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Deputies: Duo intended to kill Northville man

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A Lyon Township home invasion, blood found throughout the residence and a bloodied victim in the bathroom has resulted in a local woman and her alleged co-conspirator facing felony assault charges.

Deputies say Jessica Kropiewnicki, 24, of Lyon, and Christopher Simons,

28, of Fowlerville, intended to kill their victim, a 30-year-old Northville resident, when they attacked him with a baseball bat in a wooded area earlier this month.

They have been charged with assault with intent to murder.

Oakland County Undersheriff Mike



Kropiewnicki



Simons

McCabe said in a news release that deputies at the Lyon Township substation were sent to a Martindale Road home May 5 about a home invasion.

The owners had returned to their home to find their front door had been forced open. Blood was throughout the home's interior and

stained the outside.

They found a male, conscious and breathing, in the bathroom with obvious head wounds. An ambulance arrived and transported the individual to an area hospital.

It was there the male told medical staff and deputies he was attacked with a baseball bat by multiple people.

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Caitlin Simakas, of South Lyon, dressed up as the Huntress and prowled the aisles of vendors during Motor City Comic Con at Novi's Suburban Collection on May 17. See more photos on Pages 11-12A. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Motor City Comic Con invades Novi for 3 days



South Lyon-based graphic artist Jeff VonBuskirk personalizes one of his colored-ink drawings a customer May 17.



Jeremy Burnock, of Virginia Beach, Virginia, sported tattoos of Frankenstein and Mike Myers on his calves in lieu of a costume.

Construction to start at Adell Center this month

David Veselenak Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Those who drive by Novi's newest business development should expect to see building construction begin some time later this month.

Several approvals for businesses at the proposed Adell Center, located at the site of the former Novi Expo Center, have gone through the Novi planning commission and city council over the last couple of months. The center's owner, Kevin Adell, said much of the utilities at the site have been completed and work on an underground water detention will hopefully wrap up by the end of the week.

"I'm excited for Novi and I'm excited for the people who live in Novi and who live in the surrounding area," Adell said. "I'm always looking for the next idea or creative thing."

The site, once completed, will contain two hotels, a Marriott and a Hilton; a new two-story Planet Fitness; Carvana; iFLY indoor skydiving; and a Texas Roadhouse.

The Novi Planning Commission reviewed and approved the preliminary site plan for the Texas Roadhouse at its May 8 meeting. Once constructed, it would join several other Texas Roadhouse restaurants in Metro Detroit, including in Westland, Ann Arbor and Madison Heights.

Construction on the structures is expected to begin on several of the businesses later this month, Adell said. All of them have their own contractors and will build separately once some of the infrastructure work is finished.

The hope for the center is to be fully operational by the end of the year, Adell said.



Construction of the Adell Center is expected to begin later this month. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Annual list: Michigan's top 20 most dangerous intersections are in metro

DeJanay Booth Detroit Free Press
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Drive safely if you're traveling near the intersection of Telegraph and 12 Mile roads, ranked the No. 1 most dangerous intersection in Michigan in 2018.

In an annual list released Wednesday by Michigan Auto Law in Farmington Hills, all of the top 20 intersections are located in southeast Michigan.

According to the post on Michigan Auto Law's website, 145 crashes and 24 injuries were reported at Telegraph and 12 Mile roads. That intersection is followed by Orchard Lake and 14 Mile roads in Farmington Hills/West Bloomfield with 144 crashes, and 18½ Mile Road and Van Dyke Avenue in Sterling Heights with 141 crashes.

"While there was a slight reduction in car accidents going from 150 in 2017 to 145 in 2018, this corner, when compared to others in the state, had the highest overall amount of car crashes last year. The number of injuries also remains high with 24 in 2018," the post stated.

Michigan's 20 most dangerous intersections in 2018

- 1 Telegraph Road at 12 Mile Road, Southfield: 145 total crashes, 24 injuries
- 2 Orchard Lake Road at 14 Mile Road, Farmington Hills/West Bloomfield: 144 total crashes, 20 injuries



Michigan Auto Law released its list of the 20 most dangerous intersections. COURTESY OF RAPIDEYE

- 3 18½ Mile Road at Van Dyke Avenue, Sterling Heights: 141 total crashes, 12 injuries
- 4 M -5/Martin Parkway at Pontiac Trail, Commerce Township: 138 total crashes, 9 injuries
- 5 I-75 at Big Beaver Road, Troy: 129 total crashes, 13 injuries
- 6 11 Mile Road/I-696 at Van Dyke Avenue, Warren/Center Line: 126 total crashes, 27 injuries
- 7 Telegraph Road at Schoolcraft Road, Redford Township: 125 total crashes, 15 injuries
- 8 State Road at Ellsworth Road, Ann Arbor/Pittsfield Township: 123 total crashes, 6 injuries
- 9 Hall Road/M-59 at Schoenherr Road, Utica/Sterling Heights: 116 total crashes, 20 injuries
- 10 I-75 at M-59, Auburn Hills: 115 total crashes, 30 injuries
- 11 Joy Road at M-39/Southfield Freeway, Detroit: 99 total crashes, 26 injuries
- 12 Hall Road/M-59 at Romeo Plank Road, Clinton Township: 99 total crashes, 18 injuries
- 13 I-75 at 14 Mile Road, Madison Heights: 96 total crashes, 17 injuries
- 14 Metropolitan Parkway at Van Dyke Avenue, Sterling Heights: 95 total crashes, 20 injuries
- 15 Metropolitan Parkway at Mound Road, Sterling Heights: 94 total crashes, 20 injuries
- 16 Big Beaver Road at Rochester Road, Troy: 92 total crashes, 27 injuries
- 17 Ford Road at Lilley Road, Canton Township: 91 total crashes, 25 injuries
- 18 11 Mile Road at Gratiot Avenue E, Roseville: 90 total crashes, 31 injuries
- 19 Hall Road/M-59 at Van Dyke Avenue, Utica: 89 total crashes, 13 injuries
- 208 Mile Road at Woodward Avenue, Detroit: 87 total crashes, 10 injuries

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Nine charged in bust of hacking group

Susan Vela
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Nine individuals connected to an international hacking group were charged recently with wire fraud, conspiracy and aggravated identity theft.

The federal complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Detroit blames an Irishman along with eight others mainly living along the U.S. coasts for being part of "The Community."

According to a U.S. Department of Justice press release from earlier this month, The Community conducted seven "attacks" resulting in the theft of cryptocurrency

valued at about \$2.4 million.

Charged in the federal 15-count indictment were Conor Freeman, 20, of Dublin; Ricky Handschumacher, 25 of Pasco County, Fla.; Reyad Gafar Abbas, 19, of Rochester, N.Y.; Ryan Stevenson, 26, of West Haven, Conn.; Colton Jurisic, 20, of Dubuque, Iowa; and Garrett Endicott, 21, of Warrensburg, Mo.

A criminal complaint charged three former employees of mobile phone providers - Jarratt White, 22, and Robert Jack, both 22, of Tucson, Az., and Fendley Joseph, 28, of Murrieta, Calif. The Arizona once worked for AT&T. Joseph worked for Verizon.

The indictment alleged The Community il-

legally used victims' identities to steal cryptocurrency such as Bitcoin, which can be exchanged for goods, services and dollars.

The method used on victims in the court's eastern district region and elsewhere is known as "SIM Hijacking" or "SIM Swapping," which exploits mobile phone numbers considered vulnerable in the cyber security realm.

A SIM — or subscriber identity module — is a piece of plastic connecting smartphones to mobile phone networks.

The Community apparently gained control of victims' mobile phone numbers. Victims' phone calls, for example, were routed to The Community's devices. This was

happening with the help of mobile phone provider employees.

Also, The Community's members were contacting mobile phone providers, posing as the victims, and requesting the victims' phone numbers be swapped to SIM cards, and therefore mobile devices, controlled by The Community.

With the victims' phone numbers, The Community gained control of online accounts such as email, cloud storage and cryptocurrency exchange accounts.

"Mobile phones today are not only a means of communication but also a means of identification," U.S. Attorney Matthew Schneider said in the press release. "This case should serve as a reminder to all of us to protect our personal and financial information from those who seek to steal it."

The investigation involved the U.S. Department of Homeland security and Irish law enforcement authorities.

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **MRL GROUP DAY CARE, JSPI18-63, FOR SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 44879 STOCKTON DRIVE IN SECTION 10, NORTH OF TWELVE MILE ROAD, WEST OF DIXON ROAD IN RA RESIDENTIAL ACREAGE ZONING DISTRICT.** The applicant is proposing to operate a group day care in their existing residence for not more than 12 children. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.



Subject Parcel ID: 60-22-10-301-011

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, June 12, 2019.

Novi Planning Commission
Michael Lynch, Secretary

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CITY OF NOVI

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SURVEY 2020-24 STRATEGIC COMMUNITY RECREATION & MASTER PARK PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi has posted a public survey online at www.cityofnovi.org/parksurvey to seek public input for the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services' 2020-24 Strategic Community Recreation & Master Park Plan.

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on June 11, 2019 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

PZ19-0018 (Metro Detroit Signs/Starbucks) 27795 Novi Road, West of Novi Road and South of Twelve Mile Road, Parcel # 60-22-15-200-059 The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Code of Ordinance Section 28-5 (a) for a total of seven proposed signs, one circular wall sign and one wall mounted drive thru sign on the east elevation, one wall mounted drive thru sign on north the elevation, four pole mounted ground directional signs. One wall sign and one ground sign allowed by code. This property is zoned Regional Center (R-C).

PZ19-0019 (Supply Line International LLC) 42350 Grand River Avenue, West of Meadowbrook Road and North of Grand River Avenue, Parcel # 60-22-23-226-001. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinances Section 5.2.12 for the proposed modification to the number of parking spots per actual calculations and outline in the attached parking study, Seventy five spaces. This property is zoned Regional Center (B-3).

PZ19-0020 (Terra fka Villal Este), East of Beck Road and North of Eight Mile Road, Parcels #50-22-31-400-007 and 50-22-32-402-036. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Code of Ordinance Section 28-5 for the installation of two proposed temporary signs beyond 64 days. One located at Garfield and Eight Mile road and one at Right of Way at Eight Mile and Beck. The maximum display time of free standing temporary signs is 64 days. This property is zoned General Business (R-1).

PZ19-0021 (Onyx Plaza) 24555 Novi Road, West of Novi Road and North of Ten Mile Road, Parcel # 60-22-22-400-010 The applicant is requesting variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 4.19.2.F for the proposed location of a dumpster in the interior side yard. Except where otherwise permitted and regulated in this ordinance, refuse bins and their screening enclosures shall be located in the rear yard. Section 5.4.2 for locating a proposed loading area in the interior side yard. Within the B, GE, FS, RC, NCC, TC and TC-1 districts, loading, unloading space shall be provided in the rear yard. Section 4.19.2.A For the proposed location for the transformer to the interior side yard. Accessory structures, except where otherwise permitted and regulated in this Ordinance shall be located in the rear yard and shall meet the setback requirements of an accessory building. This property is zoned General Business (B-3).

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State fireworks laws have changed

Micah Walker Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

Memorial Day is on the horizon, marking the unofficial start of the summer season.

As people host barbecues and pool parties to celebrate, personal fireworks shows are sure to be heard throughout the neighborhood.

Before lighting up the night, there are new laws to keep in mind. In December, new measures were signed into law that reduce the number of days fireworks can be used, give local government more power to regulate the devices and tighten consumer sales and use.

Rep. Jim Lilly, R-Park Township, sponsored two of the three new bills passed. They were put into place after communities statewide complained about residents' property damage and fireworks being shot off at all hours, scaring children and pets.

Here are the new laws, as well as a refresher on the fireworks process in Michigan:

What types of fireworks are legal in Michigan?

- Consumer fireworks**
 - Roman candles
 - Bottle rockets
 - Missile type rockets
 - Aerials
 - Reloadable shell devices
 - Firecrackers
 - Helicopter/aerial spinners
 - Single tube device with report
- Novelty items**
 - Sparklers
 - Snaps
 - Poppers
 - Snakes
- Low impact fireworks**
 - Ground sparkling devices
 - Ground-based or handheld sparklers
 - Ground sparkling devices
 - Smoke devices
- Display Fireworks**
 - Public fireworks shows organized by professionals

When can I shoot off fireworks?

The new law, House Bill 5939, has significantly reduced the number of days one can shoot off fireworks, from 30 to 12. While the initial law allowed people to light fireworks around federal holidays, the new measure has limited displays to these dates:

- Dec. 31 until 1 a.m. on Jan. 1
- The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Memorial Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
- June 29 to July 4 until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
- July 5, if that date is a Friday or Saturday, until 11:45 p.m.
- The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day until



For those planning to light up the night with fireworks this Memorial Day, there are new state laws to keep in mind.
MARY SCHROEDER/DETROIT FREE PRESS

11:45 p.m. on each of those days.

Those who violate the ordinance will receive a fine of \$1,000 for each offense. The ordinance must provide for the remittance of \$500 of the fine collected under the ordinance to the local law enforcement agency responsible for enforcement.

Can I display fireworks anywhere?

No, a person cannot light fireworks on public property, such as schools, churches, or the property of another person without their permission. Those who violate the law can pay a fine as much as \$500.

Can anyone sell fireworks?

According to the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA), a person cannot sell consumer fireworks unless they have a fireworks certificate. Applications can be completed online.

A person must pay a \$1,250 fee for each retail location that is a permanent building or structure, or a \$1,000 fee for each temporary structure. If the application includes 10 or more retail locations that are not permanent buildings or structures, the fee is \$700.

The certificate is valid until April 30 of the following year.

What if I sell fireworks in a temporary space?

Under a new law that takes effect on Aug. 1, local governments with a population of 100,000 people or more or a local government located in a county with a population of 750,000 or more will have the authority to regulate temporary structures, such as tents or stands. This can include a restriction on the number of permits issued for a temporary structure, regulation of the distance required between two or more temporary structures, or a zoning ordinance.

Can fireworks be banned?

Yes, the governor, the state fire marshal or the head of the Department of Natural Resources can ban fireworks use in a county due to dry conditions.

Can I still operate fireworks while drinking alcohol?

A person is prohibited from using fireworks while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or a combination of the two. A \$1,000 fine may be issued for those who violate the law.

For more, go to michigan.gov/lara.

NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE §67-44

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees approved the adoption of the proposed Ordinance §67-44 (Possession or use of tobacco, vapor products or alternative nicotine products by a minor) at their Regular Meeting on May 16, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. at the Northville Township Hall located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168.

The proposed ordinance will include the following:

Sec. 67-44. - Possession or use of tobacco, vapor products or alternative nicotine products by a Minor.

(a) Definitions. As used in this section, the following definitions shall apply:

Chewing tobacco means loose tobacco or a flat, compressed cake of tobacco which is inserted into the mouth to be chewed or sucked.

Vapor product or alternative nicotine products means a noncombustible product containing nicotine or not that employs a heating element, power source, electronic circuit, or other electronic, chemical, or mechanical means regardless of shape or size, that can be used to produce vapor from nicotine or not in a solution or other form. Vapor product includes an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device and a vapor cartridge or other container of nicotine in a solution or other form than is intended to be used with or in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device. Vapor product does not include a product regulated as a drug or device by the United States Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") under subchapter V of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, 21 USC 351 to 360FFF-7.

Tobacco snuff means shredded, powdered or pulverized tobacco which may be inhaled through the nostrils, chewed or placed against the gums.

(b) *Possession or use in public place prohibited.* A person under 18 years of age shall not possess or smoke cigarettes or cigars, or possess or chew, suck, or inhale chewing tobacco or tobacco snuff, or possess or use tobacco in any other form, or possess or smoke vapor product or alternative nicotine products on a public highway, street, alley, park, or other lands used for public purposes, or in a public place of business or amusement.

(c) *Penalty.* A person who violates subsection (b) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine for each offense and/or jail of up to 30 days and costs. If the court determines it is appropriate, eligible juveniles may be referred to a diversion program. Pursuant to a probation order, the court may require a person who violates subsection (b) of this section to participate in a health promotion and risk reduction assessment program, if available. A probationer who is ordered to participate in a health promotion and risk reduction assessment program under this section is responsible for the cost of participating in the program. In addition, a person who violates this section is subject to the following:

(1) For the first violation the court may order the person to do one of the following:

- a. Perform not more than 16 hours of community service.
- b. Participate in a health promotion and risk reduction program, as described in this subsection.

(2) For a second violation, in addition to participation in a health promotion risk reduction program, the court may order the person to perform not more than 32 hours of community service.

(3) For a third or subsequent violation, in addition to participation in a health promotion and risk reduction program, the court may order the person to perform not more than 48 hours of community service.

State Law reference— Similar provisions, MCL 722.642.

The introduction of the amendment was approved at the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on April 18, 2019.

A copy of the full Ordinance and amendment can be viewed during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Office of the Township Clerk, Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168 or on the township's website: www.twp.northville.mi.us.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees at a Regular Meeting held at Township Hall on the 16th day of May, 2019.

Marjorie F. Banner
Clerk

Introduced: 04-18-19
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT 18.287 FOR A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS: ARTICLE 3, "ZONING DISTRICTS"; SECTION 3.31, "PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS"; IN ORDER TO REDUCE REDUNDANCIES, CLARIFY ORDINANCE LANGUAGE, AND OTHER ITEMS DEEMED NECESSARY.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing. The proposed text amendment is available for examination and review at the Planning Division of the Community Development Department, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Any written comments must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, June 12, 2019.

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Novi Planning Commission
Michael Lynch, Secretary

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 80 TELECOMMUNICATIONS, ADD ARTICLE III WIRELESS FACILITIES IN RIGHT-OF-WAY

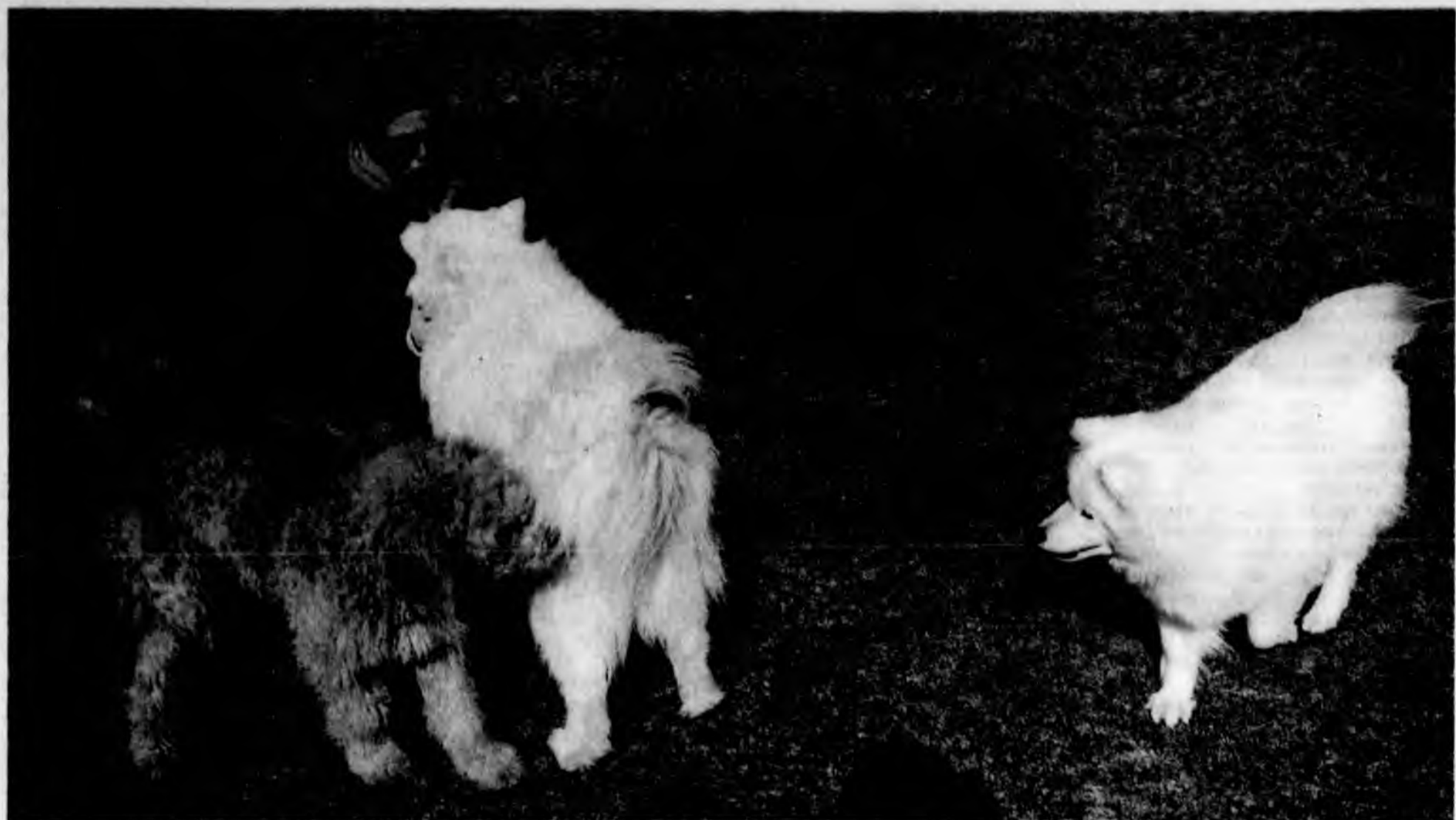
At its regular meeting of May 20, 2019, the Northville City Council introduced for first reading, proposed amendments to Chapter 80 Telecommunications in the Code of Ordinances. The proposed amendment to Chapter 80 Telecommunications would add Article III Wireless Facilities in Right-of-Way.

