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YMCA Day Camp comes to Tattan Park

Program has 'plenty of room for more campers'

LeAnne Rogers
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Local youngsters will have a chance to spend their summer vacation at a new day camp offered at Westland's Tattan Park.

The YMCA camp kicks off Monday, June 12, and runs Monday through Friday for 11

weeks through Sept. 1, but youngsters don't have to participate every week. Open to kids 3-14 years old, the camp will be based at the Farmers Market Pavilion.

"They have the capacity for at least 30 kids. The YMCA didn't expect to get 30 kids this year," Westland Parks and Recreation Director LaTricia

Gunnells said. "There is plenty of room for more campers. Tattan Park is pretty big. The camp will be using all three pavilions (in the park)."

The Farmers Market Pavilion will provide restrooms and additional space, especially if the campers need to get out of the weather. Also, the campers will get to use the nearby H2O Zone spray ground three days a week.

"They will have Thursday

field trips when they are having the Farmers Market," Gunnells said.

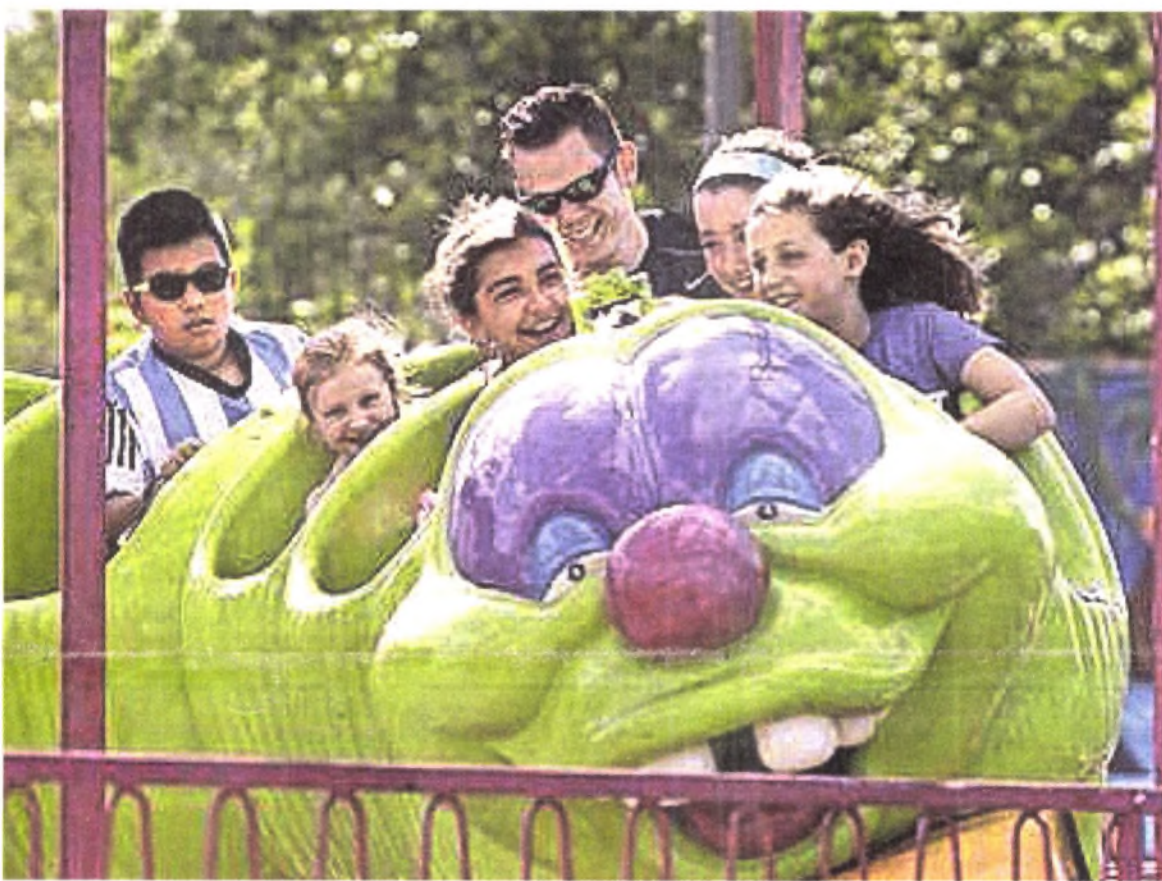
The Livonia Y is running the camp, along with a camp at their facility on Stark north of I-96 in Livonia. Campers will travel to the Y building to use the pool.

"I've done camps for years. I love it," said Gunnells, a former college basketball coach. "I loved the basketball camps."

Day Camp, like many Y

programs, is about learning skills, developing character and making friends. In the camp description, the Y adds, "But few environments are as special as camp, where kids become a community as they learn both how to be more independent and how to contribute to a group as they engage in physical, social and educational activities."

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The Wacky Worm at Spree last year. This year's event runs June 20-25 at Ford Field in Livonia.

FILE PHOTO

READY, SET, SPREE: Annual festival returns June 20

David Veselenak
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Warm weather, school winding down and Memorial Day weekend wrapping up means one thing: the Livonia Spree is coming.

The annual festival, complete with food, rides and entertainment, will begin at 4 p.m. June 20 at Livonia's Ford Field. The Spree runs through June 25 with the finale fireworks over Farmington Road.

Many favorites are returning this year, Spree chairman Dan Spurling said, including the pig races, petting zoo and thrilling rides brought to town by Wade Shows.

"All in all, it's the same, good old Spree," he said. "Not making it bigger, just trying to make it better."

New this year will be a dart tournament, taking place from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday at the main tent. New in location only will be this year's Wine, Brews and Tunes event, which takes place starting at 7



FILE PHOTO

See **SPREE**, Page A2 Carnival rides ran against a backdrop of fireworks on the final day of the 2016 Livonia Spree.

Kosowski announces candidacy for state Senate

State Rep. Robert L. Kosowski, D-Westland, has announced his candidacy for the state Senate 6th District seat. Kosowski is currently serving his third and final term as state representative for the House 16th District.

"It has been a true honor to serve the residents of Wayne and Westland for the past six years," Kosowski said. "I am excited for this opportunity to serve them, and hope the constituents of the 6th Senate District will put their faith in me and my record of representing my constituents in Lansing."



Kosowski

The 6th District is currently represented by Sen. Hoon-Yung Hopgood, D-Taylor, who is serving in his final term. The district includes Westland, Taylor, Romulus, Belleville, Brownstown Township, Huron Township, Flat Rock, Rockwood, Sumpter Township, Van Buren Township and a section of Denton.

"Throughout my time in Lansing, I have prided myself on my ability to work across the aisle and form strong partnerships with members on both sides," Kosowski said. "Because of this, I have been able to bring hundreds of thousands of dollars back to my district, have had several bills signed into law and have been chosen to serve as House Democratic Whip during the last legislative session. Should I have the great privilege of being elected into the state Senate, I will continue to forge these strong relationships for the benefit of my constituents."

While in office, Kosowski has had 12 pieces of legislation signed into law, including bills strengthening domestic violence protections, improving the state's foster care system and amending Michigan's workers' compensation laws. In addition to sponsored legislation, Kosowski was able to secure four pieces of funding for various projects throughout his district. These included two grants for the city of Westland - a \$175,000 grant for the Jefferson Brans Community

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p.m. Friday. This year, the event has moved from outside to inside, taking place in Eddie Edgar Arena.

Plenty of entertainment will return to woo Spree-goers, including Spree mainstays like 50 Amp Fuse, Steve King and Dittilies, Major Woody, the Killer Flamigos and Parallel Fifth.

Headlining the Saturday night show will be Captured Detroit, a Journey tribute band based in metro Detroit. The band will take the main stage at 7 p.m. Saturday.

"We've got a good lineup of entertainment," Spurling said.

Also returning this year will be the annual pie-eating contest, sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric. The pies and all the messy goodness will take place at 6:30 p.m. June 21 at the kids tent, with registration taking place starting at 5 p.m.

This year's midway and rides will see all of the same favorites return, with Wade Shows bringing rides with some improvements to them. More than 40 rides will be available.



FILE PHOTO
Emily Finger, before and after competing in the Spree Pie-Eating Contest, last year sponsored by the Livonia Observer.

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Each week of summer day camp has a theme such as career week, space, water, pirates and favorite holidays.

The state licensed Summer Day Camps run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and provide before- and after-care for no additional fee.

That additional care lets kids be dropped off by 7 a.m. and picked up at 6 p.m.

Counselors are assigned per the number of campers participating, with ages factored in. For example, there will be one counselor per eight youngsters 6-8 years old; one counselor for 10 campers 9-11 years old.

Offering the Livonia Y day camp with a Westland

location is part of efforts to partner with the Y on different programs, Gunells said.

Visit cityofwestland.com for more information about the camp and application forms.

H2O Zone

The H2O Zone in Tattam Park is now open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily through Labor Day. The cost is \$3 for resi-

dents, \$10 for non-residents. Annual family passes for up to six people are available for \$40 for residents and \$100 for non-residents. Tickets are available at the concession stand, which offers food and beverages for sale during the hours the spray park is open.

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Vitality Center to cover the addition of a baseball diamond complex, basketball court, picnic shelter, walking path and playground equipment and a \$100,000 grant for recreational opportuni-

ties in the Historic Norwayne District at Lincoln Field. The two remaining grants covered projects in the city of Wayne - \$100,000 was apportioned to the Wayne Community Activity Center's Hank Overin Field for upgrades to the baseball complex and another \$25,000 was secured for

needed repairs to Goudy Park's amphitheaters. "When I came to Lansing nearly six years ago, I knew I wanted to focus on legislation that would make all our citizens' lives better," Kosowski said. "I am proud of the work I've accomplished so far and I have many more bills I am working on that deal

with human trafficking, domestic violence, our adoption system and protecting our veterans. If elected into the state Senate, I will continue to fight for all residents, never forgetting the most vulnerable citizens of our state. By protecting them, Michigan becomes stronger and we all benefit from that."

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Retail fraud reported

Police were called Monday evening to Meijer, 13000 Middlebelt, on the report of a retail fraud.

Police were told by an employee at the store the suspect had fled going northbound on Middlebelt. Police checked the area but could not locate the suspect's vehicle. They then went to the store and spoke to an employee, who said they saw a suspect in the store in the baby aisle several minutes earlier. He was reportedly seen walking out of the store with miscellaneous baby clothes in his possession that he did not pay for. An employee tried to stop him, but he reportedly kept

walking away and got into a vehicle.

Shoplifting suspect attempts to bite officer

Police were called the evening of June 3 to Meijer, 13000 Middlebelt, on the report of a woman accused of stealing items from the store.

When police arrived, they located a suspect running through the parking lot. They followed her in a vehicle and caught to her. She stopped and was arrested, though she complained of difficulty breathing and police called the fire department to evaluate her. After the fire department checked her vitals, police told her to put her

hands behind her back so she could be handcuffed, but she resisted, police said.

