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Brother Rice shuts down CC lacrosse

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Eight seek mayor, council positions in Novi

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In the 2021 race for Novi City Council, one candidate has already stumbled and been disqualified, while two others dropped out.

Less than a week after filing to run, Bin Qamruzzaman was disqualified as a

candidate, for failure to file "multiple documents relating to campaign finance," City Clerk Cortney Hanson said.

Qamruzzaman filed the paperwork to run for council on April 20, the filing deadline, but Hanson was notified by the Oakland County Elections Division in a letter that Qamruzzaman had not filed proper documents from his 2019

campaign and owed \$2,800 in late fees.

"I didn't know about those late fees from two years ago," Qamruzzaman said on Monday. "I didn't collect any money or spend any money in the last campaign, and I was running it myself and couldn't keep up with the workload."

Qamruzzaman added that he planned to schedule an appointment

this week to resolve the issues with the county elections department, filing the proper documents and paying the fees. He said he should be eligible to run again once those steps are completed.

However, Hanson said while he can run as a write-in candidate, his name

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LaKeisha Dulin hangs out with her dog Mister Skittles outside her Canton home April 21. Dulin received a new heart in 2020 and is still dealing with some health complications. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Organ donation process challenging in pandemic

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LaKeisha Dulin was dying from a heart broken in more ways than one, but now has a second chance at life and love.

The kidneys of Thelma Desjarlais were failing, but her sister-in-law had one to spare, with a few stipulations.

These are two of the thousands of successful organ transplants celebrated by Gift of Life Michigan, which marks its 50th anniversary this year amid a pandemic and challenges that continue to inhibit its mission of saving lives.

"Last year we had 372 organ donors, which resulted in 1,048 transplants," CEO Dorrie Dils said. "In spite of the



Candy Desjarlais, foreground, donated a kidney to her sister-in-law Thelma Desjarlais. COURTESY OF CANDY DESJARLAIS

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Officials talk about South Lyon area road projects

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The wish list is long for traffic improvements in the South Lyon area, while as always, the money is short.

Widening of Grand River? An Interstate 96 exchange at Old Plank Road? Millions upon millions of dollars are needed to fix those roads.

Dennis Kolar is well aware of the traffic issues in Lyon Township, "one of the fastest growing townships in the area."

The managing director of the Road Commission for Oakland County heard about the concerns again in a bi-annual meeting with township and City of South Lyon officials earlier this month.

"Obviously, they are concerned about traffic growth on their system," Kolar noted. "There are no particular solutions. We are all aware of the issues, it's a matter of where are you going to secure funding."

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Northville Twp. supervisor proposes fieldhouse

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com
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Timeline-wise it's only the top of the first inning, but exploratory discussions have been pitched to build an athletic fieldhouse in Northville Township that would offer a year-round training and competition site for youth and adult sports teams.

"It is very, very exploratory at this point ... so we're going to look at it to see if it makes sense," said Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo. "I like the idea of an indoor facility because it gives us more opportunities

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Northville restaurant wants more outside seating

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Have you wanted to ever dine in the middle of a driveway? You'll soon have the chance at one of downtown Northville's restaurants.

The city's planning commission reviewed and recommended approval to allow the Garage Grill and Fuel Bar, 202 W. Main St., to add more than two dozen additional outdoor seats in the restaurant's front driveway.

The push for additional outdoor seating continues well into the COVID-19 pandemic where more restaurants have sought outdoor dining as a way to attract guests.

"This year was kind of a trial year for all of us in Northville and certainly for the Garage," said owner Mark Evasic during the meeting. "Those heaters were never meant to be running in January or February."

"However, people really embraced coming to dinner on some nights that were very, very cold."

Efforts have been made across the region to keep business for restaurants at a time when indoor dining has been limited. The Centers for Disease Control rec-



The Garage Grill and Fuel Bar in Northville wants to add more than two dozen additional outdoor seats in the front driveway. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

ommends dining outside or getting carryout as an alternative to dining indoors, which has a higher risk of spreading the coronavirus that causes COVID-19, according to that agency. Currently, the State of Michigan allows for 50% occupancy inside for restaurants.

The new seats at the Garage would coexist with other outdoor dining the American restaurant currently

offers. The driveway area will have seating for 26 people, spaced out six feet apart and roped off from the sidewalk to allow for serving alcohol.

How long the additional seating will remain at the eatery is something still to be determined. The initial request was to go until November, though several commissioners brought up the fact that outdoor dining in the middle of both Main Street and Center Street will continue through the winter until the end of next February.

With that farther-out date, some commissioners wondered if allowing for the restaurant, which is not within the area near the street closures, to have its temporary outdoor seating longer into the winter would better coincide with the rest of the activities downtown.

In the end, the additional, temporary seating will be allowed so long as the roads are closed in downtown Northville.

Especially if ownership planned to come back before the city to extend it, said Commissioner Marc Russell, allowing for it to run longer just made sense at the current time.

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Challenges remain for restaurants, hotels as COVID-19 recovery begins

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The hospitality industry in Michigan may not look the same once the COVID-19 pandemic ends the president and CEO of the Michigan Restaurant & Lodging Association recently told a group of Novi business people.

Justin Winslow spoke before a few dozen people during a City of Novi morning event April 22. Addressing the small group gathered at the food court at Twelve Oaks Mall — the first in-person talk he said he

had done in more than a year — he discussed the state of the hospitality industry and the challenges it has and will face in the future.

"The level of shuttered industry has been our reality for a long time and its impacts are felt acutely right now, and I think they're going to be something that we're going to feel as an industry as we're adapting to for a long time to come," he said.

He discussed the impact of shuttering dining rooms across the state last year, which totaled more than 150 days since March 16, 2020. Those closures, he said have resulted in sales being down 57% in Michigan compared to 26% nationally. In February, the restaurant industry has seen the loss of more than

225,000 jobs since the pandemic began. He said more than 3,000 restaurants have closed their doors since the beginning of the pandemic.

"I think it's something that's been felt by everyone, and felt by every industry and is felt by this industry more," he said.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer — and later the state Department of Health and Human Services — closed indoor dining twice in reaction to COVID-19: once from March 16, 2020 to early June 2020 at the beginning of the pandemic; and again from Nov. 18, 2020 to Jan. 31 when infection rates increased significantly.

For restaurant owners like J.D. West and Marty Knollenberg, who own Sedona Taphouse restaurants in both Novi and Troy, the challenge has

been difficult on many fronts. Those include a lack of clarity from the state on several issues, as well as a challenge to bring in more employees.

The yo-yoing of closures in the last year has made it tough for their employees, especially if they have to wait for unemployment checks due to issues at the state level, West said.

"A lot of people in this industry, they live week-to-week on their money," he said. "They don't have a huge savings account."

West said they are down between 20-30% of employees and have found it difficult to locate new workers. He said he used to get plenty of applicants before the pandemic through word-of-mouth; now, they spend money advertising positions to find help.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Historic District Commission (HDC) will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on May 19, 2021 to receive public input on the proposed demolition of the existing buildings located at 456 E. Cady St., Northville, Michigan, 48167, parcel numbers 48-004-02-0065-000 and 48-004-02-0009-005. The applicant is proposing to demolish the existing buildings on this site in order to construct a new, mixed-use building containing commercial and residential uses.

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 demolition of a resource in the district.

Meeting Location and Participation

The meeting will be held via video conference as allowed by City Council's Local State of Emergency Declaration due to the COVID-19 pandemic and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Members of the public body and members of the public participating electronically will be considered present at the meeting and may participate as if physically present at the meeting. The following is a link to attend the meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86249072995>, US: +1 646 558 8656 or +1 301 715 8592, Webinar ID: 862 4907 2995

Those needing assistance or accommodations should contact the City Manager's office at 248-449-9905. Log in instructions, information about electronic meetings, and a user guide can be found at: <https://www.ci.northville.mi.us/cms/One.aspx?portalId=11895963&pageId=13505469#hdc>. OR from the Home page, click on the Government tab, Agendas and Minutes, and scroll to the Historic District Commission section of the webpage.

Application Review and Written Comments

The demolition application is available for review at www.ci.northville.mi.us. From the Home Page, click Services, Building and Planning, Historic District.

Written comments to the HDC must be submitted by 4:30pm May 18, 2021 by mail to City Clerk, City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, or by using the City Hall drop box, or emailed to dmassa@ci.northville.mi.us.

DIANNE MASSA, CMC, CITY CLERK

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ENACTMENT ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted the following Zoning Ordinance amendments.

- **Ordinance #03-15-21Za** amends the Zoning Ordinance, Article 18 General Provisions, and Article 26 Construction of Language and Definitions pertaining to fence provision, to better coordinate screen wall and fence regulations, to add residential wall regulations, and to modify existing fence regulations in residential and non-residential districts. The ordinance was introduced for first reading on March 15, 2021, and adopted on April 19, 2021. Ordinance effective May 7, 2021.
- **Ordinance #03-15-21Zb** amends the Zoning Ordinance, Article 17 Parking, pertaining to assignment of parking credits, to modify the number of parking space credits assigned to existing buildings in the Central Business District to be more consistent with the parking requirements in the Central Business District as provided for in Section 17.01.13. The ordinance was introduced for first reading on March 15, 2021, and adopted on April 19, 2021. Ordinance effective May 7, 2021.
- **Ordinance #03-15-21Zc** amends the Zoning Ordinance, Article 15 Schedule of Regulations pertaining to multi-family residential units in the Central Business District, to reduce the minimum floor area for multi-family residential units in the Central Business District (CDB), Footnote 15 in Section 15.02. The ordinance was introduced for first reading on March 15, 2021, and adopted on April 19, 2021. Ordinance effective May 7, 2021.
- **Ordinance #03-15-21Zd** amends the Zoning Ordinance, Article 15 Schedule of Regulations pertaining to front open space requirement, to clarify that the front open space requirement, Footnote 26 in Section 15.02 applies to single-family residential lots in all residential zoning districts. The ordinance was introduced for first reading on March 15, 2021, and adopted on April 19, 2021. Ordinance effective May 7, 2021.

The complete text of the ordinance amendments 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, by appointment only, or on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us.

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Ad 2 - 359172 - 4/29 - City of NorthvilleCITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 03-15-21a

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 03-15-21a, to amend the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 42 Historic Preservation, Article 1, Sec. 42-3 Historic District, to reflect the new Historic District boundary as described in the Northville Historic District Study Report, Volume 1 and Volume 2 Final Reports, dated May 23, 2019 and revised January 25, 2021, as recommended by the Local Historic District Study Committee.

The ordinance was introduced for first reading on March 15, 2021, and adopted April 19, 2021. It is effective April 30, 2021. The complete text of the ordinance amendments 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, by appointment only, or on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us.

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Section 0.2 Advertisement for Bid

Northville Public Schools

Request for Proposal

The Northville Public Schools (also referred to the District or NPS in these documents) will accept sealed bids for:

**Northville High School
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A pre-bid meeting will be held at Northville High School located at 45700 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168 at 3:00 PM Local Time on Monday, May 3, 2021.

Bid documents will be made available online at: <https://sigma.michigan.gov> or at Northville Public Schools: <https://rb.gy/t6gqjd>. Bid documents will be placed on Buildingconnect.com with the following link: <https://rb.gy/yvukau>. Bidders are encouraged to visit the site. The following link is for instructions for Buildingconnect.com: <https://rb.gy/icv5uq>.

Proposals should be submitted through Buildingconnect.com with the following link: <https://rb.gy/yvukau>. No physical bids will be accepted in person or via delivery service. **Proposals are to be submitted no later than 1:00 PM Local Time Tuesday, May 11, 2021.** The District will not consider or accept a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission. Bids will be publicly opened immediately following the close of receiving bids with the following virtual meeting link: <https://rb.gy/6q9Bulg>.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole or in part; or, for reasons of establishing uniformity, delivery time or preference, to award the contract to other than the low bidder.

The contents of RFP and Bidder's (also referred to as Contractor in these documents) Proposal will become contractual obligations if a contract ensues. Failure of the Bidder to accept these obligations will result in the cancellation of the award. Award of a contract by the District is subject to the Contractor executing a Contract, which shall incorporate the contents of this RFP and the Contractor's Proposal and final approval if the same by the District's legal counsel.

In compliance with MCL 380.1267, the bid shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the board, or the superintendent of the school district. The bid shall also be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing whether the bidder is an Iran Linked Business in compliance with PA 517 of 2012. The Board shall not accept a bid that does not include these sworn and notarized disclosure statements.

Certified check or Bid Bond must accompany each proposal by an approved surety company in an amount not less than 5% of the proposal amount. All bids shall be firm for at least sixty (60) days from the date of opening of bids. Length of time required for completion shall be specified in the bid. All bids submitted must meet or exceed all specifications herein.

Any general questions should be referred to Steve Banchem, Director of Operations (248) 231 - 9879

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New COVID-19 cases plummet in MI

Mike Stucka
USA TODAY NETWORK

Michigan reported far fewer coronavirus cases in the week ending Sunday, adding 38,100 new cases. That's down 28.5% from the previous week's tally of 53,296 new cases of the virus that causes COVID-19.

