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Jury seated in Westland murder case

Trials will be conducted separately for two men

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Court proceedings for two individuals have begun in the double murder case that took place in Westland earlier this year.

A jury for Kobi Taylor's case was seated Monday afternoon in Wayne County Circuit Judge Qiana Lillard's courtroom in Detroit's Frank Murphy Hall of Justice. Taylor, a homeless 19-year-old man, had a jury selected in his case, which is being tried separately from 19-year-old Romulus resident Dominik Charleston.

Charleston faces two counts of first-degree murder, two counts of felony murder, two counts of armed robbery and one count of felony firearm. Taylor is charged with two counts of felony murder, two counts of armed robbery and one count of felony firearm. Both men face charges stemming from an incident that took place Feb. 6 near Norene and Treadwell in Westland. Both were charged in the deaths of Jordan Baker, 19, of Wayne and Howard Wick, 35, of Westland, both of whom were found shot to death early that morning in that area.

A jury of seven men and seven women were selected in Taylor's case, which will be heard separately from Charleston's. A jury will be selected Tuesday morning in Charleston's case, and opening arguments are expected to happen Tuesday afternoon.

Taylor's attorney, Wyatt Harris, said before the jury was selected Monday that his client had decided to turn down a plea deal that would have



Amber Tackett, Dominik Charleston and Kobi Taylor at their preliminary examination earlier this spring. Taylor and Charleston are going on trial this week, while Tackett took a plea deal last week.

seen him serve between 23-40 years in prison, as well as two additional years on a felony firearm charge. If convicted, Taylor and Charleston face up to life in prison. A third defendant, 17-yearold Amber Tackett, took a plea deal last week in the case. She pleaded guilty to armed robbery and felony firearm. In exchange, two counts of felony murder and another count of armed robbery was dropped. She is expected to be sentenced June 29, according to online court records. Westland police say the

Westland police say the three were involved in a drug transaction that had gone bad that evening. During a preliminary examination that took place in March in Westland's 18th District Court, police and witnesses said the three had driven to that area and committed the robbery and murders. They were all bound over on all charges after that hearing.

All three remain locked up in the Wayne County Jail with no bond.

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With winning ticket, you could ride on vintage B-25 bomber

LeAnne Rogers

If you've ever wanted to fly in a vintage B-25 bomber, now is your chance to win a ride on a flyover as part of the Norwayne Community's 75th anniversary celebrations. Raffle tickets to win a ride

Raffle tickets to win a ride on the B-25 went on sale Monday — there will be two winners. The cost is \$50 per person and only 50 tickets will be sold — the idea is to raise the \$2,000 cost for the bomber to do the flyover as part of the Thursday, July 20 Norwayne Homefront Celebration.

Technically, wartime workers at the Willow Run Plant built B-24 bombers but the B-25 is available for the flyover through the Yankee Air Museum.

It's actually a pretty good value for flying aficionados, Westland Community Devel-

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Conner Blair graduates from the program and gets a hug from Judge Laura Mack.

Wayne mental health court graduates 22

David Veselenak hometownlife.com program in the Western Wayne County Regional Behavioral Treatment Court. and Northville, among others. It's designed for offenders charged in non-violent crimes "It's a positive program. You've got the support, the tools you need if you're reall

It wasn't a traditional graduation ceremony that took place last week at Atwood Park in Wayne.

There were no mortarboards or gowns worn. But there was a sense of accomplishment among the 22 individuals, all of whom had completed or nearly completed the The individuals were all recommended to take part in the program, an intensive program that takes about a year to complete. The court pulls participants through recommendations in courts from communities such as Wayne, Westland, Livonia, Redford, Plymouth, Canton charged in non-violent crimes with serious mental illnesses, developmental disabilities and/or co-occurring disorders.

One such graduate was Emmanuel Dunham, a Westland man who got into some trouble using alcohol. He said the past year has been challenging, but he's come out a better man because of it. tools you need if you're really trying to change," he said. "That's how I looked at it, and I took advantage of the tools." The 22 graduates, the larg-

The 22 graduates, the largest such class since the program started in 2013, each received a certificate, a gift card and positive words from

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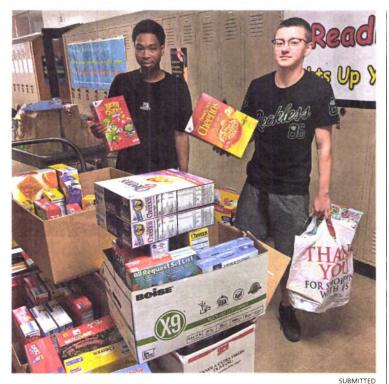
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Students at Cambridge High School in Garden City received over 100 boxes of cereal donated by Garden City Presbyterian Church members.

Church members give students food to kick off summer break

Thanks to the Rev. Ruthanne Herrington and the congregation of Garden City Presbyterian Church, students at Cambridge High School will start their summer vacation with breakfast foods. Church members

recently delivered 100 boxes of cereal to the school.

Students were al-

lowed to go "shopping" and select boxes to take home. Boxes of cereal also were bagged up and given to parents who came to pick up their children after school

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29th District Judge Laura Mack as each stepped up to be recognized. Mack said the purpose

of holding such a public event is a way to showcase the hard work the participants put into turning their lives around. "I did come to the conclusion that a gradua-

conclusion that a graduation is a wonderful way to publicly congratulate our participants for their hard work," she said. "It's not easy to get through this program. It's rigorous, it's demanding, not everybody can do it."

Another one of those graduates was Westland resident Mark Jaros. He said it took a while for him to buy into what the court was offering him, but said he's glad he finally was all in.

He said he was placed on a tether for what was supposed to be 60 days. When those 60 days came and went, with the tether



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM Anita Young tells her story as she graduates from the program.

still on, he said he was ready to move forward so he could be free of the tether.

"That bothered me," Jaros said. "I stopped fighting and decided to go with, do the best I could."

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Emmanuel Dunham tells his story.



Mark Jaros tells his story. Judge Laura Mack listens.

RIDE

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opment Director Joanne Campbell points out. Each \$50 raffle ticket comes with admission to the Sept. 2-4 Yankee Air Museum Blue Angels Air Show and a parking pass. That has a \$60 value. "And it costs \$400 for

a ride on the B-25," Campbell said. The winning raffle tickets will be drawn 11

a.m. Saturday, July 15, at

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League. Winners don't need to be present. The flyover will actually be at 4 p.m. Thursday, July 20. That's about 30 minutes into the Homefront Celebration at the Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center. The program, part of a series of events celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Norwayne Community, will honored Rosie the Riveters. "Original Rosies will be there. To me, the goal

the Wayne-Ford Civic

be there. To me, the goal is to enhance the view of

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Norwayne and understand its significance," Campbell said. "It's a chance to instill more pride in the neighborhood."

Built as a community to house World War II workers from Willow Run, Norwayne has been the focus of city revitalization efforts in recent years after a period of neglect. The goal has been to return Norwayne to the status of a community of choice. Those investments in

Those investments in Norwayne have included demolition of blighted, deteriorated homes, construction of new homes and renovating the closed Jefferson Barns school into a community center.

munity center. "It's a community celebration but also for people who have moved away. We want to share what we're doing and the pride in that," Campbell said.

Immediately following the Homefront celebration at about 5 p.m.



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For more information about the raffle tickets or the 75th anniversary events, contact Campbell at 734-716-4078 or Henry Johnson at 734-334-0042.

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LOCAL NEWS



Local favorite Finvarra's Wren performs at the Irish Festival.

TOM BEAUDOIN

TOM BEAUDOIN Direct from County Kildare, Ireland, the Druids a popular rebel/ballad band entertain people on Father's Day Sunday at the eighth annual Motor City Irish Fest.

Crowds get their 'Irish' on at festival

With its first year in Livonia under its belt, organizers were hoping the success of the Motor City Irish Festival would continue this year, as well.