The suspect was taken down after struggling with police and attempted to bite an officer in the process, police said. Police were able to secure her and she was taken to the police station for processing.

Police then spoke to an employee at the store, who reportedly said she was seen leaving the store with a bottle of wine. She reportedly then came back in and selected some items, eventually purchasing a bag of onions but not paying for other items she had concealed. A store employee attempted to stop her, but she reportedly fled.

Makeup taken

Police were dispatched Monday evening to Walmart, 29555 Plymouth, on the report of a shoplifting suspect in custody.

An employee told police he saw the suspect on security footage select and conceal about 20 items of makeup while in the store. She reportedly tried to leave without paying for the items and was stopped by an employee. She reportedly was taken to an office and the items were recovered. Police issued her a retail fraud citation and released her at the scene.

— Compiled from reports filed with the Livonia Police Department.

Livonia Town Hall announces speakers for 2017-2018

The Livonia Town Hall announces the speakers for its 54th season:

» Oct. 18 — Marc Lapadula, a playwright, screenwriter, and award winning film producer, will speak on the history of the cinema and how films have affected American culture and society.

» Nov. 15 — John Davidson is a singer and actor who starred in many musicals such as "The Music Man," "Camelot" and "The Wizard of Oz." Viewers are inspired by his humor and his communication with them.

» Jan. 17, 2018 — Chuck Underwood is one of the researchers who did a comprehensive study in the field of generational dynamics and strategies. He is the creator and host of the PBS television series

which presents life stories of the Silent, Boomer, GenX and Millennial generations from each era and what the future holds in store for them.

» March 21, 2018 — Elliot Engel, an American author, writer, scholar, lecturer and playwright, will relate stories of the Cornelius Vanderbilt family, which range from the 18th century to Gloria Vanderbilt and her designer jeans.

Tickets are \$150 for the season, which includes lunch and lecture, or \$180 for priority seating.

Programs are held at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia.

Call 734-751-188 to purchase tickets between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

WAYNE POLICE BRIEFS

Identity theft reported

A California woman filed a police report May 29 regarding fraudulent activity on her bank account at Domino's, 35173 E. Michigan Ave.

She checked her bank account and saw two charges from Domino's. She said she did not make the purchases and canceled the card.

She contacted Domino's customer service to narrow down which store her information was used at.

Bicycle taken in robbery

Wayne police were called June 1 to Beaumont Hospital to take a report regarding the robbery of a bicycle near South Wayne and Sims.

The victim said he was riding his bicycle on Wayne when he was approached by the suspect.

He said the suspect pushed him in the chest and rode off with his bicycle. The victim said he did not get a good look at the suspect, but said he was sure he hadn't seen him before. He said he wasn't having any issues with anyone, and that the bicycle was given to him by his church a week earlier.

Business broken into

Police were called May 30 to Canton Collision, 37550 Michigan Ave., on the report of a breaking-and-entering that had taken place over the weekend.

The owner told police

he locked up the business before the weekend began. When he returned May 30, he found the building had been broken into and several expensive tools were missing. It appeared someone accessed the business through a window that was slid open.

Gun stolen from vehicle

Police were called May 31 to a residence in the 35300 block of Van Born on the report of a stolen gun.

The resident said the gun was taken out of her vehicle sometime between May 28-30. She said she keeps the gun in the driver-side door and noticed her son accessed the car without unlocking that day.

She said the car is

typically locked, but believes her son had opened the door and did not lock it.

She found the glove box and arm rest both open. Nothing else appeared missing.

Car dealership vandalized

The owner of Road Runner Auto Sales, 31731 Michigan Ave., filed a police report May 25 to report damage to vehicles on the lot.

The owner said someone had thrown some rocks over the fence, damaging several vehicles. Damage included some to the windshield, dented doors and hood dings.

— Compiled from reports filed with the Wayne Police Department.

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The Board may not adopt its proposed 2017-2018 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2017-2018 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

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MELANDIE HINES, Secretary

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 1-6 p.m. June 26 — Monaghan K of C Council No. 2690, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia

Livonia Community Theatre offers summer activities for students



Livonia Community Theatre offers a summer camp, Broadway Bound, an opportunity for students to enhance their skills.

Is there a budding Broadway star between the ages of 11-14 in your house? Livonia Community Theatre's (formerly Paul's Players) summer camp, Broadway Bound, offers an opportunity for them to enhance their skills. The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 19-23. A dynamic staff of teachers lead these young entertainers in singing, dancing, acting, laughing and enjoying life on stage. The week ends with a complete musical revue performance at 7 p.m. June 23. The fee for the camp is \$125. Registration is open and spaces are limited. Email livoniacommunitytheatre@gmail.com for more information or registration form. The camp is held at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road,

Livonia. For other theater lovers in the family, Livonia Community Theatre will offer a family workshop to produce the classic musical "Carousel." This provides families an opportunity to participate together in a full musical production in only six weeks. Auditions are open to children and

adults, are scheduled for 5-8 p.m. June 13-15 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. You may walk in anytime during those hours. Bring a song you'd like to sing or we'll provide music from the show that evening. Performance dates are 7:30 p.m. July 27-29 at St. Paul's Presbyterian

Church. Also in July, elementary school age children are invited Kids Camp, where they will produce "Seussical, Kids," a musical, directed by Pam Gunderson, and also participate in afternoon sessions of African drumming, led by Don Stromberg, Livonia Public Schools elementary music Teacher of the Year. The sessions are from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 10-14. Fee is \$75. Livonia Community Theatre (formerly Paul's Players) was founded in 2011. LCT is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to offer quality theater experiences that will entertain, enrich and educate people of all ages. For more information, contact Pat Hutchison, artistic director, at 248-252-1940, or go to paulsplayers.com.

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Kingdom Hall vandalized

A member of the Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Hall, 6301 N. Venoy, came into the Westland police station June 1 to report vandalism at the building.

The member said someone spray-painted a sign on the side of the building over the letters so no one could read it. He said the incident took place sometime overnight between May 30-31.

Catalytic converter taken

A resident in the 34000 block of Tawas Trail came to the police station May 30 to report a cata-

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lytic converter theft.

He said he discovered the converter was missing earlier that day. The car was last intact the evening of May 26 and was parked in the road in front of his home. Another resident who lives in the 5600 block of Globe came to the police station June 1 and reported the theft of a catalytic converter from one of their vehicles as well.

Drills taken from vehicle

Police were dispatched May 31 to a residence in the 3200 block of Palmer on the report of stolen drills from a vehicle. The victim said the

vehicle was parked in the driveway and that there was no damage done to the vehicle and it was locked overnight. When he came out that morning, he found several drills were missing and the interior of the vehicle was ransacked.

Window smashed

Police were dispatched June 5 to a residence in the 800 block of Summerfield on the report of damage to a residence.

Police arrived and spoke to a witness, who said he opened his door to let his dogs out and saw his neighbor's door damaged and window broken. Police spoke to

another neighbor, who said they had talked to the resident and they were on their way home from work. Police saw the glass storm door shattered and the interior door damaged near the deadbolt lock. It appeared someone had tried to break into the home but was unsuccessful. The resident said he left his residence earlier that morning and everything was intact at that time. No entry to the home was gained.
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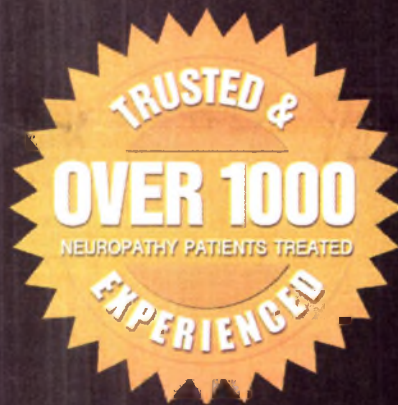
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Michigan Philharmonic Summer Concert Series

The Michigan Philharmonic Summer Concert Series begins July 1 with "An American Salute" at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. The 75th Anniversary of the Metroparks with Movie Music@The Metroparks kicks off July 15 at Kensington Metropark, featuring music from favorite films, including "Frozen" and "Back to the Future."

All concerts are free. Parking at the Metroparks is free with a Metroparks pass.

» An American Salute
7 p.m. July 1, Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth

» Movie Music@The Metroparks
7:30 p.m. July 15, Kensington Metropark

» Movie Music@The Metroparks
6:30 p.m. July 21 (special screening of "Back to the Future" immediately following), DTE Energy-Grand River Park, Detroit

» Movie Music@The Metroparks
7:30 p.m. July 22, Lake St. Clair Metropark

» Movie Music@The Metroparks
7:30 p.m. July 29, Stony Creek Metropark

» Movie Music@The Metroparks
7:30 p.m. Aug. 5, Lake Erie Metropark

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Passport to Safety returns to Livonia

David Veselenak
hometownlife.com

It's almost time to get those safety passports out.

The annual Passport to Safety event will return from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 17 in front of the Livonia police and fire stations.

The largest such safety event for children in Michigan will return with various safety tips for youngsters, including from new groups such as Consumers Energy, which will talk about electrical safety.

They're going to talk to parents and kids about different things," said Cheryl Bowker, a Livonia Allstate agent and co-founder of the Passport to Safety event. "They have a lot of displays about how to be safe."

The event features several stations covering all types of safety for children and parents, including bicycle safety,



FILE PHOTO

Kohl's volunteers Izabella Bowles and Hannah Kero fit Devin Robinson with a new bike helmet at last year's Passport to Safety event.

food safety and fire safety.

Also returning will be the United States Coast Guard, which will cover water safety and bring a boat. The Michigan State Police have increased its presence for this year's event, bringing more work stations to discuss internet safety.

Bowker said the MSP has traditionally focused on computer safety at previous events, but will focus more on general online safety. With so

much more accessibility to the internet through mobile devices, Bowker said the state police will focus more of their station on that.

"Just go anywhere, and you see kids all over the place," she said. "Everything accesses the internet these days."

The Livonia Fire Department and Livonia Police Department will also be on hand, talking to children.

A new show will also take the stage throughout

the day. Entitled "Rock Out for Safety," Bowker said performances will take place throughout the morning to entertain the crowds.

"They are going to put out shows throughout the day," Bowker said. "At noon, they'll bring kids on stage when they will talk about what they learn."

And what's Passport without some goodies? Bowker said there are several different prizes that will go up for raffle, including tickets to events such as the Livonia Spree and Detroit Tigers games, among other prizes. Raffles will take place twice during the event, in order to make sure winners are still present to claim prizes.

"That way, the kids will be there," she said. "We've gotten so many places to donate."

More information on Passport to Safety can be found at livoniapassporttosafety.com.