Michigan ranked first among the states where coronavirus was spreading the fastest on a per-person basis, a USA TODAY Network analysis of Johns Hopkins University data shows.

In the latest week coronavirus cases in the United States decreased 13.8% from the week before, with 407,147 cases reported. With 3% of the country's population, Michigan had 9.36% of the country's cases in the last week. Across the country, 11 states had more cases in the latest week than they did in the week before.

Michigan added backlogged deaths throughout April, making week-to-week comparisons inaccurate. Across Michigan, cases fell in 77 counties, with the best declines in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Wayne County reported 7,032 cases and 107 deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 10,048 cases and 77 deaths. Throughout the pandemic the county has reported 150,249 cases and 4,540 deaths.

Oakland County reported 4,385 cases and 41 deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 6,654 cases and 33 deaths. Throughout the pandemic the county has reported 108,109 cases and 2,170 deaths.

Macomb County reported 4,424 cases and 62 deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 5,917 cases and 44 deaths. Throughout the pandemic the county has reported 92,204 cases and 2,176 deaths.

Livingston County reported 668 cases and six deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 1,007 cases and two deaths. Throughout the pandemic the county has reported 15,321 cases and 166 deaths.

Washtenaw County reported 793 cases and four deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported

ed 1,392 cases and three deaths. Throughout the pandemic the county has reported 24,931 cases and 263 deaths.

Michigan ranked 26th among states in share of people receiving at least one shot, with 41.2% of its residents at least partially vaccinated. The national rate is 42.2%, a USA TODAY analysis of CDC data shows. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, which are the most used in the United States, require two doses administered a few weeks apart.

In the week ending Sunday, Michigan reported administering another 611,384 vaccine doses, including 254,580 first doses. In the previous week, the state administered 662,384 vaccine doses, including 368,778 first doses. In all, Michigan reported it has administered 6,769,798 total doses.

Within Michigan, the worst weekly outbreaks on a per-person basis were in Huron, Muskegon and Newaygo counties. Adding the most new cases overall were Wayne County, with 7,032 cases; Macomb County, with 4,424 cases; and Oakland County, with 4,385. Weekly case counts rose in six counties from the previous week. The worst increases from the prior week's pace were in Muskegon, St. Joseph and Schoolcraft counties.

In Michigan, 475 people were reported dead of COVID-19 in the week ending Sunday. In the week before that, 371 people were reported dead.

A total of 911,800 people in Michigan have tested positive for the coronavirus since the pandemic began, and 18,409 people have died from the disease, Johns Hopkins University data shows. In the United States 32,077,178 people have tested positive and 572,200 people have died.

Note: In the Johns Hopkins University coronavirus data, cases and deaths for the Michigan Department of Corrections and the Federal Correctional Institution separately from Michigan counties.

The USA TODAY Network is publishing localized versions of this story on its news sites across the country, generated with data from Johns Hopkins University and the Centers for Disease Control. If you have questions about the data or the story, contact Mike Stucka at mstucka@gannett.com.

Kroger shopper victim of larceny

Susan Vela
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

A shopper recently visited the Kroger store in Milford and returned to his vehicle to find someone had stolen two Walmart bags from his car, he told police.

Officers said in a report that the shopper told officers on April 3 that an unknown person had committed the larceny when he visited his local Kroger, 670 Highland Ave., at about 8:15 p.m.

He figured he must have forgotten to lock his Ford Escape and the curious thief opened his tailgate.

Inside his Walmart bags were flowers and two Nintendo Switch games, valued at about \$120 total.

Kroger officials promised to look at security camera footage.



Richie Keith, of Rochester, Atticus Keith, Danielle Keith, and Poppy Keith check out a velociraptor on display from their vehicle at the Jurassic Quest exhibit at DTE Energy Music Theatre in 2020.

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Family hit returning to DTE this summer

Brian McCollum
USA TODAY NETWORK

One of last summer's big family hits is returning to DTE Energy Music Theatre.

Jurassic Quest, a drive-thru dinosaur exhibition, will take over the grounds of the Clarkston venue June 18-July 4. The touring attraction features more than 70 animatronic dinosaurs, designed in collaboration with paleontologists.

Tickets are \$49 per vehicle and can be purchased at jurassicquest.com. Large vehicles with nine or more riders can contact customerservice@jurassicquest.com for pricing info.

Jurassic Quest was one of the first major entertainment attractions launched in metro Detroit after the onset of the pandemic. Initially scheduled for two weekends last summer, it was expanded to four amid high demand, ultimately drawing about 34,000 vehicles and 125,000 patrons.

Judge: Testimony in skateboarder's death 'thin'

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USA TODAY NETWORK - MICH

A courtroom brawl continues over the proper charge for a young Westland man accused of driving into a Northville Township skateboarder, causing his death.

Attorneys argued during an April 23 hearing over evidence gathered to substantiate a felony charge of failing to stop at the scene of an accident, when at fault, resulting in death.

Third Circuit Judge Catherine Heise agreed to schedule a June evidentiary hearing for further debate.

"I would note for the record that the testimony in this case at the preliminary examination was rather thin," the judge said, then referring to a transcript of the proceeding. "They didn't know whether he was on the skateboard or if he was walking with the skateboard. They don't know where the impact was. Nobody saw the vehicle strike the decedent."

The case ultimately pits Gustavo Godinez, 20, of Westland against the deceased Dominic Duhn, a 20-year-old Michigan State University student and Eagle Scout.

If convicted, Godinez faces 15 years in prison. Duhn's legacy is at stake since Godinez's attorney has implied that Duhn was high when he found himself in the path of Godinez's vehicle the night of Sept. 3.

Prosecuting attorney

Brian Johnson acknowledged toxicology reports revealed marijuana was in Duhn's body at the time of death. He had been hanging out with friends before he and another went to skateboard down a Sheldon Road hill that lasted about 100 feet.

He also said that he learned after the October preliminary examination that Duhn had a medical marijuana card.

"As the court knows, just because you have marijuana in your system doesn't mean that you are actively smoking marijuana at the time," Johnson said. "Really, the testimony that we have is

that they were drinking a little bit, a couple of beers (and) a little bit of liquor.

"They were acting perhaps not in a way that older, more mature people would act."

The prosecuting attorney emphasized that any responsible driver would stay alert for traffic dangers. He emphasized that the skateboarders were using cellphone flashlights and weren't in the middle of the road. The defendant had his headlights on.

"This was a reasonably foreseeable consequence of a person that is not paying attention to the road, that is driving in a

way that causes the death of somebody," Johnson said. "I don't think that the victim's behavior cuts off that culpability."

Godinez is out on bond.

A search of Westland's 18th District Court records indicate he had several driving citations before the crash with Duhn.

One citation was for operating while reading, texting or sending a text. Gustavo paid \$205 in fines to resolve that case.

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- Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Commission
- Planning Commission

If you are a registered voter and interested in volunteering to serve on a City Board or Commission, information about the various Boards and Commissions is available at cityofnovi.org or by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (248)347-0456.

The deadline for filing an application is Friday, May 14, 2021. Applicants will be contacted by the City Clerk's Office regarding the date and time of interviews.

Courtney Hanson, City Clerk

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA

CITY OF NOVI

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 7:00 PM

(248) 347-0415

This meeting will be held electronically as authorized under the open meetings act, mcl 15.261, et seq., as amended. **Members of the public body and members of the public may participate electronically.**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL - Pursuant to the State of Michigan Open Meetings Act, all members shall identify their physical location by stating the county, city, and state from which he or she is attending the meeting remotely.

Zoning Board of Appeal Members: Krieger, Longo, Malott, Montague, Peddiboyina, Sanghvi, Sanker, Thompson

PUBLIC HEARING FORMAT AND RULES OF CONDUCT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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PUBLIC REMARKS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PZ20-0035 (Bowers & Associates/ Hilltop Assisted Living) 40255 Thirteen Mile Road, West of Haggerty Road and South of Thirteen Mile Road, Parcel # 50-22-12-200-059. The applicant is requesting variance from the Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 4.64.2 for a 74-foot setback along 13 Mile Road frontage (90 feet required by code, variance of 16 feet). This variance will accommodate the building of a new assisted living facility. This property is zoned Office Service Technology (OST).

PZ21-0021 (Jeffrey and Rebecca Laurie) 185 Maudlin Street, West of Old Novi Road and South of South Lake Drive, Parcel 50-22-03-452-010. The applicant is requesting variance from the Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.5 for a rear yard setback of 9.67 feet (35 feet minimum required by code, variance of 25.33 feet). This variance would accommodate the building a new covered deck. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ21-0022 (Dan and Wendi Williams) 1419 W Lake Drive, East of West Park Drive and South of W Pontiac Trail, Parcel 50-22-03-204-021. The applicant is requesting variances from The City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.5 for a side yard setback of 5 feet (10 feet minimum required, variance of 5 feet); an aggregate total side yard setback of 17.75 feet (25 feet required, variance of 7.25 feet); and a proposed lot coverage of 32% (25% maximum allowed, variance of 7%). Section 3.32-7 for a proposed deck 13.5 feet from the rear yard property line (17 feet minimum required, variance of 3.5 feet). These variances would accommodate the building a new home and deck. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ21-0024 (Abdul Alkhafaji) 41321 Llewelyn Drive, East of Meadowbrook Road and North of Eight Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-36-352-004. The applicant is requesting variances from The City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.1 for a proposed rear yard setback of 46.7 feet (50 feet required, variance of 3.3 feet); and an aggregate total side yard setback of 45.6 feet (50 feet required, variance of 4.4 feet). These variances would accommodate the re-building of a home and a new addition. This property is zoned Residential Acreage (RA).

OTHER MATTERS

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pandemic, we had our third record-breaking year in a row. We are very happy with that."

The number could have been even higher, Dils added, if not for the pandemic, which hindered life-saving transplants for a variety of reasons, including hospitals filled with COVID-19 patients stopping surgeries; many would-be organ donors dying at home from heart attacks or strokes; and the coronavirus infection itself tainting organs.

Vaccinations and increased medical knowledge about the virus is helping conquer pandemic issues, but even after 50 years of education about organ donation and its power to save and change lives, Gift of Life continues to battle misconceptions and fight for more individuals to sign up for the donor registry and talk to their families about their wish to help others.

In Michigan, there are more than 2,500 individuals on the transplant list and nationwide, 108,000 people are waiting for a transplant. Twenty people die every day waiting for a life-saving transplant in the U.S., and someone is added to the national list, on average, about every 10 minutes.

After heartbreak, a new lease on life

LaKeisha Dulin, 42, of Canton was added to the long list of those waiting for a transplant four years ago. Born with an enlarged heart and missing valve with a condition known as tricuspid atresia, she had two surgeries before the age of 8.

Her heart's function steadily declined and she suffered a crippling blow to it in May 2018 when her husband, Robert Dulin, was killed in a car crash. Their son, Shane, who was in the front seat with his father, was not physically harmed.

LaKeisha Dulin wondered after losing her husband of 14 years if she might be among the people she had heard of who died of a broken heart. She was crushed in an unbearable sadness, but also had two young children depending on her: Shane, whom she and her husband had adopted at birth, and her

niece, Saniya Hughes, whom they had been in the process of adopting.

Just a month before her husband's death, LaKeisha Dulin stopped working in business development for Comcast on her doctor's orders as her health deteriorated. There were hundreds of people on the transplant list in front of her, particularly people of color like herself.

"The transplant list is highly populated with people of color," Dils said. "It really has to do with genetic diseases, high blood pressure, kidney disease, hereditary diseases more common in that population."

Ethnicity and skin color are not part of the matching process for organ and tissue transplants, Dils said. Instead, matching relies heavily on blood type, as well as the antigens unique to individuals and which trigger immune response.

The advancement of immunosuppressants, drugs given to prevent rejection of donated organs, have increased the ability to match individuals.

Still, Dulin waited for a heart to be found, while she grew increasingly tired, unable to walk up stairs without being winded or walk a block without having to sit. Even getting dressed became a hurdle, and she was constantly short of breath, with ever-present chest pain.

On May 18 last year, her son's 13th birthday, Dulin walked into the hospital for a stress test and was told she couldn't leave. She was admitted and pushed to the top of the transplant list. On the morning of June 5, as she was about to eat breakfast in her hospital room, doctors walked in and stopped her.

They found a heart.

A life-giving kidney, with a few caveats

Thelma Desjarlais didn't have a hard time at all finding a kidney to replace her failing ones; her sister-in-law Candy Desjarlais spontaneously offered up one of hers.

Candy, now 50 and a Milford resident, remembers that day and moment vividly. She had just sat with Thelma, who was visiting from Alaska, through a 5-hour U-M dialysis treatment, something her sister-in-law needed to have every other day.

"It was awful to see the different age ranges, and patients were throwing up

or sleeping," Candy recalls. "Thelma was in her 30s, and I said, 'You can't live like this forever.' Our husbands (brothers, Tom and Doug) came to pick us up, and as we were walking out of the facility, it came out of my mouth before I even thought it. Definitely a higher power was working there — I said, 'You can have my kidney.'"

Thelma was stunned and, at first, reluctant.

A native of the Philippines, she had learned her kidneys were failing only after marrying Douglas Desjarlais and moving to the United States in the early '90s.

