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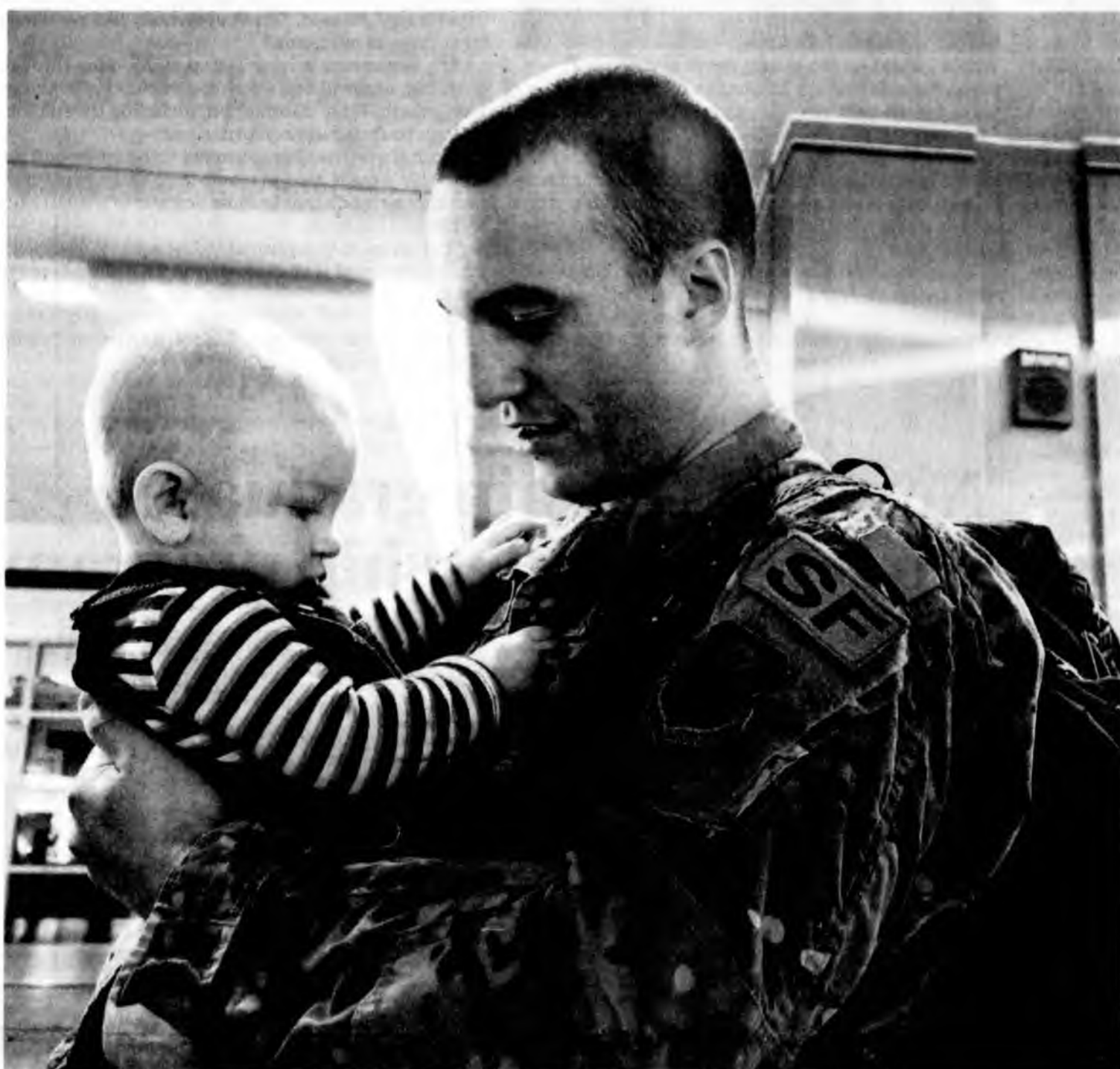
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Joyful introduction



Kaleb Halteman holds his son, Easton for the first time at Detroit Metro Airport on Oct. 22. Halteman had been stationed at a U.S. Air Force base in New Mexico and missed the birth of his son by mere hours more than six a half months ago.

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Airman meets son born day after he was deployed

Susan Bromley Hometownlife.com
 USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Alexis Halteman paced back and forth at Detroit Metro Airport, bouncing her son Easton on one hip.

"My heart is racing," she said as her eyes scanned the escalators, anxiously awaiting the arrival of Kaleb Halteman, her husband and Easton's father.

Kaleb, who serves in the Air Force, was about to meet his son for the first time.

Easton arrived in the world April 9 at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital while his dad was on a plane, en route to a 6-month deployment to the Middle East.

Alexis Halteman, a 2015 Milford High School graduate, says she knew what she was getting into as a military wife. Still, separation is never easy, especially when it's during the birth of a child, one of the biggest moments in any family's life.

The stress of her husband's deployment may have actually moved the ar-

rival of their first child up.

Easton was born almost a month premature and with medical complications. Kaleb would not actually see his son via Facetime until Easton was several days old.

Alexis and Kaleb are testing the meaning of for better or worse early on in a young marriage.

The pair met on a blind date set up by mutual friends in September 2015.

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Decision time nears for voters

Philip Allmen Hometownlife.com
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Voters across metro Detroit have some decisions to make by Tuesday.

Candidates have been campaigning for months, seeking a position on the local governing board. Advocacy groups have been trying to drum up support for local ballot initiatives.

There's a few changes for those who haven't cast a ballot in 2019. There were some sweeping new voting rights instilled in our constitution as a result of the Promote the Vote constitutional amendment enacted last fall.

Any registered voter can now vote by absentee ballot without having to provide an excuse to local clerks. Applications for those ballots are available from county, township and city clerks' offices or at michigan.gov/vote. Completed ballots can be mailed or dropped off in person at your township or city clerk's office. They must be signed and received by 8 p.m. on election day, Nov. 5.

People can register to vote in person with their township or city clerk through Election Day. But if you wait until Election Day to register, it can't be done at your voting precinct. It must be done at your local clerk's office.

Voters must verify their residence when registering to vote with one of these pieces of identification: a driver's license or state identification card; a current utility bill; a bank statement, a paycheck or government check.

The documents must contain the voters' name and current address.

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. To confirm you are registered to vote, to find where to vote or to see a sample ballot, visit michigan.gov/vote. Find complete coverage of the candidates and ballot issues online at hometownlife.com.

Here's what's coming up next week:

Oakland County

Oakland Community College officials are seeking a millage renewal to allow the college to continue levying 0.745 mills, or \$0.745 for every \$1,000 of taxable dollars, from the year 2022 through 2031. The millage brings in about \$45 million annually and comprises about 27% of the budget.

As a renewal, administrators said taxpayers won't see an increase in

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Special education teacher awarded for innovative ideas

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com
 USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Designing each day's lesson plans can be an adventure for Northville's Cooke School adaptive physical education teacher Elizabeth Adams.

And carrying out those plans can be exhausting.

But Adams wouldn't have it any other way.

"I enjoy the challenge of coming up with activities for so many different levels of students," said Adams, an educator at Cooke since 2002.

"For instance, today we're doing volleyball. I'll have to figure out ways to get all the students — from severely men-

tally impaired kids to high-functioning students who are almost capable of playing high school sports — engaged in the activity. I want them all to experience success, no matter what level they're at."

Adams' tactics are working.

On Nov. 7 in Lansing, she will be awarded the 2019 SHAPE Michigan

Adapted Physical Education Teacher of the Year award.

To qualify for the honor, Adams was required to meet SHAPE America standards and guidelines for K-12 physical education programs, utilize various teaching methodologies and

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New steakhouse takes over space in Novi

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Tony Amann left the restaurant industry several years ago, thinking he'd never come back.

The Novi resident worked at the No. VI Chophouse for 10 years before leaving in 2014 to work at Bottiz, the now-closed restaurant that was attached to the Maples Golf Club off 14 Mile in Novi. After that restaurant closed in 2016, he left the business, vowing he probably wouldn't return unless the right opportunity presented itself.

Enter the new No. Six Prime, the new steakhouse that occupies the space that formerly housed the No. VI Chophouse at 27000 S. Karevich by the West Oak Shopping Center.

"I didn't know that I would ever get back into the restaurant business," he said. "I always told my wife, 'It's going to take the perfect situation for me to do it again.' And when these guys reached out to me and we talked, I said, 'I think this is the perfect situation.'"

No. Six Prime opened earlier this month in the space attached to the Four Points by Sheraton Detroit Novi. It's a completely new restaurant from the No. VI Chophouse, which closed earlier this summer as its parent group, Epicurean Group, closed several of its restaurants across metro Detroit and let go of all of its employees. The space in Novi was bought by some silent partners and revamped to open as a new steakhouse, though keeping some elements of familiarity, including the play on words with Novi's name.

"We like the No. 6 and the tie-in to Novi," Amann said. "We wanted to keep that."



With a sprinkling of sea salt, No. Six Prime chef Bryan Pencola preps a 32-ounce tomahawk chop steak for the grill. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

The menu, created by Executive Chef Bryan Pencola, features a brand-new menu, focusing on only prime cuts of steak. A big hit has been the braised short ribs, Amann said.

In addition to the steaks, the restaurant boasts more than 120 different wines, focusing on Napa Cabernet Sauvignons and others from across the globe. The hope is to expand the wine selection to more than 200 in the future, Amann said.

They've also returned to their roots when it comes to cocktails. The restaurant highlights six basic cocktails in addition to more complex ones down the menu: the daiquiri, the Jack Rose, the Manhattan, the martini, the Old Fashioned, and the Sidecar.

"We are doing them in the very traditional way," he said. "We put the classics on the top, and it's been received very well."

Amann said the space, which has seen some upgrades including a new mural painted on the wall, has become a place for both corporate travelers and area residents. Attracting people from surrounding communities such as Novi, Northville, Milford, West Bloomfield, Brighton, South Lyon and Commerce Township is their main goal.

"We've really created a nice family atmosphere with our staff and we try to let that pour over to the guest experience," he said. "Treat everybody like we would treat them in our home."

The restaurant is open 5-10 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and will begin opening on Sunday evenings next month. More information, including the full menu, can be found at nosixprime.com.

Amann said the changes made in the space and the work that's been done to create the new No. Six Prime steakhouse is one that has him ecstatic to return to the restaurant business.

"I'm completely rejuvenated," he said. "It's so exciting, and the staff is so excited. And it's a joy to come to work."

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Novi fire captain graduates from EMU leadership program

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Novi Fire Capt. Charles Roberts recently graduated from Eastern Michigan University's School of Fire Staff and Command leadership program.

His graduating class included more than 40 other fire department professionals from about 40 communities throughout the state.

The nine-month program included academic instruction on topics such as leadership development, planning and decision making, human resource management, fire department administration and critical homeland security incidents.

"I am extremely proud of Capt. Roberts' professional growth and development as a public safety executive," Novi Public Safety Director David Molloy said in a press release. "The staff and command program has prepared him to meet the many challenges the Novi Fire Department faces every day enhancing public trust with community members."