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CITY OF LIVONIA PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 502 of Act 110 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2006, as amended, and Articles XIX and XXIII of Ordinance #543, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Livonia, as amended, the City Planning Commission of the City of Livonia will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 27, 2017, in the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the following items:

Petition 2017-06-02-08 submitted by Soave/Oro Construction, L.L.C. requesting special waiver use approval pursuant to Sections 20.01 and 20.02A of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, to develop a Planned Residential Development under the Single Family Clustering option (Bishop Estates) at 28200 Lyndon Avenue, located on the north side of Lyndon Avenue between Inkster Road and Harrison Avenue in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24.

Petition 2017-04-03-01 submitted by Andres and Shelley Lesko, pursuant to Section 12.08 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances of the City of Livonia, as amended, to determine whether or not to vacate an existing public utility easement at 31694 Curtis Avenue, located on the north side of Curtis Avenue between Merriman Road and Mayfield Avenue in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 10.

The above-mentioned petitions will be on file in the City Planning Commission office, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, during the period of five (5) days immediately preceding the said hearing and may be examined by any and all persons during the normal working hours Monday through Friday.

Ian Wilshaw, Chairman
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL-TECHNOLOGY SERVICES SUBMITTAL DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS IS JULY 5, 2017

Redford Union School District (District) is seeking proposals from qualified technology service providers to assist the District in procuring, upgrading, and maintaining our technology and communications equipment, hardware, software, and networks.

Interested parties are invited to submit their proposal as follows:

The originally signed proposal and four copies, including all signed certifications required in this Request for Proposal and any additional materials, shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope clearly marked "REDFORD UNION TECHNOLOGY RFP" and addressed and delivered no later than July 5, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (EST) to the following recipient and address.

Greg R. McIntyre, CFO
Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
Redford Union School District
17715 Brady Street
Redford, MI 48240

Copies of proposals transmitted by email or facsimile will not be accepted or considered, nor will verbal quotations of any nature be considered. Redford Union School District is not responsible for late, lost, misdirected, damaged, incomplete, or illegible proposals or for any postage-due mail. All proposals submitted after the deadline will be returned to the sender unopened.

This Request for Proposals (RFP) does not commit Redford Union School District to award a contract or pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal responsive to this request. The District reserves the right to accept all or part of any proposal or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFP. The District further reserves the right to accept the proposal that it considers to be in the best interest of the District.

All requirements must be addressed in your proposal. Non-responsive proposals will not be considered. All timely submitted proposals, whether selected or rejected, shall become the property of the District. Firms are responsible for checking the District website (www.redfordu.k12.mi.us) periodically for any updates or revisions to the RFP.

Questions related to this RFP should be submitted in writing to Mr. McIntyre at the above address or by email to mcintyre@redfordu.k12.mi.us not later than 2:00 pm on June 27, 2017. Answers will be provided on the District website by June 29, 2017.

Please refer to the District Website for complete RFP and additional required information. www.redfordu.k12.mi.us

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CITY OF LIVONIA PUBLIC NOTICE

AGENDA ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

JUNE 27, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.
LIVONIA CITY HALL - GALLERY (5TH FLOOR)
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APPEAL CASE NO. 2016-10-73 (Tabled on October 11, 2016): Robert and Kathern Schlieve, north side of Schoolcraft (33130) between Farmington and Brookfield, seeking to maintain a detached garage and attached garage with a nonconforming shed, resulting in excess number of garages and garage area. The nonconformity of the shed is based on its size of 432 sq. ft. where only 200 sq. ft. is allowed. A permit was applied for to convert the attached garage to habitable living space, which is work the homeowners will not perform.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-03-13 (Tabled on March 14, 2017): Michael Kohn, south side of West Chicago (27655) between Cardwell and Inkster, seeking to construct a detached garage while maintaining an existing detached garage, resulting in excess garage area, height and excess number of garages. A nonconformity exists because the detached garage existing is located in the side yard, which is not allowed. All detached garages must be located in the rear yard.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-03-18 (Tabled on May 23, 2017): Nicholas Presutti, south side of Clarita (36695) between Margareta and Dardanella, seeking to construct a detached garage while maintaining an attached garage, resulting in excess number of garages and garage area.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-06-36: Sean and Sarah Garnham, west side of Loveland (18875) between Clarita and Curtis, seeking to erect a four (4) foot tall picket fence upon a corner lot, resulting in the fence being located in the front yard. Fences are not allowed in the front yard.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-06-37: Norman and Suzanne Nile, west side of Knolson (15325) between 5 Mile and Roycroft, seeking to erect a six (6) foot tall privacy fence upon a corner lot and side yard, resulting in excess fence height and privacy fences are not allowed to extend past the rear of the house toward the street.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-06-38: Shadow Investments (Bryan Gill Sr.), 7376 Driftwood, Fenton, MI 48430, seeking to continue a use for an animal day care, upon property located on the west side of Stark (12615) between Glendale and the C and O Railroad, previously granted by the Zoning Board of Appeals - use variance 2008-08-41. The building is now vacated and the original variance was granted for the previous tenant only. This use is not allowed in an M-1 zoning district.

Public Comments may be sent to the Zoning Board of Appeals Office at 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI 48154 - all comments must include name, address and signature.

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Rotary Club members and guests toured the brewery and learned about the making of craft beer from Tom Block, director of brewing and distillation (top of stairs); Annett May, Cicerone and instructor (bottom of stairs); and Richard Weinkauf, vice president of instruction and instructor (right).

Rotarians tour Schoolcraft brewery

The Rotary Club of Livonia held a membership event May 22 at Schoolcraft College.

The luncheon was hosted by Rotarian and Schoolcraft President Dr. Conway Jeffress and held at the VisTaTech Center.

The luncheon provided the opportunity for current members to invite potential new members to learn about becoming a Rotarian.

As part of the luncheon, the members were given a brief presentation by Jeffress and then a detailed tour given by the instructional staff of the new Schoolcraft College craft brewery program.

Jeffress talked about the unique start and development of the program at Schoolcraft and discussed the demand that has developed for craft beer in Michigan.

Three years in the making, Schoolcraft has a quality craft beer program, adult education classes about craft beer and beer tasting at the American Harvest

restaurant. Several students have graduated and gone on to become managers on craft beer establishments.

Upon the completion of the tour, the club went to American Harvest for tasting of several beers, including American Harvest Kolsch-Style, American Harvest Brown Ale, American Harvest Blood Red Double Orange IPA and several others.

An explanation was given of the different styles of beer. The members had several questions.

The club learned that they could take an adult education class from Schoolcraft College and learn more about the different aspects/tastes of beer. The guests of the club had a superb luncheon made by the culinary program at Schoolcraft.

The international motto for Rotary is Service Above Self. The Livonia Rotary club meets at Laurel Manor at noon each Monday.

Motor City Irish Fest returns to Livonia

David Veselenak
hometownlife.com

Now that the Motor City Irish Festival has one year under its belt in Livonia, organizers hope its success will continue this year as well.

The annual event celebrating all things Irish will return Friday through Sunday (June 16-18) to Greenmead Historical Park. Featuring 24 bands, Irish vendors, whiskey tasting and children's activities, the event is expected to attract thousands.

And this comes as certain aspects of the festival will see expansion because of so much success.

"We are expanding. We're making a larger children's area," said Kevin Murphy, a Livonia resident and one of the organizers of the event. "Our bar area's going to be much larger."

Murphy said the bar will double in size this year and will host the whiskey tasting event this year.

Also new this year will be bring special music coming from across the Atlantic Ocean. The Druids, an Irish rebel band, will travel to Livonia and perform at the festival, the first time a band straight from the Emerald Isle will perform at the Motor City Irish Fest.

Murphy said the group only comes to the United States for two weeks out of the year to tour. He had a chance to hear it perform earlier this spring when it stopped by the Ancient order of Hibernians hall in Redford Township.

"They played here in March and it was just packed to the rafters," Murphy said. "They put on such a great show."



FILE PHOTO

The CrossBow band provided high energy Celtic music on a warm Sunday afternoon at the Motor City Irish Fest held last year at Greenmead in Livonia.

Food offerings will include traditional Irish fish and chips, provided by the Claddagh Irish Pub, 17800 Haggerty, in Livonia; as well as corned beef sandwiches, pizza, burgers and ice cream.

Livonia Councilwoman Maureen Miller Brosnan will serve as honorary chairwoman of the festival this year and brought Murphy to share

news of the festival at Monday's city council meeting.

"It is quickly becoming one of the most sought-after events and festivals on the festival circuit," she said. "We work really hard to attract families to our community and this is one of the signature events each year that helps us to do exactly that."

The festival moved from Western Graham Field in Redford last year, citing space concerns. The first year went so well, Murphy said, they were able to make such expansions to the bar and the children's area.

He said organizers have also been pleased with the site and the people the festival has worked with in Livonia.

"What a great group of people to work with at Greenmead. Really impressed," Murphy said.

Tickets for the three-day festival are \$12 at the door and \$10 in advance. Tickets can be purchased before the event at Greenmead, the Claddagh, the Ancient Order of Hibernians hall at 25300 Five Mile in Redford and Murphy's Restaurant, 26009 Five Mile, in Redford.

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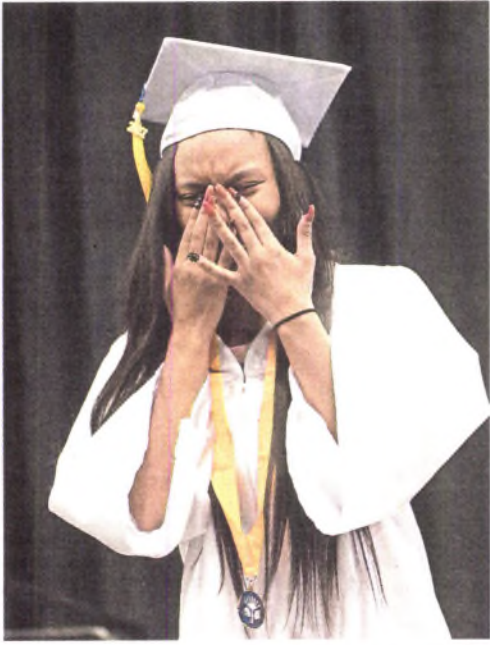
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Nyles Clincy is a little Steampunk at Redford Union's graduation. Michael Burnett is in the background, at right.

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Livonia students participate in Girls on the Run

Between the youthful giggling, bubbles floating in the air, and “teen-pop” music blaring through the air, you might mistake this gathering of fifth- and sixth-graders to be an over-the-top birthday party or the preamble to a summer concert. But listen in on some of the conversations and you will hear more than silly stories or tales of cute boys. These young girls are sharing stories of being confident while being kind, standing up to bullies and “activating your star power.”

Gathering after school each Tuesday and Thursday, these girls make up the Girls on the Run team at Riley Upper Elementary School in Livonia. Girls on the Run is a physical activity-based positive youth development program for girls, designed to teach life skills through interactive lessons and running games. The goal is to inspire girls to become independent thinkers, enhance their problem-solving skills and make healthy decisions. The program culminated with the girls being physically and emotionally prepared to compete in a 5K running event.

