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Lyon Township library needs new home

Boards struggle to determine best location

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Supporters of the Lyon Township Public Library, a tiny 3,500-square-foot facility serving a population of nearly 20,000 residents, agree it needs a bigger

But the location remains a source of angst, frustration and miscommunication between members of the library and township boards.

"We are here to ask the board, where can we put the library?" Library Trustee Joshua Bissoon-Dath asked the township board at its June meeting.

"Have you done any investigation on the property?" Supervisor John Dolan asked. "You want us to get behind you, but we need a foundation to get behind."

Bissoon-Dath responded that the library staff had been told they had put the cart before the horse and they were seeking a foundation from the township board for planning.

The library trustee, along with Library Director Holly Teasdle, was last See LIBRARY, Page 8A

before the township board in early March 2020 with a strategic plan to build a 19,000-square-foot library on a 13-acre parcel of land located adjacent to Abbey Park at Mill River, off Milford Road just north of 12 Mile Road.

The proposal was a scaled down version of a 2016 plan turned down by voters. But the township board expressed

Hector & Jimmy's Restaurant has closed after 36 years in Milford

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Hector & Jimmy's in Milford has closed after more than three decades.

The last day was this past Saturday, according to the sign out front of the restaurant and bar at 780 N. Milford Road.

A photo of the sign, which shows owner Jim Eggl raising a glass in front of the message, "RIP Hector & Jimmy's, 1985-2021" was posted to the restaurant's Facebook page.

Along with the photo in the Facebook post were song lyrics, "They say that breaking up is hard to do, Now I know, I know that it's true" as well as a simple message from Eggl: "I cannot Thank You enough for all the support that you have given me for the last 36 years! Everybody love everybody- Jimmy."

Eggl could not be immediately reached for comment.

The owner of two other restaurant establishments in Milford, The Bar and Gravity Bar and Grill, had talked about the struggles of business shutdowns in November, but it was not immediately clear how big of a role pandemic fallout has played in his decision to close the restaurant.

Ann Barnette, Milford DDA executive director, said Hector and Jimmy's Restaurant will be missed.

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How many likes can you get?



Strawberry shortcake ice cream shakes from the M Street Baking Co., which recently opened at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.

M Street Baking Co. creating Instagram-worthy treats

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No more needing to drive to Howell for that Instagramable milkshake.

Twelve Oaks' newest shop conjures enough childhood magic to make everyone a little kid again with its whimsical

creations. Shakes by M Street Baking Co., opened its doors June 14 in the space formerly occupied by Godiva in the center of the Novi mall.

Emily Mazaris, one of the owners, said M Street had been approached by mall representatives about bringing its product to the destination shopping

center at 12 Mile and Novi roads.

"We kept saying no, we weren't ready," she said. "And then they got us on the right day when we were here a few months ago ... and he saw us and said, 'Let me show you a space.'

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O'Cafe offers taste of Asia | Northville

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Featuring baked goods from places like Korea and Japan, O'Cafe opened its doors earlier this spring. Located at 41467 W. 10 Mile in the Novi Plaza shopping center just west of Meadowbrook, it occupies the same space that former coffee shop Sip and Joy was in before closing.

Today, it looks very different from its time as Sip and Joy with a fresh coat of paint and additional decorations to bring a more at-home feel.

'We painted some and changed the color," said Sun Mi, one of the owners. "We made all the things by our hands."

Inside, customers can find a variety of baked goods traditionally found in American bakeries, including cookies, scones, muffins and cake.

In another section of the bakery, guests can find baked goods more inspired from the East, such as croffles, a Korean delicacy made with croissant dough and cooked in a waffle

'We put the cream cheese or the nuts or the brown sugar in it," Mi said.

"It's very popular in Korea."

Drinks include an array of coffee and bubble tea, including a Dalgona Boba Latte, made with honeycomb.

The shop is the brainchild of several people from nearby O'Sushi, located down the strip mall. They say business has been steady with plenty of customers discovering them when they visit some of the other shops in the

"They come in and stop by the dry cleaning and they found us when they come in," said Sophia Kang, one of the cafe's owners.

They even have customers making lengthy drives for their food: they said they've welcomed customers coming from as far as Troy and Rochester Hills to purchase some of their

O'Cafe is open 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. More information, including online ordering, can be found at ocafeofnovi.square.

Contact reporter David Veselenak at dveselenak@hometownlife.com or 734-678-6728. Follow him on Twitter @davidveselenak.

names new principal at elementary

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Veteran educator Joseph Reimann was named principal at Moraine Elementary at a Northville Board of Education meeting earlier this month.

Reimann's one-year contract was unanimously approved at the board's June 8 meeting. Reimann succeeds Denise Bryan, who retired.

Reimann's most recent position was as a Grosse Ile Township Schools elementary administrator since 2016. For 10 years prior to that Reimann he worked as a music teacher, including band.



He has served as principal at Meridian Elementary and Parke Lane Elementary schools in Grosse Ile Township. During his time as principal, Reimann focused on three areas: studentfocused advocacy, instructional leadership and community connection. He established a character development program, supported teacher-led learning and led a Parent Book Club, an NPS press release noted.

Reimann's hiring was bolstered by a long stretch of proven accomplishments, the district added.

"Mr. Reimann emerged as an exceptional candidate with 15 years of combined administrative, teaching, and counseling experience dedicated to developing a staff, empowering student leadership and engaging a school community," Northville Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said.

Reimann earned an undergraduate degree at Central Michigan University and later returned to CMU for a master's degree in school counseling before earning his administration credential through Eastern Michigan University in 2015.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on July 15, 2021 at 7:00p.m. to receive public input on the following request in regard to the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance:

To consider the following variance request on premises zoned R-1B, First Density Residential District on property located at 384 N. Rogers St., Northville, Michigan, 48167, parcel number 48 002 02 0440 001. The applicant is seeking a variance to construct a home addition in the front yard setback. The variance needed is approximately 9 feet from the front yard requirement in Sections 3.04 and 15.01. Also, the existing structure is non-conforming per Section 22.01, and the project will require expansion of a non-conformity. The requested variance will also

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/j84162838552. US: +1 646 558 8656 or +1 301 715 8592, Webinar ID: 841 6283 8552

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?portalld=11895963&pageId=1 3505469#zoning. OR from the main Home page, click on the Government tab, Agendas and Minutes, and scroll to the Board of Zoning Appeals section of the webpage.

Application Review and Written Comments

The variance application is available for review at <u>www.ci.northville.mi.us</u>. From the Home Page, click Services, Building and Planning, Board of Zoning Appeals. It is also available at the City of Northville Municipal Building - Building Department, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Ml 48167, 248-449-9902, Monday - Friday, 8am to 4:30pm

Written comments to the BZA pertaining to the proposed variance request must be submitted v 4:30pm July 14, 2021 to City of Northville Municipal Building, City Clerk, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, or use the City Hall drop box, or emailed to dmassa@ci.northville.mi.us.

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City of Novi **Public Hearing Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on July 13, 2021, at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

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). Section 4.19.1 E(i) for the construction of a 1,157 square foot garage (maximum of 850 square feet allowed by code, variance of 307 square feet). Section 3.1.5 for a third story 2.5 stories allowed by code. These variances would accommodate the building of a new home and deck. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4) This case was postponed from the June 8, 2021, meeting.

PZ21-0031 (Michael Jocz) 45144 Nine Mile Road, East of Taft Road and North of Nine Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-27-355-031. The applicant is requesting variance from The City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 4.19.1.E(i) for 1,688 square feet of garage space (maximum of 850 square feet allowed by code, variance of 838 square feet). This variance would accommodate the building of a garage addition. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-3).

PZ21-0032 (Metro General Contractors) 39601 Grand River Avenue Suites A and B, West of Haggerty Road and South of Grand River Avenue, Parcel 50-22-24-476-017. The applicant is requesting variance from The City of Novi Code of Ordinances Section 28-5(b) (1)a. For a 46.67 sq ft wall sign on the north (17.50 sq ft maximum area is allowed, based upon 14 feet lineal frontage) and a 41.42 sq ft wall sign on the north elevation (22.50 sq ft maximum area is allowed, based upon 18 feet lineal frontage). Section 28-5(d)(2) for a 46.67 sq ft wall sign on the west elevation (24 sq ft maximum area is allowed on the wall at the side entrance per Code), Section 28-5(b)(2)a and 28-5(a) for an oversize and over-height Ground Sign (32.17 sq ft maximum area is allowed, based upon the 64'4" setback from the center line of Grand River and 6 ft is the maximum allowable height from grade). Section 28-7(b)(2) for three 4.22 sq ft directional ground pole signs at the west and north entryway driveways and northeast landscape island (3 sq ft maximum area is allowed, the third sign is also over the maximum allowable number of signs on a parcel. These variances are to accommodate the signage for the new 11:11 Burgers and Jimmy Johns Restaurants. This property is zoned General Business

PZ21-0034 (All Construction SCI) 41131 S McMahon Circle, East of Meadowbrook Road and South of Ten Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-25-105-034. The applicant is requesting variances from The City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3 1.5 for a side yard setback of 3 feet (10 feet required, variance of 7 feet). This variance would accommodate the building of a home addition This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ21-0036 (Chadham's Professional Services) 21067 Maybury Park Drive, West of Beck Road and North of Eight Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-32-401-035. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 4.19.1.E(iii) for a total of 1936 square feet of accessory structures (maximum of 1500 square feet allowed by code, variance of 436 square feet). This variance would accommodate the building of a 660 square foot pool house, the remaining 1276 square feet is from an existing attached garage. This property is zoned Residential Acreage (RA)

PZ21-0039 (Kiel Hearn) 157 Wainwright Street, East of Old Novi Road and South of Thirteen Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-11-101-011 The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 5.11 to install a fence in the front yard of a corner lot. By code, a fence shall not extend toward the front of the lot nearer then the minimum front yard setback. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

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Novi Community School District- 2019 Bond SECTION 00 11 13- ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the Novi Community School District, 2019 Bond, Bid Package #5B, consisting of: Bid Package #5B - Novi Meadows Elementary School will be received through Building Connected until 1:00PM on, July 8th, 2021.

