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City gathers input on downtown streets

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Should downtown Northville reopen its downtown streets?

That's the question poised before the Downtown Development Authority and city council after nearly two years of

Main and Center being closed to vehicle traffic.

A recent survey by the DDA yielded more than 4,000 responses, asking the community what to do with downtown, which has been closed to cars since the summer of 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Most respondents said the city should keep the streets closed.

"I think one of the main questions being asked is should the street closures in downtown Northville continue? Of the 4,050 responses we got, almost everyone answered this question," said Joe Blair, a consultant with Carlisle Wort-

man & Associates. "Overall, I believe 74% (answered) in the affirmative."

Other results of the survey include:
● 56% of respondents said both Center and Main streets should remain closed

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Woman stays focused on older sister's unsolved 1982 murder case

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Cindy Arthurs checks her social media every day for tips on her sister Kimberly Louise's 40-year-old unsolved murder.

"This is pretty much my daily routine," said Arthurs, who lost her older sister when they were both teens living with their parents, William and Joanna, and siblings Catherine and Timothy, in Green Oak Township near South Lyon.

"I've got her (story posted) in almost 100 groups. I wake up to comments. It's a lot of people offering condolences. I deal with it daily. Then there are days I don't want to pick up my phone," Arthurs said.

Kimberly Louise was only 16 when she was killed in 1982.

Livingston County Sheriff's Office deputy Edwin Moore helped worked the case back then and is part of a three-officer cold case team tracking unsolved murders in the county.

Moore said Louise was last seen March 20, 1982, near Eight Mile and Merriman roads, near Livonia.

Her nude body was found April 14, 1982, in a wooded area off a trail at the Island State Recreation Area in Green Oak Township, according to media and police reports at the time. Police said she was sexually assaulted, beaten and strangled.

Louise's murder remains one of Livingston County's highest-profile cold cases.

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Staff of the Novi Parks Department check out the parcel of land along Twelve Mile Road that is to become Novi Northwest Park. From left are Deputy Director Tracie Ringle, Parks and Recreation and Cultural Services Director Jeff Muck, and Recreation Supervisor Jeff Johns. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



The site of Novi Northwest Park along Twelve Mile Road.

Novi awarded \$100K grant for park project

City to develop 10-acre site with trail, playground, more

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The City of Novi has been awarded a \$100,000 grant for development of the 10-acre Novi Northwest Park at 50635 Twelve Mile Road.

"It will bring a park into that area that currently doesn't have one," said Jeff Muck, Novi Parks and Recreation director. "It will be a nice addition."

The wooded lot between Detroit Catholic Central High School and the

Andelina subdivision will provide enhancements that keep the property in as natural a state as possible. The city acquired the property in 2015.

The community grant from the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission, along with \$469,000 in dedicated matching funds from the city, will be used to install a half-mile crushed stone trail and a nature-based playground that blends into the topography.

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Army admits WWII soldier's remains still missing

Farmington Hills family heartbroken by mistake

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Maryalce Lupher believed last month the remains of her father were found, 77 years after he was killed in action in World War II.

Now her heart is broken again after she was told by officials from the Ft. Knox Casualty Assistance Center there was a mistake, just days after Lupher accepted seven medals honoring Alfred Ricke.

"I was told by the Army that they had located and identified him," Lupher said. "I don't know who screwed up and where, but somebody sure did. ... It's like getting the report again that he has been killed."

Greg Gardner, chief of past conflicts

of the Army Service Casualty office at Ft. Knox, confirmed he called Lupher to tell her about the mistake.

Gardner said the Department of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency tries to set "clear expectations" for families about the process for identifying remains, but "sometimes there are miscommunications."

This is the first time he said an error had progressed this far.

"I wish I could tell you what happened and why," Gardner said. "There were things that happened along the way that we should have caught. All I could do was apologize from the Army that it had gotten to this point and correct it."

Maryalce, now 83 and a Farmington Hills resident, was just 5 years old when her mother Dorothy received a fateful telegram at their Pennsylvania home in 1944.

"The secretary of war desires me to

express his deep regret that your husband Private Alfred R Ricke has been reported missing in action since twenty five August in France if further details or other information are received you will be promptly notified," reads the telegram.

He was declared dead eight months later and there was no further news on Lupher's father until a genealogical society requested DNA samples from her and other surviving family members last fall.

The Department of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency works with genealogical societies and other partners in a mission to "Provide the fullest possible accounting for our missing personnel to their families and the nation."

The remains of approximately 82,000 U.S. military members who served in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War are still unaccounted for as of April 20.

Since 2010, the number of U.S. ser-

vice members' remains identified include 937 from World War II; 477 from Korea; and 152 from Vietnam.

Which cases are chosen each year are determined by burial site access and other factors.

Gardner said the agencies start working with families two to three years before disinterment or recovery of remains so that DNA is on hand.

The reactions of family members vary vastly when they are contacted, he added. Some refuse the request for a DNA sample and don't want to reopen old wounds. Some had never met their long-lost relative or may not have even known about this family member who fought and died in a war.

Others, like Maryalce Lupher, are overcome with emotion, their hopes rekindled that they can at last formally close a long open chapter in their lives.

Gardner said it could be up to seven years before the case is closed.

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New \$9M VA outpatient clinic opens in Canton Twp.

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About 12,000 military veterans can save some gas money by visiting a new \$9 million community-based outpatient clinic in Canton Township for a more personal, close-to-home experience.

The 44,000-square-foot Lotz Road facility officially opened its doors Wednesday, sparing curious and weary veterans the traffic and parking snarls that come with trips to Detroit and Ann Arbor.

Approximately 100 employees have been trying out equipment and running through drills for VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System's largest clinic activation in a decade.

"We're really looking forward to this," Director Ginny Creasman said. "We think that this is just going to go a long way in serving the veterans in a growing population in a growing city closer to home."

Appointments already are set for veterans seeking medical services at

the pristine facility in the 5900 block of North Lotz Road, north of Ford Road and easily accessible from Interstate 275.

Spokesman Brian Hayes said a ribbon-cutting ceremony with the renaming of the facility after a decorated Canton resident is being planned for the fall.

Besides primary care, veterans can seek medical appointments for women's health, mental health, whole health, radiology, pain treatment, physical therapy, prosthetics, ultrasound, lab services, and pathology.

Creasman said the age range for patients is expansive but the median remains in that 50-60 years of age range.

She encourages local veterans to call first since they'll have to decide whether a shorter drive is worth saying goodbye to a doctor in Detroit or Ann Arbor.

"We are constantly evaluating how we can make healthcare more accessible to local veterans," Creasman said in a statement. "We identified this geographical gap for a significant number of

veterans between Ann Arbor and Detroit."

The project began taking shape in 2014. Construction began in summer 2020. The single-story facility was mostly done in the fall.

Designers wanted to build a facility that meant a more personal experience for veterans. Color-coded hallways will help them navigate the clinic. There are about 40 exam rooms and, once there, patients can sit tight instead of maneuvering hallways and stair flights.

"The new facility has large, open work areas for different providers to work collaboratively," Meaghan Short, an interior designer and project manager for VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System, said.

The VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System also encompasses the Lieutenant Colonel Charles S. Kettles VA Medical Center in Ann Arbor and community-based outpatient clinics in Flint, Jackson and Toledo, Ohio.

CITY OF SOUTH LYON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That a Public Hearing on the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 will be held on Monday, May 23rd, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. at the South Lyon City Hall located at 335 S. Warren Street, South Lyon, Michigan. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Lisa A Deaton
City Clerk/Treasurer

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CITY OF NOVI
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE ON CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Notice is given that the Novi City Council will be interviewing applicants for appointment to the following Boards & Commissions:

- Parks, Recreation and 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 27, 2022. Applicants will be contacted by the City Clerk's Office regarding the date and time of interviews.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

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City of Novi
Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **June 14, 2022, at 7:00PM** in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

PZ22-0021 (Diversified Developing LLC) 45283-45295 Grand River Avenue, East of Taft Road and North of 11 Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-15-351-044. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance From Section 3.1.18 a parking setback of 5 feet on the west side of the proposed Parcel A (10 feet required, variance of 5 feet) and a front yard building setback of 20 feet of the proposed Parcel B (40 feet required, variance of 20 feet). From Section 5.12 to allow a lot with no public road frontage for Parcel B. These variances are for the splitting of an existing developed 1.66 acre lot into two lots. This property is zoned Light Industrial (I-1).

PZ22-0022 (Cheng Ling) 1501 East Lake Drive, West of Novi Road and South of 14 Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-02-329-011. The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance from Section 3.1.5.D for a front yard setback of 15 feet (30 feet required, variance of 15 feet); A rear yard setback of 24 feet (35 feet required, variance of 11 feet); a side yard setback of 3 feet (10 feet required, variance of 7 feet); an exterior side yard setback of 4.3 feet (30 feet required, variance of 25.7 feet); Aggregate side yard setback of 7.3 feet (40 feet required, variance of 32.7 feet); and a lot coverage of 49% (25% maximum allowed, variance of 24%). These variances will accommodate the building of a new home. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-4).

PZ22-0023 (Chris & Saloni Roeser) 50706 Glades Ct E, East of Napier Road and South of 10 Mile Road, Parcel 50-22-30-301-042. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 5.11 for an exterior side yard setback of 20 feet (30 feet required, variance of 10 feet) for a fence. This variance will create better access to the backyard while still enclosing the pool. This property is zoned Single Family Residential (R-1).

PZ22-0024 (Nowak & Fraus Engineers) 24295 Haggerty Road, Northwest corner of 10 Mile and Haggerty Road, Parcel 50-22-24-476-030. The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.10.3.A to allow 2 overhead doors to face a major thoroughfare (Ten Mile Road). This property is zoned General Business (B-3).

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Salem Township Zoning Board of Appeals
Notice of Public Hearing
June 8, 2022

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, the Salem Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing to consider a variance from Section 30.101 in the Zoning Ordinance, to allow for an accessory structure on a residential property to be within the required side yard setback, 5 feet rather than the 30 feet required. Property is located at 9390 Chubb Rd, A-01-01-300-009.

The proposed Zoning Board of Appeals Application is Salem Township File #22-003. The application for this variance is available for public review at the Township office, during regular business hours. The meeting will be held at the Salem Township Hall at 9600 Six Mile Road, Salem, MI 48175, beginning at 6:00 P.M. Any person wishing to comment about the variance is encouraged to speak during the public hearing. Comments may be submitted in writing to Salem Township P.O. Box 75002, Salem, MI 48175, or by phone at 248.349.1690, extension 1 or to alexander@salem-mi.org.

Individuals requiring auxiliary aides or services should contact the township offices during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., (248) 349-1690 x1. Del Wensley, Salem Township Clerk

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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.

The Board reserves the rights to waive any irregularities, reject any or all bids, or accept any bid when in the opinion of the Board such action will best serve the District's interest.

