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## Milford still hoping for hotel downtown

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USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

If a hotel gets constructed in downtown Milford, it's going to take a little longer than originally hoped.

The village received no proposals from developers earlier this year after

putting out a request for qualification to develop the site of the former TRW manufacturing plant between the mill pond and the Prospect Hill Shopping Center.

The deadline of March 28 came and went with no developer coming forward with a proposal, said Ann Barnette, Milford's Downtown Development Author-

ity director.

Despite the lack of submissions, she said the village's DDA board has shown interest in moving forward with the project and trying to lure a developer again after making some changes.

"There's no real compelling reason to do anything with the property right

now," she said. "(We'll) take some time to analyze what happened and what our next steps will be."

The village began the process of acquiring the land in the early 2000s, though it took several years before a

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## LET'S GO FLY A KITE

### What to know about the Lyon Township kite festival

Susan Bromley  
Hometownlife.com  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICH.

Any way the wind blows, doesn't really matter to me (to me).

However, here are five things that may matter to you about the 11th annual Lyon Township International Kite Festival, planned for June 1-2 at the James Atchison Memorial Park, 58000 Grand River Ave., in New Hudson.

#### 1. It's free

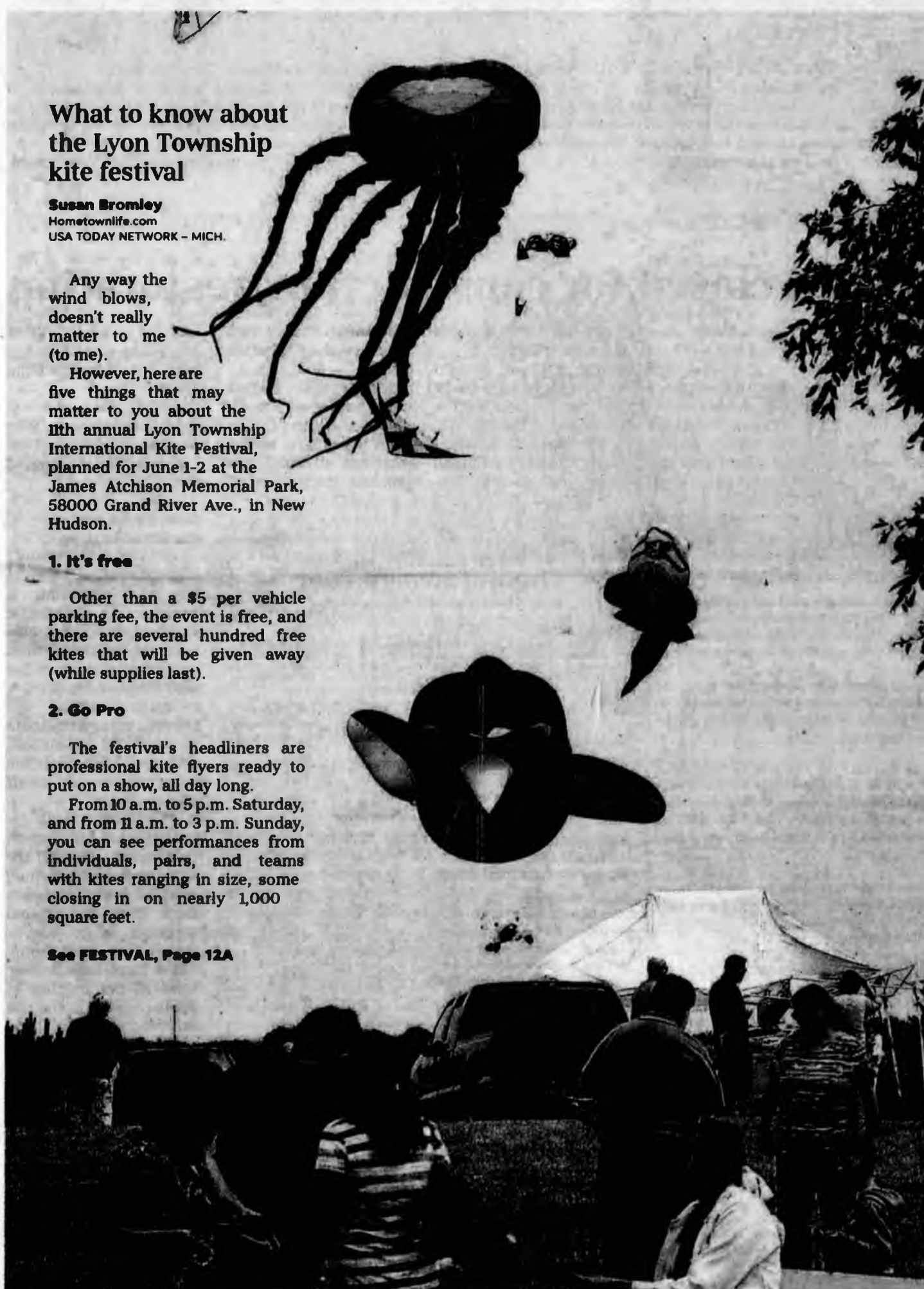
Other than a \$5 per vehicle parking fee, the event is free, and there are several hundred free kites that will be given away (while supplies last).

#### 2. Go Pro

The festival's headliners are professional kite flyers ready to put on a show, all day long.

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, you can see performances from individuals, pairs, and teams with kites ranging in size, some closing in on nearly 1,000 square feet.

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The 11th annual Lyon Township Kite Festival is planned for June 1-2, 2019. FILE

## Bob's Discount Furniture opens in Novi, Livonia

David Veselenak Hometownlife.com  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

A bearded cartoonish man in a yellow shirt is the region's newest furniture salesman. So far, it appears he has Bob and Jennifer Bugajski on board with his products.

The Commerce Township couple stopped in at the new Bob's Discount Furniture at 43460 West Oaks Drive in Novi during its grand opening Thursday. They were eyeing living room and family room furniture, and instantly felt great about the Charleston set, a sofa and loveseat.

"We've been to other ones, and we actually found something we really like," Jennifer Bugajski said. "This is so nice and soft."

The store opened along with three other stores in the metro Detroit area, including one at Millennium Park at Schoolcraft and Middlebelt in Livonia. Other stores opened in Shelby Township and Taylor. The first store in Michigan opened earlier this year in Grand Rapids.

The store distinguishes itself from other furniture stores, said Chris Levenberg, area manager for the four stores in southeast Michigan. In addition to having its lines all branded with the Bob's name, they don't run sales and keep prices on the lower end throughout the year.

"It doesn't have to be Black Friday. It could be Blue Friday, Pink Friday, it doesn't matter what color the Friday is," he said. "It's the same price every day. We're doing the right thing for the customers."

The 47,000-square-foot store at the former Toys "R" Us in the West Oaks II shopping center is the largest of the

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Bob's Discount Furniture salesman Jason Titus, right, talks to customer Heather Thomas about a dining table set. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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# Sandhill crane adopts baby Canada goose

Keith Matheny Detroit Free Press | USA TODAY NETWORK

It's the Ugly Duckling fairy tale brought to life; only the waterfowl have changed.

A sandhill crane family at Kensington Metropark, between Milford and South Lyon, is attracting a fan following because of one unusual sibling. The female crane, in addition to mothering her hatchling, is also caring for a Canada goose gosling.

"I thought it was so cool, because I'm adopted," said Milford resident Jennifer Thrift, who frequently enjoys amateur photography in the Metropark. "I immediately felt a connection."

Added Todd Hill, another aspiring wildlife photographer who frequents the Metropark: "It's pretty interesting, not something you see every day."

How the gosling ended up with sandhill cranes is unclear. Holly Vaughn, a biologist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in Detroit, said a few options are possible.

A Canada goose may have laid its egg on a sandhill crane's nest, and then abandoned it or got chased off by cranes.

"It's more common behavior in duck populations than in geese or cranes," Vaughn said.

Sandhill cranes will also occasionally eat eggs — which are especially good protein for newly hatched young, she said.

"It could be that a crane kidnapped this egg and brought it to their nest with the intention of feeding their young, and it ended up hatching, and now they have a goose baby," Vaughn said. "That bond, that imprinting, that occurs when young babies meet their parents or adoptive parents for the first time is especially strong in birds."

So, what happens as they get older? Diet won't be an issue; Vaughn said Canada geese and sandhill cranes are both largely herbivores, feeding on the same kinds of grasses and seeds. By fall, when both Canada geese and sandhill cranes typically fly south



A Canada goose gosling, left, rests next to its adoptive sibling, a sandhill crane hatchling, as an adult crane forages at Oakland County's Kensington Metropark on May 9. COURTESY OF JENNIFER THRIFT

for the winter, the parent-child connection is typically broken, she said.

"It could happen that the goose goes off and raises its own goose family; or it could be it will remain with these cranes," Vaughn said. "It would be interesting to see how this ends up playing out."

But that's a decision for another day.

For now, the Canada goose gosling seems to enjoy discovering the world with its sandhill crane sibling, under the protective eye of its adoptive mother.

"It's a very cool, positive, nature thing," Thrift said.

## Lakeshore Park beach closed for construction, restoration

Susan Bromley

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A more than \$5 million makeover of Lakeshore Park in Novi is about to begin.

A shoreline restoration

plan will close the beach for the summer and a construction project expected to start next week will limit activities at the city's largest park this year, but officials are excited about the expected results.

"It's been a long time coming, but we've settled on a project that will serve all 60,000 residents of Novi," Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Muck said. "Our team is ready, it has been a long time and a lot of work, but we've al-

ways had the interest of the kids foremost in our minds and look forward to bringing a new parks and rec program to the north end of the city."

The projects are distinct, but both are funded from the Capital Im-

provement Project millage passed by voters in 2016.

The shoreline restoration has been prompted by beach erosion and besides bringing in natural materials to solve that problem, the project will

add an ADA-compliant handicapped pathway as well as a ramp into the water.

Bids for the project will come before the council at a June meeting, but are not expected to exceed \$300,000.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Historic District Commission (HDC) will hold a public hearing to receive public input on the proposed moving of the existing building located at 341 E. Main St., Northville, Michigan, 48167, parcel number 48-001-04-0718-015 to a slightly new location on the same site. The property owner is seeking HDC approval for moving of the existing building to accommodate required parking, and allow the building to be repurposed for continued use.

Section 42-27 of the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance and the Guidelines for the Consideration of Applications for the Demolition or Moving of Structures within the Northville Historic District call for holding a public hearing that permits members of the public to make comments before considering moving of a resource in the district.

The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building - Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comment on the request. The application is available for review at the City of Northville Building Department during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, local prevailing time.

Comments for the June 19 public hearing may be sent to the street address listed above, or emailed to the City Clerk at [dmassa@ci.northville.mi.us](mailto:dmassa@ci.northville.mi.us). Emailed and written comments must be received by 3pm June 19, 2019. Written comments may also be presented in person to the Historic District Commission at the public hearing.

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DIANNE MASSA, CMC, CITY CLERK

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### SYNOPSIS MAY 16, 2019 - REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, May 16, 2019

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Scott Frush, Trustee  
Marjorie F. Banner, Clerk Symantha Heath, Trustee  
Fred Shadko, Treasurer Mindy Herrmann, Trustee  
Christopher Roosen, Trustee

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- Agendas:**
    - Regular Amended Agenda and the Consent Agenda items - Approved
  - Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
    - ZBA Reappointment - Gary Sixt - Approved
    - Landfill Working Committee Report - Presented
  - Public Hearing:** None
  - Brief Public Comments:** One member of the audience had a question for the Board of Trustees.
  - New Business:**
    - Village at Northville - Stormwater Maintenance Resolution - Approved
    - Professional Services - Clement road Water Main - Approved
    - Police Parking Lot and Pathway Maintenance - Bid Award - Approved
    - Temporary Sign - Northville Christian Assembly - Approved
    - Temporary Sign - Metropolitan SDA Church - Approved
  - Unfinished Business:** None
  - Ordinances:**
    - Ordinance § 67-44 - Adopted
  - Check Registry:**
    - In the amount of \$1,445,752.02 for the period of 4/6/19 to 5/3/19 - Approved
  - Board Communication & Reports:**
    - Robert R. Nix II, Marjorie Banner, Fred Shadko, Scott Frush, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Christopher Roosen
  - Any other business for the Board of Trustees:** None
  - ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.
- A draft of the meeting minutes will be available on May 29, 2019.
- Respectfully submitted:  
Robert R. Nix, Supervisor  
Marjorie F. Banner, Clerk

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#### New parks and rec facilities coming

On May 20, the council approved awarding a construction bid for a 6,200 square-foot building at the park to DeMaria Building Company in the amount of \$4.8 million. A separate motion approved contingency costs of just over \$1 million, with a total budget for the construction of about \$5.8 million.

The facility will replace an old building on the property and after objections from neighbors, is scaled down by nearly a third from an original proposal of a 9,200-square-foot building. There have been reductions in the number of lights planned at the site as well.

Muck said the new facility will host Novi parks and library programs for residents of all ages.

The construction project will also feature repaving of the parking lot, a new park shelter, playgrounds, and a library kiosk that he correlates to a large vending machine from which residents can check out materials.

The building will have restrooms accessible from outside and be open year round, and there will be a dedicated bike lane to the back of the park and trails in southern part of the park. Those trails will remain open during construction as much as possible.

Construction is expected to be completed by spring of 2020.

Muck suggests residents take advantage of the city's numerous other parks in the interim, including Pavilion Shore Park, which has a new play structure.

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# 'A window to heaven' in Livonia



A view from near the entrance to the sanctuary of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Basilica Church in Livonia shows its ceiling covered in Vlasios Tsotsonis' artwork.  
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## Artist nearly finished with painting basilica after 12 years

Susan Bromley  
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USA TODAY NETWORK - MICH.

Thousands of miles and hundreds of years separate St. Mary's Basilica in Livonia from many of the most revered cathedrals in the world.

On a recent Wednesday, Vlasios Tsotsonis worked to bridge a continental divide as he brought the divine to the Wayne County church.

Perched high on scaffolding in the northern cove of the basilica's sanctuary, in paint-splattered pants, Tsotsonis writ large the scene of the Passion of Christ.

He is nearing completion of a years-long masterpiece which covers hundreds of feet of walls and ceilings with Biblical iconography in St. Mary's sanctuary.

"This art is a window to heaven," Father George Shalhoub said. "It is what we are expected to be and where we are going. All these icons are not worshiped, but they are honored and venerated to give us a taste of the kingdom of God here on Earth and in Heaven."

He had searched the world over to find an artist who could create something worthy of the old world's masters since the church opened in 2003.

In that quest for the best, Shalhoub commissioned Tsotsonis, a Greek artist he calls "the Michelangelo of the 21st century."

The artwork has been in progress for the past 12 years and is expected to be fully completed by December.

The altar was the first phase, completed in 2007. Next in 2014 was the dome fresco, 100 feet above the floor of the sanctuary. Tsotsonis returned this January to finish the final phase of his masterpiece, the majority of which will be done by June.

To this point, he has used an estimated 250 gallons of acrylic paint to brilliant effect, magnified by 24-karat gold leaf.

Tsotsonis, 67, has painted churches all over the world during the past

45 years, including several UNESCO World Heritage sites. He studied fine arts in Athens, served an apprenticeship in Byzantine art and iconography, and studied mosaics in Italy.

The process began long before he arrived in Livonia. Tsotsonis drew his compositions first in small scale then in actual scale at his studio in Greece. He painted them there on an acrylic canvas before they were placed in crates and flown to the U.S.

With help from assistants, Tsotsonis applied the painted canvas on the walls, and completed his work by painting details that can only be done at the church.

He had already been working on this particular phase for more than a year at home and now, having painted each day since January in St. Mary's, he feels some impatience to see the work completed.

"This is also what I do



Tsotsonis works on the basilica's domed ceiling. COURTESY OF VLASIOS TSOTSOMD

daily while I'm in Greece, so my routine hasn't changed in terms of work," he said. "This gives me the sensation that I've lived in this space for a long time. There's the feeling of continuity in everything."

His biggest challenge is to create in the accompanying architecture a spiritual, almost metaphysical feeling to the believer, while his reward is the ability to praise God and show his devotion through his paintings.

"I believe that my artistic journey doesn't begin from me, but from a necessity to serve something that has always been inside me since I was a kid, but I was never able to explain what that is," Tsotsonis said. "My reward for all I did is the fact that I didn't waste my life, I dedicated my life to creation."

He hopes the faithful who visit St. Mary's and all of the places of worship in the world where he has left his imprint will

see that he loved what he did, and that as a whole, he has translated centuries old holy narration into contemporary work that serves survival of the spirit for modern man.

The iconography painted in St. Mary's is a multi-million dollar project, for which Shalhoub said the congregation has been supportive.

The work is priceless, and has no real maintenance required, he said, with the gold seal keeping it "bright and beautiful."

Shalhoub reflected with sadness on the recent fire that damaged the Notre Dame cathedral in Paris, and mourned also the less-publicized destruction of Palmyra, San Julian Church, and Monastery Maaoulou, all in Syria and all thousands of years old, at the hands of ISIS terrorists.

St. Mary's and its artwork is new, but he hopes it will be seen as a testimony to history and cherished tradition.

"There is a truth to who we are and what we value and what we believe in," he said. "Historical treasure is no less than scripture, no less than the gospel itself ...

"The world needs places where they feel connected to the almighty Lord. This place is a piece of heaven on Earth."

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF NORTHVILLE FEES, FINES, AND PENALTIES SCHEDULE

At the regular meeting of the Northville City Council held on Monday, May 20, 2019, the City Council adopted a resolution amending the Fees, Fines, and Penalties Schedule for various City of Northville services, licenses, permits, and violations, effective on July 1, 2019.