"It's really common in the Philippines to get kidney disease," Thelma, now 51, said. "Nobody treats strep or urinary tract infections, you just get over it."

She managed for many years without having to go on dialysis and had been on it for about one year when Candy offered a way out, but it took Thelma another year to come around and accept the gift from her sister-in-law.

Candy had with three stipulations: Thelma would need to occasionally listen to the music of Rick Springfield, enjoy a glass of red wine once in a while, and climb a mountain with her sister-in-law.

One of the caveats went into effect the day of surgery when Virginia Mason Hospital staff blasted "Jessie's Girl" at full volume as the women were wheeled into the operating room in Seattle.

Candy was celebrating going into surgery, but roles were reversed coming out.

"It's a lot harder on the donor than on the recipient who has been sick for a long time," Candy said.

Unexpected issues after transplant

It would take Candy about two months to recover, but she is quick to say she would do it again.

Thelma, meanwhile, had some unexpected issues to contend with following her transplant, as did LaKeisha.

Both women who received new organs suffered some depression.

Thelma said she had weight gain from the immunosuppressants and also a deep fear of her body rejecting her new kidney. To get her life back, she said, she focused on working and vocational training and started her own healthcare business, coordinating care for people

who are ill.

Two years ago to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the kidney transplant, Thelma made good on her final promise to Candy, and the pair climbed Flatop Mountain in Alaska, pausing midway while Thelma summoned her courage, aided by the strangers who were also climbing and heard their story.

When they reached the top of the mountain about four hours after they'd begun, a group of people cheered their arrival as Thelma shed a few tears.

A promise made, a promise kept, a life renewed.

"I really think organ donation is the ultimate love you can give to people, to give their life back," said Thelma, who hopes to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro with Candy for their 15th transplant anniversary in three years. "You give a second chance to people when you donate an organ to them. For me, donors are the ultimate hero."

LaKeisha Dulin left CS Mott Children's Hospital last August, two months after her surgery, knowing her heart donor had been someone very young.

"No one talks about the emotions you get from a transplant," she said. "You get depressed, survivor remorse... I felt grateful, but sad for the family. It's very conflicting. I had to work through that and understand that they picked the gift of life and wanted to help somebody."

Dulin has suffered some other health setbacks in recent months, but said her new heart is the "best thing on her body" and she is reclaiming her future. She has found love again, reconnecting with her high school sweetheart Michael Ford and is looking forward to seeing her children grow up and even got a new puppy, Skittles.

She also started writing a very special letter to a family she might never meet, but who in the midst of a terrible grief, gave a beautiful, selfless gift.

In that letter, she will express her gratitude, and tell them how they changed the life of a woman who was in heart failure and a widow, and the lives of her children who didn't have to suffer losing another parent.

"I hope everyone considers being an organ donor, because you don't realize how much you can change a person's life and their family's life as well," she said.

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**FOR THOSE TIMES WHEN YOU THINK YOU HAVE IT TOUGH...
LETTERS (THAT COULD HAVE BEEN) FROM THE BOOK OF JOB***

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Question #1 - Estate Recovery
Does Medicaid asset recovery take away old cheap autos?

My mom is a few days from passing from breast cancer, she however owns an old truck that my brother needs as he became the primary driver. However I'm hearing that Medicaid is going to asset recover whatever they can. It's just an 80 year expedition with 300,000 miles on it but it's my brother's pride as he worked hard to keep it running and wants to keep it to remember mom.

The Answer Is: There is no "old cheap auto" exception to estate recovery. But your brother might be in luck...

Explanation #1 Medicaid is not free for us middle-class folks who paid for it. If you are a saver, a taxpayer, a worker, Medicaid will first take almost all your stuff before helping with your long-term care. Then, when you are dead, Medicaid takes the leftovers. This is called "Estate Recovery."

Explanation #2 Estate Recovery works differently in different states.

In Michigan and a few other states, Medicaid only hovers up your stuff that goes through probate after you die. Avoid Probate = Avoid Estate Recovery.

However, in most states, Medicaid puts a "Medicaid Mortgage" on the stuff they let you keep until death. After you die, Medicaid is first in line. No escape! Does not matter that you avoided probate, the Medicaid lien against your house, car, personal property must be paid. Inheritance? Ha. Ha. Ha.

Observation #1 Medicaid Mortgage states get more Estate Recovery money than Michigan. A lot more.

Question #1 Does the State of Michigan have enough of your money? Will it ever have enough? Answer: Ha. Ha. Ha.

Question #2 When will the State of Michigan figure out that it would get a lot more of your money with Medicaid Mortgages? Answer: Like you, I do not know. (They tried and failed to pass Medicaid Mortgages in 2012, but that is a long story...)

Observation #2 Avoiding probate is not that difficult. Who gets screwed by probate-based estate recovery? Who pays the most? Upper middle-class folks? Middle middle-class folks? Lower middle-class folks? Answer: You know the answer.



Explanation #3 Automobiles and other titled vehicles can go to next of kin without probate. IF: 1- No other probate going on. AND: 2- Total value \$80,000 or less.

Explanation #4 Transferring a decedent's vehicle at your local Secretary of State is super easy. Barely an inconvenience. Just have all the next of kin sign off on the 1/4 page form. Email me and we will send you the form. Happy to help.

Question #3 Does your mom have other stuff that must go through probate? If so, Estate Recovery coming down. Including the rusty, old, 300,000-mile, pride-and-joy truck.

Conclusion: Estate Recovery applies to all probated assets. And only to probated assets. Rusty or not. Michigan Estate Recovery does not come after vehicles transferred to next of kin at the Secretary of State. Or other transfers outside of probate. Yet. So far. And that will never ever ever change. Ha. Ha. Ha.

Question #2 - Annuities

Medicaid questions?

Is it true that Medicaid can not take annuity payouts or balances for a nursing home or use annuity assets for their calculations in an immediate annuity? Is it correct that any immediate annuity would work for spend down or protecting the assets?

The Answer Is: No and no. A little information is dangerous. An annuity can be a useful tool. Dynamite can be a useful tool. Useful tools improperly used cause devastating disasters.

Fact #1 Every annuity is a life insurance policy. An annuity is a contract with a life insurance company. You pay them this much money, they pay you back that much money. Annuity terms are all over the map. Sometimes annuities are linked to the stock market. Sometimes annuity values go up but not down. Sometimes the values go up and down. Sometimes annuities make payments for an entire lifetime. Sometimes annuities pay for only a certain number of years. Sometimes there is a death benefit, sometimes not... How many kinds of annuities are there? Count the sands on the beach... A large beach.

Fact #2 Medicaid has precise and exact and technical rules about everything. All Medicaid applications are audited. "Close enough for government work" is not "close enough" for Medicaid. Remember that saying about "horseshoes and hand grenades"? Medicaid caseworkers have not.

You cannot rely on what your friend from church, financial advisor, neighbor, tax

preparer, brother-in-law or expert Internet pooh-bah authority tells you about Medicaid. Things that make no difference in the real world make huge differences in the Medicaid world. Medicaid has little to do with logic, common sense, fairness, truth, justice or the American Way. Medicaid is rules. Follow the rules, get the benefits. Break the rules, go broke.

Did I mention that the rules change every month? No? Well, each and every month, the Medicaid rules are "updated." Sometimes the changes are minor, sometimes profound. In February 2020, most popular "spend-down" techniques were prohibited. Whoops. And that is the way that it is.

P.S. That advice you got about how your best friend got her mom qualified? That was outdated in 2008. Just saying.

Point #1 You have lifesavings, home, automobile, typical personal property. You have not planned for long-term care or Medicaid. Your spouse has dementia.

Yes, you are behind the 8-ball, but you are not out of the game. Annuities can be important to getting the best care for your spouse.

Observation #1 You (single or married) can only have a certain bit of money and qualify for Medicaid. But Medicaid does not count all your money. Medicaid counts money that is just sitting there. Bank deposits count. Stocks count. Cottages count. Certificates of Deposit count.

Money in motion does not count. Properly done, an annuity takes money and makes it move. The Single Premium Immediate Annuity (SPIA) converts cash into an income stream. Countable cash that absolutely disqualifies now becomes uncountable income that does not necessarily disqualify.

Did I mention that this Medicaid stuff is confusing? No? Well, this Medicaid stuff is confusing.

Observation #2 Converting disqualifying deposits into innocent income, your spouse does not go broke.

Direct Answer to Question #1
Is it true that Medicaid can not take annuity payouts or balances for a nursing home or use annuity assets for their calculations in an immediate annuity?

NOT TRUE! Medicaid always accounts for "annuity payouts or balances" in their calculations. If done properly, the annuity represents income, not asset, to patient or to the spouse. Consequences include increasing the monthly Patient Pay Amount or decreasing the Community Spouse Income Allowance. There are other possible repercussions. KEY POINT: Annuity payments

and balances are always relevant and must be reported and verified.

Direct Answer to Question #2

Is it correct that any immediate annuity would work for spend down or protecting the assets?

NOT TRUE! Totally incorrect, false, not true, and a pipe dream to believe that "any immediate annuity would work for spend down or protecting the assets". As you know, nothing related to Medicaid is easy, simple, logical or straightforward. Some national insurance companies have offered "Medicaid-friendly" annuities for short periods of time, only to abandon these offerings. To "work" as a Medicaid plan component, an annuity must be actuarially sound. That means that the annuity must be irrevocable, noncommutable, no death benefit, State of Michigan as primary residuary beneficiary, market rate of interest and fees, paying equal monthly installments. Plus other requirements. Big companies do not want this nightmare.

That said, the Medicaid annuity is frequently part of an overall strategy to preserve lifesavings and ensure the highest level of care. Hey, if it was easy, everybody would be doing it!

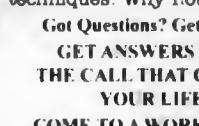


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Projects

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Out of the meeting came a list of 12 specific long-range priorities:

- Widen 10 Mile Road from Milford Road to Johns Road and coordinate with adjacent jurisdictions.
- Abandon the dead-end Pontiac Trail street north of the Milford Road/Grand River Avenue intersection.
- Complete the last portion of the Ring Road to divert existing and future truck traffic.
- Pave Old Plank Road from Grand River Avenue to Pontiac Trail.
- Pave 9 Mile Road from Griswold Road to Chubb Road.
- Pave approaches throughout township.
- Construct interchange at I-96 and Old Plank Road.
- Pave remainder of Martindale Road from Pontiac Trail to Grand River Avenue.
- Improve the Milford Road/Grand River Avenue intersection including reconstruction of Grand River Avenue (new pavement, street lighting, curb, gutter and streetscape) east to the Grand River Avenue/Lyon Center Drive roundabout.

- Widen Grand River Avenue.
- Grand River Avenue (3.5 miles section in "poor" condition) that runs through the industrial, commercial, and downtown areas.
- Traffic impact on Pontiac Trail north of I-96 with new developments.

In the RCOC virtual meeting, officials including Lyon Township Supervisor John Dolan and South Lyon City Manager Paul Zelenak updated Kolar on current projects that affect traffic.

Zelenak noted a \$40 million road program the city is developing and said he was excited about getting more downtown businesses. He noted two housing developments on the city's western border: the Pulte development on 11 Mile Road, as well as an apartment complex just south of there at 10 Mile and Dixboro.

Zelenak is seeking help for Pontiac Trail, particularly with storm sewers and road issues that he said had been talked about for 30 years, calling it the city's "biggest project, coupled with a downtown streetscape" also in the city's "biggest interest."



Lyon Township officials are considering some changes to the very busy intersection of Milford Road and Grand River in New Hudson, including closing off the dead-end road seen to the left of the New Hudson Inn.

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"We want to continue those conversations, we don't want them halted and no longer pushed forward," Zelenak said.

Dolan sought a focus on alleviating traffic issues on Grand River, which he said is "just exploding" with multi-million dollar industrial businesses as well as "huge residential developments being built all over."

"We want to open a conversation about an Old Plank Road interchange," Dolan said. "We really believe it would be a major plus to have an entrance and exit there. The fire department has a long turnaround when there are problems on the freeway, they have to go to Wixom Road and turn around at Milford Road."

Township Engineer Leslie Zawada noted the interchange would help get truck traffic off local roads, including Grand River, which gets backed up westbound in the evening rush hour and DDA Director Tina Archer chimed in that the extra traffic on local roads, particularly through the downtown areas, inhibits restaurant patrons from enjoying outdoor dining.

Archer called the Walbridge property, which sat quietly vacant but which has

recently received approvals for massive industrial complex plans, "the awakening of a giant" and one that will also add to Grand River traffic increased from Amazon.

Growth is expected on the Grand River corridor, Dolan conceded, but said "relief zones" are needed as traffic is forced down South Hill.

Grand River, two lanes and no center turn lane, could also present a safety issue becoming a "parking lot" during heavy traffic times, in which emergency vehicles can't pass.

The traffic issues also balloon when taking into account developments in nearby Milford, including Kensington Ridge and the Crossings of Milford.

Kolar said the RCOC is limited in what they can do regarding those developments, "making the best of their access points and what those intersections look like. We're looking at that one. There are developments on both sides."