This article is proposed in response to new State and Federal laws and regulations, including Michigan Public Act No. 365 of 2018 (MCL 460.1301 - 460.1339), 47 USC 1455, Rules adopted by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as 47 CFR 1.40001 (now 47 CFR 1.6100) and 47 CFR 1.6001 - 1.6003, and the FCC's Declaratory Ruling and Third Report and Order in FCC 18-133. This article is proposed for the purpose of complying with those State and Federal regulations by providing for and regulating access to and ongoing use of, public rights-of-way for wireless facilities that are not considered to be telecommunications facilities covered by the Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Rights-of-Way Oversight Act (Act No. 48 of the Public Acts of 2002) ("Act"), and permits applied for and issued under that Act.

Public comments will be received at the City Council meeting scheduled for June 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300. Written comments may also be submitted to the above address. Complete text of the proposed ordinance amendment is available for review at the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, local prevailing time or on the City's website www.ci.northville.mi.us.

DIANNE MASSA, CMC, CITY CLERK
LOYD CURETON, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Bambi Hastings plays with Zeva, center, and Abby, right, dogs belonging to Ed Evans, as a couple of others join in April 13 at the Lyon Oaks Dog Park. A fundraising effort for a Milford Dog Park is nearing a May 31 deadline and the goal of \$20,000 is less than \$2,500 away. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Milford Dog Park nearing \$20K goal

Susan Bromley HometownLife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Get ready to let the dogs out.

A fundraising effort for a Milford Dog Park is nearing a May 31 deadline and the goal of \$20,000 is so close, you can smell it.

All that stands between the dogs and a tail-wagging good time at a park of their own is less than \$2,500, with \$17,621 raised as of last week.

Keith Vandenbussche, who has organized the effort between the village, Kensington Metropark, and the state, said the park is all but a foregone conclusion, doggone it.

"I'm confident we will make it," Vandenbussche said, adding he is grateful to all who have supported the park. "Just thank you."

"This is what it takes to get projects

See **DOG PARK**, Page 5A



Lyon Oaks Dog Park provides pet owners with lots of room and receptacles for waste. The Milford Dog Park will offer similar amenities.

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Dog park

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done today – there's not enough in taxes. When you want projects done, you gotta band together. Milford residents are generous."

Vandenbussche started pursuing the idea of a Milford park for canines three years ago after his dog Roxie, a chow-lab mix he had loved for 10 years, died.

He knew right away the perfect spot for the park, a large open field next to the Milford Trail, near the intersection of General Motors and Milford Road.

The park will be conveniently located behind Pet Supplies "Plus," which has committed to running a hose to fill a water trough for dogs that will be provided by LaFontaine.

They are just two of about 90 private and corporate donors who have committed to the project since April 1, with funds collected through Patroncity, a crowdfunding site.

If the goal of \$20,000 is reached by May 31, the Michigan Economic Development Council will fully match it, for a total of \$40,000.

The majority of the funds for the park are needed for the \$25,000 estimated cost of fencing in a four-acre area on the eight acres of land owned by Kensington Metro Park.

About \$5,000 will be needed to clear the site of weeds and brush to make it safe.

Vandenbussche also believes giving the dogs a park to play in will make the trail safer for bicyclists as the pets romp in a designated area.

The village has a 100-year lease on the land for only \$1 where the dog park will be placed, and both Kensington and the village have agreed a park for canines will be a good use.

Vandenbussche said he expects the park would be completed by August and oversight falls under village parks and recreation, with little to no maintenance required.

Amenities planned at the park, which will feature separated large and small dog areas, include benches and picnic tables, wood chips, trash cans, and bags so that owners can pick up waste from their pets and keep the park clean.

"We're gonna have logs for the dogs



Ed Evans hangs out with his dog, Abby, on April 13 at the Lyon Oaks Dog Park. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

to play on, and there are big boulders we're trying to bring in for agility, too," Vandenbussche said. "It will be a playground for dogs."

Sounds pretty fetch.

Contact Susan Bromley at sbromley@hometownlife.com. Follow her on Twitter @SusanBromley10.

"This is what it takes to get projects done today – there's not enough in taxes. When you want projects done, you gotta band together. Milford residents are generous."

Kelth Vandenbussche Project organizer

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Survival is key in 'Water Wars'

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Under normal circumstances, I wouldn't have given a second thought to the unfamiliar silver Volkswagen parked across the street from my Sunflower subdivision home one afternoon last week.

But given that my son, Canton High School senior Ben Wright, was well into the third round of Water Wars and he was due home any minute, the vehicle with the missing front driver's-side hub cap had to be considered a threat.

As Ben maneuvered our 2005 Honda Accord onto the driveway, I pointed out the suspicious car. He acknowledged me with a thumbs up.

While I checked both sides of our house for "snipers," he opened the garage door, pulled into the enclosure and closed the door with the fluidity of Batman entering the Bat Cave.

He was safe (and dry). For now. But tomorrow was another spray - er, day.

Rite of 'splash'age

For those of you who haven't had a high school senior living in your home since the cellphone and Twitter first graced this earth, here's a quick synopsis on the fun-drenched game that everyone seems to love - except, apparently, school administrators.

When I asked for a comment on the competition, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools politely declined.

Other schools flat-out email parents discouraging their seniors' participation, which, knowing a high school senior like I do, probably doubles the number of participants.

Birmingham, Livonia, Huron Valley, Farmington, Northville and Novi students all organized their own Water Wars competitions this spring.

Water Wars involves Super Soakers and water balloons, so it can't be all bad, right? The way I look at it, the game is a last chance for these kids, who have worked their tails off for the past 13 years, to enjoy a benign, adrenaline-soaked escape, as long as they follow the safety-first rules.

And, as an added bonus for parents, they are forced to put their phones down, at least for a few minutes a day.

I know my disco-era high school senior peers would have embraced the game in 1980 - and I'm sure we would have put down our Pong controllers (Google it, youngsters!) for at least a few hours a night for a chance to advance.

Given that the massive rule book my son allowed me to peruse is a smidge thicker than the instruction manual for "How To Build A Space Shuttle," I'll give you a Cliff Notes version:

Teams are made up of six players (at least in the Plymouth-Canton league), each paying a \$10 entry fee.

The competition started with 96 teams, with two teams pitted against one another in a week-long, single-elimination clash. It's kind of like March Madness with squirt guns.

If you or your teammates are sprayed by an opponent, you and/or they are done for that week. The team with the most players left on Sunday afternoon moves on to the next round. (We'll discuss ties later.)

Results are posted to a Twitter account and the game is run by two senior arbitrators, who remain anonymous throughout the contest and decide all disputes.



This might be the last thing you see before you succumb to the Water Wars warriors of Team Wetty Wap: Steven Walker, left, Seth Troszak, Ben Wright, and Noah VanBerkel. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Canton High School's Water Wars warriors, also known as Team Wetty Wap, gather May 2: Ben Wright, left, Noah VanBerkel, Steven Walker and Seth Troszak.

Water Wars action is strictly prohibited from unfolding on school grounds, while driving or at a participant's place of employment.

I found some of the rules to be a little excessive.

For instance, one night last month I gleefully informed Ben that his older brother, Erik, had purchased three Detroit Pistons playoff tickets for us. Great bonding experience, I thought.

Ben countered by saying he had to check the Water Wars rules to see if it was OK if he left the township's boundaries for that length of time.

Turns out, it was OK and we went to the game. Fittingly, the Pistons got hosed by about 30 points by the Bucks,

but we had fun.

Incentive clause

Each member of the last team standing earns a share of the first-place prize. For tax purposes, I'm not sure I should disclose the winners' prize package. Let's just say it's somewhere between \$599 and \$601, which should pay for at least one college textbook.

While the game is not saturated with redeeming values, it does teach these soon-to-be-adults the importance of teamwork, how to plan, not to purchase thicker-than-normal balloons and a few morals.

In one pivotal second-round battle,

Ben emerged from a hiding place and lasered a perfect water-balloon strike at an off-guard opponent who was armed with a long-range squirt gun. The water balloon struck the target, but failed to break, putting Ben in a precariously defensive position.

As Ben ran for his Water Wars life, his buddy Stephen - a future Marine - took out the pursuer with a steady stream of H2O, ultimately clinching a victory for Ben's Wetty Wap squad.

In a round-of-48 encounter, the Wetty Waps were pitted against a team that included a set of triplets, whose birthday were the Tuesday night of that week's match.

"Do not, under any circumstances, take the triplets out on their birthday," I instructed Ben. I'm proud to say he didn't, but he won't admit that he didn't try.

On the last day of a quarterfinal match, his team was tied, forcing an unconventional tie-breaker.

The two deadlocked teams are required to agree on a tie-breaking contest, which doesn't necessarily have to be related to water.

So, in a Canton Township basement, in front of a big-screen TV, these well-trained teams of Water Wars warriors squared off in a game of Wii bowling.

Ben's team lost in the same fashion the Pistons got drubbed by the Bucks a week earlier.

No reason for alarm

A few nights later, as I sat at my kitchen table in front of my laptop, putting the finishing touches on this story, I looked out our front window and noticed a suspicious-looking green Taurus with tinted windows parked across the street from my house.

And I couldn't have cared less.

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Northville students who participated in the Science Olympiad at MSU were, from left, Akshaya Kannikaswaran, Michael Loftus, Ashna Khetan, Claudia Phillips, Timon Lwo, Bhavya Kadiri, Disha Satapathy, Tim Wu, Coach Jin Yu, Adrien Jund, Arthur Zhao, Ankith Alluri, Rohith Kesamneni, Jeffrey Zhang, Pranav Rakkapan, and Mason Niu. SUBMITTED

Northville captures Science Olympiad title

For the fifth year in a row, Northville High School won the State Science Olympiad Tournament held at Michigan State University earlier this month.

Excitement and anticipation filled the air as 120 high school and middle school teams competed in hopes of winning a bid to the national tournament this summer at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. Northville, Ann Arbor Pioneer and Troy appeared to be in a tight race for the top two spots. In a nail-biting finish, Northville placed first with a comfortable lead over Pioneer.

Science Olympiad is a nationally-recognized program where students compete in 23 events, featuring a diverse range of topics in STEM fields, such as anatomy and physiology, chemistry, earth science, physics and build events like Boomilever and Wright Stuff.

Hard work pays off

Under the guidance of head coach Jin

Yu Hong and assistant coaches Sudhar Kesamneni and Lakshmi Rudraju, all the students' hard work paid off.

Medals are awarded to the top eight competitors in each event. Every member of the NHS team earned at least one medal.

First-place winners for Northville were the Codebusters (Rohith Kesamneni, Arthur Zhao and Jeffery Zhang); Dynamic Planet (Ashna Khetan and Arien Jund); the Fossils (Bhavya Kadiri and Michael Loftus); Mousetrap Vehicle (Pranav Rakkapan and Mason Niu); Protein Modeling (Timon Lwo, Claudia Phillips and Ashna Khetan); and Thermodynamics (Tim Wu and Timon Lwo).

Second-place awards were presented to Anatomy and Physiology (Ankith Alluri and Akshaya Kannikaswaran); and Experimental Design (Tim Wu, Rohith Kesamneni and Akshaya Kannikaswaran).

The lone Northville third-place finish-

er was Circuit Lab, which consisted of Tim Wu and Bhavya Kadiri.

Disease Detectives triumph

Bringing home fourth-place medals were Boomilever (Pranav Rakkapan and Mason Niu); Disease Detectives (Ankith Alluri and Disha Satapathy); Water Quality (Adrien Jund and Disha Satapathy); and Wright Stuff (Ashna Khetan and Mason Niu).

Fifth-place honors went to Geologic Mapping (Michael Loftus and Ashna Khetan); and Sounds of Music (Tim Wu and Jeffery Zhang).

Write It, Do It (Disha Satapathy and Rohith Kesamneni) was a sixth-place award while Chemistry Lab (Timon Lwo and Tim Wu) finished seventh.

Northville's pair of eighth-place finishers were Fermi Questions (Jeffery Zhang and Rohith Kesamneni) and Herpetology (Adrien Jund and Michael Loftus).

MSU offers eco-friendly landscaping workshop

Southeast Michigan has many high-quality rivers and lakes. Rain events can impact these surface waters when storm water collects contaminants and runs into them.

Water quality in these lakes and rivers can be preserved by adding attractive landscape features designed to collect and prevent runoff.

On May 30, the Michigan State University Extension is offering an Eco-Friendly Landscaping for Water Quality program to assist homeowners, municipalities and multi-family complexes in developing natural ways to reduce runoff.

The program will cover storm water basics, low impact development (LID) techniques, plant types and uses in LID design and onsite design assistance to incorporate LID practices on your property.

This program is designed for those with little or no experience gardening with native plants.

Participants will need to bring a sketch and photos of the property for which they are considering a landscaping project.

This program will be from 6-9 p.m. at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

The cost is \$8 per person (pre-registration) or \$10 at the door and includes instruction, a "Landscaping for Water Quality" book, additional handouts, hands-on assistance to develop a customized landscape design, and refreshments.

The deadline for pre-registration is May 28.

To register and for more information, visit the MSU Extension website or contact Terry Gibb, Natural Resources & Government/Public Policy educator at gibb@msu.edu or 586-469-6440.

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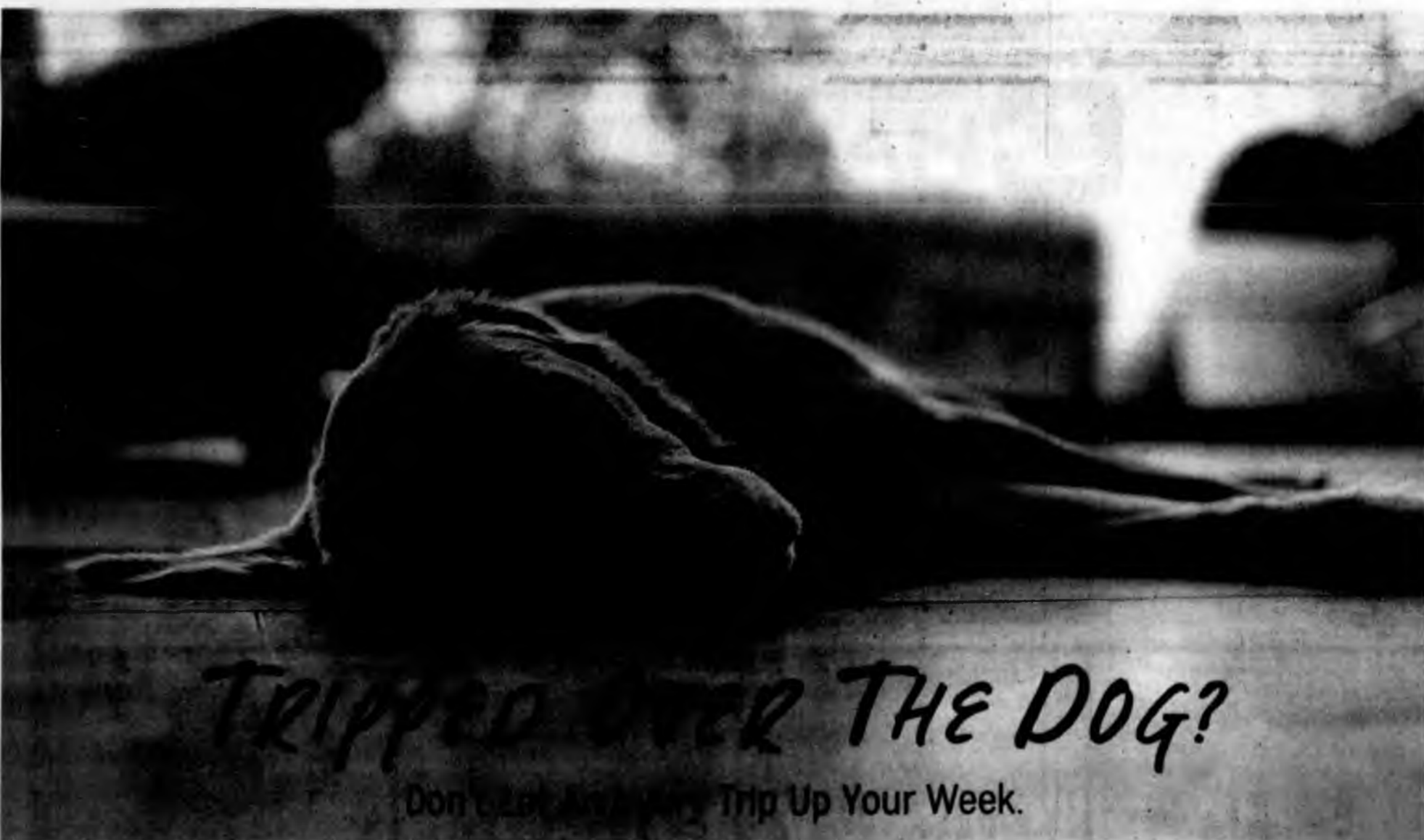
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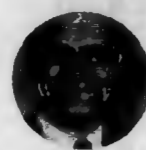
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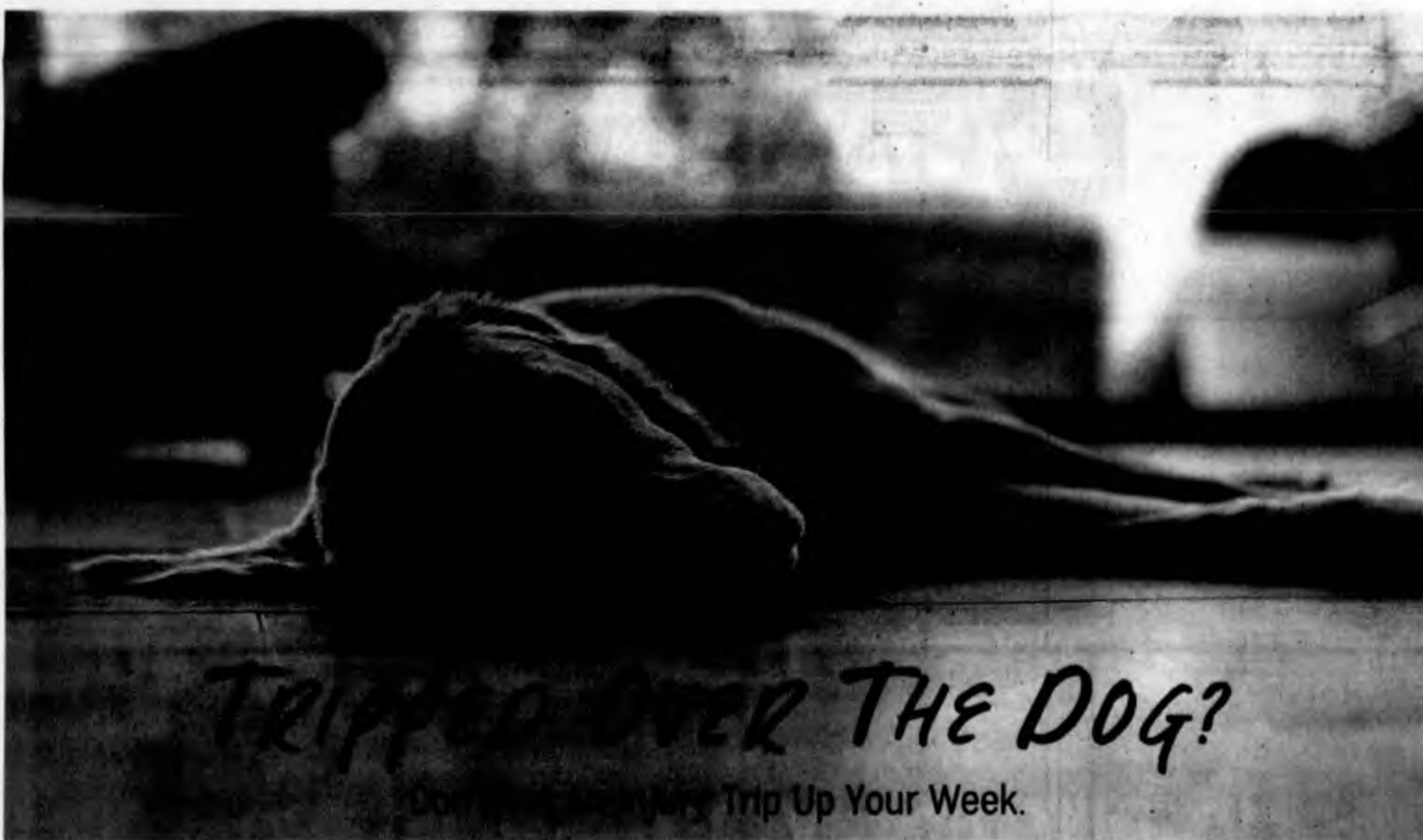
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When, where to catch Memorial Day parades