Lindsay Cotter
Secretary, Board of Education

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Retired police chiefs testify in Stislicki murder investigation

Susan Vela

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Danielle Stislicki was missing a week when Chuck Nebus, then police chief for Farmington Hills, received a call from a personal friend and professional colleague.

Troy Police Chief Gary Mayer had received a tip with specific locations regarding how and where the 28-year-old woman's keys, Fitbit, cellphone and body could be found.

Police only found the keys and Fitbit where the tipster said they would be — near Grand River Avenue's intersection with M-5, near Stislicki's apartment at the Independence Green complex.

That December 2016 tip raises concerns about possible violations of attorney-client privileges related to confidential communications.

The tipster was a polygraph operator and Mayer's friend but working for an attorney already representing Floyd Galloway, a person of interest in Stislicki's disappearance.

Mayer wouldn't divulge the controversial source with Nebus, and Nebus chose to work with the tip because of intense pressure to find Stislicki.

An Oakland County judge is now reviewing testimony about the law enforcement communications.

Nebus and Mayer, both now retired, testified at an all-day May 3 evidentiary hearing while Stislicki's parents looked on.

Their daughter is assumed dead because she loved her friends and family but they haven't heard from her, and her body was never found.

"This is about evidence," defense attorney Ellen Michaels said during a break in testimony.

Her client, Galloway, is a prison inmate who pleaded guilty to sexually assaulting a Hines Park runner a few months before Stislicki vanished on Dec. 2, 2016.

Law enforcers said during the May 3 hearing Galloway was a person of interest from the start of their missing person investigation.

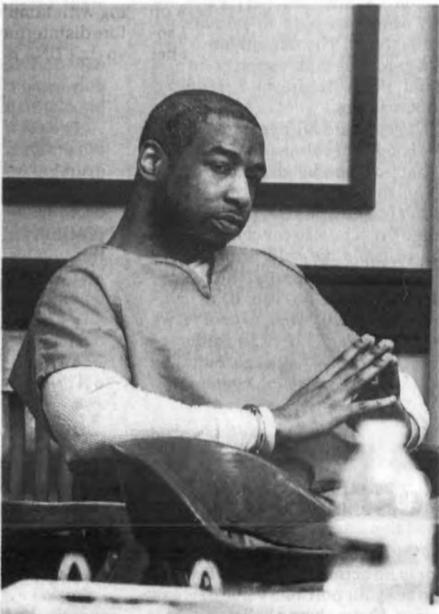
According to prior court testimony, Galloway and Stislicki knew each other from working at the MetLife office building in Southfield.

Galloway, while no longer assigned to the same building, was seen in the MetLife parking lot, dealing with apparent car problems, on the day Stislicki disappeared.

Co-workers saw him in her passenger side when she drove away.

Regarding the thorny tip, Galloway is claiming government malfeasance and requesting a quashing of certain information, if not outright case dismissal.

"Mr. Galloway's skepticism about (Farmington Hills Police Department's) representations and production of discovery to date has continued to grow," Michaels said in her motion for the hearing. "He seeks broad discovery to determine the degree to which law enforcement continued to



Floyd Galloway Jr. in the 47th District Court of Judge James Brady in 2019. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE



Danielle Stislicki. COURTESY OF STISLICKI FAMILY

charge Galloway in Stislicki's death.

Instead, Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel announced she would pursue charges against him in spring 2019, more than two years after Stislicki's disappearance and the sharing of the tip.

Farmington Hills Police Detective Robert Gerak was the last of several witnesses to testify, and he recalled for Judge Phyllis McMillen that he was upset when he learned Mayer had chosen to shield a friend rather than see "justice done."

Other Farmington Hills law enforcers testified about a tip sheet that the defense attorney said she couldn't use for her own investigative purposes because it never identified the source that allowed Nebus' officers to retrieve Stislicki's possessions.

The hearing concluded during Gerak's testimony. McMillen scheduled more testimony for June.

Galloway was escorted from the courtroom carrying a thick legal file.

Stislicki's parents declined to comment.

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engage in malfeasance.

"This is not a fishing expedition."

Both retired chiefs admitted during the May 3 hearing that they knew the tip was troublesome. Mayer said his friend insisted on confidentiality when he called Dec. 9, 2016, to say he had information on "the security guard" and evidence.

Law enforcers were then working with the possibility that Stislicki was alive and the pressure was on because of a looming snowstorm.

"Evidence disappears. Security footage gets reused," Mayer said, explaining why time was crucial.

Nebus testified to Mayer's call.

"There was urgency in his voice," he said, adding that Mayer made it clear he couldn't reveal the name of the source.

Nebus would later share his predicament with Oakland County prosecutors, who did not



One of the few remaining buildings on the grounds of the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital in June 2021. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Police arrest teens fleeing park in Northville Twp. after fire starts

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Northville Township firefighters fought a blaze at Legacy Park last week, resulting in the arrest of five teens caught apparently trying to escape the scene.

According to township police, police and firefighters rushed to the park south of Seven Mile Road shortly after 9 p.m. May 11 due to reports of black smoke in the air.

The park was once home to a state psychiatric hospital, and they found two buildings engulfed in flames.

Police saw the teens

"attempting to flee the area," which led to a preliminary investigation and their arrests.

Detectives interviewed them and determined the fires were intentionally set.

Wayne County prosecutors are now reviewing possible charges.

Fire Chief Brent Siegel confirmed nearby communities helped douse the fire.

Salem Township provided water tankers since there are no fire hydrants on the property, and there were a total of about 25 firefighters trying to put out the flames.

The blaze at a building where the fire originated was completely extin-

guished by about 10:35 p.m. The fire was contained to a room of origin.

Flames in the second building extended into the roof before firefighters had a secure water supply, causing significant damage, and that fire was not extinguished until 2:30 a.m. the following day.

While no one was injured, Siegel said limited access and water were major challenges, creating "a very dangerous situation for our first responders."

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BUSCH'S LOCAL Growing Home

Police say St. Mary's Prep chose to cancel fair

Frank Witsil Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

There's no Polish Country Fair this Memorial Day weekend, and if you are upset, Orchard Lake police want you to know they're not the reason why.

"I think it's very simple," Orchard Lake Police Chief William Nicholson told the Free Press. "The school made a decision to not go forward with the fair anymore, and I think people think there is more to it and they are trying to make a story that is just not there."

Orchard Lake St. Mary's Prep said months ago it was suspending — and potentially ending — its annual fundraising event, citing safety concerns.

But the Orchard Lake Police Department, with which St. Mary's Prep had consulted earlier this year, recently has been bombarded with so many local news media calls, the chief released a statement saying that while "any large open-air event is a potential target in today's climate," the decision to end the event was "solely made by the school."

St. Mary's Prep did not respond to Free Press calls and emails.

The school called off the four-day festivities in early February. In a letter to its Moms and Dads club, it blamed security and safety issues.

That was just two months after a teen at Oxford High School was arrested and charged with fatally shooting four students and injuring six students and a teacher. Schools throughout Michigan were facing dozens of copycat threats.

In addition, even before the shooting — going back almost a decade — news reports confirm fairgoers and organizers faced a growing problem with fights and unruly crowds.

In the letter, which was signed by the school's headmaster and board of trustees chairman, the school said it was a tough decision and hinted that it might turn to other fundraisers to replace the fair. It thanked the club for its "understanding and support during these challenging times."

But more recently, as the terror from the shootings has faded, folks disap-

pointed by the school's decision have raised questions. Was there a specific threat? If security and safety were at issue, why is the school holding a May 29 fundraising concert? And does the school have a greater obligation to vendors, patrons and the community to preserve a cultural tradition?

St. Mary's, after all, was created for Polish American boys to prepare for the priesthood. The fair offered Polish food, a gambling tent, a sports tent and carnival rides. It draws a reported 100,000 visitors.

Nicholson said his department met with school officials earlier this year and that he urged heightened security and vigilance and warned of the dangers that large events can pose, but did not urge the school to cancel the event. It's possible, he said, the school's letter may have overstated the risks.

"They asked, 'Do you have concerns?'" he added. "Well, of course, we have concerns. This is a different world ... than a few years ago. But, they are not concerns we can't overcome."

Portions of Milford Central Park closed as work to protect water begins

Courtesy of Village of Milford

Visitors to Milford's Central Park will find the lower parking lot and playscape closed during the day from May 16-20 and May 23-26.

The closures are due to work being done related to the protection of the drinking water supply for the village.

Because of the equipment being used, space needed for safety, and the proximity of the work to the playscape, this will result in the lower parking lot and playscape being closed to the public as follows:

- May 16-20 from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- May 23-26 from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

How to protect your financial investments in volatile market



Money Matters
Rick Bloom
Guest Columnist

Who said being an investor is easy? There is no doubt that things have been difficult the last few months. We are dealing with a surge in inflation, rising interest rates, and the war in Ukraine.

As result of the falling markets and the bad news, many investors are liquidating their portfolios. Although this strategy leads to short-term comfort, it will also lead to long-term pain.

It is important for investors to remind themselves that market corrections and downturns are not unusual.

Every market selloff or correction is a little unique from previous ones; however, we can still learn from the past. All we need to do is look back two years ago to the last significant market downturn.

Two years ago, the Dow Jones Industrial Average peaked in mid-February and by mid-March it had fallen nearly 32 percent. In fact, on March 9, 2020, the Dow had its worst single-day drop in U.S. market history, falling more than 2,000 points, or 8 percent. On March 12, the Dow fell another 10 percent and on March 16 it fell nearly 13 percent. Despite the market freefall, the markets fully recovered by the end of the year, and the Dow was up nearly 7 percent.

Investors who did not panic and succumb to fear were able to survive the downturn, recoup all their losses and show a nice profit by year end.

I have no idea when markets will turn. But I do know that in the past, 100 percent of the time, markets have recovered from downturns. I have no concern that markets will recover from this downturn as well.

Many investors think that when there is market turmoil, they must react. I don't necessarily believe that. Some-

times the best course of action for an investor is no action. I recognize it is difficult to see your portfolio value decrease. However, I have always believed that investors should not make decisions based upon fear or greed. Rather, investors always should base decisions on their individual goals and objectives.

When you take a long-term approach to the market you will be much more successful.

I recognize that many seniors are worried that they don't have time for markets to recover. I don't agree because we never know how fast markets will recover. The great majority of people did not think the markets would recover as quickly as they did in 2020.

The problem with selling and liquidating your portfolio is that it's very difficult to determine when to get back in. I know people who sold out in 2009, during the Great Recession, and are still sitting on the sidelines.

Unfortunately, they missed an excel-

lent opportunity to recoup all their losses and show a significant profit.

For as long as I've been in the investment world, I have told investors the importance of diversified portfolios and to focus on the long term. I still believe that advice is valid, and that over the long run, it will protect investors.

I encourage you not to let fear dictate your investment decisions. Yes, we are going through a challenging time; however, we have been through greater difficulties, and we have always come back from them. We will eventually rebound, and markets will regain their strength. The only question is if you will have the discipline required. I know it's not easy, but that is why I would tell you to use history as your guide and make your decisions accordingly.

