set a new personal-record with a leap of 20-7.75,

good for fourth place. Liu jumped 20-3.75, his first time breaking the 20-foot mark. Zervos' best jump on the day was 19-11.75 (ninth place).

Northville also received top performances from Shuart in the 100 hurdles (third, 15.32), and Knight with a personal best in the 400 (50.47).

Dunn steps up for girls team

The Northville girls had a big day at the Golden Triangle as well.

Junior Abby Dunn contributed to four top six finishes for the Mustangs throughout the day.

Dunn ran a personal-best in the 300 hurdles as she finished fourth in 47.01. She finished sixth in the 110 hurdles before leading off both the third place 4 x 200

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PREP GIRLS SOCCER



A Plymouth Wildcat tries to slow down a Salem Rock as both players go after the ball. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Plymouth soccer defeats Salem in pink out game

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The rain forced the Plymouth and Salem girls soccer teams to change the location of its annual pink out game, but it wasn't going to be enough to postpone the affair.

The No. 12 ranked Plymouth Wildcats beat Salem 3-1 Thursday night at Canton

High School's football field, where the game was moved after the normal Plymouth soccer field became unplayable due to the weather.

Both squads were decked out in pink uniforms, with the Wildcats in primarily pink jerseys with white accents, while the Rocks wore white jerseys with pink accents.

"The kids enjoy putting this on and being involved," Plymouth coach Jeff Nes-

chich said.

Concessions and other baked goods were available for sale, with funds going towards breast cancer research. Bracelets and other items were for sale as well. The schools raised more than \$800, which will be donated to St. Joe's Cancer Center in Canton.

"It's nice, it's our big park rival game

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Churchill athletes sign to play in college

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Livonia Churchill held a ceremony Thursday afternoon for its 21 seniors that have signed to play sports in college.

The school will be well represented at each level of college athletics, with students signing with colleges at each level.

Those 21 seniors are:

■ Drew Alsobrooks, Baseball, Central Michigan

■ Joel Forgacs, Football, Minnesota-Duluth

■ Julia Hattley, Acro Team, Adrian

■ Avery Grenier, Football, Davenport

■ Ethan Gyurnek, Football, Alma

■ Darrell Mason, Football, Ferris State

■ Sam Marasco, Soccer, Lawrence Tech

■ Jake Robertson, Football, Kalamazoo College

■ Grace Vaeth, Volleyball, Edinboro Univ.

■ Allison Little, Bowling, Schoolcraft

■ David Winters, Bowling, Adrian

■ Josh Momeyer, Track & Field, Mt. Union

■ Nate Sutton, Swimming, Alma

■ Josh Mushinski, Swimming, Alma

■ Kaci Pampreen, Soccer, Purdue-Northwest

■ Cate Visscher, Track & Field, Michigan

■ Vinnie Varcoe, Baseball, Henry Ford CC

■ Brendan McCoy, Track & Field and Cross Country, Davenport

■ Noah Campbell, Bowling, Madonna

■ Emily Ferguson, Pom, Central Michigan

■ Molly Chantres, Volleyball, Madonna

The 21 signees is up three from the 18 Churchill had last year.

"I'm always proud and excited to see that kids want to participate at the next level," Churchill athletic director Marc

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Hage said. "It's very encouraging to see the number of student-athletes signing, it seems like the signing day grows a little bit every single year whether it's with student-athletes or spectators." He added that it's a fantastic class of seniors and he'll be sad to see them go, but excited to see what they do at the next level.

"They represent (Churchill)," Hage said. "Whether it's athletically, whether it's academically, whether it's with community service, this is a tough senior class to see go because they've always represented us so well."

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Livonia Churchill has 21 seniors that will be playing college sports next year. ANDREW VAILLENCOURT/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Wildcat goalie Gwen Pratt, left, takes a moment to catch her breath after making a save and then landing hard on her side during the May 2 game at Canton High. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Plymouth

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and it's also for charity, so that's also nice," Plymouth's Brianna McNab said. "Being able to come out with a win is great. We've been working on a lot of set pieces and defending, we executed that really well tonight."

The teams battled to a 0-0 tie at half-time, but the second half was a different story.

Plymouth had the best scoring chance of the first-half with about 17 minutes left to play. Kennedy White fired a shot towards the net, but Salem goalkeeper Gwen Pratt

was able to make the spectacular save.

Outside of that moment, it was a relatively quiet half for both teams.

"The weather made it a little tough, the ball would slip away from us and would cause a faster pace, but we adapted really well," McNab said.

The second-half started with a bang. White again received the ball in the box and put a shot into the lower right corner of the goal, giving Plymouth a 1-0 lead. Seeing her connect after missing in the first half was big for her coach.

"That's what it's all about, you keep trying and get it the next play," Neschlich said. "The most important play is always the next play. We don't give up and we keep making runs."

Less than three minutes later, Plymouth made it 2-0 after McNab scored on a long shot from way outside the Salem box.

"It was a strong second half," Neschlich said. "We actually started possessing the ball a lot better and got it down on the ground, used our outside backs and were dangerous on set pieces and counterattacks."

Salem got back in it with a wild goal by Sydney Smith. Salem had several scoring chances all in a row, and Smith was there to head the ball in after Plymouth goalie Ashley Bowles, who was in net during the second half, punched it away.

Midway through the half, Salem had a great chance to even the score, but Macayla Harris hit it just wide of the goal and out of

bounds.

The missed opportunity would come back to bite the Rocks, as McNab scored again with about 11 minutes remaining to secure the win. It was her eighth goal of the year.

"She's playing really well," Neschlich said. "She's very determined out there and she lifts up the other girls with her determination and work ethic out there on the field."

Plymouth is now 7-1-1 in the KLAA West, good for second-place behind undefeated Novi, which it has a date with next week. Salem falls to 1-5-2 in the division.

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Northville track assistant coach Tom Brown, right, was honored as the Golden Triangle Assistant Coach of the Year.

Northville

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relay (Angel McCray, Lauren Marshall, Melanie Sarafian; 1:46.77) and fourth place 4 x 400 relays (Alia Bournay, Gina Couyoumjian, McCray; 4:06.34).

"We asked a lot out of Abby today," Dalton said. "She had a quick turnaround between the 100 hurdles and the 4 x 200, and she was able to handle it really well."

In the 400 relay, the Northville team of Marisa Porco, McCray, Marshall and Sarafian won, clocking a time of 49.92 seconds.

The sprint medley team of Kayla Perkins, Mela Salah, Porco and Claire Wan finished runner-up behind Farmington Hills Mercy, in a time of 1:56.44.

The Mustangs also had strong performances in the discus, as Delaney Hopkins took third with a throw of 100-1 and Sara Ismail was fifth with her 98-1 throw.

In the long jump, Yasmine Mansi tied for fifth with her best-ever jump of 16-9.00. Marshall finished seventh as she jumped 16-8.5. Her previous best jump was 15-3.5.

"We had a really, really good day in long jump," Dalton said. "Our long jumpers really stepped up today and are going to be a huge piece our teams from here on out this season."

Coach Brown Honored

Northville assistant coach Tom Brown was recognized as a Golden Triangle Assistant Coach of the Year.

Brown has coached at Northville since 2001 and has coached high jump, distance events and hurdles. He currently coaches the long jumpers and the sprinters.

"No one deserves that honor more than he does," Dalton said. "I truly believe that Coach Brown is one of the best high school track and field coaches in the state of Michigan, maybe even the entire country. I truly believe that."

Coaching track and field runs in Brown's family. He credits his passion for the sport to his father, Larry, who was a long time track and field coach and athletic director at Kirtland High School in Ohio. His brother Bob was a long time coach at East Lansing High School.

"Every day it seems I find myself learning something new from him (Brown)," Dalton said. "We are lucky to have him."

Northville beats Novi on senior day

Northville's senior class went out on a winning note in their final home dual meet of the season last Tuesday against Novi.

The Northville girls improved to 4-0 in the KLAAs West Division with a 114-23 win over the Wildcats, and the boys record went to 4-0 as they downed Novi 89-48.

"Just really, really happy for our seniors and all of their hard work," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "Beating our rival on both the boys and girls side on senior night was certainly nice for this senior class in their final home meet here."



Northville's Nick Couyoumjian set a school record in the 800 last week. PHOTOS COURTESY OF KAREN MCCALLUM

In the girls meet, senior Olivia Harp won a pair of individual events finishing first in the 1,600 in 5:22.60 and 3,200 meter run in 11:45.09. She also was part of the winning 3,200 relay (9:55.21) with and Emily Gordon, Gina Couyoumjian and Mansi. Harp finished second in the 800 run.

"Olivia has been an important piece of our team for going on four years now," Dalton said. "She's someone that you wish could stay on your team longer."

Northville also had first place finishes from Sarafian who finished the 100 in 12.66, a personal best, Sarah Herring in the high jump (4-11.00) and Lora Haupt in pole vault (9-0.00).

Novi senior Cecile Steck had a strong showing throwing events. She won the shot put with a toss of 35-10.25 and the discus with a throw of 121-7. Steck's discus mark set the Northville High School stadium record, which was set last spring by former Mustang Barbara Davis.

The Mustangs had double wins from McCray in the 200 (27.27) and 400 (1:02.84) and Dunn in the 100 hurdles (16.72) and 300 hurdles (49.30).

Sophomore Emily Gordon took first in the 800 and the Mustangs swept the relays. Claire Wan, McCray, Lauren Marshall and Sarafian teamed up to win both the 400 (50.04) and 800 (1:55.77) relays; Brooklyn Stack, Alia Bournay, Wan and Couyoumjian won the 1,600 relay (4:22.81); and 3,200 relay of Harp, Gordon, Couyoumjian and Mansi finished in 9:55.21.

In the boys meet, the 1,600 relay broke the Northville stadium record as they won in 3:30.22. The returning all-state team of seniors Nick Couyoumjian, Knight, Kearney and Liu bested the time set last spring by Grand Blanc.

"This relay is starting to look stronger and stronger," Dalton said. "I'm glad that they were able to knock down a record set by Grand Blanc at our own track."

Couyoumjian won the 1,600 with a time of 4:24.80, good for third on the stadium's all-time list.

Northville's Shuart won both hurdle events, the 110 in a personal-best 15.34 and the 300 in 42.26, and was the lead-off leg in the winning 400 relay (43.94) which consisted of fellow seniors Phillips, Zervos

and Kearney.

"Ben has worked his tail off since last spring and he's really becoming a complete track athlete" Dalton said. "More than that, though, he's one of the nicest young men on our team and is a tremendous person to be around. His teammates feed off of him and really do respect him."

Kearney won the 100 (11.34) and Knight won the 400 with a time of 52.48. Kearney also anchored the winning 800 relay team of Phillips, Knight and Zervos which finished in 1:35.09.

Senior Sam Byun took the pole vault, tying his personal-best with a vault of 11-6.00. Junior Jacob Pichler won the long jump (19-4.25), and junior Demir Tagani threw the shot (41-2.00) and the disc (122-3) to first place finishes.

Miles Brown of Novi won the 800 in 1:57.77 and teammate Trey Mullins was victorious in the 3,200 (9:51.06).

"Novi's a good team," Dalton said. "They have a solid program and some really good athletes. They are always a tough matchup."

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Garden City's Jacob Grant gains notice

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The Garden City baseball team is cruising through its regular season schedule and is off to an incredible 18-1 start.