1. All proposals shall be submitted electronically through Building Connected: https://app.buildingconnected.com/public/5ae227ade0d395000fd24541 (McCarthy and Smith Plan Room)

2. For instructions on how to submit a bid please go to the following link: https://buildingconnected.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360010222793-Howto-submit-your-bid-through-BuildingConnected-

Bids submitted after this time and date will not be considered or accepted. Faxed and/or E-mail proposals will not be accepted. Sealed Bids will be publicly opened, read aloud and tabulated, beginning at approx. 1:00PM on, July 8th, 2021. Bid Opening will be publicly conducted via a

Zoom meeting.

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This Bid Package will consist of separate sealed bids for the following Bid Divisions: 124: Wood Flooring

101: Site Excavation / Site Utilities 102: Asphalt Paving

103: Selective Demolition 104/105: Concrete Footings, Foundations & Flatwork 131: Athletic Equipment

106: Masonry

108: Carpentry & General Trades

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110: Metal Panels 114: Aluminum Glass & Glazing

115: Metal Studs / Drywall / Plaster / EFIS

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142: HVAC

143: Electrical

138: Elevators

140: Plumbing

141: Fire Protection

125: Metal Lockers

136: Gym Bleachers

128: Educational Casework

137: Food Service Equipment

149: Fencing

155: Landscaping & Site Irrigation

190: Interior Arch. Woodwork / Millwork Bidding documents prepared by TMP Architecture, will be available for public inspection at the main office of the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., 24317 Indoplex

beginning at 10:00 AM on Thursday, June 10, 2021 via Building Connected. There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting on Thursday, June 17th, at 1:00 PM. at Novi Meadows Elementary School located at 25549 Taft Road, Novi MI 48374. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the project bid documents & schedule, and to answer any questions bidders may have. Following the meeting, the bidders will have the opportunity to visit the project site. The pre-bid meeting is not a mandatory meeting however, bidders are strongly encouraged to attend. A FACE MASK WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE WORN INSIDE OF THE BUILDING DURING THE PRE-BID MEETING.

Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48335; the Construction Association of Michigan Plan Room,

Bloomfield Hills; and the Builder's Exchange, Lansing. Bidding Documents will be available

All bids must include the Familial Disclosure Affidavit (Section 004205), the Iran Linked Business Affidavit (Section 004210), and the Criminal Background Check Affidavit (Section

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security, in either the form of a bid bond or certified bank check, in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount of the Bid, payable to Novi Community School District, as a guarantee that if the Bid is accepted, the School District is secured from loss or damage by reason of the withdrawal of the Bid or failure of the Bidder to enter a Contract for performance, Further, the Bidder will execute the Contract, provide the required insurance certificate(s) and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of Contract but prior to Work commencing

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder may be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the contract price.

Novi Community School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids received, to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding, and to accept a bid other than the lowest bid.

Attorneys for teen accused of killing mom plan appeals after bond, new prelim denied

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Because he wasn't granted bond and another preliminary examination, Muhammad Altantawi'spremeditated murder case seems to be headed back to the Michigan Court of Appeals.

Attorney David Steingold confirmed that he and co-counsel Michael Schiano are filing appeals in response to Oakland County Circuit Judge Martha Anderson's denials.

They had been hoping for different decisions since the Michigan Supreme Court ruled earlier this year that Altantawi's statements to Farmington Hills police were inadmissible because they were given without proper warnings from officers about his rights.

"Muhammad Altantawi is an innocent man," Steingold said during a phone interview after the May 26 hearing resulting in Anderson denying the request for a new preliminary examination, a proceeding that would have included testimony and evidence without the inadmissible statements.

Altantawi, 19, has spent nearly four years in jail since he was taken into custody after the August 2017 death of his mother Nada Huranieh, a fitness instructor divorcing Altantawi's father.

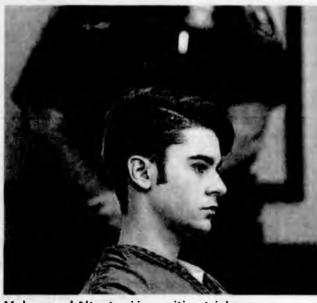
In the interrogation now deemed inadmissible, he told police she fell from an upper-story window of their Howard Road home while cleaning. Prosecutors have alleged that he actually smothered her before tossing her out the window and framed a scene ered? Where's the evito make it look like she was washing windows when she fell.

Farmington Hills' 47th District Judge Marla Parkersaid there was enough evidence to send him to trial years ago, and Anderson backed her decision during the May 26 hearing.

"The first element has been met which is that a crime has been committed," Anderson said. "There still is enough circumstantial evidence that the defendant committed the crime. Will that hold up in trial? I have absolutely no idea. We have to wait for the proofs that the prosecution is going to put forth.

"I feel that the district court judge did not make a mistake and, even if removing the statements of the defendant, there was sufficient proofs submitted to prove the probable cause that the crime was committed and that the defendant most likely committed the crime. "

During the hearing; Altantawi appeared. He is residing at the Oakland



Muhammad Altantawi is awaiting trial on a first-degree murder charge in the death of his mother. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE

County Jail, where he was moved to from Children's Village after turning 19 on June 7. He has shoulder-length hair and a thick beard.

Attorneys argued over the evidence with Steingold emphasizing the several details that he considers questionable:

*Claims by Farmington Hills Police Sgt. Richard Wehby, now a lieutenant, that he could tell from security camera footage of shadows cast on an outdoors berm that the person who tossed Huranieh, 35, out an upper-story window was a

"I don't think that's science at all," Steingold said. "There's no way anyone can determine looking at this shadow whether it was a male or female.

*Autopsy implications that Huranieh died from asphyxia and smother-

"How was she smothered?" Steingold asked. "Where was she smothered, then she was overpowered.

"My client was 16. He weighed substantially

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less than his mother and his mother was in exceptional shape She was a trainer. She weighed, I believe, 135 pounds.

Steingold said there was no evidence of a struggle that would have lasted for more than a few seconds.

You would expect if client allegedly smothered his mother, who is bigger and stronger than him, that there would have been a struggle," he said.

Steingold said there's been speculation that the smothering happened on the home's first level but that Huranieh was tossed from a window on the third level.

They're also claiming that now my client must not only have smothered her (but) somehow overcome his mother," Steingold continued. "(He) somehow avoided a struggle, but carried 135 pounds of dead weight up several flights of stairs, down the hallway and (tossed) her out the window without anybody bedence? If she was smoth- ing alerted to the noise you would assume would have been made."

> He also mentioned no motive plus normal dis-

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Nada Huranieh, Altantawi's mother, died in 2017. SUBMITTED

agreements between Altantawi and his mother. There was no evidence, he said, that Altantawi threatened his mother or she seriously assaulted

Prosecuting attorney John Skrzynski focused on a prior court ruling that, according to him, means "the introduction of incompetent evidence is harmless if probable cause is established by other competent evidence."

He said he has already presented "a big blow up" that showed Huranieh had apparent smothering trauma to the mouth

He also mentioned already-presented dence that Huranieh was hoisted out the window.

"You see the person hoisting the body. It is not an easy lift. It is a hoist," Skrzynski said. "I don't think you have to be necessarily a scientific genius to be able to look at even a shadow to deter-

and the defense attorney returned to the security camera footage revealing the shadows

"There's absolutely no way to determine the sex of the person who was there," he said. "It's apparently a big person. You can't tell because the shadows might make somebody appear larger than they are. I challenge Mr. Skrzynski to tell us what feature could be picked out from which you could conclude or even presume that it was a male.

For now, Altantawi's is scheduled for trial by the end of the year.

Contact reporter Susan Vela at svela@hometownlife.com or 248-303-8432. Follow her on Twitter @susanvela.