Good luck.

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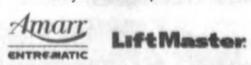
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Wayne, Oakland COVID-19 cases and deaths tracker

Mike Stucka
USA TODAY NETWORK

New coronavirus cases leaped in Michigan in the week ending Sunday, rising 46.2% as 27,705 cases were reported. The previous week had 18,945 new cases of the virus.

Michigan ranked 14th 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 increased 21.4% from the week before, with 605,127 cases reported. With 3% of the country's population, Michigan had 4.58% of the country's cases in the last week. Across the country, 47 states had more cases in the latest week than they did in the week before.

Wayne County reported 5,658 cases and 20 deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 4,124 cases and 13 deaths. Throughout the pandemic it has reported 416,547 cases and 7,973 deaths.

Oakland County reported 4,686 cases and six deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 3,341 cases and eight deaths. Throughout the pandemic it has reported 300,744 cases and 3,851 deaths.

Within Michigan, the worst weekly outbreaks on a per-person basis were in Washtenaw County with 521 cases per 100,000 per week; Clinton County with 452; and Oakland County with 373. The Centers for Disease Control says high levels of community transmission begin at 100 cases per 100,000 per week.

Adding the most new cases overall were Wayne County, with 5,658 cases; Oakland County, with 4,686 cases; and Macomb County, with 3,038. Weekly case counts rose in 76 counties from the previous week. The worst increases from the prior week's pace were in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Michigan ranked 35th among states in share of people receiving at least one shot, with 67% of its residents at least partially vaccinated. The national rate is 77.7%, 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 admin-



Luis and Irene Ferrolho have spent most of the past 15 months of the pandemic at home with their children, twins Alexandra and Dimitri, 8 years old. Because Dimitri has severe disability due to being born premature, they can't risk exposure to COVID-19. Irene quit her job to help the children with virtual learning and therapy and Luis works online from home. While they have grown closer to each other, they do look forward to less isolation when it is safer for Dimitri.

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istered a few weeks apart.

In the week ending Wednesday, Michigan reported administering another 89,246 vaccine doses, including 9,262 first doses. In the previous week, the state administered 77,455 vaccine doses, including 6,524 first doses. In all, Michigan reported it has administered 15,906,503 total doses.

Across Michigan, cases fell in seven counties, with the best declines in Hillsdale County, with 36 cases from 46 a week earlier; in Montmorency County, with 5 cases from 13; and in Arenac County, with 25 cases from 32.

In Michigan, 76 people were reported dead of COVID-19 in the week ending Sunday. In the week before that, 62 people were reported dead.

A total of 2,472,596 people in Michigan have tested positive for the coronavirus since the pandemic began, and

36,140 people have died from the disease, Johns Hopkins University data shows. In the United States 82,468,606 people have tested positive and 999,602 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.

Michigan's COVID-19 hospital admissions rising

USA TODAY analyzed federal hospital data as of Sunday, May 15.

Likely COVID patients admitted in the state:

- Last week: 1,260
- The week before that: 1,061
- Four weeks ago: 628

Likely COVID patients admitted in the nation:

- Last week: 49,753
- The week before that: 44,912
- Four weeks ago: 37,527

Hospitals in 45 states reported more COVID-19 patients than a week earlier, while hospitals in 29 states had more COVID-19 patients in intensive-care beds. Hospitals in 41 states admitted more COVID-19 patients in the latest week than a week prior, the USA TODAY analysis of U.S. Health and Human Services data shows.

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Bill to expand state's Open Meetings Act becomes law

Arpan Lobo Detroit Free Press
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Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed legislation expanding Michigan's Open Meetings Act to mandate at least an audio recording of meetings of certain state boards.

House Bill 4705, introduced by Rep. Luke Meerman, R-Coopersville, requires public meetings of state licensing boards, commission panels and rule-making boards to be recorded.

Recordings can be audio-only, video recordings or live broadcasts.

The Open Meetings Act is Michigan's law requiring public bodies to make their meetings and actions accessible to members of the public. Under the OMA, certain panels have to provide notice of when they are meeting, provide agendas of what they will discuss and record meeting minutes.

"Transparency and accessibility are critical to ensuring people trust their state government," Whitmer said in a news release. "Expanding the Open Meetings Act to require audio recordings of public meetings will help Michiganders have more confidence in their public bodies."

Meerman introduced the bill in June last year. It passed both the House and Senate on a bipartisan basis and by large margins.

According to a Senate fiscal analysis of the bill, recordings would have to be stored for at least one year after the meeting took place in a format that's accessible under the Freedom of Information Act.

Transparency in Michigan's government has been subject to scrutiny — it's one of the few states that does not subject the Legislature to Freedom of Information laws, which allow members of the public to request and receive public records. The governor's office is also not subject to FOIA.

Bills to extend open records laws to the governor's office and Legislature are pending in the state Legislature.

Unsolved

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Moore said Livingston County's cold case team is reviewing the case, which is assigned to Michigan State Police.

The team is interested in whether Louiselle's murder is tied to any others, including other cold cases or cases that have been solved.

Detective Sgt. Angela Hunt with the Michigan State Police's Brighton post said the case is assigned to her, but she declined to discuss it.

A description of the cold case on the Livingston County Sheriff's Office website says: "Numerous people have been interviewed and the case has been re-opened on several occasions."

A young life cut short

Arthurs, who was 13 at the time of her sister's murder, said Kimberly was "a normal teenager."

She remembers fishing off a trestle down the road from their family's 10-acre property near South Lyon, riding horses and playing with her sister in the snow. She said her sister liked writing poems and going swimming.

"She wanted to be a nurse," Arthurs said.

She said her sister had started dating a man a few years older than her and would hitchhike — which was still somewhat common in the 1980s — to her boyfriend's home in Redford.

She said her sister's boyfriend broke up with the teen, but she said he did not have anything to do with her murder.

Arthurs said her sister hitchhiked to Eight Mile and Merriman near Livonia, where she made several attempts to call people for a ride home to South Lyon.

At about 6:30 p.m. that day, an acquaintance of the Louiselle family reported seeing the girl in that area, dressed in an artificial fur jacket and jeans.

It was the last time she was seen.

What happened next remains a mystery

One of Arthurs' biggest frustrations early on was, after her sister's disap-



Anne Marie Doroghazi, left, Kim Louiselle, center, and Christina Castiglione were murdered in the early 1980s. Their cases remain unsolved. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

"I'm not doing nothing, and (Kim Louiselle's) face is out there. ... I want to make sure she won't be forgotten."

Cindy Arthurs On continuing to focus on her sister's unsolved murder case

pearance, police and media reported she could have been a compulsive runaway.

"She told me where she was going (to her boyfriend's home) and told me not to tell my parents, and then I told them later. Then she called to say she was coming home," she said. "She wasn't a runaway."

She said she holds onto hope that sharing her sister's story on social media, news media and podcasts will turn up new leads for cold case investigators.

"I do get tips. I've gotten a couple names from people and turned that all into the police," Arthurs said. "I'm not much further than when I started."

Arthurs believes someone local could know something that could help police.

Theories about what happened

Moore said the cold case team has looked into the possibility that Louiselle's murder could be tied to the murder of another local teenager about a year later.

Christine Castiglione, of Redford, was 19 when she was killed. She also was sexually assaulted and strangled.

Castiglione's body also was found on state land, near Fisher and Fawcett roads in the Oak Grove State Game Area in Livingston County, according to the

Livingston County Sheriff's Office description of her case.

She was last seen walking westbound on Five Mile Road near Lola Park in Redford on March 19, 1983.

"We've looked at that (case) over the years, and we've looked at several people that have been arrested by other agencies for abducting and killing women, or raping them, that are the same types of situations and looks," Moore said.

"So far, we haven't been able to tie any of them back to the Livingston area. We've had the evidence on several occasions to the lab, as the science has progressed, so far we haven't had any matches or luck," he said.

He said the cold case team coordinates with other police departments.

"If they list a case and it looks similar, then we'll do a background," he said. "We'll try to figure out where that person may have been at the time when any of our cold cases happened."

Another unsolved case from the early 1980s is the murder of Anne Doroghazi, a 20-year-old Camp Dearborn staffer, who was strangled and sexually assaulted, and then found in a Milford ditch near near General Motors Road Sept. 29, 1981.

Arthurs said she believes her sister's murderer was someone she knew. She said the location where her sister's body was found was near a carpool lot and off a trail past a chain-link fence that local teens knew about.

"There was a chain-link fence because it was state land, but there were gravel pits back there where kids would go swimming, and along that fence was a hole in it. How would they have gotten back there if they didn't know about that area?" she asked.

What else can you do without answers?

Arthurs says there are times she loses hope that her family will ever have answers.

She said she has considered hiring a private investigator.

"I'm starting to come to terms that I'm probably never going to find out. Initially I hoped that when I put it on social media that someone would come forward," she said. "I'm not doing nothing, and her face is out there. She's known. She's not sitting on a shelf. I want to make sure she won't be forgotten."

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Metro Detroit home sale prices rose in March

From Staff Reports
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A typical Wayne County home listed for \$129,450 in March, up 5.3% from a month earlier, an analysis of data from Realtor.com shows.

The median list home price in March was down about 14.5% from March 2021. Wayne County's median home was 1,219 square feet for a listed price of \$107 per square foot.

The Wayne County market was busy, with a median 34 days on market. The market added 1,864 new home listings in March, compared with the 1,588 added in March 2021. The market ended the month with some 2,307 listings of homes for sale.

Information on your local housing market is available through the USA TO-

DAY Network, with more data from Realtor.com.

Oakland County home prices rise 3.1 percent to \$412,500

Oakland County's home prices rose 3.1%, to a median \$412,500, from a year earlier. The typical house was on the market for 20 days, from 24 days a year earlier. The typical 1,930-square-foot house had a list price of \$211 per square foot.

Across metro Detroit, median home prices rose to \$229,450, up 5.7% from a month earlier. The median home had 1,446 square feet, at a list price of \$163 per square foot.

Across all of Michigan, median home prices were \$241,950, rising 6.4% from a month earlier. The median Michigan



Wayne County's median list home price in March was down about 14.5 percent from March 2021. Oakland County's home prices rose 3.1 percent.

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home for sale had 1,532 square feet at list price of \$156 per square foot.

Across the United States, median home prices were \$404,950, up 3.2% from a month earlier. The median Amer-

ican home for sale had 1,800 square feet, listed at \$214 per square foot.

The median home list price — the midway point of all the houses or units listed over a period of time — is used more often in this report instead of the average home list price because experts say the median offers a more accurate view of what's happening in a market. In finding the average price, all prices of homes listed are added and then divided by the number of homes sold. This measure can be skewed by one low or high price.

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Streets

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- 18% said either Main or Center Street should remain closed
- 26% said the streets should reopen
- Of the respondents who said the streets should reopen, 83% said they should reopen immediately.