Another potential development could be coming to the Erwin Orchards property with a Lombardo Homes concept plan that will be brought to the planning commission April 26 after a previous plan was shot down due to high density of homes.

In that previous plan, developer Howard Fingeroot had proposed as a public benefit footing the bill of an alignment of Kent Lake Road and Pontiac Trail.

Less than a week before the pandemic reached Michigan last March, township and RCOC officials announced that either a roundabout or traffic light was warranted at the intersection of Kent Lake and Silver Lake roads, to be determined by a traffic study.

Kolar said last week that a road alignment in that area is not currently on the radar.

"One of the reasons is we know something will happen there and in order to do (a traffic improvement) we are going to have to deal with the property owner," he said. "In order to realign roads, we would have to buy property. When you buy property in a fast-growing area, the property gets expensive, so what is the value in that?"

As is perpetually the case, funding is a problem and amplified by the pandemic. Last year, the RCOC suffered a \$9 million decrease in fuel package revenue and Kolar expects to see an \$11 million decrease this year in the state funding that comes from gas taxes and vehicle registrations.

It's further financial pain that adds to daunting issues that will require help from state and federal agencies. An I-96 interchange at Old Plank or South Hill would cost an estimated \$40 to \$50 million, Kolar said, and he also wondered what it would mean heading into Milford Township.

"There are a lot of players," he said. "We have a list of long-term goals, nothing imminent."

What is imminent is the paving of Currie Road, a 2-year multi-million dollar project both RCOC and township officials are excited about.

As the April 6 meeting drew to a close, RCOC representatives told the Lyon officials they would "get back with" them in regards to the interchange and Pontiac Trail issues.

"I want continued discussions with Pontiac Trail and the drainage issues," Zelenak reiterated. "I want to make sure it doesn't fall on the back burner, because it's been two years since the last discussion on that."

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Armenian author keeps family history alive

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Ariana Kabodian learned a lot about the Holocaust while growing up but not much about her own ancestors' genocide.

In commemoration of the 106th anniversary of the Armenian genocide and in honor of her family's history, the 28-year-old Armenian author interviewed her relatives and wrote a book called "Forget Me Not: Armenian Genocide Recollections."

The book was published this month by Chapbook Press Schuler Books. Printed on the cover is the official symbol of the Armenian genocide — the forget-me-not flower.

"I knew that the Holocaust was very well known in our community as well as nationally and internationally but unfortunately, the Armenian genocide did not have the same 'well-known factor,'" Kabodian said.

It was when her sister handed her a book about the Holocaust, to read last summer, that she felt inspired enough to share her family's history as well.

Kabodian's mother is first-generation Armenian American, while her father is second generation. She was born in Royal Oak and raised in Novi.

Being Catholic and Armenian Orthodox, Kabodian attended Mercy High School in Farmington Hills and Sunday school at St. John's Armenian Church in Southfield.

"I think it is important to my family to have an understanding of religion," she said. "And to have it be a focus throughout my life and education has kind of just helped me to stay informed with my faith, and with the community as well."

Armenia is located near the Mediterranean Sea in west Asia. Nearly 3 million Armenians currently reside there. The nation was the first to declare Christianity as its official religion in the

year 301.

Between 1915 and 1923, 1.5 million Armenians were annihilated or exiled by the Ottoman Empire — known as modern-day Turkey. This led to Armenians being dispersed throughout the world, according to Kabodian's book. Many migrated to the United States — especially Los Angeles, Detroit, Boston and Philadelphia.

President Joe Biden recognized the genocide on Saturday, Armenian Remembrance Day, stating that each year "we remember the lives of all those who died in the Ottoman-era Armenian genocide and recommit ourselves to preventing such an atrocity from ever again occurring."

Kabodian said the acknowledgment from Biden is a "big day for Armenia."

Michigan is home to about 50,000 residents of Armenian descent, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

Alex and Marie Manoogian were some of the most influential Armenians in Michigan. Alex Manoogian patented the first washerless single-handle faucet, the Delta faucet, and founded Masco Corp., a manufacturer for the home improvement and new home construction markets. The couple donated the Manoogian Mansion to the city of Detroit, which uses it as the official mayoral residence.

Former Michigan Gov. George W. Romney first recognized the Armenian genocide in the state on April 24, 1967, according to the Armenian National Committee of America. Since then, several governors and state legislators have formally recognized the Armenian genocide as well.

Most recently, the cities of Novi, Livonia and Southfield issued proclamations this month recognizing the Armenian genocide in commemoration of the upcoming anniversary.

"The proclamations are a result of the work of the (Armenian National Com-



Ariana Kabodian with the family dog, Samson. COURTESY OF ARIANA KABODIAN

mittee) of Michigan and its activists' grassroots efforts to reaffirm and recognize the Armenian Genocide especially in light of the Azerbaijani and Turkish attacks on Artsakh last year," stated the news release.

Turkey has historically denied any responsibility for the Armenian genocide, but in 2019 the U.S. Congress voted to officially recognize the genocide and formally reject all forms of denial accusations, according to "Armenian Genocide Recollections."

Kabodian's book features about 20 of her family members, she said. Each section is devoted to one particular family member's experience during the Armenian genocide and the Istanbul pogrom.

Originally, the book was intended to stay within the family, but Kabodian said she "realized that it's really important to educate people about things in history, and this would be a great way to do that."

"I really wanted to just try to preserve my family's history," Kabodian said. "I wasn't really sure what exactly the book would turn into but I quickly realized

that there are a lot more stories in my family that I wasn't aware of. And so as I was beginning to develop the book and move along in the process of it, I realized that it'd be important for people outside of my family to know about the book as well."

All profits from Kabodian's book will be donated to help children in Armenia through her partnership with the non-profit Paros Foundation.

Kabodian received her undergraduate degree in sustainable business from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids and is currently obtaining her Master of Business Administration at Wayne State University.

She also works in higher education sales as a digital account manager at XanEDU in Ann Arbor. Balancing work, school and the book took a lot of time management and effort, she said.

"This was a 'pandemic project' she has been working on over the past year," said Kabodian's father, Armen Kabodian. He is "proud and touched" that his daughter would take the time to do this for their family.

"The stories are disappearing. The people are dying," said Armen Kabodian. "And for her to think about how important it is to remember, and not forget what happened, and then to take the action and the time to capture all that information ... I'm really quite impressed."

Armen Kabodian's grandparents came to the United States around the early 1920s, he said.

"My grandparents came here through Ellis Island with pretty much nothing, and to think about all that we are blessed with now — that is really a result of their sacrifice and their endurance and having to go through what they had to," he said. "I feel so fortunate and so blessed that they decided to fight and that they survived. God bless them for that."

Fieldhouse

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for recreational activities in the winter months. I like keeping our kids active."

The fieldhouse discussion during the April 15 Northville Township Board of Trustees monthly meeting emphasized if an indoor athletic facility project was ultimately approved it would be a solid brick, mortar and steel structure as opposed to an inflatable dome.

"Aesthetics are certainly a consideration, but the bubble concept would require more maintenance and be more costly on an all-around basis operationally," Abbo said. "As we move forward, we're definitely looking at brick and mortar."

Northville Community Parks & Recreation Director Mark Gasche said the demand for an indoor athletic facility would be high based on the number of athletic teams in recreation, travel and adult teams based in Northville and in surrounding communities.

The closest facilities of this kind are located in Wixom (Total Sports) and Canton Township (High Velocity Sports). Both those facilities are privately-owned.

"Program-wise, it'd be fantastic," Gasche said. "We'd be able to offer indoor programs for the field sports year-round. It would especially be popular, obviously, in the winter months when



Northville Township officials are considering building an athletic fieldhouse at Marv Gans Community Park on Beck Road. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

teams can't play or practice outdoors.

The way they build these facilities now with the basic turf fields, they can host soccer, baseball, softball, football, lacrosse ... you name it. It would complement everything we're able to do with our outdoor-season sports with the fields we have now."

Marv Gans Community Park, located on Beck Road between Five and Six Mile roads, would be considered an idyllic location for the facility, Gasche said, adding other sites would not be ruled out.

"Gans already has the infrastructure in place: parking, utilities, restrooms, although the facility would have indoor restrooms, obviously," he said. "It would be ideal to be able to offer indoor and outdoor sports in the same location."

Gans Park is already equipped with multiple baseball, softball and soccer fields.

"It could be like High Velocity in Canton in that respect because that building is just a short walk away from several softball and baseball fields," Gasche

said.

Abbo and Gasche emphasized two points regarding the feasibility of a fieldhouse.

"It's very, very early in the discussion phase," Abbo asserted. "And we would only pursue the plan if it was financially sound. We're starting with a white paper. Everything is on the table. I'd like to see a public-private partnership. We'd have to decide how it's going to be governed, who's going to operate it, how will the equity, profits and losses be shared. We'd need to find out how long it would take before it's breaking even or making money. There is a lot to be looked at."

Gasche said preliminary talks he's had with the operators of Total Sports have been encouraging.

"They think there is a great opportunity for a facility like this in Northville Township," Gasche said. "But, as with everything, it all comes down to money."

Gasche said the Total Sports set up is what would make sense for Northville, but only on a smaller scale.

"The Wixom facility is very, very large," Gasche said. "I want to visit the facility in Canton and see what it has to offer."

"We'll see if we can put together a project that makes sense," Abbo said. "If we can, we'll go forward. If we can't we won't. It's as simple as that."

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Novi

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will not be on the November ballot.

The ballot will also not have the names of Alexander Weyer or incumbent Andrew Mutch as both candidates withdrew their names late last week, after filing only a week prior.

"I thought a long time about whether to run or not," he said. "I've been on city council for 16 years, which is 1/3 of my life, which kind of put it in perspective for me," Mutch said. "I was ready to step back and let some new people an opportunity to contribute."

New council candidates on the November ballot will include Mark Alafita, Karyn Chopjian, Brian Smith, and Ericka Thomas, who will join incumbent Justin Fischer and Julie Maday, who was appointed in January, in seeking election to three available 4-year seats.

Ajay Raman will challenge long-time Novi Mayor Bob Gatt for a 2-year term.

All candidates were asked to email an initial comment (with more details to

come later in the campaign) on why they are running for mayor or city council in 2021.

Here are the responses from the candidates for mayor:

Bob Gatt: "I love this city. I love serving the great residents of Novi. We've got wonderful people on city council, who make important (and correct) policy decisions that help make Novi the greatest city in the state. Novi's never been in better shape under my leadership as your Mayor during the past nine years."

Ajay Raman: "Novi deserves leadership with a true pulse on the community and a proactive desire to address the needs of its residents. I am running for Mayor of Novi alongside three equally passionate city council candidates (Mark Alafita, Ericka Thomas, and Brian Smith) to shape a brighter future for our incredible city."

Responses from the candidates for city council:

Mark Alafita: "During the 2020 election in support of the Democratic slate, I knocked on a lot of doors and spoke to plenty of voters in Novi. So many of the

issues they mentioned are items that can be handled by a strong, creative city council and mayor. I am running for city council because I can help develop the changes that will positively impact Novi residents' lives."

Karyn Chopjian: I am running for a seat on the Novi City Council because as a precinct delegate since 2017 for District 14 and presently, for District II, it has been a privilege to volunteer my services. I take the job very seriously. I also participated 2 long days at the TCF Center in Detroit during the last election and desire to get further involved in government affairs."

Justin Fischer: "I am running for reelection because I love working with the wonderful people on city council and our dedicated city staff toward making Novi the best it can be. I'm excited to continue sharing my experience and talents to help residents and businesses recover from the COVID pandemic and ensure Novi emerges even stronger than before."

Julie Maday: "I've enjoyed my time as an appointee for the city council and hope to continue my efforts to support

the community of Novi. In particular, I hope to further drive broad community engagement and improve the mental and physical health of all of our residents."

Brian Smith: "The events of the last year have accelerated existing trends and introduced changes we never would have imagined looking forward from the start of 2020. I feel Novi needs leadership that can think outside the box to address these challenges head on to create a better city for all residents, and I want to be part of that team."

Ericka Thomas: "I have worked on several ballot initiatives and political campaigns over the last few election cycles. The cooperative work of volunteer teams were able to elect candidates and pass proposals that truly make a difference in our lives. We need that same progress at the local level. Novi deserves a mayor and city council with fresh ideas that will make smart, thoughtful choices to move our city forward."

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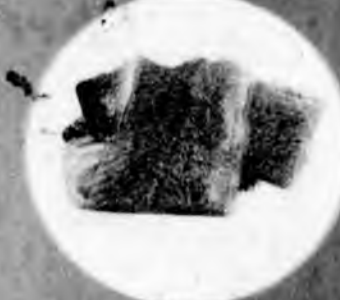


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Brother Rice shuts down Catholic Central

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In his 25th season as the head coach of Detroit Catholic Central's lacrosse team, Dave Wilson knew what to expect from Brother Rice.

On paper, the Shamrocks knew what they were up against: a team that has

won 14 of the last 15 Division 1 state titles, including eight times against them. But Wilson tried to drill in practice what his players would see when an inexperienced roster experienced the rivalry for the first time.

"I would tell them at practice: 'Here's how this is going to go,'" Wilson said. "They just kind of look at me. During the

game, I'm like 'Well, I wasn't lying.'"