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Nothing says Memorial Day like the afternoon off work, cookouts, ceremonies and parades. Here's everything you need to know about local Memorial Day events.

Westland-Wayne

After taking a year off, Westland's Memorial Day parade is back this year and focused solely on veterans and the community.

The parade will start at 1 p.m. at John Glenn High School and will end with a remembrance ceremony at the Westland Veterans Memorial Garden.

A map of the best places to park is available online.

Farmington Hills-Farmington

These two cities will again co-sponsor the parade that will start near the intersection of Grand River Avenue and Orchard Lake Road and will travel one mile to the Farmington War Memorial Monument in Memorial Park, where a ceremony will be held.

Start time is 10 a.m.

The cities have held this parade since 1970 to honor veterans in the community.

Livonia

Livonia skips the parade and opts to hold a ceremony instead.

Community members will meet at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Veteran's Park Memorial Plaza on the corner of Five Mile and Farmington roads.

The event includes music, a wreath ceremony and

military salutes in remembrance of Livonia residents who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

Novi

Kids will crowd the space between Karim Boulevard and the Novi Civic Center on 10 Mile Road at 10 a.m. on Memorial Day for Novi's 50th annual Memorial Day parade.

Veterans, local organizations, businesses, students and more march for a mile, handing out candy all the way.

Plymouth

Plymouth's annual Memorial Day parade takes place at 9 a.m. on Main Street downtown.

Immediately following the parade, a memorial ceremony will take place at the city's veterans' memorial on N. Main Street.

Community members are encouraged to come pay tribute to locals who have served.

Northville

Starting at 10 a.m., Northville's parade goes down Main Street downtown all the way to Cady Street down to Fairbrook Street. The parade is presented by VFW Post 4012.

The event, run by veterans, is focused on veterans



Andi Walsh waves a flag as she waits for the parade to start.

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in the community.

South Lyon

Organized by VFW Post 2502, this annual tradition starts at 9 a.m. at Bartlett Elementary and concludes at the South Lyon Cemetery. Along the way, it goes along Lake Street and Reynold Sweet Parkway.

Once the parade makes it to the cemetery, the city holds a ceremony honoring all veterans.

Birmingham

Like Livonia, Birmingham opts for a ceremony instead of a parade.

The memorial ceremony starts at 10 a.m. at Shain Park and is expected to last one hour.

The event will be a remembrance service for those who have lost their lives in the line of battle.

Milford

This parade starts at 11 a.m. in downtown Milford. It will run from the American Legion Hall on Commerce Street to Central Park on Main Street.

Local students, first responders and veterans are some of the faces who will fill the parade. The event is sponsored by American Legion Post 216.

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Winning \$100K lottery ticket bought in Novi

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An Oakland County man corralled \$100,000 when he bought a lottery ticket at the Old West Tobacco Store in Novi.

The 42-year-old man matched Fantasy 5 numbers 11-15-28-31-34, drawn May 5, to win the jackpot.

"I have been playing the same set of numbers for 10 years, which are a combination of dates and lucky numbers," the player, who chose to remain anonymous, said in a Michigan Lottery news release. "I was leaving the country for a few weeks and decided to purchase a multi-draw ticket before I left to make sure

I didn't miss any draws, and I'm so happy that I did!"

He purchased his ticket at the Old West Tobacco Store, 45209 West Pontiac Trail, and checked the numbers the morning after the drawing. When his flight returned, he said he went straight to lottery headquarters.

"It feels great to win a prize like this," the man said. "My lucky set of numbers finally paid off after 10 years."

With his winnings, he plans to buy a home.

Old West has had lucky players before. The store sold a \$1 million winning Powerball ticket in 2017.

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Warning, Livonia: \$100 bills may be counterfeit

Susan Vela Hometownlife.com
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Livonia police are investigating a number of counterfeit \$100 bill exchanges, according to Police Lt. Charles Lister.

On May 15, a Big Lots manager visited the station to say a shopper had purchased a \$199.99 Shark ION vacuum and Chips Ahoy! cookies with two counterfeit \$100 bills and a legal \$20 bill at the Plymouth Road store. The suspect then returned the equipment at the Westland Big Lots for \$199.99 in cash.

Police confirmed the \$100 bills were counterfeit.

On April 14, a Jimmy John's manager reported that someone came into the Middlebelt Road store a few days before and paid for a sandwich with a \$100 bill. The manager realized the money was counterfeit at the end of the day. Video surveillance showed the counterfeit money user as a black male in blue jeans, a light-colored sweatshirt and brown work boots.

On March 30, a Mason Street resident brought in three counterfeit bills gained by selling video game equipment. The resident described the buyer as a 25- to 30-year-old black man weighing about 180 pounds and about 6 feet tall. He had a goatee and seemed to be driving a gray sedan at least a decade old.

Anyone with information is encouraged to contact Livonia police at 734-466-2470.

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Superheroes get engaged during Motor City Comic Con photo session

Julie Hinds Detroit Free Press
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When Captain Marvel posed for the camera facing off against Wonder Woman, it appeared to be the usual Marvel vs. DC rivalry at Saturday's Motor City Comic Con.

But in this case, the photo session was set up by Captain Marvel, aka Ashley Vansickle, as a surprise way to ask Wonder Woman, aka Deanna Mascia, to marry her.

The couple from Columbus, Ohio, had been dating for about a year when Vansickle got the idea to pop the question at Motor City Comic Con at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace. Like many people attending the convention, Vansickle, 26, and Mascia, 25, were dressed in superhero garb.

"Our whole relationship and our lives are based around comic books and superheroes," said Vansickle not long after the proposal, which was captured on videotape and followed by a photo shoot.

"She's actually the first girl, the first anybody I told about my interest in comics," said Mascia, who described herself as a big Superman fan who bonded with her father over comic books and Clark Kent sagas like the CW's "Smallville."

Added Mascia: "She gave me the courage to be myself."

Vansickle said she put about three months of planning into the proposal and had been exchanging emails with professional photographer Susan Onysko, who was working at Comic Con this past weekend.

"She made me believe she emailed (Onysko) last night," said Mascia.

Onysko, who is also from Ohio, is in the process of attending comic con-style events in every state. She looks for cosplayers on convention floors to invite to free photo sessions for a book project that she's calling "Cosplay 50: The United States of Cosplay."

Michigan is No. 17 on Onysko's tour. She said this is the first marriage proposal she's captured. Her assistant



Ashley Vansickle, left, dressed as Captain Marvel, 26, asked Deanna Mascia, dressed as Wonder Woman, 25, to marry her during a photo session May 18 at Motor City Comic Con in Novi. The couple are from Columbus, Ohio. COURTESY OF JULIE HINDS

helped film the moment while she took pictures.

"It was very meaningful. I've had a lot of great comic con moments and this one is definitely at the top," said Onysko.

According to Vansickle, as the couple were posing at Onysko's on-site studio for Captain Marvel vs. Wonder Woman photos, "I stopped everything and said, 'I don't think we should be fighting. We should be uniting.'"

Then Vansickle got down on one knee to ask Mascia if she would

marry her.

She got an enthusiastic yes.

"I always say she's my superhero," said Vansickle.

For those who don't follow the dueling comic universes, Captain Marvel, played by Brie Larson in the hit 2019 movie of the same name, lives in the Marvel world. Wonder Woman, portrayed by Gal Gadot on the big screen, is a veteran DC character.

The two, who said Motor City Comic Con is their first comic book convention,

are happy the proposal took place at a comic book event where inclusiveness and acceptance are hallmarks. They planned to celebrate by getting a celebrity photo with "Superman Returns" star Brandon Routh.

"I knew that I wanted to do it here just because of all the support," said Vansickle.

In fact, she added, they were greeted by cheers from people outside the photo area "when I said Captain Marvel just proposed to Wonder Woman."

MOTOR CITY COMIC CON INVADES NOVI FOR 3 DAYS



Dressed as Marvel Comics' Captain America, Liam Francis, 7, plays some pinball May 17 during Motor City Comic Con in Novi. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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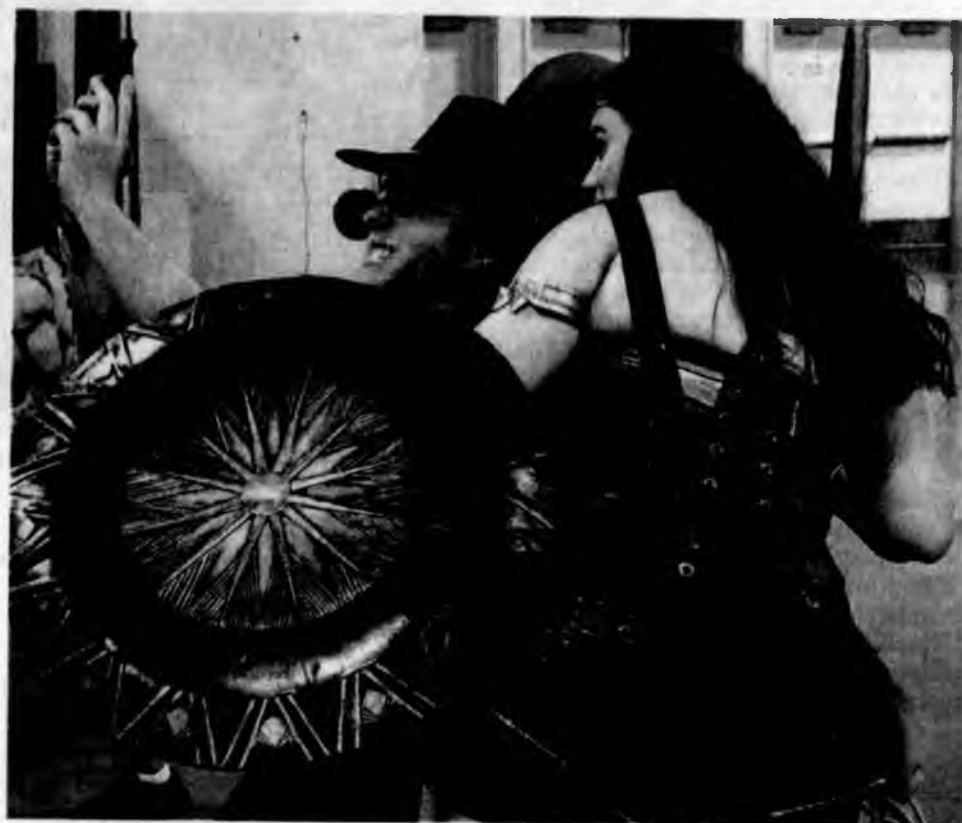
Willow, 7, left, dressed as Captain Marvel, and Oakley Duncan, 3, dressed as Peter Quill or "Star-Lord," pose for a photo with fellow Marvel Comics character Groot (Edward Woolveston of Lake Orion) on May 17 at Motor City Comic Con in Novi. Woolveston's nearly 8-foot-tall costume was very popular with convention goers. Woolveston said he created most of the costume with foam pipe pieces that he ground down with a Dremel tool and other pieces of mat-foam which he shaped and then painted brown and green. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



David Alberta attended the con as Loki from Marvel Comics' Thor series.



Actor Henry Winkler talks to a fan May 17 at Motor City Comic Con in Novi. In addition to celebrities, the convention, which ran May 17-19, featured acres of comic books, figurines, drawings, costumes, and makeup for fans of science fiction, comics, TV shows and movies.



A Motor City Comic Con superhero fan gets a selfie with fellow fans dressed as Deadpool (background) of Marvel Comics and Wonder Woman of DC Comics.

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Friends Jarahn Tye, left, Mary Hodge, and Audrey Papp gather for a photo in their cosplay outfits from various fandoms during the convention.

Duo

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Detectives determined the injuries most likely happened elsewhere and the victim entered the Martindale Road residence to seek help for his injuries. McCabe said he was in the hospital in stable condition with significant injuries.

The victim provided some information about the people responsible.

On May 7, Lyon Township deputies learned the Livingston County Sheriff's Office had arrested a suspect on unrelated matters.

During the arrest, the suspect volun-

teered details about the Lyon Township assault.

She told deputies she and a co-conspirator had set up the victim, hit him in the head with a baseball and threw him into a river in a wooded area.

Deputies visited the crime scene, where they found a pair of glasses the victim wore in his driver's license photo.

Warrants were issued, and both were arrested.

Kroplewnicki was arraigned May 10. Her bond was set at \$1 million. Simons' bond was set at \$200,000.

Both defendants are scheduled for a May 22 probable cause conference.

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GIRLS TENNIS

Plymouth headed to first-ever state tournament

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The Plymouth girls tennis team set a goal at the beginning of the season: qualify for the state tournament.

On Thursday, the team did just that, earning 18 points in the Division 1 third regional at Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Pioneer (27 points) and Ann Arbor Huron (20 points) also qualified out of the region. The state tournament will take place on May 31 and June 1 at the Greater Midland Tennis Center.

It's the first time in school history that the Wildcats have qualified for states.

"For us, this has been a goal of ours for several years," Plymouth coach Rob

McLaren said. "We talked about it as a team, laying out the goal for the season. States was our top priority. We had lots of goals, but the team as a whole definitely wanted to make states."

"We've been focused on how we were going to do that all year long, the teams that we'd need to beat, the flights that would have to win dual matches to set up good seeds for regionals, when you

get good seeds you usually have good matchups the first two rounds. That's what we got and we were able to execute."

All eight Plymouth flights reach at least the semifinals and both Jessica Braun at No. 1 singles and the No. 3 doubles team of Paige Cristea and Grace

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SOFTBALL



John Glenn's Adin Maxon slides back to second base before Livonia Stevenson's Alexis Black has a chance to tag her out.
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Stevenson gets its first division win since 2006

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Around this time in 2015, the Livonia Stevenson softball program was wrapping up a 5-30 season - an all-around stinker.

Four years later, the story is completely different.

The Spartans captured their first division title since 2006 Wednesday night by defeating John Glenn 7-2 at Stevenson High School.

It's the school's first KLAA division title and just the fourth in the last 42 years.

Since taking over, Stevenson coach Kevin Hannigan, who is in his fourth season, has steadily built up the program. The breakout has come this season, with an overall record of 23-7 and a conference record of 14-0.



John Glenn center fielder Lea Kennedy makes a catch against Stevenson.

GIRLS SOCCER

South Lyon captures LVC championship

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The South Lyon girls soccer team defeated Waterford Mott, 1-0, May 13 to win the program's first conference championship.

The team's lone goal came from star freshman Regan Dancer, who leads the conference in goals with 13.

South Lyon is 12-0-4 overall and 7-0-1 in the Lakes Valley Conference. Waterford Mott finished in second place, with a 6-2 league record.

"Winning the conference is a big deal for us especially since it's the first time in school history for either the boys or the girls soccer programs," South Lyon coach Brian Elliott said. "This is a very special group of girls that love playing together and being around each other. I couldn't be more proud of them."

The Lions will play Brighton in the district playoffs next Wednesday. They will play Milford this Thursday in the LVC tournament semifinals, should they win, they'll play in the conference tournament title game on Saturday. South Lyon will be the home team in both contests.

"There are a lot of players this season that are having great seasons both on the defensive and offensive side of things," Elliott said. "Our defense has been anchored by junior Taylor Fischer and senior captain Carmen Sweigard in goal. Senior captain Rylee McDermott has pretty much played every minute of every game for the last four years for us providing incredible consistency and leadership every day. She's joined in the middle by freshman Katie Sartori, and on the outside by junior Kylie Davis and sophomore Emma Dalzochio."

"Our midfield consists of great leadership and skill from senior Meadow Schudt, junior Andrea Williams and Dancer. We also have a lot of attacking threats in senior Sarah Flannery, junior Allison Faragher and sophomore Lexi Nabozny."



The South Lyon girls soccer team won the LVC title 1-0 against Waterford Mott. COURTESY OF MICHELE DALZUCHIO



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TRACK AND FIELD

Northville girls win KLAA championship

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The Northville girls track and field team came away victorious at the Kensington Lakes Activities Association championship held at Novi High School earlier this month.

The Mustangs won their seventh straight conference title as they finished atop the 16-school field scoring 128 points.

Brighton finished runner-up with 92 points and Plymouth was third with 85.

"Coming into the meet we knew that it was going to be a competitive meet," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "Brighton and Plymouth are both really good, well coached teams."

Northville was led by victories in the 400 and 3,200 relays in addition to two individual wins.

Junior Abby Dunn continued her impressive season as she finished first in the 300 hurdles with a time of 46.70, edging Brighton's Kennedy Smith, who placed second (47.50). Dunn took second in the 100 hurdles in a personal-best 16.29. Dunn teamed up with Angel McCray, Lauren Marshall and Melanie Sarafian for second place in the 800 relay (1:45.69) and McCray, Alia Bournay and Gina Couyoumjian for a third place finish in the 1,600 relay (4:04.89).

McCray, a sophomore, surprised the field in the 400 as she won with her best time of 59.15. McCray entered the race with the fourth best seed time of all competitors. Bryce Calka of Brighton was the runner-up in 59.29.