The final Girls on the Run meeting for the season was a 5K run at the school, set in a party mode – a celebration of their hard work throughout the 12-week program. Watching from a dis-



The Girls on the Run team shows a little “girl power.”

tance, it can be easy to mistake lead coach Catherine Trapp for one of the students participating. An athletic-build on a pixie-like frame, Trapp has as much energy as the girls – maybe more – as she makes it a point to take a “victory-lap” with each of the 42 girls from the program. Trapp’s energy is contagious and quite evident, as witnessed by the glowing faces of each team member as their coach approaches to run with them.

Trapp is an elementary student assistance provider at Riley Upper Elementary School. Hand in hand with coaches Denise Barry, Shawn Parsons and Sherry Juncaj, along with junior coaches Kara Schuler and Sage Lossing, she oversees the Riley team.

“Girls on the Run is a school counselor’s

dream,” said Trapp, who has coached for eight seasons. “It teaches girls how to be healthy inside and out. It creates opportunity for teamwork, empowerment and confidence building.”

Nine laps around the track at Riley is required to complete 5K, with the final ceremonial victory lap accompanied by the coach proving the icing on the cake – but the goal has nothing to do with where you place in this event. First, last, somewhere in the middle – it is irrelevant – as the bigger goal is to do your best, work toward your own personal goals and support those around you in a positive manner.

With some team members finishing as much as 20 minutes later than the first to cross the finish line, there is no marked difference in the amount of cheering, howling and

fellowship exuded as teammates continually cheered for each other. Without prompting from any coach or adult, girls continued to rise to their feet and another eruption of squealing could be heard as each of their fellow team members joined them in completing the 5K.

Shelley Lasko knows the value of the Girls on the Run program firsthand, having had two daughters, Molly and Maggie, go through the program. “The program is inspiring,” Lasko said, “as the girls learn to stay positive, to have respect for themselves and others and they are physically active. It is great to see the progress they have made through this program. They set goals for themselves on the track and in life.”

“We are proud of all the girls who participate



Girls on the Run team members (from left) Lily Matthews, Kacie Woodall and Maggie Lesko share a moment at Riley Upper Elementary School following a run.

in the Girls on the Run program,” Trapp said. “The goal of the program is to develop confidence and positive attitudes in the girls, while establishing a lifetime appreciation of health and fitness.”

The YMCA program currently takes place at seven sites in Livonia and the YMCA sponsors additional programs in the surrounding communities of Westland, Wayne, Redford and Garden City for a total of 13 teams in the area. In Livonia alone, more than 300 girls participate. Throughout metro Detroit, the Y sponsors 150 teams with approximately 2,900 participants.

“I love Girls on the Run because it was the most positive experience I have ever had,” fourth-grader Lilly Pelto said. “The lessons can be applied to your life. We all have positive personality traits, but we all get dis-

couraged and hurt sometimes. I used to snap at people sometimes. At Girls on the Run, I learned to use my star power, to be encouraging rather than saying something quickly without thinking. You can be in a bad mood, but if you remember your star power, you can change that into a good mood. Using your star power means showing your good personality traits so others can even emulate them, too. We learn how to activate our star power by making healthy choices and choosing friends who share our good attitude.”

The Riley Upper Elementary Girls on the Run Team joined teams from metro Detroit in their 5K run May 21 at Lake St. Clair Metropark in Harrison Township. For more information, visit www.gotretroit.org or call the Plymouth YMCA at 734-453-2904.

WAYNE COUNTY EVENTS

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Canton artist featured at Westland exhibit

Award-winning Canton artist Sharon Lee Dillenbeck is exhibiting her unique impressionistic style watercolors and oil paintings in a solo exhibition at Westland’s Gallery at City Hall during June. More than 60 works of her delicately rendered original art will include florals, landscapes, seascapes, family portraits, O’Keefe-like pieces, Oriental and still life, the largest collection of her works ever on display.

Dillenbeck is owner of D&M Art Studio, which she founded more than 30 years ago. D&M offers art classes for people of all ages and skill level in a variety of mediums, has summer art camps for kids, sells art supplies and is an art gallery showcasing work by Dillenbeck and many pieces by her talented students, past and present.

Everyone is invited to attend her free reception 4-7 p.m. Friday, June 16. Guests can purchase her original hanging works of art and during the reception there will also be matted originals, note cards, any adult who brings a child will receive a free art class for their little artist at D&M Art Studio in Canton. Plus there will be free face painting for the kids. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, call Dillenbeck at 734-673-2002 or Marilyn Meredith at 313-231-3939.

Sounds of the Spirit

Music of the Sikh, Hindu, Buddhist and Native American faiths will be featured at Sounds of the Spirit, an interfaith event set for 3-6 p.m. Sunday, June 11.

Presented by the InterFaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit, this is the second in a series of musical presentations and panel discussions to increase

respect and understanding among diverse faiths, cultures and races.

Sounds of the Spirit will be hosted by Mata Tripta Ji Gurdwara Sahib, 40600 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth.

The program includes music performed on the traditional instruments of these faiths: Native Drumming, Mary Vorves; Sikh Krtaan, Yashpreet Matharu and Manjot Matharu; Soka Gakkai International (SGI) Nichiren Buddhist Music, Carolyn Ferrari; Hindu Devotional on the Veena, Parashar Athmakuri and Deekshita Athmakuri accompanied

by Rajasekhar Athmakuri on mrudangam; Sacred Wave Gong Immersion, Christopher Davis.

The event is open to the public with a cost of \$10 per person; children under 10 are free. To register in advance, go to tinyurl.com/soundsofthespirit2. Tickets, which include refreshments, also can be purchased at the door for \$13.

Pancake breakfast

The Canton Lions Club Charity Pancake Breakfast at Liberty Fest is set for 7 a.m. to noon June 17.

The annual breakfast

includes pancakes, sausages, juice or coffee. There is a charge of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12.

For more information, contact Bill Van Winkle 734 254-9404 or govbill1@wowway.com.

Rep. Noble office hour

State Rep. Jeff Noble of Plymouth will host an open office hour from 5-6 p.m. Monday, June 19, at the Northville Library in Meeting Room B, 212 W. Cady St. in Northville.

No appointment is necessary. Those unable to attend may contact Noble at 517-373-3816 or

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Summer reading program

Readers of all ages will be inspired to learn more about how they can make a difference in their own lives and in the lives of others this summer as the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland presents “Build a Better World” during

its Summer Reading program. The Kick Off Event is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 17; participants will pick up reading logs, along with the kids enjoying a craft, face painting, games, light refreshments and more. Everything is free.

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Dugar



Gerald Born in Detroit in 1942, Gerald (Jerry) Allen Dugar of Canton, MI passed away June 1st, 2017 at the age of 75. Beloved father of Michael and his wife Heather. Loving grandfather of Parker and Owen. Cherished brother of Nancy. Treasured uncle to Sue, Mark, Ken, and John. Loving companion to his dog Cody. Dear son of the late John and Justine Dugar.

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Stephen Stephen You got your wings today, now take flight among the angels. You will be in our hearts always. Love Carrie, Scott, Matthew and Kayla. 5/8/1925 - 6/3/2017

Mooney



Merle Brandon age 84, passed away peacefully at her home on Tuesday, June 6, 2017. Merle was born on November 03, 1932, in Halls, Tennessee, to Roy and Lois (Salisbury) Brandon. She graduated from Halls High School in 1950. On June 4, 1956, she married Paul Mooney of Wyco, West Virginia, and together they had two children. Merle received an Associate’s Degree in Court Reporting from Schoolcraft College in Livonia. She worked as a court reporter for Tappert Court Reporting Services and then in Wayne County’s 36th District Court until her retirement. Merle is survived by her loving husband of 61 years, Paul Mooney, son Paul (Megan) Mooney Jr., daughter Elizabeth (Vicki) Simon, grandchildren Jake and Ben Mooney, niece Brandon (Joe) Gibson, and nephew Robert (Becky) Owen. The Mooney family would like to extend their appreciation for the loving care provided to Merle by her private caregivers and the staff at Synergy Home Care in Chelsea, MI, Home Instead Senior Care, and Great Lakes Caring Home Hospice, both of Jackson MI. Merle requested that there be no service or memorial. Therefore, the family requests that family and friends who wish to honor her memory give donations to their favorite charities. Arrangements by Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea.

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NFL FOOTBALL

Martin hopes Lions' bid proves fruitful



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Former Westland John Glenn and Michigan State standout Keshawn Martin works out at the Lions' Allen Park practice facility.

Former John Glenn QB tries to stick with hometown team

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Although he is only 27 years old, Keshawn Martin is already considered a journeyman NFL player.

The former Michigan State wide receiver is with his fourth NFL team, but this time there's a sense of urgency as the fifth-year free agent works way through OTAs after being signed in March by the Detroit Lions.

After playing 48 games with Houston, nine in New England and only one last year with the 49ers, the speedy 5-foot-11,

195-pound Martin realizes this could be his last shot as he tries to impress the Lions' brass not only as a slot receiver, but also as kick and punt returner.

"I don't know, that's something the gods at the top (have) to handle," said Martin, who was among 11 wide receivers working out last week during OTAs in Allen Park. "I just come out and give my best effort out here every day."

Playing back in his hometown and just a stone's throw away from where he grew up in his hometown of Inkster, Martin feels grateful he's get-

ting another chance.

It's a fresh start for Martin, who wore No. 7 as a high school quarterback at Westland John Glenn and No. 82 at MSU. Now he's wearing No. 17 in the Honolulu blue and silver.

"It's been really good, just trying to pick up the offense right now, get everything down," Martin said. "It's definitely a good organization and I'm just glad to have the opportunity."

When Andre Roberts, who handled kick and punt return duties for the Lions last year, became an unrestricted free agent, that opened the door for Martin.

In his abbreviated stint

during the 2015 season with the Patriots, Martin caught eight passes and scored two touchdowns before being released last season during the final round of cuts in New England's training camp.

"Bob (Quinn) was in New England, so there's some history there," Martin said of the second-year Lions GM, who was with the Patriots when Martin was signed. "I'm just trying to just get on the field any way I can, special teams, wide receiver, whatever I can do to help the team out that's what I'm trying to do."

Drafted in the fourth round (121st overall) by Houston in

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COACHES' ASSESSMENT



WENDY DEWHIRST

It's business as usual at Livonia Stevenson for pitchers such as Josh Marquedant. The staff is paid close attention to by head coach Rick Berryman to make sure their arms are not pushed beyond the limit.

HITTING THE MARK

MHSAA pitch count limitations mostly on target to protect hurlers' arms

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With June's baseball state tourney unfolding, final pages are being written in the first chapter of a new MHSAA rule designed to limit pitch counts — and ensure the arms of young hurlers don't break down unnecessarily from overuse.