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They got what they wanted for the festival last week in Greenmead Historical Park.

With 24 bands, Irish vendors, whiskey tasting and a lot of fun for the kids, the event attracted large and enthusiastic crowds.

New this year: Music from across the Atlantic Ocean. The Druids, an Irish rebel band, traveled to Livonia to perform at the festival, the first time a band straight from the Emerald Isle performed at the Motor City Irish Fest.

Livonia resident Kevin Murphy, one of the event's organizers, 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



Motor City Irish Dance school instructor Jillian Wolf teaches Alyse Ostroskie of Livonia and Genevieve Parnin of Farmington the traditional Irish dance techniques at this year's eighth annual Motor City Irish Fest at Greemead in Livonia.

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." 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 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.



Livonia Blue Plate Diner owner Joan Modes prepares a traditional Irish plate of "Bangers and Mash."

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Livonia man is Veteran of the Month for June

Jack Mull, a World War II veteran from Livonia, was honored as the June 2017 Veteran of the Month by the Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 32, of the Myron H. Beals American Legion Post 32 in Livonia.

Mull served in the U.S. Army from 1943-46. He was born in Detroit and raised in Wyandotte. He graduated for Roosevelt High School in 1943 and immediately received his draft notice. He went to the induction office at Fort Wayne in Detroit, where he was assigned to limited service. "I had a bad right eye and didn't think it would matter," Mull said. "They told me I could not be in the infantry, but I could join anyhow." One month later, he

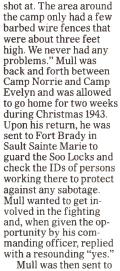
One month later, he was sent to Fort Custer for uniforms, then sent to Fort Sheridan, Ill., for six weeks of boot camp. Mull was next sent to the Upper Peninsula as an M.P. His job was to guard the German POWs. A lot of the German POW camps in Michigan were formerly CCC camps and filled mainly with Germans who were forced



Jack Mull of Livonia served in the Pacific in World War II.

into service in Hitler's army that fought in Africa. Therefore, they were not thought of as too terribly dangerous and were brought here to work at various camps. These camps were not forced labor camps. In fact, the POWs liked being able to go out and do something, plus the ones cutting pulpwood in Michigan's U.P. were paid 80 cents per day.

"Most of them were glad to be here," Mull said. "They had plenty of food, cigarettes and beer, with a place to stay and no worry about being



Mull was then sent to Camp Ellis Unit Training Center and POW camp, in western Illinois. He was assigned to the 93rd Field Hospital as a medic and sent to Camp Robinson, Ark., where he was trained in orthopedic plaster casts. "It was February '45 in Arkansas and it was bitterly cold in those tents, but we survived," Mull said. After training, he was sent to San Francisco, where he boarded the MS Noordham, a Dutch luxury ocean liner that was converted to a troop carrier in 1942. "There we were, out on the ocean with no armament and no escort and 5,000 troops," Mull said. "My bunk was down below and I could touch the hull. All I could think about was a torpedo coming through the side. I couldn't sleep there, so I took my blanket and slept on the deck, rain or shine for the whole 40-day voyage."

They eventually picked up an escort ship near Guadalcanal, sailed past Finschhafen, Papua New Guinea, and joined a convoy near Hollandia, Papua New Guinea. They then continued on to the Philippines, past the island of Mindanao to Tacloben, Leyte Island, the landing site of Gen MacArthur, where they waited for a week as the U.S. continued fighting the Japanese in Manila. They then sailed to Manila and set up a field hospital near Zablan Army Air Field at Camp Murphy, located in Quezon City west of Manila. "There were still pockets of Japanese soldiers

around and one day a buddy and I were walking north of the camp, when a Jeep came racing down the road and told us 50 Japanese troops had broken through our lines and were heading our way," Mull said. "Needless to say, we hot-footed it back to camp."

it back to camp." Mull spent a total of one year, one month and one day in the Pacific before returning to the U.S. "The trip back to San Francisco wasn't bad," he said. "We were on a navy ship and it only took 14 days and I was able to see the Golden Gate Bridge as we sailed under it." Mull was then sent to Camp McCoy, where he was discharged in 1946.

Mull met his wife Mary when he returned home. They were married in 1948 and were married for 68 years until her death in 2016. They have two children, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mull worked at Hudson Motors for a few weeks upon returning home, then got a job at Ford in the motor building, where he worked for four years on production. He spent the next four years as a hydraulic apprentice and then was transferred to the Livonia plant as a hydraulics maintenance technician. He retired from Ford in 1980 with 34 years service. He has been a Livonia resident for 60 years and has been working at the Idyl Wyld Golf Course for the past 11 years as a ranger. Mull was interviewed

by members of the S.A.L. Veteran of the Month Committee and a DVD was made and shown at the June 6 S.A.L. membership meeting. A plaque was presented to him from Livonia Trophy with his picture and ser-vice information. An additional plaque was also put on display in the vestibule of the American Legion Hall. The S.A.L. invites local residents to attend its monthly meetings to listen to the Veteran of the Month. The public is also encouraged to nominate veter ans to be honored at its meetings. Nomination forms can be picked up at the American Legion Hall, 9318 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48150.

Benghazi veteran headlines arts factory event Passages Wie Nonline www.hometownlife.com

Brad Kadrich

Jill Engel gets the question a lot: Why is part of the Village Arts Factory being dedicated to helping veterans?

To Engel, director of the Canton Partnership for the Arts & Humanities, which is building the VFA on property in Cherry Hill Village in Canton, the reasons are clear. The project is being built on property originally built by Henry Ford to house and help veterans.

In an effort to help raise awareness of that part of the VFA's mission, the partnership has scheduled well-known veteran Kris Paronto to headline a fundraiser next month.

Paronto, co-author of the New York Times best-selling book "13 Hours," about the attack on the American embassy in Benghazi, Libya, has become a popular speaker at conferences and other events. Engel points out that Paronto has spoken to thousands of people at high schools, universities, museums, nonprofit organizations and corporate events across the

Paronto

United States, including April 2016 in Detroit at the Fallen and Wounded Soldier Fund annual dinner. Engel pointed out

Paronto's 18 years of experience and personal dealings with PTSD "illustrates a piece of the trauma our military goes through and helps offer better understanding."

"(Paronto's) inspirational message about never giving up gives us the desire to rise up and help our veterans even more," Engel said. "Building relationships is the core of who we are. The definition of partnership is persons joined together and a relationship involving close cooperation.

tion. "Our goal is to weave people of all ages, cultures and experiences together," she added.

Paronto's speeches on leadership and using your training in your life both personally and professionally has led him to speak to a number of groups. J. Rozum of MSA Delivery Service in Canton signed Paronto to speak at a conference he was hosting in Florida.

was hosting in Florida. He immediately made a recommendation to his mother, Marian Rozum, who serves on the board of the partnership, that the partnership find a way to use Paronto. "I had 500 people in

"I had 500 people in that room and you could hear a pin drop," Rozum said. "He was very dynamic, very down to earth. His PTSD experience will bring awareness of veterans. The (VFA) project will let veterans know there are people out there who care about them."

It ties directly in with the mission of the factory, according to Engel. The partnership hopes to expand its commitment to the arts past Canton into western Wayne and Washtenaw counties. The reopening of the

dormitory, originally built by Ford, Engel said, will allow the partnership to "utilize the arts as a powerful, therapeutic healing tool for local veterans and further strengthen cultural ties.

"It will give us a better understanding of the sacrifices our veterans make for us," Engel said. "That's what Henry Ford was doing in the 1940s. Now we have a chance to repeat history."

The event featuring Paronto takes place Saturday, July 15, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton. Engel expects tickets to go quickly. Tickets are \$100 to hear the keynote address and an optional book signing. A \$150 ticket includes an exclusive meet-and-greet with Paronto.

Proceeds from the event will be used for veterans programming at the Village Arts Factory.