A complete copy of the amended fee schedule is available for public review in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, 248-349-1300, during normal business hours or on the City's website at [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us).

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

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### CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ENACTMENT ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #04-15-19Z

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 04-15-19Z for the purpose of amending the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance. This is a zoning ordinance amendment to create the Cady Street Overlay (CSO) District. The ordinance amendment incorporates a Master Plan change made for this district into the Zoning Ordinance. The changes include:

1. Instead of having a specific numerical density maximum along Cady Street, now the ordinance uses the dimensional and form-based requirements (height, setback, parking, etc.) to determine the number of residential units that can be accommodated along Cady St., as identified in the Master Plan.
2. On properties with Performance Regulated Industrial (PR-1) underlying zoning, first floor residential uses are permitted, but only in mixed-use projects. Single-use (residential-only or commercial-only) buildings are permissible, but they must be part of a multi-building, mixed-use project.

The ordinance was introduced for first reading on April 15, 2019, and was adopted by the City Council on May 20, 2019. The ordinance shall become effective on June 7, 2019. The complete text of the ordinance amendment is available for public review at the City of Northville Municipal Building, Office of the City Clerk or the Building Department, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or on the City's website at [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us).

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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](http://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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## South Lyon man attempts 'suicide by cop'

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USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

A 54-year-old South Lyon man was tasered May 20 and taken to Providence Park Hospital after police officers learned he was interested in "suicide by cop."

According to a police report, officers were dispatched to the man's Longfellow Street residence in the South Lyon

Woods mobile home park at 9:44 p.m.

The man had called a crisis services agency, saying "that he wants to get high and get shot by a police officer."

He talked about attacking a police officer with his "Roman Dagger."

Dispatchers were able to contact the man, who said he had been drinking and smoking marijuana throughout the day.

The man said he wasn't willing to

leave his home unless he was shot. He said he would stab anyone who came near him.

Police arrived while a dispatcher talked to the man. Police began talking to him through a window. Eventually, officers convinced the man to go to the door. He held a knife that was several inches long.

Officers drew guns, and the man raised his arms while still holding the

knife. He ordered officers to shoot him.

Police ordered him to drop the knife. Eventually, a police officer was able to sneak toward the man and use a stun device on him.

He was taken to Providence Park Hospital for treatment of abrasions and evaluations.

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Volunteer Park in South Lyon suffered some recent property damage. Police are looking for information about the vehicle or vehicles involved.  
COURTESY OF SOUTH LYON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Driver causes severe damage at Volunteer Park

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USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

South Lyon police are looking for the four-wheel drive vehicle - or vehicles - that left some seriously damaging tracks on Volunteer Park's grounds.

A South Lyon Public Works Department employee contacted the police May 13 because of severe damage in the

grassy areas of the Dixboro Road park.

Only the sports fields avoided damage.

Lt. Douglas Baaki said it could take thousands of dollars to reseed and regrow the grass.

Anyone with information should call the police department at (248) 437-1773.

## Dressbarn announces plan to close all stores

David Veselenak [hometownlife.com](mailto:hometownlife.com)  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

A prominent national clothing retailer is closing all of its stores, including those in the Hometown Life area.

Dressbarn announced May 20 it would begin to close all its locations nationwide as it struggles to be profitable.

There's no time table for the closures, but they are expected to impact the company's 650 stores nationwide.

Those stores locally impacted are:

■ 33025 Grand River Ave., in downtown Farmington

■ 37217 Six Mile, in the Newburgh Plaza in Livonia

■ 43193 Crescent Blvd., in the Novi Town Center in Novi

■ 47220 Michigan Ave., in Canton

"For more than 50 years, Dressbarn has served women's fashion needs, and we thank all of our dedicated associates for their commitment to Dressbarn and our valued customers. This decision was difficult, but necessary, as the Dressbarn chain has not been operating at an acceptable level of profitability in today's retail environment," said Steven Taylor, the company's chief financial officer, in a statement on the company's website. "During the wind down process, we

will continue to provide our customers with the same great experience both in-store and online, offering them even better deals and value.

"We will work to assist our associates through the transition and maintain existing relationships with our vendors, suppliers, and other key stakeholders through this process."

Stores continue to operate as usual, with no changes to the company's return policy.

The loss of Dressbarn in downtown Farmington is a large loss for the area, said Farmington DDA Director Kate Knight.

The space received grant money for facade improvements, and it's had a big impact in the downtown area.

"They have a really strong local fan base and we're kind of grieving as a community," she said.

Despite its closure and the changes happening across brick-and-mortar real estate, Knight said that space is primed for something else to come into downtown.

"It's really primed and certainly appealing for local regional and even national chains who are looking," she said. "We're well positioned to fill that space with someone."

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# Salem-South Lyon Library opens \$1.2M kids area

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The Salem-South Lyon District Library is throwing a party to celebrate the \$1.2 million expansion and renovation of the children's wing.

"This is a promise kept," said library director Donna Olson. "We have fulfilled our promise from the millage passed in 2014 in five years. The expansion doubles the size of the original children's area, adds a programming room, a designated area for kids who are too old to be with the littles and yet are not quite teens, a study area and more seating for children and grown-ups, all areas our community expressed interest in improving."

Construction on the project began last August and added 2,800 additional square feet, including a separate tween area.

One previous criticism the library had received was that the children's area was "too babyish."

Olson recently led a tour through the new section and proudly showed an expansive space for pre-teens featuring two large, cafe-style booths as well as several large armchairs with modern moveable tables that can be utilized as desks.

The area is divided from a section geared toward younger children by numerous bookcases, all of which house a larger collection of materials for youth, also made possible by the 2014 millage.

The space dedicated to young children features books displayed front-facing in drawers to appeal to toddlers and preschoolers.

The cabinets were donated by the Friends of the Library.

In the children's area are also new furniture options, including couches and window seats, arranged near a large wooden table which holds train pieces ready to be assembled and played with, as well as a nearby smaller puzzle table. Additional furniture includes child-sized tables and chairs.

The expansion also has a large new community meeting room, which is capable of being divided, and also includes two large 86-inch flat screen televisions mounted on the walls. A new entrance to the library allows this room



Part of the new addition at the Salem-South Lyon Library includes the older children's section, which has been updated with new carpeting, ceilings, bookshelves, and seating. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

to be used before or after library hours.

Kathy Merucci, head of youth services, expected many programs to be held in the new meeting room, and added the library is more than books and is "always looking to provide ways to continue to serve the community."

She and Olson, as well as Youth and Tween librarian Kelly Soerens expressed their gratitude to the community for the support of the library and hope residents will join them at the 1-4 p.m. June 2 formal opening and celebration.

The event features a Carousel Acres petting farm, Surf's Up Double Slide, local history exhibits and displays, a summer reading program sign-up, caricaturists, space games, food and music.

The Salem-South Lyon District Library is located at 9800 Pontiac Trail. Call 248-437-6431 for more information or visit [ssldl.info](http://ssldl.info).

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# My Place Hotel opens in Wixom

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Jeff Cobb hadn't heard of My Place Hotels when he saw a job posting looking for a general manager of a new hotel in Detroit's western suburbs.

Fast forward to now and he's a believer in what he and his staff do on a daily basis at the newest hotel along Interstate 96 in Wixom.

"It's a great company to work for," he said. "I started working for them when they were framing the hotel."

"That was a pretty good experience for me."

The 64-room, three-story hotel opened earlier this month at 4881 Alpha Drive in Wixom and is fairly new to Michigan.

The My Place chain, launched in 2011 by the original founders of Super 8 Motels, began with a hotel in North Dakota. Today, it has 47 across the country including one in Marquette, the only other one in the state.

Cobb said the ownership group knew such a concept would work well on this side of town, especially as more hotels continue to go up in Wixom, Farmington Hills and Livonia.

"The ownership group, they did their research and saw a demand for rooms in this area," he said.

Designed for longer stays, either by business professionals or families, the rooms come with some additional features that allow for a more comfortable visit.

"We're kind of set up for longer-term stays," Cobb said. "We've got the two-burner cook top, the full-size fridge, the microwave. All rooms are like this."

The My Place brand is more budget-conscious, so travelers can expect a few less amenities than other hotels: there's no continental breakfast (though the hotel offers breakfast delivered to the room for heat-up for a small additional fee), no pool and no conference center or meeting rooms.

Because of those adjustments, Cobb said, the hotel can offer more competitive pricing.

"We're mid-scale economy, but we're always going to be priced below them. And we've got a lot of value in our hotel because we don't have all the other



Wixom's new My Place Hotel has 64 rooms, in-room kitchenettes, laundry facilities, and a 24-hour concierge. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

amenities that some of the other properties do," he said. "We get this opportunity to attract the budget-conscious traveler because we're always going to be priced below our competitors in this area."

A grand opening for the hotel is planned for some time in June.

And while it's not a local chain, the hotel aims to make guests feel more like they're in Michigan: artwork of spaces such as Comerica Park, downtown Detroit and even the fountain at Wixom's Civic Center Park.

"We did a contest a year ago and a bunch of different artists submitted their artwork and our corporate office picked out the artwork that we hang," Cobb said. "It's nice. It's a little more personal for guests."

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My Place Hotels Wixom general manager Jeff Cobb checks out a room's kitchenette.

# Chick-fil-A moves one step closer to Novi

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Chick-fil-A keeps pecking away at the steps to bring its fast food to Novi.

The Novi City council approved, 5-2, the first reading of a rezoning request.

That location, 27750 Novi Road, outside of the Twelve Oaks Mall, is where a vacant Denny's now sits. That building would be demolished.

A preliminary site plan was not presented at the council's May 20 meeting, where traffic issues were raised once again. Chick-fil-A customers would exit the restaurant property onto the ring road surrounding the mall.

"I'm concerned we are being asked to rezone without a site plan available," said Councilwoman Kelly Breen, who was joined by Councilman Andrew Mutch in the nay vote.

Breen noted she had also heard concerns from residents about Chick-fil-A supporting organizations that oppose LGBTQ rights and ones that had promoted "conversion therapy." She added, however, that her decision was not based on how others felt about those issues, but on traffic flow concerns.

Dan Jones, general manager of Twelve Oaks Mall, told the council that his expectation was that Chick-fil-A would work with the mall to mitigate traffic issues.

Mayor Bob Gatt said he had never eaten Chick-fil-A food, but had heard "nothing but good things about them" and felt they could help drive business to the mall. Mayor Pro-tem Dave Staudt said he had heard a lot of conversation regarding potential difficulty in exiting the location.

Ellen Sully, speaking on behalf of Chick-fil-A, said a traffic study had been done analyzing intersections and additional signage was being considered for high traffic volume times.

Councilwoman Laura Marie Casey requested a specific traffic mitigation plan be worked on with the mall owners and presented prior to the second reading of the rezoning request.

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# Consider bankruptcy to get out of a bad situation



**Money Matters**  
Rick Bloom  
Guest columnist

## Dear Rick:

A few years ago I got divorced. The main reason for the divorce was the fact that my husband virtually lost all our money. He invested in a variety of oil wells and they all went belly up.

At the time of our divorce we virtually had no money and as a result, I got nothing. At the time of our divorce my husband was on the hook for various loans. I was on one of the loans. In our divorce settlement it clearly states that my ex is responsible for that loan.

Last year I got notice that my ex had defaulted on the loan and that they had brought a lawsuit against us.

A very good friend of mine told me that I had nothing to worry about since my ex was responsible for the loan and that I had no money. That turned out to be a mistake. The company went to court and got a judgment against me and my ex-husband. My ex-husband is nowhere to be found and the company just started to garnish my wages. My employer told me they have no choice in the matter. I don't have money to hire an attorney so hopefully you can give me some advice.

First, do you think I have any obligation on the loan

because my ex-husband in our divorce settlement is responsible for it? Second, if I am responsible, do you have any suggestions? With interest, the amount of the debt is a little over \$100,000. I don't have that money and it will probably take me 20 years if they keep garnishing my wages.

Thank you, Paula

Dear Paula:

Unfortunately, I do believe that you have responsibility to that outstanding loan. The fact that your divorce settlement provides that your ex-husband is responsible for that loan does not impact the lender, who is not a party to your divorce. Of course, you have a cause of action against your ex-husband for any money that is garnished from you but, unfortunately, that is the only recourse you have.

It is important to remember when you enter a divorce agreement, the agreement is between the two parties; it doesn't affect outsiders. This same situation happens frequently in bankruptcy where two parties are a signatory to the loan; one party declares bankruptcy and is relieved of their obligation but that does not impact the other party who could be forced to pay off the entire loan. I think it would be a costly mistake to try to overturn the judgment against you. It seems to me from the facts that you laid out, more likely than not, you would lose and all it would do is cost you a fair sum of money. However, you may wish to consider bankruptcy.

As you described in the letter, your divorce left you broke and at this point in time you have very little assets. Therefore, a bankruptcy may allow you to discharge your obligation under the debt at virtually no cost to you.

My reasoning for considering bankruptcy is the fact that you do not have assets to pay off the loan. I would think a better course of action is to go through bankruptcy so that you can get a fresh start and start rebuilding your finances.

I know many people would say that you should never consider bankruptcy; I am not one of those. I believe bankruptcy is in the law and those in need ought to take advantage of it. After all, we have seen corporate America take advantage of bankruptcy laws and I see no reason why individuals should not use it to their benefit as well. I don't always believe bankruptcy is the first choice to consider; however, for those people in difficult financial situations, it is something they should consider.

Bankruptcy is not for everyone and in many situations it causes more problems than it resolves. However, in the situation at hand, I believe bankruptcy would be a viable option and one that you should pursue.

Good luck!

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## Help alleviate shortage of Type O blood

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The idea of donating blood can make some people squeamish.

But for those with Type O blood, they could help save lives and get rewarded for it.

The American Red Cross has announced that the shortage in Type O blood is so critical nationwide that the organization is offering \$5 Amazon gift cards to donors as an incentive to boost supply.

Currently, there are only six units of Type O blood available for every 100,000 people, but at least two times that amount is needed every day.

"Type O-negative is the universal blood type and is what emergency room personnel reach for in the most serious situations when there is not time to determine a patient's blood type," said Dr. Pampee Young, chief medical officer of Red Cross Biomedical Services. "Type O-positive blood can be transfused to any positive blood type patient and is also critical in trauma situations."

"We are asking donors to give blood as soon as possible to ensure patient needs can be met in the days and weeks ahead."

According to the Red Cross, only 7% of the population has Type O-negative blood. Last month, approximately 11,500 fewer Type O donations were collected due to spring break, and schools reducing the number of blood drives organized at the end of the year.

Donors are encouraged to schedule a blood donation appointment by using the Blood Donor App, by visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), or calling 1-800-RED CROSS.

Individuals can also open the Red Cross Blood skill on an Alexa-enabled device.

Those who donate blood through June 10 will receive an Amazon gift card via email. In addition, donors who make an appointment from May 24-28 will receive an exclusive Red Cross-branded T-shirt while supplies last.

A blood donation can take about an hour, but the actual donation itself only takes about 10 minutes.

While Type O is critically needed, the Red Cross is also seeking platelet and blood donors of all types in honor of Trauma Awareness Month.



Novi's planning commission recommended approval for a 90,000-square-foot office building and warehouse development on 12 Mile Road near Taft on the south side. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## New high-tech building planned for 12 Mile in Novi

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A new high-tech corporate building is planned to arrive on 12 Mile in Novi in the future.

The city's planning commission recommended approval at its meeting May 8 for the 90,000-square-foot office building and warehouse along the south side of 12 Mile between West Park Drive and Taft.

The building has a client identified, but will not be revealed until a few more issues are hammered out, said Oleg Amcheslavsky of Amson Nassar Development.

"We're in the midst of a deal and we're getting pretty close," he said. "It's a really nice building."

The building would sit on 10 acres of property and contain a retention pond and about 20 percent of the current trees on the site, which is mostly vacant and has a residential home on it.

There is no word on the number of jobs the facility, if approved, would bring to the city.

The removal of many of the trees concerned Commissioner Patrick Hornung, who wasn't satisfied placing funds into the city's tree fund would result in an adequate number of trees getting replaced.

"(It) ends up for less than a one-for-one exchange here in Novi," he said. "It feels like this development is using that for a first option for tree removal."

Amcheslavsky said the original plan was to build a larger building on the site, which would have removed more trees. But the client he's working with requires a 90,000-square-foot building, and he decided to keep an outdoor retention pond rather than an underground water retention system.

"We were trying to leave some nice ponds and something to look at instead of underground retention," he said. "We did our best to save as much as we could."

The building would also have a second emergency



The building would sit on 10 acres of property and contain a retention pond and about 20 percent of the current trees on the site, which is mostly vacant.

access point, something the city required for the recommended approval for emergency vehicles. Traffic along 12 Mile, especially at rush hour, was a concern for some.

Commissioner John Avdoulos said while the traffic situation on the road is not ideal, it's what the city has to work with until any possible road expansion could take place.

"It just shows growth," he said. "This stretch of 12 Mile is going to be developed even further, so the road currently is what we have to deal with."

That stretch of 12 Mile is under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission for Oakland County.

Commissioner Michael Lynch said he anticipated seeing the building get constructed in the future.

"I think it's a good plan and I look forward to seeing the building as is," he said.

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# Livonia considers regulating Airbnb, VRBO rentals

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Love them or hate them, places like Airbnb, VRBO, HomeAway and Couch-Surfing have given municipalities a laundry list of things to consider.

Because these short-term rentals are run out of homes or apartments, they often go unregulated by local government unless the municipality updates its ordinances to include them.

But to keep cities from banning short-term rentals altogether through zoning ordinances, 56th District Rep. Jason Sheppard (R-Temperance) has introduced an amendment to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, known as House Bill 4046.