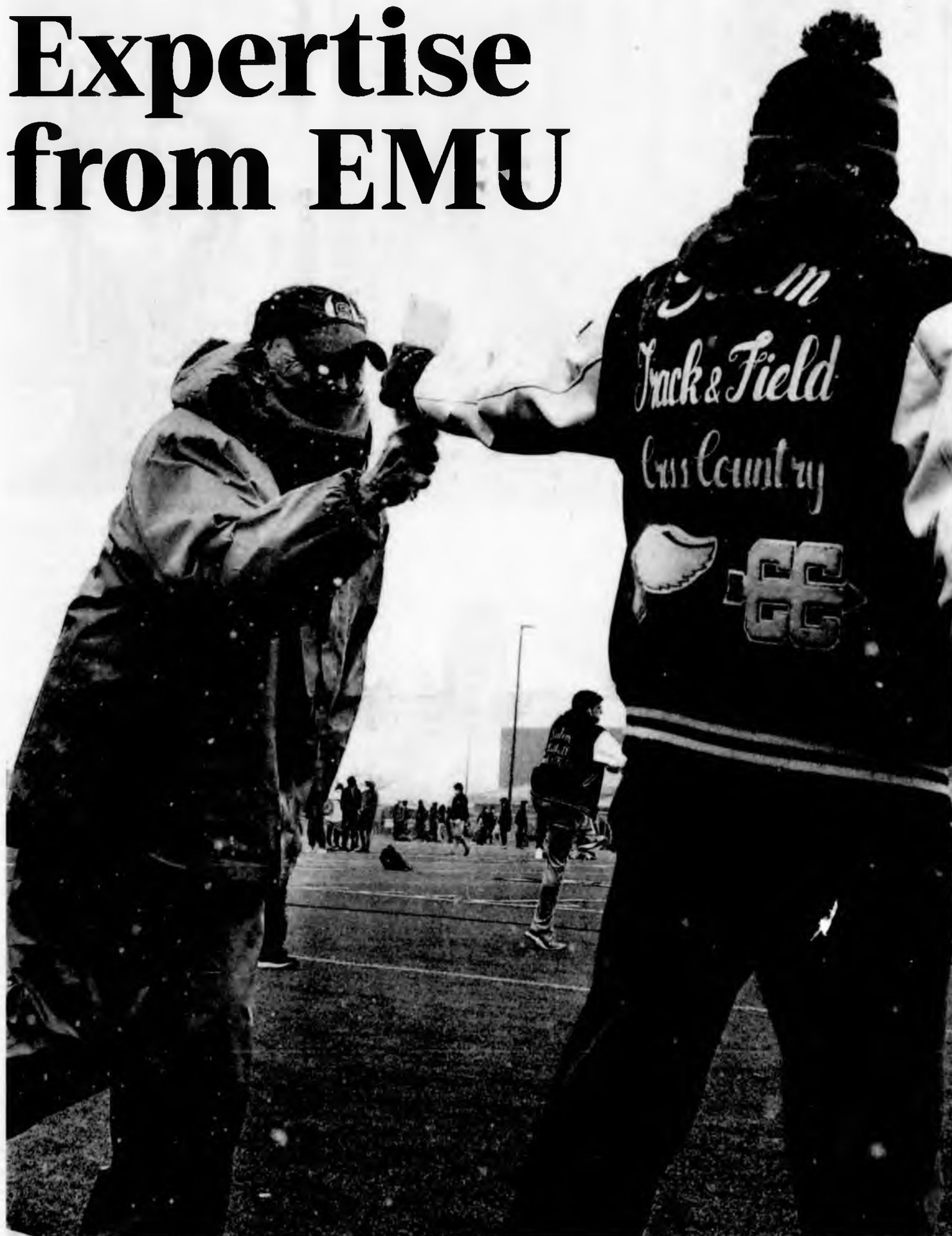
With inexperienced rosters on both sidelines, Brother Rice (6-1) stepped up in a major way defensively April 21, beating Catholic Central (3-2), 8-1.

The Warriors currently hold a four-game win streak against the Shamrocks, who last beat Brother Rice June 9, 2018, in the Division 1 state title game.

"Look, we're a very inexperienced team," Brother Rice head coach Ajay Chawla said. "We're young, these guys haven't played in a year like everybody else. They are going to make their fair share of mistakes. But as long as we bring that hustle and the energy we

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Expertise from EMU



Salem track coach John Goodridge teaches relay runner Kyle Quint a baton hand-off technique before a meet April 20.
JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Goodridge brings decorated coaching career to Salem

Colin Gay Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Salem boys track coach John Goodridge gathered his team in the middle of the Northville athletic field after its dual meet. The players huddled close, trying to stay warm in the middle of a 30-degree, snowy, late April evening.

Goodridge told the team what it had

already known: that it came into the meet 20-point underdogs against the Mustangs — the reigning KLAA West champions.

But while he didn't know the official score, Goodridge — standing strong in front, clad in a blue Salem baseball cap and layers upon layers of jackets — told his runners they had done enough. They won.

The players remaining shot up, the cold quickly melting away with each fist pump and high five. Goodridge celebrated, too, something he was already used to in his past life.

Goodridge is the most decorated cross country coach in Eastern Michigan University and Mid-American

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Second-half surge over Northville helps Salem soccer stay undefeated

Colin Gay Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Salem girls soccer had a tale of two halves April 22 against Northville.

The Rocks started out strong in the first 10 minutes and then began to taper off, coming back to life late in the first 40 minutes, but failing to earn a score.

But after momentum turned toward Salem and a few halftime adjustments were made, the Rocks (4-0-1) took full control, scoring three second-half goals to beat Northville (4-4), 3-0, at home.

"I think we did a much better job in the second half kind of creating a bit more pressure and then, defensively, not allowing them to get out of their half so easily," Salem head coach Kyle Karns said. "Once we did that, it was just being able to keep the ball in their half and our offense started 45 yards from goal as opposed to 80."

Kennedy Hyde knew what that offense wanted to look like.

Racing down the field, the Salem senior defender set up the team's final two goals of the game: a cross to set up sophomore mid Elyse Wiacek and a corner kick turned header by senior defender Leah Courtney.

To Karns, this is what Courtney does: create dangerous opportunities for the Salem offense.

Salem senior mid Grace Musai opened the scoring six minutes into the period, hitting the ball across her body to the top left corner of the goal, passing by the Northville's diving goalkeeper Samantha Pendelton for the score.

Northville head coach Eric Brucker said Pendelton has been the team's most valuable player through the team's eight games, saying that she has single-handedly kept the Mustangs afloat at times.

Despite earning wins against Plymouth, Canton and Novi — ending the Wildcats' win streak that dated back to the 2018 season — Brucker said the Mustangs are not close.

"Even though we have four wins, we haven't really played 80 full minutes yet. This is just another example. I think we played, against an undefeated team, a solid 40 minutes," Brucker said. "We came out a little flat at the start of the second half and that's all it takes."

"Now we're playing from behind."

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Clutch pitching carries Hartland in sweep of Brighton

Bill Khan Livingston Daily
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A typical sophomore might have succumbed to the pressure of pitching through some sketchy moments in his first big varsity baseball game.

But Hartland's Gannon Grundman isn't an average 10th-grader trying to find his way playing with the big boys.

He's already been through a season of competing in pressure situations at the varsity level as a member of Hartland's basketball team. Grundman was a key contributor off the bench for a team that was in the hunt for the KLAA West championship and played in the district final.

So, in some ways, he is more battle-tested than most of the juniors and seniors who were in their first rivalry game

as varsity players Friday against Brighton, having missed all of last season because spring sports were shut down.

Grundman allowed two hits and struck out seven in five innings while going 3-for-3 at the plate in a 6-3 victory over Brighton in the first game of a doubleheader.

The Eagles completed the sweep with a 4-1 victory.

During basketball season, Grundman averaged 5.5 points and shot 40% from 3-point range as one of the Eagles' first players off the bench. It was great preparation for an even bigger role on the baseball team.

Grundman is one of seven sophomores on a team that is ranked ninth in Division 1 and off to a 6-0-1 start.

"We have a couple sophomores who are just a little different as far as how

they approach the game, how they slow down the moment, how they react after handling failure, which is pretty rare at this age," Hartland coach Brad Guenther said.

Jake Wohlfert pitched two shutout innings of relief, striking out five. Wohlfert then provided three innings of no-hit shutout relief in the nightcap, striking out five.

The second game was tied 1-1 in the top of the sixth inning when Hartland junior Kasy Shaddock lined a 3-2 pitch for a single to right with one out and the bases loaded. Two runs scored on the hit, which would have been at least a three-run double had the runners not held up.

A run-scoring fielder's choice off the bat of Job Gallaher completed the three-run inning. Wohlfert issued a one-out

walk in the bottom of the sixth before fanning the last two batters. The game was called at that point because of darkness.

Jack Storey doubled in Brighton's only run in the fourth to tie the game. Brighton's Andrew Renner struck out eight batters in four innings, allowing one run, in the nightcap.

The Bulldogs (4-5) had only five hits in 13 innings Friday.

"They threw strikes," Brighton coach Charlie Christner said. "They commanded the strike zone. I thought our guys had some pretty good swings at some pitches. ... They made pitches when they needed to and made some plays behind them. Their third baseman (Bruce Jellison) made a couple big plays in the first game that were really difference makers for them."

Salem

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We're not ready to compete with some of these teams."

For Karns, it's the opposite.

After the game, he told his players he now knows what to expect moving forward. After the second half Salem played, this team will be hard to beat. Now, Karns said to his team, he knows what they are capable of.

"I think it's coming together," Karns said. "I think we are starting to find that groove."

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At right, Northville's Samantha Pendleton makes a tough save against Salem on April 22. Salem won, 3-0, to stay undefeated. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Salem's Abby Siddall.

Goodridge

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Conference history, winning 21 MAC conference titles and 21 Coach of the Year awards between cross country, indoor and outdoor track in 19 seasons.

After his retirement after the 2019-20 season, after 35 seasons split between the Eagles, Wake Forest and Michigan State, Goodridge soon saw an opportunity to return to coaching if he wanted to.

He already knew the impact of the high school track coach. He had been one before: previously coaching at Ann Arbor Huron and Ann Arbor Greenhills.

"I don't think any coach touches kids the way the high school coaches do," he said. "It's entry level. You set the tone. It's a challenging, difficult sport. It's all on you as an individual."

"To have that opportunity to help kids learn to handle that and understand it, to sort of embrace it for what it's worth — and it's hard, it's hard — that really kind of sparked that I was thinking seriously about it."

Goodridge still had to decide if it was something he still wanted to do.

And at the age of 72, the sport of running showed Goodridge it was not done with him yet.

Becoming a fan again

Right after Goodridge announced his college retirement, Pinckney boys track coach Matt Gerardi gave him a call, asking if the former college coach wanted to come to a practice.

Goodridge's initial answer was no. He was not ready. But since Gerardi was a friend, Goodridge changed his mind. He went into the meet with a different lens.

"It's not that I hadn't been at high school meets, but not as much as my earlier years as a college coach. But I was there with a different perspective," Goodridge said. "I was there as a spectator, not on a recruiting effort, looking at some kid. I was just a pure spectator going there as a fan of the sport."

Goodridge returned to the place where he first fell in love with running.

He grew up in Long Island, right outside of New York City. Goodridge remembers watching a childhood friend — one of the better 800-meter runners in the state — run around the block, recalling his beautiful form as he graced past his front door.

He remembers attending indoor track events at Madison Square Garden: a packed house, the spectators seemingly on top of all the athletes racing



John Goodridge won 21 MAC titles, including 13 cross country conference championships, during his 19 years at EMU. COURTESY OF GREG STEINER

around a small indoor track.

Goodridge never described himself as a talented athlete but one who enjoyed the process, enjoyed the atmosphere of the sport of running.

As the former college coach started watching local cross country meets, he noticed those runners that reminded him of himself growing up.

"I was immediately more drawn to the interactions that I saw with parents and coaches of the stragglers that were coming in," Goodridge said. "I could relate to those boys because when I was a high school runner, I was closer to the back than I was to the winners."

For Goodridge, working with those proven seniors, those that have found success and are off to collegiate programs, was something he could do in his sleep.

It was the challenge of teaching the game he loved to the newcomers, the freshman, that made him want to come back to the track.

"I've always tried to challenge athletes, whether that was early in my career as a high school coach or returning to it or as a college coach," Goodridge said. "It is trying to build confidence in athletes that they can get to... that personal improvement."

The development process

Throughout his sophomore and ju-

nior years at Salem, Gavin Ray was trying to get a scholarship to run at Eastern Michigan. He consistently emailed to Goodridge and his coaching staff, trying to get noticed.

During the pandemic, Ray shifted his focus elsewhere and found his home at Madonna. But when former Salem head coach Steve Aspinall told the senior he was stepping down, the coach could not wait to tell his runner about who was going to step in his place.

"If you told me I wouldn't get to have Coach Aspinall, I mean, Coach Goodridge would be near the top of the list if not at the top of the list," Ray said. "It's unbelievable how awesome it is."

As a senior that will soon be a college freshman runner, Ray is spoiled.