A big reason for that has been the great pitching of senior Jacob Grant, who pitched a complete-game shutout against Detroit Country Day last week, as his team earned a 1-0 win. He picked up another win on the mound this week to improve to 6-0 on the year.

Thanks to his accomplishments, Grant was voted the Hometown Life Prep Athlete of the Week. He accumulated 24,493 votes (49.66%), topping second-place finisher Carly Schwinke, a soccer player from Canton, who received 19,878 votes (40.3%).

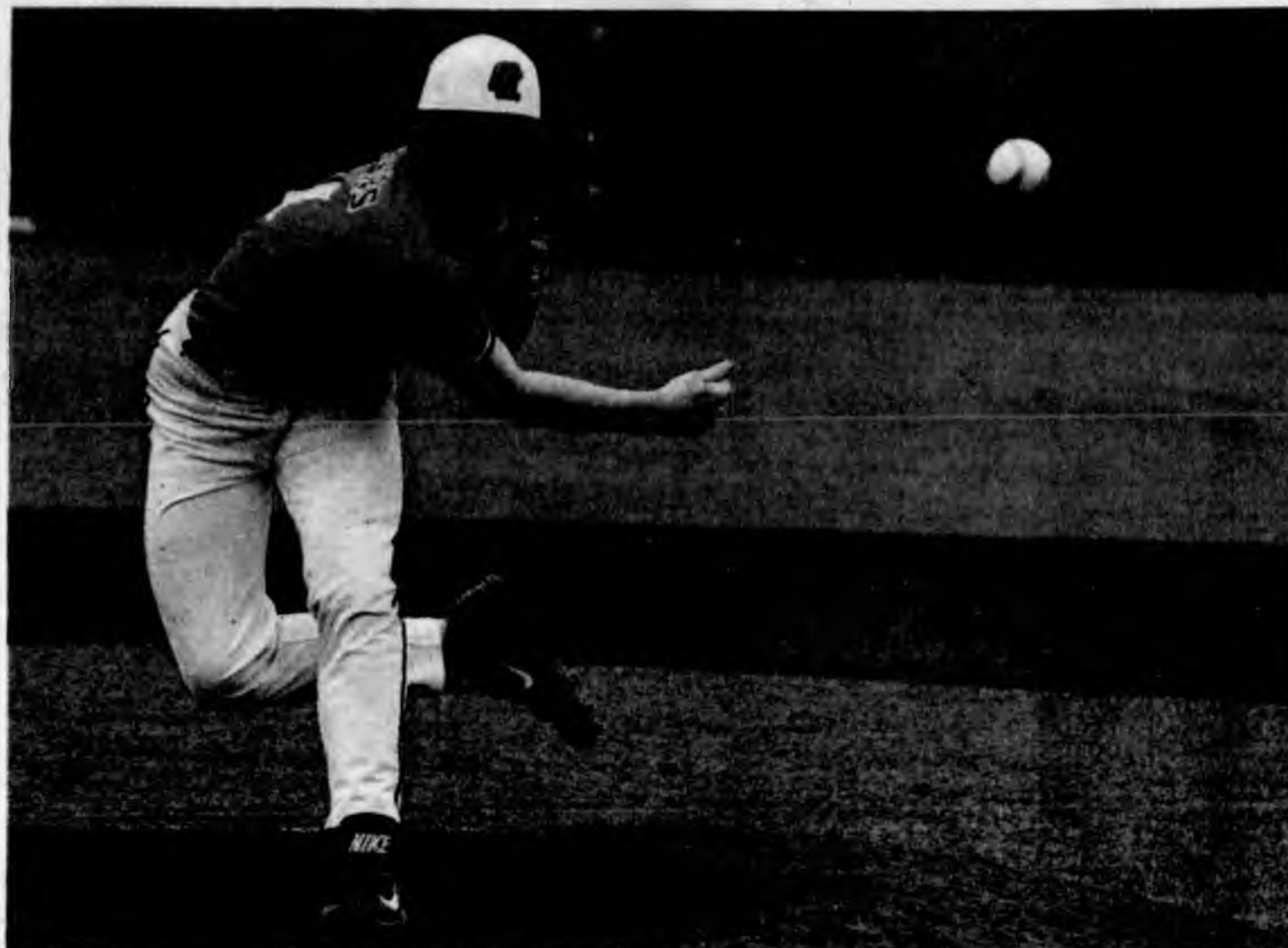
We caught up with Grant and asked him a few questions:

Garden City is off to an incredible start, what makes this team so special, and how far can you guys go in the playoffs?

"This is my senior year of high school, which already makes this team so much more special. This is my year to be a true leader to the team. As a collective, this team is special because this year we have a genuine bond with each other. Each and everyone of us gets along with each other. We just don't see each other at baseball and that's it, we take the time to hangout after and before baseball. The team jelling and the chemistry we have brought to the table this year allows the talent we have to shine. We are not a selfish team, we come out and play for one another each and every game. Personally, I believe we will make a run in regionals this year as long as we stay focused and continue to get better every day. We will achieve the goal of making it far into the playoffs as long as we do those things."

Who is your favorite sports role model or athlete and why?

"My favorite sports athlete would have to be Miguel Cabrera. I have grown up watching him play for the Tigers. I got my number 24 when I was super young and when I really started to get into baseball it turned out that he wore the number 24.



Garden City's Jacob Grant has been voted Athlete of the Week for his performance on the mound. COURTESY OF JACOB GRANT

Miguel has been someone to look up to in the baseball industry, he has set records, won the triple crown and won a world series. What I really like about Cabrera is that he is a team player and will hit for a base hit when needed and not try to do too much, meanwhile, if needed he will try for the long ball."

Who is your favorite musical artist/band and why?

"I don't have a specific artist or band but my favorite genre is country music. It was played around me when I was younger and it has just stuck with me. Country music gives you all kinds of feelings from

happy to sad in the same song. I'm not like most, I listen to country music before every game to get me ready. I do not do the crazy upbeat music to get me going for a game. Country music just gives a feeling I can't really explain. All other types of music I just don't find myself enjoying them at all."

What is your all-time favorite movie (or TV series) and why?

"My all time favorite movie is The Sandlot. The sandlot is a super funny baseball movie. The Sandlot is all about a bunch of best friends playing baseball all summer long. I always get a good laugh every time I

watch it. However, it reminds me of a few years ago when I was around their age. Reminds me of when I was on a travel team with my best friends and we had a blast all summer long. It also reminds me of the great time the baseball team is having this year."

What are your future plans after high school and do they include baseball?

"My future plans after high school is over this year are to attend Indiana Tech. I will be studying electrical engineering and playing tennis."

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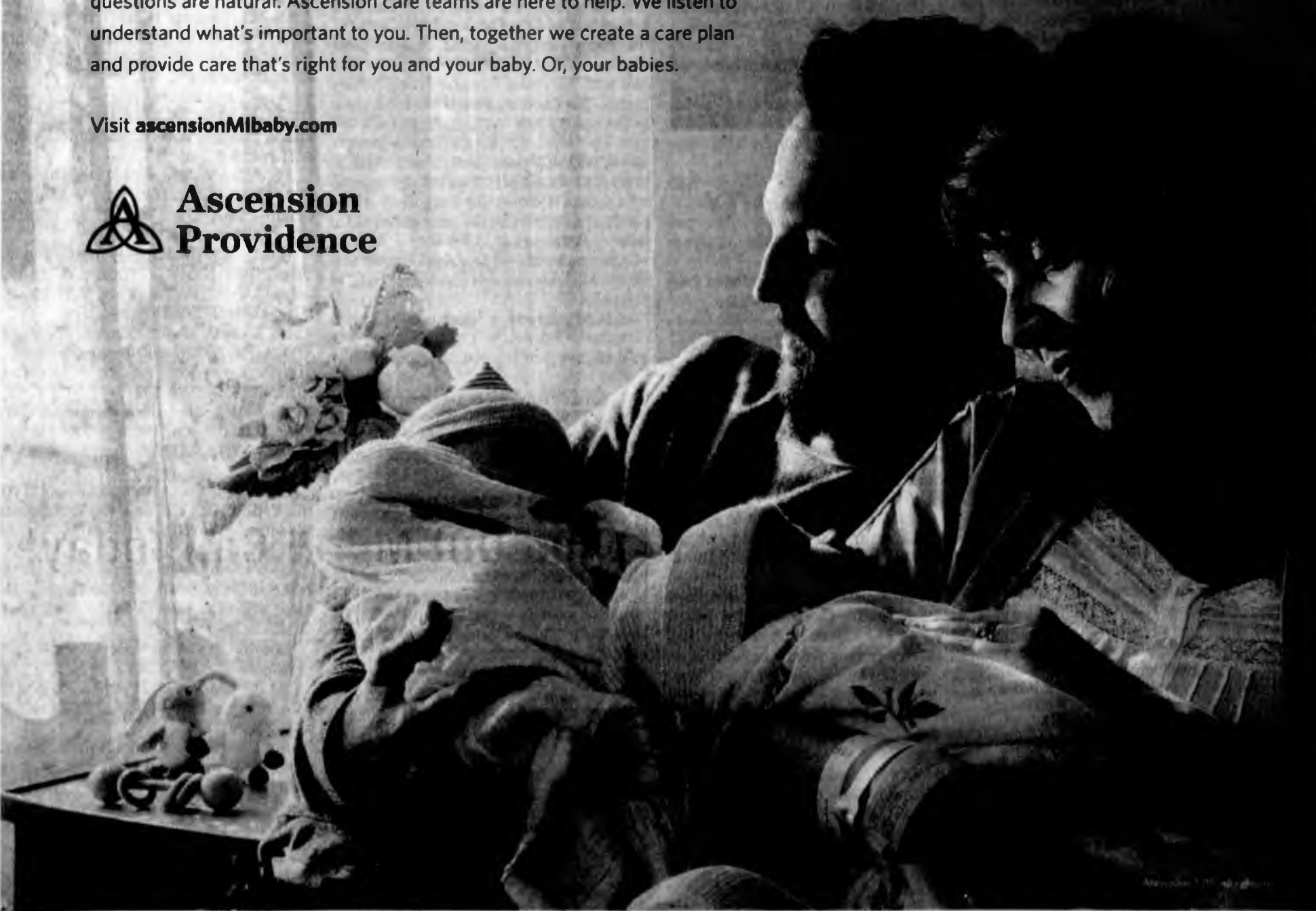
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Baseball

Brighton 13, Livonia Stevenson 3 - The Bulldogs pounded the Spartans thanks to a seven-run second inning. Jacob Townley and Nick Olsen each had two hits.

Brighton 11, Livonia Stevenson 9 - Bobby Cavin and Tanner Liptow each had three hits for Stevenson in the loss.

Birmingham Seaholm 2, Bay City Western 1 - Seaholm's Nick King pitched a complete-game one-hitter while striking out eight in the win. Jimmy Love got the game-winning RBI in the fifth inning. Seaholm improves to 18-2 overall.

Birmingham Seaholm 6, Rochester 3 - Paul Derocher and Johnny Vecchio each had three hits for Seaholm. Jimmy Love pitched a complete-game, striking out four.

Lakeland 11, Waterford Mott 1 - Gavin Meehan picked up the win on the mound with four shutout innings for Lakeland. Drake Schultz was 3-for-3, Trent Farquhar had a hit, three walks and three RBIs. Patrick McDonald and Kevin Krill each had a hit and an RBI.