Roberts began his career with the Novi Fire De-



Novi Fire Capt. Charles Roberts began his career with the Novi Fire Department in 1997. He was promoted to captain in 2018.

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partment in 1997. He was promoted to captain in 2018.

For more information about the Novi Fire Department, visit cityofnovi.org.

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CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE FOR SERVICE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PSLU19-0003

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the applicant **McGuire's Restaurant** is requesting Special Land Use approval at 21300 Novi Rd parcel number 50-22-35-301-001. The applicant is requesting approval to use a portion of the parcel for service of alcoholic beverages in accordance with Section 4.89 of the Zoning Ordinance. A public hearing will be held on **November 14, 2019 at 11:30 AM in the Mayors Conference Room at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375** to consider the request. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi MI 48375 and must be received prior to **November 13, 2019**.

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City of Novi Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Zoning Board of Appeals** for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **November 19, 2019 at 7:00PM** in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

PZ19-0032 (North Hills Village Apartments) 44840 North Hills Drive, West of Novi Road and South of Nine Mile Road, Parcel # 50-22-34-127-003. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 5.11.C for a fence with horizontal support boards facing neighboring properties. The code requires that where a fence has finished and an unfinished side, the finished or more decorative side shall face outward the adjoining property or street. This property is zoned Low Density, Low Rise Multi-Family District (RM-1).

PZ19-0041 (Waterview Farms Apartments) 45685 Timberlane Court, East of Beck Road and South of West Pontiac Trail, Parcel # 50-22-04-200-009. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Code of Ordinances Section 28-5(a) for two proposed ground signs (one ground sign allowed by code) and 28-5(f)(3) for a proposed 0 feet setback from the right-of-way (not less than 10 feet back from the right-of-way allowed by code). This property is zoned Low Density Multi, Low Rise Multi Family District (RM-1).

PZ19-0042 (Singh Development) 210 Buffington Drive, West of Old Novi Road and South of South Lake Drive, Parcel # 50-22-03-378-008. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Code Section 3.28.6.C.iv.a to allow the absence of landscape berm on the east, west, and south property lines. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ18-0043 (Jenny Griffith) East of Old Novi Road and South of East Lake Drive, Parcel # 50-22-02-387-010. The applicant is requesting variances from the Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.5 for a 4 foot left and right side yard variance for a proposed 6 and 11 foot side yards; 10 and 15 foot allowed by code 25 foot total required; and for a 19 foot front yard variance for a proposed 11 foot setback (30 feet required); a 31 foot variance for a proposed 4 foot rear yard setback, (35 feet required); and a 29% variance for a proposed 54% lot coverage (25% max required). The applicant was previously granted lesser variances on February 12, 2019. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ18-0047 (The Bond at Novi, LLC), West of Novi Road and South of Grand River Avenue, Parcel # 50-22-22-226-005 & 50-22-22-226-003. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Sections: 4.82.2, to increase the maximum percentage of one bedroom units allowed for this development from the previous variance received on August 14, 2018 by 1 percent (59% proposed, 50% maximum allowed by code). This request is to accommodate the addition of 5 more single bedroom units based on a market study recommending 60%. This property is zoned Town Center-1 (TC-1).

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Election Day events planned for students and school district



Super Talk
Steve Matthews
Guest columnist

On Tuesday, two important things happen in the Novi Community School District.

First, at 5 a.m. approximately 370 Novi Middle School students and 32 chaperones will board buses headed for Washington, D.C. Many hours later we will arrive to tour historical monuments, visit Smithsonian galleries and soak in the history of our country.

It is quite a trip.

When our students return to Novi to learn about the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, they will be able to visualize the Ford Theater because they will have walked in it. As they learn of Martin Luther King's famous speech, they will be able

to see it because they will have stood at the Lincoln Memorial.

Beyond the history, our students will also remember the experience. These memories, combined with other Novi experiences in and out of the classroom, build confidence and help them navigate new and unfamiliar social situations.

This trip is just one piece of a larger puzzle that we try to create with and for each student that will prepare them to be good community members and leaders.

And that brings us to the second important event Tuesday.

The Novi Community School District is asking voters to approve a renewal of our sinking fund and a bond proposal to support improving our facilities and programs.

The 2019 bond proposal is asking voters to help

us maintain and create facilities that will continue to make our school district and our city a destination for families seeking an excellent education for their children. The bond proposal will improve safety, redevelop the Novi Meadows campus, build a new 5th and 6th grade building, create dedicated space for robotics programs and special education programming, create a new activities center, improve acoustics in lunchrooms and gyms, and more.

The sinking fund renews a millage first passed in 2000 that supports facility repair and allows us to keep approximately \$1 million in the general fund to be used for staffing and programming each year. By having the sinking fund, our school district ensures that money to repair our building roofs, parking lots, windows, plumbing, and other infrastructure will be available.

More information can be found at novi.k12.mi.us.

As I sit on the bus Tuesday, I would encourage you to vote. Then both of us will be helping our district continue to be a place that supports our students and provides for them experiences, programs, and facilities that will help them as they grow.

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Don't forget this Winter! Participate! Get out and enjoy Pure Michigan Winters!
All equipment sold at this sale is sold on an "as is" basis. There is no guarantee the bindings are compatible and functional or any other piece of equipment will function as it should. Travel boot fitters will be on hand to insure proper fit and size recommendations, as comfortable fit is

Milford High School is located at 2380 S. Milford Rd, Highland, Michigan

Milford church and former addict address opioid epidemic

Susan Vela Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Jesse Andrews learned this the hard way: "Drugs are really easy to get on and very hard to get off."

With faithful perseverance and ties to the Milford United Methodist Church, he keeps working to beat his addictions and help others fight theirs.

The Atlantic Street church houses the 12-step spiritual program Andrews leads to address the nation's opioid epidemic.

Church leaders naturally turned to him when hosting a recent seminar committed to helping families mend the wounds wrought by addictions.

Andrews' voice caught and he occasionally broke from the small audience of about 20 to review notes

regarding his own personal story of alcohol, pain pills, heroin and recovery.

His addiction tales began as a teen and included blackouts and family hardships — until he seriously considered recovery.

"People were saying the numbers don't look really good for recovery," Andrews, 38, said during a seminar earlier this month. "To me, it's 50-50. I do the work or I don't do it. I'm learning a lot in recovery. Things started making a lot of sense."

The church's Stephens Ministers program hosted the event, which included other personal stories and presentations from Rhett and Elizabeth Reader, co-founders of Milford Counseling Inc., and operators of several sober living homes.

"We were looking for something that was really rel-

evant in our community and the country, too," organizer Joan Wilson said. "If we reach one person, ... it is worth it. Families don't know what to do."

Elizabeth Reader warned that addiction can seem like a forceful enemy constantly wearing away the addict's ability to make good decisions.

Andrews felt the pull of drugs for years. He was living in Arizona, far away from the Canton high school from where he graduated, when he heeded his mother's call to return home and get clean.

He went through detox and lived in a sober living community.

He's been sober "from mind-altering substances" since Nov. 20, 2016.

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Guinness World Record claimed by Brighton man

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It was a no pain, no gain moment for Brighton self-defense, fighting and fitness instructor Mike Berean.

Berean did 5,010 chest to ground burpees — an advanced push-up exercise — in a 12-hour period Sunday.

Guinness Book of World Records officials will review video and other documentation of his attempt to break the record before it is official.

But Berean is confident he will soon be declared the new world record holder.

"I did good up to about 3,600," he said Monday. "I was running at almost a 500 pace an hour and I was way ahead, but I started cramping and the cramps lasted until the end."

The 46-year-old co-owns two Krav Maga Great Lakes locations with his wife Dori Berean, in Brighton Township, at 5757 Whitmore Lake Road, Suite 1000, and in Wixom, at 48909 West Road.

He performed the world record attempt at the Wixom location.

The couple live streamed video of the record attempt on their studio's Facebook page, where the videos remain posted.

While he is a pro at physical fitness and a third-degree black belt in Krav Maga, pushing through the pain was a great challenge.

"At that point, I had people counting on me to get it done, so I just pushed through," he said. "I put in too much effort not to finish."

He said he was relieved when it was over.

"It's a good thing I'm stubborn," he said.

The couple is using the record attempt to raise funds for cancer research.

As of Monday morning, they had raised \$7,281 toward a \$15,000 goal through an online fundraising webpage, <https://give.everydayhero.com/us/mike-berean-world-record-for-marni>.

It will benefit The Concern Foundation Marni Levine Memorial Research Awards. People can donate online through Oct. 31.

The foundation was founded in memory of Marni Levine, who was Krav Maga Worldwide's highest-ranking female instructor, a fourth-degree black belt in Krav Maga and the wife of Krav Maga Worldwide founder Darren Levine. She passed away in 2006 after losing her battle with breast cancer.

The official record is currently held by Milford resident Bryan Abell, 23, who did 4,689 chest to ground burpees in 12 hours on July 7 of this year, according to



Mike Berean and his wife, Dori, of Brighton are raising funds for cancer research. Mike Berean attempted to break a Guinness World Record for chest-to-ground burpees.

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Guinness World Records.

"Bryan actually donated to the charity and wished me luck in my record attempt," Berean said.

He said he does not plan to attempt any other world records.

"This is it, but for what we do and what I ask of my (Krav Maga Great Lakes) members, we had a serious job of helping people realize they can do more than they believe and teach them to do the most impossible, dangerous things they have ever done."

He said the attempt was about pushing his own limits.

"I wanted to make sure I was physically and mentally able to do it," he said.

Dori Berean said watching her husband push through the pain was an emotional experience for her.

"When he was half way through, I was getting emotional and scared. I could see his muscles contracting very fast and knew he was in a lot of pain," she said. "We would just look at each other and get emotional. It was hard for me to be that strong person encouraging him to go on."

They are preparing a package of materials documenting the world record to submit to Guinness World Records.

Northville Twp. retirements create employee shuffle

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Debbie Wilhelm will serve as Northville Township's manager for at least one month after she was named to an interim role following the retirement announcement of former township manager Chip Snider.

Wilhelm joined the township in 1993 with a background in administration, organizational development and human resource management. She is also experienced in administration, budget, contractual administration, labor and community relations.

She was named the township's assistant township manager in 2016, but continued with her human-resources duties.

If a new full-time manager is not hired by December — Wilhelm is set to retire — Northville Township Public Safety Director Todd Mutchler will take over the interim manager reins.

Snider managed the township through tremendous growth as the population swelled from roughly 17,000 in 1990 to 28,497 in 2010.

Snider was lauded in 2016 for instigating the closure of a Michigan State Police gun range after township residents' homes were struck by stray bullets. It had re-opened for a while and closed again indefinitely in 2018.

He helped the township navigate through turbulent waters, including the purchase of the property that hosted the Northville Psychiatric Hospital and its ultimate demolition, and a lawsuit filed against the township by former township fire chief Richard Marinucci.

"We sincerely regret losing Chip Snider as our township manager," said township Supervisor Bob Nix. "He has served the township for almost 30 years and has left a legacy of servant leadership, loyalty, excellence, uncompromising ethical standards and created a desirable community."