Goodridge and he have very similar approaches to training, the Salem senior said: a lot of hills and hard repeats with a lot of track work.

Ray said both click well together, building a solid foundation for the collegiate level.

Talha Syed is in the same boat as Ray. The Salem senior is already committed to run at Columbia University in the fall, but Goodridge helped him step up his workouts to prepare for the strenuous schedule of a Division 1 program.

"A lot of guys have to make that step up to do very high-volume workouts like managing that intensity," Syed said, cutting time after only two base training

workouts with Goodridge.

"I think right now I have a coach with super good experience and tons of knowledge when it comes to workouts. It's been super good to train at that level, but with someone who knows how to spread it out so I'm not overdoing it."

While helping the older runners prepare for the next level, Goodridge has also used his platform to mentor younger runners, who want to get where Ray and Syed are, helping the underclassmen understand the recruiting process and becoming a sounding board for any questions that they may have.

For Goodridge, it's these interactions that show why he's back; why he's standing out in the cold, relaying the message of the team's second dual-meet win of the 2021 season.

He's with Salem for the same reason he was at Eastern Michigan: to help runners achieve what they want to achieve, whether it's at a local, state, national or world level.

He just wants them to take the next step. Returning to the high school realm, his love of the sport is just being shown to a different audience.

"It's a giving experience and that's powerful," Goodridge said.

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Five NFL draft fits for Lions at No. 7

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Brad Holmes has "a good cluster" of players he would feel comfortable drafting at No. 7, but mathematically speaking, it's anyone's guess how many prospects that cluster entails.

Trevor Lawrence, clearly, is the top player in this draft. Presumably, Holmes would feel good about taking Florida's Kyle Pitts, LSU's Ja'Marr Chase and BYU's Zach Wilson, too. None of those four seems likely to be on the board at No. 7, but it is safe to say Holmes still has at least three other players he is eyeballing with his pick.

In trying to identify draft fits for the Lions this year — guys who play hard, have high motors and love football, according to Holmes' definition — and whose talent would make them worthy of the No. 7 pick, I settled on these five possibilities (beyond the four who likely will be gone, and knowing full well others could be in the mix in a trade down).

Penei Sewell

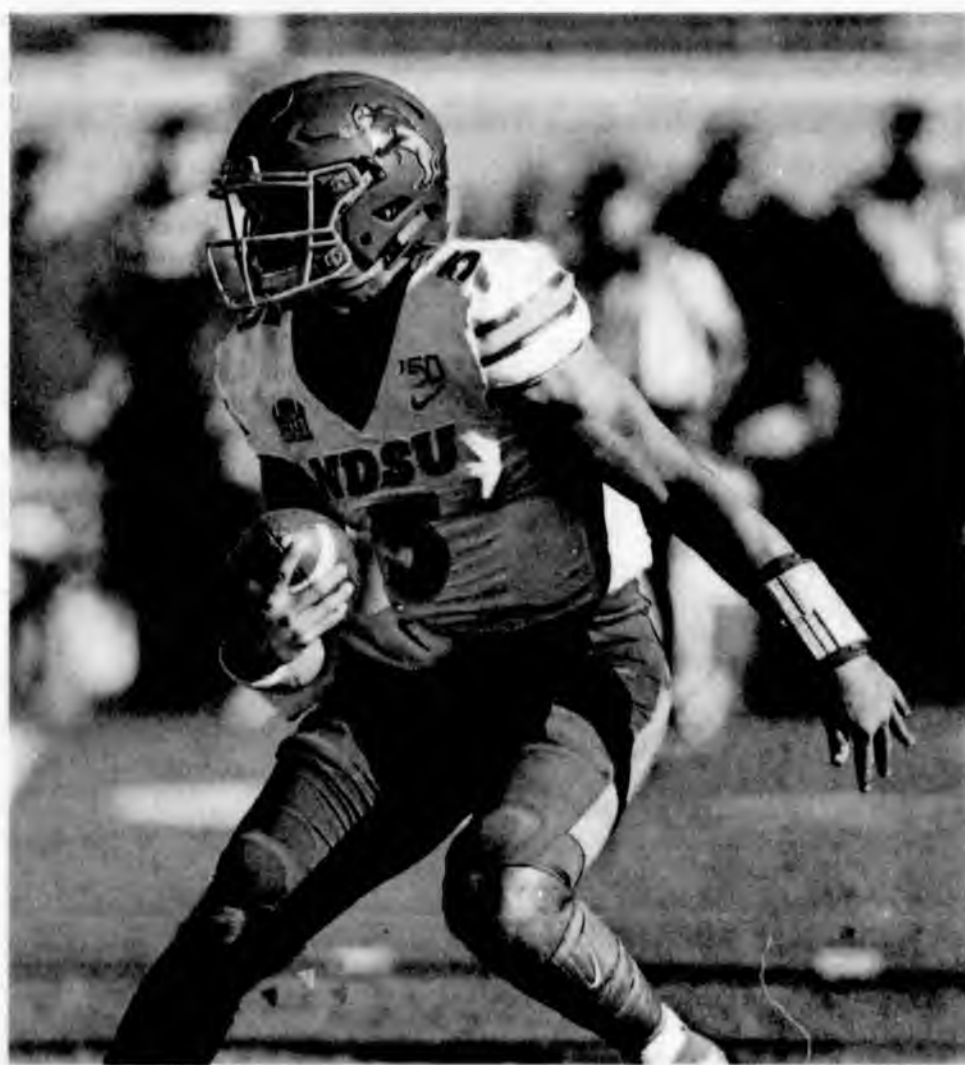
Position: OT
College: Oregon
Vitals: 6 feet 5, 331 pounds

Scouting report: Sewell has been ticketed as the top offensive tackle in the 2021 draft since he started seven games at left tackle as a true freshman. He is a phenomenal athlete for his size and has the ceiling of a perennial All-Pro. The Outland Trophy winner as a sophomore, Sewell opted out of last season and has had to answer questions about his consistency and maturity. It's important to note, however, that he played most of his first two college seasons as a teenager and would join a veteran offensive line in Detroit where he would start his NFL career as a cog in the machine at right tackle and not the modern day version of Anthony Munoz.

Rashawn Slater

Position: OT
College: Northwestern
Vitals: 6-4, 304 pounds

Scouting report: Sewell's potential is undeniable, but some scouts favor



NDSU quarterback Trey Lance runs the ball during a game against SDSU in 2019.
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Slater and his higher floor as the best lineman in the draft. Slater was a three-year starter at Northwestern before opting out of the 2020 season. He played right tackle his first two years, then switched to left tackle and did not allow a sack as a junior. Slater gets high marks for his makeup — his father, Reggie, played seven seasons in the NBA — and durability, though there are questions about his eventual position because of his size and 33-inch arms, which are on the short side for NFL left tackles. A five-position player up front, Slater would start at right tackle or guard in Detroit.

DeVonta Smith

Position: WR
College: Alabama
Vitals: 6-0, 166 pounds

Scouting report: It's a coin flip who the No. 2 receiver in the draft is behind Chase, and I gave Smith the slightest of nods here over his Alabama teammate Jaylen Waddle. Both players seem to check the "love for football box," and both bring dynamic return ability to the table beyond their prowess at receiver. Smith's small frame could be an issue, but he's taller than the jet-quick Waddle and he will enter the NFL as a polished route runner who understands the nu-

ances of getting open. Smith caught 117 passes for 1,856 yards and 23 touchdowns to win the Heisman Trophy last season and excelled at every receiver spot on the field.

Trey Lance

Position: QB
College: North Dakota State
Vitals: 6-4, 224 pounds

Scouting report: The Lions don't seem to be in the Round 1 quarterback mix, but Holmes did his diligence on all of the top signal callers and attended pro days for Lance and Ohio State's Justin Fields in person. Lance may be too boom-or-bust of a prospect for Holmes, but he is the type of athlete head coach Dan Campbell said he wants at the quarterback position and he gets high marks for his character and work habits. A one-year starter who played at the FCS level, Lance is incredibly raw and has struggled with accuracy at times, though he threw just one interception in his career. He needs a good year of seasoning, but has star potential if he's brought along in the right system by the right teachers.

Patrick Surtain II

Position: CB
College: Alabama
Vitals: 6-2, 208 pounds

Scouting report: This is not a draft teaming with impact defensive players, but Surtain and Penn State linebacker Micah Parsons are potential top-10 picks who should be of interest to the Lions. Parsons would fill a bigger positional need as multi-purpose linebacker, but Surtain is a match to the type of player Holmes described in his pre-draft news conference and he plays a premium position. The son of former NFL cornerback Patrick Surtain Sr., the younger Surtain has the length, physicality and cover skills to make an immediate impact in the NFL. He was the best player on Alabama's defense last year, though penalties were an issue in 2019. One question: Would the Lions take a first-round cornerback after investing such a high draft choice in Jeff Okudah last year?

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Five Michigan players who will entice teams

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Michigan had 10 players taken in the 2020 NFL draft — one short of tying a program record.

The Wolverines likely won't have as many players selected in this week's draft.

But there are still several players with a very good chance of hearing their name called at some point between Thursday and Saturday — and Michigan also seems well-positioned to have a first-round draft pick for the third consecutive year.

Here's a look at the Wolverines who are most likely to be selected — starting with one player everyone believes will be a Day 1 pick:

EDGE Kwity Paye

Bio: 6 feet 2½, 261 pounds, 4.52-second 40-yard dash (hand-timed), 36 reps of 225 pounds on the bench press (all from Michigan's pro day).

2020 stats: 16 tackles, four tackles for loss, two sacks in four games.

Draft projection: Early to mid first round.

The breakdown: Paye has consistently been projected as one of the first pass-rushers off the board, despite an injury and COVID-shortened senior season. Paye finished his Michigan career with 11½ sacks in four seasons (he had a career-high 6½ sacks in 2019, his first full season as a starter), but scouts seem to believe Paye's physical traits and athleticism outweigh the lack of production. In Paye's favor: He was always a stout run defender, and despite a lack of sacks, markedly improved as a pass rusher in 2020 — when healthy. Whenever he is picked, Paye will be Michigan's 10th defensive lineman/pass rusher drafted under coach Jim Harbaugh.

OL Jalen Mayfield

Bio: 6-5, 326, 5.31-second 40-yard dash, 80-inch wingspan, 32½-inch arm length, 7.86-second 3-cone drill.

2020 stats: Started in two games at right tackle; missed the rest due to injury. Started all 13 games at right tackle



Ohio State quarterback Justin Fields is tackled by Michigan Wolverines linebacker Cameron McGrone (44) and defensive lineman Kwity Paye (19) in 2019. RICK OSENTOSKI/USA TODAY SPORTS

in 2019.

Draft projection: Late first round to second round.

The breakdown: Mayfield could be one of the more intriguing offensive line prospects in this year's draft. In three seasons at Michigan, he played in 18 games (15 starts), which makes him relatively inexperienced for his position group. Still, he is well-liked by draft prognosticators because of his strong performance at the end of the 2019 season, when he was a redshirt freshman. Mayfield didn't do much to boost his draft stock in 2020; he started two games but was injured against Michigan State and did not play the rest of the season. Mayfield seems to have the ability to stick at tackle at the next level, but could move inside, depending on the

needs of the team that drafts him.

WR Nico Collins

Bio: 6-4, 215, 4.43-second 40-yard dash, 6.71-second 3-cone drill, 14 reps of 225 pounds on the bench press.

2020 stats: Did not play; 37 catches for 729 yards and seven touchdowns in 2019.

Draft projection: Day 3 pick.

The breakdown: Collins didn't produce much at Michigan (at least compared to other touted receivers across the country), but his size and speed should get him drafted. He is somewhat similar to former Notre Dame receiver Chase Claypool: A large target who can get open downfield (Claypool also ran well leading up to the draft) and use his

size to win contested balls. Looking for a Michigan-themed comparison, think Devin Funchess. This is a passing league, which means Collins will have a chance to be productive, even though it is unlikely teams will rely upon him as a No. 1 or No. 2 receiver.

CB Ambry Thomas

Bio: 5-11, 191, 4.37 second 40-yard dash, 15 reps of 225 pounds on the bench press.

2020 stats: Did not play; 38 tackles, three tackles for loss, three interceptions, three pass breakups in 2019.

Draft projection: Day 3 pick.

The breakdown: Michigan's secondary really could have used Thomas (who opted out) in 2020. Despite a preseason bout with colitis that put him in the hospital and forced him to regain weight quickly, Thomas excelled in 2019. Always regarded as one of the fastest players on the roster — he returned kicks as an underclassman — he showed he could hang in man coverage in his only season as a full-time starter. He doesn't seem likely to be drafted in the first two rounds. Still, Thomas could easily outplay his draft position, should he be taken on Day 3. He has solid size, good speed, can cover and has ball skills. Even if he doesn't find the field immediately on defense, he could provide value on special teams.

LB Cameron McGrone

Bio: 6-0, 234, 20 reps of 225 pounds on the bench press.

2020 stats: 26 tackles, two tackles for loss, ½ sack in five games.

Draft projection: Day 3 pick.