Lakeland 14, Waterford Mott 0 - Case Jaworski had the win on the mound. Patrick McDonald was 2-for-4 with two RBIs, Drake Schultz was 2-for-3 with three RBIs, Matthew Hanson was 1-for-2 with three RBIs and Sam Falzon was 2-for-3.

Lakeland 13, Waterford Mott 0 - Michael Hudspeth recorded the win on the mound throwing four scoreless innings. Patrick McDonald was 3-for-3 with three RBIs, Nole Kalin was 2-for-3 with three RBIs while Tate Farquhar, Kevin Krill and Austin Conley each had two hits. Lakeland is now 18-2 overall and 15-0 in the Lakes Valley Conference.

Livonia Stevenson 11, Plymouth 2 - Stevenson's Nate Waligora pitched five innings, striking out seven and Bobby Cavin collected three hits.

Birmingham Brother Rice 7, Detroit Catholic Central 6 - Brother Rice won on a walk-off walk after CC rallied to tie the game in the top half of the seventh. Game two was suspended due to darkness with CC up 9-8 in the fourth inning.

John Glenn 11, Livonia Churchill 2 - Chad Stevens went six innings striking out six batters as he picked up the win. He is now 6-0 for the Rockets on the mound. David Hall led the Rockets with three hits and three RBIs, while Korey Littlefield recorded two hits. Austin Southern and Connor Chapman each had two hits as well.

John Glenn 5, Livonia Churchill 0 - Korey Littlefield threw a complete game on the mound striking out three hitters from Churchill. He is 5-2 for the Rockets. Littlefield also had two hits, while David Hall drilled two doubles and had two RBIs.

Lakeland 6, Milford 0 - Trent Farquhar picked up the win on the mound going five innings with six strikeouts. Tate Farquhar, Drake Schultz, Patrick McDonald and Grant Burns each had two hits and an RBI.

Lakeland 11, Milford 8 - Austin Conley picked up the win on the mound. Kevin Krill was awesome in relief throwing the final three innings to close the door, he was also 2-for-3 with two RBIs at the plate. Trent Farquhar was 1-for-2 with three walks and three runs scored. Sam Falzon was 1-for-1 with two walks and three RBIs.

Lakeland 9, Milford 3 - Case Jaworski picked up the win on the mound striking out eight. Trent Farquhar was 2-for-4 with two RBIs while Patrick McDonald and Matthew Hanson each had two hits and an RBI.

Birmingham Seaholm 11, North Farmington 1 - Seaholm pounded the Raiders for eight runs in the first inning. Scott Clippert pitched a complete-game for the Maples.

Birmingham Seaholm 14, North Farmington 4 - The Maples scored three in the third, four in the fourth and five in the fifth to earn the win. Johnny Vecchio went 4-for-4 with two RBIs.

Birmingham Seaholm 12, North Farmington 3 - Nick King pitched six innings and didn't allow an earned run for Seaholm.

Canton 14, John Glenn 5 - Senior Evan Petersen improved his record to 3-0 in three innings pitched. Marco Johnson, Jack Rector and Liam Radomski each added two hits for the chiefs.

Canton 5, Belleville 3 - Canton improved their overall record to 12-5 on the season behind a strong pitching effort by junior Jack Rector. Rector picked up the win with four strong innings of work allowing only one hit while striking out six. Senior Bryce Mandelka added a two-run homer, while Rector also chipped in with two hits for the Chiefs.

Livonia Franklin 12, Lincoln Park 5 - Greg Wiacek and Jacob Kelbert split the game on the mound with Wiacek getting the win. Brandon Meadows had three RBIs on the day for Franklin. The Patriots are 12-4.

Livonia Franklin 5, Lincoln Park 1 - Jack Cronyn threw a complete game allowing one unearned run. Josh Michaels had a double and two RBIs.



Novi goalkeeper Abbey Pfeiffer has shut out five straight opponents. TODD PHEIFFER

Livonia Franklin 15, Fordson 0 - Jacob Cox threw all three innings in the victory.

Livonia Franklin 17, Fordson 0 - Derek Sayers threw all three innings for the win. Ryan Madden was 5-for-5 on the day with six RBIs. Cal Fournier was 6-for-6 with a walk and seven RBIs.

Trenton 6, Garden City 2 - Devin Christopher went 2-for-3 with an RBI for Garden City.

Trenton 6, Garden City 0 - Trevor McCorry had a double for Garden City, which falls to 18-3 overall.

Garden City 12, Greenhills 2 - Jakob May went 2-for-4 with a three-run home run, a double and four RBIs.

Salem 5, Northville 4 - Jake Amato pitched six innings in the win. Matt Claerhout had a two-run triple for Salem.

Lake Orion 3, Plymouth 2
Northville 5, Sterling Heights Stevenson 2

Novi 8, John Glenn 4
Hartland 12, Novi 0
Brighton 13, Plymouth 8
Hartland 9, Novi 8
Brighton 3, Plymouth 2

Softball

Plymouth 5, Livonia Stevenson 0 - Angela Schmidt and Allison Boka combined for the shutout on the mound. Alexis D'Alexander went 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI, while Haley Gagnon went 2-for-3 with a triple and 2 RBIs.

Brighton 2, Plymouth 1 - Angela Schmidt had a great game in the circle with three strikeouts and only allowing three hits, but the Cats fall short in extra innings. Arie Bartholomew went 3-for-3 with a double.

Brighton 8, Plymouth 5 - Schmidt went 3-for-4 with an RBI and D'Alexander had two doubles for Plymouth.

Livonia Stevenson 9, Salem 8 - Hailey Dechalk went 3-for-4 with two doubles and two RBIs, while Rachel Murphy hit a home run and a triple for Salem.

Northville 10, Salem 8 - Hailey Dechalk had a home run and four RBIs for Salem.

Lakeland 16, Milford 15 - The two teams combined for a whopping 33 hits in the high-scoring contest.

Milford 12, Lakeland 9 - Amelia Price had six RBIs in the big win for Milford.

Milford 13, Birmingham Seaholm 4 - Price had three RBIs for Milford.

Clarkston 14, Milford 5
Milford 4, Grosse Pointe North 2

Soccer

Birmingham Seaholm 4, Glen Lake 1 - Seaholm's Livi Ross had two goals and Amanda Koczara and Anna Kozleski each had one goal. Grace Harr had two assists, Caroline Esper and Hailey Hartwig each had one assist. Goalkeeper Makenzie Martin earned the win.

Birmingham Seaholm 3, Traverse City Central 0 - Caroline Esper, Hailey Hartwig and Livi Ross each scored a goal with assists coming from Caroline Esper, Grace Harr and Livi Ross. Goalkeeper Maya Nesti earned the win.

South Lyon 1, Lakeland 1 - A makeup game from the beginning of the season, this was considered a non-conference game. Lexi Nabozny scored for South Lyon, while Lakeland's goal came on a penalty kick.

Novi 6, Milford 0 - Novi sophomore goalie Abbey Pfeiffer secured her eighth shutout of the season, making three saves. Novi is now 10-0. Six different players scored

for the Wildcats.

Livonia Churchill 2, North Farmington 0 - Churchill's goals were scored by Kayla Karnesky (assisted by Shelby Davis) and Riley Pfeiffer (assisted by Karnesky).

South Lyon 4, Walled Lake Northern 3 - Regan Dancer (two goals), Kylie Davis and Sarah Flannery all scored for South Lyon.

Plymouth 3, Salem 1 - The Wildcats scored all their goals in the second half to top the Rocks in this year's pink-out game, which raised funds for breast cancer research.

Novi 2, Canton 0 - Avery Fenchel scored both goals for Novi.

Livonia Churchill 3, John Glenn 2 - Kayla Karnesky scored twice for Churchill.

Canton 1, Northville 1 - The Chiefs had a 1-0 lead at halftime on a direct kick goal by senior Katie Nestico. Northville tied it up and minutes later the game was called due to severe weather with 26 minutes remaining.

John Glenn 8, Wayne Memorial 0
Livonia Churchill 3, Livonia Franklin 0 - Kaci Pampreen (from Kayla Karnesky), Emil Halkey (from Riley Pfeiffer) and Abby Doust (from Shelby Davis) scored for Churchill.

Salem 0, Hartland 0
Milford 4, South Lyon East 1 - Freshman Emma Pompo assisted the goal from junior Jillian Pompo for East.

Garden City 2, Carlson 1
Clarenceville 7, Thurston 1 - Senior Penda Diop-Kebe and freshman Ashlyn Kluesner each scored their first career goals for Clarenceville.

Waterford Kettering 4, South Lyon East 3 - Kettering came on strong and scored two goals in the first five minutes of the game. However, senior Captain Katie Blunden scored with 22:40 left in the first half with an assist from freshman Ashley Sleevea. The Captains scored two more goals in the second half but the Cougars did not give up hope. Freshman Emma Pompo scored with 4:37 from Sleevea. Freshman Jesi Boulard scored with 2:44 left in the game off a corner. However, the Cougars could not get that tying goal and the game ended 4-3 in favor of Kettering.

Clarenceville 9, Redford Union 2 - Senior Michelle Marzolo scored six goals for Clarenceville.

Garden City 19, Romulus 0

Tennis

Livonia Franklin 5, Dearborn 4 - Singles

No. 1 - Eva Muller, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Caroline Giedeman, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-1, -;

No. 2 - Megan Anthony, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Eleanor Murray, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 7-6 (3), -;

No. 3 - Emily Kostielney, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Yasmine Rammouni, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 6-0, 6-4;

No. 4 - Meiling Marzonie, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Sofia Cueva, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-2, 6-1, -;

Doubles
No. 1 - Stephanie Cueva - Aly Brumm, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Mariam Beydoun - Megan Hadley, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 7-5, 6-3, -;

No. 2 - Dania Jadallah - Lacey Jajko, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Katie Callaghan - Sandrea Cueva, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-2, 6-4, -;

No. 3 - Daphne Millross - Brittney Winn, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Briana Drazek -

Aya Siblani, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5;

No. 4 - Isabelle Winek - Fatima Sareini, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Kelly Engler - Marissa Muller, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-3, 7-5, -;

No. 5 - Maya Audi - Sarah Awali, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Halie Hart - Kate Montie, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-1, 6-1, -;

Livonia Franklin 9, Dearborn 9, **Livonia Churchill 8**, **Wayne Memorial 1** - Singles

No. 1 - Allison McConnell, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Laney Blair, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 1 - Caroline Giedeman, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Laney Blair, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 1 - Eva Muller, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Laney Blair, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 2 - Megan Anthony, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Madison Simmons, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 2 - Eleanor Murray, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Madison Simmons, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 1-6, -;

No. 2 - Reagan Seremet, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Madison Simmons, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 3-6, 1-6, -;

No. 3 - Leera Garrett, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL def. Lauren Henzi, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 6-4, 6-2, -;

No. 3 - Yasmine Rammouni, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Leera Garrett, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 2-6, -;

No. 3 - Emily Kostielney, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Leera Garrett, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 1-6, -;

No. 4 - Emma Norwood, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Judy Ward, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 4-6, 8-10;

No. 4 - Sofia Cueva, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Judy Ward, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 4 - Meiling Marzonie, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Judy Ward, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

Doubles
No. 1 - Stephanie Cueva - Aly Brumm, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Victoria Ceci - Cayleen Howell, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 1 - Mya Grant - Mary Jiang, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Victoria Ceci - Cayleen Howell, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 1 - Megan Hadley - Mariam Beydoun, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Victoria Ceci - Cayleen Howell, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 3-6, 0-6, -;