McCray also was part of the winning 4 x 100 relay with Marisa Porco, Marshall and Sarafian as the foursome finished in 49.37. Plymouth's team of Amanda Radke, Ava Spiteri, Delia Brennan and Reghan Draper clocked 50.27 nipping Brighton's Felesity Norris, Brooke Gray, Kennedy Smith and Morgan Waggoner, which crossed the line in 50.33.

Sarafian again contributed prominently to the Mustangs' scoring as she took second in both the 100 (12.61) and 200 (26.29). Plymouth's Draper was the conference champion in both events (100: 12.34; 200: 25.64).

Plymouth Freshman Lauren Kiley was a double winner in the 1,600 (5:09.39) and 3,200 (11:02.92). Northville's Yasmine Mansi took runner up honors behind Kiley in both races (1,600: 5:14.51; 3,200: 11:08.74). Mansi anchored the winning 4 x 800 relay for the Mustangs along with Emily Gordon, Olivia Harp and Gina Couyoumjian finishing in 9:41.27.

Boys KLAA meet

The Northville boys track and field team finished runner-up at Friday's KLAA championship meet at Novi High



The Northville boys and girls track and field teams pose with their KLAA West Division trophy (boys team) and KLAA conference trophy (girls team). PHOTOS COURTESY OF BRYAN MASI



Northville's Zack Phillips, in lane 5, prepares to run the 100m dash.

School.

Brighton came away atop the 16-school field, scoring 108.5 points followed by Northville (97) and Plymouth (90).

"We went after it," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "A lot of the boys had really good performances. We knew that Brighton has a really strong team. Some things didn't go our way. That happens."

Northville's 400 relay of Ben Stuart, Zack Phillips, Demetri Zervos and Brandon Kearney won the event as they broke the school record in a time of 42.79. The record, set in 1998 by Tony Clemens, James Clemens, Gino Peters and Chris Cean, was 43.00.

"These four seniors targeted that record early on this season," Dalton said. "They've been working towards it and I'm really happy for them that they finally broke through."

In the 800 relay, Phillips, Zervos, Nolan Knight and Kearney teamed up for a

first place finish in 1:29.73, a time that lowered the school record they set earlier this spring. Brighton's team of Scott Spaanstra, Will Jontz, Brendan Edoff and Chris Seguin crossed the line next in 1:30.68.

Senior Nick Couyoumjian won the 800 for the second year in a row. Couyoumjian's time of 1:54.35 bested Patrick Byrnes of Plymouth, who finished second in 1:58.44.

Couyoumjian also ran on Northville's runner-up 4 x 400 relay (3:26.15) with Brandon Liu, Knight and Kearney, as well as the fourth place 4 x 800 relay (8:13.01) with Raymond Jiang, Liu and Alex Beloui. Brighton's team of Matt Jontz, Will Jontz, Spaanstra and Edoff won the 4 x 400 in 3:23.98, while Novi's quartet of Matthew Whyte, Blake Maday, Matthew Gustitus and Miles Brown took the 4 x 800 in 7:56.63.

Junior Jacob Pichler won long jump with his leap of 20-5.00, edging Canton's Caden Domzalski, whose best jump was 20-4.05.

Ben Stuart finished high in the hurdle events, as he finished second in the 110 hurdles (14.72), finishing just behind Plymouth's Malcolm Caldwell (14.62). Caldwell also took first in the 300 hurdles in 39.71. Stuart finished fourth in that event with a personal-best time (40.89).

KENSINGTON LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION GIRLS TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP May 10 at Novi High School

TEAM STANDINGS
1. Northville, 128; 2. Brighton, 92; 3. Plymouth, 85; 4. Salem, 77; 5. Hartland, 61.5; 6. Livonia Churchill, 47.5; 7. Wayne Memorial, 34; 7. Howell, 34; 9. Livonia Stevenson, 31; 10. Novi, 26; 11. Livonia Franklin, 20; 12. Canton, 11; 13. Belleville, 6; 14. Westland John Glenn, 5; 15. Dearborn, 3; 16. Dearborn Fordson, 2.
FINAL EVENT RESULTS: TOP THREE FINISHERS
100 dash: 1. Reghan Draper (Ply.), 12.33; 2. Melanie Sarafian (Nville), 12.61; 3. Felesity Norris (Brighton), 12.83.
200: 1. Draper (Ply.), 12.87; 2. Sarafian, (Nville), 26.29; 3. Lauren Smith (Hartland), 26.42.
400: 1. Angel McCray (Nville), 59.15; 2. Bryce Calka (Brighton), 59.29; 3. Emerson Sargeant (Hartland), 59.64.

800: 1. Maddie Brown (Brighton), 2:19.33; 2. Ashlyn Tait (Howell), 2:19.51; 3. Emily Esker (LF), 2:20.22.
1,600: 1. Lauren Kiley (Ply.), 5:09.39; 2. Yasmine Mansi (Nville), 5:14.51; 3. Londyn Swenson (Ply.), 5:22.06.
3,200: 1. Kiley (Ply.), 11:02.92; 2. Mansi (Nville), 11:08.74; 3. Swenson (Ply.), 11:21.58.
100-meter hurdles: 1. Ashley Micheaux (WM), 15.33; 2. Abby Dunn (Nville), 16.07; 3. Kaitlyn Pennala (Hartland), 18.29.
300 hurdles: 1. Dunn (Nville), 46.70; 2. Kennedy Smith (Brighton), 47.50; 3. Sydney Roms (Ply.), 47.56.
400 relay: 1. Northville (McCray, Marisa Porco, Lauren Marshall, Sarafian), 49.37; 2. Plymouth, 50.27; 3. Brighton, 50.33.
800 relay: 1. Brighton (Norris, Smith, Brooke Gray, Morgan Waggoner), 1:45.22; 2. Northville, 1:45.69; 3. Salem, 1:47.72.
1,600 relay: 1. Howell (Alana Petila, Tait, Ava Donnelly, Emily Endebrack), 4:01.54; 2. Brighton, 4:02.01; 3. Northville, 4:04.89.
3,200 relay: 1. Northville (Emily Gordon, Olivia Harp, Gina Couyoumjian, Mansi), 9:41.27; 2. Brighton, 9:46.02; 3. Salem, 9:47.42.
Shot put: 1. Lyniah Wilson (Salem), 41 feet, 5.5 inches; 2. Micheaux (WM), 36-6; 3. Taitiana Foley (Belleville), 36-8.
Discus: 1. Cecile Stack (Novi), 116-6; 2. Micheaux (WM), 113-4; 3. Morgan Dodds (Salem), 108-7.
High jump: 1. Macayla Harris (Salem), 5-4; 2. Lindsey Strutz (Hartland), 5-4; 3. Makayla Ward (Salem), 5-2.
Pole vault: 1. Catherine Visscher (LC), 11-0; 2. Kyria Gowman (LS), 9-9; 3. Natalie Yurgel (LC), 9-6.
Long jump: 1. Strutz (Hartland), 16-24; 2. Rylee Ammons (LS), 15-10; 3. Mariana Suarez-Arreaga (Salem), 15-10.

BOYS TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP May 10 at Novi High School

TEAM STANDINGS
1. Brighton, 108.5; 2. Northville, 97; 3. Plymouth, 90; 4. Novi, 78; 5. Belleville, 57; 6. Canton, 50; 7. Westland John Glenn, 36; 8. Livonia Churchill, 35; 9. Hartland, 30.5; 10. Livonia Stevenson, 21; 10. Dearborn Fordson, 21; 12. Wayne Memorial, 18; 13. Salem, 12; 14. Livonia Franklin, 2; 15. Dearborn, 2; 16. Howell, 1.
FINAL EVENT RESULTS: TOP THREE FINISHERS
100 dash: 1. James Flournoy (WJG), 10.8; 2. Abraham Jaafar (DF), 11.33; 3. Ian Clark (Bville), 11.34.
200: 1. Flournoy (WJG), 22.19; 2. Jarrad Tarrance (WJG), 22.41; 3. Demetri Zervos (Nville), 23.02.
400: 1. Miles Brown (Novi), 48.54; 2. Will Jontz (Brighton), 50.70; 3. Nolan Knight (Nville), 51.11.
800: 1. Nick Couyoumjian (Nville), 1:54.35; 2. Patrick Byrnes (Ply.), 1:58.44; 3. Matt Jontz (Brighton), 2:00.04.
1,600: 1. Byrnes (Ply.), 4:22.27; 2. Blake Maday (Novi), 4:23.17; 3. Carter Solomon (Ply.), 4:24.15.
3,200: 1. Solomon (Ply.), 8:23.48; 2. Jack Spamer (Brighton), 8:24.14; 3. Riley Hough (Hartland), 8:27.63.
100-meter hurdles: 1. Malcolm Caldwell (Ply.), 14.62; 2. Ben Stuart (Nville), 14.72; 3. Nithin Phillip (LS), 15.00.
300 hurdles: 1. Caldwell (Ply.), 39.71; 2. Brendan Edoff (Brighton), 40.29; 3. Brian You (Novi), 40.65.
400 relay: 1. Northville (Stuart, Zack Phillips, Zervos, Brandon Kearney), 42.79; 2. Belleville, 43.16; 3. Novi, 44.68.
800 relay: 1. Northville (Phillips, Zervos, Knight, Kearney), 1:29.73; 2. Brighton, 1:30.68; 3. Novi, 1:34.60.
1,600 relay: 1. Brighton (M. Jontz, W. Jontz, Spaanstra, Edoff); 2. Northville, 3:26.15; 3. Novi, 3:28.40.
3,200 relay: 1. Novi (Matthew Whyte, Blake Maday, Matthew Gustitus, Brown), 7:56.63; 2. Brighton, 8:05.56; 3. Plymouth, 8:11.26.
Shot put: 1. Damon Payne (Bville), 52 feet, 0 inches; 2. Justin Smith (Hartland), 46-5; 3. Evan Lay (LC), 43-1.
Discus: 1. Jalen Bell (Bville), 137-2; 2. Malek Alshewabkeh (DF), 123-8; 3. Alexander Kachaturoff (LC), 122-11.
High jump: 1. Connor Bush (Bville), 6-6; 2. Kaleb Smith (Ply.), 6-2; 3. Christopher Kight (Canton), 6-0.
Pole vault: 1. Evan Carter (Canton), 14-0; 2. Jackson Ramsey (LC), 13-9; 3. Trey Welch (Ply.), 13-0.
Long jump: 1. Jacob Pichler (Nville), 20-5; 2. Caden Domzalski (Canton), 20-4.05; 3. Brendan Ireland (Novi), 19-10.25.

Softball

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They'll likely face off against either Hartland or Howell for the conference title.

"For us to win the city, win the division, it's the ultimate goal," Hannigan said. "The girls believed in the message and put in the time in November rather than just waiting for the season to start."

"Really it's just a credit to them for doing what we're asking and putting the team first."

Hannigan, who was drenched with water by his team while celebrating the win, added that without each of his team's believing in him and the coaching staff, none of this would be possible.

"Four years ago, we were only winning five or six games a year," Hannigan said. "The seniors when I took over really bought into what I was trying to do. From there it escalated and the next team came in and understood what we were trying to do and then the next team."

"We were trying to build a culture over the last three years, we wanted to get some respect back from teams that used to mercy us, so they know it's not an automatic win."

Two players from the current team have been a part of Hannigan's program from the beginning: seniors Catherine Olschanski and Katie Sopko.

Olschanski said it's been a team effort to get the program to where it is now.

"It's amazing," Olschanski said. "I couldn't be more grateful for this whole team. I've played with these girls for



Stevenson's Maddie Schurnack is welcomed back to home plate by her teammates after she launched a solo home run over the left field fence in the sixth inning May 15 against John Glenn. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

three or four years, some of them a lot longer and we're blessed to be where we are now."

To earn the elusive division title, the Spartans first had to get past the Rockets.

They did their best to make sure Stevenson had to work for it.

John Glenn scored first, on an RBI double by Adin Maxson in the third inning.

Stevenson answered back in the bottom of the inning, scoring two runs. It then added four more runs in the fourth to take a 6-1 lead.

Riley Cook, who also pitched a complete game, had two hits, including an RBI double.

Sophie Bater and Janie West also each added two hits.

"We were giving some more girls some opportunities to get some reps in," Hannigan said. "Some of them were a little nervous to start, but once we realized what the pitcher was throwing and we calmed them down and got better swings, we tried to make her pitch to us, once we got a couple key hits, the flow started going a bit better."

"Riley Cook pitched great. She's be-

hind our one and two, so she's coming into her own. We're very proud of her, she's only a sophomore. Great movement on the ball today which really helped us."

In the bottom of the sixth, Maddie Schornack pinch-hit and bombed a home run over the left field fence, hitting the shed just past the yellow foul pole.

It was her first career home run — and she initially thought it went foul.

"We wanted to get some pop to give us some energy and she did exactly what we thought she could," Hannigan said. "She's our catalyst in the outfield, she's been a starter since her freshman year, so it's exciting to see her get her first home run."

Now the focus is on winning a conference title and performing well in the state playoffs.

The team is now in the South Lyon district, which is traditionally difficult. Olschanski said that the journey to the top has been a long one, and the team is eager to keep climbing.

Stevenson has only won three district titles in school history and is hoping it can add a fourth in the coming weeks.

"Our ceiling is high," Hannigan said. "We've played Hartland tight, we took them seven innings and usually that's a team we can't get our cleats on before we're back on the bus. Hartland and Howell are the teams to beat in our conference, but if we do what we need to do and keep it at a slower pace for us, communicate and play as a team, I think our ceiling is very high."

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Novi senior Novell at 200 career goals in lacrosse – and counting

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After scoring her 200th career goal last week, Novi lacrosse senior Katie Novell won this week's Athlete of the Week poll.

She has scored more than 50 goals and tallied 20 assists this season, including 12 goals, two assists, eight caused turnovers, one interception and six ground balls last week alone.

Novell has been an all-state athlete and a KLAA all-conference athlete for both lacrosse and academics. She's led Novi to a strong season, and hopes to lead the team to more success in the state playoffs.

She received 21,771 votes (46.3%), topping second-place finisher Hailey DeChalk, a softball player from Salem High School who hit .407 with two home runs, including a grand slam, two doubles, 11 RBIs, seven runs scored, one walk and zero strikeouts last week. DeChalk finished with 16,501 votes (35.09%).

We caught up with Novell and asked her a few questions:

What's your favorite memory from this season? Do you have any team or personal goals you're still hoping to accomplish?

"One of my favorite things about this season is that our team has played very competitively all season long, especially against some of the best and strongest teams. It's been fun seeing our team improve throughout the season. I scored my 200th Novi lacrosse goal last week, which was pretty exciting. Also, the fact that I was able to finish my last lacrosse season with my best friends and a great group of girls is a definite highlight. As for my goal for our team, I hope we play our best and make it far in the playoffs! As a senior, this is my last round of playoffs as a Novi Wildcat; I'm going to do everything I can to make it count! Personally, I hope to earn an All-State



Novi's Katie Novell scored her 200th career goal last week. COURTESY OF KATIE NOVELL

Award."

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

"Kenzie Kent is my sports role model. She just finished up her last season at Boston College where she was a dual-sport Division 1 athlete. She played lacrosse and ice hockey and was a dominant force on both teams. Kenzie successfully balanced two DI sports and school at the same time. She has been a role model and inspiration to me since, in addition to playing lacrosse, I also played field hockey for Novi High School

and AAA travel ice hockey for Honey-Baked Hockey. Throughout high school, I have been balancing two sports at any given time. Sometimes my schedule got a little crazy, but somehow I managed to balance school with sports and had so much fun along the way."

Who is your favorite musical artist/band and why?

"I really like a lot of country music. It puts me in a good mood and makes me think of summer."

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

"My favorite movie is 'Just Go With It' because I love Adam Sandler and Jennifer Anniston. It's just a really funny movie."

What are your future plans after high school and do they include lacrosse? What year in school are you?

"I am a senior and will graduate from Novi High School in a couple of weeks. I will be attending Michigan State University next year and playing on the MSU ice hockey team."

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Hartland schools' Morrison will return to teach, not coach

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USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

Brian Morrison will return to Hartland Consolidated Schools next year as a teacher, but not as the varsity baseball coach.

Morrison was placed on paid leave from his teaching position by the school district on March 3 two days after an incident in which he allegedly "rough-housed" with a student during gym class, putting the student in a headlock and ripping the student's shirt in the process. The student's family reported the incident to school officials.

Morrison and Superintendent Chuck Hughes confirmed Friday that Morrison was reinstated to teach fifth and sixth grade at Farms Intermediate School.

Morrison said he is unsure if he will teach physical education but he is certified to teach that specialty.

He had previously taught physical

education at Hartland High School.

Talks about his reinstatement occurred last month around the time of the April 15 board meeting where dozens of students and parents voiced support for Morrison and asked for his reinstatement.

He said he spoke to Hughes and the district's Personnel Coordinator Karen Ellis about being reinstated.

Morrison will start in his position in the fall, he said.

His paid leave of absence ends June 7, the last day of the 2018-19 school year. The next school year starts Aug. 21.

He said he will not be returning to coaching; he coached the high school baseball team for 17 years.

"I'll be unable to coach because the school doesn't get out early enough," Morrison said.

Morrison was replaced as baseball coach by Aaron Bell, who is coaching the team on an interim basis.

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Tennis

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Iacopelli reached the finals. That was enough to secure the 18 points needed to advance.

It certainly wasn't an easy road though for the Wildcats. Five flights were on the court at once during the semifinal round and all Plymouth needed to qualify was one more win. However, only one of those flights won — the No. 3 doubles pair. Luckily for McLaren, they were the first flight to finish, relieving the pressure, which ultimately turned to joy.

"It was an incredible feeling," McLaren said. "Everyone on the team knew what it was going to take to win and everyone was excited to do their part and win the matches they needed to win."

The No. 3 doubles team needed to beat Ann Arbor Huron in the semifinals in order to reach the finals and did so in three-sets, which has become a regular thing for the duo.

"They've been amazing this season," McLaren said. "They've won tons of three-set matches. In order to get the No. 2 seed, they had to beat strong doubles teams at Saline, Skyline and Huron. They beat all three in very close matches."

"I knew when push came to shove, that they were going to win because three-set matches are their specialty."

Braun, who is likely going to be the state's No. 2 overall seed in the state tournament, lost in the regional final to Ann Arbor Pioneer junior Kari Miller (7-5, 6-1). Miller is expected to be the No. 1 overall player in the state. She was a state champion as freshman and took last year off to focus on tennis outside of high school. It was Braun's first loss of the season.

The two are expected to be on a collision course for the state final.

Despite being the program's first trip to states, McLaren believes his team can compete.

"I'm cautiously optimistic," McLaren said. "We've handled ourselves pretty well against other state qualifying teams. We've got the talent to hang in there against many qualifying teams. ... We know we're going to run into some very talented teams eventually."

Plymouth lost close to Novi and Huron, but beat Farmington Hills Mercy



The Plymouth girls tennis team is headed to the state tournament.

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this season. Huron and Mercy have clinched trips to the state tournament and Novi is expected to on Friday.

Livonia Franklin wins city championship

In a tournament that was rescheduled two times due to rain, Livonia Franklin won a close match against cross-town rivals Livonia Stevenson and Livonia Churchill. Franklin was able to medal in all nine flights to take the city championship for the second year in a row.

"It has been a crazy season with all the rain and rescheduling of matches," Franklin coach Tom Muller said. "After losing to Stevenson in a dual match early on in the season our girls were determined to bring home the City Championship. We have a lot of great tennis talent in Livonia and we've had some really close matches with both of our sister schools. This tournament was no different as the final scoring came down to just two points. I am so proud of the way our girls pulled out this win today. Every flight contributed and all the hard work throughout the season has paid off."