Area high school coaches agree that the health of pitchers is paramount, of far more importance than wins, losses, strikeouts and trophies. But the rule isn't an automatic strike with some.

For those without a scorecard at home, any pitcher throwing 76-105 pitches on any given day — combining dou-

bleheaders and tournaments — must stay away from the mound for three days (although he is eligible to play another position in subsequent games).

Those tossing 51-75 pitches get two days of rest; a workload of 26-50 pitches results in one off-day; no rest is required for those throwing up to 25 pitches in a day.

"It's hurting the small schools," said Bob Miller, Redford Union head coach. "We only have 11 players and so I got to be very careful. I tell coaches now, 'If you get a chance to mercy me and it's 9-0, put on the squeeze bunt, I don't care. You're saving my

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MICHAEL VASILNEK

Plymouth pitching coach Beau Adams (left) and assistant coach Scott Niemiec review a notebook to keep track of which pitchers can throw that day — and how many pitches they can throw per new MHSAA guidelines.

U.S. AMATEUR FOUR-BALL

Tourney champs go through them

Area golfer teams up to reach round of 16 at Pinehurst

Tim Smith
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Chad Johnson tipped his golf cap to the winners of the recent U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship.

And why shouldn't the Westland resident do just that? He and teammate Jordan Andrus advanced to the round of 16 held May 30 at Pinehurst Resort in North Carolina, only to be defeated 5 and 3 by the eventual champions, Frankie Capan and Shuai Ming Wong.

"They are very good players and we didn't bring our best that day and it was a tough match," Johnson said about the loss to Capan and Ming Wong.

Johnson added that "turns out we lost to the kids who went on to win it."

The 17-year-olds went back to famed Pinehurst No. 2 on May 31 and finished the event with their names on the coveted trophy.

They defeated Kyle Hurdson and Clark Collier 2 and 1 in comeback fashion.

What Johnson-Andrus achieved also was noteworthy, since they reached the round

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Jordan Andrus (left) and Chad Johnson were impressive at the recent U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship in North Carolina. Johnson hails from Plymouth and now lives in Westland.

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Car Report

DON'T FOOL YOURSELF: PACIFICA MINIVAN IS DREAM VEHICLE FOR MILLENIAL FAMILIES, AND CRUCIAL FOR FIAT CHRYSLER



By Dale Buss

The more I drive the new Chrysler Pacifica, the more delightful dimensions of this vehicle are unveiled.

Make no mistake: The new Pacifica minivan, introduced last year as a replacement for the venerable

Town & Country minivan, is a crucial vehicle for the future of Fiat Chrysler Automotive. Sure, the company continues to fare relatively well in a flattening U.S. market largely because of growth in Ram truck sales, traction for Dodge and the continued relevance of Jeep as it pivots from old Compass and Patriot models.

But Pacifica is single-handedly keeping the venerable Chrysler brand relevant as it phases out the disappointing 200 small sedan, and as its full-size 300 model suffers from being hoary just a few years after its gangster styling made it cool.

Sales of the all-new Pacifica were up 325 percent in May compared with the same month a year ago, not long after its launch. May was the minivan's best sales month ever and helped cement Pacifica's role as the eighth-best-selling nameplate in the company's entire vehicle lineup.

Moreover, Pacifica continues to carry the minivan torch for FCA at a time when it's possible that millennial parents are maturing enough to recognize the fabulous attributes of the minivan model – and especially Pacifica – for their growing families and perhaps put away the image-related concerns that they and Generation X have had about driving this vehicle type.

In fact, the Hybrid form of Pacifica also is the nameplate that FCA has chosen to carry its initial and crucial hopes to keep up with the rest of the industry in self-driving technology. It's the first electrified vehicle in the minivan segment, achieving 84mpg-equivalent. And Pacifica is the only demonstration vehicle chosen to be outfitted for testing of an automated-



Chrysler Pacifica's rakish new styling stands out in the minivan category.

driving system that was developed by Waymo, the auto unit of Google, and is being tested now.

Pacifica prices start at \$28,595, and the regular version gets 18mpg in the city and a very respectable 28mpg on the highway. Visibility through the "greenhouse" of windows is unparalleled in Pacifica compared with any other vehicle segment, and the panoramic sunroof available in top-priced versions gives you and your passengers the feeling of traveling along with complete access to the great out-of-doors.

And yet, inside the vehicle, Pacifica provides so many ways to make the journey as comfortable as possible for you and your passengers, including not only ample room but various forms and sizes of compartments and holders both up front and throughout the vehicle, a nifty rear-seat entertainment system, and the car's unique onboard vacuum cleaner.

When you need Pacifica to serve as a cargo carrier, it's a snap to open up the vehicle's huge cubic interior

form. The second-row, Stow & Go

difficult cargo including furniture, bicycles, lawn equipment and more. Consider how Parents magazine and Edmunds.com lauded Pacifica as they selected it as the "Best Minivan" on their list of the "10 Best Family Cars of 2017":

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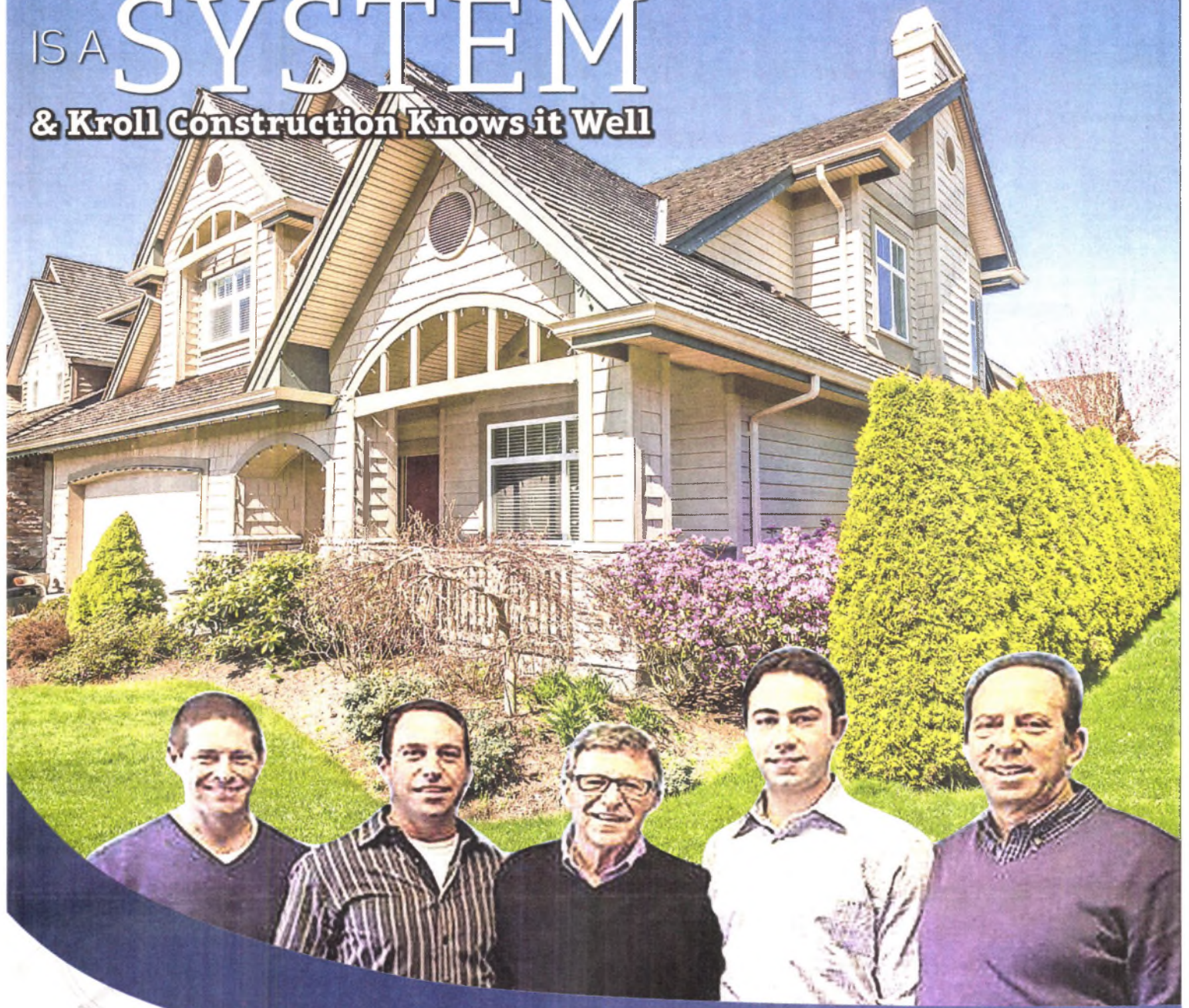
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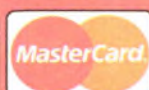
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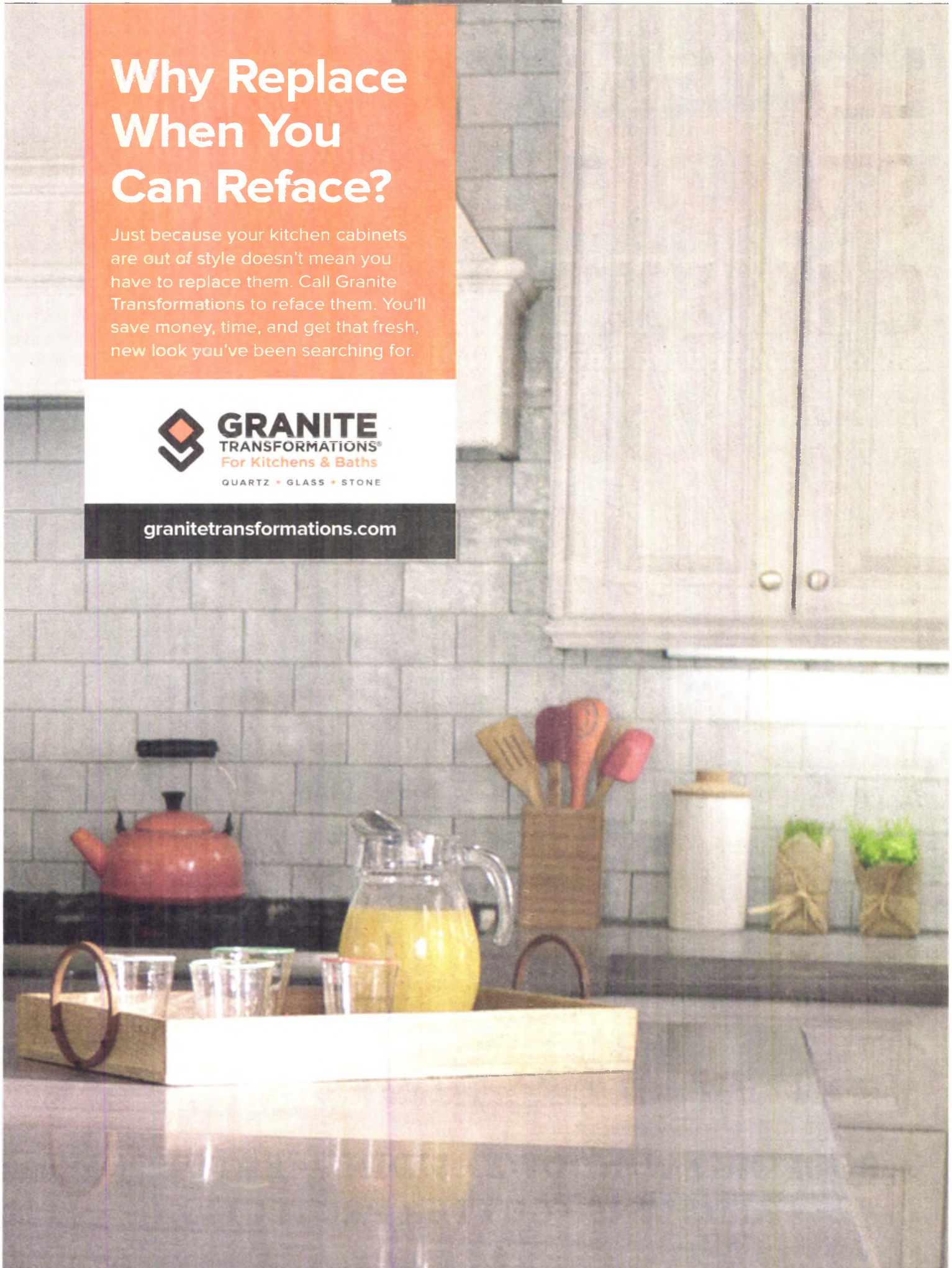