"No one will be able to fill his shoes. Words are completely inadequate to express the gratitude of the Township for leadership and service. On behalf of the board and staff, we thank Chip and wish him well on your retirement."

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Snider



Wilhelm

Troopers: Elderly man's cell phone loaded with child porn

Susan Vela Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICH.

An elderly South Lyon man was arrested at his home Oct. 22 on six felony counts after Michigan state troopers said his cellphone was stocked with sexually-abusive child porn images.

Hal Jeffery Wiessbock, 70, is now residing at the Oakland County Jail, said Detective Trooper Jordan Enders of the Michigan State Police.

Bond for Wiessbock, a registered sex offender, is set at \$250,000. He has been arraigned.

The Michigan Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, made up of representatives from various law enforcement agencies, received a tip earlier this year from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about Wiessbock's cyber activity.

Enders said troopers started their investigation in June and received



Wiessbock

a warrant to search his home. They confiscated his cellphone, where they said they discovered the pornographic images.

Wiessbock is charged with three counts of aggravated possession and three counts of using a computer to commit a crime.

According to the Michigan Public Sex Offender Registry, he was convicted

of indecent solicitation of a child in Illinois in 2000.

A Chicago Tribune story said Wiessbock was 50 and living in Farmington Hills when he was accused of using the Internet to set up a sexual rendezvous with two people he thought were minors. He actually made the arrangements with an undercover sheriff's deputy posing as a 14-year-old boy.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT PTSLU19-0010

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the representative for **Novi Energy** is requesting a **Temporary Special Land Use Permit** in accordance with 7.6.2 of the Novi Zoning Ordinance for temporary **ground mounted solar panels** for parcel **50-22-27-226-003** South of Ten Mile Road and West of Novi Road from **November 14, 2019 through November 14, 2020**. The property is zoned OS-1 (Office Service One) and the use is contrary to 3.14.1.A of the Novi Zoning Ordinance.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner whose property is located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for a temporary special land use permit.

A public hearing will be held at **10:00am on November 14, 2019** at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road in the **Mayors Conference Room**. All written comments should be directed to Katherine Oppermann and must be received prior to end of business **November 13, 2019**.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

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

1. Add ordinance language to Section 15.01, Schedule of Regulations, and Section 15.02, Footnotes to Schedule of Regulations, which applies a Floor Area Ratio maximum to single-family and two-family buildings in the R-1B, First Density Residential District, and R-2, Second Density Residential District. The intent of the new language is to better coordinate the massing of residential construction with the lot size.
2. Modify the ordinance definitions (Sec. 26.02), for "Floor Area Ratio (FAR)" and "Floor Area, Residential," to clarify how the FAR maximum is applied to residential buildings.

The proposed text amendments will be considered at a public hearing conducted by the Planning Commission on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the City of Northville Municipal Building - Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public input on these proposed changes. A draft of the proposed text amendments are available through the Building Department during normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and are also available on the City's website (www.ci.northville.mi.us). Written comments will also be accepted at the above address.

STEVE KIRK, CHAIRPERSON
CITY OF NORTHVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

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Introduction

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Alexis knew from the beginning that Kaleb, a 2014 Holly High graduate, was talking to an Air Force recruiter and expected that when he went to basic training in February 2016 they would go their separate ways.

Instead, the departure was a defining moment.

"When he left I was devastated," she said. "I knew I wanted to be with him forever."

They wed Aug. 18, 2016, less than a year after they met, and were stationed at Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico.

On their two-year anniversary, Alexis told Kaleb she was pregnant. Less than three months later, they learned he would be deployed to the Middle East.

While they fought against his deployment with a baby on the way, the fight did not go in their favor. Alexis acknowledges what she was up against.

"I knew what I signed up for when I signed the marriage certificate, and he knew what he signed up for with the contract," she said.

Still, on March 21 she said she had the biggest breakdown of her life when he left her in the care of her parents in Highland Township.

At 8:30 p.m., April 8, as Kaleb's Air Force unit was preparing to leave the United States, Alexis Halteman's water broke. They Facetimed during labor, and she laughs as she recalls he urged her to make things go faster so he could see the birth, but to no avail.

Easton was born at 4:09 p.m., April 9, and Kaleb heard the news about an hour later, after his plane landed in Germany.

"We will have such a story to tell Easton some day," Alexis said.

While Easton started life with some medical issues, his mom says he is now a happy, healthy baby who up until now had seen his father only through Facetime, learning to grab the phone when asked where daddy is.

Alexis said her husband had tried to protect her from anxiety, sometimes bottling his own feelings to spare her, a tactic she both loves and hates. She learned he is worried he will miss a bond with his son from not being there the first six months of his life. But for all the other concerns Alexis said she has had,



Alexis Halteman, left, awaits the return of her husband, Kaleb at Metro Airport's North Terminal on Oct. 22 with her mother Kristie Vann, center, holding Alexis' son, Easton; and her sister, Aubrey Ostrander. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

that was not one.

"They say a woman becomes a mother when she finds out she is pregnant and a man becomes a father when he holds his child," she said.

On Tuesday, that moment finally arrived as Alexis spotted her husband approaching in the baggage claim area. She crossed the room holding Easton and walked into Kaleb's waiting arms, greeted with hugs and kisses. Alexis smiled through tears as she gave Kaleb their son to hold.

"Have you been good for six months?" Kaleb asked the baby, smiling.

Being away from his family was incredibly hard, Kaleb shared, and for the past six months, it felt like he was a stranger to the son he had never met.

"The one thing I looked forward to the most each day was coming home to meet my son and be home with my wife," he said. "It is the most amazing feeling to be reunited with my family. The joy and happiness of meeting my son for the first time is indescribable.... It was worth the wait."

"We have always been a team and will continue to be a team, but this is the greatest moment of my life," Alexis said.

Easton might not be able to verbally express it, but his mom helped him tell it like it is. A sign on his stroller reads, "I have waited 197 days for this moment. Get out of my way, I am meeting my dad today."

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Alexis introduces Easton to his dad. SUSAN BROMLEY/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Review Medicare options during open enrollment



Money Matters
Rick Bloom
Guest columnist

It's that time of year, once again – the only time of year that a senior can make changes in their Medicare D Prescription Drug Program or change their Medicare coverage.

Open enrollment has just started and ends Dec. 7. Even if you've been happy with your Medicare D Prescription Drug Plan, it is important every year that you take this opportunity to re-evaluate your current coverage. Just because your current plan fits your needs doesn't mean that the same plan will work for you next year.

It certainly would be easier if you can

select a Medicare D Prescription Drug Plan and not worry about it for a number of years; unfortunately, you cannot afford to do that. Insurance companies make changes in their coverages and plans every year that can have a direct impact on your monthly premiums, deductibles and out-of-pocket costs.

In addition, insurance companies can also make changes in the list of covered drugs which can have an adverse effect on you. Also, let's not forget that your health situation can also change.

One of the best places to begin your re-evaluation is to visit the plan finder tool on Medicare.gov. This is a free service. When it comes to choosing the best plan, obviously plans that have low costs are beneficial; however, you also need to look at co-payments and deductibles. Particularly for those of you

who take multiple medications, the key is to focus on the medications that cost you the most and that you take more frequently. Also let's not forget that a key factor in selecting a plan is convenience. You want to select a plan that makes it easy for you to get your medications.

When you do shop around for a Medicare Prescription D Plan, one mistake many seniors make is they think if a plan is good for one spouse it is automatically good for the other; that is not the case. Since your health situation and the drugs you take are different for each individual, it is not unusual for spouses to have different plans. This may cause you a little bit of a hassle and inconvenience; however, there potentially can be significant financial savings. Therefore, you need to do your research independently.

This is the one time of year where people can make changes to their Medicare Prescription D Plan, and it's important that you take advantage of this opportunity. If you let this deadline pass it can be very costly to you.

I know that sometimes it is not easy to re-evaluate your Medicare Prescription D Coverage, and it can be frustrating. The reality of the situation is that if you want to have the best coverage for yourself, and a plan that is convenient for you, there is no option but to re-evaluate your situation, and now is the time to do it.

Good luck!

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Teacher

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plan innovative learning experiences, provide service to the community and participate in ongoing professional development.

Adams checks all these boxes on a daily basis, said Cooke Principal Jennifer Bugar.

"Elizabeth brings so much energy and innovative ideas to her job," said Bugar. "Not only does she come up with ideas about how to help her students learn about new activities and sports, but she focuses on our goal of improving their communication skills."

Cooke School is a special education center program that services students from 12 local school districts in western Wayne County. The student population includes students ages 3-26, who are severely cognitively impaired, severely multiply impaired, and students dual-diagnosed with a cognitive and emotional impairment.

The special education center program is funded by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency and operated by Northville Public Schools.



Cooke School adaptive physical education teacher Elizabeth Adams will receive a prestigious state teaching award in November. COURTESY OF SARAH JACOBS

Adams' career path was headed in a different direction before a high school volunteering opportunity changed her life.

"Up until my senior year of high school I was going to go into physical therapy," she revealed. "I volunteered in

a special-education room (at Ionia High School) and I loved it. In college (at Eastern Michigan University), I decided to pursue a major in cognitively impaired education and an adaptive physical education minor.

"I was lucky enough to get hired in

here at Cooke right out of college."

Adams' Cooke colleagues describe her as "caring, compassionate" and a master at "scaffolding and differentiating her lessons in fun ways so that all can, and want, to contribute."

Adams often goes beyond the call of duty, doing everything from helping get students off the buses in the morning to eating lunch with them throughout the week.

"Elizabeth is also very dedicated to Special Olympics," added Bugar. "She's just a huge advocate for getting our kids out into the community."

Adams said she was hooked by the Special Olympics experience immediately upon attending her first competition in Mount Pleasant.

"I used to be a high school volleyball and softball coach," she shared. "But once I started taking Cooke students to the Special Olympics, I knew that's where I needed to be."

Doing what she does can be exhausting, Adams admitted.

"But to see the joy and excitement the students display when they're participating in activities I helped design far outweighs any fatigue," she said, smiling.

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Voters

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their taxes if approved. If it were not renewed, eventually property owners would see the tax rate fall, although OCC officials said they likely would ask voters again if this particular request fails.

Huron Valley Schools

The school district has a pair of ballot questions on the ballot for those living in its school boundaries, mostly comprised of Milford and Highland, as well as parts of Commerce and White Lake.

The school district is asking voters to support two proposals: the first is a renewal of the district's Building and Site Sinking Fund that expires this year. The second is a \$182 million bond that will allow the district to make improvements across all its buildings, including security upgrades, new technology and improvements to athletics facilities.

Officials have set it up so, if both are approved, there's no increase in the tax rate on residents in the district. The tax rate would decline if the proposals fail.

Each building in the school district would see improvements if the bond passes with a focus on increasing school security throughout.

South Lyon

There are contested races for both mayor and city council. Incumbent Dan Pelchat is challenged by Ryan Lare for the 2-year position. Pelchat is wrapping up his first term in the position.