Other area state qualifiers

Farmington Hills Mercy tallied 27 points to win the region four qualifier. They will head to states along with



On a windy day in early April, No. 2-ranked Plymouth Wildcat varsity tennis player Allie Zhang lets a shot fly to her Salem High opponent.

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Dearborn.

Livonia Churchill's No. 1 singles player Allison McConnell also qualified for states, finishing as the runner up in her flight.

The same can be said for South Lyon East's No. 1 singles player Summer McEvers, who has qualified for the Division 2 state tournament after finishing runner up in her regional.

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Division 1 third regional scores

Final scores

Franklin 12
Churchill 10
Stevenson 5

Singles

No. 1

1st place Allison McConnell, Livonia Churchill; 2nd place Eva Muller, Livonia Franklin

No. 2

1st place Megan Anthony, Livonia Franklin; 2nd place Mackenzie Wilson, Stevenson High School

No. 3

1st place Emily Kostielney, Livonia Franklin; 2nd place Archana Chandran, Livonia Churchill

No. 4

1st place Sofia Cueva, Livonia Franklin; 2nd place Sarah Dziobak, Stevenson High School

Doubles

No. 1

1st place Mary Jiang - Mya Grant, Livonia Churchill; 2nd place Aly Brumm - Stephanie Cueva, Livonia Franklin

No. 2

1st place Nora Curley - Natalie Romick, Livonia Churchill; 2nd place Sandreea Cueva - Katie Callaghan, Livonia Franklin

No. 3

1st place Daphne Millross - Brittney Winn, Livonia Franklin; 2nd place Emily Koch - Emily Hathaway, Stevenson High School

No. 4

1st place Kelly Engler - Marissa Muller, Livonia Franklin; 2nd place Sharan Mangat - Emma Norwood, Livonia Churchill

No. 5

1st place Kate Montie - Halie Hart, Livonia Franklin; 2nd place Jessica Zenas - Natalie Albrecht, Stevenson High School

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The Archdiocese of Detroit has declared war on athletics

Mick McCabe

Special to the Detroit Free Press

The Archdiocese of Detroit has declared war on athletics, and I don't get it.

No longer will Catholic high schools and elementary schools in the archdiocese be permitted to schedule athletic events on Sundays.

That was the decision of Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron, who said in a statement Wednesday: "In shifting away from the hustle of required sporting activities on Sunday, we will reclaim this holy day and create more time for families to choose activities that prioritize time spent with each other and our Lord."

With all due respect: This is idiotic.

The unintended consequences of this will be disastrous, especially at the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) level, which deals with elementary school athletics. But we will get to those later.

The decision for this policy came from Synod 16, which, according to the news release, was an archdiocesan-wide gathering of "clergy and lay faithful to discern how to transform the local Church into a band of joyful missionary disciples."

Really? Well, over the last couple of days I have heard from a bunch of missionary disciples who are anything but joyful over this decision.

Will families spend their extra time dissecting the Bible now when their entire day is suddenly free of athletics?

That would be wonderful, but it just ain't happening.

Does the archbishop believe that not having sporting events on Sundays will increase attendance at mass?



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Wednesday: "In shifting away from the hustle of required sporting activities on Sunday, we will reclaim this holy day and create more time for families to choose activities that prioritize time spent with each other and our Lord."

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Yeah, that isn't going to happen, either.

This simply makes no sense to me on any level.

There are plenty of opportunities to attend mass either before or after kids' games. And, by the way, should we now eliminate Saturday evening masses because everyone will have Sundays free?

It seems the archbishop is out of touch with his congregation on this one.

Athletic events can be an extension of what happens in church. Has the archbishop ever attended the mass that fills Novi Detroit Catholic Central's main gym before its annual Sunday Boys Bowl football game?

And then there are the high school and CYO games that begin with the people reciting "The Lord's Prayer."

Catholic League officials saw this

coming, so they moved their boys and girls basketball championships from Sunday to Saturday, and it just isn't the same as playing on Sunday.

This ruling will be devastating to CYO schools, which already have problems finding available gym time for all the different levels of boys and girls basketball teams.

If you take Sunday out of play, it will force Saturday to become the main game day, and now all the scheduling problems become an absolute mess.

Those problems have been compounded over the last several years when schools decided to add "B" and "C" teams at particular grade levels because they no longer want to make cuts.

It also will be more difficult to find available fields for football, soccer and baseball teams on Saturday. And sched-

uling officials for Saturday games instead of Sunday will unleash a different brand of chaos on the schools.

The purpose of the Sunday ban appears to be to enable families to spend more time together, but that is exactly what happens when CYO teams play their games on Sundays, when no one has to be at work.

Is athletics the only target here, or does this mean that school plays, choir and band concerts and open houses are a no-go on Sunday?

Most Catholic schools already don't permit their teams to practice on Sundays. If a team at Dearborn Divine Child has a Monday game, it is allowed to practice on Sunday as long as the team attends mass together before practice.

I would bet that is the only time some of the players attend mass, and isn't that part of this mission?

With all the issues facing the Church and its membership these days, this is where Archbishop Vigneron is drawing a line in the sand?

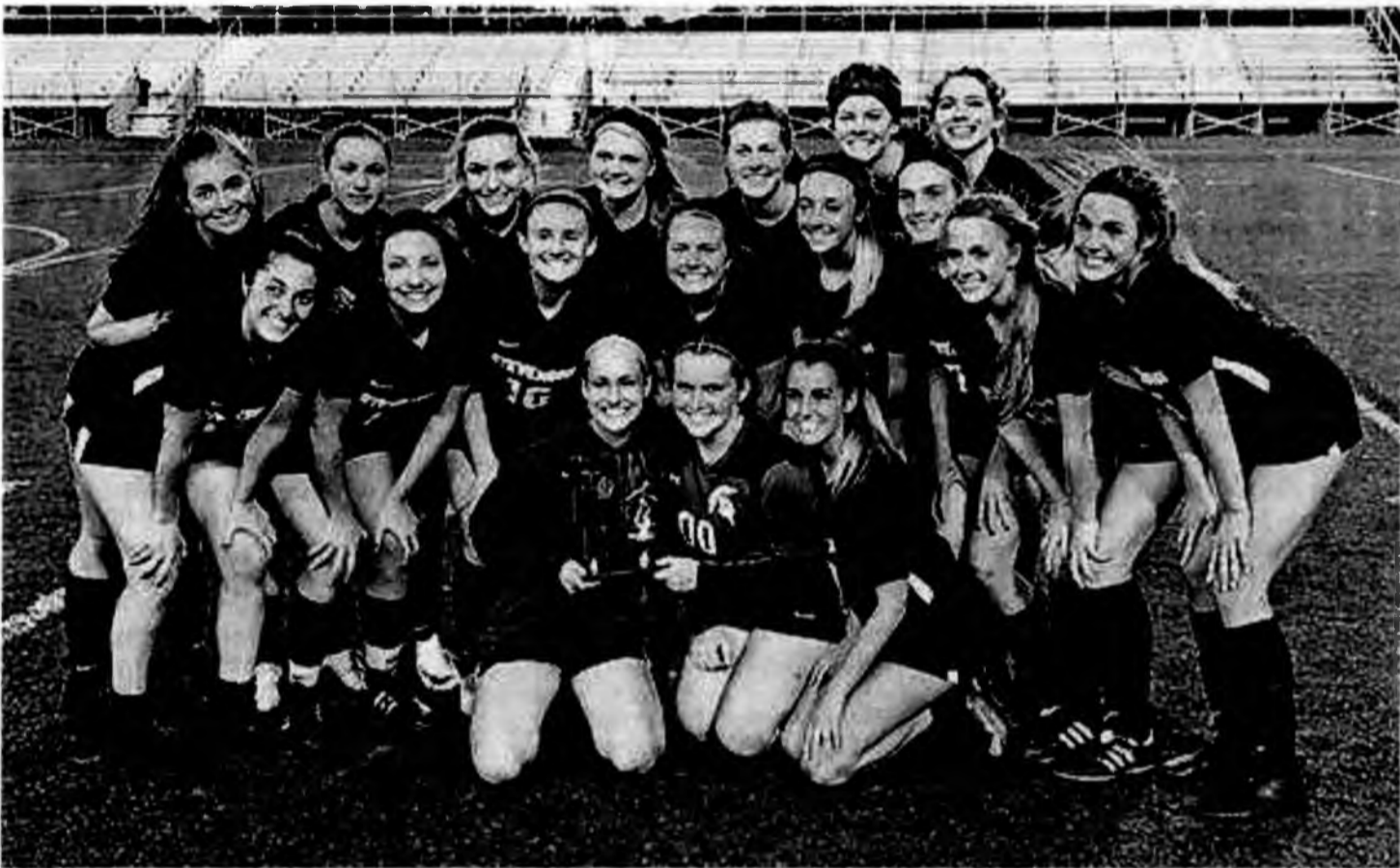
This isn't an either/or situation. There is no need for the archbishop to pit athletics against the Church. Athletics can and do bring the Church and school community together for the benefit of both.

By the way, the Vatican has sponsored a men's national soccer team for 48 years. This year, with Pope Francis' blessing, it reportedly will sponsor a women's team with over half of the players being Vatican employees.

The first game for the women's team will be a friendly against AS Roma. The game will be May 26 ... a Sunday.

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GIRLS SOCCER



The Stevenson soccer team clinched the KLAA East Division and will play Novi for the conference title. COURTESY OF LIVONIA STEVENSON SOCCER

Stevenson wins KLAA East; Novi wins West

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The Livonia Stevenson girls soccer team captured the KLAA East Division title last week by beating Dearborn, 3-0.

The win gave the Spartans a perfect

13-0-1 conference record.

Adriana Mroz scored twice, while Abby Werthman tallied two assists in the clinching game.

It set up a conference championship showdown on Monday between the Spartans and Novi High School, which won the West Division title by also going undefeated (find results online at

hometownlife.com).

The Wildcats are the No. 1 ranked team in the state and are looking to defend their state championship in the playoffs.

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Livonia youth softball wins Northville tournament

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The Livonia Storm 11U fast-pitch softball team won the 2019 Northville Early Bird Tournament over Mother's Day weekend.

The team participated in the 12U division and went 5-0-1, beating the 12U Northville Broncos in the championship game.

Team members include: Betty Adams, Lydia Aubry, Rachel Balhorn, Anna Battagin, Elaina Braunscheidel, Jas-

mine Burrow, Amanda Hampton, Kennedy Kasten, Isabella Kutch, Mia Monte, Jessie Rodopoulos, Katelyn Ruth and Zoe Seagren. The team is coached by Stacy Rodopoulos. Assistant coaches are Reuben Adams, Ron Aubry and Ed Battagin.

The tournament featured teams from 8U to 13U. Full results can be found on the tournament's website at www.northvilleearlybird.org.

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The Livonia Storm 11U softball team won the 2019 Northville Early Bird Tournament. COURTESY OF ED BATTAGIN

FINAL MICHIGAN PREP LACROSSE RANKINGS

Boys rankings

Division 1 - (record, rating, goal differential, strength of schedule)

1. Birmingham Brother Rice (17-0, 95.55, 8.00, 87.55)
2. Detroit Catholic Central (15-2, 92.71, 7.17, 85.54)
3. Hartland (14-1, 90.44, 8.13, 82.31)
4. Lake Orion (15-2, 87.69, 6.17, 81.52)
5. Northville (14-2, 86.86, 4.75, 82.11)
6. Plymouth (14-4, 85.97, 5.11, 80.86)
7. Clarkston (12-3, 85.68, 3.66, 82.02)
8. Rockford (12-5, 85.40, 1.52, 83.88)
9. U-D Jesuit (12-5, 85.28, 3.41, 81.87)
10. Saline (13-2, 84.91, 5.26, 79.65)
11. Rochester Adams (14-4, 84.71, 4.22, 80.49)
12. Haslett-Williamston (13-3, 84.19, 5.62, 78.57)
13. Midland (11-6, 83.94, 3.94, 80.00)
14. Birmingham United (10-4, 83.89, 4.00, 79.89)
15. Brighton (8-9, 83.81, 0.47, 83.34)

Division 2

1. Forest Hills Central (15-1, 93.07, 8.12, 84.95)
2. East Grand Rapids (13-5, 86.22, 2.11, 84.11)
3. Forest Hills Eastern (10-6, 86.09, 2.68, 83.41)
4. Detroit Country Day (7-9, 83.19, -0.87, 84.06)
5. Spring Lake (12-1, 83.15, 5.30, 77.85)

Girls rankings

1. East Grand Rapids (18-2, 91.27, 7.95, 83.32)
2. Rockford (9-5-1, 90.97, 3.86, 87.11)
3. Forest Hills United (13-5, 88.11, 4.77, 83.34)
4. Hartland (16-1, 86.36, 7.35, 79.01)
5. Marian (15-1, 85.71, 6.68, 79.03)
6. Brighton (12-7-1, 84.09, 2.85, 81.24)
7. Detroit Country Day (14-1, 83.42, 6.33, 77.09)
8. Okemos (13-1-2, 83.09, 7.31, 75.78)
9. Mattawan (15-3, 82.79, 5.72, 77.07)
10. Ann Arbor Pioneer (13-5-1, 82.44, 4.52, 77.92)
11. Cranbrook Kingswood (7-8-1, 82.22, 0.00, 82.22)
12. Grand Rapids Christian (10-9, 81.36, 0.10, 81.26)
13. Birmingham Unified (5-6, 80.92, -1.72, 82.64)
14. Farmington (17-0, 80.63, 7.70, 72.93)
15. Northville (9-6, 80.61, 2.00, 78.61)
16. Midland (11-1, 80.03, 6.75, 73.28)
17. Troy (5-7, 79.83, 1.58, 78.25)
18. DeWitt (12-4, 79.62, 3.50, 76.12)
19. Novi (9-7, 79.31, 2.43, 76.88)
20. Grand Rapids Catholic Central (5-12, 78.47, -4.23, 82.70)
21. South Lyon United (12-4-1, 78.26, 4.41, 73.85)

LOCAL SCOREBOARD

Baseball

Livonia Stevenson 10, Dearborn 4 - Bobby Cavin and Nate Waligora combined to go 7-for-9 with six RBIs in the win.

Livonia Stevenson 10, Dearborn 3 - Griffin Kilander got the win after pitching 4 and 1/3 innings and allowing three runs on three hits. He struck out eight.

Canton 2, Livonia Stevenson 1 (extra innings) - Canton scored runs in the seventh and eighth innings to earn the comeback win.

John Glenn 2, Northville 1 (extra innings) - Chad Stevens pitched 7 and 2/3 innings and picked up both John Glenn RBIs in the eighth inning win.

Livonia Stevenson 3, Livonia Franklin 2 - Stevenson scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh to win, right after Franklin had taken the lead in the top half of the seventh. The Spartans are city champions.

Canton 2, Salem 1 - Nick Yeager was the winning pitcher with a complete game shutout allowing two hits. Jack Rector led the Chiefs offensively with two hits and an RBI.

Canton 5, Salem 1 - Canton senior Nate Blain went the distance on the mound striking out 10, while allowing three hits. Senior Liam Radomski had three hits including a bases loaded double and three RBIs in the first inning to get things going for the Chiefs. Ben Stesiak and Kyle King had three and two hits, respectively. Canton goes to 16-5 overall.

Lakeland 9, Walled Lake Northern 4 - Brennan Surman was the story of the day as he recorded three scoreless innings with three strikeouts to finish out the game. Trent Farquhar was 2-for-3 with two RBIs, Grant Burns and Kevin Krill each added two RBIs while Patrick McDonald and Drake Schultz each contributed a hit and RBI.

Plymouth Christian 7, Lutheran Westland 6 - Norbie Fernandez (senior-signed with Taylor Univ.) led things off on the mound for Plymouth Christian Academy. He allowed seven hits and six runs over seven innings, striking out eight.

Livonia Stevenson 16, Livonia Franklin 3 - Stevenson pounced on Franklin early, scoring 13 runs in two innings. **Birmingham Seaholm 7, West Bloomfield 2** - Max Schumaker and Jimmy Love each had two hits for Seaholm. **Livonia Franklin 2, Edison Academy 0**

Lakeview 7, Livonia Franklin 5

Lake Orion 11, Northville 1

Novi 6, Wayne Memorial 4

Livonia Franklin 2, Plymouth 1

Salem 10, Livonia Churchill 8

Plymouth 4, Hartland 3

Garden City 15, Crestwood 1 - Thomas Catton picked up the win on the mound, pitching three innings and striking out seven. He improves to 1-0 on the season. Jacob Grant got the Cougar offense off to a hot start hitting a lead-off home run in the bottom of the first inning. He went 2-for-2 with two walks and two runs scored. Ian Will added a double and a run scored. Evan Bosman provided a multi-hit day for Garden City, going 2-for-3 with two runs scored and two stolen bases. The Cougars improved to 20-3 overall and 10-0 in the WWAC.

Canton 5, Salem 1

Canton 2, Salem 0

Garden City 17, Crestwood 1 - Nathan Robinson struck out eight batters in four innings for Garden City. He has a 0.00 ERA this season in 17 innings.

Softball

Mercy 14, Grosse Pointe South 0

Mercy 13, Ida 2

Mercy 8, Trenton 4

Mercy 7, Riverview 6 - Mercy won the Woodhaven Hits for Heros tournament and improved to 13-8 overall.

Livonia Stevenson 5, Northville 4 - Stevenson won it on a walk-off two-run home run by Catherine Olschanski. The Spartans are now 18-8 overall.

Livonia Stevenson 8, Stoney Creek 3

Allen Park 15, Livonia Stevenson 0

Birmingham Seaholm 7, Avondale 5 - Kelly DeClark was the hero for Seaholm, blasting a grand slam in the third inning. Bryn Longe and Ellie Smith each had two hits for the Maples. Abby Righter pitched a complete game.

Birmingham Seaholm 12, Avondale 3 - Kayla Esshaki was 2-for-3 with three RBIs for Seaholm, while Sarah Hegel, Reilly Vida and Mia Lanway each drove in two runs. Morgan Anton pitched a complete game.

Livonia Stevenson 11, Livonia Franklin 9 - Stevenson played four games in four days after a series of rain-outs. Winning all four puts the team at 16-6 overall and 10-0 in the KLAA, with a chance to clinch the division coming next week. The Spartans also took home the city championship, thanks to their wins over Franklin and Churchill.

Livonia Stevenson 9, Garden City 6

Livonia Stevenson 14, Livonia Franklin 2

Livonia Stevenson 9, Salem 8

Mercy 7, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 5

Warren Regina 6, Mercy 3

Vandercook Lake 7, Salem 6 - Sydney Muntean homered and singled for Salem.

Chelsea 9, Salem 2 - Hailey Dechalk hit a home run for Salem.

Churchill 10, Salem 6 - Grace Hokett hit three singles for Salem.

Churchill 9, Salem 2 - Hailey Dechalk hit another home run for Salem.

Salem 13, Franklin 3 - Hailey Dechalk hit a grand slam and doubled for Salem.

Salem 10, Churchill 5 - Sydney Muntean had three hits and three RBIs for the Rocks.

Salem 9, Farmington 3 - The game was played at Michigan's field in Ann Arbor.

Canton 16, Salem 4

Canton 5, Salem 3

Thurston 24, Robichaud 9 - Sophomore Rachel Cassatt led the Eagles to the win. Shaniya Clark pitched her first win of the season. Jazzmyn Pitts, Heavenly Yarber, Kyra Hampton, Chelsea Depriest, Tia and Sarah Bentley, Rena Raines, Loryn Watkins, Rayna Croon, Brielle Darnell, Devan Robinson and Cyan Williams all contributed in the win. Thurston's record is now 1-7.

Hartland 10, Plymouth 3 - Plymouth's Alexis D'Alexander and Elissa Simmons each had a double on the afternoon.

Arie Bartholomew went 3-for-4.