To order tickets, go to www.cantonvillage theaer.org or call 734-394-5300. More information about the event is available on the partnership website at www.partner shipforarts.org.

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merchandise. Corvettes, first assembled in Flint in

Corvette owners show cars to help special-needs kids

Darrell Clem

They love to show their flashy Corvettes and raise money to help



1953 and then in St. Louis, are now made in the Kentucky town. Rees has a theory of the enduring popularity of the Corvette. "It's probably America's true sport car," he said, adding he has known of some Corvettes that auctioned for close to \$1 million. Corvettes on the Summit features a basket raffle, door prices and 50/50 ticket sales --- all to raise money for charity. Owners who want to simply attend pay a \$5 fee, while those who want to enter a competition pay \$25 in advance or \$30 the day of the event. Cars are judged in nine different classes, based on when they were made

Cracol Irene (Weiss-LaPointe-Cowall) passed away on June 16, 2017 at the remarkable age of 93. Carol was born in Detroit, MI on June 25, 1923 to Edward and Irene Weiss, PC Coreol conclusion from

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Sr. Carol graduated from Chadsey High School in 1941 She married Emil LaPointe in 1942, Walter Cowall in 1970 and Steve Baluk in 1979. Each one of her husbands preceded her in death. Carol preceded her in death. Caro melded 3 families together to make one beautiful family who together loved her dearly and will cherish their memories of her beautiful life. Carol is survived by her children: Bruce LaPointe (Lois); David LaPointe (Jean); Mark LaPointe (Sandy); Gary Cowall (Kathy); Jeff Cowall (Jennifer), Nan Martin; and Sandy Jakobowski (Steve); 13 Grandchildren: Todd LaPointe (Christine); Lori Ridder (Tdc); Emily LaPointe, Jason LaPointe, make one beautiful family who LaPointe, Jason LaPointe LaPointe, Jason LaPointe, Scott LaPointe (Amy); Allison Firestone (Matt); Matthew Cowall (Caryn); Andy Cowall (Becky); Michael Cowali; Joseph LaPointe (Rachel); Elizabeth Rayis (Ricc); Ann Marie White, (Michael), and Scott Likoburyki 14 creat Scott Jakobowski. 14 great grandchildren: Michael, Joshua, Daniel, Timothy, John, Emma, Anna, Avery, Lillian, Nico, Jakob, Dylan, Kathryn and Meghan. She is also guarded by the bestber also survived by her brother, Pastor Edward C. Weiss, Pastor Edward C. Weiss, Jr. (Joyce); her loving niece Leslie Weiss, who was by her side constantly to tend to her every need; and by many more nieces and nephews. more nieces and nephews. Two granddaughters preceded Carol in death; Jennifer Lee and Wendy Jean. Carol was employed by Burroughs for serval years and as a church secretary at Newburg ME Church, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, all in Livonia, MI. She retired from BrookVor Lutheran Church, all in Livonia MI. She retired from Brooklyn Presbyterian Church in 2011 after 27 years of dedicated service. Carol leaves behind a loving church family in Brooklyn, MI who loved her Brooklyn, MI who loved her and will all miss her very much. A memorial visitation for Carol will be held on Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 12:00 noon until the time of her memorial service at 1:00 PM at the Brooklyn Presbyterian Church, 160 N. Main, Brooklyn, MI 49230 with Pastor Frank Bunnik, III officiation The Ag230 with Pastor Frank Rupnik, III officiating. The family is requesting that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made the Brooklyn Presbyterian Church or to your favorite charity A social thanks to charity. A special thanks to the loving care that Carol received from the Staff at Gaslight Village in Adrian, MI and to the Great Lakes Hospice staff who provided her with great comfort.

Lally

Bradd F. age 58 passed away June 8, 2017 in Lecanto, FL. Born on March 26, 1959, formerly of Westland, MI. He was preceded in death by his father, Thomas J. Lally, brothers Todd, Brett and brother-in-law Karl Kuban. Bradd is survived by his Mother, Theresa, his loving companion Kim Kolasa and Siblings, Dianne (John) Kritzman, Deborah Kuban, Nancy (Fred) Stanton, Brian (Angie) Lorri (Stephen) Press and many nieces and nephews: FL. Memorial Service 10:30a.m. Saturday, June 24th, 2017 St. Mary's Catholic Church 34646 Sims Street, Wayne, MI.

Paying tribute to the life of

others in need.

They found a way to do both.

Chevrolet Corvette owners are expected to turn out in large numbers Saturday, July 8, when the Corvette Legends Club returns to Canton for its Corvettes at the Summit show in Heritage Park.

Event chairman Jim Rees, who has a 1998 purple pearl Corvette, said the show typically draws 130-170 cars from owners in Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, Westland, Northville and Farmington Hills, among other communities.

In its 13th year, Corvettes at the Summit typically raises about \$2,000 for charity. For a second year in a row, the money will go to Camp A.B.L.E., a camp for special-needs children at the historic Cherry Hill School on Canton's west side.

Canton Leisure Services Director Greg Hohenberger said the de-

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Event chairman Jim Rees with his purple pearl Corvette.



Corvettes on display in Heritage Park.

partment he oversees relies on charitable contributions to make programs like Camp A.B.L.E. succeed.

"It's very important, especially for programs like Camp A.B.L.E. It really helps to offset the cost for the individuals who are participating," he said. "If we don't get donations, we have to pass more of those charges onto the participants. This makes it more affordable."

Corvettes at the Summit also has donated to other groups such as Canton Goodfellows, which helps families at Christmastime, and the now-defunct Detroit Area Diaper Bank, which collected and distributed diapers to metro Detroit agencies that helped struggling mothers and families.

"We try to keep it local," Rees said. "That way, it benefits the local community."

This year, a traveling store from the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Ky., is coming to the show to sell The show features food, music and a variety of vendors. Registration starts at 8 a.m. July 8 and the day wraps up with an awards presentation at 3 p.m.

For more information, visit www.corvettesat thesummit.com.

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Page wins scholarship

Nathan Shaw, a page at the Robert and Janet Bennett Library, has won a \$1,000 scholarship from the Friends of the Livonia Library to help de-fray the costs of his graduate degree at Wayne State University.

The purpose of the scholarship is to help him enter the library profes-sional community in a more complete way Shaw has already pur-sued a B.A. degree from the University of Michigan in Dearborn with a major in anthropology and a minor in medieval and renaissance studies.

Despite his busy schedule he has volunteered his time in the community by helping in pediatrics, working in the auto industry and participating in theater productions. While working at the library he has



SUBMITTED Nathan Shaw receiving a congratulation from Dick Zimmerman who is president of the Friends of Livonia Library.

created ongoing board and video games, library displays, and produced a commercial that was featured on national television

Westland resident speaks at Baker graduation

Baker College's Allen Park campus honored



Shatara Quatesa Gbeminiyi

534 graduates at the 2017 commencement cere-mony June 10 at the USA Hockey Arena in Ply-

mouth Township. Shatara Quatesa Gbeminiyi addressed graduated as the student speaker. The Westland resident graduated cum laude with an associate degree in health information technology. She sees her education as a steppingstone to the future versus being a step between high school and the real world. She will also note that the challenges of college have shaped the graduates helping them "become stronger, wiser and more refined." Baker College is a

not-for-profit higher education institution accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Founded in 1911, Baker College grants doctoral, master's, bachelor's and associate degrees, as

well as certificates in diverse academic fields including applied technology, business, educa tion, engineering, health science, information technology and social science

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Livonia resident earns Dayton eegree

Megan Talty of Livonia was among the nearly 1,400 undergraduates receiving bachelor's degrees from the University of Dayton during the spring 2017 commencement ceremony.