No. 2 - Sandrea Cueva - Katie Callaghan, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Autymn Lazenby - Alexis Flores, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 0-6, -;

No. 2 - Nora Curley - Natalie Romick, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Autymn Lazenby - Alexis Flores, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 2-6, -;

No. 2 - Lacey Jajko - Dania Jadallah, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Autymn Lazenby - Alexis Flores, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 3 - Daphne Millross - Brittney Winn, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Ariyanna Burns - Shayla Wallace, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 0-6, -;

No. 3 - Casiana Miller - Batoul Saad, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Ariyanna Burns - Shayla Wallace, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 3 - Aya Braish - Marissa Kozlowski, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Ariyanna Burns - Shayla Wallace, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 1-6, -;

No. 4 - Gayle Vedugeres - Letisia Kape, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Brooke Johnson - Christa Lawrence, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 4 - Isabelle Winek - Fatima Sareini, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Brooke Johnson - Christa Lawrence, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 4 - Kelly Engler - Marissa Muller, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Brooke Johnson - Christa Lawrence, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 1-6, -;

No. 5 - Halie Hart - Kate Montie, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Asia Hayley - Laniece Williams, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 5 - Allie Baca - Antoneta Bucaj, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Asia Hayley - Laniece Williams, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 1-6, -;

No. 5 - Sarah Awali - Emma Besek, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL def. Asia Hayley - Laniece Williams, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 0-6, -;

Livonia Franklin 9, Belleville 0 - Singles

No. 1 - Eva Muller, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Bailey Etherton, BELLEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-1, -;

No. 2 - Megan Anthony, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Callie Puterbaugh, BELLEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Emily Kostielney, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Shenelle Rimando, BELLEVILLE HIGH, 7-6 (6), 6-0, -;

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Scoreboard

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No. 4 - Sofia Cueva, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Alexis Satterfield, BELLEVILLE HIGH, 6-0, 6-0, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Stephanie Cueva - Aly Brumm, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Hailey McClosky - Alyssa Melidosian, BELLEVILLE HIGH, 6-3, 6-3, -;

No. 2 - Katie Callaghan - Sandrea Cueva, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Haleigh Copeland - Hannah Copeland, BELLEVILLE HIGH, 6-3, 6-2, -;

No. 3 - Daphne Millross - Brittney Winn, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Briannè Deborde - Lauren Umphrey, BELLEVILLE HIGH, 7-5, 6-1, -;

No. 4 - Marissa Muller - Kelly Engler, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Ta Nae Troupe - Damaris Duceac, BELLEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 5 - Halie Hart - Kate Montie, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Cailin Bishop - Talarah Brown, BELLEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-3, -;

Dearborn Fordson 8, Wayne Memorial 1

Singles

No. 1 - Dalal Darwish, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Laney Blair, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 2-6, 1-6, -;

No. 2 - Yara Elayyan, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Madison Simmons, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 2-6, -;

No. 3 - Fatme Jomaa, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Leera Garrett, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 2-6, -;

No. 4 - Judy Ward, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL def. Kawther Albaiatty, DEARBORN FORDSON, 6-3, 6-2, -;

Doubles

No. 2 - Sana Zandi - Diana Swaidan, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Cayleen Howell - Tiffany Tucker, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 1-6, 1-6, -;

No. 3 - Yasmeen Mourad - Ammel Mutahr, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Autymn Lazenby - Lindsey Wallace, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 0-6, 0-6, -;

No. 4 - Heba Mrech - Vivian Fawaz, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Alexis Flores - Jaden Singleton, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 3-6, 2-6, -;

No. 5 - Malak Elhabhab - Rola Fawaz, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Mirian Mendoza - Ameerah Sheffield, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-4, 1-6, 5-10;

No. 1 - Amet Algirsh - Zahraa Hakim, DEARBORN FORDSON def. Victoria Ceci - Madison Tate-rankin, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 5-7, 7-5, 2-6;

Livonia Franklin 5, Livonia Churchill 4

Singles

No. 1 - Allison McConnell, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Eva Muller, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Megan Anthony, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Reagan Seremet, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Archana Chandran, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Emily Kostielney, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-1, 6-2, -;

No. 4 - Sofia Cueva, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Lauren Henzi, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 6-2, 6-4, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Mya Grant - Mary Jiang, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Aly Brumm - Stephanie Cueva, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1;

No. 2 - Nora Curley - Natalie Romick, LIVONIA CHURCHILL def. Sandrea Cueva - Katie Callaghan, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-2, 2-6, 3-6;

No. 3 - Daphne Millross - Brittney Winn, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Mackenzie Heilman - Puneet Mangat, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 7-6 (6), 6-2, -;

No. 4 - Marissa Muller - Kelly Engler, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Emma Norwood - Sharan Mangat, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 2-6, 7-6 (2), 6-2;

No. 5 - Kate Montie - Halie Hart, LIVONIA FRANKLIN def. Nina Canzoneri - Anna Lari-viere, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 6-1, 7-5, -;

Plymouth 7, Howell 2

Singles

No. 1 - Allie Zhang, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Madison Melby, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Allie Baker, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Megan Wolan, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-4, -;

No. 3 - Miriam Moreno, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL def. Praveena Mohanraj, CANTON PLYMOUTH, 6-3, 6-3, -;

No. 4 - Samitha Yerrakalva, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Aedin Seck, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Olivia Schafer - Alayna Stults, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Nina Heikes - Lily Thumm, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

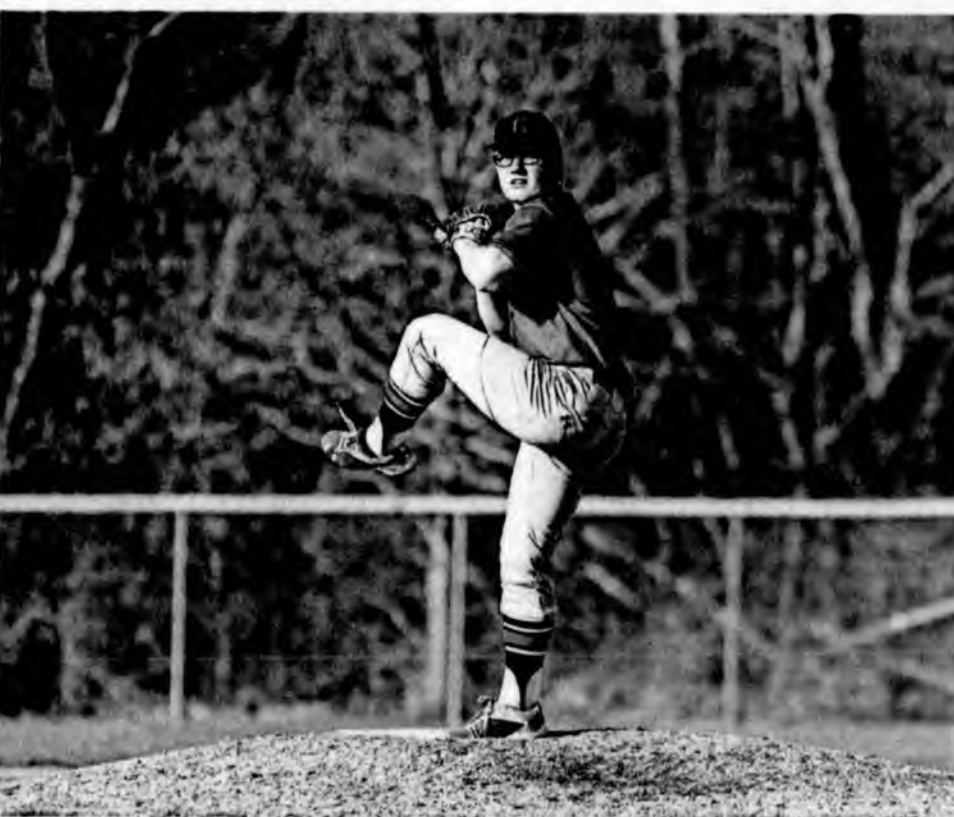
No. 2 - Grace Iacopelli - Paige Christea, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Eve Richardson - Shannon Hobson, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-2, -;

No. 3 - Kokoa Kaneko - Paige Christea, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Alicia Ward - Megan Robinson, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-1, -;

No. 4 - Sophia Trump - Patti Salmon, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL def. Cate Whelan - Simran Bhutia, CANTON PLYMOUTH, 6-3,



Milford's Amelia Price hit two home runs last week, including a grand slam. COURTESY OF JERRY REA PHOTOGRAPHY



John Glenn pitcher Chad Stevens winds up to deliver a pitch in a game against Wayne Memorial on Monday. COURTESY OF JOHN C. WRIGHT

6-7 (1), 10-6;

No. 5 - Akshata Kharkar - Moriah Carpenter, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Myah Richardson - Ciera Richardson, HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-1, -;

Northville Quad:

Saturday, May 4th was a great day for outdoor tennis at the 3rd and final Northville Quad of the season. Schools playing in the Quad were Northville, Midland Dow, Holly and Grand Rapids Christian.

Each school had flights that were state champion contenders and each match was a challenge. #1Singles resulted in a remarkable achievement by Northville's Tori Mady (II) who defeated both Midland Dow's Zoe Angell (10) 6-4, 6-1 and Holly's Taylor Barrett 6-1, 3-6, 10-6, who Tori had lost to earlier in the season. The highlight of the doubles matches was the battle between Midland Dow and Northville. Last week in the Ann Arbor Huron Invitational, Northville's 1D (Sophie Zhuang/Maya Mulchandani) and 2D (Andrea Nam/Madison DeYoung) defeating both of Midland Dow's teams. This week, the Northville Quad did not result in a final challenge as both Midland Dow teams were absent due to Prom. Northville's 3D's lost to Midland Dow 6-3, 6-3 was a great test to the Northville team playing with Connie Gao and Ashna Mulchandani who was subbing for our regular player, Michelle Tong (who was out due to subject SAT). Northville's 4D's however, played very well against the Midland Dow team winning 6-4, 6-2, and Northville's 5D's also scored a victory vs Midland Dow with a 6-1, 6-1 (Amelia Nam and Sarah Gallagher). Northville won the quad with 20 points.

Northville 9, Novi 0

Singles

No. 1 - Tori Mady, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jamie Fu, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-1, -;

No. 2 - Renee Torres, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jordana Krstovski, NOVI HIGH

SCHOOL, 7-5, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Audrey Zhang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Hikaru Ishibashi, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-3, -;

No. 4 - Sneha Ganan, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Anika Kinra, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-4, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Maya Mulchandani - Sophie Zhuang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Ashley Zhou - Scarlett Chen, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-2, -;

No. 2 - Andrea Nam - Madison Deyoung, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Catherine Xu - Elizabeth Yang, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-1, -;

No. 3 - Connie Gao - Michelle Tong, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Raveena Joshi - Anjali Singh, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-1, -;

No. 4 - Vanessa Zorzan - Piper Young, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Anvi Kinra - Aryana Kinra, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 5 - Sarah Gallagher - Amelia Nam, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Morgan Besant - Nishita Inapuri, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-3, -;

Brighton 5, Salem 4

Lakeland 9, Waterford Mott 0

Singles

No. 1 - Hannah Turnage, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Kaitlyn Taylor, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Angela Salmeto, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Chloe Bringold, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Zoe Cutting, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Jenna Lawson, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

No. 4 - Pia Kaufhardt, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Andrea Armenday, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-1, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Jessica Ruhukya - Danielle Holmes, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Elisa Wilcox -

Caitlyn Sohrabi, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-1, -;

No. 2 - Isabella Wloch - Chloe Lynch, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Raven Johnson - Grade Kassa, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-2, -;

No. 3 - Emma Hahn - Allie Kintz, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Carol Leemann - Sarah Dennis, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 4 - Claire Enyeart - Lexie Martin, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Alexis Wade - Amineh Williams, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-3, -;

No. 5 - 1 Sorana - C Stevenson, WHITE LAKE LAKELAND def. Mariah Collier - Ambrell Herr, WATERFORD MOTT HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-1, -;

Lacrosse

Girls

Birmingham 15, Troy 3 - The Birmingham women's lacrosse team jumped out to a big lead versus the visiting Troy Colts and cruised to a 15-3 victory on Senior Night at Seaholm High School. Shannon Stubbs had four goals, while Kate Wujciak and Kelsey McNally had three apiece. Julie Dunigan and Kayleigh Rogers added two goals for the home team.