The survey was conducted online over several weeks. The results were reviewed May 9 during a joint meeting between the DDA and the city council.

The meeting was a way for members of the public to give their feedback.

The road closure has been extended several times; it is currently scheduled to remain in effect until November.

While the survey indicating most respondents want to keep the streets closed, the majority of those who spoke at the meeting said they wanted to see the streets reopen.

Northville resident John Watkins said the city doesn't have the same feel as before.

"Now it feels more like Europe. We don't want to live in Europe," he said. "We want to live in small-town America."

The survey also asked about other



Downtown Northville in October 2021. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

aspects of the streetscape, including the social district — dubbed The Twist — and the shelters outside. About 84% of respondents said they thought the shelters should remain.

While there was some comments regarding the lack of use of the shelters during the colder months, Browndog Barlor owner Paul Gabriel said part of that comes from business owners not knowing how long the shelters would stay in place.

Without knowing how long they could remain, Gabriel said business owners have to have more information

before investing in heaters and other equipment for the colder months.

"As a business owner, we didn't know if there was going to be another surge," he said. "We have to know the streets are going to be closed for a while to justify the investments."

After the DDA makes a recommendation, the city council will take up the item and make a determination of what to do at a future meeting.

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

Grant

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Additionally, funds will enable restoration of prairie at the park, with re-seeding of natural plantings and removal of invasive species.

"We want to make that area attractive to pollinators," Muck said, laughing as he added a pun. "These are buzz words."

Novi is one of 14 communities awarded grants from the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission. In total, the commission awarded \$1.15 million to assist municipalities with planning, preliminary engineering/design and construction costs directly related to local park improvement and trail projects.

Grant funds must be used within three years.

Funding for the grants was made possible after county voters approved an increased millage levy to support the county parks and recreation commission.

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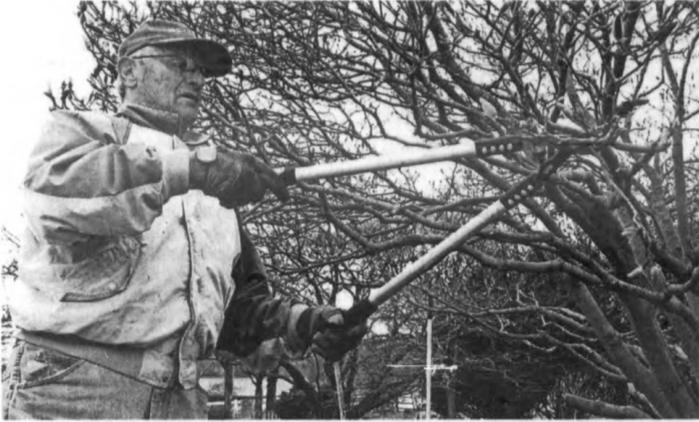
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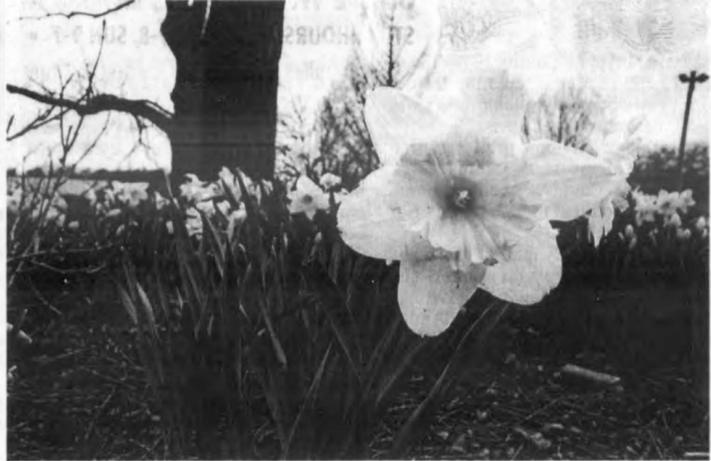
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Cherry trees blossom at Tollgate Farm in April.



Shiawassee Creek zips through Shiawassee Park in Farmington on May 2. Many area rivers and creeks were swollen during heavy spring rain.



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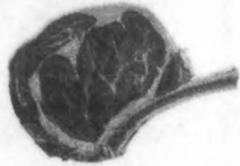
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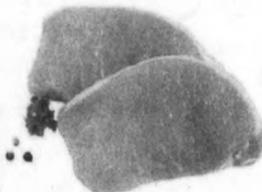
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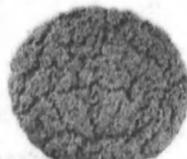
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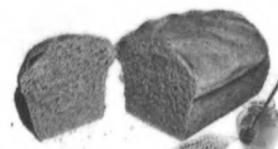
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SPORTS

Canton shows up – even without umpires

Softball team hasn't looked this good since 2019 regional championship win

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The first pitch already should've been thrown 20 minutes earlier. Instead, Canton coach Al White placed both hands on his hips and looked toward his dugout in disbelief while he waited for Salem's softball coaches to finish thumbing through their iPhones as they feverishly looked for answers.

"One of them got COVID, so they're not going to make it," one of Salem's assistants said. "And it sounds like the other one was accidentally reassigned. I'll try calling him and see if he picks up." Longtime Salem coach Bonnie Southerland looked up from her phone. And then she chimed in, too. "Let's give it a few more minutes before we make any kind of decision," she said. "Maybe we play just one game tomorrow and try to get the other one in on

Monday. I don't know." White nodded, and then he stepped away from the impromptu meeting near the backstop at Salem's field. As he made his way to his team's dugout, senior Kelsey Nader stopped him in his tracks. "Are they coming?!" the Northwestern commit asked. "Are they coming?!" White didn't say anything.

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Canton's Sydni Wolverton warms up May 11 before the team's game against Salem was canceled. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Livonia Stevenson's Kelsey Ware (right) pushes the ball up the field past Salem's Kelsey Nakayama on May 13. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Stevenson upsets Salem in KLAA crossover

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Mackenzie Gregor just couldn't get it to go back in. It was an absolute struggle for well over 5 minutes, and it was completely exacerbated by the beads of sweat flowing like a river down her face following

Friday's girls soccer match. The senior wound up plopping down square on the 30-yard line, right there near the south end zone of Livonia Stevenson's sports complex, just an ear-shot away from the giggles as her family and friends watched her strain. The Michigan High School Athletic Association says you can't wear acces-

sories like nose rings during competitions. So there Gregor was, trying to arm wrestle her nose ring back into its home. She even unlocked her iPhone, loaded Snapchat and used the application's camera as a mirror to help her guide the stud back into her nostril. "Are you still dealing with that?!" Spartans coach Ken Shingledecker

asked as he walked by while leaving the field. Eventually, Gregor got it back in. Phew. But it was a battle. And, funny enough, that was about the only thing the striker struggled with that night. See SOCCER, Page 2B

Freep Marathon will be 100th career run for Northville man

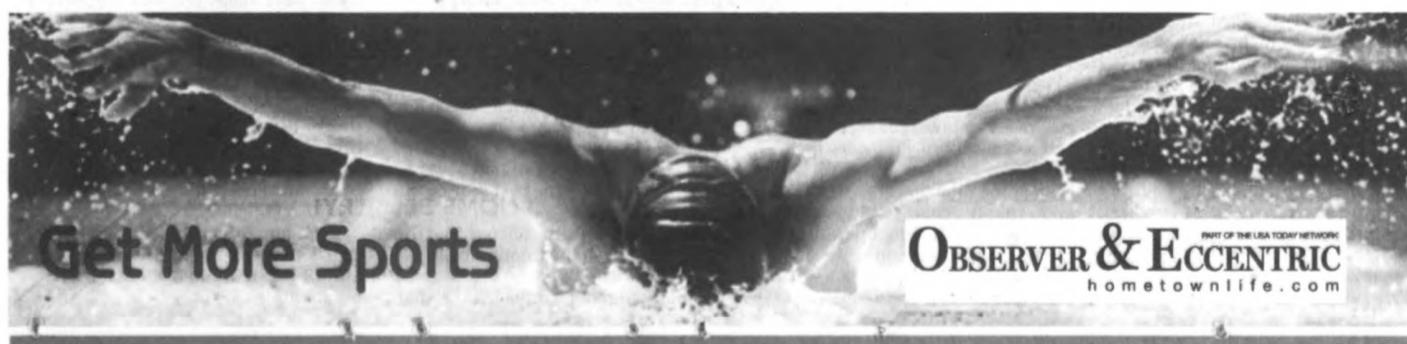
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Never say never, but there are two things that are almost certain about Michael Webster. Had the 62-year-old Northville resident not picked up a copy of the Detroit Free Press in early 1983, he likely never would've met his wife of 33 years, Vicki, 65, nor would he have become an avid runner, one who's about to achieve a milestone most would never fathom

reaching. So what the heck was in that edition of the newspaper? It was an advertisement for the 1983 Freep Marathon disguised as a training plan. It was one of those couch-to-42-kilometers how-to guides that broke down how many miles you needed to run each week to ready yourself for the actual marathon by the time it rolled around in the fall. "I bet I can do that," Michael remem-

bered saying to himself as he grabbed a pair of scissors, cut out the training plan and placed it under a magnet on his refrigerator. "I said, 'I want to test myself. I think I can make it.' "I tried following it, but then I wasn't following it too much. Just about everything you could do wrong I did during that first marathon." That was almost 40 years ago. Michael made it to the finish line. But it wasn't pretty. When he lines up to run the Freep

Marathon once again on Oct. 16, it'll be his 100th marathon. That's right. He went from reading a random article in a newspaper to becoming a hobbyist runner obsessed with pushing his body's limits to its breaking points and even thriving in the process. Here's how he has gone from doing "everything you could do wrong" to now preparing to run No. 100. See MARATHON, Page 7B



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Canton

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He just motioned her away with his hand, a subtle wave that said, "I don't know, and it doesn't look good right now, kid."

What a way for this rollercoaster of a ride to come to a brief halt for the Chiefs' softball team.

That morning, they woke up to the news that the Michigan High School Softball Coaches Association had ranked them No. 10 in its weekly Division 1 poll.

That's a testament to what this team has been through — not just this season but over the past four years.

Three current seniors — Nader, Faith Cramton and Jenna Caruso — were freshmen on the 2019 team that had a just-above-the-middle-of-the-pack effort in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association but somehow turned it on during the playoffs and wound up winning not only a district championship but a regional title.