The University of Dayton is a top-tier, national, Catholic, research institution. Founded in 1850 by the Society of Mary (the Marianists), the school focuses on educating the whole person, connecting learning with leadership and ser-

vice. Through student clubs, campus recrea-tion, education abroad, research, service-learning and career preparation, students are encouraged to engage the world, developing a critical mind and compassionate heart

Miami University dean's list

Alexander Alger was named to the dean's list at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, for the

2017 spring semester. Miami University students who are ranked in the top twenty percent of undergraduate stu-dents within their division for second semester 2016-2017 have been named to the dean's list recognizing academic performance. Alger, from Livonia

(48154), is earning a B.S. in Business majoring in Business Economics

CCS is no stranger to lists of the nation's best

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Amy Armand, CCS

director of recruitment, said the automotive in-

dustry, with its strong

Detroit-area ties, is one career that CCS courses

are geared toward. She

said PARC-based classes

give high school students

from Plymouth, Canton,

Northville and other

communities a way to

start pursuing such a

career. Students also may

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CCS currently has about 1,400 students and

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College for Creative Studies coming to Plymouth PARC

Darrell Clem

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Regarded as a leading art and design school, the Detroit-based College for Creative Studies is coming to Plymouth - a decision officials say raises the education bar in western Wayne County and boosts Plymouth's profile as an arts commu-

nity. This fall, CCS plans to offer 13 courses such as designing a dream car, web design, developing a strong portfolio and computer animation. The classes will be taught at the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex, or PARC

"We are thrilled," said Jane Stewart, CCS director of pre-college and continuing studies. "We are on the moon with this one

It marks the first time CCS has offered its courses on this scale away from its Detroit campus. By next winter, high school juniors and seniors can begin earning college credit for courses in foundation drawing, 2D design and funda mentals of imaging.

The project also brings an education an-chor to PARC and raises Plymouth's profile as an arts community, poten-tially making it "the focal point for the arts in west-

ern Wayne County,' PARC president Don Soenen said. "This is a game-changer.'

A decision by CCS to lease three classrooms and an office at PARC formerly Central Middle School, culminates talks that spanned nearly two years. Classes typically have no more than 15 students and, cumulatively, the courses per semester are expected to accommodate 150-200 students. Some are geared toward teens, some toward vounger aspiring arts and still others toward adults.

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Monica Merritt said the classes will complement the local education community.

"Plymouth-Canton schools is excited about College for Creative Studies joining the P-CCS community by offering programming in the Plymouth Arts and Recrea-tion Complex," she said. "We look forward to this partnership giving unique and valuable opportunities to P-CCS students and alumni."

Stewart said enrollment begins July 7 at www.ccsclasses.com. That coincides with plans by CCS to roll out details of its PARC offerings July 7-9 during Plymouth's Art in the Park, a



Students get instruction on their designs.

weekend celebration of art in downtown Ply

mouth For that event, artist Sabrina Nelson, CCS admissions counselor, plans to create a mural that will end up at PARC. She plans to draw Plymouth landmarks, such as the Penn Theatre and the Kellogg Park fountain, on Masonite boards and allow art fair visitors to use water-based Crayola markers to color the mural, similar to a paint-by-numbers concept. "It's like a big coloring

book," Nelson said. Soenen, meanwhile, said he believes having

CCS at PARC could po-

cant" economic impact by bringing prestige to the community and mak ing it more attractive to new businesses. He also said property values could benefit.

"It's a big deal," Soe-nen said of the CSS-PARC partnership. Stewart said courses

college credit, but the following semester brings opportunities for high school juniors and seniors to begin earning college credit for select courses. Classes range in

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LIVONIA POLICE BRIEFS

issued her a retail fraud citation and released her at the scene.

Catalytic converter stolen

A resident to the police station June 14 to report the theft of a cataerter i

car in the parking lot the night before. When he came back the next morning, he heard a loud noise when he started the vehicle. After checking, he saw his catalytic converter had been cut off.

Tools taken from

report a larceny from auto in the 15800 block of Loveland.

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No other individual had access to the vehicle, and no suspect informa-

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» A two-part course in

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sketching their ideas to creating them with clay. » Photography enthu-siasts can learn about

digital cameras and how to photo-shop images. » A figure drawing

class will provide a live model for students looking to learn or improve their skills.

» Geared toward teens, a product design class is intended to teach students about a process that has been used to create real-life objects such as smart phones, sneakers and furniture

» Young artists ages 8-13 can enroll in a cartooning course that teaches them to draw characters, while other classes are geared toward comic book art and computer animation.

CS has initiated its PARC-based courses using a two-year grant from the Dunning Foundation, created by the late Plymouth philanthropist Margaret Dunning. The amount hasn't been disclosed.

Going forward, Stewart said the goal is for CCS to generate the reve nue it needs to support PARC courses

"We're looking at this as a long-term partner-ship," she said. Moreover, CCS will be "working hard to become self-

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drill. There was no signs of forced entry and the man said the car was

tion was available.

Retail fraud suspect

She was allegedly seen selecting several items. arrested including dresses, hats and a necklace and placed them in a shop-

Livonia police were dispatched June 14 to Von Maur, 37500 Six Mile, on the report of a retail fraud suspect who

had left the store.

were informed by store employees the suspect had come back into the store and was fighting with a loss prevention employee. An employee said the suspect was originally seen looking at items while in the store She was then allegedly seen walking out with a purse she had selected without paying. She then came back in and began selecting several items

- of clothing. Believing she II. was planning on taking the items, an employee
- approached her. She was detained after a struggle and was later arrested by
- police. She was then taken to the police station for processing.

Shopper arrested in shoplifting case

Police were called June 14 to Kohl's, 29580 Seven Mile, on the report of a shoplifting suspect in custody.

An employee told police the suspect was seen carrying her purse and a large Kohl's bag.

it without paying She was stopped and detained by an employee until police arrived. They

ping cart. She was alleg-

edly then seen picking up

her purse and the Kohl's

bag, and walked toward

vehicle parked in the 19200 block of Merriman. He said he parked the

vehicle

A victim came to the police station June 13 to

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missing. The items taken included a battery pack, a saw and a hammer

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stop the hatred

Leo Weber came out with boxing gloves defaming Islam he knows little about.

little about. Apparently, he knows little about Judaism also. In his letter he mocked a Muslim who was offended with bacon on his pizza; a Jewish person would also be offended. Further, a Jewish person would be incensed with his usage of a noun that is highly derogatory in Yiddish (Jewish).

Pity there's such a resentment against Muslims and those of other faiths. He likely would be offended by anyone mocking Christianity as he declaims Islam. Those who murder and commit atrocities do not follow the moral Koran.

He states that we should bomb the Middle East to oblivion (a carryover from Vietnam?) That is diabolical and not a solution. Right now there is too much violence, too much killing, bombing and atrocities all over the world as well as here in the U.S.

Violence escalates and creates hatred. This must stop! First we need to speak to one another to realize our common humanity. We can meet socially to discuss community events and problems with solutions.

The next step would be to pray together regarding our mutual concerns. Everyone might try attending one of those meetings or even an inter-faith prayer service. Prejudices can be replaced with mutual respect, compassion and understanding. Harboring hatred drags you down; extending friendship is uplifting and edifying.

Try it, you will enjoy it.

Salaam/shalom/peace. Delphine Palkowski Westland successes

South Lyon

I am writing in response to the column written by Councilman Kevin Coleman - "Westland needs attention," April 5. Mr. Coleman used broad brush strokes to paint a picture of a city he perceives on the decline and lays blame at the feet of Mayor William Wild.

His view of the city is skewed. He maintains that bad news stories about scandals, wrongdoing, store closures and violent crime are an "an almost bi-weekly occurrence." That's easy to say, but he leaves out the details. Where is the who, what, why, where and how of these allegations?

Scandals? Please name one. Bad employees? He is painting with a broad brush stroke. Instead of labeling every city employee, let's hear who the bad ones really are

are. Store closings? Yes, the city has seen two major retailers and several small businesses close their doors, but they had nothing to do with the administration. Those closings are because of us. Our shopping habits have changed and the Internet has replaced a trip to the store.