Soccer

Birmingham Seaholm 4, Birmingham Groves 1 - Grace Harr and Livi Ross had two goals each for Seaholm. Harr had two assists and Cate Brown had one assist. Goalkeepers Maya Nesti and Makenzie Martin combine in goal for the win with one save each.

Novi 2, Plymouth 1 - Novi got two goals from senior Julia Stadther to pick up the win. Novi is No. 1 in the state with a perfect 12-0 record.

Livonia Churchill 8, Fordson 0 - Junior Riley Pfeifer scored two goals and had an assist, while senior Kaci Pampreen and sophomore Kayla Karnesky each scored twice.

Belleville 5, John Glenn 0

Canton 1, Hartland 0 - Sophomore center back, Emma Morrison, scored on a 38-yard direct kick in the first half to give the Chiefs the lead. Senior goalkeeper, Katie Clark, played outstanding with nine saves on the night.

Birmingham Seaholm 1, Rochester Adams 1 - Livi Ross scored the goal with an assist by Cate Brown for Seaholm.

Northville 1, Salem 0

Garden City 6, Crestwood 0 - Scoring goals for GCHS were Molly Borg, Mia Borg, Kaitlyn Bovensiep, Faith Staley and Madison Carver. The other goal was an own goal when the Chargers put the ball in their own net from a well taken corner kick by Madison Carver.

Clarenceville 8, Romulus 0 - Senior Alexandria Snage led the Trojans with three goals. Michelle Marzolo and Erin Sanchez each scored twice, while senior Leilana Vazquez also added a goal.

Salem 3, Howell 0

Garden City 8, Thurston 0 - The goals were scored by Faith Staley (four), Kaitlyn Bovensiep (two), Mia Borg and Madison Niemiec.

Farmington 1, South Lyon East 0

Clarenceville 2, Crestwood 2 - Crestwood scored with 19 seconds left to tie the game.

Tennis

Northville 24, Plymouth 1, Brighton 0, Novi 0, Franklin 0, Churchill 0, Stevenson 0, Dearborn 0, Battleground Academy 0

Singles

No. 1 - Tori Mady, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Allison Mcconnell, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 7-5, 7-6 (2), -;

No. 2 - Renee Torres, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Reagan Seremet, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 6-0, 6-1, -;

No. 3 - Audrey Zhang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Yasmine Rammouni, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 4 - Sneha Ganan, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Sarah Dziobak, STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-2, -;

No. 1 - Jessica Braun, CANTON PLYMOUTH def. Tori Mady, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Renee Torres, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Eleanor Murray, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Audrey Zhang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Holly Wikman, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

No. 4 - Sneha Ganan, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Praveena Mohanraj, CANTON PLYMOUTH, 6-1, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Renee Torres, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jordana Krstovski, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3;

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

NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-0, -;

No. 4 - Sneha Ganan, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Anika Kinra, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-1, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Maya Mulchandani - Sophie Zhuang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jillian Cormier - Leah James, STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Andrea Nam - Madison Deyoung, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Sandreea Cueva - Katie Callaghan, LIVONIA FRANKLIN, 6-0, 6-1, -;

No. 3 - Ashna Mulchandani - Michelle Tong, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Briana Drazek - Aya Siblani, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

No. 5 - Sarah Gallagher - Amelia Nam, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Anna Lariviere - Nina Canzoneri, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 1 - Maya Mulchandani - Sophie Zhuang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Paige Osgood - Libby Daberk, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Andrea Nam - Madison Deyoung, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Lacey Jajko - Dania Jadallah, DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Ashna Mulchandani - Michelle Tong, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Anjali Singh - Raveena Joshi, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-4, 6-3, -;

No. 4 - Vanessa Zorzan - Piper Young, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Kennedy Axe - Grace Carney, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 5 - Sarah Gallagher - Amelia Nam, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jessica Zenas - Natalie Albrecht, STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

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

No. 2 - Andrea Nam - Madison Deyoung, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Catherine Xu - Elizabeth Yang, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-3, -;

No. 3 - Ashna Mulchandani - Michelle Tong, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Emily Koch - Emily Hathaway, STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-4, 6-3, -;

No. 4 - Vanessa Zorzan - Piper Young, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Avni Kinra - Aryana Kinra, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-0, -;

No. 5 - Sarah Gallagher - Amelia Nam, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Morgan Besant - Nishita Inapuri, NOVI HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-3, -;

Northville 7, Seaholm 2 - Singles

No. 1 - Tori Mady, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Sofia Gryzenia, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM, 6-2, 6-3, -;

No. 2 - Mollie Judge, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM def. Renee Torres, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 3-6, 10-5;

No. 3 - Audrey Zhang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Olivia Mitchell, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM, 6-1, 7-6 (7), -;

No. 4 - Greta Albertain, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM def. Sneha Ganan, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-4, 6-3, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Madison Daminato - Emily Hirsch, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM def. Maya Mulchandani - Sophie Zhuang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-2, -;

No. 2 - Brooke Forte - Lilly Trinch, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM def. Andrea Nam - Madison Deyoung, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 7-5, 6-2, -;

No. 3 - Charlie Kuchman - Sofia Manzo, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM def. Sarah Gallagher - Michelle Tong, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 7-5, -;

No. 4 - Ashley Buechner - Remi Maynard, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM def. Amelia Nam - Piper Young, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 7-5, 6-4, -;

No. 5 - Carly Burkel - Kaitlyn Marcum, BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM def. Erica Goins - Ashna Mulchandani, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 7-5, 6-3, -;

Salem 17, Hartland 16, Canton 13, Howell 8, Fordson 4, Belleville 3, Wayne Memorial 2, John Glenn 0

Bloomfield Hills 7, Northville 2 - Singles

No. 1 - Tia Mukherjee, BLOOMFIELD HILLS def. Tori Mady, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-2, -;

No. 2 - Grace Shaya, BLOOMFIELD HILLS def. Renee Torres, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-4, -;

No. 3 - Jenna Silverman, BLOOMFIELD HILLS def. Audrey Zhang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-1, -;

No. 4 - Danielle Herb, BLOOMFIELD HILLS def. Sneha Ganan, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-1, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Hannah Tomina - Madison Narens, BLOOMFIELD HILLS def. Maya Mulchandani - Sophie Zhuang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-7 (5), 7-5;

No. 2 - Andrea Nam - Madison Deyoung, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Kaela Bernard - Eryn Stern, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, 6-1, 2-6, 6-2;

No. 3 - Emily Ross - Carly Bernard, BLOOMFIELD HILLS def. Connie Gao -

Michelle Tong, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4;

No. 4 - Susan Baenen - Emma Gray, BLOOMFIELD HILLS def. Vanessa Zorzan - Piper Young, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-3, 6-4, -;

No. 5 - Sarah Gallagher - Amelia Nam, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Mckenzie Narens - Eeshika Dadheech, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, 6-7 (8), 6-2, 10-7;

Northville 8, Canton 1 - Singles

No. 1 - Tori Mady, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Ishani Vaishnav, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Renee Torres, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Default Default, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Audrey Zhang, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Isabel Espinoza, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 4 - Sneha Ganan, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Sreya Sista, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

Doubles

No. 1 - Ally Cupp - Bella Volkers, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL def. Default Default - Default Default, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 2 - Madison Deyoung - Amelia Nam, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Default Default - Default Default, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 3 - Erica Goins - Michelle Tong, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Alisha Tiller - Rachel Vanruiten, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1, 6-1, -;

No. 4 - Vanessa Zorzan - Piper Young, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Default Default - Default Default, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

No. 5 - Sarah Gallagher - Ashna Mulchandani, NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Ava Oprisiu - Olivia Phillips, CANTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0, -;

Lacrosse

Boys

Northville 13, Salem 5 - Northville defeated Salem with goals from Nick Salamone (four), Luke Tardich (three), Nick Lauderback (two), Jack Harris (two), Shane Alexander (two). Assists came from Jack Pevovar, Tardich, Alexander, Salamone and Harris.

Birmingham United 12, Davison 1 - Owen Van Hees scored three goals and tallied four assists for Birmingham. Will McBride also had a hat-trick. Birmingham goes to 10-4 overall.

Northville 8, Plymouth 7 OT - Plymouth tied the game with just seconds remaining in the second half, but Nick Salamone score the game-winning goal for Northville in overtime. He had four goals in the contest.

Farmington 13, Plymouth 4 - Farmington improves to 16-0.

Farmington 15, North Farmington-Harrison United 2 - Senior captain Gabi Mitchell scored four goals for Farmington, which is undefeated with a 15-0 record.

Birmingham United 21, Bloomfield Hills 10 - Senior leadership led the Birmingham women's lacrosse team to a convincing 21-10 win over rival Bloomfield Hills on Wednesday at Bloomfield Hills High School. Shannon Stubbs scored seven goals, Kate Wujciak had five goals, while Kelsey McNally, Julie Dunigan and Chloe Mihalcheon each added two goals for the visiting Birmingham squad.

Cranbrook 15, Birmingham 12 - Kayleigh Rogers led the way with five goals for the Birmingham squad, which also received three goals from Julie Dunigan.

Farmington 17, Stoney Creek 8 - Abbey Jones scored six goals for Farmington, while Gabi Mitchell and Sydney Hoffmeyer each added three.

Thurston 26, Robichaud 2 - Brielle Darnell got the win and Devan Robinson led the attack for Thurston.

Golf

Thurston 234, Garden City 263 - Thurston's Joe Lawson shot a low score of 41.

Thurston 234, Romulus DNF - Joe Quiton of Romulus had a low score of 38.

Thurston 226, Redford Union 233 - Joe Lawson had the low score of 42, while Malcom Calhoun added a 52. Thurston is a perfect 7-0.

Salem 165, Brighton 173 - Cole Moyer had a low score of 39 for Salem.

Livonia Churchill 182, John Glenn 186 - Gueseppe Crachilo had a low score of 39 for John Glenn.

Howell 162, Salem 172 - Josh German shot a 41 for Salem.

Track and Field

Boys

Livonia Churchill 93, John Glenn 44

Girls

Livonia Churchill 114, John Glenn 22

Salem 76, Hartland 61



New Lothrop head coach Clint Galvas celebrates winning the Division 7 MHSAA State Championship at Ford Field in Detroit last season. Beginning in the fall of 2020, a team's strength of schedule will be the overriding determination of whether a school is in or out of the 256-team playoff field. KIMBERLY P. MITCHELL/DETROIT FREE PRESS

How the MHSAA's new system for football playoffs will work

Mick McCabe
Special to Detroit Free Press

The days of high school football coaches manipulating their schedules in order to make the state playoffs will be ending after the upcoming season.

Beginning in the fall of 2020, a team's strength of schedule will be the overriding determination of whether a school is in or out of the 256-team playoff field. More importantly, it rewards a school even if it loses to a quality opponent.

This format also will have predetermined divisions, meaning a school will no longer have to wait for the Sunday selection show following the games of Week 9 to know which division it will be in for the playoffs.

These decisions were reached earlier this week at the Michigan High School Athletic Association's representative council's spring meeting in Gaylord.

Also determined at the meeting was that for the upcoming school year the MHSAA will begin seeding boys and girls basketball and soccer state tournaments at the district level, putting the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds on opposite sides of the bracket.

But the big news was the change to the football point system used for determining playoff point averages, endorsed by the MHSAA's football committee.

Had this system been in place last fall, 17 different schools would have been in the playoffs. On the outs would have been one team with a 7-2 record (Ludington) and three with 6-3 marks (Kalamazoo Central, Detroit Western and Merrill). Eleven four-win teams would have made the playoff field.

The old system had basically remained the same since the size of the playoff field was doubled in 1999.

Since then, the MHSAA said teams with six wins, five if a team plays an eight-game schedule, would make the state playoffs.

The MHSAA hoped the larger field would alleviate the pressure on schools scheduling nonconference games, but the opposite occurred. Many coaches

attempted to rig the system by scheduling as many easy wins as possible, making scheduling for the state's better teams more difficult than ever.

Crunching the numbers

Andrew Pratley, who was recently named head coach at St. Joseph, was coaching at West Branch Ogemaw Heights and was at his wits' end when trying to find opponents. That is when he began work on a new format.

"The whole premise of this started with scheduling," he said. "We saw a lot of leagues breaking up, including the one I was in at Ogemaw Heights, over teams that felt like they couldn't compete and had to get to their six wins."

In 2009, a committee of more than 40 coaches in northern Michigan was formed to search for a better way to select a playoff field.

Greg Vaughn, now the head coach at Traverse City West, became involved with Pratley soon after and approached the problem from a mathematical standpoint.

"Greg started a year or two later and brought some of the math in and brought some of the strength of schedule components to it," Pratley said. "It's been a long process from that point, but it's been a good road because it ends with what we think is best for high school football for our state."

The old system awarded 80 playoff points for beating a Class A school, 64 for beating a Class B school, 48 for Class C and 32 for Class D.

A school also earned eight bonus points each time an opponent it beat won a game, but only one point if it lost to that opponent.

"The 8 to 1 point ratio was all risk, no reward," Pratley said. "We tried balancing that out a little more so there was a little bit more reward for risking playing a really good team."

Under the new format, teams will earn 60 points for beating a Division 1 school, 55 for beating a Division 2 school, 50 for beating a Division 3 team,

all way to 25 points for beating a Division 8 opponent.

As for the bonus points, teams will reap rewards from scheduling high-quality, bigger schools.

For example: A Division 3 team schedules a Division 1 opponent. The Division 3 school will get six bonus points for every win the Division 1 team has in that season, except from their head-to-head game.

The bonus-point scale is six points for Divisions 1 and 2, five for Division 3 or 4, four for Division 5 and 6, and three for Divisions 7 and 8.

"We actually started with the premise of mathematically from the 80s, trying to build that same concept," said Pratley. "When we did that we noticed there was a big skew so we actually continued to run some numbers based on some teams that we knew were good quality football teams."

Early in the process, Pratley found that by using the formula they originally designed, some good teams would not have qualified for the playoffs.

"We wanted to make sure what those mathematical reasons behind that were, that was important to us," he said. "We tried to find different size schools from each region of the state and really targeted their numbers and then worked the math to see what gave us the best numbers that pushed it more toward the middle."

Putting it in motion

Once Pratley and Vaughn came up with a workable formula, they turned it over to Andy Frushour, the director of brand management for the MHSAA. He used those numbers to see how the playoff field would have changed over a number of seasons.

The 2016 playoff field, for instance, would have included 27 different teams and 22 different teams in 2017.

"They had this idea for this system and they asked us if there was any way to run it," Frushour said. "They adjusted some of the variables over the years.

With the teams that didn't make it you're mostly talking the mix of 5-4 teams. Some got in and some didn't."

Six years ago, the MHSAA put the plan to a statewide vote of school administrators. The MHSAA may have accidentally torpedoed the plan by stating any team with at least seven wins would make the playoffs.

The plan did not have overwhelming support because the coaches fixated on the seven-win number.

This new plan had the full support of the MHSAA, under first-year executive director Mark Uyl.

"The MHSAA, with Mark especially, has done a great job of getting the research out and getting some data out to the athletic directors and from our association," Pratley said. "It's gotten some good support and it was time for this thing to be pushed through."

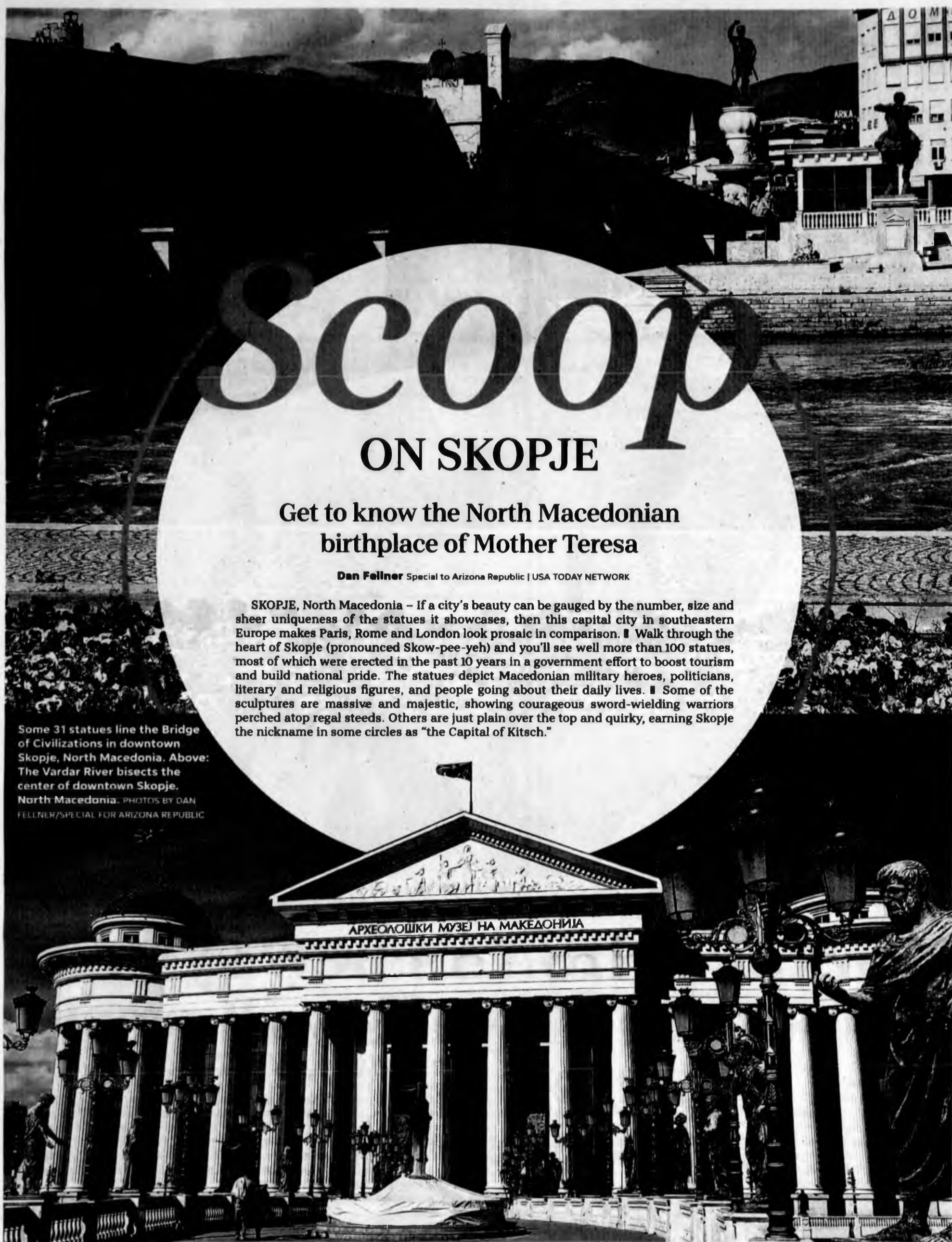
There are no guarantees — as far as win totals to reach — in this plan. Teams with 4-5 records will make the playoffs, which will hopefully ease the pain of scheduling.

"We feel like this is the best proposal to help that for now and we also feel that the math can always be tweaked," Pratley said. "If we find some things that happen we don't have to rewrite the whole proposal, we can just change the math."

Another selling point to this plan is that coaches will no longer have to guess which division they will be in for the playoffs.

"That's a big key to this," Pratley said. "It helps with everything that you're doing. It helps with scheduling, it helps with scouting and that kind of thing."

In basketball and soccer, the MHSAA will determine the top two seeds by using its Michigan Power Ratings, a computer formula based on regular season results against other Michigan schools, which is being used to seed the boys lacrosse tournament this spring. It is similar to the former RPI system the NCAA used for selection to the men's and women's basketball tournaments in past years.