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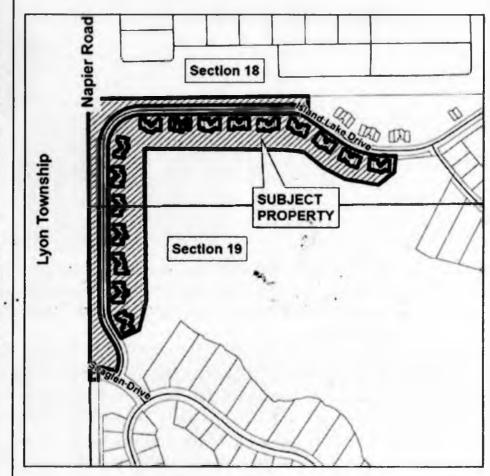
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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE ELECTRONIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 14, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. to consider JSP21-23: ISLAND LAKE NORTH BAY (PHASE 6) TREE REMOVALS, FOR A REQUEST TO APPROVE A MINOR AMENDMENT TO THE ISLAND LAKE RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEVELOPMENT AREA PLAN AND REVISED LANDSCAPE PLAN APPROVAL. The subject site totals approximately 22.1 acres and is located east of Napier Road and north of Seaglen Drive (Section 18 & 19). The subject site is zoned RA Residential Acreage) and R-1 with a RUD (Residential Unit Development) Agreement. The applicant is proposing to remove 31 trees within the Island Lake North Bay Community.

Plans are available for review by contacting the Community Development Department at the following email address: bmcbeth@cityofnovi.org



Subject Parcel ID: 50-22-19-100-006

All interested persons are invited to attend this in-person meeting. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M. Wednesday, July 14, 2021

Novi Planning Commission Michael Lynch, Secretary



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, and Case No. 20-05-4934P. The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect these flood hazard determinations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. For more information on the proposed flood hazard determinations and information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit FEMA's website at https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/BFE Status/bfe main asp, or call the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627)

Wixom terrier vies for title of 'America's Top Dog'

Susan Bromley Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Wixom has a terrier in the fight for title of America's Top Dog.

Frank, a 4-year-old patterdale terrier, may be considered an underdog in the season-opening episode of the dog competition show, "America's Top Dog," premiering at 8 p.m., June 29, on A&E.

Standing just 14 inches at the shoulder and weighing in at 17 pounds, Frank is certainly undersized compared to heavyweights like German shepherds, Belgian malinois, rottweilers and other breeds commonly seen in competition.

"A patterdale is not a typical dog to compete in these," Alexa White, Frank's owner and handler, said. "He is so small compared to others... He went up against a bigger dog and I can't put any spoilers out there, but size doesn't matter much. It's about heart and soul. Frank has so much heart and soul."

White, owner of Meraki K9, a dog training business partnered with It's a to go head-to-head with the big dogs.

Dog's Life Resort and Spa in Wixom, has been professionally training and competing with dogs for more than a decade

The 28-year-old, who has competed at the Westminster Dog Show with a duck tolling recriever and placed fifth in an UpDog Triple Crown Worldwide Championship with a malinois, wanted a smaller dog to fit her lifestyle.

Frank is a "great house dog and snuggler," but also a motivated terrier with

With that in mind, she put in her application in February 2020 to compete with Frank on "America's Top Dog," ready to face what the show's website describes as "a massive canine obstacle course designed to test their speed, agility, teamwork, and trust as they navigate a series of challenges over two rounds of competition."

She was excited to be selected for the show and spent six months preparing Frank before they went to Los Angeles to go head to head with the big dogs.

That training included work on jumping over 5-foot high walls and navigating different surfaces.

Frank, who has already made his big screen debut as a "ferocious-looking" terrier in the 2019 film "Happy Death Day 2U" is a softie at heart and is now ready for his small screen debut.

Viewers who tune in to "America's Top Dog" at 8 p.m. June 29 will see Frank and other dogs utilizing their skills in a showcase of what dogs are bred to do in both physical and mental challenges.

While White can't disclose the outcome, for her and Frank, it was a really fun experience.

"It's truly an honor to be selected among America's top pet owners and was amazing to see everyone competing with their dogs and on that stage and having that time with Frank," White said. "I think he had the best night of his life."

Contact reporter Susan Bromley at sbromley@hometownlife.com.



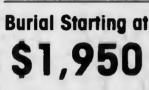
Alexa White and Frank, a Patterdale terrier, will compete on the A&E show "America's Top Dog" on June 29.
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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

LAWYER REVEALS SHOCKING INSIDER INFORMATION

REVEALED: ANCIENT **WISDOM FROM** CENTURIES PAST

If you are like me, it is hard to turn on the television. Not because you cannot find the clicker. Not because you must go through a 12-step sequence just to watch a show. If you are like



me, TV means a never ending parade of Doo fus Dads. Guys who are unlike anyone I know. Bumbling, fumbling. Embarrassingly rescued by the superior wisdom of their 10-year-old kid. Or other family member. It gets old. Tiresome. You take it in stride, but you do not like it. And it is everywhere. In commercials, dramas, comedies... even the "news." Who is the idiot? Dad. Makes me sick... you too?

Most guys I know work hard. Provide for their families. Do good things. Become fathers. Accept their responsibility and do their best. And it has pretty much always been this way. Some folks say that we all become our fathers. There is truth in that saying. Most guys have had the experience of talking to their kids and realizing... I am saying the same things my dad said to me... in the same way! Ancient wisdom, handed down through the centuries. "Make your bed." "Clean up your toys." "Play nice with your sister." "Don't let money burn a hole in your pocket." "Don't complain, don't explain."

Guys like you have honored me over the last 31 years with your confidence. When I first got started, about a third of you were World War II vets. A sailor, captured on Wake Island a couple of weeks after Pearl Harbor. A machinist mate on the Yorktown at Midway, who "went swimming" when the torpedoes sank her. A P-51

"Measure twice, cut once."

Mustang pilot wounded by a bone breaking bullet through his leg, who still made it home. My own uncle, a PT boat captain in the Pacific. Some at Normandy Some serving with Patton All guys. All competent. All dads. Most all of them have passed. But the wisdom remains

THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, THE MORE THEY STAY THE SAME

Your Turn Now

The men I meet today are not so different. Challenges have changed, but the calm competence remains. The eager willingness to take on tough jobs, to accomplish worthy goals. So different than the stereotypes of popular culture. Let us remember on this Father's Day the importance of passing along this "ancient wisdom." We owe it to our sons and daughters.

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That is a powerful message. Hard work does pay. Enduring faithfulness has rewards that extend through time. Results justify the struggle.

Is it too much to ask that on one day a year, Father's Day, we remember these men and their values? Our fathers? Seems like least we can

FATHERS ARE FANTASTIC

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO LOU CARRIER

96 YEARS AND GOING STRONG



If you are like me, you have had many influences in your life. Some good, some bad. But we each have a few folks whose example and experience outweigh all the rest. On Father's Day, I hope you will bear with me as I reflect on my own Dad.

Dad was a younger one of six children. Raised in a strict household where French was still the first language. The children began boarding school in the first grade. Girls with the nuns at the convent, boys with the brothers at the monastery. Working in the family business, a laundry, early on.

Still in high school when World War II broke out, Dad enlisted in the Navy, following his older brother, a PT boat officer. Dad rose to become a "Photographer's Mate, Second Class." I have his photos of FDR and ordinary sailors. Aircraft carriers and plane crashes. Aerial reconnaissance and portraiture.



Philadelphia, was pleased with his portrait. So bringing up something new. pleased that no disciplinary action was taken after an incident that involved Dad parachuting from a perfectly good aircraft, Early on Sunday morning. To see what it was like.

WORK AND FAMILY; FAMILY AND WORK

After the war, he worked his way through college as a wedding photographer. Raising a family (eight of us kids), he taught at an inner-city school by day. Got home for a nap at 3:30. Dinner at 5:30. Off to the local Narragansett brewer; to punch in at 6 pm, punch out at 2 am. Another nap. Up and at 'em at 6:30. Sixteen hours a day for sixteen years. Quite an example.

Dad did not loaf around on weekends, either Between his woodwork shop and photography darkroom, he kept making and creating. Busy. And he kept his oldest son, his apprentice assistant, busy too... running for tools, holding stuff in place, "helping" Quite an experience.

SECURE IN THE UNIVERSE... AND BEYOND

My father is a faithful Catholic Christian, Putting all those kids through parochial school was expensive, but there was no question.

Dad and Mom made it clear that each of us would

have to figure out college on our own. At age 10, I

had a paper route with my younger brother Mark.

Six days a week, it was an evening paper. On Sundays, Mark and I got up extra early to deliver the morning edition. That paper route was not for "spending money," it was a college fund. Papers delivered, we would rush home, wash up, and in our Sunday best for 9 o'clock Mass. No excuses. And you had better be in the car waiting for Dad. Dad has never stopped learning or teaching. Summers, he continued to work full time at the brewery. But with school out, he took college classes for his master's degree. I was ten years old, but he took me along and parked me in the library. After class he'd try to explain what he'd learned and why it mattered. Even today, you

Dad's boss, commander of the Naval Air Station, cannot talk with Dad for 5 minutes without him

Ali. The Dad-Isms Fit To Print Most of the "Dad isms" I heard growing up are

too pungent to share, but here are a few: 1. Why can't you be like Wally?! (A reference

to the infinitely patient older brother on the Leave It to Beaver TV show). 2. Is this the best of your garden?! (Biblical reference, I think... has to do with Cain and Abel,

3. Are you waiting for a personal invitation?! (In a family of 11, mom, dad, 8 kids, plus our Irish grandmother, Nana, nobody got a "personal invitation" to anything).

first fruits of labor and that sort of thing).