Violent crimes? Where's the data? I did my own investigation. I talked to our judges and police chief; they assure me that there has been no surge in violent crime in this city.

Circus atmosphere at council meetings? There's only three entities at those meeting: the council, the administration and the citizens. My belief is that everyone has a right to speak. That some would label their constituents as circus performers is petty and condescending. And now he wants to be their mayor.

Over \$1.2 million operating deficit, 26 percent less police officers and, again, violent crime? With the real estate crash in 2008-2009, the city loss 47 percent of its tax revenue. This is the primary reason city services were cut. And a combination of the Headlee Amendment and Proposal A is slowing recovery. It will take years for the city to get back to the operating fund it had in 2008.

Since Coleman was willing to lay blame at the feet of the administration, I challenge him to tell the citizens how much new revenue he brought to the city during his four years on council.

If all these things are happening as described, why are developers flocking to Westland to build affordable housing? As president of the

Westland Democratic Club, I maintain that his comments lack substance, forethought and the facts. This column was nothing more than a campaign piece, and I hope The Observer will afford Wild the opportunity to respond.

Arthur Warren Westland

A reminder of freedom

Leo Weber's letter "Muslims treated with kid gloves" appearing on June 15, 2017, reminds me that just as anyone in America can sue another for frivolous reasons, so too we have the right to free speech and a free press — even if our speech as printed in the paper is full of logical fallacies, non-sequiturs and misrepresents Christianity. Sincerely vours.

The Rev. Allen Kannapell Livonia



At one of the monthly workshops, participants prepare to watch their dominoes topple. Domino boards are linked together to create a larger chain reaction.

Zeal Credit Union sponsors domino workshops

Following in the footsteps of record winning builders of Zeal Credit Union's Incredible Science Machine is a group of local kids and teens who meet monthly at local libraries to learn the art of domino chain reaction building.

Leading the group is Harvey Krage, an engineer and father of young domino enthusiast Sebastian, also known as Domino Racer. Last year at the Michigan Science Center, they met Steve Price, lead builder of Zeal Credit Union's Incredible Science Machine. In 2016, ISM broke the Guinness World Record for the largest domino circle field.

Krage explained his family's background in domino building. He said, "Sebastian was only 3 years old when I gave him an old set of dominoes and showed him how he could set up letters of the alphabet and numbers and topple them." Four years later.

Sebastian has more than 2,000 dominoes and his

own YouTube channel. Looking for a way to connect with other kids and parents interested in the art of building domino chain reactions, Krage created a parent led group called Domino Topplers in Michigan and approached Zeal Credit Union, which agreed to sponsor the Incredible Domino Workshops. He also worked with leading educators to incorporate STEM learning opportunities into each workshop.

Since January, parents and kids, ages 8-16, meet once a month at local libraries. Zeal provides the dominoes and local libraries provide space to accommodate from 20-30 build-

ers. Interested builders are invited to register and attend two upcoming summer workshops. The William P. Faust Public Library will host the group 2-3 p.m. Saturday, June 24. Advance registration is requested by contacting the library, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. The second summer workshop will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 15, at the Livonia Public Library, 32777 Five Mile Road. Advance registration is required.

"Zeal welcomes the opportunity to sponsor the Incredible Domino Workshops with DTIM," said Tiffany Sweet, the credit union's youth and community development coordinator. "They're fun and strengthen students' skills in math, science

and engineering." Go to facebook.com/ zealcreditunion/ for more information about DTIM and upcoming events.

Sweet added that the Incredible Science Machine will be coming back again this year. It is scheduled to be held Sunday, July 30, at the Trillium Academy in Taylor. For more information and updates, go to www.Incredible ScienceMachine.com.

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Parkside Credit Union awards scholarships

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Parkside Credit Union recently awarded \$1,000 scholarships to three students for the purpose of tuition, books and fees during the 2017-18 school year. The Scholarship Committee received applications from nearly 80 local students - Park side members and nonmembers - and selected winners based on the students' school and

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Event for artists

will be held from 7-9

Drawn to the Night

p.m. Friday, June 23, by

the Plymouth Communi

ty Arts Council. Part of the Plymouth DIA Inside

Out programming the theme is "Hail, Hale!

Americans as depicted

by Hale Woodruff." With model Darryl,

structed Open Life draw-

ing events for artists of

according to a press release. Bring your own

mentary refreshments. The cost is \$10 at the

door, \$5 for students. For

more information, visit

Historic park event

Westland Historic Village Park is hosting a

Summer Bonanza event

from noon to 4 p.m. Sat-urday, July 24. There

will be vendors, games,

this an annual event. Park at John Glenn and

take the shuttle to the

museum. For more in-

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WAYNE COUNTY EVENTS

neering, and Manage-ment. Activities on Lawrence Tech's 107-acre campus include more than 60 student organiza tions and NAIA varsity sports

Jazz @ the Elks

Jazz @ The Elks hap-pens from 7-9:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month at The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes

hors d'oeuvres. The show for Tuesday, June 27, features the Dave Bennett Quartet. Bennett has been touring nationally and he will be doing Benny Goodman favorites along with the Great American Songbook pieces and maybe a little '50s rock 'n' roll. Bennett on clarinet, Cliff Monear on keyboards, Jeff Pedraz on bass and Doug Cobb on drums.

For more information, call 734-453-1780, go to www.plyaa325.com or email

jazzattheelks@gmail.com

Free senior luncheon

Salem National Lutheran Church, 32430 Ann Arbor Trail in West

were presented at Parkland, is holding a free senior luncheon on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 11 a.m. The next event is scheduled

graduated from Canton

High School in 2017 and will be attending the

University of Michigan

graduated from Wayne

» Rvan Carney, who

Memorial High School in

2017 and will be entering

Scholarship checks

his freshman year at

University of Detroit

in the fall.

Livonia Summer Fun

The Livonia Parks and Tuesdays this summer. The Summer Fun Series with an outdoor family

The series begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, with family activities, live music at 6:30 p.m., and the movie "Pete's Dragon" at 8:20 p.m. at the Kirksey Recreation Center (Five Mile and Hubbard).

day, July 25, return to Rotary Park for an evening with Miss Paula and the Candy Bandits.

side's 12th annual Charity Car Show, an event held June 3 at Westland Shopping Center. The event raised \$2,500 for the Lyman Foundation. which will be used to provide program enrichments and curriculum support for the Burger School for Students with Autism.

Parkside Credit Union is a Michigan-based non-

Catch the movie "The Secret Life of Pets" at 6 p.m. Aug. 1 at the Kirksev Recreation Center Live music will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the movie at 8:20 p.m.

The series concludes Aug. 8 at 6 p.m. at Rotary Park with the music of Randy Kaplan.

For more information, call 734-466-2900 or visit www.LivoniaParks.org

Build a Better World

Six library youth staff at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland are teaming up with UNICEF Kid Power to make this year's summer reading theme "Build a Better World" a reality. The library ladies are dividing into three teams to compete in a friendly competition to see which team can reach the largest step goal between the start of summer reading and the end July 29. For each step taken while wearing the UNICEF Kid Power bands, the ladies will help to unlock lifesaving food packets for kids in need around the world

This year's summer reading program strives to teach children to build a better world by respecting and helping

profit financial institution and has been serving the community since 1953. Parkside provides account access with thousands of nationwide feefree ATM and service center locations as well as mobile, online and telephone solutions. Go to www.parksidecu.org for more information about Parkside Credit Union.

others, taking care of the environment, constructing and, of course, reading. Kids to age 12 can stop by the library to sign up for the summer reading program and watch the ladies' progress! The UNICEF Kid Power bands will be given as prizes at the end of the summer so that kids can continue the task of building a better world

St. Mary Mercy program

St. Mary Mercy Livo-nia, in collaboration with the Arthritis Foundation, will offer a general exer cise program and Tai Chi classes for adults living with arthritis and other related diseases. Classes will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays, from

June 27 through Aug. 25. The general Exercise Program will take place from 10-10:55 a.m. and Tai Chi classes from 11 a.m. to noon. Both will be held in the Wellness Center at St. Mary Mercy Livonia. The exercise program costs \$80 and the Tai Chi class costs \$48

Registration is re-quired and space is limited. To register, call 734-655-1310.