"To put it in the simplest terms, it doesn't allow (municipalities) to zone the use out, but it certainly allows the local municipalities to create ordinances to regulate in their own communities," Sheppard said.

As the bill stands now, that local control is explicitly spelled out. That has raised concerns in Livonia, which has had short-term rental woes in the recent past.

A slew of residents showed up to a Livonia City Council Committee of the Whole meeting April 25 to talk about Airbnbs specifically, originating from their concern of strangers coming in and out of the neighborhood on Flamingo Boulevard.

## Local limitations considered

All but two of the homeowners within two blocks of the home signed a petition saying they wanted the Airbnb gone, so the owner shut it down.

The incident has left strong feelings toward short-term rentals among many of those living there.

"I have to get (neighbor) permission to put up a privacy fence, but (my neighbor) can run a hotel-motel next door to me and doesn't have to ask," said Elaine Yates, a resident of Flamingo who lives next door to the former Airbnb.

Airbnb and VRBO operators in the city declined to discuss the issue on the record.

Residents' issues with short-term rentals has city council considering regulation. But, Council President Laura Toy said it would be far from a simple process.

"I don't think you can address everything," she said. "There's so much going on behind closed doors with adults and even children. ...

"People's homes are usually their private domains, and maybe they should be treated as such."

Though the city cannot watch everything, Toy said the council could consider the number of exits, bathrooms, license, fees, square footage, location, the number of rooms and more for short-term rental homes to ensure they're safe for renters and neighbors.

This would all be decided in committee, where the consideration currently sits.

## Safety a concern

For residents like Yates, safety is a top concern. Homes in that neighborhood have relatively tight lots, and Yates said a neighbor could easily see into her home without leaving their own.

"I'm in a starter home, the sizes of our homes are roughly 1,100 square feet," she explained. "The only thing that really separates me from my neighbor's house is maybe three feet of a flower bed and a driveway."

Because of that, she didn't feel comfortable leaving windows or curtains open.

Yates added that she had concerns for her neighbors with young children.

"I worry about the kids," she said. "We have several young families with kids, and I do worry about them."

Toy said, for she and her colleagues, safety is an important consideration.

"People have bought their homes in good faith to know what's there," she said.

Another worry for residents of Flamingo was, in their case, Airbnb's rental process. Hosts can accept "verified" guests, who have submitted to a background check, or "unverified" guests, who have not given their potential host personal information.

Yates said the former Airbnb on her street accepted both kinds of guests, and she feels someone's monetary pursuits shouldn't be at the risk of others.

"I think we're letting corporate America into our neighborhoods and it's destroying our neighborhoods and families and compromising the safety of those who live there," Yates said. "I bought my home 20-some years ago. I never in my wildest dreams thought I'd live next door to a hotel."

Despite the concerns council has heard, Toy said council wants to consider short-term rental owners and renters when drafting an ordinance.

"It's a tough issue, if you're looking at all sides of this," she said.

## Considered a bed and breakfast

At request of the council, Livonia's Law Department wrote a letter regarding Section 10 in Chapter 42 of Title 5 in Livonia's Code of Ordinances that would classify short-term rental homes as "bed and breakfasts." This could require short-term rentals to operate with a business license and get inspections from the fire department.

"It is the Law Department's position that a short-term rental marketed for rent online by platforms such as 'Airbnb' are nothing more than a traditional 'bed and breakfast' branded under a different way," a letter from the law department to the council reads.

Yates said, having lived next to a short-term rental, she is for some kind of regulation but doesn't think an outright ban is necessary.

"I'm for local regulation," she said. "If somebody has the right property size for something like that and they can house all the parking in the back and they're being inspected and held accountable. ... Then I guess I wouldn't be against it. But this has been unregulated."

For now, Livonia's amendment is staying in committee. The council has a lot to consider before anything can be put into law, with Toy saying, "we've got a long ways on this."

If the amendment makes it out of committee, it will go to a public hearing, to the planning commission and then to a regular council meeting for an official vote.

But before it does anything, Livonia wants to see what the state will do.

"We're waiting to see what they're doing and we're trying to influence a bit of what they're doing," Toy said. "I know the next time they meet, if I have time, I'm going to go up there and testify."

## Personal property rights

The state's side has a long way to go, too.

Bill 4046, if passed by the House committee, would go to the House, Michigan Senate Committee of Local Government, the Senate and ultimately to the Michigan Governor's office. Throughout that process, it could be amended or rejected altogether.

Sheppard hopes his proposed amendment will protect homeowners' rights.

"It's the personal property rights aspect of it," he said. "I mean, we have a lot of people in this state that own second homes that like to put them on the market, we have a lot of tourism in this state. It's a big boon to our state's economy when people come up and visit family. I think we should have some sort of uniformity in people knowing this option will be available to them."

Sheppard said the bill as it stands now would allow communities to limit the number of establishments in the community or the requirement for inspection.

"What we're trying to do is create a kind of standard practice where somebody that owns a second property and has been renting it for, who knows, sometimes 10 years or more, isn't afraid of the municipality deciding to outright ban the use through zoning," he said.

Yates said she hopes that local control remains in the bill and explicit language is added if it gets put into law.

"Just let the cities do what they do best. They know my property size, they know the safety laws and things like that," she said. "They know how to keep me safe, keep (short-term rental owners) safe and keep the people who are coming safe."

For her, she wants neighborhoods to remain places that people call home.

"I didn't want to live next to a hotel," Yates said. "If I did, I would have bought next to a hotel."

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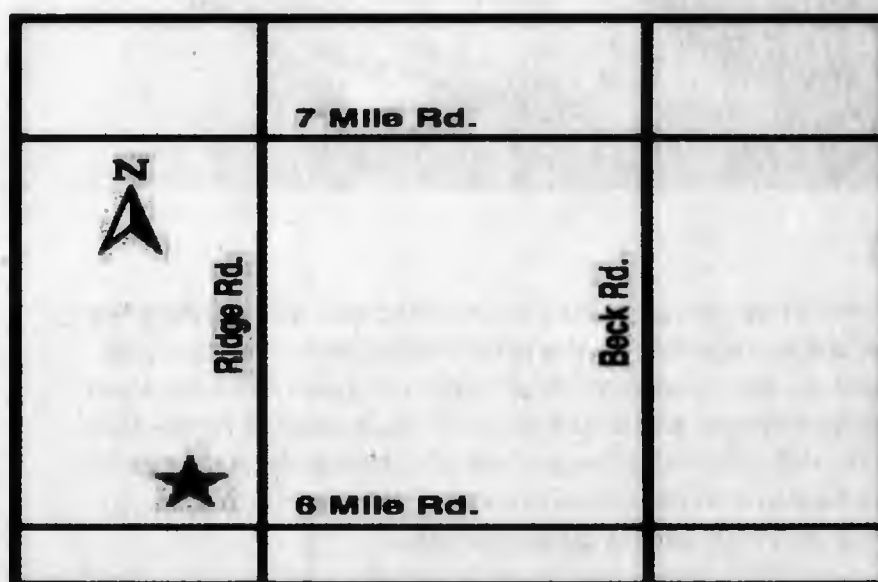
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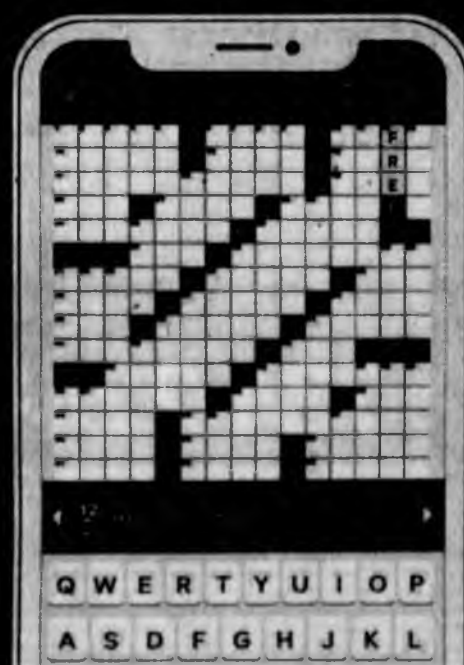
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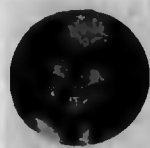
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# When problems arise in your condo's front yard



**Robert Meisner**  
Guest columnist

**Q:** We live in a condo that had a general common element tree in front of our unit that shed very sharp thorns, and research determined the species of the tree to be toxic. The condo association board finally removed the tree, but has refused to replace it. Do we have a basis to demand the tree be replaced by the association? In addition, we are the only unit in the complex without at least one tree.

**A:** The association has a great deal of discretion in terms of how the common elements are to be maintained. If you are the only unit in the development

without at least one tree, given the circumstances, I believe you have a reasonable right to request that the association replace your tree. Whether you have an absolute right to demand it is another matter.

I would write a strong letter to the association or have your lawyer do so to see if the tree will be replaced.

**Q:** My neighbor absolutely refuses to clean up after her dogs, even in the front yard! The grass looks horrible, and the association never does anything about it. Is there anything I can do? It's a site condo.

**A:** Many co-owners are not aware that in addition to the association's right to enforce governing documents, individual co-owners also have that same right when they are impacted by another co-owner's violations.

It is likely that your governing documents prohibit nuisances, and it is likely a judge would recognize your neighbor as having created a nuisance.

So, you do not necessarily have to have specific provisions regarding pet waste in your governing documents in order to take action.

The goal would be to obtain an injunction against your neighbor such that if the problem is not cured, your neighbor would face criminal charges.

When you consult an attorney, you should also ask that attorney to examine whether bringing a derivative action may make sense. When the board of directors neglects its duty to enforce the governing documents, individuals have a right to bring a derivative action.

Changes to Michigan's Nonprofit Corporation Act in 2015 (demanded and

written by special interests) made derivative actions harder to establish.

Also, there is a question of whether this is a neighbor-to-neighbor issue that does not impact the association as a whole, in which case associations generally have been allowed by the courts to leave it to the co-owners to duke it out.

But the fact that the front yard is the issue, visible to all who pass by, would support a position that the entire association is affected.

There are, no doubt, municipal codes that prohibit such nuisances, but it may be very difficult to get municipal code enforcement involved.

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## Bob's

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four stores. It contains areas for bedroom sets, living room sets, dining room sets and children's furniture. The Novi store also features an outlet center.

"We sell pretty much every room in the house," Levenberg said. "Most importantly, our bedding. Our values in the bedding department are just amazing."

The stores in the western suburbs join bustling shopping centers. Millennium Park in Livonia continues to grow with new business in the outlots such as Popeye's and Culver's in recent years, and it joins a bustling shopping district along Novi Road in Novi.

Pete Auger, Novi's city manager, greeted the store staff, welcoming them to the city. He said he hoped the store sees huge success.

"You're in a great spot, great location, great people live in this area," he said. "You're in a regional draw of over 4 million square feet of retail here. Hopefully, this Bob's will be the most profitable in the history of Bob's."

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**A Bob's Discount Furniture representative joins Novi High Principal Nicole Carter, left, Novi Parkview Elementary School Principal Jennifer Michos, right, and a few Novi students after the retailer donated \$2,500 to each school's general fund to commemorate their May 23 grand opening in Novi at West Oaks II mall. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWN LIFE.COM**

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## Festival

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"We fly choreographed kites to music," said Jon Trennepohl, Plymouth resident and owner of Kites and Fun Things. "It's like watching Olympic ice skating, with performances 4-5 minutes at a time to music. ... We've got special guests from as far as Montreal, Indiana and London, Ontario."

Also performing are the Windjammers, an international kite team from metro Detroit.

### 3. Go Fly a Kite

There are kites for kids to decorate, and they are encouraged to use the spacious park to fly them.

"Just like everything else in our culture, we are trying to fight to get people back outside and do non-technical stuff, get kids away from phones and computers," Trennepohl said. "It's great that Lyon has endorsed this to do things outside."

### 4. Fly high, friendly skies or not

A good breeze helps, but is not an absolute necessity, especially with some remote-controlled kites.

"To put on really good show, we do need wind, but there are other things going on and we try to fill the gap," Trennepohl said. "Usually up on that hill, we are getting something."



**Alanna Hamilton of White Lake and Annabelle Frazier of Northville make crafts during last year's festival. FILE**

"Winds from 6-12 miles per hour is perfect. If it's windier than that, we will deal with it."

### 5. Down-to-Earth fun

While your eyes may be focused on the skies and the art happening above, there is plenty to enjoy on land - live music, carnival food, inflatables for the kids, a magician, Cinderella and Spider-Man, face-painting, and a reptile exhibit that features a 20-foot boa constrictor and alligators.

"We are growing in status," festival chairman Jim Chuck said. "We've gone from 500 people our first year to 5,000 attendees last year. ... It's good family fun and really something to see."

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## Hotel

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purchase agreement was put in place. The closing took place in 2014.

A feasibility study was launched last year over whether a boutique hotel would make sense in the space. The RFQ was put out on MITN earlier this year, seeking a developer to create a hotel with at least 60 rooms and that the village DDA would consider a wide range of factors before awarding the project.

There's no timeline for moving forward with the project again, Barnette said.

Barnette said the village will continue to explore the option of having a hotel on the site before it decides to move in another direction, whatever that might be. They aren't ready to declare a hotel isn't a good fit for the site, especially as plenty of other hotels continue to pop up across the region.

"It doesn't make sense for us to push for something that wouldn't be viable in the market," she said. "We don't know that for sure yet."

"We want to know that for sure before we move on."

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## BOYS LACROSSE

### Plymouth defeats Northville in playoffs

Andrew Vaillencourt  
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The Plymouth boys lacrosse team got the monkey off its back May 22 by beating Northville 11-8 in the regional semifinal.

It's a huge win for the program, which is back in the regional final just a year

after losing to Northville. Plymouth, the No. 6 team in the state, also lost to Northville, the No. 5 team, earlier this season in overtime, but that didn't play a role in the motivation for the Wildcats.

"It feels good to get the victory tonight," Plymouth coach Ray Miller said. "I don't think we thought a whole lot about last year or earlier this season. We're always focused on the next game.

We came out firing."

Plymouth was led by senior Carson Miller, who scored two goals and tallied an assist.

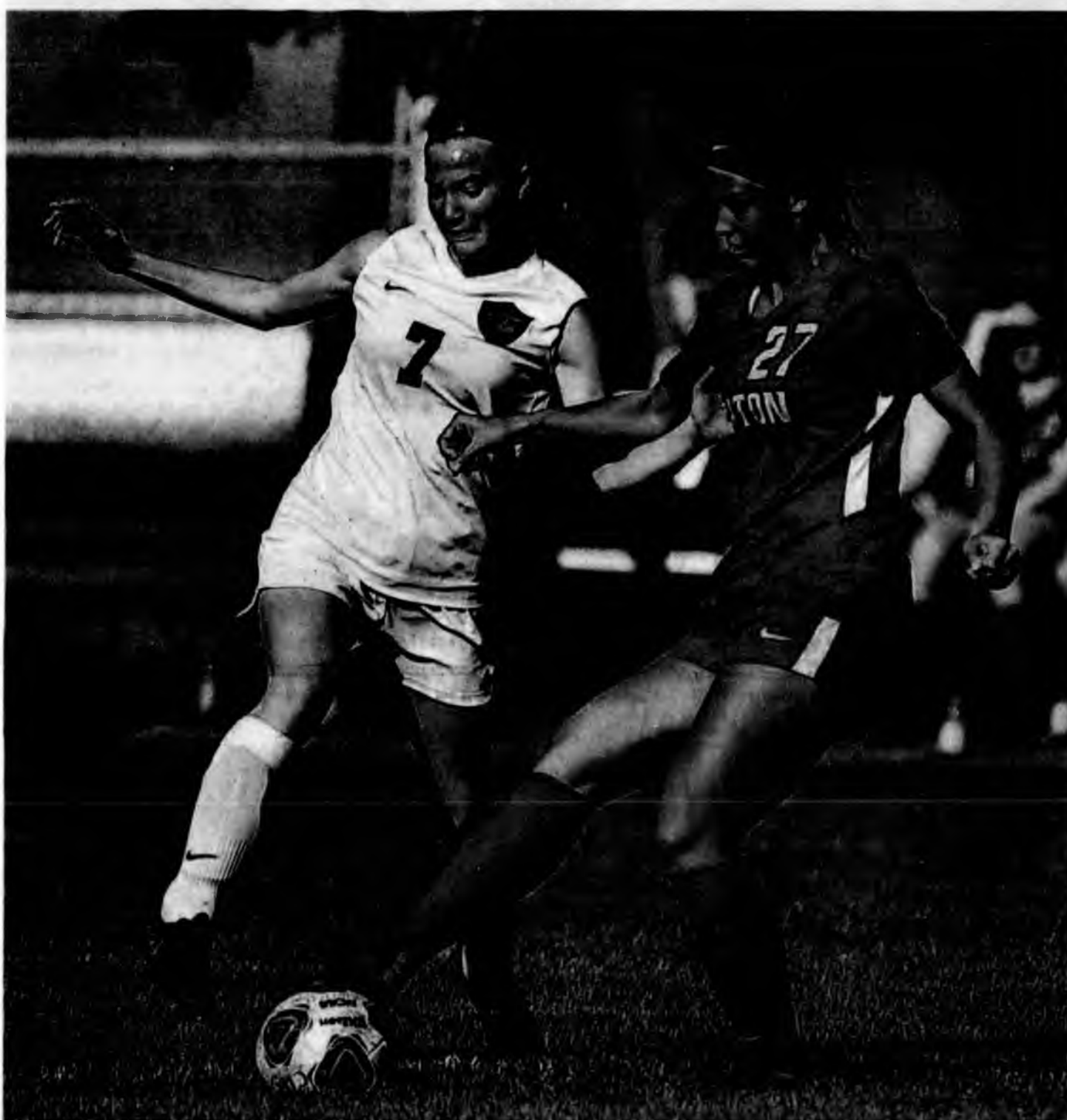
"It feels amazing," Miller said. "Northville has always been a rival for us and Northville is the No. 1 team I want to beat personally the whole season, so it feels so good to beat them in the playoffs."