Today, others would judge his methods too strict and without concern for self-esteem. All I know is that he's got 8 kids and 19 grandchildren, all of whom are doing just fine, thank you!

Like your own father, my Dad fundamentally influenced who I have become. Any drive, determination, or faith I have are echoes of his. My Dad celebrates his 96th birthday this Father's Day from the family home on Cape Cod. Look him up on Facebook! He'd love to hear from you (if he's



CELEBRATE YOUR FATHER, SERIOUSLY

To the fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, fathersin law, godfathers, uncles, and male role models of every description: Celebrate your sacred role this Father's Day! Today's popular culture and



media may not value your contribution, but your living example of unselfish love and generosity will always inspire and bless all of us!

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Treats

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"It's been two months, and here we are."

It's a homecoming of sorts for the Mazaris family: originally from Livonia, they moved to Howell several years ago. Mazaris said she would spend plenty of time shopping at Twelve Oaks over the years

The shop is the first spin-off for the bakery, which opened its brick-and-mortar location back in 2018 in Howell. Launching the milkshakes after opening, they've quickly become a hit across the state. Guests will drive from as far away as Mount Pleasant to get their hands on the over-the-top treats, Mazaris said. Five flavors are served on a regular basis, including Birthday Party, Cookies N' Cream, Cosmic Brownie, Strawberry Shortcake and Cookie Dough.

"The Birthday Party is always the most popular," Mazaris said. "We always have the Birthday Party. It's just a hit. Kids love it, adults love it."

The shakes are the stars at the new space, but they also sell some of the treats they're known for in Howell, including cupcakes, chocolate-covered Oreos and their lemonades, which sparkle when shaken. Those looking for M Street's savory items will have to drive westbound along Interstate 96 to get them, as the Twelve Oaks shop focuses on sweeter goods.

Traffic was fairly steady into the shop during its first day open, though Mazaris said she expects lines to form outside once the weekend arrives.

The shop is open the same time as the mall, which currently has hours of 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. More information on the shop can be found at mstreetbaking.com.

The expansion into Twelve Oaks was just the next step for the family bakery. There are plenty of things they'd like to accomplish, and opening the second location, Mazaris said, could just be the beginning.

"I knew that we wanted to open more locations. We have so many ideas, so we weren't sure what was going to come next," she said. "It's just the right place at the right time."

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Emily Mazaris talks about operating the M Street Baking Co. location in Novi. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Employee Laine Johnson finishes making a shake for a customer June 14.



The snop at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi is the first spin-off for the bakery, which opened its first location in 2018 in Howell.





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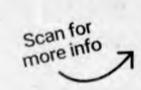
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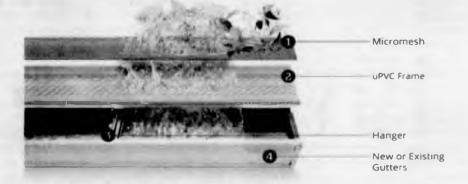
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Restaurant

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"We love Jimmy, and thank God we're still going to have him with the two other restaurants. But it will be hard to drive by that corner without Hector and Jimmy's being there," she said. "It will be a loss for those of us who brought our children there, it's been a part of all of our history for a long time."

Barnette recalled that prior to Eggl opening Hector and Jimmy's in 1985, the building was occupied by Sonny's and the Post and Paddock. Eggl, she said, transformed the bar hangouts into a family-style restaurant.

The restaurant, which celebrated its 30th birthday in 2015, was a staple through changing times. In the early 1990s, Barnette said, it was one of only five restaurants in a village that now offers 32 dining establishments.

"That's a pretty dramatic change and he weathered the storm and kept a very, very loyal customer base," Barnette said. "... We will miss it."



Jimmy Eggl, pictured in this 2015 photo celebrating Hector & Jimmy's 30th anniversary, announced on Facebook the longtime restaurant is closing June 19. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



In the early 1990s, Hector and Jimmy's Restaurant was one of only five restaurants in a village that now offers 32 dining establishments.

Library

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hesitation about committing the property for that purpose, saying other uses including a fire station, DPW facility, or senior center needed to be considered.

A joint subcommittee of library staff and two township board members, Treasurer Patty Carcone and Trustee Robert Swain, was convened last March, ostensibly to examine the use of the Mill River property, obtained by the township in a consent judgment several years ago.

That subcommittee met only once in this past year, and Bissoon-Dath said he was told during that meeting that he needed to return to the entire township board for a decision.

A few residents who called in to the meeting appeared frustrated with the board's lack of committal on the Mill River property use.

Valerie Whalen said she was calling to give her support for the original plan for a new library to be put on the Mill River property.

"We desperately need a larger library," Valerie Whalen said. "I'm not sure why we turned our back on plans pursued for many years."

But Dolan said there needs to be more options considered than that one piece of property, although he is "not against anything the library wants to do."

"It would be nice to see properties you think are usable for the library, maybe down in the corridor of New Hudson," Dolan said. "To investigate a few more properties might be a good idea,"

Other properties have been considered in the past, including a townshipowned II Mile Road parcel on which a park was previously planned. However, that property has its own issues, including wetlands that make it difficult to access and develop.

Wetlands could make it difficult to expand the current library, Bissoon-Dath said, adding that at a minimum, the library needs at least 8 acres to accommodate a 19,000-square-foot facility as well as parking and grounds for outdoor events.

"We put all our efforts into the Mill River property because we were told it was ours, and now we're told it is not," Bissoon-Dath said.

The library is a separate entity from the township, with its own elected board, operating budget and millage. Bissoon-Dath said the library pays \$20,000 in annual rent to the township for the current facility. Half is used as a library, the other half as a community center.

"We rent from the township, so if we were going to expand, we would have to do a study to see if it is feasible. And as renters, half the building is just the library only, other half is community center, which the library helps administer for the township."

Township Trustee Robert Swain said the Mill River property isn't off the table. However, there is no current intergovernmental agreement regarding it as there previously was when the township agreed that if the 2016 millage proposal succeeded, the library could use the site.

Swain adds that he is not personally opposed to the library's use of the Mill

River property, but as a "very desirable parcel," the township board has to carefully consider its best use.

"It may very well be the library, but I want to see the library has done their due diligence, that they've looked at more options and here is why this is the best," Swain said. "We'd have to weigh what makes the most sense."

He agreed with Dolan that library staff should continue coming to township board meetings to give regular updates on their progress in identifying potential properties to locate a new library. It would be a win-win if it were property the township already owns, in order to keep costs of a new proposal down, Swain said.

Ultimately, he said the responsibility of the township board is to act in the best interest of the community as a whole, and while a strong library is a benefit to the community the board has to consider more options, including whether residents support the expenditures.

Bissoon-Dath said the library board will discuss property options at its meeting June 29.







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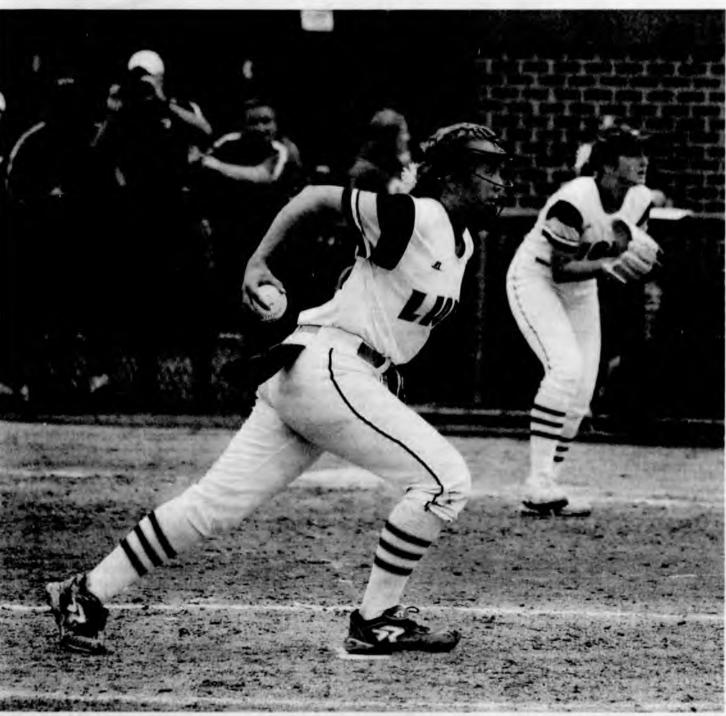
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South Lyon freshman Ava Bradshaw limited Allen Park to three hits and one walk in a 5-0 victory in the Division 1 softball final at Secchia Stadium in East Lansing on June 19. Photos By WRIGHT WILSON/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

South Lyon softball wins D1 state title against Allen Park

Colin Gay Hometownlife.com **USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN**

Ava Bradshaw was a mess, a nervous wreck heading into the Division 1 softball state final.