Boys

Birmingham United 7, Bloomfield Hills 6 (2OT) - Johnny Cross four goals, including the game-winner in double overtime. Owen Van Hees had four assists for Birmingham and Jackson Tinsley made 12 saves.

Birmingham 8, Notre Dame Prep 7 - Owen Cross and Johnny Cross had two goals each for Birmingham, which fought off the rain to earn the win.

Huron Valley 7, Waterford 3 - The Titans get a 7-3 win against Waterford Unified, in a strong defensive battle. Goalie Colin Doyle recorded 13 saves. Attack-men Logan Gillis and Michael Stibal each had a hat-trick and Alex Libby scored a goal. The Titans improve their record to 8-5

Golf

Northville 160, Salem 170 - The Rock's low score was posted by Cole Moyer with a 41, but it wasn't enough for the win.

Livonia Churchill 176, Dearborn 186 - Churchill picked up the road victory.

Salem 171, Canton 178 - Josh German had the low score of the day for Salem (37).

Track and Field

Boys

Northville 89, Novi 48
Wayne Memorial 76, John Glenn 47
Salem 72, Canton 65

Girls

Northville 114, Novi 23
Wayne Memorial 95, John Glenn 24
Salem 90, Canton 47
North Farmington places 5th in Lakeland Coaches Invitational

Note: Coaches or parents, please email scores and stats to Liv-Sports@hometownlife.com to be included in the newspaper.

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COOL SPACES



TIME CAPSULE

Home captures 1960s style

A mid-century modern home on Nine Mile Road in Green Oak Township features fascinating roof lines and windows positioned for maximum illumination.

Jennifer Timar Livingston Daily | USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Architect Michael Pogliano fondly remembers designing a one-of-a-kind mid-20th Century modern home in Green Oak Township north of Whitmore Lake. ■ It is a time capsule of 1960s style that hasn't been changed much by its owners over the decades. ■ The home is also a snapshot of Pogliano's architectural sensibilities when he was an up-and-coming young architect. He went on to a long career designing homes, condo developments, libraries and commercial properties. ■ In his golden years, he remains an active architect.



An unique coffee table complements the 1960s decor of a home on Nine Mile Road, shown April 30. PHOTOS BY GILLIS BENEDICT/LIVINGSTON DAILY

Architectural time capsule home:

Where: 10383 Nine Mile Road, Whitmore Lake

Bedrooms: 6

Baths: 4

Square feet: 3,934 on 3.2 acres, plus 2,400-square-foot 16-car garage

Key features: 1960s architectural features, floor-to-ceiling windows, W-shaped roof, open floor plan, 16-car garage

"It was my first project as an architect," said Pogliano, who lives in Saline.

"In a lot of ways, at that time it was very modern," he said. "Part of the roof has the W-shape and all the windows."

He said flat roofs were common at the time. Some of the home's roofs are flat.

But he said he wanted to do something different.

"Other than just having a big, flat roof like on the rest of the house, I was looking for something that had a little more character to it," he said.

The 3,900-square-foot home at 10383 Nine Mile Road north of Whitmore Lake was designed for the Lupi family, who were in the concrete business.

Beyond a long career in architecture and development, Pogliano taught construction technology classes at Washtenaw Community College for decades.

He has worked on a few homes in the past year.

He said throughout his career, he utilized some of the techniques he first explored designing the Whitmore Lake home.

"I liked keeping the feeling of openness," he said. "Spaces were clearly defined but opened up to each other, and that was the idea, you're living in the whole house and not just one room."

Four living room spaces all have their own personalities. But they are all connected and there are no doors stand between them. Two living spaces on each of the home's two levels is subtly separated by a fireplace and half wall.

In the upstairs great room, one living room side is decorated by more formal furnishings than the other, which features comfier leather couches.

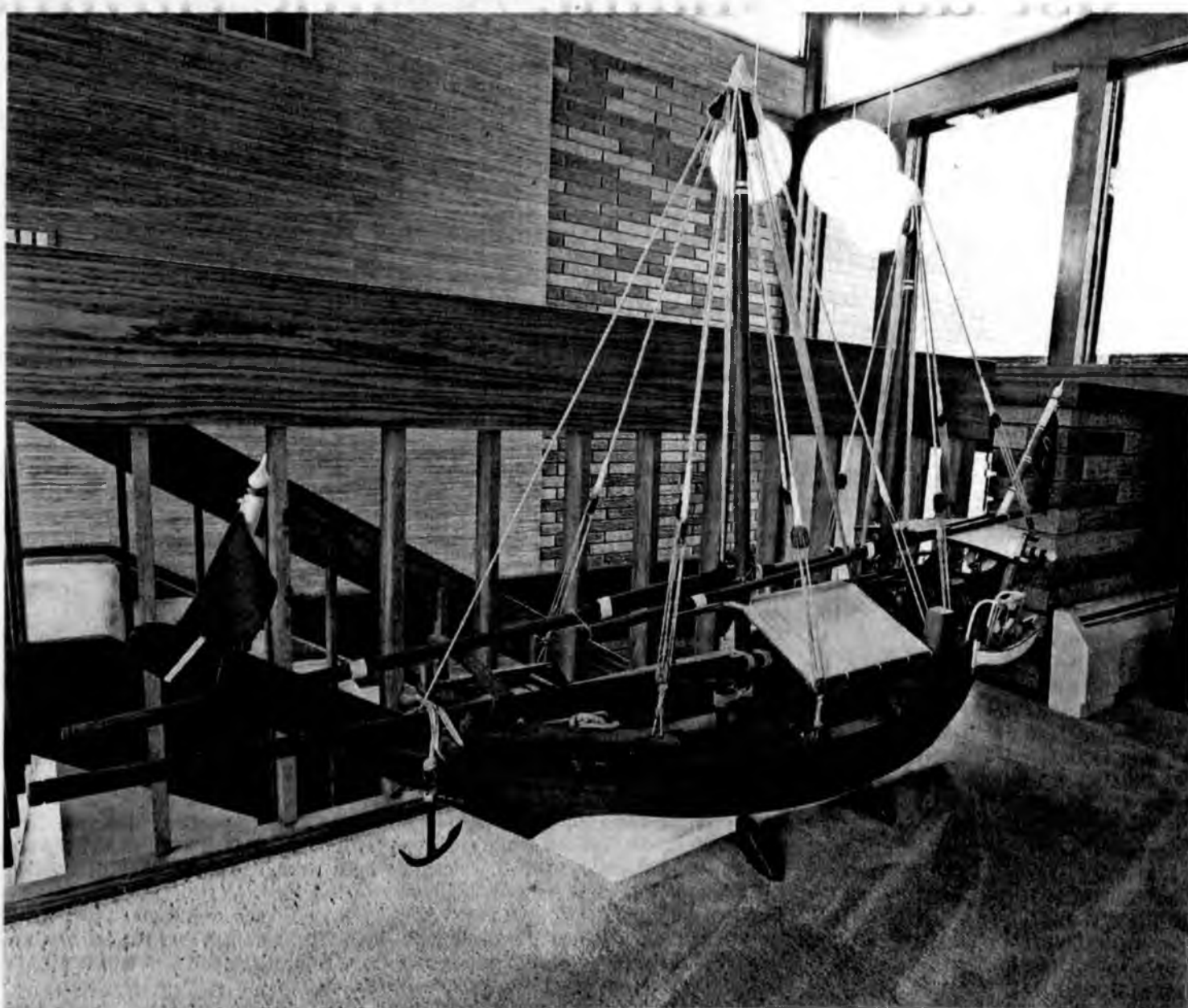
A long hallway connecting the living spaces and other rooms is all floor-to-ceiling windows.

"So, if you had a party, people were all over the house, but you weren't segregated from each other," Pogliano said. "Or you could have the kids over there while the parents were over here."

The kitchen opens up to a large dining room. The two rooms are separated by a counter instead of a wall.

"Openness became more popular, and now it seems like we are going back to that, especially in bigger homes," Pogliano said.

Other 1960s-style features in the house include laminate beams, natural and natural-looking materials such as stone bricks and textured wallpapers



The finish of the wood on a model boat fits perfectly with the wood accents.

and the home's original intercom system.

Another unique feature is a pool that is elevated above the ground. The property is quite hilly and steeply pitched. The pool is sunk into concrete held up by cantilever, floating beams attached only at one end.

Two trees are growing through holes cut into the concrete around the pool.

Realtor Brent Flewelling of Reinhart Realtors said recreating a mid-20th-century home would be very difficult.

"People want that mid-century look, but to recreate it is so expensive these days," Flewelling said. "It's a labor of love and expression of personality, and

you could never build a house like this if you're thinking financials first."

Flewelling estimated it would likely cost more than \$1.4 million to build a home like it today.

He recently listed it for sale for \$700,000 and got multiple offers within the first few days.

He said many new high-end custom homes are similar with minor variations.

While many homeowners have remodeled mid-century homes to make them more contemporary, the home's owners have kept a lot of details from the 1960s.

"In the mid-century, they were all

unique expressions of who designed and built it," he said. "That gives the homes a competitive advantage" in the real estate market, "especially for the purists."

On top of being of interest to architecture-lovers, vehicle enthusiasts would have a field day in a 16-car, 2,400-square-foot detached garage on the property. The home also features a standard two-car garage attached to the home. That equates to room for 18 vehicles.

Have an idea for a Cool Space? Contact Livingston Daily reporter Jennifer Timar at 517-548-7148 or at jtimar@livingstondaily.com.

Costs add up at Calif. parks

Guests pay more than \$200 a day at hot spots

Scott Craven
The Arizona Republic
USA TODAY NETWORK

Quickly, what's the most expensive theme park to visit in California?

If you think the Happiest Place on Earth is also the costliest, you're in Mistakenland.

A day at Disneyland (and Disney California Adventure) is actually slightly cheaper than Universal Studios Hollywood, the most expensive theme park when you factor in tickets, parking, food and hotel.

And the cheapest of California's nine theme parks is Knott's Berry Farm, according to HomeToGo.com's California Theme Park Index. A day at Knott's averages \$128.85 per person, while guests will pay \$289.79 each at Universal Studios Hollywood.