The Mustangs started off with a quick goal by senior Jack Harris just eight seconds into the game, but from that point on, it was the Wildcats, who took a 9-2 lead into halftime.

Eight players scored for Plymouth. Juniors Gavin Roach and Brendan Allen both scored two goals as well.

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## GIRLS SOCCER



Churchill's Kaci Pampreen-Lohman, left, and Canton's Emma Morrison battle for control May 22 in their playoff game.  
JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

### Canton thumps Churchill 5-0 in district quarterfinal

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Powered by Katie Nestico's unique hat-trick, Canton's girls soccer team steamrolled Livonia Churchill, 5-0, last week in a Division 1 district quarterfinal match played on the PCEP grass pitch.

The convincing triumph propelled the Chiefs into a semifinal clash against Salem, which sidelined Livonia Franklin, 8-0, in the second game of the May

22 district doubleheader.

The semifinals and final game were hosted by Dearborn Heights Crestwood. Find results at hometownlife.com.

Nestico's first goal came on a header off a pristine corner kick from Lilian Lucas and accounted for all of the game's first-half scoring.

Not long after Nestico assisted fellow senior Carly Schwinke on the Chiefs' second goal in the 47th minute, the senior forward made it 3-zip when she

hooked a free kick from the deepest regions of the right corner through a traffic jam in the box and into the net.

Nestico tripled her pleasure when she placed a soft, strategically-place penalty kick past Churchill keeper Trinity Vallejo with 20:28 left. The PK was set up by Schwinke, who was taken down in the box by a Charger defender.

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## BASEBALL

### Brighton topples Stevenson to win KLAA title

Andrew Vaillencourt  
Hometownlife.com  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

For the first time since 2012, Brighton is the KLAA baseball champion.

Brighton, the KLAA West Division champ, beat East Division winner Livonia Stevenson 8-0 on May 23 at Novi High School.

The Bulldogs relied on the star pitching performance of senior Adam Szerlag, who pitched a complete game shutout, and had four one, two, three innings. He didn't walk a single batter and struck out three.

"It feels pretty amazing," Szerlag said. "It's the first time I've even competed for a conference championship in my three years on varsity. It's pretty cool, I'm pretty speechless. Especially with the guys we're out here winning with, it's a good group of guys and I'm super excited."

Brighton coach Charlie Christner said Szerlag located all of his pitches well, just like he has all year. He made strong pitches when he needed to and let his defense make plays behind him.

"I just went out there and tried to throw strikes and treated it like any other game," Szerlag said. "I knew my defense was behind me, they made four or five amazing plays to help me out. It's a lot easier to pitch when you're up by eight."

Despite the eight runs, none were produced by senior Zach Hopman, who has been a star this season. That left it up to the rest of the lineup to come up with key hits.

Senior Jack Krause went 4-for-4 and had two RBIs, senior Alex DePue drilled a two-run home run and three other players picked up RBIs for Brighton. It's exactly the type of game Christner likes to see.

"These guys all year have been swinging it well and have been pitching and playing good defense. We did that again today, hopefully we can keep that going," Christner said. "Obviously, this is the time of year where you want to play really good baseball and I feel like we are."

"We had a lot of guys who had big hits today. We had a lot of big swings, which is really good."

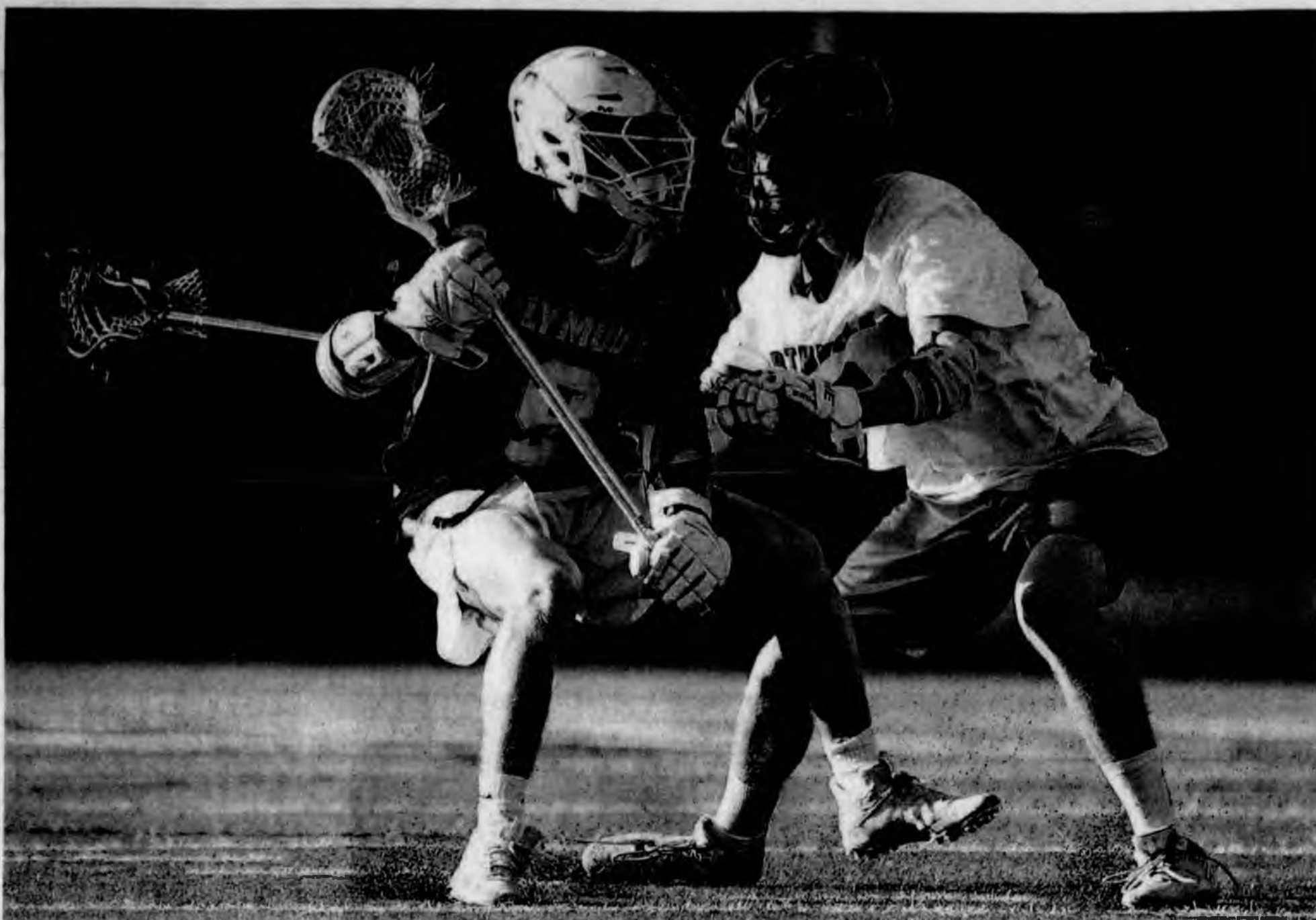
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Plymouth's Gavin Roach scored twice against Northville in the regional semifinal May 22. PHOTOS BY MICHAEL VASILNEK/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Lacrosse

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"We are a unique team in that any six members of our offense are always a threat," Ray Miller said. "Typically when we scout teams, we know a few numbers that we need to focus on and stop. Maybe I'm biased about my team, but I know there's six guys on the field at all times that can go to the net, have their head up and find the open guy or bury the shot. It's a luxury to have."

The balanced offense was necessary for the Wildcats, who were without star junior Harrison Albano after he went down with an injury early in the second quarter. It's unclear whether he will play in next week's regional final against Saline.

Junior Ethan Rottell slid over to fill his spot and did a great job, Miller said.

Plymouth senior goalie Blake Nowicki made several key saves that kept the game's margin wide in the first half and was able to hold off the Mustangs in the second half, despite their offensive pressure.

"Blake was outstanding," Miller said. "He plays some of his best games when they matter most against good teams. I thought early on in the first half, he made some really good saves that realistically, I don't think we should've been up 9-1 or 9-2, maybe it should've been 9-3 or 9-4 at the half. But that's the Blake Nowicki difference."

Miller added that he was pleased with the way his team came out strong, even after the opening goal. Plymouth hasn't typically been a strong first quarter team this season, but being able to bounce back from the early Northville goal was huge for them.

The second half got much tighter. Northville was determined to get back in the game, but never quite got it to the point where the game wasn't in doubt. The Mustangs got to within four in the third quarter, but two fourth quarter Wildcat goals were the dagger. Northville then tacked on two more goals in the final minute, but it was too little, too late.

"I thought the first part of the second half we fell apart defensively a little bit," Miller said. "I was happy with how we finished maybe the last six or seven minutes of the game, we knew we were up and I thought we did a good job killing the clock."

Northville was led offensively by Nick Salamone who scored three goals. Jack Pevovar scored twice for the Mustangs in the fourth quarter.

Senior goalie Jeff Varner also played a great game, despite allowing 11 goals. He made numerous key saves in the second half that kept his team alive, including a series where he made two back-to-back stops on key scoring chances.

"I've known Jeff for a long time and been playing with him for a long time," Carson Miller said. "He's so quick, he can save anything. He's an all-around good goalie."



Plymouth's Carson Miller, left, gets by Northville's Grant Hood. Plymouth will play Saline May 29 in the regional final.

It was a big day both on and off the field for Miller, who is also a running back on the football team. After the game, he received news that he had been named Plymouth High School's Athlete of the Year.

"It's definitely an honor, I'm super happy about it," Miller said. "I couldn't have done it without my teammates, my coaches and my parents, so I want to thank them. I'm kind of shocked. I love playing the games and I work my hardest. It definitely feels good to be recognized like that."

Despite several opportunities to play college sports, Miller decided to head out west where he will be a student studying architectural design at the University of Utah.

"I love the mountains, I love skiing and mountain biking, so I've always wanted to live in the mountains," Miller said. "My dad grew up in Salt Lake City, so we'd visit there every once in a while and it's just one of my favorite places to be. It's always been my dream to get out to Utah."

Before he gets that chance though, he wants to bring a regional title to Plymouth. The regional final against Saline will take place May 29 in Northville. Saline is ranked No. 10 in the state and beat Plymouth by one goal earlier this season.

"Saline is another team that we battle with every year," Miller said. "It's pretty tough, we're really looking forward to it."



Plymouth's Harrison Albano scores against Northville's Jeff Varner.





Brighton's Brendan Harrity, standing, completes a double play against Stevenson. TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Baseball

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Getting consistent production from his entire lineup has made life much better for Christner.

"It's been easy for me," Christner said. "The lineup has been pretty much the same for the last two months. We've had a couple of adjustments here and there but for the most part, most of the guys have been pretty steady."

On the other side, Stevenson scattered seven hits, with its best scoring

opportunity coming in the fifth inning, when it strung together three singles in a row. However, no runs came in as the Spartans hit into an inning ending double play. It was clear momentum killer.

"I call it the 'the', we couldn't get the hit to get back into the game and start momentum and that hurt," Stevenson coach Rick Berryman said. "(Szerlag) mixed his pitches well. He moved up and down, in and out and changed speeds well. It's not like we couldn't hit it, he just kept us off-balance. Then when we did get something, we couldn't get the hit."

Stevenson starting pitcher Nate Wa-

ligora, who had been solid most of the season, struggled with command for the second time in as many weeks. He lasted just two and 1/3 innings and walked five batters while also hitting one with a pitch. He allowed four runs.

"It happens," Berryman said. "He can either fix it or you go with somebody else."

Zak Ziemba replaced him, allowing two runs in three and 2/3 innings. Brighton scored two more runs off Coltrane Rubner in the seventh to put the game away.

"We have to give them credit," Berryman said. "Their pitcher threw well.

Walks, hit batters and timely hits killed us. It's that simple."

Each team now will be getting ready for the playoffs, which start next week. Stevenson will play Farmington on June 1 at Farmington High School, while Brighton takes on Howell on May 28.

Szerlag isn't sure yet if he'll be on the mound against Howell, but he knows the Bulldogs are poised for a run.

"It's pretty special to have a team that is this solid top to bottom," Szerlag said. "I don't think many teams can say they have that. Whether it's 1-2-3 or 7-8-9, to know you can score runs, it's pretty reassuring."

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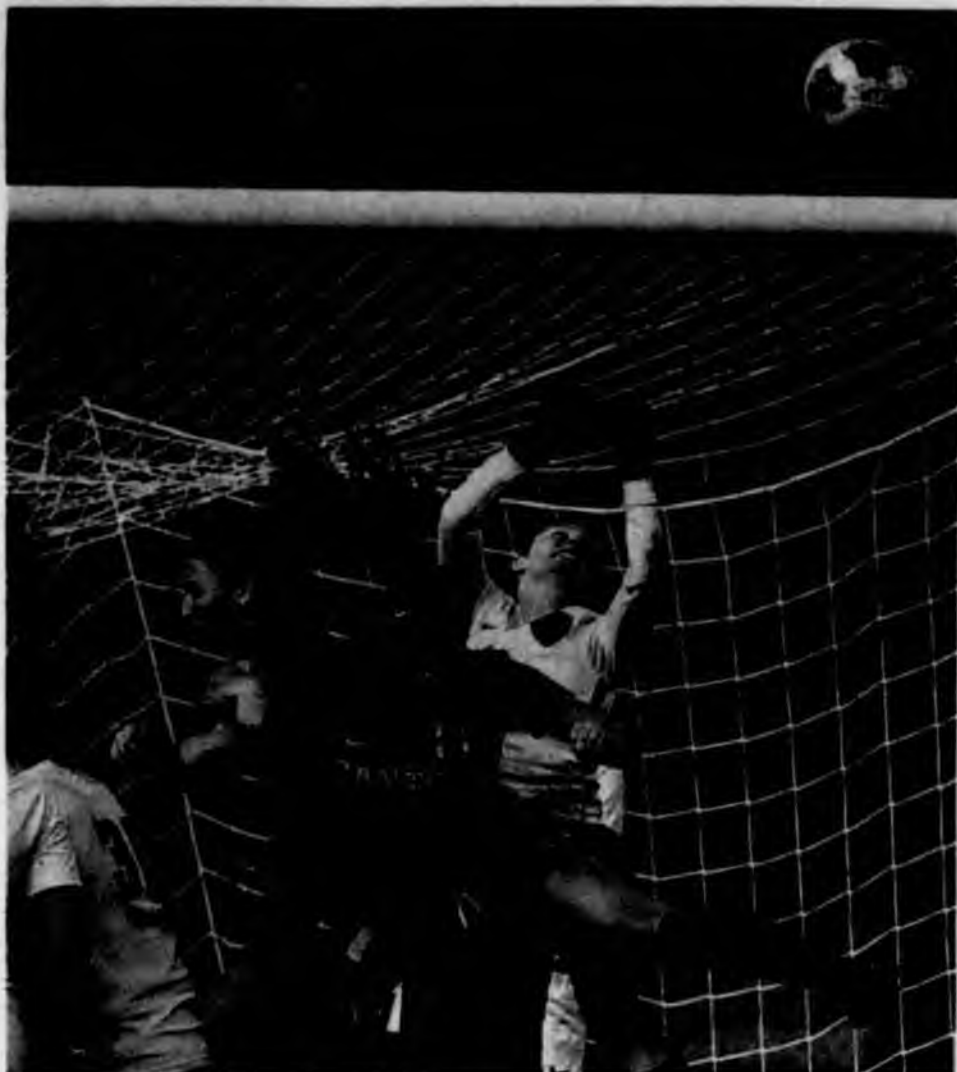
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Churchill net-minder Trinity Vallejo makes a punch-save, sending the ball over the net in the second half May 22 against Canton. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Soccer

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Schwinke capped the scoring when she finessed a left-footed ground-hugger between a diving Vallejo and the right post.

Of her three scoring strikes, which one was Nestico most proud?

"I was happy to get a header goal," she said. "I've been getting a lot of heads off of corners lately, but I just wasn't able to put one in until tonight."

Canton dominated time of possession throughout the first half, but managed just one goal thanks in part to stellar goal-keeping play by Vallejo, a freshman, and a flurry of shots that flew over the cross-bar.

"We had no idea she was going to be this good," Nestico said of Vallejo. "We finally figured out she's really good up top, so we had to keep our shots low or else she'd just tip them away."

"We struggled a lot shooting on frame. At halftime, Jeannine (Reddy) gave us a good talk and reminded us to keep our heads down when we shot, get our shoulders out over the ball and follow through."

Of her perfectly-placed free-kick goal, Nestico earned an A+ for honesty.

"I was actually trying to cross it, but I got a little lucky and it went in," she said, smiling.

Churchill's offense could never quite get it in gear against a hustling Chief defense that was led by Kylie Sourbeck, Morgan Kroon and Kiera Savage.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

# Garden City's Staley sails through poll with 8 goals

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After scoring eight goals last week in two wins, Garden City soccer player Faith Staley has been voted Hometown Life Prep Athlete of the Week.

She led her team to a conference championship in addition to scoring eight goals (four in each game).

Staley collected 7,878 votes (37%) to take first, edging out second-place finisher Devon Beale of Milford's softball team (6,259 votes, 29.47%).