The breakdown: McGrone was the heir apparent to former middle linebacker Devin Bush Jr. McGrone took over at middle linebacker early in 2019 and played well, finishing with 65 tackles, nine tackles-for-loss and 2½ sacks. He displayed impressive athleticism — particularly speed and acceleration — and seemed poised for a big 2020 season. But nothing went as planned for McGrone or for the rest of Michigan's defense. Then, at Rutgers, he tore an ACL. Modern medicine means McGrone should recover, but he did not get a chance to display his speed at Michigan's pro day.

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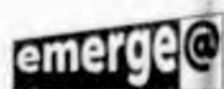
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U-M to launch esports academic minor

David Jesse Detroit Free Press
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The University of Michigan will use a \$4 million gift to establish a new competitive video gaming minor at the university.

The new program will help students get ready for a career in the esports industry.

The gift is from Robert Kotick, CEO of Activision Blizzard, the game maker best known for iconic franchises including "Call of Duty," "Candy Crush" and "World of Warcraft."

The new minor in esports — organized video game competitions played for spectators — is slated to be up and running by 2022. The donation will fund a professor to lead the development of the program, which will combine research and instruction in computer science, sports management and user experience.

"Esports is poised for explosive growth, and I am thrilled to join the University of Michigan to develop a program that will cultivate the talent to meet the needs of this complex and evolving industry," Kotick, who studied art history at U-M in the 1980s, said in a statement. "Unlike traditional sports, esports is truly a participant sport that anyone can play and enjoy."

The esports industry is booming. The fan base is expected to include nearly 729 million people by the end of 2021, a 10% increase from 2020, according to NewZoo, a gaming analytics company. Activision Blizzard boasts nearly 400 million gamers around the world.

"This generous gift by Bobby Kotick gives us an op-

portunity to contribute to an understanding of video gaming broadly and esports more specifically as a tremendously important cultural and economic phenomenon," U-M School of Information Dean Thomas Finholt said in a statement. "The time is right; this is the right place to do it."

The school's research and instruction in data science, human computer interaction, information economics and extended reality will play a role in addressing what Finholt called "critical social and behavioral questions surrounding games and game use, and the design of games."

First up will be the development of what the school is calling an esports "blockbuster" course, featuring an innovative, multidisciplinary curriculum, to be offered annually beginning in the 2022-23 academic year.

The introductory course will engage students with esports platforms, teams and industry experts. It will cover such topics as the interplay between the video game and esports businesses; the differences between traditional sports and esports as they relate to economics and demographics and the structure of esports leagues and tournaments.

"We're literally at the edge of the water right now," said Mark Rosentraub, a professor of sport management at the School of Kinesiology, in a statement. "Esports has very different, unique aspects that we need to begin to understand. This is what makes it so exciting."

More than a half dozen existing courses have been identified to include in the minor so far.



Brighton's Kennedy Cosgrove, who scored the tying goal with 55.4 seconds left, moves past Novi's Eva Burns to take a shot which led to the decisive corner kick. GILLIS BENEDICT/LIVINGSTON DAILY

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Cole Gordon Calkins

SOUTH LYON - Cole Gordon Calkins, sweet baby boy of Nicholas and Carrie (Collins) Calkins, of South Lyon, passed away on April 18, 2021. He was born April 13, 2021 in Novi, MI.

Cole was diagnosed with an incredibly rare metabolic condition and after just 5 short days on this earth he passed away in his mom and dad's arms on Saturday afternoon. He was able to meet his big brother Logan and hold his hand before going home to be with Jesus.

In addition to his loving parents, Cole is survived by his brother, Logan Calkins; grandparents, Steve & Debbie Collins and Paul & Beth Calkins, great grandma, Maxine Ordan; aunts and uncles, Zack & Renee Calkins and Jon & Amanda Collins, and Carrie Pueblo and Justin Pueblo; cousins Alexandra & Addison Calkins. He was preceded in death by his great grandpa, Alfred Gordon Ordan.

Visitation and funeral services were held on Friday, April 23, 2021 at the Phillips Funeral Home. Burial at South Lyon Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, Memorials are suggested to the C.S. Mott Children's Hospital 3003 South State Street Suite #8022, Ann Arbor, MI, 48109.



Edward DuWayne Jessop

SOUTH LYON - His Legacy... Edward DuWayne Jessop, 25, passed away April 19, 2021. He was born on March 25, 1996, in Howell, Michigan to DuWayne Jessop and Sharon (Laney) Jessop. He was a loving, hardworking son, brother and uncle. Edward loved and took pride in his skills of carpentry. He always wanted to make everyone smile and had a big heart. Edward enjoyed music and playing with his nieces and nephews. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

His Family... Edward will be missed by his parents, DuWayne and Sharon Jessop; siblings, Jennifer (Mark) Hyman, James (Brad) Adair, Aaron (Susan) Simpson, Chastity (Christopher) Hedges, David Jessop, Rebecka Jessop; nieces and nephews, Emily, Ethne, Elijah, Ruby, Jessica, Josh, Zoe, Noe, Riley, Greyson and Emma.

His Farewell... Edward's family and friends will gather Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 10:00am until time of service at 11:00am at South Lyon First Baptist Church, 60800 Marjorie Ann Street, South Lyon, Michigan. Randy Weak's will serve as celebrant. Memorial contributions may be given to family for future designation. Please leave a message of comfort for Edward's family at 1-877-231-7900, or sign his guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.



Dorothy Berry-Fifield

Dorothy Berry-Fifield, age 100, passed away April 16, 2021. Dorothy was born on October 2, 1920 to Eugene and Irene LaLonde in Royal Oak, Michigan. Dorothy is survived by her brother Bill LaLonde, 7 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and 7 great-great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husbands Don Berry and Don Fifield, and sons Tom and Jerry Berry. A memorial mass will be held on Saturday, May 29, 2021, 11:00am at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon.

Paying tribute to the life of your loved one.



Diane Lynn McCarty

MILFORD - Diane Lynn McCarty (nee' Regal), a long time resident of Milford, died on April 19, 2021. She was 65 years old.

Diane was born August 18, 1955, one of three children born to Orville and Betty (nee' Schultz) Regal. She grew up in Livonia and finally settled in Milford. Diane loved being a mother and doted on her grandchildren, enjoying the beach and doing different arts and crafts with them. She also relished time spent with other family members and friends. Diane could be counted on to be fashionably late to every event!

She is survived by her two children, Heather (Scott) Schlaff and Victor (Sara) McCarty; grandchildren, Rylee Schlaff and Emma Schlaff; her mother, Betty Regal; sisters, Cindy (Rick) Varney and Kathy (Tony) Covert; also many extended family and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her father, Orville Regal.

Services were held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021. Please visit LynchandSonsMilford.com or call 248-684-6645



Goal with 55.4 seconds left gives Brighton tie with soccer power Novi

Bill Khan Livingston Daily
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BRIGHTON — "Hurry up! Hurry up! Hurry up! Hurry up!"

The urgency in the voice of coach Ryan Carriere could be felt across the snow-covered soccer field April 20 as his Brighton girls scrambled into position for what would likely be their final chance to break through and avoid a loss to Novi.

With the clock ticking down to the final minute of play, senior Hazel Wright struck a corner kick that was converted into a goal by senior Kennedy Cosgrove with 55.4 seconds remaining, allowing Brighton to earn a 1-1 tie with the Wildcats at Scranton Middle School.

Novi is a young team with only three players left who contributed to its second straight state Division 1 championship two years ago, but getting a point in the standings against the Wildcats was still a significant step for the Bulldogs.

"It's amazing," Cosgrove said. "It's been quite a few years since Brighton varsity won against Novi. So, it's a good feeling to at least tie them. It's always one of our biggest competitions. It's always a scrappy game. Everyone's always trying their hardest."

Brighton lost three close games to Novi two years ago, including a 2-1 decision in the district championship game. The Bulldogs' last victory over the Wildcats was a 2-1 triumph on May 8, 2018.

"I feel like Novi's a terrific team," Carriere said. "They have an awesome history. It was a battle tonight. I know both teams were battling with elements. So, just that they kept on pushing for the full 80 minutes is very impressive and team building."

Brighton pushed the pace for most of the second half after Novi senior Avery Kasanic scored on a penalty kick with 35:36 left in the game.

The Bulldogs' Kaya Wirth nearly scored when her long free kick with less than 14 minutes remaining slipped past goalie Abbey Pfeiffer, but Novi defender Eva Burns cleared the ball just before it went across the goal line.

Brighton (2-0-2) had two other corner kicks shortly before cashing in for the tying goal. The rebound of a shot by Cosgrove was cleared out of bounds to set up the decisive corner kick.

Wright's kick from the right corner sailed over the outstretched arms of Pfeiffer. Cosgrove got position inside three defenders and directed the ball into the net off her body.

"It was the last couple of minutes," Cosgrove said. "I knew something had to be done. Hazel put in the perfect ball and I just ran in and hit it with my stomach."

It was the first varsity goal for Cosgrove, who saw limited varsity time as a sophomore before her junior year was wiped out by the cancellation of spring sports.

"Kennedy missed out on having a junior year," Carriere said. "Now her senior year she's compacting two years into one. So, it's really nice to see her take advantage. Her work rate is relentless and will continue the entire season."

Novi is 2-1-2 with a team that starts four freshmen and three sophomores. Only Pfeiffer, Burns and Taylor Nicholsen played regularly on the 2019 state championship team.

Brother Rice

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brought today, we look better. We're not necessarily playing a lot better, but you look better."

The hustle made an impact early on for the Warriors.

After sophomore mid Sam Klein opened scoring just over two minutes into the first period, Brother Rice attacker Luke Dudley capitalized on a scrum in front of the Shamrocks' net, pushing the ball across the goal to take a 2-0 lead.

To Chawla, on a team where none of players on the roster had ever played for him before, Dudley was as close to a returner as he could get. The senior attacker had two brothers who were former All-Americans in the Brother Rice program, and knows what to expect from the Warrior culture.

"The family has been entrenched in the culture for a long time. So Luke gets it," Chawla said. "Luke was born into it. He's helping the other guys understand what it's about."

Dudley added another goal near the end of the second period, while assisting a goal to senior attacker Zach Rivers, who pumped and fired the ball past Catholic Central senior goalkeeper Brian Molchan to take a four-goal lead into half.

For Wilson, Catholic Central's defense is where his experience lies. It showed Wednesday afternoon, shutting Brother Rice down with an ability to transition back to defense off botched offensive possessions.

But the Shamrocks were unable to capitalize.

"We haven't been together for a long time. We haven't had a lot of practice, and it shows," Wilson said. "And we are woefully inexperienced all over, with the exception of the defense, which I think you can tell — we held our own in that regard. But the stick skills, movement, lack of experience being there. The only thing you can do with that is keep playing games like this so they can finally understand."

"That was their wake-up call."

The wake-up call was in full effect at the start of the second half.

After a quick offensive play call that led to an open look by Shamrocks senior John Rioux, that was swallowed up by Brother Rice keeper Tommy Kunz, the Warriors scored four goals in the third period, including two in the first two minutes: Dudley's third goal of the game and one by sophomore Hunter Polonkey.

Junior mid Paulie Fortino and senior mid Robert Reaume ballooned Brother Rice's lead to eight before Catholic Central converted its only goal of the game 30 seconds into the fourth period.

Catholic Central scored five goals or less in a game for only the fourth time



Brother Rice's Paulie Fortino brings the ball upfield against a Detroit Catholic Central player April 21. Brother Rice won, 8-1. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

since the 2014 season. To Chawla, that's a credit to both of his starting goalkeepers — Kunz and Nate Randall — along with a quick and athletic transition defense.

The defense provided the momentum, Chawla said. It provided the energy, the heart and the hustle the Warriors needed to get the job done against its rival.

But the head coach knows, despite not having Catholic Central on its regular season schedule again, that a rematch is likely.

"We have a lot of work to do," Chawla said. "And to think we won't see these guys again is foolish. I've been coaching way too long to know that. They are going to get better and hopefully we're going to get better."

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Brother Rice players celebrate their second goal against Detroit Catholic Central.

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Unemployment job search requirements explained

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About 20 million Americans are currently receiving unemployment benefits. In some states, they stand to lose them if they don't actively search for work. That's because some states have reimposed work search requirements that were waived in the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Work search requirements differ across states. But typically, they involve job seekers making a minimum of between one (in Delaware) and five (in Florida) "work search contacts" per week with employers who might reasonably be expected to have openings.

States also typically require claimants to fill out a "work search log." Some states require claimants to submit those logs weekly or monthly, whereas others require that claimants keep them on file in their own records for one year with the expectation that they may be requested at any time.

There are several kinds of activities that qualify as



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work search for the purpose of maintaining eligibility for unemployment benefits. Each state's unemployment handbook provides specific details. But qualifying activities typically include:

- Applying for a job online, in person or by mail.
- Registering for work and reemployment services with a state career center.
- Interviewing with potential employers in

person, by phone or by video (whether on-demand or live).

- Registering for work with private staffing agencies.
- Attending job search seminars, career networking meetings or job fairs.

Close to half of states have now reinstated their work search requirements. Even before the requirements go into effect,

however, there could be benefits to beginning your search early.