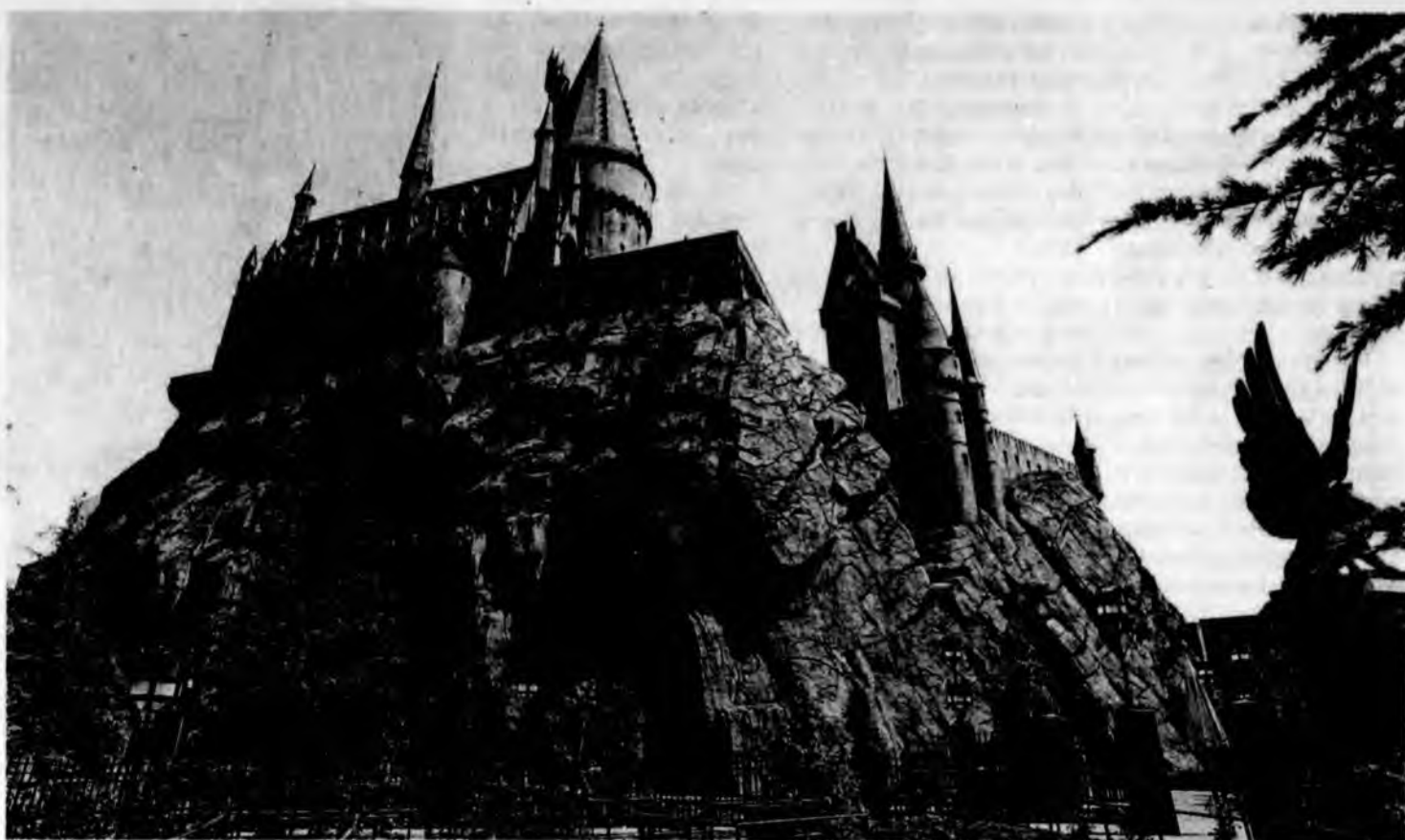
Disneyland and California Adventure come in at \$248.97, tying as the second-most expensive parks.

Rather than rely on ticket prices alone — the budgetary Achilles' heel of the Disney parks — HometoGo included the usual expenditures for an out-of-town visitor.

Based on those four cost factors — ticket, parking, food (cheeseburger, fries and a drink) and lodging (one night based on four people) — Knott's Berry Farm was \$10 cheaper than the second-cheapest on the list, Six Flags Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo, California.

The cost of accommodations helped push Universal Studios to the top of the most expensive parks. The Hollywood park averaged \$107.80 per person for a nearby hotel room, far above the \$32.36 at Knott's, and second only to California's Great America in Santa Clara (\$152.17).

Disney's largest expense, based on prices available June 1, was the \$149 one-day ticket.



The Wizarding World of Harry Potter is a top attraction at Universal Studios Hollywood. SHUTTERSTOCK.COM

California theme parks

Results of HomeToGo.com's Theme Park Index, based on one-day ticket, parking, food and accommodations, from cheapest to most expensive.

- Knott's Berry Farm, **\$128.85**
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- Universal Studios, **\$289.79**



The Jurassic Park ride has been terrorizing Universal Studios visitors for years with its fearsome dinosaurs and splashdown finale. UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD

Must-do in Miami: A Little Havana food tour

Larry Olmsted
Special to USA TODAY

The scene: When visitors think about the food Miami is famous for, Cuban is at the top of the list — and the biggest concentration of Cuban restaurants and businesses is in the neighborhood known as Little Havana. The food here is delicious and varied, but choosing can be hard. That's the beauty of the field trips offered by Miami Culinary Tours, a specialist in all things local and edible (long rated No. 1 in the city by TripAdvisor, and in 2018, the fifth-best food experience in the world).

These days just about every sizable city has food tour offerings — often on foot, sometimes by shuttle bus, sometimes by public transportation — and I've done them from New Orleans to Montreal to Tokyo. But Little Havana really lends itself to tours because it is such a compact, diverse and colorful neighborhood, easily explored on foot but full of hidden gems.

This tour stops at both classic and modern eateries, a market where visitors might otherwise miss out on an especially tasty experience, an art gallery doubling as boutique bar and a cigar factory. Visitors will also take in colorful murals and neighborhood institutions like Maximo Gomez Park, where locals play dominoes with unexpected fervor. In the process, you see things you probably would miss on your own and learn the cultural stories behind the food. Our guide was very informed — she used to live in Cuba.

Reason to visit: Medianoche sandwich, picadillo empanada, croquette, fresh sugar cane juice

The food: One of the great things about taking a food tour is that you don't have to choose just one or two dishes, you get to graze and sample — in this case, classics of Cuban cuisine.

The tour started not with food but with a drink, Cuba's most famous contribution to the cocktail canon: the mojito. The meeting place for the group (up to 14 people) was an art gallery on the main drag in Little Havana, Calle Ocho. The gallery has a small bar in the back, Agustin Gainza Arts & Tavern, better known as Taberna del Pintor (Tavern of the Painter). As the guests arrived and the guide checked us in, the gallery owner painstakingly muddled fresh mint, lime and sugar in tall glasses before adding ice, rum and soda water,



The medianoche is twist on a traditional Cuban sandwich using a yellow sweet bread.



El Pub Restaurant is an institution in Miami's Little Havana.



A guide from Miami Culinary Tours explains the signature pastry, guava pastelitos, at the Yisell Bakery. PHOTOS BY LARRY OLMSTED

while telling us about his gallery. There were nonalcoholic options as well.

We moved on to the first real stop on the tour, El Pub, a large and popular corner restaurant with a pronounced local feel, where some regulars come every day. It's like a Cuban diner or coffee shop, casual with booths and a large island counter to sit at, and decorated with a huge map of the island and quotes from famous Cuban poets on the walls.

Here we were served platters of delicious picadillo empanadas while our guide explained, "The most traditional filling is picadillo, ground beef cooked in sofrito, the holy trinity of Cuban cuisine." Sofrito is a sauce made with onion, garlic and bell peppers cooked in tomato paste. The beef, as well as olives, are simmered in this sauce until everything is melded, and it looks like thick meat sauce or beef taco filling, but studded with green olives. This is then

cooked inside flaky dough to make empanadas. These are fried, not baked, but not at all greasy, while the filling is thick but not heavy. They are handheld snacks: "If people see you cutting your empanada they know you are from out of town."

At El Pub we also tried medianoches, pressed sandwiches with the same key ingredients as the better-known Cuban sandwich — roasted pork, Swiss cheese, yellow mustard and pickles — but instead of the crusty white roll used in the regular version, the medianoche uses a yellow egg-based sweet bread. I love Cuban sandwiches and have had many of them, but had never tried this sweet and savory twist. Its name translates to midnight, and is fittingly a popular wee-hours nightclub snack. The sandwich was great, and served with matchstick fries as crunchy as potato chips.

We washed this all down with a traditional Cuban coffee, an espresso-sized cup stirred with lots of sugar as it comes out of the machine, which gives it both a high level of sweetness and a unique texture, oddly different from simply adding sugar afterward. Locals drink it at all hours of the day, and many spots here, including El Pub, also have a little sidewalk window, known as a ventanita, serving them to go to passers-by, along with finger-food snacks. Most use the brand Cafe Bustelo, recognizable and nationally available, but born right here in Little Havana. Even the McDonald's on Calle Ocho serves Cuban coffee.

The penultimate stop was my favorite and the most memorable, simply because I had never seen or tasted freshly pressed sugar cane juice before. At Los Pinarenos Fruteria, a market and fruit stand, the manager hand-fed long stalks of cane into an ancient-looking grinding machine, reminiscent of a wood chipper, made especially for this purpose. The juice, which could not have been fresher, was delicious.

The Little Havana Tour is offered three times daily around lunchtime, and costs \$56.

Pilgrimage-worthy? Yes, in the sense that one of the half-dozen neighborhood food tours offered is a must for Miami visitors.

Rating: Yum! (Scale: Blah, OK, Mmmm, Yum!, OMG!)

Price: \$\$ (\$ cheap, \$\$ moderate, \$\$\$ expensive)

Details: Miami Culinary Tours; 786-942-8856; miamiculinarytours.com

Ill Patterson asked: 'How much time do I have?'

Oakland County exec still focused on serving his term

Micah Walker
Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

The first question Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson says he asked his doctor after being diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer was, "How much time do I have?"

Patterson, 80, talked to "CBS 62 Michigan Matters" TV host and Free Press columnist Carol Cain on Sunday about the conversation he had with his doctor, Phillip Phillip, after he was diagnosed in March. He showed cancer hasn't affected his well-known sense of humor, as he made a wisecrack about Democratic House Speaker Nancy Pelosi during the TV interview while discussing his cancer.

"My first question is, I'm sure you get this all the time, but, 'How much time do I have?' " Patterson says he asked his doctor. "He said, 'I don't know, only God knows.' I said, 'You gave my health records to Nancy Pelosi?'"

While only 9% of pancreatic cancer patients survive more than five years after diagnosis, Patterson said he plans to fight the disease. After revealing the diagnosis, Patterson went on a two-week vacation to Florida with his family, and is receiving chemotherapy treatments every two weeks.

"You gotta keep a positive attitude," he said. "I don't see me ultimately succumbing to this. If doctors can give me five to seven more years of remission, I'll sign that contract right now."

Patterson will not run for reelection in 2020, but plans to finish his term. He won re-election to his seventh four-year term as county executive in 2016.

After listing recent accomplishments such as his milestone birthday and the Oakland County Executive building being renamed in his honor, Cain asked Patterson what he hopes to accomplish this year.

The executive said some economic development projects are in the works, and he wants to continue investing in technology.

He also mentioned Oakland County's economy, which said has grown considerably in the past year. Last month, the University of Michigan released a report that showed Oakland County had total employment and wages exceeding more than at least 13 other states combined. In addition, the region has climbed in the rankings among the nation's most affluent big counties — from ninth place a year ago to sixth place.