South Lyon head coach Dan Depaulis said that's common for his freshman pitcher, saying that she wakes up between 5 and 6 a.m. before big games to go to her basement and pitch around cinder blocks.

But the nervousness did not come from Allen Park, a team that South Lyon lost to early in the 2021 season. Bradshaw was comfortable in her and her teammates' abilities on the softball field. It was the gravity of the situation, the weight of the work put in to get to this moment.

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South Lyon players take a team selfie with the Division 1 championship trophy.

Mercy fails to match Allen Park's firepower

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Asia Barbato had a lot to deal with in the Division 1 state semifinal.

The Mercy freshman pitcher was set to face an Allen Park offense that had mercied four of its five previous playoff opponents, outscoring teams 62-1. Barbato and the rest of the Marlins defense had battled through its fair share of games in the 2021 postseason, squeaking out wins against Novi and Walled Lake Northern.

But the Jaguars offense got the better of Mercy (32-5), falling to Allen Park (32-10), 9-5, in the state semifinal, the team's deepest playoff run since the Marlins' 2016 championship.

"We knew they were big hitters, we knew they were going to get their hits," Mercy head coach Corey Burras. "They are a great team. Everybody hit, top to bottom, like they said they did. And they did. They showed it today and they got on top of our pitchers, made the adjustments like we usually do."

Early on, Mercy found its way out of some major jams.

After walking two and hitting a batter in the first, loading the bases with one out, Barbato struck out Mia and Molly Hool, returning to the dugout unscathed, as she would remain through the first three innings of play.

In that time, Mercy took the lead after a sacrifice fly in the first by Kendall Spivey. But in the fourth inning, that lead was erased quickly.

Two singles and a double loaded the bases for the Jaguars, recording their first run of the game on a bases-loaded walk by Faith Peschke.

After a run-saving snag by Mercy shortstop Grace Nieto seemingly saved a few runs from scoring and put the Marlins in a position to get out of another jam, stranding five runners through the first three innings, Madilynn Ramey hit the dagger, sending a pitch from Barbato over the left-centerfield wall for a grand slam.

A single and a double after Ramey's home run sent Barbato out of the game, finishing with seven earned runs on seven hits, four walks, two strikeouts and a wild pitch.

"She learned that big games have a lot of pressure," Burras said of his freshman pitcher. "This will benefit her, even if it's a rough game; they were hitting the balls. She has three more years of this. It's a great lesson. A lot of juniors and seniors learned the same lesson she learned today."

Mercy answered with three runs in the top of the fifth - headlined by a two-RBI double by senior second baseman Maggie Murphy - and an RBI triple by Spivey in the seventh. But

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Brother Rice golf brings home Division 2 state title

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Brother Rice took home the Division 2 boys golf state title, recording a 580 -28 strokes ahead of the second-place finishing Flint Powers Catholic – for the championship.

The Warriors recorded the program's first win since 2012.

Leon Braisted and David Sass, who led Marian to the Division 3 girls golf title in the fall, are the first coaches in MHSAA history to win state titles with a girls and boys golf team in the same sea-

finished in the top 10, including sopho- Detroit Country Day teammates more Lorenzo Pinili, who placed second Scott Hanna and Peter Hofley finished with a 139 – five strokes behind Pontiac Notre Dame Prep senior Brockton Eng-

Warriors senior Collin O'Rourke finished tied for fifth with a 144 and junior See GOLF, Page 7B

Three of Brother Rice's five placers Matt Baer tied for seventh with a 145.

tied for 11th with a 148, helping the Yellowjackets to a 12th-place finish as a



Farmington seniors celebrate signing to cap off school year

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A group of Farmington senior athletes arrived at their home gym to celebrate.

For most, their high school athletics careers were complete. Most had already signed their letters of intent. But Athletic Director Tim Micklash still wanted to give them an opportunity to recognize the work it took to get to where they were.

Fifteen of Farmington's 18 signees attended a signing day ceremony June 3, looking back at what it took to earn a scholarship and a spot with a college program.

Here's the stories of four athletes honored.

'I don't want to do anything else'

Madeline Greaves started swimming when she was 6 years old. Her mom put her in a class just to see if she would enjoy it as much as her older sister had.

She did, finding a home in the water quickly. But it wasn't until seventh grade when Greaves realized it was something she could not live without.

"I tore my ACL when I was in seventh grade," she said. "It kind of put in perspective how I don't want to do anything else. I don't want to put anything else at risk for my swimming because I knew I loved it and I knew I wanted to stick with it through high school and in college."

When Greaves arrived in Farmington Public Schools, she found she was pretty good at swimming, too.

In two seasons at Harrison, she was an eight-time All-State placer, earning state championships in 2017 and 2018 as a part of the 200-yard freestyle relay and the 400-yard freestyle relay.

After moving to Farmington High School in 2019, Greaves became a state champion herself, finishing first in the 200-yard independent medley and the 500-yard freestyle. As a senior, she earned four more All-State finishes, beating her state champion time by nearly a second in the 200-yard IM.

In those state meet races, Greaves realized she was on a Division 1 track, matching swimmers who were already committed to high-level collegiate programs. As soon as her recruiting officially opened prior to the start of her junior year, Division 1 programs started to contact her, including Purdue, where she committed to in November 2019.

Over the past two years, Greaves said Farmington has helped her prepare for the strenuous schedule of a Division 1 college athlete, saying she bonded with friends over the grind of late nights studying and early-morning practices.

As the COVID-19 pandemic nears its end, Greaves said she will have an opportunity to make herself known in the Purdue swim and dive program with the amount of new swimmers on the team.

"The freshmen that were there now are still going to feel like freshmen next year," Greaves said. "I think it's nice we're all going to be in the same boat, but I have high expectations for myself at Purdue."

Campbell finds home on ice

Ella Campbell grew up where hockey



A group of Farmington senior athletes participate in the school's signing day ceremony. COURTESY OF CINDY FLYNN

is king: Ontario, Canada. She even remembers, when she was younger, when her and her classmates would go out skating for gym class.

When Campbell and her family moved to Michigan when she was 10, hockey was something she only did for fun, but soon dove in head forest.

"My parents were like, 'Hey, there's a team if you want to try out," Campbell said. "I was 10 years old, so I was like, 'Sure.' I stuck with it from there."

Campbell found that she loved the competitive nature of the sport, along with meeting new friends and traveling the world with her little league team.

Over the past two years, Campbell has been playing for the Little Caesars AAA Hockey Club, improving her still level as she got onto older teams.

"When I moved to Tier 1, that huge drastic change of skill level... that's what got me going," Campbell said. "All these girls are going to college. And I was like, 'If I want to go to college, I have to compete with them.' That's what really pushed me to do better."

Campbell will play for Curry College in Milton, Massachusetts, starting in 2021, which competes in the Independent Women's Club Hockey League. As she prepares to join the team, Campbell said the coaches have been more focused on developing a connection between her and her teammates and creating a family atmosphere.

But Campbell knows there will be an increased level of competition at Curry College

"I know we are going to be playing a lot of good teams," Campbell said. "We're a newer team, so we don't have a bunch of connections with each other yet. Hopefully we will bond well with each other so we will be playing good, but the competition we will be playing against will be next level. I really hope I will be prepared for that."

Reaching for the ceiling

Eli Bride has always found soccer as

his outlet for his competitive nature.

Ever since he joined a soccer team at 3 years old, Bride has loved to win, striving for that feeling in each practice and in each game played. That mentality followed him wherever he went, including his freshman season at Farmington.

"I always strive for the highest I can get, so I went in, going for varsity my freshman year, made it," Bride said. "We had a very competitive team, ended up getting some playing time and started sophomore year.

"I always reach for the ceiling, always go to the top. (I) did as much as I could and worked hard."

In his four seasons with the Falcons, Bride's teams won 22 games, including three playoff wins against Ferndale — Farmington's only win of the 2018 season — Groves and Royal Oak, respectively.

At the end of his senior season with the Falcons, Bride broke his ankle, ending his campaign prematurely. However, in winter 2020, he was still contacted by the Spring Arbor University coaching staff, who liked his film and wanted to see what he could do in the context of its

To Spring Arbor and other programs looking at Bride, it was his 6-foot-1 frame that they liked in a center-mid-fielder, using his size to shield people off and win 50-50 balls.

After a few trips to Spring Arbor, Michigan, to practice with the soccer team, Bride was offered in February 2021, later committing to the Cougars.

With a high school career seemingly defined by COVID-19, Bride said earning a spot to play college soccer is a "dream come true" and that he will bring that same mentality he brought to Farmington — that competitive nature — 75 miles west to Spring Arbor.

"I'm obviously going to work hard," he said. "They are a good team. They are always in nationals every single year, always go down to Texas. Great program. It's going to be competitive and I'm ready to work, work hard and earn my

spot."