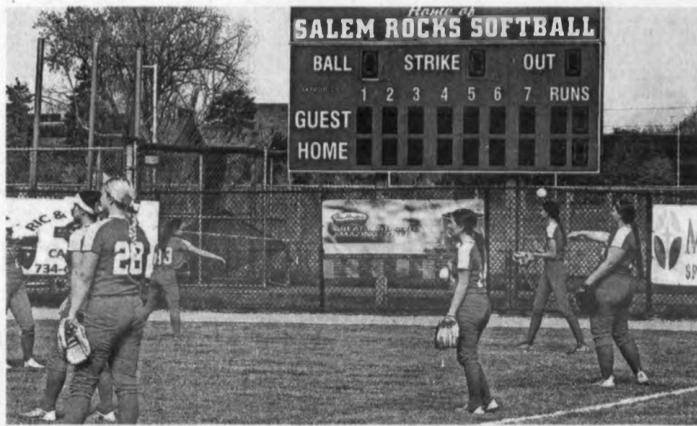
They saw their magical postseason journey end with a 9-1 loss to, yep, you guessed it, eventual state runner-up Howell, one of those tough KLAA squads, in the elite eight.

But, still, Canton proved it was one of the best teams in the state, and those three youngsters played a big part in helping the team overcome regular-season losses to Hartland and Plymouth to make a memorable playoff run.

The following season, many fans expected the Chiefs to go even further in the playoffs. They returned most of their key players, and they had some of the best pitching in Michigan. They got a few throwing sessions in before the COVID-19 pandemic hit and forced the Michigan High School Athletic Association to cancel all sports for the remainder of the 2020 school year. No games were played. Canton was robbed. It should've had a shot to one-up its effort in the state quarterfinal and try to get to the championship at Michigan State University. But it didn't happen.

As it turns out, missing that spring wound up hurting the Chiefs the following year, too. Players lost a year of experience, including hundreds of hours of practice and anywhere from 30 to 45 games.

And that year away showed all last



Canton softball players warm up May 11 before their game against Salem was canceled. PHOTOS BY BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Canton's Kelsey Nader warms up.

season. They posted a 13-14 record, the only losing season White has had throughout his 10 years leading the program. What's more, they were pummeled 8-0 by eventual state champion South Lyon in the district opener. They didn't get anywhere close to returning to the regional final.

White was sitting on a ball bucket in the dugout while he waited for Southerland to return with news when he discussed just how surprised he's been with this year's squad.

The team has been on an absolute tear, downing everyone in the KLAA it faces. It took care of Hartland earlier in

the season and has been muscling out comeback win after comeback win this past month. It even downed Livonia Stevenson, the team likely to win the KLAA-East, in a crossover game.

Recently against Novi, Canton spotted the Wildcats five runs in the opening inning. The Chiefs ended up rallying to not only tie the score but to pour it on and win 16-5 in three innings to secure the doubleheader sweep.

And this past week, once again, they immediately gave Howell four free runs, only to storm back for another comeback win.

They entered the May 11 doubleheader at Salem in the driver's seat to capture the KLAA-West title, a stark contrast from the Canton squad that couldn't sort itself out a year ago.

"This is about the same team as we had last year. The same kids in the same positions," White said. "Yesterday, we had a practice, and we huddled up, and I said, 'Girls, there's nothing I can tell you. Just keep doing what you're doing.'"

White knew it'd take quite the effort to turn things around. But the Chiefs are making it look unbelievably easy.

"This year, their little motto of the team is 'I believe,' and I told them that on the first day of tryouts," White added. "I said, 'Girls, you've got to believe in yourself and make a play, and then you've got to believe in your teammates.' I said, 'That's what being a team is.'"

"They took it and ran with it this year."

Chemistry and camaraderie have been key.

White doesn't recall players getting mad at each other when an error is made. Strikeouts are met with encouragement. Awkward throws to first base aren't grounds for the stink-eye.

He said when mistakes happen, his captains, Nader and Cramton, use it as teaching moments for the underclassmen and juniors.

"We all just really love to take the underclassmen under our wing and show them what's going on either mentally or physically with the game," said Nader, an outfielder. "We just learned from our mistakes last season. We really wanted to have a strong season. We don't want a season like last year. We know what we're capable of. We didn't perform last year. Coming back stronger than ever, that's what really gave us the will and drive this year."

That's why the Chiefs haven't faltered when they've given teams such as Novi and Howell big leads early.

It's only a few at-bats, and Canton is right back into it.

A game is genuinely never over until the last pitch is thrown.

"Last year was a promising year, but we did make a lot of mental errors that hurt us," said Cramton, a first baseman. "Coming into this year, it was a great experience seeing how everyone learned and grew before they came back, and we're really clicking together as a team. ... We make errors every once and a while. The teams are good so they take advantage of the mistakes that we make, and we always come back with the bats. It helps us get more confidence on defense when we can come back and get a big lead of our own."

There's no saying Canton would've for sure swept the Rocks, but a pair of wins would've guaranteed the Chiefs took home the division crown.

And Canton should still win the division if a makeup game with the Rocks never gets scheduled before the postseason starts.

But that, right there, is the first time in league play the Chiefs couldn't prove they're the best on the field, and it had nothing to do with balls and strikes.

All it took was a pair of umpires not showing up to their game.

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Soccer

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The Spartans, who are 13-2 overall and were ranked No. 11 in the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association's most recent Division 1 poll, welcomed Salem to town for one of their most important games yet.

And it was Gregor who was an absolute force on Stevenson's attack, ensuring the Spartans controlled possession for most of the match and even giving Salem goalie Ava Holloway quite the workout in the net.

Fourteen minutes into the second half, Gregor booted in the game-winner past Holloway, one of the top senior net-minders in the state, to give Stevenson a 1-0 upset victory over the fifth-ranked Rocks.

"Honestly, it kind of has just come natural recently, just looking up and just seeing the ball trickle in," said Gregor of her confidence in scoring goals, not of her confidence in putting in nose rings. "I just feel like I have a feel for the field now, especially on our home field. My teammates always place me in great spots to score."

What a win for the Spartans, who lost big to Salem twice a year ago, including a 3-0 pummeling to the Rocks during the Kensington Lakes Activities Association championship.

Yes, Salem graduated three of its four all-stars from that team, only bringing back Holloway, who was an honorable mention as a junior.

But this was a huge win nevertheless, even though beating Salem does nothing for Stevenson in the KLAA-East standings. For one, the Rocks (11-3-2) play in the West division, so this went down as a glorified non-conference game. And, for two, the Spartans have already secured the East title, which means they'll play in the KLAA championship against the winner from the West on May 23. Right now, it's a three-way battle between Northville, Salem and defending state champion Hartland to see which team will play against Stevenson in the championship. And all three of those West teams are ranked.

What this victory does do, however, is instill confidence in a Stevenson squad that's heating up at the right time.

"We look forward to games like this,"



Stevenson's Mackenzie Gregor receives a pass from Jenna Barbour during a match against Salem on May 13. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Shingledecker said. "It's great for our team to get ready for districts, and the girls really embrace getting good games, and Salem certainly provides that."

"When you get chances to play against the other side of the KLAA, we know that it's going to be great games. We've got one coming up in the KLAA championship game in a week. We're looking forward to it, and our girls have answered the call every time I've asked

them to do that in big games."

The Spartans are loaded at each level of the field, but it's hard to overlook two of their forwards.

Gregor and midfielder Jenna Barbour have become of the best scoring tandems in the state.

Barbour sets up the offense, and Gregor cashes in on the through-balls.

That's what happened on the game-winner. Barbour threaded a tight

through-ball on a line to Gregor, who corralled the ball near the outside of the penalty box and beat Holloway one-on-one in awe-inspiring fashion.

The deke move Gregor used to sneak one past Salem's defense was well worth the giant hug she received afterward from teammate Kelsey Ware, who nearly tackled Gregor to the ground while celebrating.

Gregor and Barbour probably would've connected for another goal or two, but Holloway was on top of her game all night long.

"Whenever Jenna can just play it behind the defenders like that, I know that I have a chance because I feel the goalie never expects (tight passes on through-balls) from her in the midfield," Gregor said. "Last year, she was injured, so she didn't get to play as much. I feel like we were definitely lacking at midfield with having a playmaker, especially someone who can place those good through-balls."

"Honestly, it's just been a fun reconnection ever since she's gotten back healthy."

Barbour is actually a junior, and that 1-year age gap has kept the duo separated at times.

The two played travel soccer together for AC Milan Academy and developed incredible chemistry. But, in 2016, the two were thrown on separate teams because of their age difference.

They've since been reunited with the Spartans, and it's been a boon for their team's offense.

"I can always rely on Mack," Barbour said. "We have really good chemistry, so I know when I play that through-ball, she's going to be there."

Added Shingledecker: "These two play amazingly together, and they've been on fire all year. Tonight was no different. They truly embrace their roles. Jenna sets them up, and she scores some goals, too, and Mackenzie, when the chances are there, takes care of business and kicks it into the other teams' goal. It's super valuable."

Barbour just giggled as she watched Gregor commence battle with her nose ring during post-game interviews. It was about the only time that night Barbour couldn't help her teammate be successful on the field.

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OLSM trounces Edison at 'The Corner Ballpark'

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Orchard Lake St. Mary's might be the best high school baseball team in Michigan history.

That's not based only on Friday's game against Detroit Edison, hosted by the Detroit Police Athletic League at "The Corner Ballpark" (located in Corktown at the corner of Michigan and Trumbull). That was a 1-0 game after two innings before the Eaglets poured it on the rest of the way, winning 8-1.

It's the lineup, chock full of talent and athleticism.

OLSM won a national championship while going 43-1 in 2021 and winning the Division 2 state championship. The Eaglets moved up to Division 1 this year and are still ranked No. 1 nationally (according to Max Preps; they're slated No. 2 by Perfect Game) at an unblemished 28-0.

Put it this way: Brock Porter, OLSM's top player and Clemson commit who is a projected first-round pick in July's MLB draft, didn't play Friday. Michigan commit Jack Crighton had the afternoon off, as well.

And still, coach Matt Petry's team had seven players in the lineup who are committed to Power Five schools.

"We've got a lot of good players who work extremely hard all year and in the offseason to fine-tune that craft," Petry said. "All the way from the top to the bottom."

"That's what makes it a fun group to coach: They're self-motivated, and they know what to do every day."

It started in the first. Michigan State commit Jake Dresselhouse singled up the middle to lead off, followed by a walk from Tennessee-bound Jake Grimmer.

Nolan Schubart, a power-hitting outfielder committed to Michigan, couldn't score the runners that advanced on a wild pitch, but catcher Ike Irish (Auburn) drove in Dresselhouse on a sacrifice fly to center.

OLSM then broke the game open in the third.

Dresselhouse and Grimmer started with a single and walk, as they did in the first; this time, however, Schubart sent a 300-foot double to right-center to plate both.



Orchard Lake St. Mary's center fielder Jack Dresselhouse slides into third past Detroit Edison third baseman Jordan Jones during the first inning. JUNFU HAN/DETROIT FREE PRESS

After that, the non-seniors got in on the action.

Junior second baseman Ryan McKay — who eventually will join Dresselhouse at Michigan State — reached and stole second before junior shortstop Jason Oliver — who committed to Michigan for 2023 — scored two with a triple to right-center.