Three candidates for city council will win a 4-year term. Maggie Kurtzweil is the only incumbent on the ballot. Steve Kennedy currently is on the council; he was appointed to the position after a resignation opened a spot. Also running for the position are Lisa Dilg, Jim Hamade, Dayna Johnston, Amber King and Lori Mosier.

Novi

Novi Community School District is asking for a \$185 million bond for a wide variety of improvements across the district's buildings, from additional security to essentially redoing Meadows Elementary to adding a new robotics facility at Novi High School.



Voters across the Hometown Life area will make important decisions Tuesday on city council, mayor or city commission. Several communities also have ballot issues for schools or roads. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE

Taxpayers in the district currently pay 7 mills on current bonds held by the district. If the proposal were to pass, that rate would become 6.75 mills, because of other bond payments set to expire. If the bond request were to fail, property owners could see the tax rate drop even more.

On the city side of things, there's contested races for mayor as well as city council.

Bob Gatt, the incumbent, is seeking another term in office. He is challenged by Christine Ingles for the 2-year position. For the council, voters will elect three candidates to a 4-year term with six hopefuls on the ballot. David Staudt is an incumbent seeking another term. Also on the ballot are Laura Casey, Hugh Crawford, Colleen Crossey, Tia Marie Sanders and Bin Qamruzzaman.

There's also a partial-term seat on the ballot with the winner serving until November 2021. The three candidates seeking that position are Alexandra Dinser, Justin Fischer and Carolyn Upton.

Northville

The Northville mayor and city council elections are both contested this go-round. Incumbent Ken Roth seeks another 2-year term in office. He is challenged by Brian Turnbull.

There's three people interested in a pair of spots on the city council. Marilyn Price, an incumbent, is interested in another term on the council. Challengers Joseph Corriveau and Barbara A. Moroski-Browne are running for the available seats, as well.

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Local high schools that made football playoffs

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The regular season is over. The playoffs are here.

After nine games, teams from around the Hometown Life coverage area have made the 2019 MHSAA high school football playoffs, each with an opportunity

to make it to Ford Field at the end of November for a chance at a state title.

Starting next year, the MHSAA will use a new point system to determine the playoffs, but the 2019 season will be the last one with the current format.

The first round will begin Nov. 1.

With the full bracket released, here is a look at what is in store for area teams

in the tournament. The higher seeds will open the playoffs at home.

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Region 2

District 1

1- West Bloomfield (8-1) vs. 4- Canton (5-4)

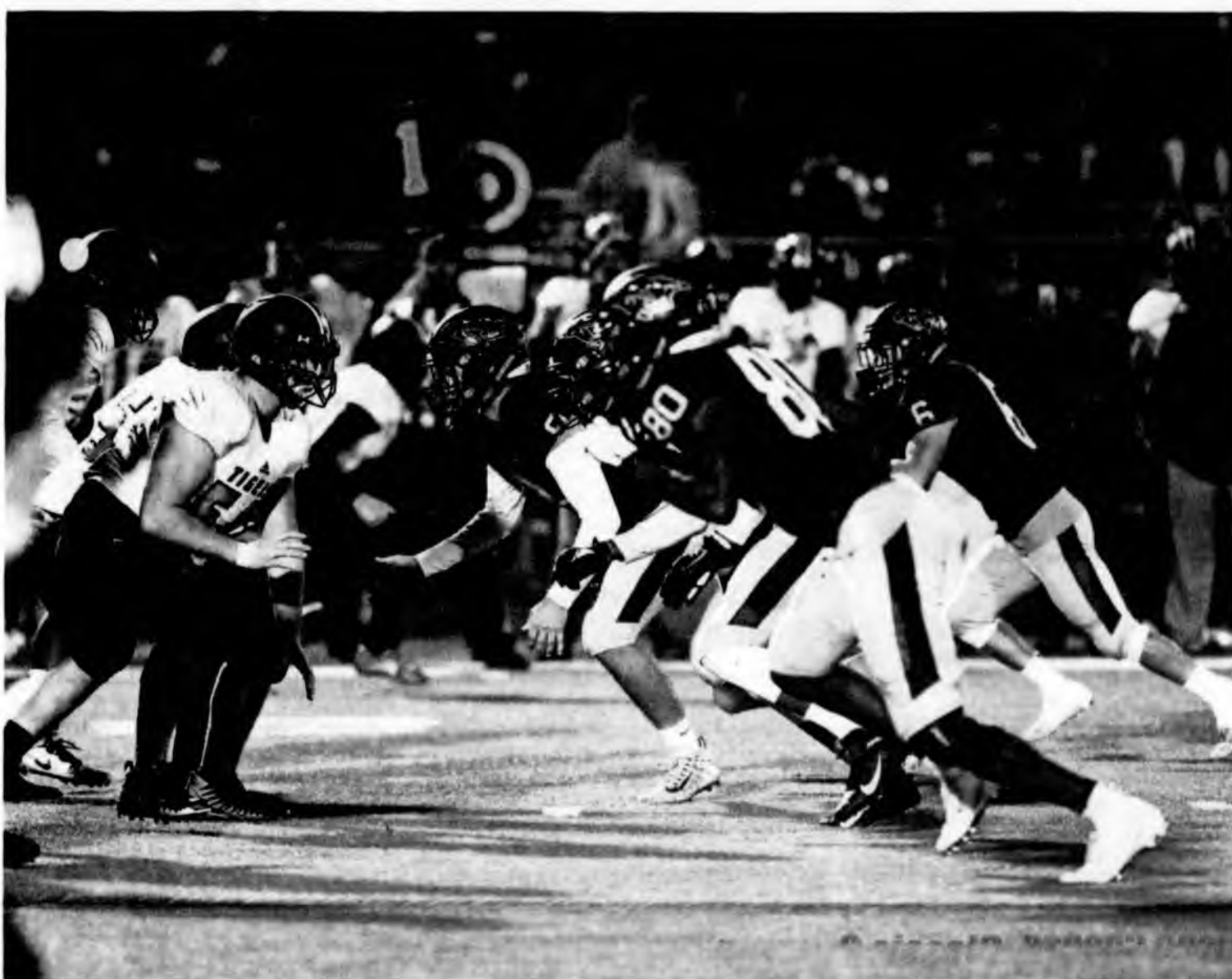
2- Plymouth (8-1) vs. 3- White Lake Lakeland (7-2)

Division 2

Region 2

District 1

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Plymouth's defensive line, led by Ivan Davis, front, rushes the Belleville offensive line in the KLAA title game Oct. 25.
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Belleville upends Plymouth to win KLAA championship

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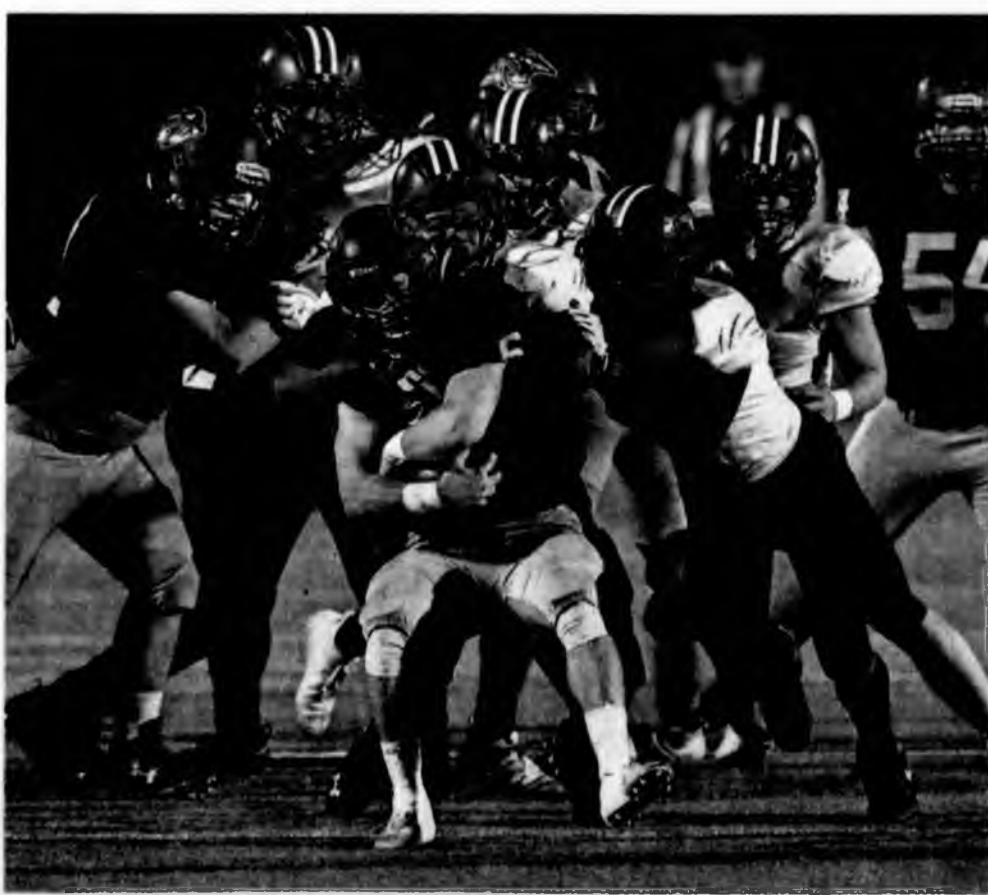
Entering the game undefeated, Plymouth had high hopes for a perfect regular season and a conference championship. The only problem? So did Belleville.

The Tigers dominated the Wildcats 41-14 Friday night at the Plymouth High School Varsity Field to capture their second consecutive Kensington Lakes Activities Association (KLAA) championship.

Belleville has now won 33 straight regular season games, dating back to the 2016 season. Its last loss came in week three of that season to Dearborn Fordson, indicating just how strong of an opponent Plymouth was facing.

The Wildcats suffer their first loss of the season and fall to 8-1. They'll regroup and get ready for the playoffs, which start Friday.

"They're good. They're fast, physical," Plymouth coach Brian Lewis said. "There's a reason why they're a top 10



Plymouth's Logan Walkley, center, is stopped by a bunch of Belleville players.

Northville golf wins 2nd straight state title

Andrew Vaillencourt
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The Northville girls golf team went back-to-back, capturing its second consecutive state championship.

The team took first place by 32 strokes, defeating Grosse Pointe South, which came in second. Plymouth finished third. The competition was held Oct. 18-19 at Forest Akers West Golf Course at Michigan State University.

"I'm super happy for the team, but in particular our senior captains," Northville coach Chris Cronin said. "After winning the 2018 state title, we had to replace our top two players: one to college golf and the other to a golf academy in South Carolina. I give a lot of credit to the returning players, they all re-committed themselves to working hard and came into the season with an eye on defending their title. The key for us this season has been our incredible depth. I have been able to roll a variety of line-ups in tournaments and matches, and no matter the combination, the girls have produced results."

Northville's top golfer was senior captain Sedona Shipka, who finished with a 158 over the two-day tournament.

"It feels unbelievable to accomplish something this rare, however our team is very rare," Shipka said. "I've never seen a group of girls so determined, it really puts emphasis on what Northville golf means to me, which is above all teamwork and compassion."