Cain then moved outside of affairs in Oakland County and asked Patterson about leadership in Detroit. When asked which mayor has been the best for the city, Patterson said current mayor Mike Duggan.

"He's actually getting things done," Patterson said. "Everybody talks about things, Mike is actually doing it. The ones who are executing are the ones you want to support."

Patterson said his favorite Michigan governor was Republican George Romney because of his background in the busi-

ness world and being able to turn the state "in the right direction."

However, he doesn't think too highly of former Gov. Rick Snyder's tenure, calling him a RINO, or, a Republican in Name Only.

"The appointments that he made were not Republican-formed," Patterson said. "He had a chance to continue the Republican philosophy, and he sold out. I will be ticked off at him for a while."

Patterson later joined a roundtable with Rod Albers, executive director of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association and businesswoman Denise Ilitch. Cain asked the

panel their opinions on Joe Biden adding his name to the growing number of candidates in the 2020 presidential race.

"I think it's exciting that Joe Biden is in, and he is one of the only candidates today that could beat Trump," Ilitch said. Patterson said he believes President Donald Trump has done a "hell of a job" during his time in office.

"You may not like his style, but you gotta like the record he has built up," Patterson said. "I think he'll be a man to beat in the full race."

To see the full interview, go to detroit.cbslocal.com.



Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, 80, talked to "CBS 62 Michigan Matters" TV host and Free Press columnist Carol Cain on Sunday about cancer. RYAN GARZA/DETROIT FREE PRESS

Obituaries

Betty Jane Cook

LYON TOWNSHIP - Betty Jane Cook (nee Miller), age 100, passed away peacefully April 27, 2019 at her home at Cambrian Senior Living, Lyon Township, Michigan. Betty, wife and caring mother was born March 27, 1919 in Detroit to the late Joseph Glenwood Miller and Viola Emma (nee Peters) Miller. She graduated from Central High School in 1937. On September 28, 1940 she was united in marriage to Wallace Allen Cook. They were married for 65 years in 2005. Betty is survived by her two children, Douglas (Deborah), South Lyon and Nancy (the late Howard) Klix. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. Betty was preceded in death by her husband Wallace, sister Dorothy Eugenia (the late Fred) Walters and lifelong friend Jean Forrest Phillips. Betty's genealogy includes some of Detroit's early settlers such as; Lambert Beaubien, Captain James Cicotte, and Christopher Moross. Betty's ashes will be interred at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens along with those of Wallace. The family wishes to give special thanks to the staff at Abbey Park Independent Living in New Hudson, MI and Cambrian Senior Living in South Lyon, MI, for their loving support and care. www.phillipsfuneral.com



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Irja Violet Wuestnick

LINDEN - Irja Violet, age 89, of Linden passed away Saturday, May 4, 2019. Funeral Services will be 1:00 PM Friday, May 10, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 East Broad Street, Linden. Visitation will be 11:00 AM until the service time. Committal Services will be 11:00 AM Wednesday, May 15 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Irja was born April 15, 1930 in Lake Linden, MI the daughter of Matt Leppi and Anna Kustava (Leppsu) Leppi. Irja Violet Wuestnick was a loving wife to Earl Wuestnick the 2nd and mother to Earl Wuestnick the 3rd. She had two Grandchildren Collin and Alayna who were her pride and joy. She loved to spend time with her family and enjoyed their company. She was an elementary school teacher for 20 years in Northville schools at Amerman Elementary School and treasured her job and all of her students. Irja loved to travel with her family to Arizona and other world countries. She adored her dog Boopsie and spoiled him with every ounce of love she had. She was a loving, nurturing caring wife, mother and grandmother and will be greatly missed to all. She is survived by her son, Earl Wuestnick III of Linden; two grandchildren, Collin and Alayna; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Earl Wuestnick, II on November 20, 2016; three sisters, Helga, Helvie, and Martha; and four brothers, John, Arnold, Louis, and Reino. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Richard "Dick" William Watson

SOUTH LYON - Richard "Dick" William Watson, a longtime resident of South Lyon, and native of Oak Park, a beloved and respected teacher and coach of Walled Lake Western died peacefully with his family by his side on April 29, 2019. He was 74 years old.



Dick was born on September 27, 1944 in Detroit to the parents of Wesley and Marie Watson. He was a graduate of Berkley High in 1962, received his Bachelors in Education from Central Michigan University in 1966 and was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He also received his Masters from Eastern Michigan University in 1974.

Coach Watson began teaching for Walled Lake Schools in 1966, before moving to Walled Lake Western in 1969. He was a long time teacher, administrator and coached wrestling, football and track and field. After retiring in 2009, he continued to coach at South Lyon and South Lyon East.

Dick is survived by his brother Wes (Donna), the mother of his children and caretaker Theresa, his three sons Michael (Lisa), Bryan (Jennifer) and Bobby (Marie), his four grandchildren Anabelle, Grace, Carter and Robert and many more nieces, nephews and longtime former student athletes that he always considered family. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother (Bob).

Funeral Services will be held on May 10th at St. Joseph Catholic Church in South Lyon at 11:00 AM. There will be a celebration of life at his home at 58250 11 Mile Rd. in South Lyon starting at 2 PM. For further information, please phone (248) 444-7075. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the US Wrestling Foundation or the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.



Darlene Anne Drury

SOUTH LYON - Darlene Ann Drury, age 76, of South Lyon passed away April 27, 2019. Darlene is survived by her husband James Drury; son Martin J. Drury; grandchildren: Natalie Lichtman, Jon Drury and Madeline Drury; sisters Marilynn (David) Stanley and Sandra (Michael) Corless. She is preceded in death by her daughter Suzanne L. Lichtman and a brother Leonard Dichtel. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Angela Hospice or The Epilepsy Foundation. www.phillipsfuneral.com

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Ordering in puts schools out

Food deliveries have become a distraction

John Wisely
Detroit Free Press
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Instead of packing lunches, many high school students now pack their cellphones, ordering food delivered to their school with such apps as Grubhub, DoorDash and Uber Eats.

The deliveries have become so frequent and disruptive that many schools have banned them.

"It was getting to the point where you'd have eight, 10, 15 deliveries a day," said Pat Watson, principal at West Bloomfield High School in West Bloomfield Township, Michigan. The Detroit metro area recently reminded students to knock it off. "It's a building policy: You can't have food delivered during the school day," Watson said.

Other schools have done the same thing. School officials have addressed the issue from California to Florida.

"We view it as a safety concern," said Diane Blain, spokeswoman for Chippewa Valley Schools in Macomb County, Michigan, north of Detroit. "Having strangers and people that we don't know coming to our buildings with delivery bags, we just don't allow it."

Blain said the district's Dakota High School banned the practice about three years ago, and its other high school, Chippewa Valley, followed suit.

Some schools have policies explicitly prohibiting it. Others frown on it, but don't formally ban it. All of them say the practice has exploded with cellphone use and the proliferation of delivery services.

Grade-school deliveries



Jeff Hueter of Jet's Pizza in the Detroit metro area says schools are good business for deliveries. USA TODAY NETWORK

High school students aren't the only ones who order food deliveries to school, said Jeff Hueter, assistant manager of the Jet's Pizza about a mile north of West Bloomfield High. Some students in elementary school will have pizza delivered for lunch, he said.

"The parents will call and say my kid's lunch is at noon, can you deliver a pizza to the office and maybe throw in a bottle of water?" Hueter said.

Parents typically pay with a credit card or through the Jet's app on their phone. The delivery driver will bring plates and napkins if requested, he said.

Jet's charges \$3.50 for delivery compared with \$4 for Grubhub, he said. His pizza place is across the street from a middle school and a prep school, in addition to two nearby elementary schools. All of them are good

for business, he said.

Teachers are known to order a pie for lunch as well, he said.

Not all of the schools in the same area address the delivery issue in the same manner. The Plymouth-Canton School District, just northeast of Ann Arbor, Michigan, which operates three high schools in one location, doesn't have a formal policy about food deliveries, but the building procedures don't allow it, said spokesman Nick Brandon.

The main reason for the ban is school safety, he said, but there are other reasons as well.

"The second that food enters the school office, it becomes the school office's responsibility," Brandon said, adding it created concerns of food safety, food-borne illnesses and allergic reactions.

"It's also a workload issue for office personnel," he said. "If they're having to manage multiple food orders at a given lunch time with all the other things they have to be responsible for, that's a concern as well."

Waiting for lunch

The district works hard to provide healthful, good tasting food in its cafeterias and students are always free to brown bag it, Brandon said.

And deliveries aren't always on time. Tardy deliveries made for tardy students, said Watson, the West Bloomfield principal. "It's supposed to be here at 12 and my lunch is done at 12:30," Watson said. "Now it shows up at 12:35 so now I haven't gone to class. But now I've got my Panera and I go to class to eat in there."

Watson said teachers object to kids eating in class, but the students would complain it wasn't their fault, the delivery was late. Watson also has heard plenty of excuses for why an order was placed. "Kids say, 'Oh, my mom forgot to put money on my lunch account,'" Watson said. One student claimed a cousin ordered it for him, not knowing it wasn't allowed. But that claim seemed doubtful when the delivery driver knew the student's name, Watson said.

The school does allow deliveries to school after class ends, so students staying after school for a sport or other extracurricular activity can order all they want, he said.

"When I was in high school, we knew to pack two lunches, one for lunch and one for after school," Watson said. "I guess the new normal is you whip out your cellphone and order some food."

Cellphones have become so pervasive in high schools that when Watson wanted to remind kids of the no-food-orders-during-school-hours policy, he sent it out in a tweet.

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When it comes to our professional lives, most of us have a clear hierarchy of needs, including a viable salary, acceptable benefits, and responsibilities that align well with our abilities. After all, we spend so much of our lives at work (nearly 90,000 hours over our lifetimes, according to a recent Business Insider article) that it stands to reason that our core needs and wishes should be met in order to make it all seem worthwhile.

But all too often, having a healthy and productive environment doesn't make the list of priorities when we think about what's really important for us to be satisfied at work—and that's a real miss when thinking about your overall career happiness. Need some convincing? Forbes recently reported that "a toxic workplace environment will overtake the culture of any organization, interfering with employee performance, destroying relationships and demotivating top performers. It is important to understand your organization's exposure to such an environment so that strategies are implemented to either eradicate or mitigate its effects."

The question that likely remains for many of us is this: Am I stuck in an unhealthy work environment? Good question—and don't be ashamed if you don't have a clear answer. The truth is, it can be hard to tell what's unhealthy and what's normal and acceptable in a high-pressure, high demand modern workplace, in which "doing more with less" is the new normal. But don't worry, we're here to help you figure out what side you're currently on. Use the following indicators to determine if you're currently in an unhealthy workplace.



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Monitor the avoidance factor

Do you find yourself regularly going out of your way to avoid both people and situations at work? If so, then chances are you're working in an environment with some real unhealthy elements. These can include everything from toxic coworkers to an unsavory and insincere corporate culture that's misaligned with reality. The effects are similar: you dread going to work in the morning and can't wait to leave at the end of the day. Many folks tend to take a "bare minimum" approach to their jobs when in this sort of unhealthy environment—they do just enough to squeak by and stay under the radar. The result? They often deny themselves the ability to evolve in their positions. Staying in a job like this is not a formula for career satisfaction and positive growth.

Do a regular office 'mood check'

Most of us make it a point to check the weather each day before we head out to work, but not nearly enough of us stay on top of our "mood temperature." An unhealthy work environment often has an unfortunate trickle-down effect on people's moods, which makes it a great diagnostic tool for determining if your workplace has problems.