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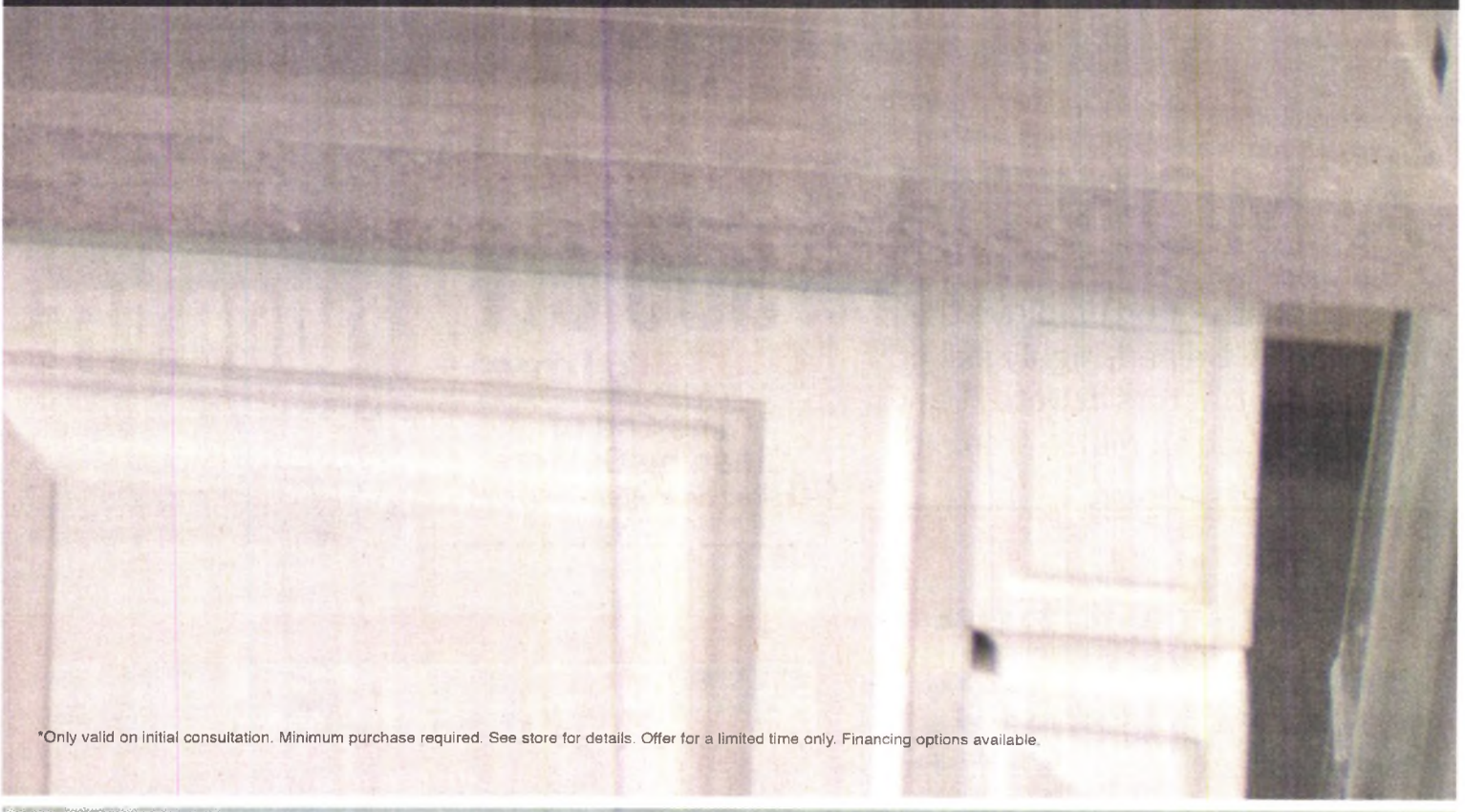
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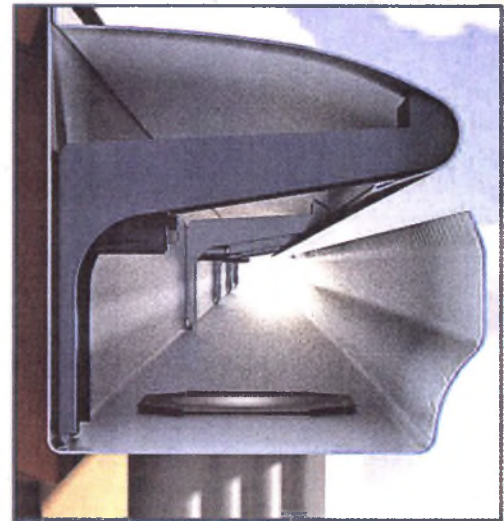
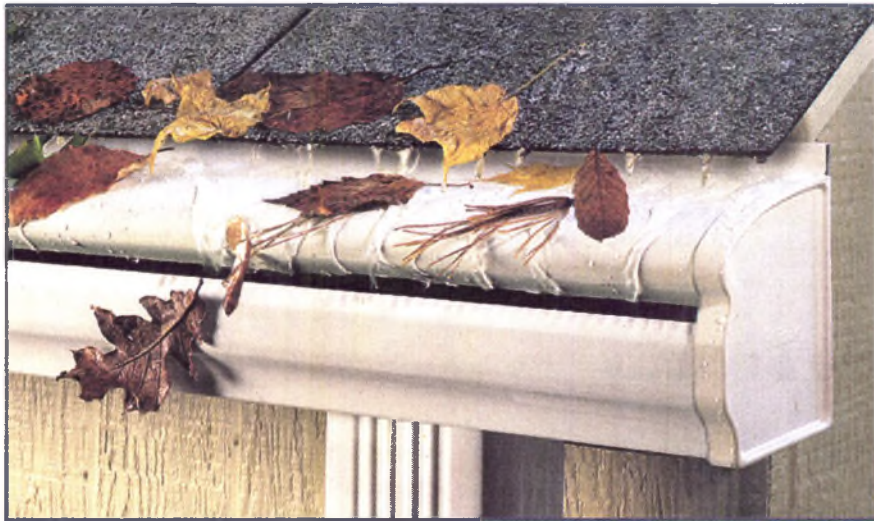


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Impress the interviewer with these questions

BY SARAH SIPEK
CAREERBUILDER

There comes a point in every interview when the tables turn and you have the opportunity to ask the questions. And it's a big opportunity. So don't waste it.

When it comes to impressing your interviewer, generic and uninspired questions just won't cut it. It's important to come prepared with a list of questions that will spark thoughtful conversation and differentiate you from the pack of other applicants.

Here are a few of the questions interviewers say helped candidates stand out and land the job.

Ask something.

It is never appropriate to decline the opportunity to ask more questions. Responses such as, "You've answered all my questions," or "I can't really think of anything at the moment," communicate a lack of preparedness and disinterest to the employers, says Elizabeth Minei, founder and CEO of EMinei Consulting, LLC. "There are no interviews so thorough that the candidate will be left with no questions," Minei says. "Prepare upwards of 10 questions, write them down in a notebook and have them easily accessible during the interview."



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Ask about competitors.

Employers want to know that you did more to prepare for the interview than print out your resume. It's important to demonstrate that you've researched both the company and the marketplace in which they compete. Asking questions about competitors achieves this goal.

Mat Patterson, customer

service manager at Campaign Monitor, recommends posing the following: "When I did some research, it looked like your closest competitors in the market are 'X' and 'Y.' What would you say are the core differences between you and them?" In addition to showing off market knowledge, questions like this gives the interviewer the opportunity to

ask you about your research and perspective, which will help you differentiate yourself from other candidates.

Ask about long-term goals for the position.

It's important to demonstrate to potential employers that you are capable of long-term commitment and are growth minded, says Minei. She suggests asking questions such as, "What are the added responsibilities that you anticipate this role taking on over time?" or "Do you envision this role will gain increased autonomy or leadership over time?" Asking questions like these communicates to employers you are interested in growing with the company and are not using the company as a stepping stone.

Ask why they work there.

Workplace culture is becoming an increasingly important differentiator among employers. Asking an interviewer why they continue to work for their company pushes the conversation in the direction of culture and shows you are concerned not only with finding a well-paying job, but also about finding the right "fit."

Ruth Wilson, director of development at Brightmont Academy, says that her favorite question is, "Why do

you continue to work here?" "It instantly puts me in my comfort zone of being able to talk about our culture and some of the non-tangible perks of working at Brightmont Academy," Wilson says. Questions like this lead to a discussion of the day-to-day life in the position, which causes the interviewer to envision you working at the company.

Ask if there is any reason they won't hire you.

It may seem like a big risk, but at the end of the interview you should directly ask if the employer has any reservations about hiring you. This closing question gives you the opportunity to address any concerns in the room before the door closes and the team begins their post-interview deliberations, says Anthony Richardson, general partner at Agility Collective.

If you decide to ask this question, be prepared to counter any potential concerns with evidence-based examples of how you can excel in an area an interviewer presumes you to be weak.