Musial shines in the bowling lanes

Jonah Musial first started bowling as something to do when there was no baseball. In the winter, Musial found himself in a bowling league as early as age 5, using the lightest ball possible at first.

But as he got older, he found he was was improving at a rapid rate.

"I always just had fun being better than everyone," Musial said. "Just being that young and always beating the big kids was always so much fun. I feel like that and having a passion for it naturally."

After fracturing his growth plate pitching during freshman year, Musial started to focus solely on bowling, practicing three days a week and competing in local tournaments regularly.

As a freshman bowler at Farmington he took off, winning the first tournament he competed in and later setting the unofficial high average of 229 his sophomore and junior seasons.

Musial left the Farmington school team as a senior, training alone and allowing him to increase his skills with the help of Team USA coaches, allowing him to get noticed by Mount Mercy University, one of the top bowling schools in the country.

"First off, the academics are amazing and I just loved the environment there. Second, their bowling program, they started ranked third in the nation and finished fifth this year," Musial said.

"Their coaching is amazing, and once I showed up to tryouts and their practices, their community was just so amazing and welcoming."

Musial said his focus will be academics first, but that he wants to see what he can do in those first few tournaments and see where he stacks up against high-level competition.

"I'm going to give it my best and see if I can compete against the big dogs," Musial said.

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"There's part of you that's nervous and then there's a part of you that knows you've done what it takes," Bradshaw said. "I know I prepared myself, but I was nervous because I care so much about the game.

"We came so far. Just to not win, it felt wrong."

From the moment Bradshaw threw her first pitch against the Jaguars — leading to a line drive that easily landed in the freshman pitcher's glove for the first out of the game — she knew it was theirs to lose. She pumped her fist, pointing down, marking their territory and putting their stake in the trophy on the line.

Not even a rain delay could halt that momentum, as South Lyon (29-6-2) beat Allen Park (31-11), 5-0, for the team's first state title in school history.

Leaving the circle after a scoreless first, striking out one, Bradshaw was no longer nervous. She was just looking for a lead

In the freshman pitcher's first at bat in the bottom of the first, with sophomore third baseman Grace Walters at second, she laced a double to the left-center gap, pumping her fists and clapping her hands when she got to the second-base bag, knowing she soon could do what she loved: pitch with a lead.

"It completely swung the momentum in our favor," Bradshaw said. "It changed the game because now, we were in control. We could go out there and shut them down."

South Lyon held that momentum heading into the third inning, taking a two-run lead with an RBI single by junior Julia Duncan in the first. But a rain delay led to the Lions questioning how much staying power the momentum had.

As his team sat in the dugout, Depaulis told his team to erase the first two innings from memory. Instead, view it as a scoreless, five-inning game.

"I think it calmed the nerves a little because we were all a little nervous, sitting down and all that," senior Riley Boulier said. "The five-inning game really cut off some of the worryness and (let us) fire back."

Bradshaw needed help. After stranding two runners on first and second in the fourth with back-to-back strikeouts of Mia and Molly Hool, the freshman hit Allen Park sophomore Faith Peschke in the head with a fastball and walked the next batter on four pitches. Senior Madison Seymour picked up Bradshaw, securing the last out on a fly ball to center-

field to continue the shutout.

Bradshaw recorded a complete-game shutout, striking out nine, while allowing three hits and one walk.

South Lyon was not done offensively. Boulier secured two insurance runs, clearing the bases with a double in the bottom of the sixth. The senior finished the game with two hits and two RBI, scoring once.

"I think I have been in shock for a while to be honest," Boulier said. "This is unreal. I'm so happy I got to do this before I leave high school."

Depaulis had been an underdog be-

When he was a senior at University of Detroit Jesuit in 2001, he helped an un-

ranked Cubs team to a state title. As a coach of an unranked South Lyon team, he said he likes the underdog role, reveling in the idea that no one believed in his team.

"We really had a chip on our shoulder," Depaulis-said. "We really embraced it. We didn't really talk about it... we couldn't control what the rankings were, but we felt they weren't really respecting us."

That changes immediately for South Lyon, with 12 of its 15 players set to come back for the 2022 season.

The expectation doesn't scare Bradshaw. It may make her nervous when those big moments arrive, but it doesn't mean she isn't confident.

She's always about setting and exceeding high expectations.

"There's never going to be a limit," Bradshaw said. "I'm proud of myself and proud of this team. I think if we just learn from this, there's nobody that can stop us."

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Hartland wins state girls soccer title

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EAST LANSING — Underneath the tight wrapping that held it secure was an unsightly ankle that had turned gray since being injured three days earlier.

Whatever. Nothing was going to keep Julia Pietila from playing the final soccer game of her Hartland High School career, especially since it happened to be for the state Division 1 championship.

Uncertain if she would even play when she arrived Saturday at Michigan State University, Pietila scored two goals for the Eagles in a 4-0 victory over Troy Athens at DeMartin Soccer Complex.

Maria Storm and Hannah Kastamo scored the other goals and Morgan Seog made six saves for her sixth shutout in seven postseason games.

"It's just indescribable," Seog said.
"But there's no other team I would have rather played this game with. These girls, they have a tremendous work ethic and it's just incredible to see how we can persevere through every game and improve."

Pietila injured her left ankle Wednesday during the second half of Hartland's semifinal victory over Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central. Her chances of playing in the state final appeared remote at the time and improved only slightly in the days that followed.

"I was told by a few different people I wouldn't be playing today or they laughed when I said I would," Pietila said. "It feels good with adrenaline.

"I taped it up and started warming up to see how it felt. I said, 'All right, it's now or never,' so I just went with it. I feel like once I got in the swing of things, I forgot about it and was more focused on the game, which was helpful. If I'd been thinking about it, I'm sure I wouldn't have been able to run at full strength."

One of those who didn't take Pietila seriously when she said she would play Saturday was Hartland coach Andrew Kartsounes.

"She was saying, 'I'm gonna play,' "Kartsounes said. "We were like, 'Yeah, OK.' But she comes in and she tells us, 'Just let me play. Don't take me out so I don't cool down.' Then she goes and



Hartland's Emma Kastamo (16) looks to swipe the ball during a 4-0 victory over Troy Athens in the state Division 1 soccer championship game June 19 at Michigan State. TIMOTHY ARRICK/FOR THE LIVINGSTON DAILY

scores the first and fourth goal. I told her, 'You realize you scored the gamewinning goal in the state final your senior year on one leg?' You couldn't tell."

Pietila scored the all-important first goal with 23:04 left in the first half when she charged to the net and knocked in the rebound of a Kastamo shot that deflected off the hands of Athens goalie Nitya Balusu.

"Hannah Kastamo, my teammate, did just about all the work," Pietila said. "She beat the other player down the line

and slipped a ball in and it barely hit the goalie. I was just right there to get a little garbage goal in."

With a 1-0 halftime lead and Athens applying pressure early in the second half, Kartsounes said Storm's goal with 31:32 left in the game to put the Eagles up 2-0 was huge.

"They really started out the second half and were taking it to us," Kartsounes said. "I was standing there saying, 'We can't do this for 40 minutes. We're gonna have to get out and possess the ball a little more and create a chance or two.' That's what we ended up doing."

The Eagles created more breathing room nearly two minutes later when Kastamo scored off a pass from Justina L'Esperance with 29:20 left. Pietila scored her second goal of the game and 18th of the season with 18:21 remaining when her seemingly harmless shot off a pass from Alyse Daavettila was bobbled and made it across the goal line.

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Hartland's Julia Pietila celebrates the first of her two goals over Troy Athens in the state Division 1 championship game June 19 at Michigan State. TIMOTHY ARRICK/FOR THE LIVINGSTON DAILY

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"That was a good ball back, but I can't say I executed it very well," Pietila said. "But, hey, it went in, so I can't complain."

When the clock hit zeroes, Hartland (20-4-1) made history with the first high school soccer state championship by a Livingston County boys or girls team. Brighton's girls lost in five state finals between 1994 and 2005 and Brighton's boys lost in the 1998 title game.

"It feels amazing, and to do it with my teammates and my best friends, there's no better feeling," L'Esperance said. "I'm so proud of my team. This season, we stepped it up toward the end of our season. That's the best I've ever seen Hartland play."

For Kartsounes, it was his 190th vic-

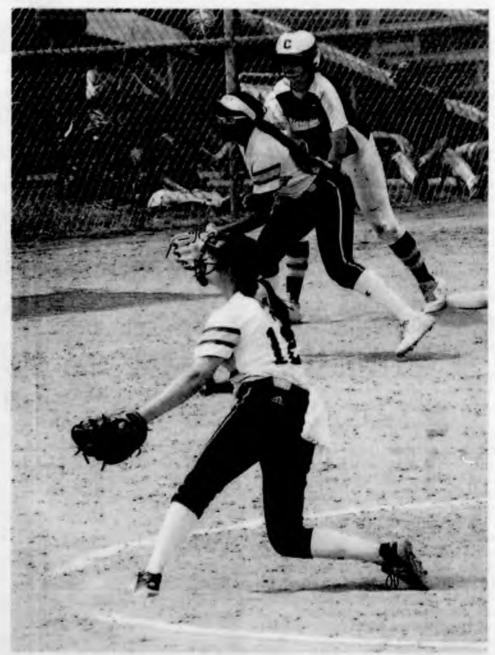
years. None of his teams got past regionals until this season.