Edison left-hander Kole Waterman came in and slowed the Eaglets the rest of the way, giving up just two runs on four hits and two walks with six strikeouts over 4 2/3 innings.

"He did a great job, kept us in the game and gave us a chance to get back in it," Edison coach Mark Brown said. "But like I told the guys, it's hard to win with zero or one run."

OLSM sophomore Aidan Donovan (6 feet 3, 195 pounds) held the Pioneers scoreless over five innings with just three hits, two walks and six strikeouts.

After Edison's Keith Smith was hit by

a pitch from freshman Paul Toovalian in the sixth, the Pioneers scored their lone run on an infield single by Marwynn Matthews.

Edison's Greg Pace shines

While dozens of scouts attend OLSM's games, several were in the stands Friday to see Edison outfielder Greg Pace, who's committed to Michigan and is projected to be drafted in the first five rounds this July.

While his opportunities were limited, he made the most of them. His first at-bat came in the first inning, when he launched a 325-foot liner over the centerfielder's head.

The 6-3, 190-pound senior, who has been timed at 6.35 seconds in the 60-yard dash, was rounding third with a shot at a potential inside-the-park home run. But Brown held him.

"I was thinking about (sending him),"

Brown said. "When he rounded the base, for a second he shifted gears and looked like maybe he'd coast into third. If he'd kept going I would've sent him."

"But I know what he was doing, he did his job, getting to third, he's got good hitters behind him to drive him in. There was one out, but this time that didn't happen."

Pace was active in the field, too; In the top of the second, junior Vincent Cowdrey hit a sinking line drive to center. Pace immediately recognized it, ran in and made a diving catch to steal a hit.

Back at the plate, Pace walked in his second time up before lining out softly in the sixth.

"He's a great player and a good guy to play against. His tools are outstanding as you saw with that triple," Schubart said of his fellow Michigan commit. "I'm surprised he didn't try to burn us for the inside-the-parker, but he's great, and a great competitor to play against."

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Lions reveal jersey numbers for 2022 draft picks

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Aidan Hutchinson did not have to move far to start his NFL career, and the Lions' first-round pick will be wearing a familiar number when he steps on the field for rookie minicamp this weekend.

Hutchinson will wear No. 97 with the Lions, the same number he wore during his standout career at Michigan.

Hutchinson, who set the Michigan single-season record with 14 sacks last year, wore No. 97 at Michigan because his father, Chris, had the same number during his playing career with the Wolverines.

The Lions announced jersey numbers for their draft picks Friday on Twitter, though some numbers may change.

- WR Jameson Williams:** No. 18
 - DL Josh Paschal:** No. 93
 - S Kerby Joseph:** No. 31
 - TE James Mitchell:** No. 82*
 - LB Malcolm Rodriguez:** No. 44
 - LB James Houston:** No. 59
 - CB Chase Lucas:** No. 36
- *Same number as in college

One and done

Seven of the Lions' eight draft picks, all but Paschal, signed their rookie contracts before the start of minicamp Friday.

Rookie deals are slotted under the collective bargaining agreement, making holdouts rare, and unsigned players still take part in spring workouts.

Hutchinson signed a fully guaranteed four-year, \$35.7 million contract earlier this week, and Williams finalized his four-year, \$17.5 million deal Thursday. Paschal's deal will be worth \$8.4 million, with a \$3.3 million signing bonus, once it is finalized, according to OverTheCap.com.

All draft picks receive four-year contracts, and teams have a fifth-year option on first-round picks.

Meet the Lions' UDFA class of 2022

The Lions, after spending most of April's NFL draft fortifying their defense, announced their 12-member undrafted rookie class Friday, a group that leans heavily toward the offensive side



Lions first-round picks Jameson Williams, left, and Aidan Hutchinson hold up Lions jerseys before the news conference April 29 at the Allen Park practice facility. KIRTHMON F. DOZIER, DETROIT FREE PRESS

of the ball.

The Lions, who held rookie minicamp Friday through Sunday in Allen Park, signed three receivers, three offensive linemen and two tight ends among the group.

Here is the Lions' 2022 UDFA class:
RB Greg Bell, San Diego State: Well-traveled running back who started his college career at Arizona Western Community College and played briefly at Nebraska, before rushing for 1,091 yards and nine TDs for Aztecs last season.

DB Cedric Boswell, Miami (Ohio): A Birmingham Groves alum, Boswell started two seasons at cornerback for the Redhawks and had his first career interception last year.

TE Derrick Deese Jr., San Jose State: The son of former San Francisco 49ers offensive tackle Derrick Deese Sr., Deese Jr. caught 47 passes for 730 yards last season.

OT Obinna Eze, TCU: Raw but athletic tackle prospect with 36 1/8-inch arms. Eze started two seasons at left tackle for Memphis before finishing his career at TCU.

TE Nolan Givan, Southeastern Louisiana: One of three metro Detroit products in the Lions' UDFA class, Givan (from Berkley) played three seasons at Ball State and one at San Diego State before a 40-catch season last year.

OL Kevin Jarvis, Michigan State: Versatile lineman who started 25 career games at right guard, II at right tackle and three at left tackle.

WR Josh Johnson, Tulsa: Iowa State transfer had 1,114 yards and six receiving touchdowns while playing primarily out of the slot last season.

OL Zeln Obeid, Ferris State: A two-year starter at tackle for Ferris State, Obeid helped the Bulldogs finish fifth in the country in rushing (280.1 ypg) and

win the Division II national championship last fall.

WR Kalil Pimpleton, Central Michigan: The reigning Mid-American Conference Special Teams Player of the Year, Pimpleton played three seasons at CMU after transferring from Virginia Tech.

WR Corey Sutton, Appalachian State: A transfer from Kansas State, Sutton tore his ACL in 2019 and sat out the COVID season of 2020 before catching 61 passes for 904 yards last year.

DT Demetrius Taylor, Appalachian State: A three-time first-team All-Sun Belt selection, Taylor had 26.5 sacks and three blocked kicks in his career.

CB Jermaine Waller, Virginia Tech: A productive cornerback with three interceptions in 2019 and four picks last season, Waller missed most of 2020 with a foot injury and ran a 4.68-second 40-yard dash at the combine.

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Lions coach: Hutchinson on team 'was meant to be'

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For three months, Aidan Hutchinson lived the glamorous life of being a top NFL draft pick.

He did autograph signings and made sponsorship appearances and took part in his own longform podcast, and he got paid handsomely to do it.

But the one thing missing, the thing Hutchinson craved most during the pre-draft process — the thing he got back to for the first time since his college career ended with a national semifinal loss to Georgia on New Year's Eve — was football.

"This is what I do at the end of the day," Hutchinson said on Day 2 of Lions rookie minicamp. "... there's been a lot of months of talking, a lot of rah-rah but now we're out here getting the work in, which is what I do."

The No. 2 pick in last month's draft, Hutchinson was the star attraction of the only open practice of the weekend.

He lined up with his hand down at defensive end when the Lions went through a series of play installations at the start of practice. He pummeled a row of stand-up blocking dummies during individual drills. And he took detailed instruction from defensive line coach Todd Wash as he crumbled his 6-foot-7 frame underneath a lineman chute.

"I know this," Lions coach Dan Campbell said before

practice. "He's happy to just be playing ball. There's so many things that come into this, especially when you're where he's at. ... I think this other stuff, he knows he's got to do it, but that's not what all this is about. It's about ball."

That's the one non-negotiable Campbell and general manager Brad Holmes have clung to as they've turned over more than 70% of the roster they inherited from Matt Patricia and Bob Quinn.

They want players who love football. That's why they couldn't contain themselves when the Jacksonville Jaguars took Travon Walker with the No. 1 pick, leaving them to make Hutchinson the cornerstone of their defensive rebuild.

"It worked out great, it was perfect," Campbell said. "He's a perfect fit for us. I mean, he really is everything that we're about and he matches us perfectly and I've said this before, but it just so happened to be that he was in (our) backyard."

Hutchinson grew up in Plymouth, attended a handful of Lions games in his formidable years and starred collegiately at Michigan, where his zest to play the game was evident even before last year's breakout 14-sack season.

He is not the only local product on the Lions' minicamp roster this weekend. Four of the Lions' 12 undrafted free agents, Zein Obeid (Dearborn/Ferris State), Kalil Pimpleton (Muskegon/Central Michigan),

Nolan Givan (Berkley/Southeast Louisiana) and Cedric Boswell (Beverly Hills/Miami (Ohio)), also have ties to the state, as do a handful of tryout players in camp.

Being local isn't why the Lions drafted Hutchinson or signed the free agents they did. But it wasn't just coincidence, either.

"They understand, I think, the community, they understand the weather, they understand — whether they have directly or indirectly, they kind of understand this organization, somewhat, albeit from afar," Campbell said. "I think there may be a little more level of pride to it, potentially, with those guys, because it is kind of home base. I don't think you just pick guys because of that. However, man, if they line up and you're looking for a jump ball, you'll take that jump ball. I would."

As Campbell talked with reporters before practice, he moved his hand in a wavy motion as if to simulate a boat drifting out to sea.

He said the Lions have done everything in their power to avoid "floaters," players who "just kind of, there he goes, just in the open ocean" going with the tide.

The Lions have targeted a more purposeful type, players who are not content to just be along for the ride but who are determined to do something great when they get there.

Obituaries

Nancy Noble

JACKSON - Age 82, died April 25, 2022 at her home in Jackson, Michigan, losing her battle with MDS blood cancer and PML brain infection. Born in Ann Arbor, she grew up in Port Huron and then lived in Ann Arbor, Lapeer, Davison, Flushing and, for nearly 30 years, on Runyan Lake near Fenton before she and her husband of more than 60 years moved to Jackson four years ago.

Nancy was the founding director of the Salem-South Lyon District Library (SSLD). She went to the South Lyon City Library in 1989 and oversaw the creation and funding of the new, independent library district and construction of the SSLD library, which opened in 1998. Before going to South Lyon she was systems services manager at the Genesee District Library. Nancy joined GDL as librarian in its Flushing branch. She was GDL regional manager of libraries in five Genesee County communities before heading systems services. She started her career as a children's librarian in Lapeer.

Nancy earned her Master's Degree in Library Science from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, following her Bachelor's Degree in English Literature from the same campus. A state-certified professional librarian, she stayed up to date in the in the evolving field of library science by taking numerous special and advanced programs offered by various institutions. She was a member of the Public Library Association and several other professional and community organizations.

A staunch advocate of education and training, Nancy took great satisfaction in encouraging, mentoring and otherwise helping others pursue their career goals in library science and other walks of life. Nancy retired from



SSLD in 2002, at which time she received State of Michigan declarations of special tribute from the Ninety-First Legislature and Gov. John Engler for her contributions to librarianship and the communities she served.

Nancy's greatest enjoyment was spending time with family and friends. She loved reading, gardening, classical music, traveling and hiking nature trails, especially during the spring blooming of trilliums, trout lilies and other wildflowers. Nancy also deeply appreciated wildlife, especially sandhill cranes and the avian world in general.