Seaholm's Abby Righter finished third, Livonia Stevenson's Bobby Cav-in took fourth and Clarenceville's Michelle Marzolo ended up in fifth.

It's the second time this spring that Garden City fans have powered one of their athletes to win the award.

We caught up with Staley 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?**

"This year I have made so many great memories with the all the girls on the team, but if I had to pick one it would have to be the goal I scored

against Country Day in a non-conference game. Our team goal this year was not only to win our conference ... but also to make it into the district finals."

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

"When it comes to soccer, I have always looked up to my oldest brother AJ. AJ is always aggressive to the ball and has very good footwork. When we were little and used to play in the backyard he would not take it easy on me, which pushed me to meet my goals and work harder on and off the field. My favorite professional player would have to be Carli Lloyd."

**Who is your favorite musical artist/band and why?**

"My two favorite artists are Juice Wrld and A Boogie."

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

"I also enjoy to watch the TV series called 'The Fosters.'"

**What are your plans after high school? What year in school are you?**

"After high school I hope to attend Madonna University to pursue my academic and athletic career and apply for their nursing program. I am currently finishing up my junior year at Garden City."



Garden City junior Faith Staley scored eight goals last week and was voted Hometown Life Athlete of the Week. COURTESY OF FAITH STALEY

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## GIRLS SOCCER

# Parana, Siddall pace Salem's 8-0 rout

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During last week's Division 1 district quarterfinal match against visiting Livonia Franklin, Salem's girls soccer team followed the strategy used by current Jeopardy! king James Holzhauer: seize an early and big lead, then make the opponent play catch-up.

The Rocks bolted to an insurmountable 6-0 halftime lead and closed out the Patriots 8 minutes and 42 seconds into the second half when Talia List's second goal of the night flipped the switch on the eight-goal-differential mercy rule.

Salem's next assignment was Tuesday matchup with Plymouth-Canton Educational Park rival Canton in a Division 1 district semifinal match at Dearborn Heights Crestwood (visit hometownlife.com for results).

The two teams battled to a deadlock in their first meeting this spring. The Chiefs prevailed in the second encounter.

"We match up pretty well with Canton this season," said Salem coach Kyle Karns. "Playing in the division we do prepares you for this part of the season."

"We both know each other's strengths and weaknesses, so there won't be a lot of surprises."

The Patriots, who played with just three subs due to injuries, were out-matched from the get-go, yet trailed just 1-0 at the 10-minute mark of the first half.

Salem struck first when sophomore forward Macayla Harris punched the ball into the net from the doorstep despite being blanketed by a pair of Patriot defenders.

Harris took a seat on the bench a short time later so she could rest her ailing back in anticipation of Tuesday's game with Canton.

"We brought quite a few girls up from our junior varsity for this game and we didn't want to risk anything with Macayla, so we sat her the rest of the game," Karns said. "The kids who filled her minutes really stepped up and



Salem High teammates run back from another first-half goal against Franklin High. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

played well."

Karns was especially complimentary of junior mid-fielder Chloe Parana and sophomore defender Abby Siddall.

"Abby did a great job of creating offense along the sidelines with a ton of nice crosses," Karns said.

Franklin's best opportunity to score came with just under 25 minutes left in the first half when senior Niki Berridge slid a perfect through ball to junior Emily Esker, who dribbled up the heart of the pitch before getting derailed by a Salem defender.

The Rocks threatened to double their lead twice in the next three minutes, but List's solid strike elevated a foot over the cross-bar before a laser off the toe of Parana banged off the cross-bar.

Esker helped stave off another Salem threat when she stepped in front of a

Laura Kaceli close-range shot.

The Rocks padded their lead to 2-0 in the 31st minute when Kaceli one-timed a perfect cross from Siddall into the net — her first of two straight net-finders.

Parana then tacked on back-to-backers, the first of which was assisted by Paige Stephens.

List knocked home a rebound to make it 6-0.

The slickest goal of the night unfolded in the 46th minute when Jennah Samelko one-timed a spot-on dime from Stephens into the twine.

Salem keeper Gwen Pratt's only sweat of the night was generated during warm-ups thanks in part to a stifling defensive effort from the energized Rocks playing in front of her.

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Salem goalie Gwen Pratt spent most of the first half yelling positioning suggestions to her teammates while the ball stayed in Franklin's zone.

## GIRLS SOCCER

# Novi beats Stevenson for KLAA championship

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The Novi Wildcats were dealt a devastating blow last week, when star sophomore goalkeeper Abbey Pfeiffer went down with a knee injury against Hartland.

That injury turned out to be a torn ACL, which will sideline her for the remainder of the season, meant the team had to call up freshman Sammy Maday from JV to take her place. There would be no time for her to get comfortable though, with the Wildcats taking on Livonia Stevenson on May 20 in the KLAA championship game.

Both teams entered play undefeated in conference, but that couldn't remain the case afterwards as Novi beat Stevenson 2-0 at Novi Meadows Middle School.

Novi (20-0-1), the No. 1 team in both the state and the entire country according to TopDrawerSoccer.com, got both goals from junior Avery Fenchel.

The first came seven minutes into the second half when Fenchel received a ball that was tipped off a Stevenson defender and was left one-on-one against Stevenson goalie Mackenzie Fifer. She sent it home and was assisted by senior Jessica Bandyk.

Fenchel was named an All-American earlier this month and will be honored at the MLS All-Star game later this summer in Orlando.

"I was extremely excited when my dad got the phone call," Fenchel said. "It only comes from the help of my teammates. They're the ones that have to get the ball up the field to me so I have the opportunity to score. It's a great honor and I'm very excited for it."

Her second goal came with just over 19 minutes remaining in the game. Senior Lexi Whalen delivered a shot off the right post, and Fenchel was right there to clean it up. It was her 18th goal of the season. Whalen was credited with an assist.

"She's been our leading goal scorer for three years now, when you're scoring, before today, 16 goals in the division that we play in, the KLAA West is the best division in the state. Anyone can



Stevenson's Abby Werthman tees up a shot in the second half against Novi.

PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

argue with me, but it's the best in the state. Every single night and we play each other twice," Novi coach Todd Pfeiffer said. "When you can score 16 goals against the competition we play, that says a lot about how much of a scoring threat she is."

It's the first KLAA championship for Novi since 2016. Last season, despite winning the state title, did not result in a conference title. It instead went to Grand Blanc.

This one had a little more meaning behind it to Pfeiffer.

"This one means a lot just from how things have changed since 2016," Pfeiffer said. "In 2016 we had the four divisions of six, and for the most part they were pretty balanced. Now, where you have the seven or eight best teams all in one division and you have to play each other twice, to go 14-0 in our division

and win this game on top of it and shut-out a very good Stevenson team, that's why this one means so much."

Winning without Abbey Pfeiffer, who is coach Todd Pfeiffer's daughter, will be difficult. She's an integral part of the team and has a bright future. Despite the injury, she is helping her team in any way that she can.

"She's a big reason why we're ranked No. 1 in the nation, not just in the state," Todd Pfeiffer said. "She had 16 shutouts in 19 games. She only gave up three goals. ... She's disappointed, but she's the biggest cheerleader on the sideline. She's disappointed of course, anybody would be that was in this spot, but she's such a great leader. Since she can't be on the field, she's saying what can I do now, how can I help."

Novi places an emphasis on limiting opponents shots, and were able to do



With a pair of crutches by her chair, injured Novi goalie Abbey Pfeiffer watches her teammates play Stevenson on May 20.

that against Stevenson, holding the Spartans to just two. If the Wildcats are able to do that in the playoffs, it will bode well for them.

"These girls have had a target on their back since day one," Pfeiffer said. "Last year, no one really talked about us. Everyone knew Novi soccer was good, but it was Grand Blanc, Grand Blanc, Grand Blanc. This year, from day one we've been ranked No. 1 and we've embraced that. Everyone's coming for us, but we're going to defend our turf."

Stevenson went 13-0-1 in conference play before falling to Novi. The Spartans played well and were the more physical team, but just didn't have enough to slow down the Wildcats. They are expected to have a good chance at winning their district, but will have a tough first round game against Birmingham Seaholm.

Novi will face Walled Lake Western in the first round of its district.

"We're having a great season so far, we're all working really hard, our opponents are all great. It just comes down to teamwork and our hard work pays off in the end," Fenchel said. "I think we use (having a target on our back) as motivation. We take that target on our back and turn it into motivation. We just go out there and play hard."



## TRACK AND FIELD

# Northville girls win regional title

## Boys claim second place at MHSAA championship

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The Northville girls track and field team extended their MHSAA regional championship winning streak as they won their eighth straight last Friday at Milford High School.

"I'm just happy for these girls, with their teamwork and effort paying off," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "Winning the regional meet is certainly special. Some coaches go their entire career without ever winning a regional championship. We've been very fortunate with the buy in from our student-athletes."

The Mustangs, who won the KLAA conference championship the previous Friday, held off a strong challenge from conference foe Brighton, 103-97. Fenton finished third with 59 and host Milford was fourth with 58 in the field of 15 schools.

"We knew our margin for error was very small," Dalton said. "Brighton is a really good team. They're well coached and always show up ready to compete."

Senior sprinter Melanie Sarafian led the charge for the Mustangs as she ended the night with two first place finishes, two second place finishes and one school record.

Sarafian anchored Northville's winning 4 x 100 relay, which consisted of Marisa Porco, Angel McCray and Lauren Marshall, to a time of 48.85. This finish broke the school record (49.02) which was set last year by Marshall, Claire Wan, Erin McCallum and Sarafian.

Sarafian also won the 100-meter dash in 12.39, beating Brighton's Felesity Norris, who was second in 12.73. Marshall was third in 12.74.

In the 200, Brooke Gray of Brighton took first (25.84). Sarafian was second (26.23). Sarafian also anchored the runner-up 800-relay of Abby Dunn, McCray and Marshall (1:43.69).

Dunn took second place in the 300 hurdles in a career best 45.60 behind Fenton's Cassandra Campbell, who had the winning time of 44.43, and finished fourth in the 100 hurdles (16.04).

"Abby has really solidified herself this season as one of the top hurdlers in



Northville's Lexi Davenport runs in the 300 hurdles. PHOTOS BY XIN WAN

our school's history," Dalton said. "Her and Lexi (Davenport) really feed off of each other when they're practicing hurdling and make each other better."

In the 3,200 relay, the Mustangs placed second with a season best time 9:27.93. The team of Emily Gordon, Olivia Harp, Gina Couyoumjian and Yasmine Mansi finished behind Pinckney (9.23.92).

### Northville boys qualify 10 for state finals

In the boys meet, Northville entered the day looking to qualify as many boys as possible and to challenge for the team championship.

The Mustangs qualified ten athletes in eight events and finished in second place of 16 teams with 79 points, Northville's highest finish since 2008. Brighton won with 85.5 points, followed by Fenton in third with 64 and host Milford in fourth with 63.

"Hats off to Brighton, they have a great program over there," Dalton said. "We tried to put together a good balance of qualifying as many student-athletes as we could with putting out our strongest lineup. Just really happy for our boys taking second place."

Northville's strength was in their relays as all four qualified for state finals.

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Alexa Keiser (Fenton), 10:58.92 (AQ); 5. Mansi (N'ville), 11:08.91 (AQ).  
100-meter hurdles: 1. Grace Stark (Lake), 13.84; 2. Kennedy Jackson (W'W), 14.57; 3. Cassandra Campbell (Fenton), 14.78 (AQ).  
300 hurdles: 1. Campbell (Fenton), 44.43; 2. Abby Dunn (N'ville), 45.60; 3. Kennedy Smith (Brighton), 45.76 (AQ); 4. Kyle Ray (Pinckney), 47.35 (AQ); 5. Kaitlyn Pennala (Hart), 47.35 (AQ).  
400 relay: 1. Northville (Marisa Porco, Angel McCray, Marshall, Sarafian), 48.85; 2. Brighton, 48.88; 3. Howell, 50.68.  
800 relay: 1. Brighton, 1:43.45; 2. Northville, 1:43.69; 3. South Lyon, 1:46.48 (AQ).  
1,600 relay: 1. Brighton, 4:02.28; 2. Fenton, 4:02.66; 3. Hartland, 4:03.94 (AQ); 4. Howell, 4:04.71 (AQ); 5. Milford, 4:05.40 (AQ); 6. Northville, 4:07.24 (AQ).  
3,200 relay: 1. Pinckney, 9:23.92; 2. Northville, 9:27.93; 3. Fenton, 9:30.35 (AQ).  
Shot put: 1. Jasmine Clerkley (Okemos), 42 feet, 6 inches; 2. Cecile Steck (Novi), 37-10.0; 3. Lindsey Strutz (Hart), 36-0.0.  
Discus: 1. Steck (Novi), 121 feet, 9 inches; 2. Brook Willenborg (SLE), 117-6; 3. Clayre Shaver (Milford), 115-6 (AQ); 4. Tatiana Verville (Milford), 115-3 (AQ); 5. Joy Mosley (W'W), 114-9 (AQ); 6. Clerkley (Okemos), 114-8 (AQ); 7. Amy Henderson (Howell), 114-4 (AQ).  
High jump: 1. Jackson (W'W), 5 feet, 7 inches; 2. Strutz (Hart), 5-6.0; 3. Nicole Burcon (Pinckney), 5-3.0 (AQ); 4. Taryn Marshall (Milford), 5-2 (AQ); 5. Laya Hartman (Okemos), 5-2 (AQ); 6. Allison Schram (Hartland), 5-2 (AQ).  
Long jump: 1. Jackson (W'W), 18 feet, 5 1/2 inches; 2. Autumn Glover (SLE), 17-5 1/2; 3. Sarah Daniel (Lake), 17-8 1/2 (AQ); 4. Strutz (Hart), 16-9 (AQ).  
Pole vault: 1. Hanna Chapin (Fenton), 10 feet, 6 inches; 2. Paulina Cole (W'W), 10-3; 3. April Fox (Brighton), 9-9.0.

### BOYS TRACK MEET RESULTS

May 17 at Milford  
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Brighton, 85.5 points; 2. Northville, 79; 3. Fenton, 64; 4. Milford 64; 5. Walled Lake Northern, 56; 6. Walled Lake Central, 55; 7. Novi, 51; 8. South Lyon East, 42; 9. Okemos, 35.5; 10. Pinckney, 33; 11. Walled Lake Western, 29; 12. White Lake Lakeland, 27; 13. Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, 22; 14. Hartland, 11.5; 15. South Lyon, 7.5; 16. Howell, 2.

### TOP FINISHERS

(top 2 automatic state qualifiers)  
(AQ) additional state qualifier  
100 dash: 1. Brandon Miller (Fenton), 11.08; 2. Bathie Boye (W'W), 11.19; 3. Dylan Reason (Pinckney), 11.31.  
200: 1. Miller (Fenton), 22.03; 2. Brandon Kearney (N'ville), 22.46; 3. Noah Sage (Fenton), 22.50.  
400: 1. Gunnar Gustafson (Milford), 48.97; 2. Sage (Fenton), 49.32; 3. Tyler Burrell (W'W), 49.72; 4. Scott Spaanstra (Brighton), 50.26 (AQ).  
800: 1. Miles Brown (Novi), 1:52.89; 2. Nick Couyoumjian (N'ville), 1:53.31; 3. Matt Jontz (Brighton), 1:57.17; 4. Ashay Reddy (W'W), 1:57.17 (AQ).  
1,600: 1. Jack Spamer (Brighton), 4:18.45; 2. Harrison Grzymkowski (Lake), 4:19.26; 3. Zachary Stewart (Brighton), 4:20.41 (AQ); 4. Chris Allen (W'W), 4:21.08 (AQ); 5. Thomas Poak (W'W), 4:21.47 (AQ); 6. Blake Maday (Novi), 4:21.54 (AQ); 7. Nolan McGahan (Brighton), 4:23.37 (AQ); 8. Kyle Samluk (Okemos), 4:23.56 (AQ); 9. Luke Perelli (NDCC), 4:24.66 (AQ).  
3,200: 1. Spamer (Brighton), 9:12.74; 2. Evan White (Milford), 9:15.50; 3. Stewart (Brighton), 9:23.31 (AQ); 4. Riley Hough (Hartland), 9:25.52 (AQ); 5. Adam Jesse (Fenton), 9:29.73 (AQ); 6. Gavin White (Pinckney), 9:30.54 (AQ); 7. McGahan (Brighton), 9:33.02 (AQ).  
100-meter hurdles: 1. Carson Jensen (Milford), 14.37; 2. Ben Stuart (N'ville), 14.90; 3. Dylan Deck (Pinckney), 15.05 (AQ); 4. Donovan Baerman-Skeef (Okemos), 15.08 (AQ).  
300 hurdles: 1. Jensen (Milford), 38.42; 2. Gavin Check (NDCC), 38.42; 3. Brian You (Novi), 38.85 (AQ).  
400 relay: 1. Northville (Shaun, Zack Phillips, Demetri Zervos, Brandon Kearney), 42.85; 2. Okemos, 43.41; 3. Walled Lake Western, 43.95.  
800 relay: 1. Fenton, 1:27.93; 2. Brighton, 1:28.70; 3. Northville, 1:29.17 (AQ); 4. Okemos, 1:30.58 (AQ).  
1,600 relay: 1. Milford, 3:21.34; 2. Brighton, 3:21.81; 3. Northville, 3:25.14 (AQ); 4. Walled Lake Central, 3:26.18 (AQ); 5. Novi, 3:26.90 (AQ).  
3,200 relay: 1. Novi, 7:44.60; 2. Milford, 7:47.32; 3. Northville, 7:53.83 (AQ); 4. Brighton, 7:54.52 (AQ).  
Shot put: 1. Jacob Ogg (W'W), 50 feet, 10 inches; 2. Tanner Crookston (W'W), 49-89; 3. Alex Hunt (W'W), 47-10.  
Discus: 1. Donovan Wright (SLE), 160 feet, 3 inches; 2. Ogg (W'W), 151-2; 3. Hunt (W'W), 149-1 (AQ); 4. Crookston (W'W), 145-6 (AQ); 5. Nicholas Heffrick (SLE), 145-6 (AQ); 6. Mike McCarthy (SLE), 145-4 (AQ); 7. Tyler Deveton (W'W), 145-3 (AQ).  
High jump: 1. Justin Miller (Fenton), 6 feet, 4 inches; 2. David Vella (Lake), 6-3.00; 3. Andrew Price (W'W), 6-3.00 (AQ).  
Long jump: 1. Kevin Jackson (W'W), 21 feet, 2 inches; 2. Jacob Pichler (N'ville), 21-0 1/2; 3. Rashard Ray (SLE), 20-11 1/4.  
Pole vault: 1. Brady Dettler (Lake), 14 feet, 0 inches; 2. Jake Loria (Pinckney), 13-6.00; 3. Jake Perry (W'W), 13-0.00 (AQ); 4. Joey Villarsa (SLE), 13-0.00 (AQ); 5. Patrick Whittom (Brighton), 13-0.00 (AQ); 6. Jordan Taiwo (W'W), 13-0.00 (AQ).