"I just finished my 30th year teaching," Kartsounes said. "Everybody keeps asking me when I'm gonna retire because I'm No. 1 in seniority at the high school. I really was wondering if I was ever going to get here personally. It was amazing to get here, then to play the kind of game we did today it's just amazing."

The Eagles won by four goals over an Athens team that entered the game with a streak of eight consecutive shutouts and had a 17-1-4 record.

Hartland allowed only two goals in its last 10 games, both coming in a 3-2 victory over Forest Hills Central in the semifinals.

"They work so well together," Seog said of her defense. "They know how to move together and they can clear it. Having them in front of me and me behind them, it's comfortable. We know



Farmington Hills Mercy freshman Asia Barbato delivers a pitch during the Marlins' victory over Clarkston on June 12. ED WRIGHT/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Mercy

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the Marlins could not keep up with Allen Park, which added two more runs in the sixth on an RBI double by Avery Garden and an RBI single by Mia Hool.

Burras felt his team had to work to return to the final four, especially after first-round losses to North Farmington in each of the past two seasons.

The Mercy head coach said his team

had the potential, but could not take an extra step and match the Allen Park of-

"We had no cupcake games, so we always had to come through," Burras said. "We did really well and it really benefited our team having that experience getting here. We just didn't get that edge, didn't get that victory today."

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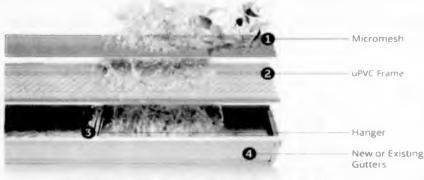
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Above at left, South Lyon's Eleanore Vitale (3) celebrates her run against DeWitt with teammate Ava Bradshaw in the fourth inning June 15. Above at right, Bradshaw celebrates after defeating DeWitt in the state quarterfinal at Novi High School. PHOTOS BY NICK KING/LANSING STATE JOURNAL

Freshman sets tone as South Lyon dominates DeWitt in D1 quarterfinal

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When Ava Bradshaw stepped onto the field in the Division 1 state quarterfinal against Dewitt,

tricity in the air: the roar of a capacity crowd at Novi's softball field, the weight of meaning behind what a win would

But when the South

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she could feel the elec- Lyon freshman stepped into the circle, it was go time. It was time for war.

She set down each of the first three Panthers hitters with ease, striking out two before her first trip to the dugout. With each strikeout, Bradshaw struck the same pose. She took one step forward toward the plate and screamed: an intimidation factor toward the opposing batters, a battle cry igniting a fire to the seven players behind her.

It's something that South Lyon had seen in the freshman all season. the momentum she carried just in her right arm. And it's something that

proved to be a factor leading South Lyon to a 7-0 win against Dewitt for a trip to East Lansing for the Division 1 state semifinal

"We know she's going to compete," South Lyon head coach Dan DePaulis said. "She's done it all year. She's been in the circle for us, she works her butt off and we're very comfortable with her being in the circle knowing she is going to compete and give us a chance to win.

The South Lyon offense rewarded Bradshaw's first-inning dominance with an early lead, using four-straight baserunners to open the first inning to score four runs on three hits — including an RBI single by Emily Johnson and a sacrifice fly by Julia Duncan — and an error.

The Lions added two more in the bottom of the second off an RBI triple by Grace Walters, who finished the game with two hits, two runs and an RBI, and an RBI single by Johnson: one of three RBI singles on the day for the sophomore.

Other than an RBI triple to open the third inning, Bradshaw kept the Dewitt offense silent, throwing seven shutout innings, striking out 12,

feeding off the momentum the South Lyon offense was giving her back.

"The momentum, we just always try and swing it back on our side. It was always on our side the whole game," Bradshaw said. We were trying (to be) really aggressive the whole game. On offense, we were scoring. On defense, we were making them not score.

Dewitt head coach Adam Nolen said Bradsaw was easily the fastest pitcher his team had seen all year in the circle, practicing their timing and trying to get ahead of her fastball.

"Our kids did everything they could," Nolen said. "We practiced and prepared for it. She was just too good.

DePaulis knows Bradaw's been one of the main keys to the Lions' success throughout their playoff run.

However, he knows players like Walters and Johnson, along with senior Ella Vitale, who scored two runs on three singles while adding a heads up play at first base in the third inning - throwing out a runner at the plate to ensure Dewitt remained scoreless - have

been just as integral. "They feed off of Ava. This team has really rallied around her," DePaulis said. Ava gets a lot of credit, and she deserves that credit, but they are also picking up the ball behind her and having great at bats and they are scoring runs for her. It's really been a team effort this whole playoff run."

Through six playoff games, South Lyon has outscored opponents, 44-4, recording four shutouts. Simply put, the Lions have been dominant, combining the recipe of timely hitting, pitching and defense to lead to a long run.

It's a recipe, Bradshaw feels, is continuable even as South Lyon makes the trip to East Lansing.

"We have a great team and everything, and this is just unbelievable how awesome we have been playing," she said. "At the same time, I have full confidence.

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Obituaries

Wallace E. Beaber

NORTHVILLE - Wallace E. Beaber, a longtime resident of Northville, passed away June 18, 2021. Always known as "Wally", he was born on April 11, 1923 in the Village of Halfway, Michigan; son of Chester and Alice (nee Horey) Beaber. After the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, Wally was drafted and proudly served as a Flight Officer in the United States Army Air Forces during World War II. He trained as a fighter pilot then served as a B29 Flight Engineer. He was united in marriage to Janet A. Malloy on June 25, 1960; lovingly devoted to each other for 61 years.

He graduated from East Detroit High School, class of 1941 and continued his education on the G.I. Bill at Wayne State University after World War II where he received a Bachelors of Mechanical Engineering. He was a Mechanical Engineer with Ford Motor Company and achieved "Professional Engineer" (P.E.) accreditation while developing multiple patents in the automotive field. He worked for Ford for 45 years where he was known as 'V8 Wally' and 'The Father of the 5.0L Engine'; retiring in 2007.

Wally was a member of the Great Lakes Timing Association, a group of motorcycle riders and boating enthusiasts. He enjoyed cruising on and performance tuning his '34 Harley Davidson VL and '35 Indian Scout motorcycles and being on the water. Wally was also a member of both SAE and ASME; organizations he joined due to his Engineering profession. Since he was a young boy, he was fascinated with airplanes and relished the opportunity the military provided him of learning to fly. This love of planes led him to purchase after the war his own 1940 Stinson Model 10 airplane which he flew mostly throughout Michigan. He loved the history of aviation and was a proud participating member of The Yankee Air Force. Wally had a green-thumb and was a highly organized gardener. He was immensely proud of his children and grandchildren. Wally was a dependable and loving husband, father, grandfather and friend.

He is survived by his beloved wife Janet; his children, James (Heidi) Beaber, Dianne (David) Barrett, and Gregory (Suzanne) Beaber; and his grandchildren, Ryan Beaber, Katherine Beaber, Emma Barrett, Isabella Barrett and Brandon Beaber. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Landis Jackson "Jack" Beaber, his sister Berenice A. Heuer, and his grandson William Eastwood Barrett.

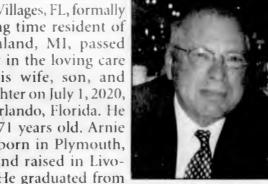
Visitation will be held Thursday, June 24,2021 from 5pm until 8pm. A funeral service will be held Friday, June 25, 2021 at 10am with visitation beginning at 9:30am at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville. He will be laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated to Macular Degeneration Research, 22512 Gateway Center Drive, Clarksburg, MD 20871.



Arnold J. Werstine

Arnold J. Werstine, of The Villages, FL, formally a long time resident of Highland, MI, passed away in the loving care of his wife, son, and daughter on July 1, 2020, in Orlando, Florida. He was 71 years old. Arnie was born in Plymouth, MI and raised in Livonia. He graduated from



Franklin High School and Michigan State University obtaining a Bachelors of Science Degree. Arnie was employed as an Industrial Engineer with General Motors for over 30 years. After retirement he and Nancy moved to The Villages, FL where he enjoyed golfing and exploring the area in his golf cart. Arnie spent as much time as possible with his four grandchildren whom he loved very much.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Nancy; 2 children, Christopher (Michele) and Andrea (Ashley Sowell, Jr.) Johnson; grandchildren, Christopher Nicholas, Katy Lynn, Vivianna, and Alexandra; as well as sisters Virginia Washburn (Don) and Eileen Werstine, and the late Judith Steffen; also many extended family and dear friends.

A memorial service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St. Milford on Friday, July 2nd at 11 O'clock with gathering to begin at 10 AM.