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Recreation Department is adding family fun to features inflatables, games and food along

concert or movie at 6 p.m. Tuesdays from July 11 to Aug. 8.

The fun continues at Rotary Park (Six Mile and Hubbard) at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 18 as The Kerfuffles take the

stage. The following Tues-





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PRO BASEBALL

Jipping's college detour pays off with MLB chance

PCA alum leaving Central early to join Rockies' organization

> **Tim Smith** hometownlife.com

Faith and baseball are intertwined at the top of Daniel Jipping's world. He listened to his heart in 2014, deciding the time wasn't right to take his chances with that year's Major League Baseball draft.

Jipping, a power-hitting catcher for Plymouth Christian Academy, opted instead to play NCAA Division I baseball at Central Michigan University. It was the ultimate win-win for Jipping. Not only did he

have an outstanding three-year career at CMU, he is getting the chance to turn pro after all he was taken June 14 with the 656th pick of this year's MLB draft by the Colorado Rockies.

"The college experience made me exponentially better as a player," said the 21-year-

old Canton native later on June 14. "I was able to get the experience and coaching I needed to develop. I was also able to grow as a man, which is some-thing we preach at Central.

'I also think, most importantly, my faith grew through all the ups and downs of col-lege and life."

Now primarily an outfielder-first baseman, Jipping is "excited" to leave this week for his first pro assignment, with the Rockies' Class A Boise

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Following through after hammering another pitch for Central Michigan University is Daniel Jipping, a Canton native who was drafted last week by the Colorado Rockies

COLLEGE SIGNING



THE LIMIT

Rockets' recent grad Balko sees bright future ahead at

Tim Smith hometownlife.com

It's pretty smart for any high school soccer coach to have a valedictorian for a go-to player. Even more so when it's Kaitlyn Balko, who recently graduated from Westland John Glenn

Under first-year Rockets head coach Khalid Suleiman, the team made incremental strides — improving from a dismal 2-14 record in 2016 to a 4-11-1 ledger this spring.

Always there for her teammates, whether

"As a captain, I enjoyed having more of an influence on and off the field and being able to help the girls and coaches," said Balko, who earned valedictorian status for her grade-point average of 4.02. "The team jokingly called me the 'team mom.'" Although the Rockets did not fare as well

as they hoped to in 2017, the team culture began undergoing a makeover, largely because of Balko

"She is the brick and stone to this team which holds all the girls together," Suleiman said following an early season win over Farmington in which Balko's positive attitude ev factor

Northwood in soccer, academics

ch or on the bus to a road co-captain Balko. The squad's inspirational leader will get the opportunity next year to play women's soccer at Northwood Universitv

The oldest of Ryan and Tosya's four children, Balsko, 17, will major in accounting at

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PDL SOCCER

Bucks are fit to be tied following second-half collapse

Chicago FC scores late to keep defending champs out of first

Brad Emons

hometownlife.com

The Michigan Bucks did some soul searching following 2-2 draw Sunday night against Chicago FC United in a Father's Day match-up at Pontiac's Ultimate Soccer Arenas. Players and coaches stayed

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on the field for more than 20 minutes for a heart-to-heart discussion after conceding a pair of goals during the final 15 minutes in the Premier Development League Central Conference crossover.

The Bucks, who missed an opportunity to pull even with first-place Kitchener-Waterloo United FC in the Great Lakes Division, settled instead for the one point and remained in second place with 16 points at 5-1-1

"It's disappointing. You never want to give up the lead, never want to drop points, especially when you play and did such good work in the first half," Bucks coach Demir Muftari said. "We feel like we threw it away."

The Bucks were missing five starters, including goal-keeper Drew Shepherd (Western Michigan University) and star forward Francics Atuahene (University of Michigan), both of whom were training for the week with Major League Soccer's Sporting FC in Kansas

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This direct free kick eludes Bucks goalkeeper Anthony Mwembia during the 2-2 draw with Chicago United FC.

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LOCAL SPORTS

is for those entering grades 3-9 and players will be divided by age and skill level. Camp directors are Livonia Churchill boys soccer coach Matt Grodzicki, Stevenson boys and giris coach Ken Shingledecker and current players Nick Atwood and Kelly Capoccia Any questions, contact Grodzicki at megrod-zicki@avahoo.com

CHURCHILL GIRLS HOOP CAMP: Livonia Churchill is hosting a summer camp f girls in grades 1-9 this fall.

The camp is 5-7 p.m. July 17 through July 19 and

camp for

. Checks should be made out

JIPPING

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(Idaho) Hawks.

Jipping is giving up his senior year with the Chippewas, where he was a first team all-Mid-American Conference player in 2017 after batting .309 with 11 homers and 61 RBIs (all team-leading marks). As CMU's cleanup hitter, he sparked the Chips to the MAC West Division title

Happy and humbled

When he got the word that Colorado selected him, Jipping was home with his family. That's another key aspect of his life

"My reaction was extremely happy and excited," Jipping said. "I was very thankful to be draft-ed by the Rockies and thankful that God gave the opportunity for it. I knew that this opportunity is all God and all his doing and I'm incredibly grateful for his presence in my life and just not in the area of baseball." His Plymouth Christian coach,

Joe Bottorff, said Jipping's supreme work ethic and love for baseball were why he never doubted the former Eagles allstar eventually would hear his name called by a MLB team.

"I believe the thing that will help him the most, and I'm not sure the Rockies know this yet, is his work ethic," Bottorff said. "I remember when he was still in high school, if he didn't think he squared up everything during a game, he wanted to take extra swings after everyone else was long gone. He didn't care who would be there to pitch to him, sometimes it was me and sometimes it was his mom (Lisa Jipping), he wanted to correct it before he left the field."

He crushed it

Bottorff said that dedication paid off in college. Jipping's bigger, stronger physique enabled him to elevate his game even more.

"I saw him about two months after he got there and I couldn't believe the change in his body, Bottorff said. "I went to see him play vs. Toledo this spring and when I saw him at the plate, I said to myself, 'That boy has turned into a man.' But then I waited for him after the game and he is still the happy-go-lucky kid that just loves to play baseball.

Jipping won't throw all his life's eggs into his equipment bag, however.

Carrying a 3.94 grade-point average with a major in finance - the 12th player in CMU history named to the second team Academic All-America - he intends to eventually finish his degree.

That shouldn't be a problem. Jipping has proven he can hit the heck out of a baseball and wait for whatever God has in store for him.

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June and July are filled with family reunions, graduation parties — and various summer youth sports camps and clinics. Such is the case once again this year, with a number of offerings on tap.

SCHOOLCRAFT "FAST BREAK"

Schoolcraft College's men's basketball program is hosting the second-annual "Fast Break" camp, from Monday, June 26 through Friday, June 30 (9

Horn wolnay, Johe So (1997) Head can be given by the so (9) and (1997) Head coach Abe Mashhour will lead sessions for boys and gilts going into grades 3-8, focusing on basic fundamentals including shooting, passing, ball-handling, defense, rebounding and more. Advance skills will be taught as age/skill levels dictate and includes lectures, games, contests and competitions.

competitions To register, contact Patrick Yelsik at (734) 462-7696, (989) 289-8933 or pyelsik@schoo

craft.edu. Each participant will receive a customized camp basketball and reversible camp jersey. Cost is \$85 iff signed up before June 16 and \$95 after June 16

til the start of camp. » CHURCHILL 'UNDER THE LIGHTS': Livonia Churchill's football program is hosting an "Under the Lights" Youth Camp 7-9 p.m. Thursday,

July 27 for youngsters entering kindergarten through eighth grade Cost is \$20. Checks should be made out to Churchill High School and be mailed in advance to Alien Feigel, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livoma, 48150. The camp will take place at Churchill's varsity football field. On tap will be instruction about "offensive and defensive football techniques."