Northville's Raymond Jiang runs in the 800 at regionals.

### MHSAA DIVISION 1-B REGION 8 GIRLS TRACK MEET RESULTS

May 17 at Milford  
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 103 points; 2. Brighton, 97; 3. Fenton, 59; 4. Milford, 58; 5. (tie) Hartland and Pinckney 55; 7. Howell, 39; 8. Okemos, 34.5; 9. Walled Lake Western, 34; 10. White Lake Lakeland, 30; 11. South Lyon East, 27; 12. Novi, 24.5; 13. South Lyon, 18; 14. Walled Lake Northern, 17; 15. Walled Lake Central, 12.  
TOP FINISHERS  
(top 2 automatic state qualifiers)  
(AQ) additional state qualifier  
100 dash: 1. Melanie Sarafian (N'ville), 12.39; 2. Felesity Norris (Brighton), 12.74; 3. Lauren Marshall (N'ville), 12.75.  
200: 1. Brooke Gray (Brighton), 25.84; 2. Sarafian (N'ville), 26.23; 3. Lauren Smith (Hart), 26.26.  
400: 1. Morgan Waggoner (Brighton), 58.27; 2. Bryce Calka (Brighton), 58.29; 3. Abby Knapp (Milford), 58.55 (AQ).  
800: 1. Victoria Heiligenthal (Milford), 2:17.33; 2. Ashlyn Tait (Howell), 2:17.35; 3. Erika Rapp (Pinckney), 2:17.96 (AQ); 4. Maddie Brown (Brighton), 2:18.45 (AQ).  
1,600: 1. Heiligenthal (Milford), 5:01.88; 2. Yasmine Mansi (N'ville), 5:06.14; 3. Paige Saiz (Milford), 5:09.74 (AQ).  
3,200: 1. Noelle Adriaens (Pinckney), 10:36.04; 2. Madeline Rehm (Lake), 10:47.52; 3. Maryam Sheena (W'W), 10:52.92 (AQ). 4.

## ROWING



The Northville Rowing Club will have six boats at the SRAA national championships in Ohio. COURTESY OF KIRSTEN ZEIMEN

## Northville sends 6 to nationals

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The Northville Rowing Club will have six boats competing May 24-25 at the Scholastic Rowing Association of America (SRAA) National Championships level in Nashport, Ohio, against a field of 157 teams from across the country.

The Mustangs competed in the Scholastic Rowing Association of Michigan 2019 Championship Regatta held May 18 at Riverside Park in Grand Rapids where Northville exceeded expectations. Twelve boats advanced to the finals, capturing four gold and three silver medals.

"This team's work ethic has really paid off," Northville coach Nick Bickes said. "Each individual has put in their best efforts over the fall and winter and they are seeing the results of that work now. We have accomplished a lot this year and we want to continue to build for the future of the program."

Standout Sara Bennett earned gold in the Women's Varsity 1x with a time of 7:13 eclipsing her competition by 30 seconds to become State Champion. Equal-

ly impressive was Pahul Kahlon, who also brought home gold for Northville in the Men's Varsity 1x with a time of 6:12 among a talented field of rowers.

For the first time in state competition both Men's and Women's Junior 8+ also captured gold. Gabby Evangelista, Isa Cirulla, Lily Oles, Tessa McCarthy, Nina Moyski, Makala Hande, Ava Kehoe, Riley Pinn and Kate Encelewski led the way with a winning time of 5:41. Not to be outdone, the Men's Junior 8+ of Elyssa Daguanno, Drew DiFrancesco, Jimmy King, Luke Lesh, Christian Ozog, Karthik Muruganand, Adam Bis, Thaddeus Felosak and Russell Kobelsky took home the gold with a time of 4:37.

Daguanno, Bis, Lesh, Kobelsky and Felosak's time of 5:17 in the Men's Junior 4+ secured silver.

Northville's sculling power duo of Kling and DiFrancesco earned silver in the Men's Varsity 2x with a time of 5:29, while a photo finish for our junior power pair of Chloe Sargent and Allison Dunn took silver in the Women's Varsity 2x with a time of 6:27.

Northville rowing has enjoyed a record breaking season and continues to improve, earning seven medals in

twelve events in addition to fourth, fifth and sixth place finishes. In overall team standings, the Mustangs placed third - the team's best finish in the program's history.

"All of our athletes have contributed to the success of the team and they have put the team's goals in front of individual accomplishments," Bickes said. "This has been a big step for our program and we hope to continue moving forward at the SRAA National Championships Regatta this weekend. Our kids have a lot to be proud of."

This summer, the Northville Rowing Club will host a variety of Learn to Row camps - for incoming 9th through 12th grade high school students who are interested in rowing, for middle school aged students who would like to try the sport, as well as an adult Learn to Row - there is something for everyone.

Registration is now open for these summer camps on the team website: northvillierowing.sportssignup.com/site. Additional summer camps and team information can be found on the website as well.

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## ROLLER SKATING

## Livonian qualifies for World Games

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Roller freestyle skater Jayanthesh (Gene) Kalmat is on a roll - all the way to Spain.

Kalmat, 16, of Livonia, recently qualified to compete in the World Roller Games 2019 taking place this July in Barcelona, Spain. Kalmat is one of two qualifiers representing the United States in the World Skate Junior Men Free skating event. Free skating involves double- and triple-rotation jumps, spins on two wheels and intricate footwork, all performed to music. Kalmat is the only Michigan skater this year to qualify for the World Roller Games.

Kalmat began roller skating nine years ago at Riverside Arena in Livonia. Since then, he has earned fifteen top national placements in compulsory figure, free style and pairs skating. He is currently completing his junior year at University of Detroit Jesuit High School while training ten to twelve hours a week under the guidance of coach Tracy Black.

World Roller Games 2019 will be Kalmat's first major international competition.

"This is something I've worked on my whole life," Kalmat said.



Livonia's Jayanthesh (Gene) Kalmat qualified for the World Roller Games in Spain. COURTESY OF LAWAN MODRICH



## SCOREBOARD

## Baseball

**Northville 3, Lakeland 2** - Six LHS pitchers combined to scatter seven hits in the loss. Trent Farquhar was 1-for-1 with two walks including a two-run double. Anthony Rossi, Patrick McDonald and Grant Burns each had hits. The Eagles moves to 26-3 overall and 21-0 in LVC play.

**Livonia Stevenson 14, Milford 7** - Nick Saylor went 3-for-3 with four runs, Bobby Cavin went 3-for-4 with four RBIs and Nate Waligora hit a home run and drove in three runs for Stevenson.

**Livonia Stevenson 9, Milford 0** - Stevenson's Nick Olsen went 2-for-2 with a home run, Bobby Cavin added a home run and Steve Champagne picked up the win after five shutout innings. **Livonia Franklin 4, Pettersburgh/Summerfield 1** - Alex Forry and Greg Wiacek struck out 11 batters combined for Franklin.

**Pettersburgh/Summerfield 4, Franklin 1** - Brandon Meadows had two hits for Franklin, which is now 18-9 overall.

**Novi 4, Livonia Stevenson 1** - Grant Pytel pitched six and 1/3 innings for Novi, striking out 10 while allowing only one run on five hits. Stevenson will play Brighton on Thursday for the KLAA championship.

**Livonia Franklin 2, Canton 1** - Junior Jacob Cox pitched a tremendous game for Franklin going six and 2/3 innings for the win while striking out 10 and walking just one. Jacob Kelbert came in to get the final out. Cal Fournier and Trevor Whisman each had two hits for Franklin.

**Livonia Franklin 8, Dearborn 3** - Alex Forry got the win on the mound while Jacob Cox finished up last two innings. Ryan Madden had a two-run homer. **Dearborn 7, Livonia Franklin 4** - Ryan Madden has two hits on the day for Franklin.

**Livonia Franklin 8, Howell 7** - Cal Fournier has two hits on the day. Derek Sayers had a walk-off two-run single in bottom of 7th.

**Lakeland 5, Walled Lake Central 0** - Austin Conley turned in a gem on the mound throwing a complete game shut out with five strikeouts. Tate Farquhar was 3-for-4 with three RBIs, Drake Schultz was 2-for-4, David Thickett added an RBI while Patrick McDonald, Kevin Krill and Anthony Rossi each added hits.

**Livonia Stevenson 8, John Glenn 4** - Nick Olsen picked up the win on the mound and had two hits for Stevenson. This win secured the KLAA East for the Spartans.

**Livonia Stevenson 6, John Glenn 2** - Stevenson broke out late to pick up the win thanks to Bobby Cavin's go-ahead RBI hit.

**Birmingham Seaholm 3, Farmington 2** - Alex Maxwell hit an RBI walk-off single with the bases loaded for Seaholm. Gray Kinnie hit a two-run home run and Max Schumaker pitched six and 2/3 innings, allowing only three hits.

**Lakeland 3, Walled Lake Central 0** - Case Jaworski turned in a gem on the mound throwing a complete game shut out, striking out five and not surrendering any walks. Patrick McDonald was 2-for-3 with an RBI while Drake Schultz, Trent Farquhar and Tate Farquhar each contributed hits.

**Lakeland 6, Walled Lake Central 1** - Trent Farquhar threw a complete game striking out seven with no walks and without any Walled Lake Central batters reaching base after the first inning. Trent also went 2-for-2 with a double and a triple and that was followed by his brother, Tate Farquhar, going 2-for-4

with a double and a triple. Kevin Krill, Sam Falzon and Patrick McDonald each had hits in the victory.

**Birmingham Seaholm 3, Farmington 2** - Paul Derocher had two RBIs for Seaholm.

**Farmington 10, Seaholm 0** - Seaholm's 15-game winning streak is snapped.

**Divine Child 7, Garden City 6** - Kevin Widmer had a big day at the plate for Garden City, going 2-for-3 with two doubles and two RBIs. Jordon Szabo went 2-for-4, as did Jacob Grant, who suffered his first loss of the season on the mound.

**Novi 16, Salem 6**

**Salem 15, Fordson 0**

**Garden City 16, Annapolis 0** - Garden City clinches a share of the WWAC championship with the win. Jacob Grant had two hits and three RBIs.

**Novi 4, Salem 2**

**Garden City 7, Annapolis 6** - Garden City wins in walk-off fashion on a 2-run single from freshman Adam Harnos. Harnos went 1-for-3 on the day with two RBI. Annapolis took a 6-0 lead and a no-hitter into the bottom of the 6th inning before GC scored four in the 6th and three in the 7th.

## Softball

**Livonia Stevenson 2, Canton 2** - Over the weekend the Stevenson softball team competed in the Michigan Challenge which featured 32 teams. The Spartans went 3-1-1 making it to the Final Four Winners Bracket before suffering a tie versus Canton with runners in scoring position when the weather ultimately cancelled the tournament. Stevenson finished in 3rd place.

**New Boston Huron 4, Stevenson 3**

**Stevenson 9, Schoolcraft 6**

**Stevenson 6, Marine City 5**

**Stevenson 14, West Bloomfield 0**

**Birmingham Seaholm 17, Renaissance Phoenix 5** - Abby Righter fanned 12 to get the win in game one and helped her own cause with a single, double and triple. Kayla Eshaki and Kelly DeClark added two hits each while Morgan Anton and Samantha Kozlowski also delivered RBI hits.

**Birmingham Seaholm 11, Renaissance Phoenix 1** - In game two, Sarah Hegel was the hitting hero, going 2-2 with three runs and two RBI. Mia Lanway threw four strong innings to earn the win on the hill. Bryn Longe set a Seaholm record by reaching base in all nine of her plate appearances (four hits and five walks) across the two games. The Maples won the Forester Invitational.

**Grand Haven 5, Mercy 4**

**Mercy 9, Three Rivers 5**

**Mercy 16, Reeths Puffer-0**

**Birmingham Seaholm 3, Troy 0** - Abby Righter tossed a 1-hit shutout, setting down the last 19 batters in order. Tessa Boitos was the hitting star, driving in two runs with a single and double.

**Troy 10, Birmingham Seaholm 1** - Reilly Vida had two hits and Kayla Eshaki drove in the lone Maple run.

**Birmingham Seaholm 13, Bloomfield Hills 3** - Abby Righter was dominant on the mound, going the distance while fanning nine and allowing only two hits. Kelly DeClark was 3-4 with 3 runs scored while Tessa Boitos, Ellie Smith and Bryn Longe each had 2 hits.

**Bloomfield Hills 12, Birmingham Seaholm 10** - The Maples launched a furious six-run rally in the 7th but fell short. Reilly Vida was 3-for-4 with four RBIs and Mia Lanway added two hits and three RBIs to pace the Maple attack.

**Schoolcraft 11, Milford 8** - Devon Beale led the hitting attack with four singles. Sisters Jaclyn and Lauren Carrannanto each hit homers for the Mavericks in the

game.

**Port Huron Northern 12, Milford 5** - Devon Beale went 2-for-2 at the plate to lead Milford.

**Schoolcraft 11, Milford 8** - Devon Beale led the hitting attack with four singles. Sisters Jaclyn and Lauren Carrannanto each hit homers for the Mavericks in the game.

**Milford 10, West Bloomfield 0** - Jenna Carlisle shut down West Bloomfield, throwing a complete game shutout.

**Milford 7, Livonia Churchill 4** - Amelia Price hit a home run for the Mavs, while Lauren Pyle hit a home run for Churchill.

**Milford 15, Mott 0** - Jenna Carlisle pitched a shutout and Taylor Mitchell had four hits for Milford.

**Milford 18, Mott 4** - Jenna Carlisle got the win, while the Mavs bats exploded.

**Milford 14, Kettering 4** - Devon Beale had four hits for Milford.

**Milford 8, Kettering 5** - Amelia Price hit her seventh home run of the season for Milford.

**South Lyon 17, Milford 0** - South Lyon had 16 hits in the game.

**South Lyon 11, Milford 0** - Alexis Bonk took the win for South Lyon. She went five innings, allowing zero runs on one hit, striking out 11 and walking one.

**Novi 9, Salem 6** - Hailey Dechalk had a double and single for Salem.

## Soccer

**Farmington 6, North Farmington 1** - The Farmington High School girls soccer team captured the Farmington City Championship title on Friday night by beating the North Farmington Raiders 6-1.

Sophomore Madison Thomas scored two early goals to set the pace for the Falcons, while junior Kara Linn added a goal and two assists. Emily Pace, Nadia White and Alie Tremonti each added a goal.

**South Lyon 2, Waterford Mott 1** - The Lions win the LVC tournament thanks to goals by Emma Dalzochio and Kylie Davis. Six players were named All-Conference: Regan Dancer, Kylie Davis, Rylee McDermott, Taylor Fisher, Carmen Sweigard and Emma Dalzochio. Honorable mention: Lexi Nabozny, Katie Sartori and Sarah Flannery.

**John Glenn 8, Fordson 0**

**Novi 3, Howell 0** - Avery Burrell, Julia Stadtherr and Lexi Whalen all scored for Novi, which is 19-0-1. It's the team's 16th shutout of the season.

**Canton 3, Howell 0** - Senior Marlee Taylor scored twice and junior Jayna Fraser had one goal. Senior keeper Katie Clark, recorded the shutout.

**Livonia Stevenson 3, Dearborn 0** - Stevenson will play Novi for the KLAA title Monday night.

**South Lyon 2, Milford 1** - Carmen Sweigard and Lexi Nabozny scored for South Lyon.

**Novi 3, Hartland 2** - Julia Stadtherr scored twice for Novi and Avery Fenchel scored once to lead the Wildcats in a big game.

**Birmingham Seaholm 5, Farmington Hills Mercy 1** - Cate Brown and Grace Harr had two goals each and Livi Ross had one goal for Seaholm. Assists came from Cate Brown, Caroline Esper, Grace Harr and Amanda Koczara. Goalkeeper Maya Nesti got the win with five saves.

**Garden City 8, Redford Union 0** - Faith Staley had four goals in the team's mercy.

**South Lyon East 2, Walled Lake Western 1 (PK)** - SLE won the game in penalty kicks. The regulation goal was scored by sophomore Annika Gilson with the assist from senior captain Veronica Bolanos.

**Livonia Clarenceville 6, Westland Lutheran 1** - Michelle Marzolo scored five

goals, the last one her 100th career goal, in the win.