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South Lyon softball comes up clutch, defeats Grandville for state final berth

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South Lyon came into the Division 1 state softball semifinal allowing four runs in six playoff games. When the Lions came to the plate in the top of the fourth inning, they had allowed four

Through freshman pitcher Ava Bradshaw's first three innings of work, she had allowed four runs — two earned giving Grandville the lead after a passed by and an RBI single by senior designated player Kylee Dillard.

The Lions knew they had to respond. And they knew how: simply, South Lyon

The Lions recorded back-to-back RBI singles in the top of the fourth by seniors Ella Vitale and Riley Boulier to tie the game, taking the lead in the fifth with an RBI single by Julia Duncan.

South Lyon (29-6-2) scored four runs in the final three innings of play, earning its first trip to a state final with an 8-4 win against Grandville (36-6).

Seven of the Lions' eight runs against the Bulldogs came with two outs.

"Those kids just come up clutch. Nothing seems to faze them." South Lyon head coach Dan Depaulis said. "They are just really battling. At this point in the tournament, it's more about what you have between the ears than the talent, and they really focused, they are mentally tough and really good at bats with two outs.

Junior catcher Madison McKenzie gave South Lyon its first insurance run in the sixth with an RBI single, while Grace Walters and Emily Johnson added two more in the seventh with an RBI triple and RBI single, respectively.

Vitale, who scored twice while also bringing in two RBI, said South Lyon was not satisfied with a one-score lead, but continued to pounce on the momentum the offense had.

"I feel like our whole lineup can get hits," she said. "It's not that one end is stronger than the other. One of our sayings is 'Ground balls win softball games,' and when there's a runner on at third, we just try and hit it hard so they can

When Bradshaw had the lead in the circle, she could not be touched.



South Lyon softball celebrates its first trip to the Division 1 state finals. COLIN GAY/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

The South Lyon freshman set down nine of the last 10 batters she faced, walking one and fanning six. She finished the game with 12 strikeouts in seven innings, allowing five hits and two earned runs.

"From pitch one, we were all intense," Bradshaw said. "Some of my pitches weren't moving as well as I would like. I think they understood that I really needed the run support.

"We knew what we needed to do and we needed to play South Lyon softball. It's the way we have been doing it all year long.

As the first South Lyon softball team to make it to the state finals, Depaulis wants to make sure his team celebrates the accomplishment. He wants them to be present, to live in the moment and not take any game for granted, especially after losing the 2020 season due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

He also was confident that his team would be where it is now: knowing the amount of talent his team had in 2021 and the work the Lions put in during the extended offseason.

Bradshaw's excited for what her team has accomplished. But it's not one of satisfaction. It's more like checking a box and seeing what's next.

"It's like, we're in the state finals. That's crazy. We've gone on the run and we've been doing so well. You just see us getting better and better and more intense and more energetic," Bradshaw said. "We've been doing really well and I just think we need to keep going. We

"It's going to be our last game. We have to let it all out there."

Meet the 2021 LVC all-conference girls soccer honorees

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The Lakes Valley Conference All-

Conference team is out.

Here's a look at who made the cut from Hometown Life's four teams in the LVC: South Lyon East, Milford, South Lyon and Lakeland.

South Lyon East

Sophomore forward Alyssa Melquist Junior forward Emma Pompo Junior defender Autumn Neville Sophomore midfielder Kaylie Samluk

Senior defender Marissa Hamilton honorable mention

Junior midfielder Jesse Boulard honorable mention

Junior Ashley Sleeva — honorable

Milford

Junior midfielder Michi Hooks Senior midfielder Addison Krzyzak Sophomore defender Leah Merriam Senior defender Brianna Hipple Junior midfielder Reagan Allen -honorable mention

Freshman defender Brynn Dudley -

honorable mention

Freshman midfielder Allison Hooks - honorable mention

South Lyon

Sophomore forward Rhianna Schermerhorn

Senior forward Emma Dalzochio Junior defender Mackenzie Buckley Junior forward Paige Senter - honorable mention

Senior forward Lexi Nabozny — honorable mention

Junior defender Katie Sartori - honorable mention

Lakeland

Senior defender Isabella Koje Senior defender Dani Vincent Freshman goalkeeper Jessica Forbis Freshman defender Molly Marino honorable mention

Junior midfielder Karissa Welsh honorable mention

Senior midfielder Mariah Shaver honorable mention

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Brother Rice — first place, 580 (290, 290) Sophomore Lorenzo Pinili – second place, 139 (71, 68) Senior Collin O'Rourke – fifth place, 144 (74, 70) Junior Matt Baer - seventh place, 145 (68, 77) Senior Patrick O'Leary — 26th place, 152 (77, 75) Senior Max Brown — 46th place, (77, 81) Detroit Country Day — 12th place, 636 (316, 320) Senior Peter Hofley – Tith place, 149 (75, 73) Senior Lucas Krol – 78th place, 170 (84, 86) Sophomore Arnay Modi – 78th place, 170 (81, 89) Freshman Vikram Goddla – 100th place, 182 (91, 91)

Detroit Catholic Central finished second behind Ann Arbor Skyline, placing

three golfers in the top 25 placers. Sen-

ior Jack Guerrera led the way for the Shamrocks, tying for eighth place with a

Livonia Stevenson placed 15th as a team, led by freshman Troy Watson, who recorded a 161, and senior Jack Smith, who scored a 163. Catholic Central - second place, 603 (297,

Senior Jack Guerrera - eighth place, 147 (72, 75)

Senior Joey Per – Zist place, 150 (75, 75) Junior Peter Stassinopoulos – 38th place, 157 (76, 81) Sophomore Matthew Mans/Junior Liam Casey – 57th place, 162

Livonia Stevenson — 15th place, 662 (332, 325) Freshman Troy Watson – 52th place, 161 (85, 76) Senior Jack Smith – 62nd place, 163 (83, 80) Junior Nathan Bond - 91st place, 172 (89, 83) Senior Mark Setfanick - 107th place, 197 (93, 104)

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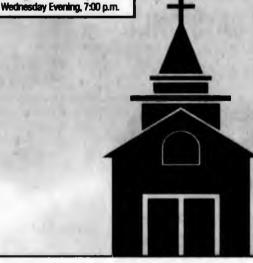
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How to Break Into a New Industry

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As Americans begin to enter the post-pandemic world, many are emerging with new priorities. For some, that means reexamining their career choices in search of more flexible work hours, more meaningful work, or simply something new.

But switching industries can be difficult-especially when the robots parsing your online resume, or the human hiring managers, do not see your past experience as directly relevant to their open roles. Here are a few ways to make it easier:

1. Be Realistic

While you can jump into some industries by acquiring online certifications, taking classes, or taking a pay cut, others may require more time, cost, or effort than you are able to sacrifice. While it isn't impossible for someone in their 50s to change careers and become a lawyer, the amount of work involved in applying to a law program, balancing studies with home and work life, and starting at the bottom after years of schooling may not be realistic. But there are other opportunities in the field that require less investment, like becoming a mediator or paralegal. Be creative in how you think about getting into a new type of job and consider how past skills and experience may help get your foot in the door.

2. Explore New-Collar Jobs

There are many exciting and well-paying jobs that only require some specific education or training rather than a full college degree. Some of these "new collar jobs"—which include roles like

drone pilots, photo editors, and information technology specialists—can be learned online in just a matter of weeks or months. Visit ZipRecruiter's Course Catalog to find courses you can take in healthcare, education, design, information technology and security,

searching online. Whether you graduated from school a few years ago, or have been working in your field for decades, making a career change can be exciting and

part of your career journey!

lucrative, if you approach it the right way. Use these tips to begin the next

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marketing, and more.

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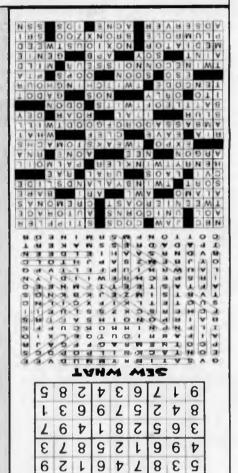
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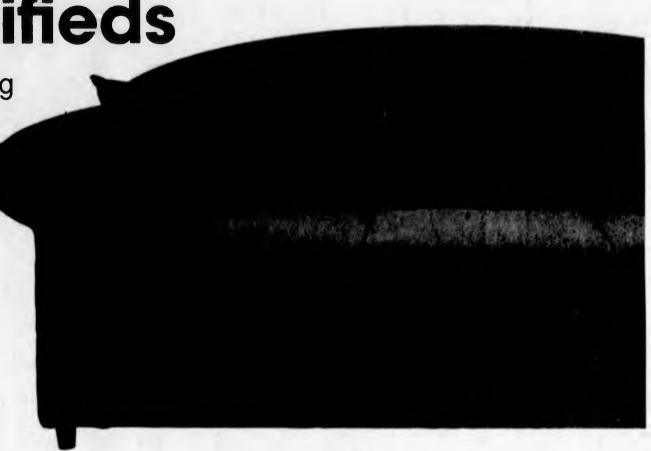
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