"offensive and defensive football techniques." Participants also can pay the fee at the door. *** FRANKLIN FUTURE STARS:** Livonia Franklins baseball staff, led by head coach Matt Fournier, will hold the "Future Stars" summer baseball camp 9 a.m. to 12 noon Monday, June 26 through Thusday, June 29. Cost to sign up is \$70, and each camper receives a 1 shirt. Registration deadline is Friday, June 23. Make checks payable to Franklin High School and send to Matt Fournier, Franklin Baseball Camp, 3000 Joy Road, Livonia, M, 48150. Inquiries also can be e-mailed to mfournie2@livonia.h12 mius ar (734) 968-0499. Also go to franklinpatriotsbase-ball.com.

The camp is for boys and girls exiting grades 2-8 and will focus on "sport specific skills." Sessions will take place on the Franklin varsity baseball field or, in the event of rain, the Franklin Field Huner

Field House • LIVONIA UNIFIED SOCCER: Youth soccer players should consider signing up for the 2017 Livonia Unified Soccer Camp, set from 9-11 am Monday, Lune 26 through Thursday, June 29. Cost is \$70; checks should be made payable to Livonia Churchfil High School. Boys and girls are welcome to sign up; the camp

costs 360. Former college athletes (including from Madon-na) and varsity players will work with campers on various skills. Contact coach K'Len Morris, Kmo2334@gmail.com. Checks should be made or

ontact coact is control o2334@gmail.com. (Thurchill High School SPARTANS VOLLEYBALL: Kim Berring-

costs \$60

SUMMER CAMPS AND CLINICS

ton, head coach at Siena Heights University, is holding a volleyball camp June 26-28 at Livonia

Stevenson High School in conjunction with Spartans head coach Julian Wargo and members of the SHS program. The sessions will be at the Stevenson Field House, courts 1 and 2. Times are 1-330 p.m. (Session 1) and 4-6 p.m. (Session 2). Cost is S160 and covers all six sessions (two per day). A camp T-shirt is provided Make checks payable to Kim Berington and send with registration form to Siena Heights University Fieldhouse Volleyball Camp. 1247 E. Siena Heights Dr, Adrian, MI, 49221. Any questions should be directed to SHU coach Berington at (734) 264-7875 or Stevenson coach Wargo, (248) 295 7245.

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\$185 for three weeks. Submit questions to coach Lisa Broomfield, MissLisa621@yahoo.com or (734) 765-5439. The program provides the chance for youngsters to "practice and showcase their skills" and rereive instruction on conditioning, flexibility, individual skills and team buildino. CHARGER HOCKEY CAMP: Livonia

CHARGER HOCKEY CAMP: Livonia Churchill's Charger Hockey Camp will take place at Eddie Edgar Arena between July 31 and Aug. 4 and Aug. 7-11. Each day's session is from 7:30-8:50 pm. Guestions should go to coach Jason Reynolds, Jayrey48152@gmail.com or (734) 788-0447.



Westland John Glenn grad Kaitlyn Balko celebrates with family members after signing her national letter of intent to play women's soccer at Northwood University. The Balkos at the June 9 signing included (from left) brother Brendan, father Ryan, Kaitlyn, brother Landon, mother Tosya and brother Evan.

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Northwood while playing her favorite sport. She and her siblings all play for the Wayne-Westland Arsenal club team, which will help her continue to stay sharp for the Northwood season Northwood is a NCAA

Division II private school in Midland.

'I'm most looking forward to the experience I'll have while attending Northwood,"

Balko said. "I can't wait to step into a new world while also getting to continue playing the sport I love. I know that altogether I'll have a great time at Northwood."

According to Balko, a forward, she will bring from John Glenn some important lessons about "how to perse vere and overcome obstacles

"Playing with girls that you usually don't see in the club season can be difficult when trying to come togeth er for high school season and finding out each other's playthe end, we were still able to succeed as a team every

Probably her biggest goal was graduating June 3 with valedictorian honors; all 14 John Glenn seniors who fin

Cizauskas, Sidney Aloisi, Shelby Ferrell, Christopher Hunt, Christiaan Irvine Jessie Jordan, Dajana Korca

"Being named valedictorigoal means so much to me," Balko said. "I worked hard in while playing varsity soccer at John Glenn.

> fresh legs, inserting Jacob Bevan, Gael Kisombe and James Haupt, but it couldn't stem the tide.

"I thought we were really good in the first half, felt good about it," Muftari said. "Took our foot off the gas and Chi-cago did a good job. They real-

that and they were able to gain some confidence out of it. They were winning the ball in better positions and they were able to get into our half much easier than they in the first half of the game, where we felt like most



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ing style," she said. "But at

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had throughout high school and to have achieved that every class all four years of high school and was able to do the same all four years

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year.

ished with a cumulative 4.0 GPA received that honor. Also valedictorian were four-year swimmer Hannah Megan Buford, Nickolas Butkevich, Joseph Chalifour,

ri, Alexandra Lachine, Adaeze Ogbuaku and Kera

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regulars out with injuries, the Bucks jumped out to a 1-0 ad-vantage, getting a goal by Ivo Cerda (U-M) in the second minute on a rebound off a shot by Austin Ricci

Andre Landell then scored his team-leading fifth goal of the season on a header in the 19th minute, off an assist from captain Tom Owens, who collected his team best fifth assist of the year, to make it 2-0.

The score staved that way until the 77th minute, when Chicago's Qudus Lawal beat Bucks goalkeeper Anthony Mwembia (Bowling Green) to

- cut the deficit to 2-1. And in the 89th minute,
- Chicago's Chris Mueller (Wisconsin) stunned the Bucks
- when he rifled a direct free kick from the left flank about 35 yards out to beat Mwembia,
- who was named the Mid-Amer ican Conference Goalkeeper of the Year last fall.

"The goalie was kind of cheating out and it was one they were expecting me to cross it," Mueller said. "I saw him come out a little bit and I just cut it back the other way and I just hit it really well to the top corner. He got his hands on it and it was lucky

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Bucks players celebrate after scoring a goal during Sunday's 2-2 draw against Chicago United FC.

enough to go in ... it was a good shot.

FC United, which stands 1-1-3 (six points) in the PDL Heartland Conference, was coming off a 1-1 draw Friday against Rockford.

"It needed to happen," Mueller said. "It was the last couple of minutes. Some of the guys were telling me to serve the ball in, but I saw him coming out a little bit and those are the kind of shots you need to make to tie these good teams and compete.'

Muftari made three secondhalf substitutions to find some

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ly got the momentum in the second half and we couldn't figure a way out to swing it back in our favor. We were just hoping to hold them off. The kid (Lawal) had a good first goal and then a good set piece (by Mueller) to tie the game.'

The Bucks swing back into Great Lakes Division play Thursday in Louisville, Ky against the the last-place Derby City Rovers.

On June 14, the Bucks extended their shutout streak to five with a 1-0 win over the host Dayton (Ohio) Dutch Lions at DOC Stadium as Shepherd made two saves while Alexi Souahy scored the gamewinner from Owens in the 75th minute

But that scoreless streak was snapped by Chicago in the second half.

"They got on top of us and gained momentum," Muftari said. "They put a little more pressure on us and defended us a little higher up the field. They didn't give us so much time on the ball. I felt like we had a lot of time and space in the first half. We weren't able to adjust very well once we did of the game was played in their half. They came out a little more aggressive defensively. Gave us a lot of trouble and we didn't adjust.

The tie against Chicago may serve as a wake-up call for the Bucks, who will play K-W United FC in back-to-back meetings beginning Sunday, July 2, on the road in Ontario followed by a home date Wednesday, July 5, at Ultimate.