She leaves her husband Richard, daughter Laura Noble and husband Dr. Albert Hollenbeck of Chelsea, Mi., granddaughter Delia Noble, grandson Hayden Hollenbeck, sister Meg and husband Bill Minnich, brother- and sister-in-law Ed and Betty Noble, and 10 nieces and nephews.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, Harold and Marjorie (Scott) Dawe, and sisters Shirley (Dawe) Bishop and Kate Dawe.

PML is a fatal brain disease and Nancy bequeathed her brain to the National Institute for Health to contribute to researching into this rare disease.

Cremation and arrangements are being handled by the Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea. Her remains will rest in Forest Hill Cemetery, Ann Arbor. A celebration of her life will be held in the future, pending the status of the Covid pandemic.

Nancy supported a wide variety of charitable organizations. Memorial contributions may be made to your local food bank, animal shelter or library or to Planned Parenthood, the National Audubon Society, The Nature Conservancy or the World Wildlife Fund.



Michael (Mickey) Yaylaian

MILFORD - Michael (Mickey) Yaylaian, 84, of Milford Michigan passed away Wednesday, May 4, 2022. He passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving wife of 58 years Denise and his 2 daughters and their husbands, Michele and Dan, Amy and Dave. His son Jason, who preceded him in death, is reunited with him in heaven.



Mickey, the name he was most affectionately known by, came to America from Cuba as a young boy. His Armenian parents fled from their home country during the genocide and settled in Havana Cuba and raised their 4 children there before coming to the United States.

Mickey was raised in Southwest Detroit and graduated from St. Gabriel High School. He worked at Ford Motor Company for 30 years before retirement. Only to realize that his hard work ethic would not let him slow down and became a bus driver for the Huron Valley School District. He loved his time driving, he loved his fellow coworkers that nicknamed him "YaYa" but he especially loved his route that carried the special needs students. He loved them all.

To know Mickey, was to love Mickey. He was one of the most generous, kind, loving, humble, hard-working, dedicated and caring men you could ever meet. He is going to be missed by so many, especially his children, grandchildren and his devoted wife Denise. Denise said that when you lose someone you love with everything you have, it is unbearable beyond belief. Your heart comes close to breaking into thousands of unrepairable pieces. Many times through the fight of Mickey's cancer, Denise cried an ocean of tears and if her love for Mickey could have saved him, he would have lived for all eternity.

A Celebration of Life for Mickey will take place sometime this summer.



Marathon

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Giving up golf for distance running

Growing up in Peoria, Illinois, Webster thought he was going to be a professional golfer.

In fact, when he attended Richwoods High School he remembers being on the golf team and practicing at one of the local courses, the same course that Richwoods' cross country team would run on. Webster remembers he and his buddies making fun of the runners as they'd run past them on the greens and tee boxes.

It's kind of funny how that all worked out.

Webster's father, who worked at the old Caterpillar headquarters in town, eventually convinced his son to give up golf and pursue a real career. Webster attended the University of Illinois, studied engineering and eventually landed with Chrysler, as the automotive industry is what brought him to metro Detroit.

Running partners for life

Vicki Johnson ran track and field for one season while attending Westland John Glenn, but she never really took a true interest in running until the early 1980s.

But running wasn't why she actually got into running.

After a breakup with an old boyfriend, she was distraught about her dating prospects. She didn't know where she was going to meet a man, let alone find "the one."

"I had family members who ran races, and I was looking to find a boyfriend at the time," she remembers. "I went and watched a race and thought, 'Wow, there's a lot of guys here. Running might supply me with a healthy young man. What's the shortest race there is? A 5K? I can do that.'"

"Then I fell in love with running. I did a 5K and loved it. I kept on running and kept on running."

A family friend suggested she should join a running club. Lots of guys are serious runners nowadays anyways.

She eventually signed up with the Redford Road Runners in July 1986. That's when she met Michael, who had joined the club a year earlier.

Not too long after meeting each other, they started dating. And on one of their first dates, they discovered that the 1983 Freep Marathon was the first time either had competed in a marathon.

"That's the only time I have ever beaten him in a race," said Vicki, whose 4-hour, 5-minute jaunt around downtown Detroit edged Michael's time by 12 minutes.

They got married in 1988. Most of the wedding's attendees were their running buddies. Michael even wore red running shorts underneath his slacks. By the time the dancing started at the reception, he was seen wearing those shorts and a pair of running shoes.

Running during 'our younger, foolish days'

The Road Runners, who were originally organized by local running legend Randy Step, used to meet at Saint Robert Bellarmine School off W. Chicago and Inkster in Redford.

It worked out great for them because one of the club's members had access to the school's locker rooms. Runners could do their race prep and then take a shower so they didn't have to drive home in sweaty clothes.

They'd run up and down Middlebelt and Merriman. But, even back then there were plenty of close calls while running against unpredictable traffic.

"Those were our younger, foolish days," Michael said. "We would take risks you wouldn't normally take today. We just loved to run and were competitive about it."

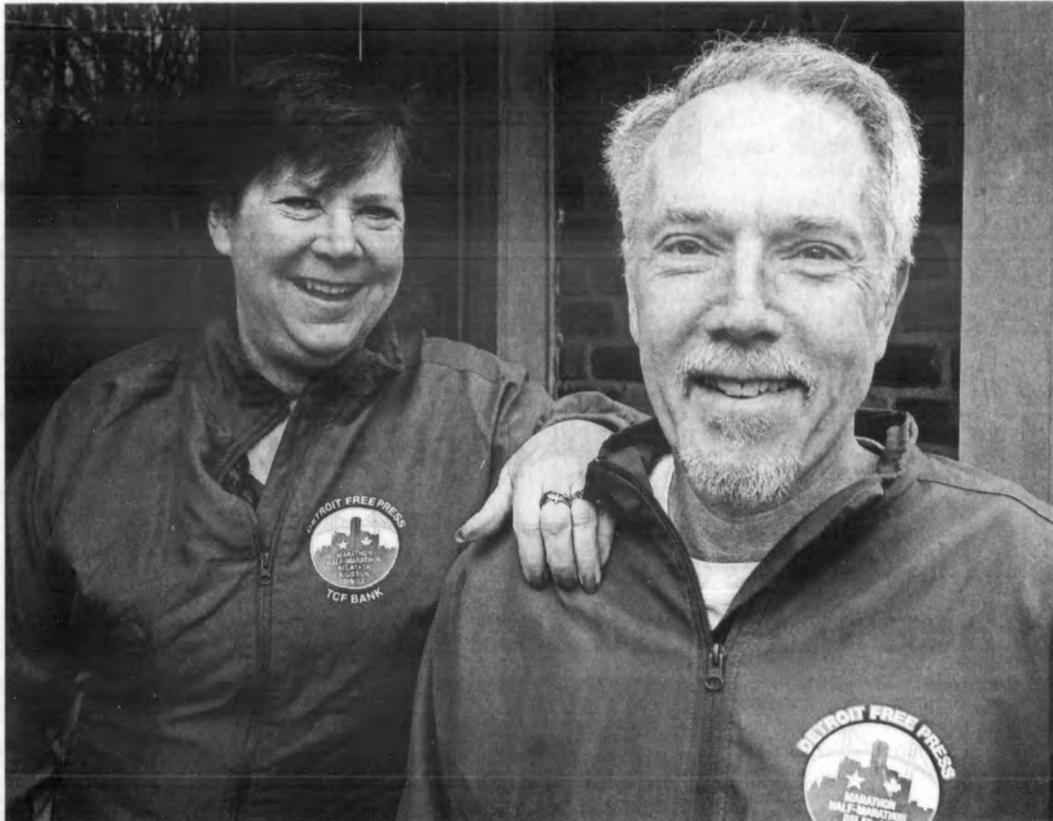
Since most of the members were from the Northville, Plymouth and Novi areas, the club elected to relocate to the Northville area and, ultimately, change the name of its club to the Northville Road Runners.

The scenery switch provided fewer cars to dodge and more challenging terrains.

The running clubs have helped Michael and Vicki train for most of their marathons and some of their top times. Michael's best time at the Freep Marathon was 2 hours, 46 minutes in 1991; Vicki's was 3 hours, 31.5 minutes in 1988.

The quest for 100 marathons

While Vicki has since stopped running marathons after having two children, Michael has run in about every prominent marathon around the coun-



Mike Webster, right, and his wife of 33 years, Vicki, outside their Northville Township home. Mike has run the Freep Marathon for the last 40 years and Vicki has been his biggest supporter. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Mike Webster, 62, runs in his Northville Township neighborhood as he prepares for his 100th career run, which will be the 2022 Freep Marathon on Oct. 16.

try. That includes two New York Marathons — he ran the first marathon there following 9/11 — and 10 completions of the Boston Marathon, including him running in Boston about a month ago.

He's already run three marathons this year. He completed the Walt Disney World Marathon in Orlando in January, did the Boston in April and followed it up with the Glass City Marathon in Toledo the following week, which put him at 99 marathons for his career.

He's going to take a break from marathons for now. Part of that's because he competes in triathlons during the summer. The other part is because he wants his 40th Freep Marathon to be his 100th overall.

"Once I got close to 90 marathons I started thinking: 'Well, ya know, I guess I could get to 100, and if I run this one here, and this one on that day, maybe I can play it so I can get to 100 at the same time as I run my 40th Detroit Free Press Marathon,'" he said. "I run many shorter races, too, and I never really thought about running 100 marathons when I first started running."

"But I just kept plugging away, and I liked the experience at Detroit, so I just kept signing up for that race year after year."

Thanks to Michael's successful career, it afforded his family several vacations over the years. But it didn't take too long for his children to realize that most of their trips out of state were organized around their father's marathons.

And if a family trip wasn't buttressed by one of Michael's runs, he and Vicki went out of their way to find a 5K or fun run to compete in while they were in a new place.

The toughest part about being a year-round runner from Michigan is, in fact, forcing yourself to train year-round in Michigan. And given how brutal the cold was this past winter, finding the motivation to run isn't always the easiest.

"Running the Disney Marathon in

January requires you to get out and run," Michael said. "I've talked to people who are local to Florida who were asking me how do I run and train in the cold. Somebody told me there if it gets below 50 degrees, they don't even run because it's too cold."

"I told them, 'Man, in Michigan, if it's under 50 degrees and you're not running, you're eliminating 6 months of the year.'"

So what's next for this long-distance runner?

Michael doesn't know how much longer he's going to compete across the country after he runs his 100th marathon.

But he's going to keep running the Freep Marathon every year until he's physically unable to do it.

Other than that, he's going to continue to sign up for races that interest him. To put himself through that much pain, both while training and competing, the race has got to be worth it.

"Afterwards, it's certainly not a pleasant feeling," he said. "I don't know if you ever really get used to that filling, but you get accustomed to knowing what to expect. Even after running 99 of them, you get a sense of accomplishment and a sense of satisfaction afterward, so that doesn't go away."