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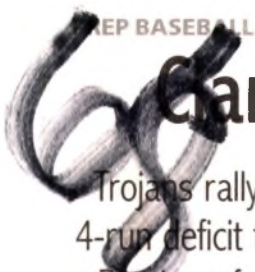
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REP BASEBALL

Clarenceville seizes first district since 2000

Trojans rally from 4-run deficit to beat Panthers for title

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The last time Livonia Clarenceville captured a baseball district title was just after the first year of the new millennium.

It was 2000 to be exact and the Trojans find themselves back in the winner's circle after rallying from a four-run deficit Saturday at home to beat Redford Union, 5-4, for the MHSAA Division 2-District 58 crown.

RU had swept Clarenceville earlier in the season in a double-header, but the Trojans pulled off a stirring comeback that coach Craig Cotter described as "unforgettable."

Down 4-0, freshman Tavian Cruz hit a two-run homer in the fifth inning on a blast that cleared the 360-foot sign in right-center field by 20 feet to cut the deficit to 4-2.

Clarenceville then went ahead for keeps scoring three times in the sixth on a one-out, two-run bases loaded double by Cruz, who just missed hitting the top of the fence on the fly while missing a grand slam by inches.

The Trojans' Zack Richards and Matt Drain then executed a perfect suicide squeeze bunt for the go-ahead run.

Clarenceville, which also captured their first league title



The Clarenceville baseball team has now won the WWAC Red Division and Division 2 district titles.

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in 23 years this spring, improved to 14-11 overall.

"At the beginning of the year we set two goals, win the league and win the district," Cotter said. "We were fortunate enough to do both"

Clarenceville starting pitcher Logan Calimazzo, a junior, allowed four runs in 3 2/3 innings before giving way to reliever Nick Bisaro, who ended an RU threat with runners on second and third in the fourth inning with a pivotal strikeout.

"Logan pitched better than the numbers indicated, just had a little problem finding the strike zone consistently and falling behind on batters," Cotter said.

Bisaro then no-hit the Panthers the rest of the way to earn the victory.

The game ended when RU's Tyler Collard, the losing pitcher, bounced out to Bisaro. The two are best friends and play on the same summer league team, according to Cotter.

"Redford Union is only two miles away from Clarenceville and the players on both teams know each other well and played little league together growing up," Cotter said.

It was also the Trojans' first win over RU in five years.

Afterward, RU coach Bob Miller Jr. wished the Trojans the best as they advance to the D2 regional semifinals against Hazel Park beginning at noon

Saturday, June 10 at Madonna University's Ilitch Ballpark

"Clarenceville played a great game and is a deserving champion," Miller Jr. said. "I spoke to the Clarenceville team after and told them congrats and that they beat a good team. They were surprised to see me walk over, as were the coaches. RU stands for class, fair competition and no excuses."

Meanwhile, the feeling was mutual for Cotter.

"I have gone up against Bob in CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) even before he took over the Redford Union job and never beat him," Cotter said. "Coach Miller is a class act, He came over after the

game and personally congratulated our boys on the win."

Both teams cruised in the district semifinals earlier in the day as Clarenceville defeated Detroit Mumford, 15-0, scoring five times in the first, six in the second and four in the third to win on a three inning run-rule.

Senior Bobby Jaber pitched two no-hit innings, while Richards threw a scoreless third.

Offensively, Jaber doubled twice, scored three runs and had three RBIs, while Justin Kelley Kam MacIver and Cruz each contributed multiple hits.

"Our boys worked hard all year, very rarely if ever missed practice and came together as a tight unit the last two weeks of the season with laser focus," said Cotter, whose team captured the Red Division of the Western Wayne Athletic Conference this year with a 9-1 record.

In the other district semifinal, RU ousted Detroit Communicate & Media Arts, 11-0, in five innings.

The Panthers finished the year with an 18-9 overall record.

"We won 18 games this year and I'm very proud of my young men," Miller said. "Most are in the honor roll, and coming from six wins last year is a great achievement. All have a plan for next year, too. I'm sorry to see the season end, but could not be more proud of my team and coaches."

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first inning when it took advantage of four walks and a pair of hits.

Chris Tanderys, Dan Bos and Bobby Cavin walked to load the bases. One run scored on an fielder's choice and the other two runs came home on a single by Josh Marquedant and a bases-loaded walk to Danny Morris.

Farmington gradually pecked away at the lead, scoring single runs in the second and fourth to make it 3-2.

After base hits by Devin Mahanti and Scott Newhard, Collin Finn's sacrifice fly produced the first Falcons run. Two innings later, base hits by Jack Politowicz, Newhard and Alex Magrum brought home the second run.

Stevenson scored its final run in the bottom of the fourth. Parker Graham and Tanderys smacked consecutive base hits, which put runners on the corners with no outs. Graham eventually came home on a balk.

Farmington had opportunities early, putting runners on base in each of the first four innings against Stevenson starter George Ferguson. However, the Falcons had two runners thrown out on the bases during that time which stalled rallies, including a pick-off at first base when Stevenson catcher Cavin's quick toss down to first baseman Mark Petterson resulted in the final out of the fourth inning.

Ferguson, a junior southpaw, got the win, allowing six hits in five innings. Stevenson's ace, Oakland University-bound senior Branden Posky, who started against North Farmington but still had plenty of pitches left, came on to shut down the Falcons with just one hit over the final two innings.

The Falcons had a pair of bases runners in their last at-bat, when Finn worked his way on with a one-out walk and pinch hitter Steven Flowers got on with a swinging bunt. However, Posky struck out Matt Lane for the final out.

Farmington outhit Stevenson in the game, 7-6.

"I thought we had a good chance to beat them. If North Farmington could have given them a little bit more of a game in game one, then maybe Posky doesn't go to the hill," Finn said. "I thought we were starting to dial in on Ferguson, who's a



MARTY BUDNER

Stevenson's veteran head coach Rick Berryman makes a point to junior Josh Marquedant in Saturday's game against Farmington.



MARTY BUDNER

Stevenson third baseman Danny Morris tags out Farmington base runner Scott Newhard (7) during fourth-inning action of Saturday's Division 1 district championship game.

good pitcher, but I thought we were close to getting him."

Berryman was proud of the effort his team gave to keep its string of district titles intact.

"It was team effort all the way. Obviously, we had good pitching," Berryman said. "We were lucky to get a lead and save our number one pitcher to close the second game. I was very pleased with the effort as a group."

"The big play is we picked a runner off of first base (in the third inning). We work very hard. We bunt," he added. "We get the bunt down, which creates situations. I'm proud of the little things that they do. It's things that people don't notice, but that we've been successful with all year."

Stevenson now advances to the Division 1 regional June 10 hosted by Novi High School. The Spartans will play at 12:30 p.m. in a semifinal rematch against Hartland. The Spartans

were eliminated by the Eagles in last year's regional, 11-0.

In fact, while Stevenson has won six straight districts, it has lost five straight times in the regional semifinal. Stevenson's last regional win came in 2012, when it won the championship before falling to Saline, 5-1, in the state quarterfinal round.

"We're excited to go there and play," Berrmyman said. "That's it."

Farmington opened the district with a 6-3 victory over Farmington Harrison. The Falcons finished the season with a 24-14 record.

The Falcons senior class finished with 73 wins over a three-year period, tied for the second-most wins in program history. The three-year record is 77. This year's senior class consisted of Artie Bentley, Elliot Edsall, Finn, Lane, Magrum, Newhard, Politowicz, Rushil Putumbaka and Brian Turske.

BOYS LACROSSE

Catholic Central books another final four berth

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There was no letdown for Novi Detroit Catholic Central's lacrosse team during Friday's MHSAA Division 1 state quarterfinal.

After an emotional and hard-fought 13-10 regional final victory May 31 over rival Northville, the Shamrocks dismantled Troy Athens in a precision-like manner, 14-5, at Birmingham Seaholm.

Junior attack Peter Thompson, who went pointless in the previous match, pumped in four goals and added two assists as the Shamrocks improved to 14-5 while earning their fourth straight trip to the state semifinals.

After nearly squandering a 9-3 halftime lead against Northville, the Shamrocks built a 10-1 advantage at intermission against Athens (13-5) and increased their lead to 13-2 after three quarters before coach Dave Wilson emptied his bench in the fourth.

"Having the ball is a great thing, isn't it?" Wilson said. "You dictate the tempo of the game and, of course, (Jeff) Lining is a threat, so when he doesn't have the ball, it's good for us. It worked out that we were scoring and keeping it away from a very dangerous weapon."

Athens went 25 minutes, 19 seconds without scoring until Andy Filips broke through with a goal late in the third quarter to make it 13-2.

"Yesterday in practice, we were really trying to make sure we were moving off the ball," Thompson said. "When other guys are moving off ball, it makes it easier on you to either pass or score. We did a really good job as a collective team instead of just one guy."

One of Thompson's goals was a nifty behind-the-back effort off a feed from senior Nick Capatina.

"I think a lot of it had to do with the fact the other night

we were just kind of stagnate as a team and we tried to play, like, hero ball and not really together," said Thompson, a junior captain. "We let Northville be in the game and they did a good job stopping us. I just think we were kind of watching each other. That was probably the biggest problem in the offense last game, so it was probably good that I didn't score."



Thompson

Six different players scored for the Shamrocks, including freshman Ryan Sullivan, who finished with three goals. Adding two apiece were senior Brennan Kamish, sophomore Joey Kamish and Capatina, while Ethan Pattinson had the other.

"Northville is really close to CC, so I think we kind of got a little hyped up or nervous," Thompson said. "I just think letting the game come to you was one of our main points. It was great team win and we, obviously, played a lot better than we did (May 31)."

Also adding assists for CC were Mike Molchan, Patrick Brandemihl and Liam Cunningham.

"The great thing we have, if you check our score book, we consistently have six guys that are chipping in at least one or two goals," Wilson said. "It was a quiet four for Pete, but it's good for him to be on the board."

Senior goalie Hunter Braun also played a pivotal role, making nine saves while allowing just two goals before backup Zack Downey finished in the final quarter.

Athens got a pair of goals from Thomas Kennedy, while Zack Spinek, Tyler Nelson and Filips added one apiece.

The Shamrocks, who have been state runners-up three straight years, were scheduled to face unbeaten Hartland (21-0) in the state semifinals Wednesday at Troy Athens.