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ON SKOPJE

Get to know the North Macedonian birthplace of Mother Teresa

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SKOPJE, North Macedonia – If a city's beauty can be gauged by the number, size and sheer uniqueness of the statues it showcases, then this capital city in southeastern Europe makes Paris, Rome and London look prosaic in comparison. ■ Walk through the heart of Skopje (pronounced Skow-pee-yeh) and you'll see well more than 100 statues, most of which were erected in the past 10 years in a government effort to boost tourism and build national pride. The statues depict Macedonian military heroes, politicians, literary and religious figures, and people going about their daily lives. ■ Some of the sculptures are massive and majestic, showing courageous sword-wielding warriors perched atop regal steeds. Others are just plain over the top and quirky, earning Skopje the nickname in some circles as "the Capital of Kitsch."

Some 31 statues line the Bridge of Civilizations in downtown Skopje, North Macedonia. Above: The Vardar River bisects the center of downtown Skopje, North Macedonia. PHOTOS BY DAN FELLNER/SPECIAL FOR ARIZONA REPUBLIC

The statues are part of Skopje 2014, a government-funded project that financed the construction of museums, government buildings and monuments to give the downtown a spiffy new look. Skopje, leveled by a 1963 earthquake, had long been in desperate need of a makeover.

The odd mix of statues has attracted the most attention and made the city a bonanza for selfie-shooting tourists.

The new Republic of North Macedonia

Skopje, a city of about a half-million people and the capital of North Macedonia, is an eclectic blend of Christian and Islamic cultures.

Formerly part of socialist Yugoslavia, Skopje became a Sister City to Tempe, Ariz., in 1971, a groundbreaking relationship that endures nearly a half-century later. At the time, it was the first partnership between an American city and a counterpart in Eastern Europe's socialist bloc.

As Yugoslavia was disintegrating, Macedonia gained its independence in 1991.

In February 2019, the country was renamed the Republic of North Macedonia to resolve a decades-old conflict with neighboring Greece, which had previously laid claim to the name Macedonia.

In terms of its name, at least, this landlocked nation on the Balkan Peninsula is the newest country in the world.

The resolution of its dispute with Greece is expected to pave the way for North Macedonia's entry into the European Union and NATO in the coming years.

Skopje's famous statues

In the Balkans, where national, ethnic and religious rivalries simmer for centuries with occasional flareups, names matter.

That's certainly the case with Skopje's most famous – and controversial – statue, an eight-story-tall sculpture of Alexander the Great on his horse Bucephalus.

To avoid offending the Greeks, who claim Alexander as one of their own, the statue is officially named "Warrior on a Horse," even though everyone here knows it's really Alexander. There's even talk of taking it down to further ease tensions with the Greeks.

On one bridge, the Bridge of Civilizations that leads pedestrians to the Archaeological Museum of Macedonia, I counted 31 statues of historical figures.

On the lighter side, there are whimsical statues of a shoeshine man, a beggar, a funky-looking fish and a bikini-clad swimmer about to dive into the Vardar River, under Skopje's historic Stone Bridge.

Another swimmer just a few feet ahead of her – feet protruding above the water – has already made a splash.

Just five yards from the entrance to my apartment building overlooking the

city's main pedestrian street sits a large bronze statue of a bull.

It resembles the famous statue on Wall Street in New York. But the artist has said there is no connection to America or the stock market; the bull symbolizes the strength and fertility of the Macedonian people.

The bronze bull was installed 10 years ago. Somewhere along the line, someone chopped off the beast's tail. Nevertheless, the statue is a useful landmark for me to find my apartment building after dark, in case my senses are dulled by a bit too much Skopsko, the country's most popular beer.

Not everyone is a fan

Skopje 2014 cost an estimated \$700 million, a large chunk of change in one of Europe's poorest countries. Many Macedonians feel the money should have been spent on education, infrastructure and feeding the poor, instead of on monuments and statues.

"No, it was definitely not worth the money," says Emilija S. Georgievska, an associate professor in the Department of English Language & Literature at Saints Cyril and Methodius University, the country's largest university. "Most people do not even know who these historical figures were and what was their legacy. Unfortunately, they cannot relate to them."

Still, the statues offer an interesting glimpse into the art, religion, history

and political divisions in this part of Eastern Europe, which is still struggling to find its economic footing in the post-Yugoslavia era.

Skopje and Mother Teresa

About 50 yards from my apartment is a memorial to Skopje's most famous native, Mother Teresa, a sainted Catholic nun who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 for her humanitarian work. The ethnic Albanian was born in Skopje in 1910.

At the site where she was baptized as an infant now sits the 10-year-old Memorial House of Mother Teresa, which includes a small museum and Catholic chapel. The site attracts 80,000-100,000 visitors a year. In fact, the Pope is scheduled to visit the memorial on Tuesday, May 7.

Not surprisingly, there is a large statue of Mother Teresa – hands clasped in prayer – in front of the building to greet the tourists.

In Skopje, a leading attraction without a statue on the premises just wouldn't seem proper.

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Skip comfort zone, women advise

Other career tips: Invest in you, find a network



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With the 10th anniversary of my mother's death approaching, this Mother's Day was wistful. She would have turned 100 in weeks.

Mom grew up tough in southwest Arkansas. Pre-Great Depression, before penicillin, where railroads and river shipping reigned. She married my father during World War II, moved west and never looked back.

Honoring her memory, I asked top women at my firm what advice they would give women seeking to fulfill their vision of life.

Don't settle for comfortable

Jill Hitchcock, a 20-year veteran, who heads our national Private Client Group, offers this advice:

"Run toward the things that scare you, especially early in your career," Hitchcock says.

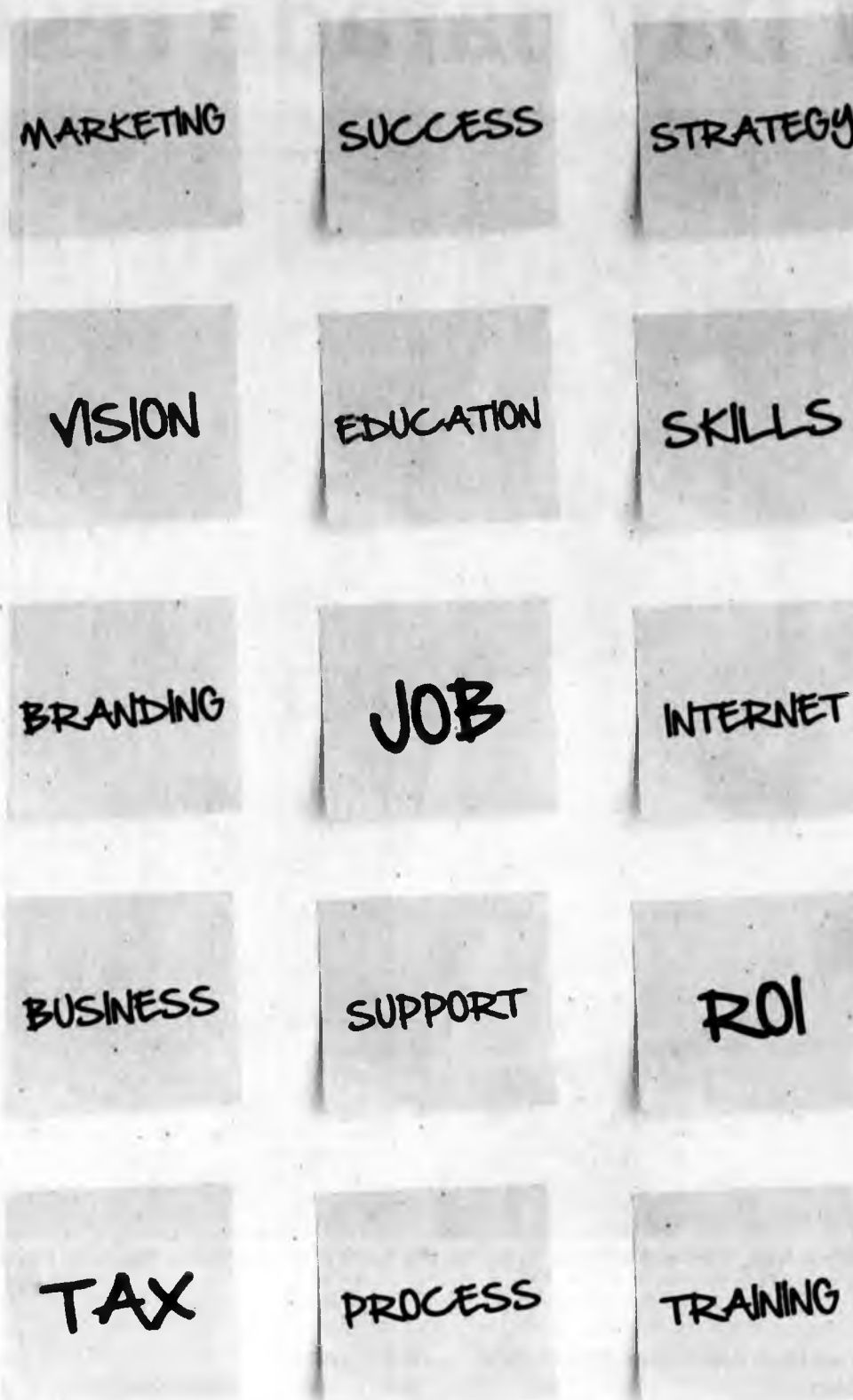
"Too often, I see associates, especially women, seeking 'comfortable' roles instead of what really challenges them to build new skills," she said. "Don't close doors opting for comfortable or known roles that play to skills you have; move toward roles that build skills you don't have."

Carrienne Coffey, also 20 years at my firm, who runs our comparable overseas group, echoed this: "Feeling role-comfortable creates mediocrity and stagnation."

She adds, "Be direct about your aims." Her favorite advice comes courtesy of her older brother: "If you don't ask for it, some other jerk will."

You can't have all the answers

Take time to breathe and reflect, says Laurine Garrity, our global marketing head. "Don't expect to have all the answers early in your career," she says. "I often see young adults seriously



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stressed thinking they need a long-term career road map. Life is unpredictable. You need to be flexible and resilient. So find out what you enjoy, what challenges you – then learn from those experiences and build on them. Over time, with work and self-reflection, you should land in a good place."

Lane Jarvis, our human capital czar, stressed avoiding burnout.

"Take care of your health. Don't prioritize work over taking care of yourself. It will make you better and healthier so you can work longer."

Always fund your 401(k)

"Invest in yourself," Garrity says. "Participate as much as you can in your 401(k). Get invested in the market and stick with a basic plan – don't get too cute with it."

Coffey also stressed simplicity. "For longer-term savings, save all you can in any amount you can and invest in stocks. Look up in 20 or 30 years from now, and you will be glad you did."

If you're going to marry, Garrity says, "Marry someone who supports you – personally and professionally. I wouldn't be where I am today without my husband."

Create a support network

"If you're to stay home to raise kids, understand you're taking on major personal risk if something happens to the primary breadwinner in your family," says Hitchcock. "Make sure you have enough disability and life insurance to support you and your kids if the unexpected happens. It happens."

And make sure you have a support network, says Jarvis. "This group can help you navigate through opportunities and setbacks."

Finally, they agreed, your path is up to you and no one else – go your own way – maybe a bit like my mom did, just different.

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Fifth grader is a CEO, too

Lemonade business is sweet for whole family

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MEMPHIS – When Kinyah Braddock was 6, her father laid out a challenge: He asked her to come up with an idea and launch a business by her 10th birthday.

Kinyah did it at 8.

"Apparently, I met that goal," Kinyah, now 10, told The Commercial Appeal.

Two years after the launch, her company B Chill Lemonade is still going strong. About eight weeks ago, Kinyah's mom, Valerie Braddock, quit her teaching job to work for her daughter full time, and last month, B Chill moved into the food court of Hickory Ridge Mall near Winchester Road and Ridgeway Road.

Foot traffic at the mall is sparse. Hickory Ridge Mall has no major retailers to attract shoppers in droves, and many of the smaller storefronts inside sit empty. But instead of meeting customers all over town to drop off lemonade, Kinyah now has a shop where customers can meet her and a dedicated space to make her lemonade.

And this is still the beginning for the young entrepreneur.

She will have accomplished everything she set out to do when her lemonade is available on every continent, she said.

A family affair

When her dad, Demetrius Braddock, challenged her years ago, he thought he was simply teaching her a lesson for her future and giving her a way to make money to pay for guitar lessons she wanted. Now, he says he couldn't be prouder of his daughter.

He expected it to take a few tries before Kinyah landed on a winning idea and figured starting so young would give her plenty of time to try and fail a few times.



Kinyah Braddock, 10, prepares lemonade at Hickory Ridge Mall in Memphis.
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"All you really need is one opportunity to actually make it to where you're trying to go," he said. "I expected it to happen later. She hit a grand slam at the very beginning."

B Chill Lemonade (online at bchilllemonade.com) may have been Kinyah's brainchild, but success is thanks to the whole family.

Kinyah is the CEO.

Valerie Braddock is the chief operating officer. Around the time Kinyah's challenge was extended, Valerie Braddock started law school. As a law student, she handled the legal side of B Chill. But as the business took off, she dropped out of law school to focus on building her daughter's business, a sacrifice she said was difficult but worth it.

Demetrius Braddock, who teaches personal finance, business and entrepreneurship at Memphis School of Excellence High and has a degree in accounting, is the chief financial officer.

Their combined experiences with

law, finance and teaching along with Kinyah's public speaking skills and customer service helped their daughter get the business off the ground.

"Basically you had one baby with an idea and literally everything you need is within the parents," Valerie Braddock said.

Kinyah's 7-year-old brother, Demetrius Braddock II, is the store manager.

While her mom runs the business during the day, Kinyah, a fifth grader, spends her mornings in class at Snowden School. After school, she gets her homework done and takes a short break then heads off to work for a couple of hours each evening.

Valerie Braddock usually has lemons cut and ready and Kinyah dons a hairnet – mandatory while making lemonade – and starts juicing. Between store sales and weekly special events all over town, B Chill goes through about 1,000 lemons and 200 pounds of sugar every week.

Her little brother comes to the store

after school, too, and is learning to make the lemonade, as well.

"I love spending time with my family, and this business draws us together even more," Kinyah said.

Continuing in challenging times

Running a business at such a young age isn't always fun. Kinyah nearly made it through the school year without her classmates knowing, which was how she had hoped it would remain.

That changed when a teacher learned that shortly after her launch, Kinyah wrote a book – "Chillin' My Way to Success: The Phenomenal Life of an 8-Year-Old Entrepreneur" – and wanted to read it to her class.

While some of her classmates thought Kinyah's business was exciting, others thought she might get special treatment from teachers because of it, Kinyah said.

"I don't like them knowing," she said. "It could be on a positive side or a negative side. I don't want to take a chance so I just stick with them not knowing."

Valerie Braddock said her family has had to deal with bullying, but Kinyah takes it all in stride and has learned how to keep moving toward her goal even when she doesn't have the support of her peers.

Soon, she will launch her "Pink Lemonade" shoe line, a pink and yellow canvas shoe that will be her first step into philanthropy. A portion of sales from the shoe line – inspired by her great-grandmother's fight with breast cancer – will go toward breast cancer research.

"There is a lot that comes with it," Valerie Braddock said. "People see us, but they have no idea, as a family, the hurdles that we have crossed to get to the place where we are now."

Despite the challenges, Kinyah and her family hope that others see their example and follow their lead.

As for their family, Demetrius II is up next. Last year, when Kinyah's brother turned 6, he was given the same challenge. He already plans to start a lawn care service after his 8th birthday.

Veterans at center of Westland's Memorial Day parade resurgence

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In 2018, the City of Westland had to cancel its Memorial Day parade just a few weeks before the holiday due to a serious lack of veteran participation. Of the over 200 invitations the city sent to veterans, 15 responses were received by the cut-off date.

Throughout the in-between this year and last, the joint Wayne-Westland parade council has worked with local veterans to ensure the sort-of veteran boycott doesn't happen again.

Westland Mayor Bill Wild is excited to have the event back to honor residents from both cities who risked it all for their country.

"It is definitely a great thing for our community," he said. "You know, we pride ourselves on being an All-American city, so it just didn't feel right not having a Memorial Day parade last year. My father-in-law is a Vietnam vet, he lives in Westland, too, so for his sake and the rest of our residents I'm glad that we were able to bring it back this year."

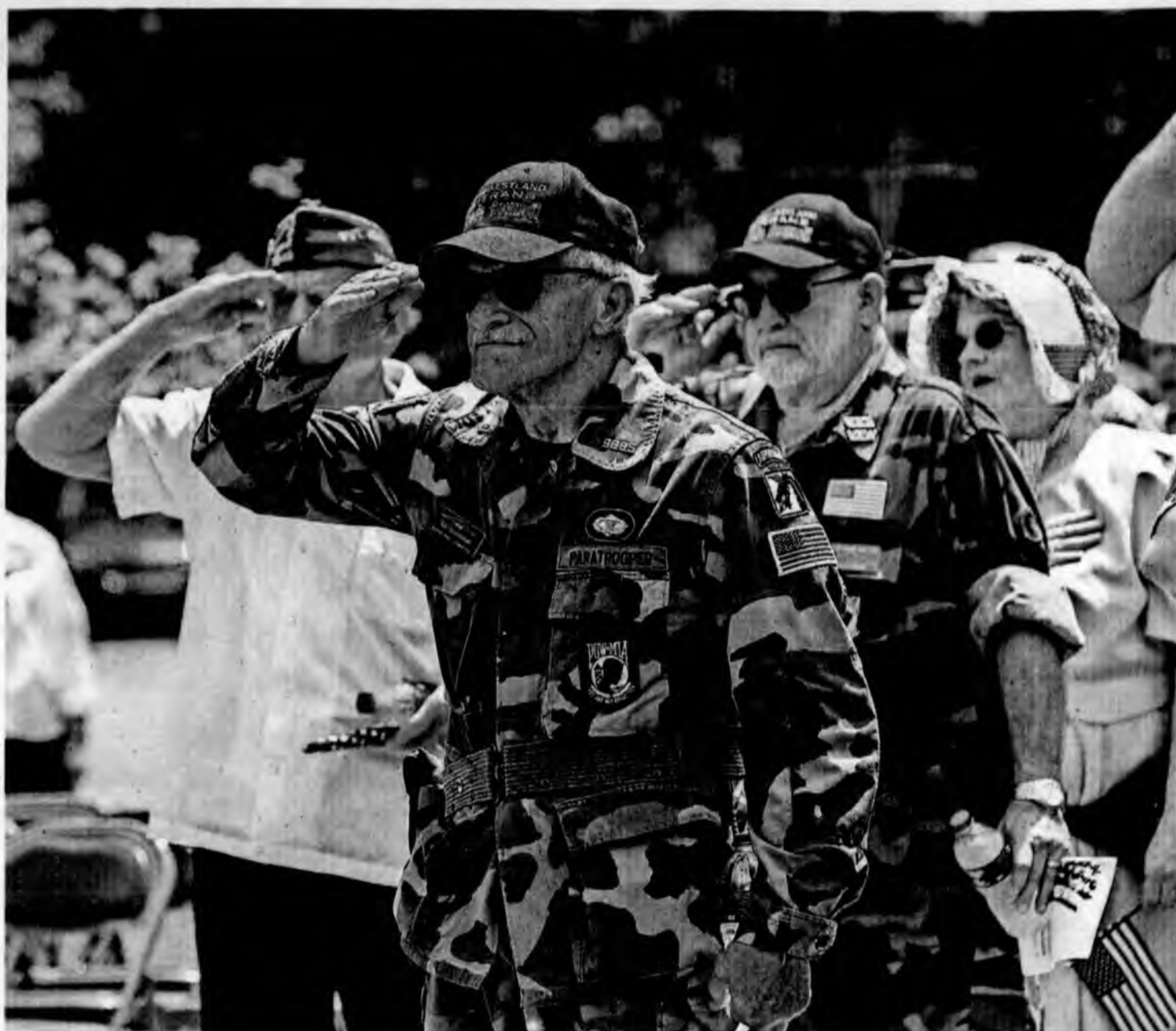
To stay true to the holiday's purpose, Westland Facilities Manager Vic Barra said the parade's focus will be on veterans and veterans alone.