Fellow senior captain Sufna Gill was the team's second place finisher with a 161. Like Shipka, she is an all-state golfer.

"Winning a second state championship means the world to me, especially as a senior in high school," Gill said. "Our team went from getting cut at regionals my freshmen year to winning back to back state championships during the duration of my career. Being apart of the team and leading our girls to victory gives me a lot of confidence and taught me many lessons I will be able to apply later in my career."

Both girls said that the team cultured continued to improve and that this year's squad really bonded well together.

Katelyn Tokarz was the team's third golfer, posting a 164; Samantha Coleman was fourth with a 165 and Megha Vallabhaneni rounded out the group with a 170.

Shipka tied for ninth overall among individual golfers. She and Gill are still considering their college options, but Gill says she is closing in on playing

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Games (home team listed first):	Andrew Vaillencourt	Colin Gay	Ed Wright	David Veselenak	Phil Allmen (coin flip)
West Bloomfield vs. Canton	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	Canton
Plymouth vs. Lakeland	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth	Lakeland
Dexter vs. Livonia Churchill	Churchill	Dexter	Dexter	Dexter	Dexter
Fenton vs. South Lyon	Fenton	South Lyon	Fenton	Fenton	South Lyon
North Farmington vs. U-D Jesuit	North Farmington	North Farmington	North Farmington	North Farmington	U-D Jesuit
Oak Park vs. Farmington	Oak Park	Oak Park	Oak Park	Oak Park	Oak Park
Livonia Franklin vs. Wyandotte Roosevelt	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin
Birmingham Groves vs. De La Salle	Groves	Groves	De La Salle	Groves	Groves
Birmingham Seaholm vs. Sterling Heights	Seaholm	Seaholm	Seaholm	Seaholm	Sterling Heights
Flint Kearsley vs. Brother Rice	Brother Rice	Brother Rice	Brother Rice	Brother Rice	Brother Rice
Redford Thurston vs. Eastpointe	Redford Thurston	Redford Thurston	Redford Thurston	Redford Thurston	Redford Thurston
Romulus Summit Academy North vs. Redford Union	Redford Union	Redford Union	Redford Union	Summit Academy North	Redford Union
Detroit Country Day vs. Harper Woods Chandler Park	Country Day	Country Day	Country Day	Country Day	Country Day
Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook- Kingswood vs. Harper Woods	Cranbrook- Kingswood	Cranbrook- Kingswood	Cranbrook- Kingswood	Cranbrook- Kingswood	Harper Woods
Belleville vs. Saline	Belleville	Belleville	Saline	Belleville	Saline
Holt vs. Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Holt	Holt	Holt
Maryland vs. Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Maryland
Florida vs. Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia
Purdue vs. Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	Purdue	Nebraska	Nebraska
Raiders vs. Lions	Lions	Lions	Lions	Raiders	Raiders
Last Week's Record:	16-4	16-4	12-8	14-6	8-12
Season Record:	132-47-1	141-38-1	127-52-1	128-51-1	87-92-1

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GAME OF THE WEEK

Plymouth vs. Lakeland tops week's much-watch matchups

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With the regular season complete, 15 Hometown Life-area teams have made the postseason, each with the goal of making the state finals at Ford Field at the end of November.

With the full bracket released, here are six games to watch in the first round of the MHSAA high school football playoffs, including Hometown Life's game of the week: Plymouth vs. White Lake Lakeland.

Plymouth vs. White Lake Lakeland, 7 p.m., Nov. 1

Since the team's inception in 2004, Plymouth has been to the playoffs 11 times, losing in the state final against Lake Orion in 2010.

Since 2006, White Lake Lakeland has made the playoffs six times, including each of the past three years, but only advancing as far as the regional round. In the first round of the 2019 playoffs, Lakeland and Plymouth will meet for the first time in each school's history.

Here are five other first-round games to keep an eye on:

Farmington at Oak Park, 6 p.m., Nov. 1

After a Week 9 bye, Farmington will open the playoffs against a familiar foe: former OAA White rival Oak Park.

The Falcons have not faced the Knights since switching to the OAA Blue division in 2017, last losing to Oak Park, 42-0, in 2016. Farmington has faced Oak Park 12 times, winning seven of those games.

Canton at West Bloomfield, 7 p.m., Nov. 1

After its 43-6 win against Dearborn in Week 9, Canton's playoff streak continues. The Chiefs will take on West Bloomfield in its 12th-consecutive playoff appearance, and its 19th in the past 20 years.

But unlike previous seasons, Canton squeaked into the playoff race. The

Chiefs come into the first round with five wins, the least they have recorded in a regular season since their 5-4 finish in 2007: the last time they didn't make the playoffs.

The Chiefs have also averaged 27.6 points per game, their lowest since 2007.

Birmingham Groves vs. De La Salle, 7 p.m., Nov. 1

Birmingham Groves' first-round game will be a rematch of the Falcons' 2018 semifinal loss in Warren De La Salle, who went on to win the Division 2 final against Muskegon Mona Shores.

Groves enters the postseason in a very similar spot as 2018. Both teams came in with two losses — falling to Oak Park and Woodhaven in 2019. Both teams allowed over 30 points in only one game in the regular season and averaged over 30 points per game offensively.

South Lyon at Fenton, 7 p.m., Nov. 1

The Lions eclipsed 300 total points for the first time since 2006 in its Week 9 win against South Lyon East, coming into the playoffs averaging 35.9 points per game.

However, the South Lyon offense has been put into place, putting up only 10 points against Walled Lake Western on Oct. 11. Quarterback Connor Fracassi will have to move the ball against a Fenton team that, after allowing 54 points to Davison in the season opener, allowed only 83 points in eight games.

North Farmington vs. Detroit U-D Jesuit, 1 p.m., Nov. 2

North Farmington comes into the first round of the MHSAA football playoffs at 9-0 for the first time since 1970.

After their 13-9 win against Farmington on Oct. 18, the Raiders secured an undefeated regular season with a 46-22 trouncing of Ypsilanti Lincoln. The Raiders will open the playoffs against Detroit U-D Jesuit, a team that faced playoff teams in six of its nine regular season games.

Playoffs

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2- Dexter (8-1) vs. 3- Livonia Churchill (5-4)

District 2
2- Fenton (8-1) vs. 3- South Lyon (8-1)

Region 3
District 1
1- North Farmington (9-0) vs. 4- Detroit U-D Jesuit (6-3)

2- Oak Park (8-1) vs. 3- Farmington (7-1)

District 2
2- Livonia Franklin (7-2) vs. 3- Wyandotte Roosevelt (7-2)

Region 4
District 1
1- Birmingham Groves (7-2) vs. 4- De La Salle (5-4)

2- Birmingham Seaholm (6-3) vs. 3-

Sterling Heights (6-3)

Division 3

Region 4
District 1
2- Flint Kearsley (7-2) vs. 3- Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (6-3)

District 2
Redford Thurston (7-2) vs. Eastpointe (6-3)

Division 4

Region 4
District 1
2- Romulus Summit Academy North (7-2) vs. 3- Redford Union (6-3)

District 2
1- Detroit Country Day (9-0) vs. 4- Harper Woods Chandler Park (4-4)

2- Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood (5-3) vs. 3- Harper Woods (4-4)

Belleville

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team in the state. They have a lot of guys that can make plays and make things happen. On our side of the division, we had not seen the type of speed that they have."

Here are takeaways from the game:

Playing from behind

Belleville got off to exactly the kind of start it needed to in a tough road game. On the opening drive, it gashed the Wildcat defense with several runs before quarterback Christian Dhue-Reid hit an open Deion Burks for a 20-yard touchdown. Burks made an incredible diving catch on the play. That gave the Tigers a 7-0 lead and quieted the large Plymouth crowd.

On its second possession, Belleville struck again. Christian Rapley caught a 22-yard pass to set his team up at the one-yard line, where running back Ty-Trayon Lewis finished it off with a touchdown.

Playing in a two-touchdown hole was a problem for Plymouth, which was nev-



Plymouth fans react to penalties called against both teams during the game.

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er able to establish an offensive rhythm in the first half. It attempted to fake punts, one successful and one not, but the bold calls weren't enough for the Wildcats.

"Our punter thought he saw an opening and tried to make a play," Lewis said. "Kids in big games try to make plays, so it is what it is. Against a team like this

you have to find a way to move the ball and get first downs. Anything is on the table when you play a team this good."

Belleville's Lewis would score another touchdown late in the second quarter after the Tigers forced a Plymouth punt from its own end zone and took over at the Wildcats 30-yard line. That made it 21-0 at halftime.

Tigers take over

The second half started off well for Plymouth. It put together its best offensive drive of the game, marching down the field for its first scoring drive of the night. Senior quarterback Nick Downs capped off the possession with a one-yard touchdown run. That made it 21-7 with 8:34 left in the third quarter.

That's when Belleville kicked it into a higher gear.

The Tigers would score three touchdowns in a row to blow the game wide open at 41-7. Dhue-Reid got it started with a 13-yard scoring run, Jamari Buddin then caught a 20-yard touchdown pass and Kobe Langford finished the scoring blitz off with a one-yard run. Michigan cornerback commit Andre Seldon had an interception in that third quarter, setting up Belleville's final scoring drive.

The Wildcats fought to stay in the game, as Downs connected with senior Van Riley on a 50-yard touchdown pass and catch, but it wasn't enough. Nathan Janke recorded an interception and Billy Salamey recovered a fumble for Plymouth in the loss.

"They were athletic and fast, we knew that coming in," Downs said.

HTL top 10 high school football teams: Week 10

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The regular season is complete, and Hometown Life Sports is back with its weekly top-10 teams in the area. Each week, we rank the top 10 teams in our coverage area based on record, strength of schedule, experience and of course, the game results. The ranking will be decided on by our two sports reporters: Andrew Vaillencourt and Colin Gay. Here is the top 10 for week 10:

1. North Farmington (9-0, Last Week: No. 1)

North Farmington secured its first undefeated regular season since 1970 with a win against Ypsilanti Lincoln on Friday. The Raiders' undefeated season comes off of three-straight losing seasons, including an 0-9 finish in 2016.

2. Livonia Franklin (7-2, Last Week: No. 5)

Franklin defeated a tough Hartland team that was fighting for its playoff life. That sends the Patriots into the playoffs with a 7-2 record. Wyandotte Roosevelt will be another significant challenge in the opening round, but the district is winnable. Franklin's strong showing against Belleville in week eight is also a positive here.

3. Birmingham Groves (7-2, Last Week: No. 4)

Birmingham Groves' playoff streak continues, as the Falcons will play in its seventh playoff game in seven years on Friday. Coming off a 21-point loss to undefeated Brownstown Woodhaven, Groves will face Warren De La Salle in

the first round, the team that ended the Falcons' season in 2018.

4. Plymouth (8-1, Last Week: No. 2)

Plymouth struggled against Belleville in the KLAA title game, showing that there is still a gap between the two divisions. On the bright side, it managed to secure a home playoff game against Lakeland and won't have to play Belleville in districts.