And no other race has given him that kind of feeling quite like the Freep Marathon.

"It's considered a hometown race to me, and it's a nice course," he added. "There are communities who come out and support you. There's not travel required. It's evolved and changed over the years, and it's really unique in that sense. Now you can run into another country (Canada). When I first started running it, we just ran through the tunnel. In the 2000s, we actually had a chance to run in Tiger Stadium. Now you can run across the (Ambassador) Bridge in the morning with the sun coming up, and that's always a cool, unique experience."

"That's what keeps me coming back." Follow Brandon Folsom on Twitter @folsombrandonj.

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Explaining Business Casual: When It Is and Isn't Appropriate

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If you're like many employees, you probably enjoy business casual work environments. After all, swapping formal suit jackets and stiff shoes for more comfortable options can certainly feel a whole lot better!

But if you're starting a new job, you might wonder if business casual there is the same as it was in your previous work experiences.

It's a fair question, especially since no clear, standardized definition of "business casual" exists. What's business casual in one environment might not work in another. And even within the same company, what works at one location might not work elsewhere. If you're working remotely, business casual might be defined differently than working in the office, and business casual for interviews is often different from what you'd choose to wear as an employee.

And so the conundrum continues.

But don't sweat it. We're here to help!

What is Business Casual?

Think of it this way—businesses simply want to know that their employees are always representing the company in the best way possible, which includes their wardrobe choices. Thus, the general consensus is that business casual is a professional yet more relaxed dress code. It doesn't mean ripped jeans or tattered shoes, but depending on the work environment, it might allow for wrinkle-free khakis, loafers, and even hole-free jeans.



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Basics of Business Casual Attire

No matter what your organization's dress code is, you want to dress for success. Fortunately, there are some guidelines to consider so you have the bases covered, whether you're interviewing, working remotely, or going into an office where business casual is the norm.

The next two sections cover wardrobe options that work generally well for most business casual environments, including tech and start-up environments. Using these business casual outfit tips for both men and women, you can choose your wardrobe with confidence.

Business Casual Outfits for Women

Business casual outfit options for women include a combination of the following: blouse, twinset, dress slacks,

knee-length skirt, blazer, dress socks, and optional hosiery. Closed-toed shoes are generally preferred, though peep-toe shoes and sandals might be allowed in some work environments. In terms of colors, all hues are typically acceptable, though busy patterns might be frowned upon.

Some staples for any working woman's closet include:

- **Tops:** cardigans, polo shirts, twinsets, sweaters, and button-down blouses
- **Bottoms:** corduroy pants, twill pants, khakis, and conservative skirts
- **Dresses:** sheath and A-line styles
- **Accessories:** closed-toed dress shoes, loafers, simple earrings and necklaces, leather belts, dress socks, and hosiery

Having a couple of casual tailored blazers and jackets is also a good op-

tion to include in a female's business casual wardrobe.

Business Casual Outfits for Men

Business casual outfit options for men include a combination of the following: chinos, dress slacks, jacket, dark socks, and a button-down shirt. Dress shoes are generally preferred, though more casual loafers might be permissible in some work environments. Like women's clothing, solid colors work best. Busy patterns should generally be avoided.

Some staples for any working man's closet include:

- **Tops:** cardigans, polo shirts, sweaters, and button-down shirts
- **Bottoms:** wool or cotton pants, and khakis
- **Accessories:** leather belts, leather shoes, loafers, ties, and dark socks

Having a couple of casual suit jackets or sports coats is also a good option for men as part of their business casual wardrobe. Additionally, well-fitting dark jeans may be appropriate in some business casual offices.

When in Doubt, Ask

These tips will help you successfully design your wardrobe to support a business casual work environment. And when in doubt, ask. If you're interviewing, ask the recruiter or hiring manager what appropriate attire is for an interview. Or, if you're just starting out with the company, ask HR or your supervisor what's considered appropriate business casual attire. From there, you can design your outfits to impress.

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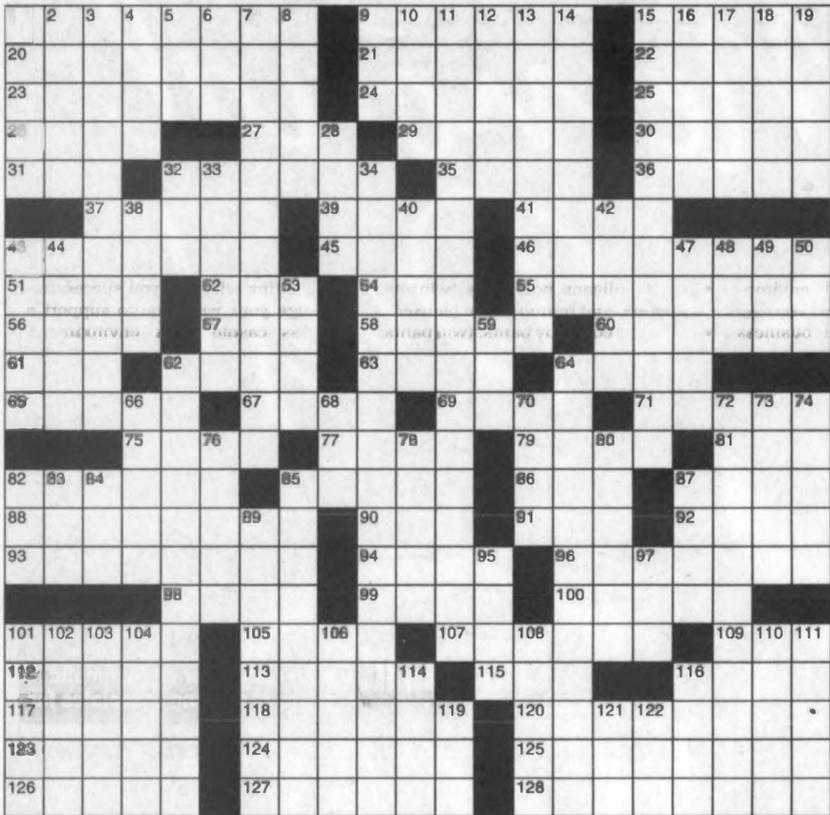
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| ACROSS | 51 Entertainer Falana | 81 Suffix with Seattle | 120 Rip apart | 14 Equestrian training | 72 Hora or hokypokey |
| 1 Extreme self-deniers | 52 Nutrition std. | 82 Behind bars | 123 Justice Kagan | 15 Bit of outdated hi-fi equipment | 73 Classic arcade name |
| 9 Common proof of age | 54 "— Kapital" | 85 Bruno — (shoe brand) | 124 Distinctive film director | 16 Traveled in a curved path | 74 Smooth transition |
| 15 Plotting band | 56 Flying hooters | 86 Moo — pork | 125 Ripped apart | 17 Tennis' Becker | 76 31-Across on the sly |
| 20 Cousins of croci | 57 They have depots: Abbr. | 87 Be boastful | 126 Impertinent | 18 Astonish | 78 Viscous |
| 21 Worker whose job is fitting | 58 Father of Beau Bridges | 88 Hurting from hiking, say | 127 Meager | 19 Suit coat flap | 80 Novelist Jane |
| 22 Nice smell | 59 Gridiron stats | 89 Color tone | 128 Jewel box holders ... or eight features of this puzzle? | 28 — monster (large lizard) | 82 Possibilities |
| 23 Stylized bow that's a token of affection | 60 Most bizarre | 90 Pale brown | | 32 Lofty trains | 83 This moment |
| 24 Godly | 61 Rugged truck, in brief | 91 Incline | | 33 — del Fuego | 84 Java |
| 25 Fragment | 62 Sandy islets | 92 "Not so!" | DOWN | 34 Romantic evening meal | 85 Fulfill expectations |
| 26 Unwrap | 63 Napoleon's isle of exile | 93 PC memory units | 1 Radiant | 38 In-favor votes | 87 Really tired |
| 27 Put on fancy duds, with "up" | 64 News anchor | 94 19th-century Shakespeare editor | 2 Incline | 40 Longtime politico Mo | 89 Sailing races |
| 29 Many Punjabi believers | 65 Hebrew holy scroll | 95 "Not so!" | 3 Neanderthal, e.g. | 42 Rival of Xerox or Canon | 95 "Take it out" mark |
| 30 Take forcibly | 66 Plus others: Abbr. | 96 "Noah" | 4 Eve's garden | 43 Political pull | 97 Beatified Fr. woman |
| 31 Marry | 67 "Noah" | 97 Farfalle, e.g. | 5 "— Tok" (Kesha hit) | 44 DIYer's book | 101 Really years |
| 32 Cultural | 68 Watson | 98 AB carmaker | 6 Electrojet bit | 47 Build upon | 102 Teresa of — |
| 35 Many August babies | 69 Chewed Andean stimulants | 99 Paige of "Evita" | 7 Laundromat machine | 48 Deadlock | 103 "Boxcars" roll |
| 36 Ford bomb | 70 Title for a fictional Southern rabbit | 100 Gene-splicing need | 8 Make a chair of | 49 Mil. officer | 104 Cold temps |
| 37 Writer Elinor or Philip | 71 Cowboys' city, informally | 101 Trellis plants | 9 "— be an honor" | 50 Mil. officer | 106 River mouth |
| 39 Praise highly | 72 Cowpox | 102 Current style | 10 Speaking stand | 53 Mgr.'s aide | 108 Silly prank |
| 41 Toad feature | 73 Writer Dinesen | 103 Finale | 11 Passive resistance to laws | 59 Tasty tuber | 110 Constituent of gunpowder |
| 43 Toppings for nachos | 74 "The King —" | 104 Colorado ski mecca | 12 Quite similar | 62 December 25 | 111 At — for words |
| 45 "The King —" | 75 Writer Dinesen | 105 Vetoeed | 13 "Apollo 13" director | 64 Periodic payment to a stockholder | 112 Inclined |
| 46 Shakes up | | 106 Early online protocol | | 66 Taper off | 122 '16 Olympics host |



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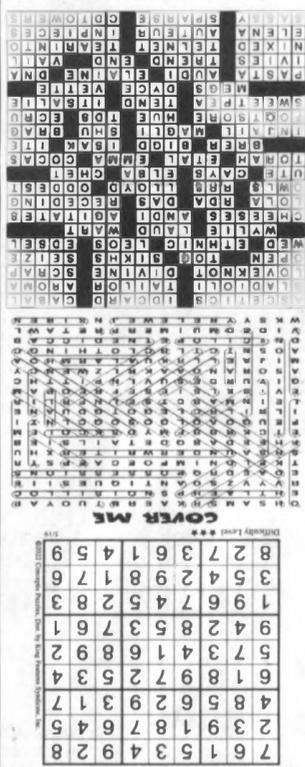
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Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, even diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.

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- ACCIDENT
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- LOCKS
- LOSE
- LUCK
- NEW
- PAY OUT
- PEACE OF MIND
- PLAN
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