"This is about veterans. We're going to keep it focused on veterans," he said.

Barra added that the political divisiveness of previous years will not be allowed. Local officials and candidates for office will not be allowed to have campaign paraphernalia of any kind, whether it be flyers or t-shirts, while walking in the parade.

"Basically, the veteran groups boycotted it because of political activity that had happened the previous year in 2017," Barra said. "They were very upset that the political candidates chose to use Memorial Day as an opportunity to self-promote... The meaning of Memorial Day, which is very somber to us veterans, was being lost in the mix."

On top of a greater focus on those who have served, the parade will have a new, shorter route this year, starting at John Glenn High School and ending at the Westland Veterans Memorial Garden. Elderly and disabled veterans will



Veterans from Westland and Wayne will be the focus of the Westland Memorial Day parade in its first year back.
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also be able to ride on floats if the walk is too long.

"It's going to be much more conducive for people to view it," Wild said. "But it's also going to be easier for the veterans to walk it. It's not going to be quite as long and Vic has worked with the school district... to come up with a couple of floats for veterans who can't

walk the parade."

With a new route and renewed perspective, city officials hope the event is "better than ever" in its first year back.

"This is our Memorial Day," Barra said. "They're our brothers and sisters that either have fallen with us on the battlefield or have sacrificed in our history for our country. It's that meaning

that is important to us."

The parade will start at 1 p.m., May 27, at John Glenn High School and will end with a remembrance ceremony at the Westland Veterans Memorial Garden. A map of places to park is available online.

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Obituaries

William "Don" Donald Vore

HIGHLAND - William "Don" Donald Vore, of Highland, Michigan, born on June 28, 1936 passed away peacefully in his sleep at age 82 on April 24, 2019 in Milford, Michigan. Don was born in Pontiac, raised in Ewart and served in the U.S. Army at Fort Benning, GA from 1953 to 1956. He met and married his wife Carole of 60 years in Ewart, then moved to Highland to raise his family. He worked as a department head for most of his 41 years at Hi-Mill Mfg in Highland, retiring in 2004. Don was preceded in death by his parents Bud and Mary Vore and his brothers, Larry (Joan) and Jim. Don is survived by his wife Carole; son, Rick (Melissa); daughters, Belinda Booher (Scott) and Bonnie Roberts (Jim); sisters, Barbara Vore of Reed City, Carol Milligan (Mike) of Paris, and Patricia Tiedt (Alan) of Sears; five grandchildren, Zachary, Kathryn and Molly Vore and Grant and Andrew Booher; and aunts, Honorah Presnell and Lois Bilbey and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Don had a passion for fishing, hunting, and gardening. He was a proud member of the American Legion. Friends and family members may attend the memorial service, officiated by Patrick Tiedt, on Saturday, May 25 at 1:00 p.m. at American Legion Post 216, 510 W. Commerce St., Milford, Michigan, 48381.



Fern E. Wells

-- Mrs. Fern E. Wells, age 101, died May 15th, 2019 at American House of Milford. She is the loving wife of the late Ervin Wells. Surviving are her children, Jerry (Karen) Wells, Jim (Wilma) Wells, and Bill (Tammy) Wells; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews; sister, Mary Alice Shick; and many friends. Visitation will be Saturday, May 25th, from 10am until the time of her funeral service, at 11am, at the First Baptist Church in Milford. Burial will follow in Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Medical Team Hospice. Share memories temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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Nissan is planning a \$41 million expansion at its Farmington Hills facility.
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Expansion plans keep Nissan in Farmington Hills

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A longtime corporate resident of Farmington Hills is about to make another multi-million dollar investment.

Nissan plans to expand to its North American Technical Center, located at 39001 Sunrise Dr., off of 12 Mile, west of Halsted. Planned is a \$41 million crash test facility, one that will create 25 new jobs and retain 60 others at the site.

"Nissan, we've been proud to call Farmington Hills our home, Michigan as well, since 1991. That's the year we established our facility in Farmington Hills," said Darryl Stolarczyk, the director of safety engineering at the tech center. "To date, we've invested over \$270 million in our Farmington Hills facility, which is operated by more than 1,200 employees."

The center is used currently as the company's research and development hub for the Americas. Having such a crash test site on the campus, Stolarczyk said, will allow the company to be more efficient.

"The proposed facility will greatly enhance our capability for research and development here in Farmington Hills," he said. "It'll ensure that we'll

remain Nissan's R-and-D hub for the Americas region in the future."

The company has applied and been approved for a Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate by the Farmington Hills City Council. That certificate allows for a reduction of taxes on 50% of the new construction for the next six years once the facility is complete. The city council voted unanimously on approving the certificate, with Councilwoman Theresa Rich abstaining due to any potential conflicts of interests relating to her position on the Oakland Intermediate School District's board of education.

The abatement will result in a tax break of roughly \$1.894 million for the company over the next six years, said Samantha Seimer, the economic development director for Farmington Hills.

Mayor Ken Massey said granting such an abatement was a decision that benefited both the company and the city of Farmington Hills, which continues to see investment made in the community.

"We have looked at those numbers, we've studied those numbers, the request meets all of our recently updated tax abatement policies in that it's bringing in new real estate, new jobs and so forth," he said. "This seems like a win-win for all."

TRAVEL

New TWA Hotel takes a flight back in time

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USA TODAY

The TWA Hotel at John F. Kennedy International Airport opened Wednesday and invited guests to experience the glory days of midcentury travel.

Reimagined from when the building was the Trans World Flight Hotel constructed in 1962, the TWA Hotel creates an airline-themed stay-and-play experience.

"I used to be a former flight attendant on TWA in '96," says TWA Hotel front desk assistant Karen Espinal. "Working here brings back memories of the airline that opened the door for me to a career in aviation."

The 512-room hotel with a rooftop infinity pool that overlooks a JFK runway has been one of the most-anticipated hotel openings of 2019.

From sipping cocktails at the Paris Cafe and Lisbon Lounge by Jean-Georges to viewing a fashion exhibit showcasing flight-attendant uniforms from different decades to making calls on working vintage rotary phones next to your hotel room bathroom, the TWA Hotel creates an adult playground for design and aviation lovers from every corner.

If you're thinking of visiting the TWA Hotel, here are things you should know:

1. The TWA Hotel is easy to access from JFK terminals

If you're in one of the terminals at JFK, then you can take a free AirTrain shuttle to Terminal 5, where the hotel is. The hotel can be accessed by two walkways that connect directly to the hotel from the ticketing level. Alternatively, you can go to the baggage claim level on the first floor and walk across the street.

2. The hotel is open to the public

Have a layover at JFK or do you just



The 512-room TWA Hotel at JFK Airport opened last week. TWA HOTEL/DAVID MITCHELL

want to check out the unique airport property? You can visit the iconic hotel even if you're not staying there. There are no guided tours yet, but anyone is welcome to tour the property on their own.

3. You can purchase day passes

The starting room rates are \$249 for overnight stays. However, if you have a layover or short day stay at JFK, day passes are available for \$149 within four time frames: 7 a.m.-11 a.m.; 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; and noon-6 p.m. You also can take advantage of grabbing a drink at the infinity pool bar that overlooks the JFK runway. If you need to get a workout in before a flight, there are gym passes for \$25, which will be available via online booking.

4. The 1962-era ticket counters are original

Check-in is inside the Saarinen Wing - named after the architect of the building, Eero Saarinen. Built into the original penny-tile ticket counters is a digital kiosk for self check-in, with front desk staff dressed in period uniforms

designed by Stan Herman. At check-in, they place your luggage on luggage belts to be stored on the lower level before being delivered to your room.

5. You can have a cocktail inside a 60-year-old plane

The hotel refurbished the Constellation - "Connie" for short - a 60-year-old plane purchased by the TWA Hotel in 2018. The hotel restored the plane to its original condition and turned it into the Connie cocktail lounge that is decked out in authentic parts, including plush red flooring, restored windows and 1930s controls in the cockpit. You can sip cocktails in the brown leather-and-plaid midcentury plane seats.

6. Food and drinks can be pricey

The Paris Cafe by Jean-Georges was booked out a week in advance of the hotel's opening day. The cafe serves menu items such as pizza, pasta, burgers and fish dishes that range from \$15 to \$48. Another food and beverage offering is the Sunken Lounge on the first floor of the hotel. Beer is \$9, and cocktails and wine are available for \$15 to \$17.

7. Design lovers should visit the Herman Miller Reading Room

The Herman Miller Reading Room is open to hotel guests as well as the public. "You can chill out and not have to worry about buying a drink in order to experience architecture and design," Amy Hordes, director of North American Sales for Phaidon, tells USA TODAY. Phaidon provides reading material in the form of coffee table books inside the library. You can browse titles such as "Japan: The Cookbook," "Drawing Architecture," and "Sagmeister & Walsh: Beauty" while sitting in a \$5,000 Herman Miller Eames lounge chair and ottoman.

8. There's a gift shop for TWA-themed gear

Some of the cool things you can purchase at the TWA Museum gift shop are a pool robe (\$69), reusable tote (\$39), vintage-style clothing pins (\$5) and Gola Mark Cox for TWA sneakers (\$65). Also available are puzzles, water bottles, umbrellas, sweaters and hats.

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Finding a part-time job in retirement

 Eric Titner
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Are you a retiree who wants to return to the workforce? Well, you're in good company, and part of an increasingly expanding group — in fact, AARP recently published an article highlighting the growing trend of older adults who have previously retired from the workforce making a return to gainful employment, often on a part-time basis. The AARP notes that the wave of retirees looking to return to work offers reciprocal benefits—employees get to earn a paycheck and make meaningful use of their available time, while employers benefit from the extensive experience and abilities that these seasoned individuals have to offer.

The reasons behind seeking a part-time job after retiring are personal and varied and can include the need to supplement retirement savings with additional income, a way to help handle an unexpected expense that pops up, and an opportunity to structure and utilize free time productively.

Whatever your reasons might be for wanting to jump back into the work world, finding a part-time job after retirement can be a rewarding yet challenging endeavor, and it pays to do your homework up front to get you started on the right footing.

Know the new rules

Once you've made the decision to search for part-time work, you should know from the start that the job-hunting game has changed in recent years. If you're planning to peruse the classified ads in search of available jobs, you might be disappointed by the results —



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sweeping technological innovations, along with the rapidly changing needs of companies across industries have completely changed the game.

These days, most job searches are conducted online, so it really pays to get comfortable with some computer basics. If you're already computer savvy, then great, you can jumpstart your job search and make the most of online resources, including job search sites like Indeed and Monster, and career-focused networking tools like LinkedIn. If your skills are a little rusty or you're new to this, ask a friend or family member for help or go to your local library for some guidance.

Know the hot fields

When it comes to seeking part-time employment, not all fields are created equal. The truth is, some are more amenable to hiring retirees and taking advantage of the wealth of knowledge and skills they potentially offer. U.S. News and World Report recently published an article highlighting the hottest career fields for senior workers, which span everything from teaching to administrative and sales positions, and lots of other options that just might surprise and inspire you.

The bottom line here is that this jump back into the work world could be con-

sidered a "new era" for you, and you aren't constrained by your past employment history—consider trying something completely new to challenge and motivate you. Use the skill sets you've amassed in your career and figure out how you can apply them to new endeavors.

Use your resources

One of the best things about re-entering the workforce with a lifetime of experience under your belt is that you aren't starting from ground zero in your job search. In addition to the wealth of experience and skills that you've honed over the years, which any wise employer would be thrilled to have, chances are you have a network that you can turn to help get you started.

Everyone from former employers to colleagues and contacts that you've made over the years, are potentially helpful resources as you search for the ideal part-time position. Even if someone doesn't have an open position to offer you, they might know of someone who does, so make sure you leverage your assets to the fullest.

Finding a new job after retiring is often not without its challenges, but it's very often worth the effort—both in terms of added income and in providing new opportunities and a sense of purpose and fulfillment. Use the advice and strategies presented here to help you find the perfect part-time job to suit your needs and life.

Eric Titner has been an editor and content creator for more than a decade. His primary professional focus has been on education- and career-related topics. He currently lives in New York City.

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20 Wacky
22 86-Across star Nastase
23 "Earth's" layers of rock strata
25 Met VIP
26 Reaping mo.
27 Partner
28 "Keystone" officer
29 Revolting one
30 Sit in on, as a class
32 "Top-end"
35 Accompany
39 — um (gmat)
41 Delicious
42 "Taking" baby steps, perhaps
45 Cause to take notice
49 Touch-related
50 Away from home
51 — en-Provence
53 Altercation

54 Spanish for "these"
55 Bank account amt.
57 Tick off
59 Indigo dye
60 Japanese religion
62 "Criterion" applied
66 Brainchild
68 Boosting drink
69 Prefix with dynamics
70 "Football" receiver's success
76 Swab analysis site
81 Everyone, to Germans
82 Dust specks
83 See
124-Across
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88 Org. for an air marshal
89 August hrs.
91 13th-century king of England
93 Final stops
95 "Classic" coaster at Disney parks

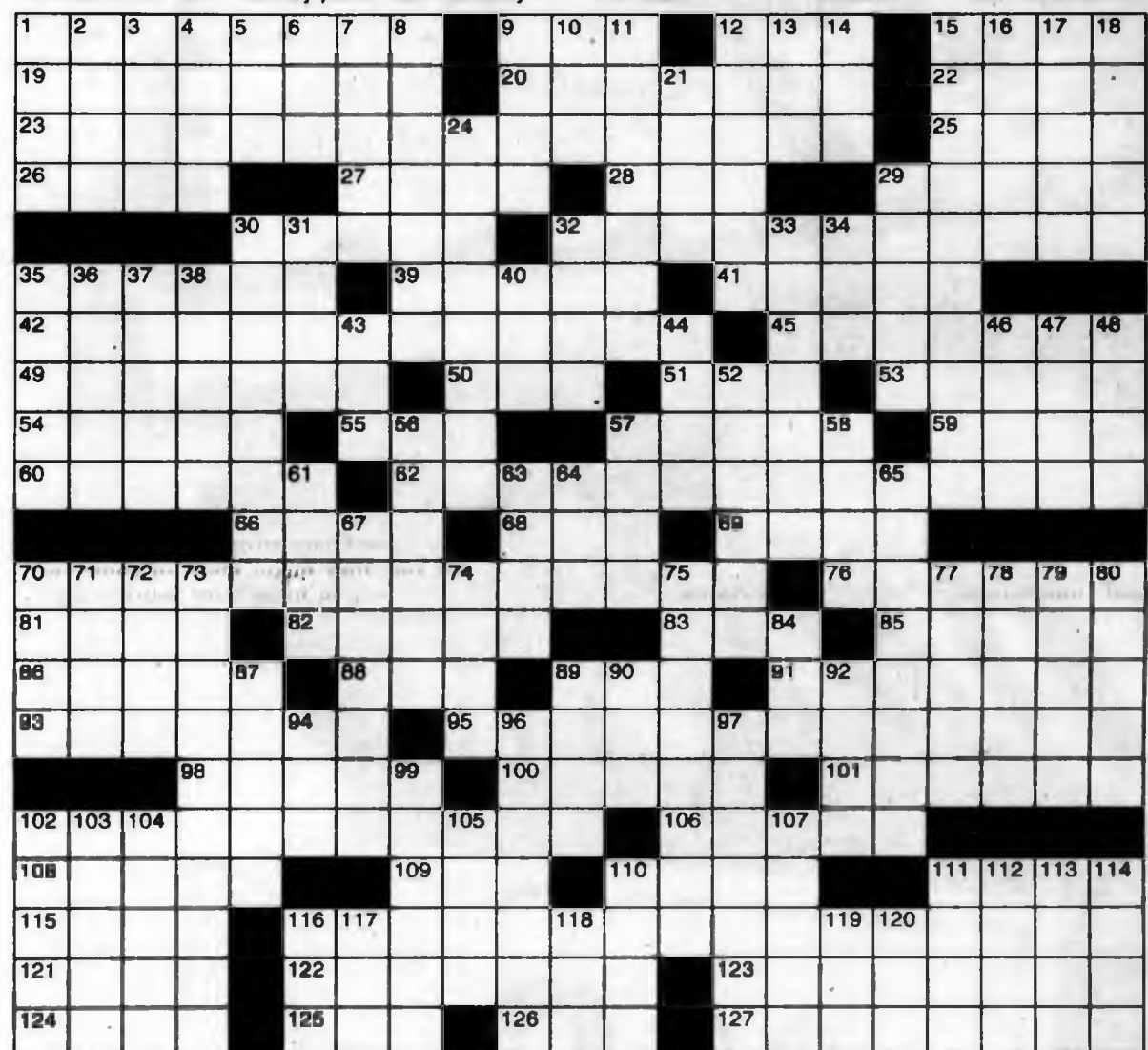
98 Muscat native
100 Driving around in a Winnebago, e.g.
101 Mourned loudly
102 "Not on a leash"
106 Dying fire feature
108 Go wide of
109 Apple apps use it
110 Norwegian port
111 Kin of -trix
115 Axel relative
116 Repeatedly (or a hint to both halves of the answers to the starred clues)
121 Ballet dip
122 Hauled
123 Rendered unnecessary
124 With 83-Across, gave spoonfuls to directly
125 Plane domain
126 Paper crew, for short
127 Proximity

DOWN

1 Witchy types
2 Frozen drink treat
3 "Uncle!"
4 Arcade error
5 Lacto — diet
6 Bylaw, briefly
7 Epic of Troy
8 Tour de France
9 In a skillful way
10 Brit's title
11 Book before Daniel
12 Heisman, e.g.
13 Be human
14 Fronted
15 Erudite
16 Perp's out
17 Kind of bolt
18 Soft, dry and crumbly
21 Slip — (flub up)
24 Certain aria
29 Thruway exits
30 Like painters
31 Elec. or water
32 August woe
33 Man of La Mancha
34 Steak — (frozen beef brand)
35 Politician
36 Hoard

37 Mojave plants
38 Dramatist Joe
40 Dallas coll.
43 Kan. neighbor
44 Narrow way
46 Big Sicilian volcano
47 Ruckus
48 Auction cry
52 Wacky
56 Gets used (to)
57 Jai —
58 Unit of 36"
61 Lakers great
63 Beehive
64 Titleless one
65 Exacta, e.g.
67 Being hammy
70 War ender
71 Salve plant
72 Put-down
73 Preached
74 Grassy fields
75 Most regularly
77 "It's —!" ("You're on!")
78 Old ship-locating system
79 World War II hero Murphy
80 Sightless
84 "In excelsis —"

87 Demure
89 Jazz great
90 — fi flick
92 "Valley of the Dolls" co-star
94 Flatbread of India
96 Foretell
97 Film studio roarer
99 "Excuse me, but ..."
102 Actor Flenes
103 Palate dangler
104 Away from home
105 "Walkabout" director
106 Nicolas
107 Frozen, dome-shaped dessert
110 Likelihood
111 Actor Richard
112 "Valley of the Dolls" co-star
113 Links
114 Halts
116 NFL coups
117 Tick off
118 Flanders of Springfield
119 LaRue of "CSI: Miami"
120 Plane domain



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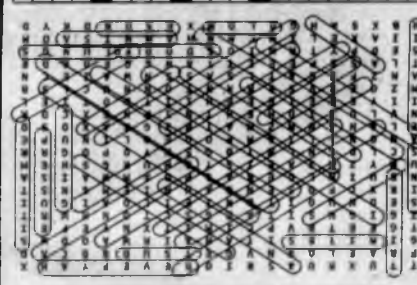
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