5. Farmington (7-1, Last Week: No. 3)

Coming off a Week 9 bye, Farmington comes into the first round of the playoffs with a 7-1 record. It is the first time since 2003 the Falcons have ended a regular season with only one loss.

6. South Lyon (8-1, Last Week: No. 6)

The Lions took care of business against its rival, South Lyon East, in the final week of the regular season. Unfortunately, they were still sent on the road in the opening round of the playoffs, where they will face Fenton. Win that and South Lyon gets another crack at top seed Walled Lake Western.

7. Detroit Country Day (9-0, Last Week: No. 7)

With a 40-0 win against Ferndale, Detroit Country Day finishes its regular season undefeated for the second time since 2016. In 2016, the Yellowjackets lost to Grand Rapids Catholic Central.

8. Lakeland (7-2, Last Week: No. 8)

Lakeland continues its strong under

the radar play and heads into the playoffs with a local matchup against Plymouth. It will be a difficult test for both teams that could truly be a toss-up. The winner will face either West Bloomfield or Canton.

9. Livonia Churchill (5-4, Last Week: 9)

Churchill continues its three-season playoff streak, securing a bid with a 27-0 win against Howell. The Chargers have won four straight games, outscoring opponents 105-24.

10. Canton (5-4, Last Week: NR)

The Chiefs surge back into the rankings after an incredible upset win against Dearborn. Canton dominated the Pioneers 43-6. The win sends Canton to the playoffs, where it will take on West Bloomfield.

■ The Hometown Life sports (HTL sports) area consists of 28 teams representing Catholic League (Novi Detroit Catholic Central, Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood), Independent (Detroit Country Day), the Oakland Activities Association (Bloomfield Hills, Birmingham Groves, Birmingham Seaholm, Farmington, North Farmington), the Western Wayne Athletic Conference (Garden City, Redford Thurston, Redford Union), the MIAC (Livonia Clarenceville, Lutheran Westland), the Kensington Lakes Activities Association (Canton, Livonia Stevenson, Salem, Novi, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Plymouth, Northville, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial) and the Lakes Valley Conference (White Lake Lakeland, South Lyon East, South Lyon, Milford).

Golf

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golf at Northwood.

"Winning a state title isn't easy, and this group carried the pressure of being ranked No. 1 all season," Cronin said. "I'm proud of the winning culture we've created at Northville because the girls have thrived as a result. They have fun, push themselves and each other, compete all the time, and they really come together as a team."

Division 1 team results:

1. Northville - 322 - 324 - 646
2. Grosse Pointe South - 336 - 342 - 678
3. Plymouth - 352 - 338 - 690
4. Grand Blanc - 346 - 346 - 692
5. Okemos - 342 - 350 - 692
6. Troy - 352 - 349 - 701
7. Rochester Adams - 358 - 346 - 704
8. Ann Arbor Pioneer - 352 - 358 - 710
9. Bloomfield Hills - 357 - 366 - 723
10. Utica Eisenhower - 371 - 367 - 738
11. Hartland - 368 - 371 - 739
12. Macomb Dakota - 368 - 372 - 740
13. Roch Hills Stoney Creek - 373 - 373 - 746
14. Traverse City West - 379 - 373 - 752
15. Rockford - 391 - 377 - 768
16. Livonia Franklin - 396 - 375 - 771
17. Hudsonville - 403 - 402 - 805
18. Farmington - 443 - 413 - 856

Top Individuals

1. Allison Cui, Okemos - 73 - 73 - 146
2. Anci Dy, Traverse City West - 76 - 73 - 149
3. Kate Brody, Grand Blanc - 72 - 78 - 150
4. Ariel Chang, Utica Eisenhower - 73 - 78 - 151
5. Bridget Boczar, Plymouth - 81 - 70 - 151
6. Savannah Haque, Rochester - 76 - 78 - 154
7. Audrey Becker, Grosse Pointe South - 78 - 77 - 155
8. Sophia Wygonik, Livonia Franklin - 83 - 73 - 156
9. Amaya Melendez, Ann Arbor Pioneer - 77 - 81 - 158
9. Sedona Shipka, Northville - 79 - 79 - 158

SCOREBOARD

Friday, Oct. 25

OAA
Brownstown Woodhaven (9-0) 49, Birmingham Groves (7-2) 28
Birmingham Seaholm (6-3) 63, Auburn Hills Avondale (5-4) 31
Bloomfield Hills (2-7) 35, Rochester (1-8) 14
North Farmington (9-0) 46, Ypsilanti Lincoln (2-7) 22

Lakes Valley Conference
White Lake Lakeland (7-2) 51, Milford (1-8) 0
South Lyon (8-1) 42, South Lyon East (3-6) 18

Catholic High School League
Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (6-3) 51, Detroit Cody (1-8) 0
Western Wayne Athletic Conference
New Boston Huron (4-5) 41, Garden City (5-4) 19
Riverview (7-2) 43, Redford Thurston (7-2) 25
Redford Union (6-3) 32, Detroit Public Safety Academy (5-4) 14
MIAC
Whitmore Lake (7-2) 41, Livonia Clarenceville (5-4) 6
Independent
Detroit Country Day (9-0) 40, Ferndale (4-5) 0
KLAA
Canton (5-4) 43, Dearborn (4-5) 6

Livonia Churchill (5-4) 27, Howell (4-5) 0
Livonia Franklin (7-2) 42, Hartland (4-5) 21
Livonia Stevenson (4-5) 26, Northville (3-6) 6
Novi (2-7) 36, Westland John Glenn (1-8) 12
Belleville (9-0) 41, Plymouth (8-1) 14

Saturday, Oct. 26

Catholic High School League
Orchard Lake St. Mary's (8-1) 13, Detroit Catholic Central (4-5) 0
KLAA
Wayne Memorial (1-8) 20, Salem (0-9) 14



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Novi beats Catholic Central to win regional title

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For the first time since 2016, the Novi Wildcats defeated the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks in the playoffs to move on to the state semifinals.

It's been tough sledding for Novi, against CC over the last several years. CC had won five of the last seven meetings between the programs dating back to 2012 — all of which were in the playoffs.

The Wildcats scored two second half goals to secure the 2-1 victory Saturday afternoon at West Bloomfield High School. They are the region four champions.

"I'm glad they get this experience," Novi coach Todd Pheiffer said. "It's really hard to not only win a district but to win a regional. It's so hard with all the great soccer we have in this area, so I'm so happy they get this experience."

Novi improves to 20-1-2 while CC ends its season 9-10-4.

It's the first time since 2015 that the two teams haven't gone to overtime.

"It's been really tough, they're a good team," Novi senior Blair Mayes said. "We just kept our composure and fought as a team."

Novi's hero was Mayes. He received a nice pass up the middle from fellow senior Mason Stroman and sprinted past the CC defense. He put a move on Shamrocks goalie John Browning and sent the ball into the back of the net to give his team the lead.

"I saw the gap in the middle and yelled 'Mason' and he found me, I saw the keeper come out and I just took it to the right corner," Mayes said.

That goal came with 15:09 left in the second half.

"We said, if we see them pushing high, let's look to get the ball out quick and that's what we did," Pheiffer said. "It was a great timed run by Blair. ... Credit to Mason to notice that that was there and play the ball up quick. It was a great played ball by Mason and a great finish by Blair."

With 3:42 to go, Browning fouled a Novi player in the box giving the Wildcats a penalty kick. Junior Shion Soga took advantage, shooting it past Brown-



Novi celebrates the title after beating Catholic Central, 2-1. Novi improves to 20-1-2 while CC ends its season 9-10-4.

ing and into the upper left corner of the net to make it 2-0.

CC didn't quit. Just 34 seconds later, Zach Jones found Vincent Stockton who scored to make it a one-goal game once again. The Shamrocks kept up the pressure in the final three minutes, but were unable to tie the game up.

"The boys never stopped playing hard," Catholic Central assistant coach Mike Stratton said. "They went to the final whistle. I give them credit for that CC pride."

CC head coach Gene Pulice wasn't at the game due to a scheduling conflict.

Novi has 13 seniors on the roster, only one of whom was on the 2016 team that made the final four. The state finals are Saturday.

"It feels unbelievable," Mayes said. "I've dreamed for this day ever since I was born. I've always wanted to win a state championship and I'm going to grind until I get to that state championship."

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Novi's Blair Mayes, right, high-fives coach Todd Pheiffer after winning the title. PHOTOS BY ANDREW VAILLENCOURT/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Catholic Central misses playoffs

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Detroit Catholic Central was confident that it could beat Orchard Lake St. Mary's again, beating the Eaglets, 20-14, on Oct. 11.

But round two came with higher stakes: not just a Catholic League Championship for Catholic Central, but a playoff berth, coming into the final game of the season with four wins.

The Shamrocks (4-5) could not overcome its mistakes, recording five first-half turnovers and two second-half interceptions that led to losing, 13-0, to Orchard Lake St. Mary's (8-1) at Eastern Michigan Saturday night.

With only four wins, Catholic Central will miss the playoffs for the first time since 2014, only the second time in the past 13 years.

Turnovers galore

Catholic Central seemed to have control from the very first offensive snap, as junior running back Danny Scott found daylight to the left side, taking it all the way to the Eaglets' 1-yard line.

But on the next play, junior quarterback Jack Beno, who started his first game since Week 4 with Declan Byle sidelined with a sickness, recorded the first of four first-half fumbles for the Shamrocks, losing possession and failing to convert on their only significant scoring chance in the first two quarters.

"We knew the weather was going to be bad, and we couldn't throw the ball much," senior wide receiver and defensive back Cody Daraban said.

For the five turnovers the Shamrocks recorded in the first half, the Eaglets answered with four of their own, fumbling the ball twice, with quarterback Grant Henson adding two interceptions: one recorded by Catholic Central defensive back Jacob Young, who also recorded a fumble recovery and the other by senior Easton St. Clair.

While the number of turnovers decreased in the second half, each proved

more costly for the Shamrocks.

After Orchard Lake St. Mary's opened the third quarter with a five-play touchdown drive, Beno ended the ensuing Shamrocks drive with an interception, throwing another in the fourth quarter to secure the Eaglet shutout.

"We just had too many mistakes," junior wide receiver and defensive back Sam Dersa said.

Eaglets run game secures victory

While Catholic Central tried to get the running game going all night, mostly through junior running back Danny Scott, St. Mary's running back Anthony Anton gave the Eaglets momentum in the second half.

After missing the Eaglets' 42-0 win against Dearborn Divine Child, Anton came back with a vengeance in the second half, ending the Eaglets' first drive of the third quarter with a 53-yard touchdown run to the left side.

With 8:04 left in the fourth quarter, Anton scored the dagger, taking the ball 42 yards for his second score of the day, helping him eclipse 1,000 rushing yards for the 2019 season.

'A rough ending'

Catholic Central head coach Dan Anderson has been with the Shamrocks through their past four playoff appearances. But he was with them in 2014: a 4-5 season that ended a streak of seven consecutive seasons of playoff football.

When he was asked about the four-year streak coming to an end, he pointed to who the Shamrocks faced.