**Clarenceville 8, Redford Union 4** - Michelle Marzolo scored five times.

**Brighton 3, Salem 0**

**Garden City 8, Clarenceville 0** - Faith Staley had four goals for GC.

## Lacrosse

## Boys

**Plymouth 12, Ann Arbor Pioneer 2** - Plymouth's offense was lead by Harrison Albano (five goals, one assist), Brendan Allen (two goals, one assist) and Gavin Roach (one goal, two assists).

The win moves Plymouth to the next round of the state playoffs.

**Northville 13, Canton 0** - Northville moves on in the playoffs after knocking off the Chiefs. Nick Salamone scored three goals, while, Shane Alexander, Nick Lauderback and Blake Evans added two each. Jeff Varner and Jack Boschma combined for the shutout. Looking back at the season as a whole, two community events were among the highlights for Northville. The 5th annual "Victory Game" was held at Tom Holzer Field on April 27th. The game is an opportunity for a group of NHS and Cooke students to compete alongside the high school team. Students attend a series of practices with the lacrosse players at Friday lunch, to learn basics of lacrosse and establish friendships and comradery leading up to the game. All concessions, ticket sales and raffle proceeds are donated to the Northville Special Education department. This year the game raised \$1700, with the support of the community and game sponsors. On Wednesday, May 1 prior to hosting Plymouth High School, the team honored Northville Public Schools' teachers. Each varsity player invited a teacher special to them to be recognized before the game. Teachers were escorted on to the field and a short summary of their impact, written by the nominating player, was read.

**Birmingham United 14, Utica Henry Ford 1** - 11 different players scored for Birmingham, which advances to the next round. Cole Sutton had three goals and two assists.

**Birmingham United 13, North Farmington 4** - Will McBride scored four goals for Birmingham.

**Plymouth 16, South Lyon 15** - With the win, Plymouth broke the school record for regular season wins for the third consecutive season.

**West Bloomfield 7, Livonia 6 (OT)** - Livonia is eliminated in the first round.

## Girls

**Marian 11, Birmingham Unified 10** - Kate Wujciak had four goals and Kayleigh Rogers had three goals to pace the Birmingham offense.

**Farmington 18, Rochester Adams 3** - Farmington stays undefeated.

## Tennis

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## Golf

**Thurston 244, Crestwood DNF** - In two matches this week, Thurston (9-0) posted a 244 while Crestwood was unable to field a whole team. Best individual scores were Joe Lawson with a 49 from Thurston and a 55 carded by Ali Abdallah of Crestwood.

**Plymouth 150, Salem 165**

**Novi 153, Salem 163**

**Livonia Churchill 177, Livonia Franklin 189**

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## Track

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The Mustangs' 4 x 100 relay of Ben Shuart, Zack Phillips, Demetri Zervos and Brandon Kearney continued their impressive season with their first place finish in 42.85.

In the 4 x 200, Phillips, Zervos, Nolan Knight, and Kearney took third in 1:29.11, which lowered the school record they had set earlier this season. Fenton won race in 1:27.93 and Brighton was second in 1:28.70.

Northville's 3,200 relay of Raymond Jiang, Brandon Liu, Alex Belouli and Couyoumjan took third in 7:53.63, the second fastest time in school history.

The Mustangs' returning All-State 1,600 relay of Liu, Couyoumjan, Knight and Kearney ran to a third place finish in 3:25.14.

"I don't know the last time that our boys team has qualified all four relays for the state meet in the same year," Dalton said.

Couyoumjan, a senior, qualified in the 800 in addition to the relays, as he



The Northville girls and boys track and field teams pose for a photo after their high finishes at regionals. XIN WAN

took second place in the 800 with a time of 1:53.31.

Northville's Kearney qualified in the 200-meter dash. He finished in second place with a season best time of 22.46. Brandon Miller of Fenton won 22.03.

With the three relays, Kearney will look to compete in four events at the state meet.

Shuart also qualified in the 110-meter hurdles. His time of 14.90 was good for a second place finish.

In the field events, junior Jacob Pichler took runner-up honors in the long jump with a leap of 21 feet and ½ inches. Kevin Jackson of Walled Lake Western bested Pichler's jump with a 21-2.00 of his own.





# But is it good for you?

## Experts weigh in on oat milk, bone broth, chia seeds and other food trends

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The first time you noticed them was on your trip to San Francisco. Then you saw them in your neighborhood health food joint. Now foods such as oat milk, bone broth and chia seeds are showing up in recipes and on menus and on your own grocery store's shelves.

Are they just passing through? Are they worth getting to know?

Only time will tell if these foods are finds or fads, but here's what you should know about them.

### CBD-infused foods

Who wouldn't like to feel less stressed? Enter a marketplace full of CBD-infused foods — honeys, teas, coffees and chocolate bars containing added cannabidiol, a non-psychoactive extract of the hemp (cannabis) plant said to lower anxiety and stress.

Audrey Zona, an integrative health coach and founder of Zo Healthy in Franklin Lakes, says that some studies show CBD oil reducing inflammation and boosting gut health.

### Oat milk and pea milk

Oat milk, which is gluten-free, is "relatively rich and mild-tasting, and froths and foams in lattes due to the extra carbs and sugars," says Zona. But she recommends pea milk, which is also gluten-free, as a dairy substitute, because it's lower in carbs.

### Hemp seeds

These seeds can be eaten raw, ground into hemp meal, sprouted or made into dried sprout powder; they can even be liquified and consumed as hemp milk or used in baking. So

### why hemp?

"Hemp is concentrated with Omega-3 fatty acids," says Kristina Maitner, an adjunct professor of nutrition at Monmouth University and dietitian at St. Peters University Hospital in New Brunswick.

"The American Heart Association says we should eat two servings of oily fish per week, but a lot of people don't want to do that. They're also a good source of Omega-6, which helps your immune system."

Rich in protein, a tablespoon of hemp seeds provides a little over 9 grams of protein, about a sixth of the daily recommended intake for adults.

### Chia seeds

Zona is full of praise for these tiny black beads of nutrition. "They're super foods that are high in fiber so you feel full from eating them, and they help your digestion run smoothly," she says. "They reduce inflammation and even out your blood sugar levels." Chia seeds are loaded with Omega-3 fatty acids, antioxidants and protein. Zona recommends adding a tablespoon a day to yogurt, salads, smoothies and puddings.

### Bone broth

Cooks boil bones and connective tissues to get the marrow and collagen out, yielding a dense source of collagen, protein and calcium that's more nutritious than regular broth, says Maitner.

The key to making bone broth is letting it simmer long enough for the connective tissue to fully soften — generally, 24-48 hours. It may then be chilled, and the fat later removed. Or you can save yourself the trouble and buy it, already prepared, in the grocery store or online.

Hemp seeds are loaded with health-promoting omega-3 fatty acids. GETTY IMAGES



# 401(k) loans come with a price

Be set for a tax bill if you do borrow

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Special to USA TODAY

The 401(k) is considered the cornerstone of retirement, but when times get tough, some people treat it like a piggy bank.

Nearly 3 in 10 Americans dip into their retirement savings, according to Transamerica. The most common reasons include paying for higher education, dumping debt and footing the bill for unplanned medical expenses.

After all, life happens. That was the case for one married couple.

In 2013, Ashley and Tyler Patrick of Charlotte, North Carolina, were pregnant with a second child, but their small, two-bedroom brick ranch-style home required a remodel.

"We needed to connect a separate in-law suite to the main house to make room for our newborn before her birth," says Ashley, 34, a financial coach who runs [budgetsmadeeasy.com](http://budgetsmadeeasy.com). Her husband, Tyler, 35, who works on an assembly line putting together different types of equipment, agrees.

To pay for the home improvements, the Patricks took out a \$25,000 loan from Tyler's 401(k) account. "It was a cheap way to borrow money," says Ashley. "We had just purchased the house, so there was no real equity for the remodel."

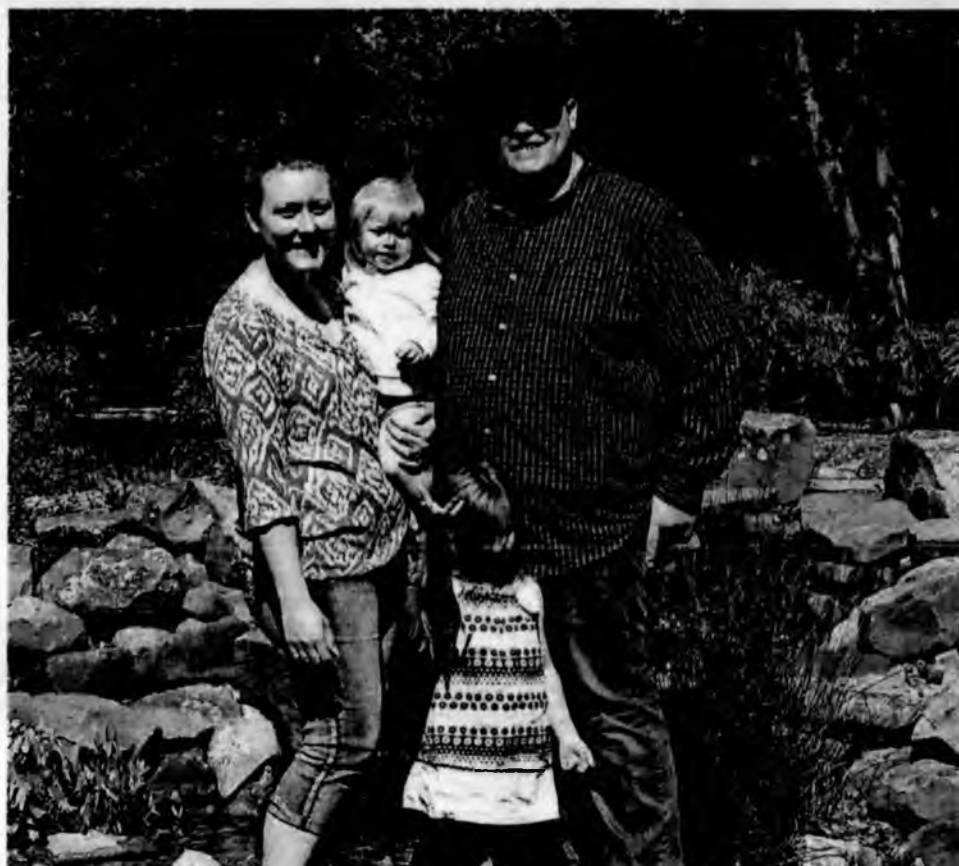
The funds reached their checking account quickly. Yet, it was a high price to pay. "We were hit with a \$6,500 tax bill," says Ashley.

Most financial advisers tell clients to steer clear from taking money from your nest egg. If you decide to borrow from your 401(k), consider the pros and cons.

## The pros

**■ The process:** It's often quick and less intensive than obtaining other types of credit.

"There's no need for a credit check, underwriting, or lengthy application," says Lauren Anastasio, CFP at SoFi, a



The Patrick family. BUDGETS MADE EASY



Barker

personal finance company.

For Robert Barker, 43, a machinist in Shelby Township, Mich., the process was simple. He took a loan from his 401(k) in November 2016 to cover \$3,500 in closing costs on a condo purchase.

"I was surprised how versatile and easy it was to take the loan out of my 401(k)," says Barker. "I even changed the term of the loan to make the payment more affordable."

Barker spoke to a representative from his company to walk him through the process. Before making this type of commitment, talk to a financial professional to understand the specifics of the loan.

**■ The rate:** The average interest rate for a 401(k) loan is typically determined

by your plan administrator, but it should be similar to what you might expect from a bank.

"Since the loan is backed by the investments in your 401(k), there is less risk to the lender and, in turn, the loan can be offered at a much cheaper interest rate," says Anastasio.

**■ The repayment terms:** Generally, you have up to five years to repay a 401(k) loan.

"However, for many plans, if the money is used to buy a home, the five-year repayment requirement is waived," says Rob Drury, executive director, Association of Christian Financial Advisors in San Antonio.

Besides, payments are automatically deducted from your paycheck, which helps avoid the potential for late or forgotten payments, adds Anastasio.

## The cons

**■ The harsh repayment rule:** If you leave your job, the outstanding balance of your loan has to typically be repaid in 60 or 90 days. The loan will be considered a distribution (aka income), and you pay taxes and a penalty on it, says Robert Farrington, creator of The College Investor, which gives personal finance advice. Per the IRS, "you may also have to pay an additional 10% tax on the amount of the taxable distribution, unless you are at least age 59½ or qualify for another exception."

Here's a tiny loophole from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: If you left your job in 2019, you don't have to pay taxes or the penalty if you repay the loan in full or roll it over to another plan by April 15, 2020 (or Oct. 15, 2020, if you file an extension). In other words, the loan has to be paid in the same tax year in which you left your job. Check with your accountant to see if you can take advantage of this loophole while it lasts.

**■ The early-withdrawal penalty:** According to IRS regulations, there is a 10% penalty if you withdraw funds from your 401(k) before the age of 59½. Also, your plan provider has to withhold 20% for federal income taxes and 2% to 8% for state income taxes, depending on where you live.

**■ The tax consequences:** "Since 401(k) loans are paid back with after-tax dollars, you are paying tax on that money twice — when it comes out of your paycheck to repay the loan, and when you withdraw the funds in retirement," says Kyle Whipple, a financial adviser for the C. Curtis Financial Group, in Plymouth, Michigan.

**■ The lost gains:** "You lose time and money on the growth of the borrowed amount, the loan payments are taking the place of previous contributions, meaning you lose the company match and your additions, and you lose money to the fees associated with the loan," says Whipple.

To minimize the hit to your long-term savings, keep contributing to your 401(k), so you can continue to receive any employer match, he says.

While taking a loan from your 401(k) isn't ideal, it's essential to understand the complete picture before deciding.

## ASK THE CAPTAIN



United jets pass each other while taxiing at George Bush airport in Houston. JEREMY DWYER-LINDGREN FOR USA TODAY

# Taxiing an aircraft is harder than it seems

John Cox  
Special to USA TODAY

**Question: Is there a speed limit for planes while taxiing on the taxiway?**

— James Chen, Taiwan

**Answer:** Some airports have speed limits but more often airplanes will have a limitation in the flight manual for maximum taxi speeds. This is usually around 30 knots.

**Q: How are airliners turned by the pilot while on the ground? I never see a steering wheel in the cockpit.**

— Robert Allen, Boise, Idaho

**A:** There is a small nose gear steering wheel on the left side of the captain's seat, which is used when taxiing.

**Q: I've been told by pilot friends that taxiing is actually one of the most difficult parts of aviation. What should a pilot do if he/she gets lost or is unclear on taxiing instructions?**

— Jim, Youngstown, Ohio

**A:** Anytime there is an uncertainty about a taxi route or clearance, the pilot will ask the controller to repeat the clearance. This happens occasionally but not often.

**Q: How much power — engine-thrust wise — is required while taxiing to take off at maximum takeoff**

weight?

— No name provided

**A:** It depends on the slope of the taxiway or the ramp. Once the jet is moving, it doesn't require much thrust to keep it moving. The captain advances the thrust levers, allowing the engines to spin up until the aircraft begins to move, then reduces them to near-idle.

To answer your question, there is not an exact thrust value.

**Q: On a recent trip, when the plane arrived that we were later to board it had smoke coming from underneath the starboard engine. As we prepared to take off and taxied out to the runway, the same smoke appeared. It actually was enough to come up over the wing. It appeared to be smoke and not steam. I pointed it out to the flight attendant and was told not to worry. Fortunately, we arrived in SEA without incident. What might this have been?**

— Dean, Layton, Utah

**A:** It is possible that there was a very slight hydraulic leak where the fluid contacted a hot part of the engine. This would be unusual but not unheard of.

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# Travel rewards can carry risks

Do homework on credit card offers

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NerdWallet

"Free travel" — two little words that can jump-start the pulse, excite the imagination and, if you're not careful, take money right out of your pocket.

Travel rewards credit cards offering big sign-up bonuses and seemingly endless opportunities to earn points toward free flights, hotel stays and more can be almost irresistible. They're so appealing, in fact, that you can entirely forget that issuers of these cards are in business to make money. Merchant fees, interest charges, late fees and annual membership fees all have a way of tipping the balance sheet in the issuers' favor over the long term.

Here are five ways to make sure you end up a winner.

**■ Pay off your credit card balance every month.**

Credit card interest rates are, for the most part, outrageous. Even highly rated, otherwise excellent credit cards charge annual percentage rates of anywhere from 14% to 27% per year when you carry a balance, making it all too easy to pay out double or triple what you might have earned in free travel.

**■ Include annual fees in your cost-benefit calculations.**

Travel credit cards' annual fees run the gamut, from no-annual-fee cards to ones that cost hundreds of dollars to carry. Many are around \$100 a year, which can be a bargain if you make good use of the card. But it's still a setback in your quest to come out ahead. When you're assessing the value of the travel rewards you'll earn, remember to factor in the annual fee.

**■ Test run some travel bookings.**

Earning, say, 50,000 airline miles for spending a certain amount of money on a card might sound like a steal, and airlines' claims that those miles can get you a round-trip ticket aren't lies. But will those miles get you a



Consumers should remember issuers of travel credit cards are in business to make money. GETTY IMAGES GETTY IMAGES

ticket where you want to go, when you want to go? The only way to find out is to search the airline's website for flights to some of your likely destinations around the time you plan to take a vacation. You'll find that traveling during peak seasons (think anytime school's out) can require considerably more points than you might have expected.