Everyone from top management to their direct reports on down through the organizational chart can feel the impact of an unhealthy environment. If the overall mood of your colleagues (or a few key personnel who have a significant impact on others) is more "doom and gloom" than "happiness and sunshine," you better believe that this has a significant impact on the company's productivity, employee turnover, and

long-term success.

Beware of negative spillover into your personal life

The unfortunate reality is this: what happens at work doesn't always stay at work. On top of encroaching on your personal time (if you choose to spend more hours working than you're required to), the effects of an unhealthy workplace can spill all over the rest of your life.

According to a recent Psychology Today article, "If you are so miserable at work that you find yourself miserable at home, in your relationships and with your hobbies than your toxic professional life is seeping into every other aspect of your life. You may find yourself constantly talking about work and complaining about your boss when you should be enjoying your time off. Eventually, your loved ones will become tired of your negative talk and complaining, and your personal life will take a major hit."

If this sounds all-too-familiar to you, then you're likely in an unhealthy work situation and may warrant taking a closer look. If you're curious about whether or not you're currently in an unhealthy work environment, do a serious self-assessment using the information provided here to help diagnose your workplace. If you find more negative than positive, consider taking active steps towards either improving your satisfaction and happiness at work, or finding a new job that will meet your needs.

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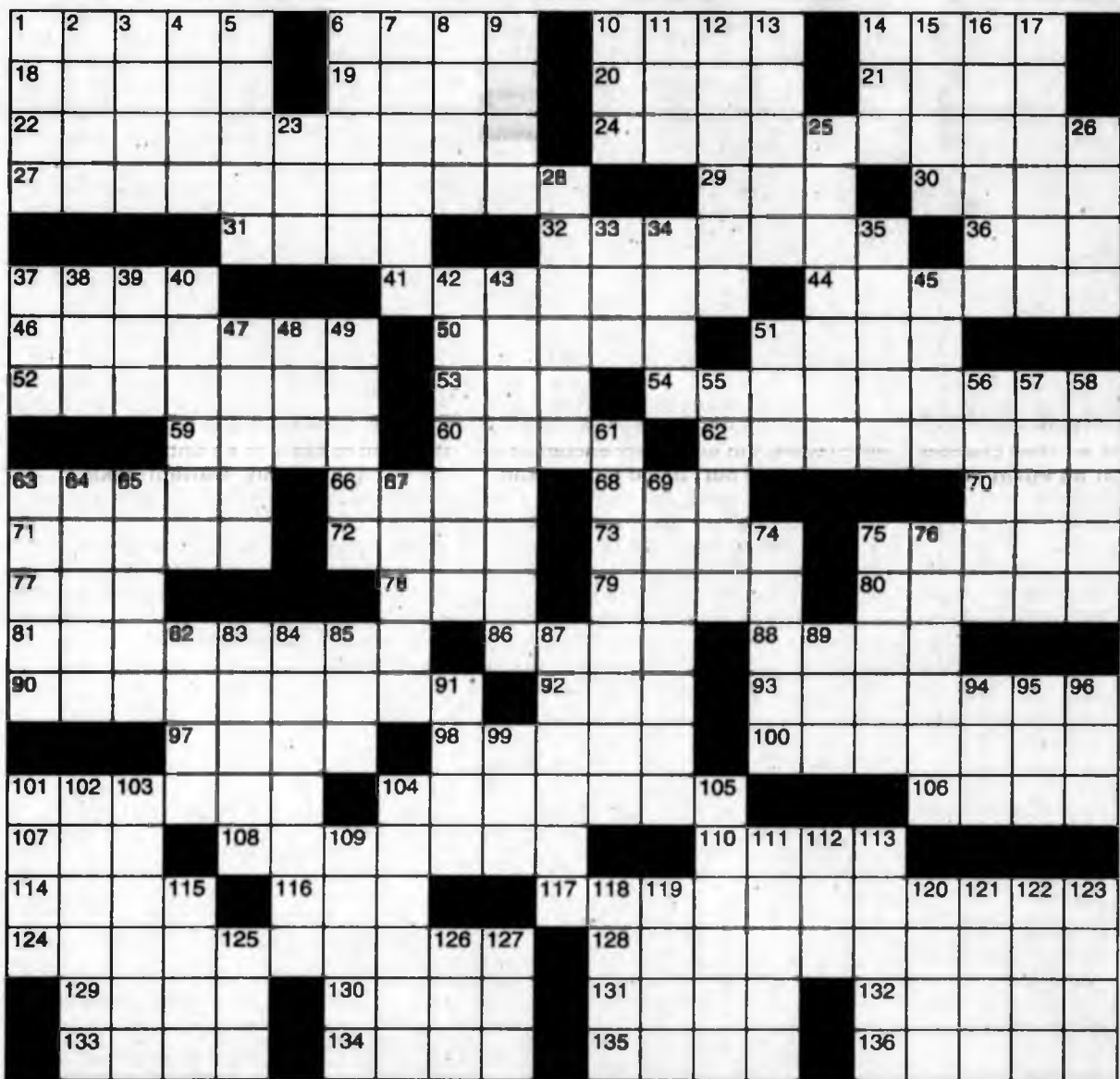
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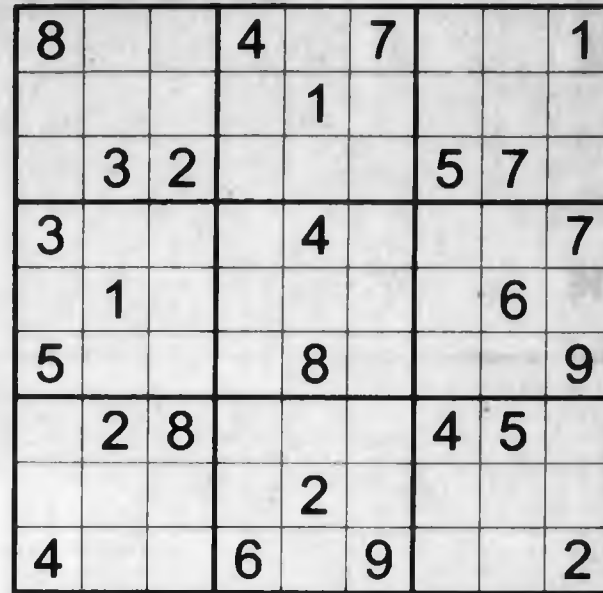
ACROSS

- 1 Muscat dweller
6 Imitate Daffy Duck
10 Chest muscles, informally
14 Coalition
18 Billiards shot
19 Not duped by
20 Folk legend Guthrie
21 Not-yet-final software
22 Involving three parties
24 One of the Clue suspects
27 1971 Stanley Kubrick film
29 "Shop — you drop!"
30 Sully
31 Middling
32 Old Italian painter
36 Singer Rawls
37 Honcho
41 Gruesome
44 Louvre, e.g.
46 False names
50 Explorer — de León
51 Shakers or Quakers
52 Most malicious
53 Tiny fraction of a joule
- 54 Heroine in Nintendo's Mario games
59 State boldly
60 Lisa of pop
62 More than friendly
63 Rock
66 Dictator Idi
68 Have control over
70 Hawaii's Mauna —
71 Lindsay of "Mean Girls"
72 Come to
73 New York City is said to be one
75 "Beetle Bailey," e.g.
77 Stuck — rut
78 Attain
79 "Quit it!"
80 Home pest
81 Mexican folk musician
86 WWII-era British gun
88 Collins of rock and pop
90 Fluorescent green
92 Period
93 Slaved away
97 Some Korean cars
98 The Antilles, e.g.
100 Tangle up
- 101 Some shiny plastics
104 Private college in the Bay State
106 Chew like a rodent
107 Ending for acetyl
108 Legendary hero of Athens
110 Regatta gear
114 "In case it's true ..."
116 Hotel phone abbr.
117 It may follow "Use by" on a label
124 Of no value
128 Irvine locale
129 Swamp grass
130 Prefix with present
131 Contents
132 Singer Bonnie
133 Concocted
134 "Auld — Syne"
135 Apropos of
136 Lauder of perfume
- 4 Court plea, in brief
5 Desktops since 1998
6 Bygone theater chain
7 Like some hotel dining
8 Antares, e.g.
9 Tyler's successor
10 Infant food
11 Transgress
12 Attire
13 Capital of Bulgaria
14 Small pellets of shot
15 Not including
16 Peter of "Masada"
17 Len of stage and screen
23 Ref's ring decision
25 Krypton, e.g.
26 See
24-Across
28 See
27-Across
33 "Speechless" ailer
34 Set up, for short
35 Actress Susan
37 Scoot's cap
38 Bullring shout
39 Zadora of "Hairspray"
- 40 See
37-Across
42 Resembling a gorilla
43 Crowns for nobles
45 Spring (from)
47 Fourth prime
48 Suffix of languages
49 Sipping aid
51 Transgress
55 Fab Four drummer
56 Actress Hayek
57 Impassive
58 See
54-Across
61 "Against the Wind" singer
63 Gunky stuff
64 Pitch-related
65 United Airlines hub
67 Houdini's skill
69 Looker-on
74 See
73-Across
75 Tots' beds
76 Dark Chinese tea
82 Gunky
83 Slanted
84 Uninvited partygoer
85 That fellow's
87 "Thy Neighbor's Wife" author
89 Solo of "Solo"
- 91 See
90-Across
94 Flew on foot
95 Period
96 Glistening grass stuff
99 Mu — chicken
101 Blood carrier
102 Give knowledge
103 Lipton rival
104 Respiratory woe
105 One slaving away
109 Laud
111 Spring (from)
112 U.K. mil. branch
113 Grocery, e.g.
115 Due, as money
118 96, in old Rome
119 Ache
120 Nest eggs for srs.
121 Doing the job
122 Evening, in adpeak
123 See
117-Across
125 Praiseful poem
126 "Raggedy" plaything
127 See
124-Across



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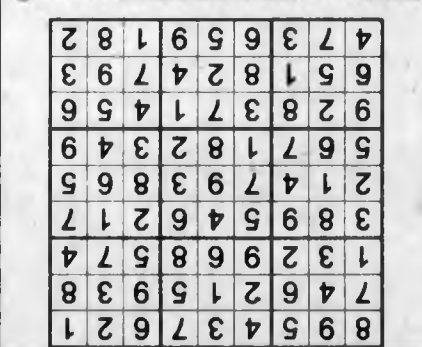
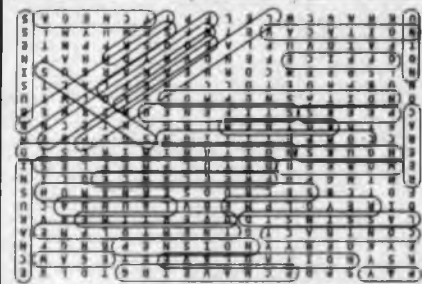
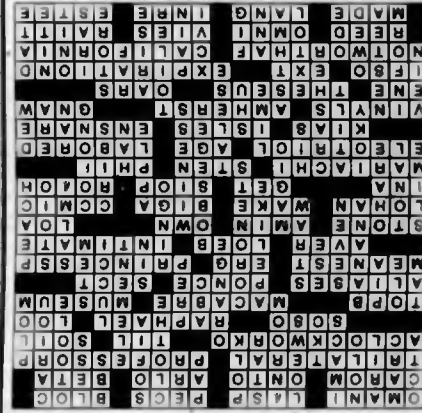
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