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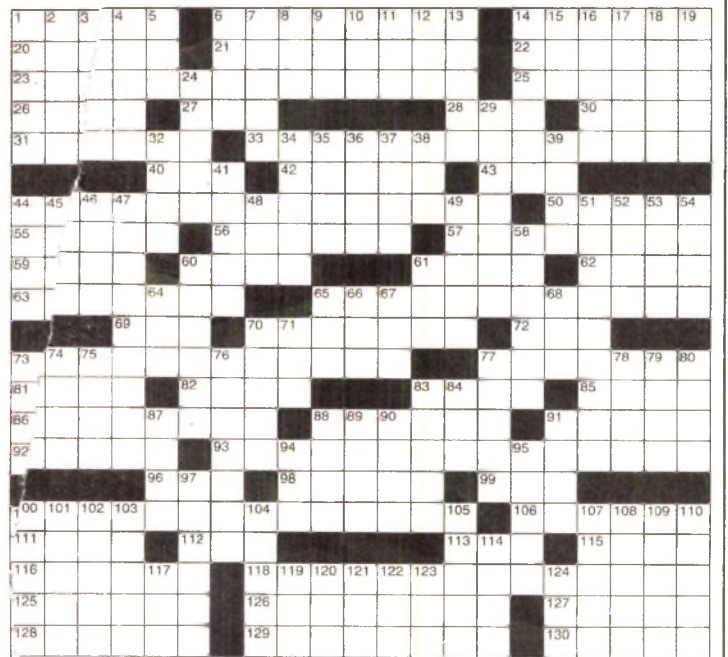
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Dry out
 - 6 Should the necessity arise
 - 14 Eye, kidney and heart
 - 20 Informed
 - 21 Grade on a salary scale
 - 22 Big chicken brand
 - 23 Rodent who helps couples end spats?
 - 25 Forced out of a country
 - 26 Squeezed (out)
 - 27 — polloi
 - 28 Untold millennia
 - 30 — bean (Old World plant)
 - 31 Stand for
 - 33 Rodent causing prices to increase over time?
 - 40 — Haw
 - 42 Visit briefly
 - 43 "By the way," on memos
 - 44 Frothy pie topping concocted by a rodent?
 - 50 Bit of a tortilla treat
 - 55 Spheres
 - 56 Cliff nests
 - 57 Seized
 - 59 Part of CD
 - 60 Throws in Morrison
 - 61 Actor Amaz
 - 62 "Jazz" writer
 - 63 Serious rifts
 - 65 Rodent blurring out secrets?
 - 69 Shooters' gp.
 - 70 How cliffs incline
 - 72 Very bad grade
 - 73 Rodent who's a pop star?
 - 77 Fishing boat
 - 81 Chevy now called the Sonic
 - 82 Tune for two
 - 83 Utterances of disgust
 - 85 Ames' home
 - 86 Series with Agent 99
 - 88 Of the eyes
 - 91 Middle name of Poe
 - 92 Malia
 - 93 Obama's sis
 - 94 Rodent who was a U.S. president?
 - 96 Outrage
 - 98 Battery terminal
 - 99 Massive fight
 - 100 Revelation of all the relevant facts about a rodent?
 - 106 Nary a soul
 - 111 Shuffle or Mini
 - 112 Silvery gray
 - 113 Silver of film
 - 115 Special air
 - 116 Fight against
 - 118 Rodent-themed hit for Peter, Paul and Mary?
 - 125 Franklin of soul music
 - 126 Bolsheviks' theory
 - 127 Laotian, say
 - 128 Eye liners?
 - 129 Infuriates
 - 130 Idylls, e.g.
- DOWN**
- 1 Turned white
 - 2 Stirred from sleep
 - 3 Poe bird
 - 4 Ideology
 - 5 That woman
 - 6 — facto
 - 7 Muslim ascetic: Var.
 - 8 Sch. in Manhattan
 - 9 Manning the quarterback
 - 10 Suffix with auction
 - 11 TiVo is one, for short
 - 12 Stinging thing
 - 13 Actress Page
 - 14 Not in secret
 - 15 T. — (big dino)
 - 16 Petty swindle
 - 17 Old weep
 - 18 New, to Julio
 - 19 Roomy auto
 - 24 Actor Charlie
 - 29 Sin
 - 32 Just — once
 - 34 Imitating sorts
 - 35 Spelling of the screen
 - 36 Mayberry tyke
 - 37 Fish parts
 - 38 Having one sharp, musically
 - 39 — that the truth?
 - 41 "My word!"
 - 44 Young glutz of "Mask"
 - 45 Actor Stoltz
 - 46 Go well (with)
 - 47 Apple debut of 1984
 - 48 G.P.'s study
 - 49 Start of an expiration notice
 - 51 Deliberate choice
 - 52 China's — En-lai
 - 53 Pilelets, e.g.
 - 54 Comics dog
 - 58 TV and radio stations
 - 60 "Jack & Jill" actress Peet
 - 61 Certain baseball hit: Abbr.
 - 64 — Lanka
 - 65 Roseanne's mom on "Roseanne"
 - 66 "Chi-Raq" director
 - 67 Mo. #4
 - 68 Advanced deg. for a designer
 - 70 Arrange for
 - 71 Pec. pic. say
 - 73 Binges
 - 74 Ins locale
 - 75 Filing sites
 - 76 "A Clockwork Orange" novelist
 - 77 Heaved
 - 78 Entertainer
 - 79 Movie/dom's McGregor
 - 80 Novelist Ayn
 - 83 Peptic problem
 - 84 With 94-Down, female chum
 - 87 Inn worker
 - 88 "Horrors!"
 - 89 Co. big shots
 - 90 Language in Lahore
 - 91 Brit's prefix for plane
 - 94 See 84-Down
 - 95 White on "Wheel of Fortune"
 - 97 Ranch ropes
 - 100 Like the flu
 - 101 "Rigolotto," for one
 - 102 Doesn't win
 - 103 Pfaf of song
 - 104 Dish with kidney beans
 - 105 Make blank
 - 107 Low voice
 - 108 Navel type
 - 109 REM activity
 - 110 Tall stories
 - 114 Bits of resistance
 - 117 That woman
 - 119 Wet lowland
 - 120 Ltd. relative
 - 121 Move hastily
 - 122 Raggedy
 - 123 Trash-talk
 - 124 Hiker's aid



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		9				4		
	5							8
4			3					8
			4	6	1			
5			2					9
	4							9
		1			6			
8		7	5					2

2	3	5	7	9	6	8
4	9	8	6	1	2	8
4	5	6	3	2	7	8
7	2	8	9	1	4	3
6	1	7	2	8	3	9
3	7	5	1	9	4	6
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9	8	7	4	6	3	1
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle

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Crossword Answers

1. DRY
6. NECESSITY
14. EYE
20. INFORMED
21. GRADE
22. KODAK
23. RODENT
25. EXILED
26. SQUEEZED
27. POLLOI
28. UNTOLD
30. BEAN
31. STAND
33. RODENT
40. HAW
42. VISIT
43. BY THE WAY
44. PIE
50. TORTILLA
55. SPHERES
56. CLIFF
57. SEIZED
59. CD
60. THROWS
61. ACTOR
62. JAZZ
63. RIFTS
65. RODENT
69. SHOOTERS
70. CLIFFS
72. GRADE
73. RODENT
77. BOAT
81. CHEVY
82. TUNE
83. UTTERANCES
85. AMES
86. SERIES
88. OF
91. MIDDLE
92. MALIA
93. OBAMA
94. RODENT
96. OUTRAGE
98. BATTERY

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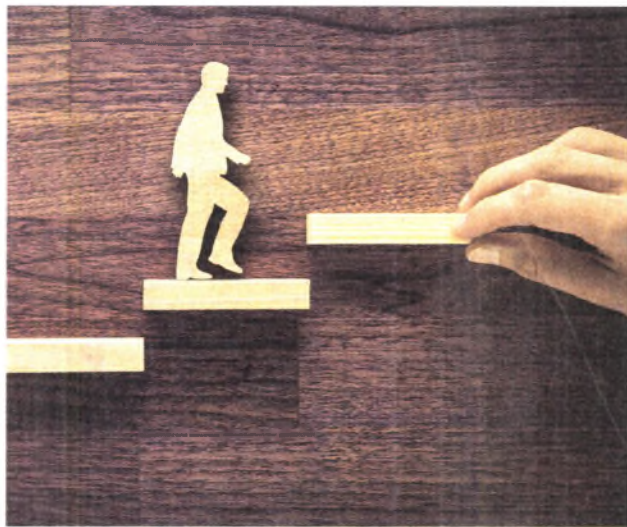
Looking for an exciting challenge in your professional life? Want to breathe new life into your career? Then it's time to become proactive in your career development and make the case for a promotion.

Start with these tips to take matters into your own hands and go get that promotion you deserve.

Start the conversation before you even accept a job. During the hiring process, talk to your potential employer and ask about opportunities for growth and promotions, suggests Jyssica Schwartz, who is director of sales for publishing company Authors Unite and has more than four years of staffing and recruiting experience.

Be open to having honest conversations with your employer about a timeline for promotions, Schwartz says. That way, when a promotion opportunity opens up, you'll be in a position to sit down with your manager and walk through your accomplishments and achievements in your current role that have prepared you to step into the open position.

"Most importantly, make sure you are great at your cur-



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rent job and do well — you're punctual ... easy to work with, a good leader for other employees and you work well with the company culture," she says.

Have career development discussions. Does your boss know that you're ready to take the next step in your career? Don't take it for granted that he or she knows. It's also important to continue to map out what career pathing would look like in your company for your next role.

"Assuming we have some fluidity in staff turnover, then

I would hope that every staff member and every staff leader has already mapped out what is necessary in order to be considered ready for (a) promotion," says Jonathan Breeze, CEO of Aardvark Compare.com, a travel insurance marketplace. Breeze cautions that some companies are more prone to having opportunities open up while others are more static — and that's something to bear in mind.

Make the most of your performance review. Don't underestimate the power

of a great performance review. While it is a chance to look back at past accomplishments and areas of opportunity, it's also a good place to map out your future career path.

"Rather than do the minimum at your evaluation, try making a presentation for your manager that showcases your accomplishments — share with them the way your job has grown and how you'd like to continue to expand your role in the future," says Angela Copeland, career coach at Copeland Coaching.

Copeland also says to take note of how receptive your boss is. "If your boss is open to this conversation, presenting yourself this way can build a strong case. However, take note if your boss seems to turn away from this idea. If your company doesn't recognize your efforts or believe in your future success, it's time to look elsewhere."

Be prepared to show your expanding skills and value. "You want to be able to demonstrate that you have taken on additional responsibilities as well as provide specific details about your accomplishments," says Bradley Shaw, president of SEO Expert Brad, a provider of Internet marketing and SEO services. "Share examples of projects you

have completed and how they've positively impacted the business's bottom line. Was there an increase in revenue? These are not only good indicators of your contributions, but also of your future potential as a member of the company."

Look at the big picture — and make the case for executives, too. Managers probably need to make the case for a promotion to higher-ups in the organization, explains Antonella Pisani, CEO and founder of Eyeful Media, an e-commerce and digital marketing consultancy. So make it easy for your boss to highlight your accomplishments.

"The employee should back up their rationale for a promotion and increased responsibility with facts and figures, and show strategic thinking at a level that's commensurate with people operating at the level they believe they should be promoted to," Pisani says. "By providing a clear story to tell, they'll make their boss look prepared, which can in turn make it easier to get the promotion."

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