**■ 4. Research your card's little perks**

If you've seen or heard a credit card pitch lately, the list of perks can seem tantalizing. Concierge service, hotel room upgrades and "luxury travel" benefits may sound good, but not every cardholder can benefit from them. Some credit cards come with membership in the Priority Pass network of airport lounges, which is great for certain travelers — and nearly useless for others.

**■ 5. Always browse the competition.**

Always check competitor offerings before you book. Better properties, better seats and better prices could more than make up for the points you won't earn if you stray.

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If you're a traveler, do you need travel clothes?

Maybe.

Travel clothes are specialty attire — belts, dresses, hats, pants and vests — designed for the jet set. With the busy summer travel season just around the corner, travelers may be tempted to buy this attire, which typically costs anywhere from 30% to 50% more than comparable department store clothes.

I say "maybe" because there are travelers and there are *travelers*. If you take a few trips a year, you might not need all of the features travel clothing offers, such as fast-dry or wrinkle-free fabric. But if you're on the road more often, you should consider it.

## When travel clothing isn't worth it

"I have never paid those premiums," says Patti Worsham, a retired travel agent from Long Beach, California. She says she's thought about buying those pants "where the bottom zips off" but in all of her travels, she never really needed a pair. Worsham also likes the designer hats, with mesh fabric and water-resistant fabric. But she buys those at the mall, not at an online specialty store.

"I wore a pink floppy hat in Costa Rica," she says. "I blended in beautifully." Donna Pucciani, a retired English teacher from Wheaton, Illinois, also avoids travel-branded clothes.

"But I do purchase practical clothing specifically for travel," she says. That includes nylon pants that drip-dry fast, and jogger cotton-polyester blend pants, which take a little longer to dry but are not as heavy as jeans. For her, the premium to pay for travel-branded clothes just isn't affordable.



If you don't have the budget for travel clothes, you can make smarter shopping decisions. For example, avoid cotton and denim, which don't travel well.

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"I would love to be able to afford some of the pricey catalog or retail store pieces," she says. "But then I'd have no funds left for travel."

## When you should buy travel clothes

For other travelers — and I include myself in this group — travel clothes make perfect sense.

"Having a collection of travel clothing is the only way to go," says Barbara Howell, a retired registered nurse from Carpinteria, California. All of her shirts and long pants are easy-wash and fast-dry. When she's on the road, she washes them in the shower and hangs them to

dry overnight. Her travel jacket can be worn three ways, depending on the conditions. She bought everything through the Magellan's travel gear site (magellans.com).

Gary Arndt, a Minneapolis photographer who spent years traveling the world, says some specialty travel attire is definitely worth the money. For him, that includes Scottievest jackets, which have multiple pockets.

"They're pretty handy for carrying things with you if you don't want a backpack," he says. He also likes his Bluffworks sports coat, which is "very wrinkle-resistant."

"I can fold it into a carry-on suitcase, and it still looks good after I unpack," he

says.

I agree. I'm on the road for more than 300 days a year, and special travel clothes are a lifesaver. Like Arndt, I've used travel clothes to keep wrinkle-free and pack extra stuff. If you're a serious traveler, you'll probably want to consider paying a little more for your threads.

## What to look for when you buy travel clothes

If you're thinking of switching to specialty travel clothes, look for something machine-washable, wrinkle-resistant, odor-resistant and lightweight, with features specially designed for travelers, such as hidden or zippered pockets. That's the advice of Stefan Loble, who founded Bluffworks.

"Historically, garments with those qualities aren't always the most fashionable or stand out as technical gear," he says.

In the end, though, it's function over form, says Dima Zelikman, co-founder of travel clothing manufacturer Unbound Merino.

"Most clothing in the category comes with a lot of gimmicks, false claims, frills and solutions to problems that don't really benefit the traveler," he says.

"Gimmicks like a secret battery pack to charge your phone, a blow-up neck pillow in the hood of a hoodie, or a bottle-opener zipper tab."

Zelikman says it makes more sense to have a hoodie that's so light and packable, you have room to take your favorite neck pillow.

If you don't have the budget for travel clothes, you can make smarter shopping decisions. Avoid cotton and denim, which don't travel well. Find a polyester or spandex blend that will withstand the rigors of the road.

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### Preventing ageism from creeping into the workplace

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Oftentimes, when we think of age discrimination, we assume it happens to workers who are near retirement age or already senior citizens. Or maybe we picture employees who were fired or demoted for being too slow, or "low energy." But the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) was designed to protect workers ages 40 and over and covers any and all conditions of employment—from hiring to salary, to even work assignments.

The issue of age discrimination is wider than we might think at first glance, and the actual discrimination older workers face is often subtle. While it is illegal to discriminate against workers or applicants, according to AARP's 2018 survey of workers aged 45 years and older, 61% of respondents said they have seen or experienced age discrimination in the workplace. If a majority of older workers feel they have faced bias, it's time for HR teams to do a little soul-searching to improve the situation of this large portion of the working population.

#### Start with who you hire

The first place to search is in your organization's hiring practices. Age cannot devalue a candidate's individual merits. Older workers, overall, are less likely to leave an organization and they are more likely to have a longer work history and broader work experience. This can translate to increased engagement, retention, dependability, adaptability, a strong work ethic, and a good sense of workplace practices — all positive attributes that can speak to their potential.



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Contrary to these positives, older workers oftentimes must face assumptions that they are less tech-savvy or less efficient, or even more costly in terms of their medical benefits. These assumptions don't just hurt this more experienced working population; they also hurt businesses who may miss out on this vast talent pool in favor of someone more "fresh-faced."

#### Focus on diversity to create a strong team

The best way to prevent ageism in the workplace is to develop a robust talent acquisition strategy that emphasizes diversity — including diversity in the ages of your workforce. While recent college graduates make up a large por-

tion of job-seeking candidates, many job candidates are seeking mid-career changes or relocation and ought to be targeted to increase your organization's talent pool.

Having a more diverse workforce has been shown to improve an organization's performance and profitability. According to an analysis by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission from June 2018, this higher performance is also linked with greater employee satisfaction. Workers who feel their company is more diverse are less likely to perceive and experience age discrimination. Older workers also exhibit a greater engagement with their positions, which correlates with other success measures of a company. The engaged worker is more efficient.

#### Create a clear, sharp, and effective brand

There are several strategies to help ensure your organization courts potential job candidates with a multi-generational aim. For example, the company's website should communicate its mission and brand, as it's one of the top ways candidates learn about open positions. Diversifying representation on the website can invite more applicants. By presenting diverse images — including all ages — candidates will be able to picture themselves at your workplace.

#### Collect data and respond to your findings

It's important for HR teams to gather data from their hiring practices to look for patterns of bias to root them out. After all, bias is not necessarily intentional. A key target for improvement is in the interview process, which you can ensure is made fair by having a diverse panel of interviewers rather than leaving a decision to one person's gut check. HR teams can put emphasis on creating inclusive interview questions, as well. Surveying candidates post-interview to gauge candidate experience can be vital in uncovering any unintentional biases.

Age discrimination doesn't end with better hiring practices but starting there is sure to help. When your workforce presents a generational diversity, only then they can learn from each other and start to move beyond assumptions based on age.

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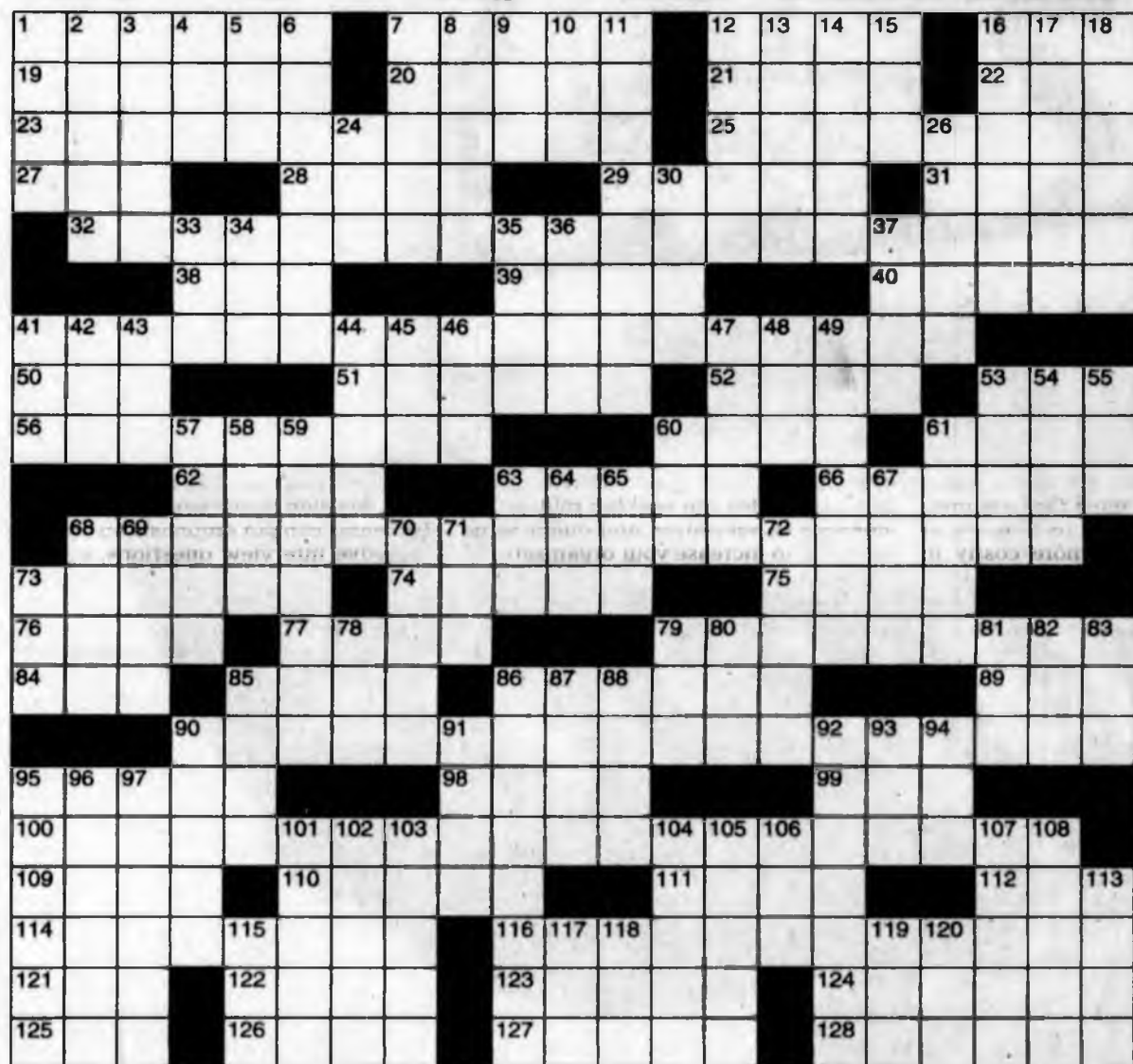



# THURSDAY PUZZLE CORNER

## CROSSWORD PUZZLER

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- 1 Beethoven's Third, popularity  
7 Biblical twin  
12 "—Ca-Dabra" (1974 song)  
16 Math calculation  
19 Fred Astaire, e.g.  
20 Piano challenge  
21 Get out of the field  
22 Year, in Portugal  
23 Start of a riddle  
25 Security datum  
27 Cockpit guess, briefly  
28 Math calculation  
29 Woolen cloth  
31 Many a roof edge  
32 Riddle, part 2  
38 Costume part, perhaps  
39 Future Jr.  
40 Maine college town  
41 Riddle, part 3  
50 Debt slip
- 51 "Annie" star Quinn  
52 Home of the Bay of Pigs  
53 Mr. America's pride  
56 Sensed  
60 Great serves  
61 It has limbs  
62 Bit of a lot  
63 Cow catcher  
68 Diner dish  
68 Riddle, part 4  
73 Home of Ikea  
74 Virtual bread?  
75 Elliptical  
76 Like saints  
77 Not had by  
79 Turns away  
84 With  
55-Down, totally ready  
85 Mrs., in Berlin  
86 SOS signals  
89 "So cool!"  
90 Riddle, part 5  
95 "Heidi" author Johanna  
98 A juror takes one  
99 Corn-on-the-cob unit  
100 End of the riddle  
109 Intro studio class
- 110 "—Gold" (Fonda film)  
111 Author Sarah — Jewett  
112 Gun rights org.  
114 Stunning with a gun  
116 Riddle's answer  
121 Suffix with polymer  
122 Town near Santa Barbara  
123 Everything, in Latin  
124 Ill-advised  
125 Decimal base  
126 New York City river  
127 "Zounds!"  
128 Notes with hashtags
- 10 Exalting poem  
11 Really criticize  
12 The Little Mermaid  
13 Moist, as grass  
14 GI's time off  
15 Clerk at TV's Kwik-E-Mart  
16 Actor Antonio — Jr.  
17 Asymmetric  
18 Oscar winner Rita  
24 Laundry room brand  
26 London length unit  
30 Actor Ken  
33 "Oh, gross!"  
34 LI doubled  
35 Even — speak  
36 Score unit  
37 Itty-bitty bit  
41 Little drink  
42 Bladed tool  
43 "They're playing — song"  
44 Courtroom mallet  
45 Go hastily  
46 Dated  
47 Razor-inventing philosopher
- 48 Chalked stick  
49 Remit, as sins  
53 Musician Guthrie  
54 Bone to pick  
55 See  
56 Across  
57 Tea box  
58 Latin "Lo!"  
59 Mined find  
60 Year — glance  
61 Green car?  
63 Zenith rival  
64 "TGIF" part  
65 Hearth residue  
67 Spiteful  
68 Like a missing GI  
69 Tony winner Carter  
70 Subside  
71 Start for friendly  
72 Aplomb  
73 "Na Na" lead-in  
78 Scoot's refusal  
79 Bible boat  
80 Tripod part  
81 As well  
82 Really long time  
83 Hen or nanny  
85 Govt. money guarantor  
86 It lacks a heel
- 87 Wood strip  
88 Throb  
90 Shaw of jazz  
91 Presage  
92 Ration  
93 Mineo of films  
94 Throe, in Rome  
95 Try to hit, as a gnat  
96 Coined thing  
97 China's Sun —  
101 Mystical board  
102 Lower arm bones  
103 Kosher  
104 Like plow-pulling oxen  
105 Lock of hair  
106 Neither Rep. nor Dem.  
107 Many a bellybutton  
108 Lovers' meeting  
113 Firefighters' tools  
115 Sushi eggs  
117 "Can u believe it!"  
118 — roll (lucky)  
119 Nashville-to-Chicago dir.  
120 Have debts



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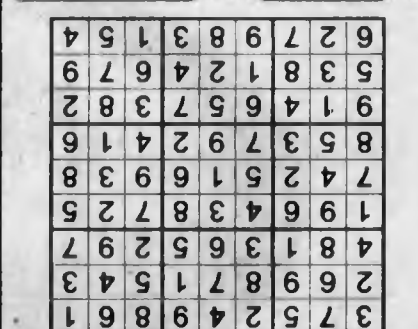
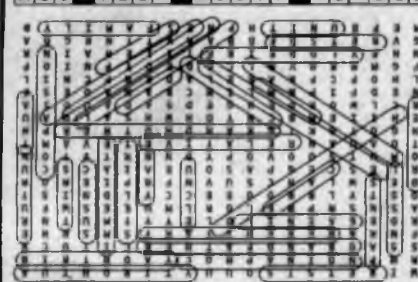
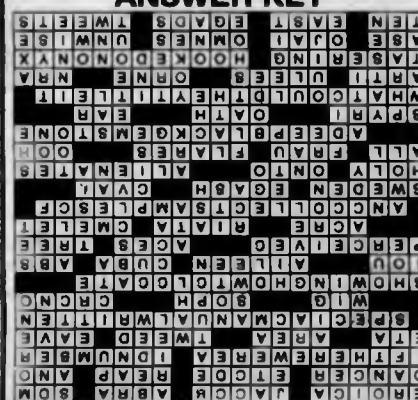
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8719 Scott Aliverson  
6201 Waverly Brook  
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### Great Buys Garage Sales

neighborly deals...

### Estate Sales

**CANTON GLENHARRY VILLAGE**  
Subside Sale, 530 to 6/1, opens at 9am. Great items! Too good to miss! N. of Palmer, E. of Canton Center.  
South Lyon: Estate Sale! May 30th - June 2nd, 10am-5pm, 6178 Heritage

### Garage-Tag Sale

**CANTON: Newland Estates Sub Sale**  
May 30th 11am to June 1st, 9am-5pm. N. of Palmer, E. of Canton Center. Something for everyone!  
**DEARBORN HTS. - Crestwood**  
Estate Sale! Home Summer Garage Sale! Something 4 everyone. June 6, 7, 8, 9:30-5p. 26235 W. Warren. Near corner of Beach Drive & Warren.

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**LIVONIA 4 Family Sale** 5:30 - 6/1, 9am-5pm. 19395 Laurel Dr. Furniture, household, baby, glassware, etc.

### GARAGE SALE

LIVONIA Brookwood Estates Sub-Wide Garage Sale! 100 homes. Refreshments: May 31st, June 1st, June 2nd. 4 Miles Middlebelt.

**Livonia, Neighborhood Wide Sale!** Sat(6/1) 9-4 Plymouth/Merriman Rds. Old Rosedale Gardens.

**NORTHVILLE: Blue Heron Community Garage Sale** Sat 6/1, 9am-4pm. Dir.: Between 6 & 7 at Back Rd.

**NOVI: Meadowbrook Glens Sub Sale** N. of 10 Mile, W. of Meadowbrook. 5/31 - 6/2, 9-4pm. Rain/ Shine!

**ROLLING OAKS COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE**  
May 30-June 2, 9-4pm. N of 13, W of Farmington.

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