In the nine games the Shamrocks played, opponents posted a record of 63-16.

In those games, Catholic Central only scored 101 total points, the least amount of points generated by a Shamrock offense since 1977.

Despite making the Catholic League Bishop Championship game, Catholic Central is the only team in its division to miss out on a postseason.

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Bloomfield Hills woman, 85, drives cattle across Wyoming



Shay Pendray, 85, of Bloomfield Hills, takes a break from driving cattle in Wyoming last month. COURTESY OF SHAY PENDRAY

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Shay Pendray doesn't fit the typical cowboy image.

She's actually a cowgirl. She's also 85. And she lives not in the Wild West, but in Bloomfield Hills, a retired retail store owner and former host of a PBS show on needle arts.

Still, last month, Pendray was driving cattle across Wyoming on her horse Einstein, as she has done for the past 10 years.

"You can't go on a lark; it's a serious thing," Pendray said. "A cattle drive is for an advanced rider."

Pendray, who grew up in Dearborn, has been riding horses for 80 years, since her father returned home from World War II and bought her a horse.

When she was 16 and a high school student at the Edison Institute, Pendray's father took her to a dude ranch in Arizona and sealed her lifelong passion for horseback riding and ranches.

For the past decade, she has been going for a couple weeks every year to A Bar A Ranch, a 100,000-acre ranch which runs 6,000 head of cattle in Encampment, Wyoming, human population 600.

Last month, she was part of the yearly fall effort to bring in cattle spread all across the ranch. The work involves separating cows and heifers from young cattle and bulls, gathering them up to put them in safe places for the winter.

For Pendray, this meant being on her horse by 8 a.m. every day, going up and down rocky terrain, crossing rivers and streams and searching for cattle hidden in brush. Riders split in a semi-circle and drive cattle that aren't always cooperative toward a point where they can be corralled.

Sometimes that means driving cattle across the highway, which in Wyoming is simply called "traffic" and may necessitate the state police stopping vehicles until all have passed, no matter how long that takes.

"You drive them slow, contrary to the movies, because if you drive them fast, they will lose weight," she said. "They are sold according to how fat they are."

At 7,500 feet above sea level, altitude also takes a toll on the horse and, of course, weather is also a factor.

Pendray and Einstein have worked through sleet, snow, rain and sunshine, averaging six to seven miles a day, before evening comes and they return to the guest quarters on the ranch, where she enjoys a good dinner, conversation and music in "a different, happy, contented world with very, very interesting people."

But Pendray enjoys particularly the zen feeling when it is just she and her four-legged companion.

She describes Einstein in loving detail, a 20-year-old bay quarter-horse with a white blaze on his nose and white ankles, one brown eye and one blue. But what is most important about her horse is his gait. He walks out at a faster rate than average and maintains a steady pace, and he is in perfect attuned to his

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Obituaries

Penelope S. Nuechterlein

NORTHVILLE - Penelope S. Nuechterlein, age 75, of Northville, passed away October 21, 2019 from complications related to her battle with cancer. She was born October 6, 1944 in Bay City Michigan; daughter of Hamilton and Clara (Fischer) Pennell. Penny grew up in Bay City, Michigan with her parents and 5 siblings. On July 30, 1966, she married Ronald R. Nuechterlein and they spent 47 wonderful years together.

Penny attended both Delta College and Central Michigan University where she graduated with honors earning her teaching degree, later going to on to obtain her master's degree at Eastern Michigan University. She has always had a passion for teaching and spent most of her 25 year career at Pioneer middle school in the nearby Plymouth Canton School District.

Penny has enjoyed living in Northville for the last 46 years and was an active member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church volunteering in many ways. She enjoyed cooking and baking for church activities as well as her 4 cookie/brownie loving grandchildren on a regular basis. At family events, she was known for making great Bernthal bacon topped salads which she was often summoned to bring. One of Penny's favorite places was their cottage in Trout Lake in the Upper Peninsula. She could often be found lakeside with a good book, as she was an avid reader. Penny loved her family and friends and enjoyed the time she spent with them whether at the cottage or dinners at their home in Northville. She could often be found at art fairs and pottery shows with family and friends. Penny was deeply cherished as an awesome grandmother, and always loved to spend time and spoil her grandkids every chance she got.

Penny is survived by her children Wendy (Michael) Ripper and Mike (Kerri) Nuechterlein; her brother, Tim (Lois) Pennell; sister in law, Mary Pennell; brother in law, Gene Niedzwiecki; and her grandchildren Veronica, Keegan, Mikayla and Ben. Penelope was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and 4 siblings.

A memorial service was held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 Elm Street, Northville. Memorial gifts suggested to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 Elm St., Northville, MI 48167. Please share condolences at casterline-funeralhome.com



Andrew Paredes

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Passed October 27, 2019 at the age of 90. Beloved husband of Arline, loving father of Andrew, Steve (Laura) and Scott (Mayra). Cherished grandfather of Samantha, Gabrielle, Isabella and Alexander. Andy, as he was known by his loved ones, was truly of the greatest generation with a love for family, country and the automobile. Born into a humble Massachusetts home of Spanish immigrants his accomplishments personified the American dream. After high school he earned the rank of Corporal in the Marine Corps, fixing Corsair jets during the Korean War. Benefitting from the GI Bill he became the first in his family to earn a college degree in Mechanical Engineering from Northeastern University. Following graduation he spent 40 years with Ford Motor Company where he designed cutting edge transmission systems for which he garnered countless patents. He will be loved eternally for his gentle nature, thoughtfulness and generosity. Visitation Saturday, November 2, 2019 at L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Northrop-Sassaman Chapel, 19091 Northville Road (at 7 Mile) from 10:30 a.m. until time of his Funeral Service at 1:30 p.m. Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at www.griffinfuneralhome.com



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Daniel Duane Sveller

Daniel Duane Sveller Age 75 October 25, 2019 Beloved husband of Gloria for 52 years. Dear father of Daniel James, Michelle Lynn Dixon. Proud grandfather of Katelyn Marie. Brother of Sally (Marc) Pyrc, Jack, Rick (Connie) and the late David, Kathy Shoyer, and Pat Smith. Shane Dixon (Michelle's husband) and three sons; Jacob, Andrew, and Dylan. Daniel was a proud veteran of the US Army and served during the Vietnam Era. He graduated from Michigan State University and was part of the track and field team. He retired from Ford Management after 30 years with the company. Daniel was a member of MENSA, active in politics in the community, an avid runner and golfer. Visitation will be at the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home 41555 Grand River Novi Wednesday 4-8pm with a celebration of Daniels life on Thursday 11:00 am at the funeral home. The interment with military honors will be at Great Lakes National Cemetery 4200 Belford Road Holly, Michigan Thursday at 2:15pm. Immediately following the service at Great Lakes National Cemetery a reception will be held at Fenton Farms Golf Club 12312 Torrey Road Fenton Michigan 48430 In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Katelyn Marie Dixon College Fund P.O. Box 504 Northville, MI 48167



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At left, Shay Pendray, 85, of Bloomfield Hills, rides her horse, Einstein, during a cattle drive at the A Bar A Ranch in Wyoming last month. At right, Pendray, right, stands with Katherine Boucher, head wrangler at A Bar A Ranch in Wyoming, and Einstein. PHOTOS COURTESY OF SHAY PENDRAY

Cowgirl

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rider, knowing at the slightest movement what she wants from him.

It is her love for Einstein that returns her year after year to the cattle drive, as well as her love for the landscape and what she gets from her time out on the vast ranch.

Pendray is the only 85-year-old on the cattle drive; most riders are in their 50s and 60s.

She laughs as she notes they often search for "Shay rocks," stones big enough for her to step on to assist in mounting her horse.

The riding is difficult, but she still loves it, and said she is never sore with a

strong core and good balance, helped by water aerobics, cardio and regular walks, up to four times a day when she's not at the pool or gym.

"Somehow, God gave me a gift, I don't have cancer," Pendray said. "I can easily stay on a horse eight hours a day. It's not a problem, it's a joy."

That joy comes, she said, from being out on the prairie with no cell phone or distractions, just taking in what is all around, the flowers and the sagebrush and the animals – so much more than cows.

Pendray has seen elk, deer, moose and, on this most recent drive, lots of antelope.

There are also animals she doesn't want to see – black bears and mountain lions, which will spook her horse.

Other dangers include downed tree

limbs that can trip up a horse. There are also bogs – areas which can appear to be green grass, but with water underneath – in which a horse could be easily be in mud up to its stomach and immobilized, as happened to a fellow rider. Luckily, that pair escaped without injury.

Pendray said she hasn't been thrown from a horse in a long time, but "every-one takes a turn in the bucket."

She also recalls the time she was on top of a mountain when a storm blew in. She and 40-50 other riders scrambled to get off the mountain as lightning struck 8 feet away and the prairie caught fire.

"We went straight down a cliff, not something you normally do, but you have to get down in order to be safe," she said. "You could see the prairie burning, and every able-bodied man dug a ditch in a circle around the fire."

"It all took place in about 15 minutes."

The dangers don't deter her or keep her away.

She is an artist and she sees every color on the Wyoming palette when she is on the prairie – seven or eight shades of green as she passes through an aspen grove, the leaves on the 300-year-old majestic trees rustling in the wind. It's a spiritual place that speaks to her soul.

She quotes painter Charles Russell, who said, "You can see what man made from the seat of an automobile, but the best way to see what God made is from the back of a horse."

Pendray feels the only way to see Wyoming is from the back of Einstein. She plans to continue, already booking next year's trip to A Bar A Ranch.

"Einstein can probably ride until 28 or 29," she said. "We will age together."

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Three old-school interview rules that are still relevant

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It's easy to see how job interviews have changed over time: more email, less formality, pre-interviews with chatbots, Skype interviews, etc. What's not so easy is determining which interview principles are just as valid and necessary as ever, even as you prepare to job hunt in a modern world. Let's look at some of the evergreen tips that are just as helpful now as they were when your parents and grandparents were interviewing for jobs.

Wear a suit or your interview best

Many workplaces are going full-on casual these days. All the same, this shouldn't affect how you dress for the interview. Even if you're 95% sure your interviewer will be wearing jeans and a hoodie, you should still plan to wear your interview suit — or at the very least, an above-average, impeccably clean and tailored outfit.

If you get the job, there will be plenty of time to dress like your new colleagues. However, when you're interviewing you still want to project the most professional and put-together image possible.

No one will think you're a nerd for overdressing, I promise. But if you underdress, you run the risk of seeming unserious or unprepared. Better over than under, in this case.

Print your resume

This one may seem archaic — you likely emailed your resume to the company in the first place, so who needs paper copies? It's still a good habit to keep. The old-school idea that you need to



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print your resume on the finest paper stock you can afford is no longer a must-do, but bringing copies shows you're thoughtful and organized. Sure, the person interviewing you may be reading your resume on a screen or may already have their own printout, but if they don't happen to have your resume right in front of them, it's an immediate point in

your favor that you came prepared. It's also a subtle hint about the well-prepared employee you'd be — ready for everything.