- Job seekers who are active, engaged and responsive now will have a distinct advantage over those who wait and rejoin the labor market when it is more competitive. That's because job search intensity has been fairly low since COVID-19 outbreaks began in the U.S.

• The pandemic made some forms of work more dangerous, public transit risks and restrictions made getting to work more difficult, and school closures made business as usual untenable for many working parents. Expanded unemployment benefits also eased the pressures on unemployed workers to find new jobs immediately.

• The vast majority of people who lost their jobs were on temporary layoff and didn't see a need to find something new because they expected to go back to their old jobs.

A year into the crisis, however, many temporary layoffs have turned permanent. And it is becoming clear that other temporary layoffs will last longer than initially expected. With many layoffs likely to outlast unemployment benefits, workers will need to find new opportunities — even if only in the interim. And while the current labor market environment is tough for job seekers, we expect it will only grow more competitive in the coming months.

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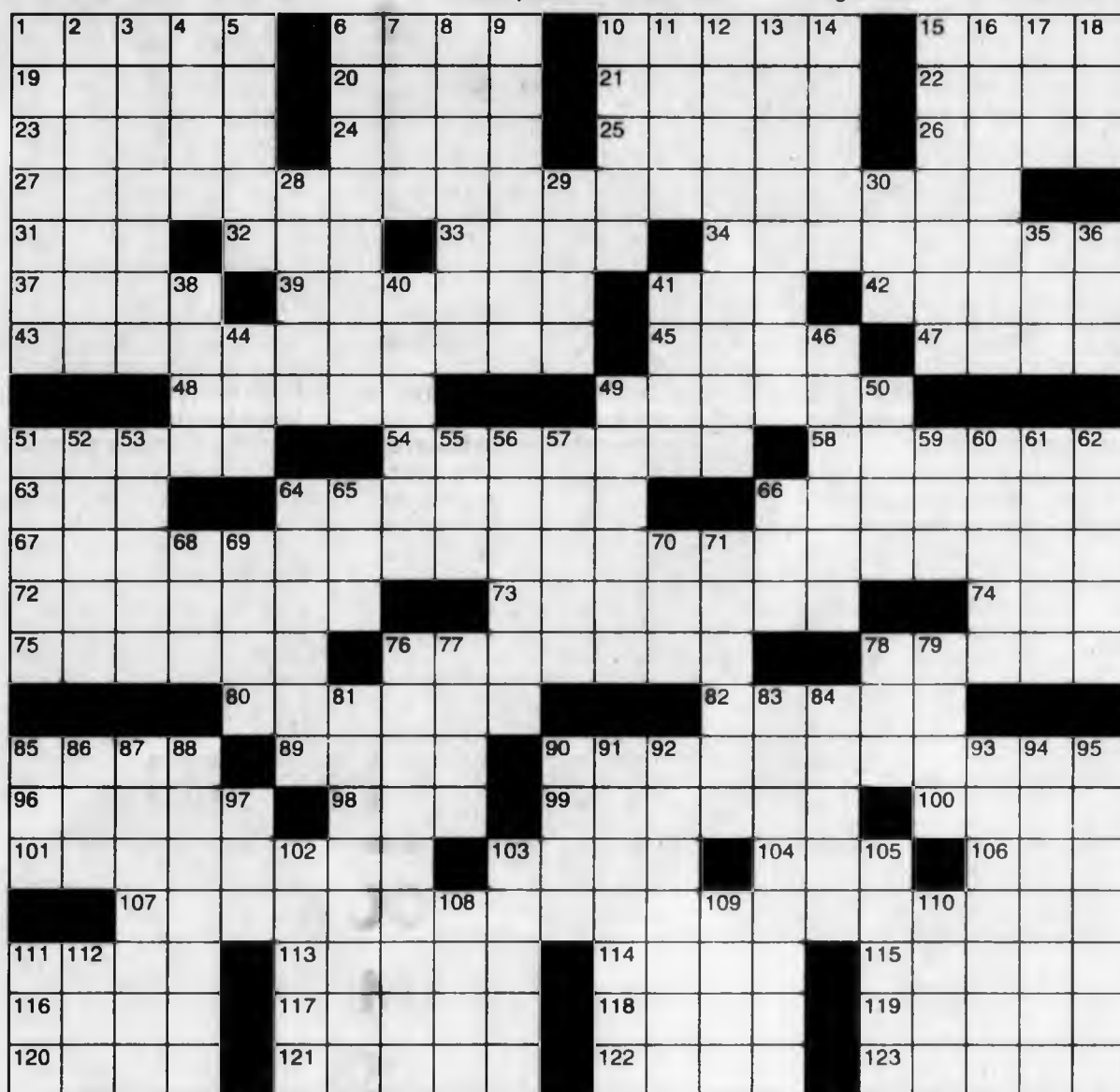
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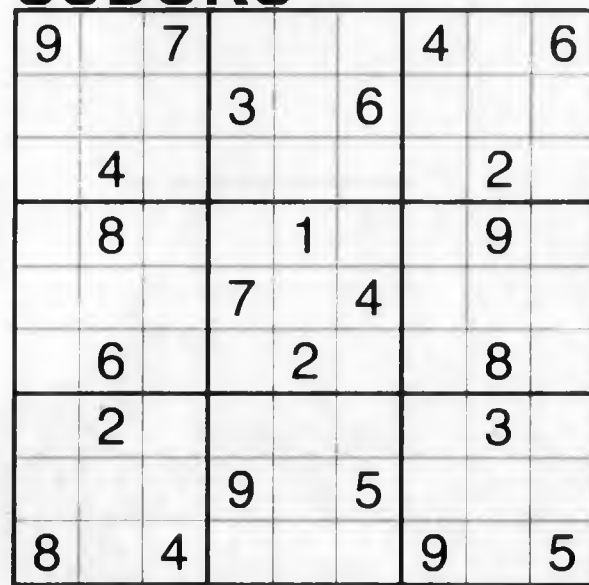
"TAKE IT BACK"

- ACROSS**
- 1 Reid and Lipinski
6 "Born Free" lioness
10 Really bothered
15 Refer to as an example
19 Beethoven's "Für —"
20 "The Wizard of Oz" actor Bert
21 Abu — (Persian Gulf emirate)
22 Over again
23 Ailey of choreography
24 Mild Dutch cheese
25 Tricky billiards shot
26 Fare — — well
27 Start of instructions for making sense of
31 "— Haw"
32 "A Wrinkle in Time" director DuVernay
33 Aleve may relieve it
34 Got in a trap
37 Rowing blades
39 Be present
41 Renoir's skill
- 42 Vent views
43 Part 2 of instructions
45 Appear to be
47 Goulash, e.g.
48 Fetal homes
49 Coating park scavenger
51 Genre of serious films
54 Kissing and caressing
58 Greek god of the sun
63 Huge Brit. lexicon
64 Pedicured body part
66 "Ay, —!" (cry on "The Simpsons")
67 Message to congratulate solvers who figure out this answer
72 Northeast African nation
73 Decorator
74 Suffix with Gabon
75 Welding alloy
76 Jihad
78 Capri and Aruba
80 Plant lice
82 Disconnected
85 Units of work
89 Locale
- 90 Part 3 of instructions
96 Ballet moves
98 "Planet Money" airer
99 Misspends
100 Spout off
101 Calif. volcano
103 Basic idea
104 "We need assistance!"
106 Onetime Pan Am rival
107 End of instructions
111 Heath
113 Former congressman Mo
114 For — (not gratis)
115 Acoustic
116 Push along
117 Gymnastics legend
118 — a soul (no one)
119 Headstone locale
120 Disarray
121 Artery-opening tube
122 Portuguese for "years"
123 More rational
- DOWN**
- 3 Monte Carlo setting
4 "Yeah, right!"
5 Actress
6 Brits call it a "lift"
7 Put freight on
8 Make pointy, as a pencil
9 Hostile insect in a swarm
10 Guys writing slogans, maybe
11 This and —
12 Item dyed for a spring holiday
13 One who fails to show up
14 Stadium rows
15 Sleeps lightly
16 Get via will
17 Simple shirt
18 Baaing "ma"
28 Dodge
29 Venetian beach resort
30 "Fifth Beatle" Yoko
35 Indy-to-Cleveland dir.
36 Dawn droplets
38 Pond gunk
40 Coiled like ivy
41 Speller's clarification
- 44 Zeta follower
46 Fine goat coat
49 What a head rests on in bed
50 Brand of spongy balls
51 Sleeps lightly
52 Printing proof, for short
53 Aleve alternative
55 Naval acad. grad's rank
56 Groups devising plots
57 Tyke
59 Tyke
60 Push along
61 Like Santa, weight-wise
62 Strongboxes for valuables
64 Pipsqueaks
65 Three — kind
66 Pool stick
68 "— be my pleasure!"
69 La — Tar Pits
70 Title for a monk
71 Mesmerized
76 List of currently popular songs
77 Polish river
78 Hip-hop mogul Gotti
- 79 Mix together
81 Suggested subtly
83 Elvis and Priscilla
84 Fable writer
85 Tree infested by bark beetles
86 No longer active: Abbr.
87 Fake hearth items
88 Balls, geometrically
90 Taunt in fun
91 Rosh —
92 "Here We Are" singer Gloria
93 Fiber source in some muffins
94 Disentangle
95 Country music's — Brothers
97 Used a chair
102 Shell-shocks
103 Note a half step above F
105 Thick rugs
108 Actress Lena of "Chocolat"
109 Streamlined, informally
110 Ambience
111 Not saying a word
112 Metal in rocks



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SUDOKU



Difficulty Level ★★

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, even diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.

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U N I F C A I Y N W A L I C D K
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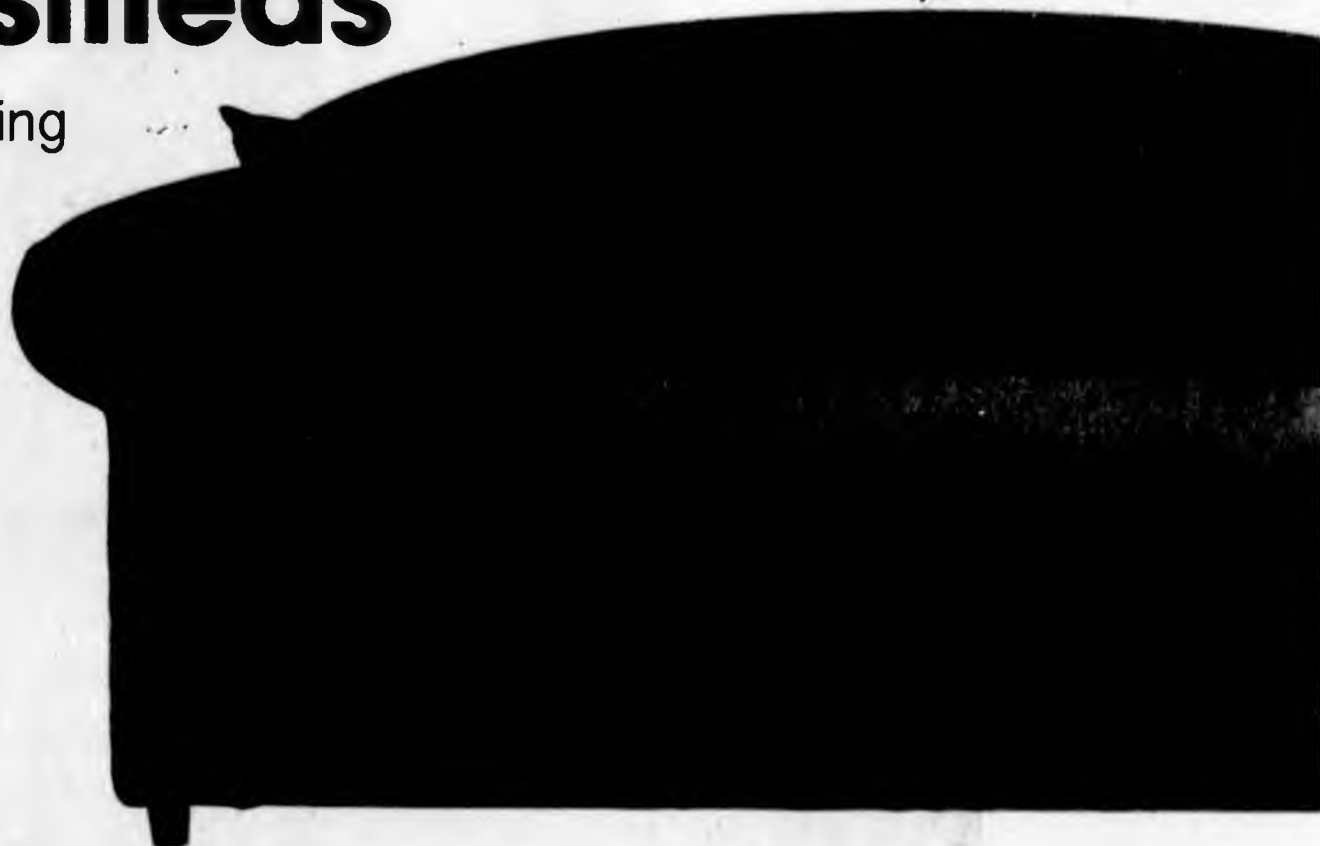


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