This also applies if you're doing an on-screen presentation. Always bring a few printouts (for every person you know will be there, plus a couple of extras just in case). Handouts help people

follow along and serve as a reminder all about you afterward as they're evaluating how the interview/presentation went.

Send a thank you note

Do you know what else never goes out of style? Polite thank you notes. An email or a follow-up text technically fits that bill in this fast-paced digital world but sending a handwritten (or typed and hand-signed, since not all of us were blessed with great handwriting) note to your interviewers is an eternally classy move. Or you can do both if you're worried about seeming like an ungrateful procrastinator: the quick email sent the same day, and the more traditional note following thereafter.

It's a nice touch, and not only makes sure that you're back on the interviewer's radar after you've left the office but also shows that you're thoughtful and appreciative of the opportunity — this doesn't need to be a retroactive sales pitch. A brief, on-point note that thanks people for taking the time to talk to you is likely to get a response along the lines of, "I knew I liked them for a reason!" There's literally no downside to following up with a simple thank you note.

The job interview has changed so much over the past decade alone and will likely continue to shift as the workplace and hiring in general grow and evolve. Still, despite all the outward changes, the basics of good taste and solid organization never go out of fashion.

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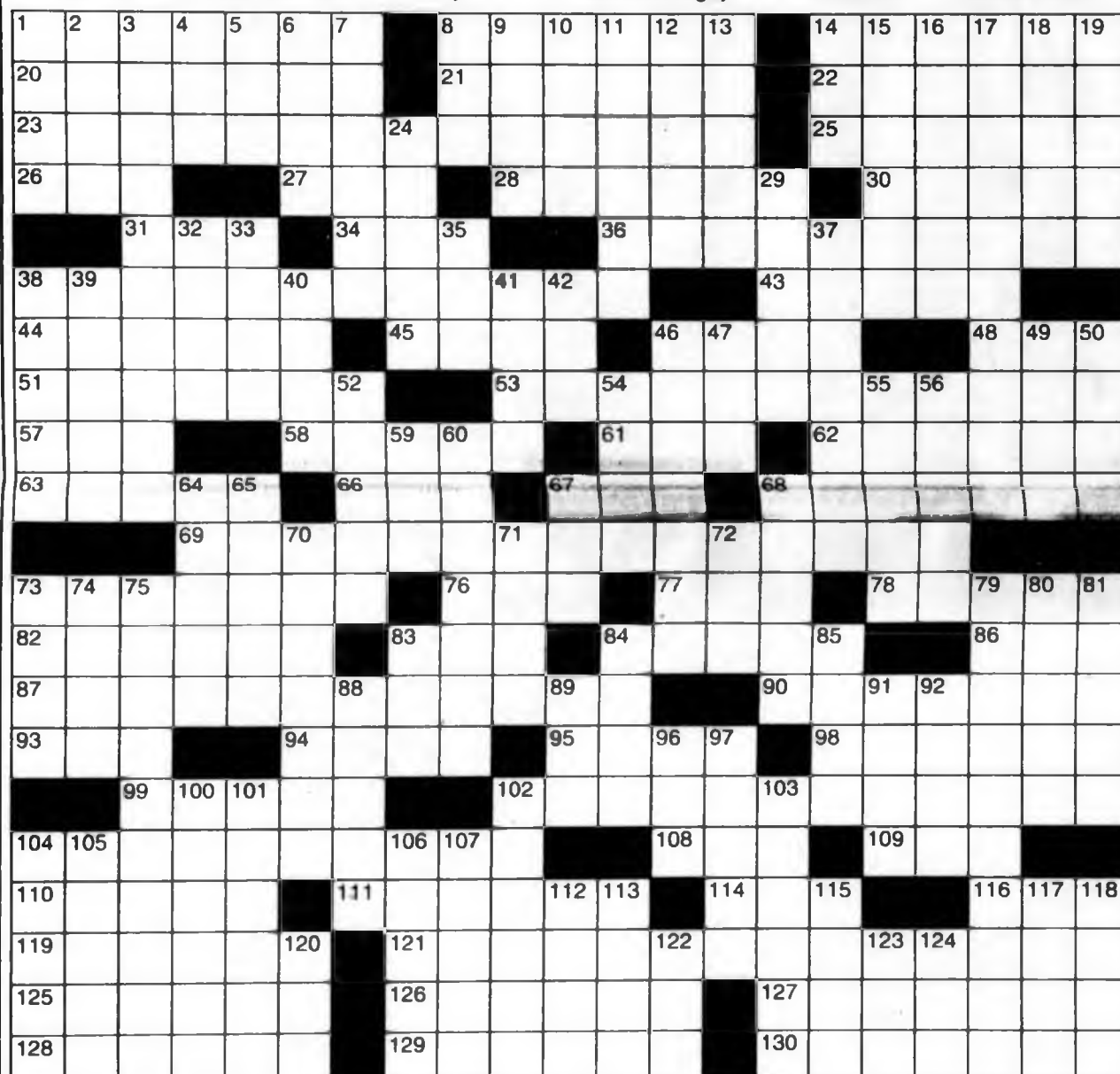
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43 Fashion figure Oscar de la —
44 Colored ring of the iris
45 Falco who portrayed a Soprano
- 46 Alan who portrayed Hawkeye
48 Mai — (cocktail)
51 Has in one's sights
53 They list a film's cast
57 Diamond great Mel
58 Midwest air hub
61 CPR specialist
62 Conductor André
63 Corp. shake-up
66 Gold, to Jorge
67 Zip
68 1995-2016 NBAer Kevin
69 Radials, e.g.
73 Zoo
76 Chi-Town team
77 "— Na Na" (TV oldie)
78 French painter Edgar
82 Concert extra
83 And so on: Abbr.
84 For — (really cheaply)
86 Avail
87 Resounding storm noises
90 Harmful ant
- 93 Good cholesterol, for short
94 "If only — known!"
95 Suffix with kitchen
98 More in order
99 Maine university town
102 Diner and sleeper
104 Casino cubes
108 — laude
109 Neath's opposite
110 Deer family member
111 State of societal breakdown
114 Amigo
116 Orlando-to-Miami dir.
119 More highfalutin
121 What eight answers in this puzzle are
125 2017 biopic about skater Harding
126 Attacked energetically
127 Acid neutralizers
128 Big pizzas, say
- 129 Like some post-meal bad breath
130 Prince's partner island

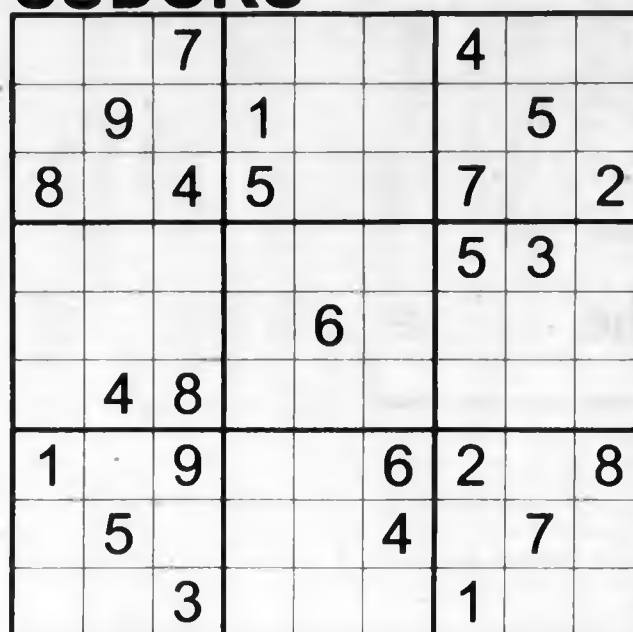
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- 1 Actor Omar
2 African land
3 As a response for
4 Playa del —
5 Old ring king
6 Camp shelter
7 Border fringe
8 Facial offerer
9 British noble
10 Both: Prefix
11 Violins' kin
12 — acid (fat compound)
13 Squander
14 Tour vehicle
15 Hocked
16 Reach for rudely
17 Using other sources
18 Opposite of east, in Mexico
19 Choral clubs
24 Possibly
29 Sound in "cant" but not "cent"
32 Walk heavily
33 River close to the Sphinx
35 Loutish guy
- 37 Close to its face value, as a bond
38 Ulan —, Mongolia
39 Elocute
40 Defense gp.
41 Sour fruit
42 MGM lion
46 Without purpose
47 Allow to
49 Feuding, say
50 "Who —?"
52 Jarred
54 Disguise
55 Muffed up
56 Thick
59 Elbow locale
60 Sat on a perch
64 Hit with the knuckles
65 Close watch
67 Vote down
68 Immense
70 Trapping in branches
71 — Raton
72 E'en if
73 One of the "Little Women"
74 With a sharp image, for short
75 Like nerves acting on eye muscles
79 Part of many a heavy-metal track
- 80 Fall bloom
81 Soothsayers
83 Ecol. monitor
84 Fizzy wine, for short
85 Rowlands of "Gloria"
88 1970s spinoff sitcom
89 Grassland
91 Make over
92 Egg nog spice
96 Dr. Mom's attention
97 Spew forth
100 Skyrocketing
101 Odd feature of a cyclops
102 Actress Leah
103 Nebraska natives
104 AOL rival
105 Vital conduit
106 Halved
107 Actor Sacha Baron —
112 Liking a lot
113 Novelist Jennifer
115 Follower of "ooh" or "tra"
117 Thin
118 "Who —?"
120 Dorm heads, for short
122 Pig's home
123 Boxing win, in brief
124 Scoundrel



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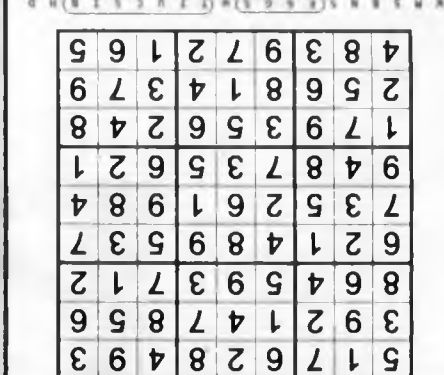
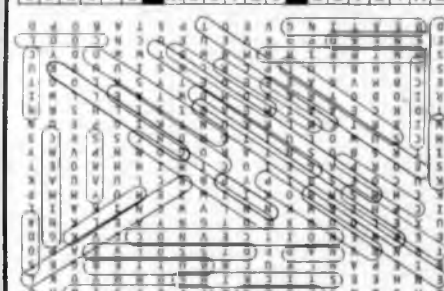
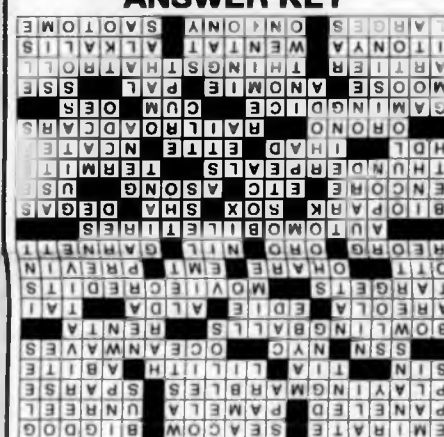


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