'You're always going to have bad games and we didn't think this was going to be one of them," Muftari said. "It was really a lapse in judgment and concentration. Part of my job is to make sure that doesn't happen. I have to do a better job making sure we're prepared better coming out of the second half. Once we lost the momentum, we couldn't figure out how to swing it back. The thing about soccer, the game keeps flowing and I can't call a timeout. I can't bring the guys in and see if we can settle them back down. That's it. Back to the training ground and trying to find some answers

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PRO HOCKEY Early NHL Draft call awaits Northville's Robertson

Left winger scored 42 goals in OHL this season

Brad Emons

It appears NHL teams are pretty bullish these days on Jason Robertson's draft stock The 6-foot-2, 196-pound left winger from Northville, who led the Ontario Hockey League's Kingston Frontenacs in scoring with 42 goals and 39 assists during 68 games this season, could wind up anywhere from late in the first round to no later than the sec ond round, according to mock



draft experts. Robertson was most recently ranked 14th by Central Scouting among North American skaters after a midterm rank of 34 In prepara-tion for the re-

Robertson

cently held NHL Combine in Buffalo, Robertson returned to his family's second home in Sierra Madre, Calif., to continue training for the up-coming NHL Entry Draft, which begins Thursday night in

Chicago. "It's always great to go high in the draft, but wherever you go, whether it be first round or second round or third round ... you still have to perform well and make the team," Robertson said. "In the OHL, I was drafted in the fourth round. Looking back on it, it really didn't make a difference because I made the team. It's always good to go high and I want to get drafted the highest I can. If I can get drafted and make the team so much quicker, it's going to be a lot better situation. But it's also kind of exciting to see where



Northville resident Jason Robertson is expected to go high in the NHL Entry Draft.

you end up."

Robertson accounted for nearly 25 percent of the Frontenacs' goals this season. He finished the season strong, posting 27 points during his final 13 regular season games, while adding five goals and 13 assists in 11 games as Kingston reached the second round of the OHL playoffs.

Robertson nearly tripled his offensive numbers this season for Kingston after scoring 18 goals and adding 14 assists during his inaugural OHL sea-

son in 2015-16.

"I knew our team wasn't going to be scoring a lot of goals and (was) kind of offensively challenged a little bit, so I knew there was a lot of work cut out for some of the offensive guys on the team," Rob-ertson said. " Personally, I felt like I had a successful year, I think. And with the help of my teammates and the coaching staff, it allowed me to be looked upon as a success." Robertson said the Fronte-

nacs surpassed expectations

this season. "We went into this year as more of an underdog role type of team," he said. "Real young, not a whole lot of experience. We came in here and we performed very well. We worked really hard and we ended up getting to the second round, which was a lot farther than people expected us to go." At the combine in Buffalo.

Robertson went through a lit any of physical tests along with one-on-one meetings with NHL front office personnel.

"I knew what it was all about, a lot of interviews, a lot of people you talk to to present vourself well and act mature. he said. "In terms of interviews, it was pretty fun, pretty exciting. It was serious, but at the same time, it was a fun time. Fitness testing, off ice, was basically what it is, just off-ice tests with a lot of cameras and people focusing on you. Overall, it was pretty fun experience and I really learned

a lot from it." If there's been any pre-draft knock on Robertson, it's been about his skating ability, but that's something he's been concentrating on during the offseason.

"I really had a strict training regimen for the combine and now it's over," Robertson said. "I'm really focusing on on ice and off ice strictly for the draft in preparation for whatever team drafts me in their development camp. "I'm working a lot on my

off-ice strength, lower body and mobility. I know that's go-ing to transfer from off ice to on ice. That's what I'm really

focusing on." Robertson, who played for the Don Mils Flyers Midget Minor AAA team in Toronto during the 2014-15 season be-fore going to the Ontario juniors, will more than likely have some familiar company next year in the OHL.

His younger brother Nick, 15, a 5-7, 145-pound forward, was drafted in the first round (16th overall) by the Peterbor ough Petes. "We play them eight times,

so that's going to be pretty interesting this upcoming year," Robertson said. "I'm excited to go against my little brother.'

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PRO BASEBALL

Duke still destination for Tigers' draftee Mann

Country Day graduate selected in 38th round

Marty Budner

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The Detroit Tigers made a pitch, but Steve Mann balked on their call.

Mann, a Farmington Hills resident and all-star athlete at Detroit Country Day High School, was selected Wednes-day by the Tigers in the 38th round (No. 1,145 overall) of the annual Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft.

"I think it was very fitting to be drafted by the Tigers," Mann said. "Obviously, I'm a hometown kid and I'll be receiving the Passing of the Bat Award from them, which is a huge award for African-American baseball players from around the city, and I'll be playing in the (high school)



FILE PHOTO Detroit Country Day senior and Farmington Hills resident Steve Mann was drafted this week by his hometown Tigers, but has elected to continue his athletic and academic careers at Duke.

helped lead the Yellowjackets to 75 victories over the past

three seasons. Mann finished this spring season, which ended in the regional championship game June 10, with a lofty 470 batting average that included seven home runs, eight doubles and a pair of triples. As the lead-off batter, he also scored 53 runs, posted 42 walks and had 25

In addition, Mann was a versatile member of DCD's football team, which played for the 2016 Division 4 state cham pionship and twice advanced to the state semifinals.

Mann has been widely rec-ognized for his athletic success. He was voted the Michigan Gatorade Player of the Year, was named the Detroit Athletic Club's Male Athlete of the Year and also earned 2017 Rawlings-Perfect game third team all-America honors.

CLUB BASEBALL Michigan Rams baseball season in full swing

Tim Smith hometownlife.com

The Michigan Rams are off to a scorching start to the Livonia Michigan Collegiate Baseball League season.

Saturday's doubleheader sweep of the Cubs at Ford Field — with both games fin-ishing in 11-1 decisions — upped the Rams' record to

In the opening rout, coach Rick Berryman's team was sparked by Tristen Jorah, who went 3-for-5 and drove in two runs to pace the 11-hit attack. Others with multiple-hit

efforts in Game 1 were Alex Nicholson (2-for-5, three RBIs) and Trevor MacDonald (2-

for-3, two runs). Earning the win for the Rams was starting pitcher Grant Noon, who gave up no earned runs in 4³/₃ innings. Closing out the six-inning contest was Brendan Wet more. It was more of the same in the nightcap, with the Rams ripping 11 more hits and scoring 11 times Patrick Downing keyed the offense, going 2-for-3 and

driving in three. MacDonald (2-for-3, three runs) and Jack Ferguson (2for-4, two runs) also chipped in to back the pitching of starter Richard Hovde (three innings) and Addison Pawelik (three innings). RAMS 6, BULLS 3: A four-

run third inning June 16 spear-headed this LMCBL victory. Gordon Ferguson (2-for-4, two RBIs), Tyler Lowe (2-for-4) and Frankie Lucska (2-for-4, two RBIs) led the offense

Earning the win was starter Jack Ferguson, who pitched into the seventh. Getting the final two outs was Zack Schmidtke.

RAMS 12, GREAT LAKES 1: Tyler Lowe and Gordon Fergu-son both ripped three hits in

RBIs.

all-star game on Tuesday (a Comerica Park), so there's a lot for me to be happy about.

"It was kind of like icing on the cake to be drafted by the Tigers. I was completely surprised," he added. "I was receiving text messages and my summer coach called me before the area scout for the Tigers actually reached out to me. It was cool that they draft ed me."

Mann, however, has decided to forgo the lure of playing for his hometown team to continue his academic and athletic careers at Duke University. The 18-year-old Mann verbally committed to Duke in summer 2015 and officially signed his national letter of intent to attend the Durham, N.C.-based university last November. The financial options as a

lower-round pick and the prospects of having to start out his pro career at the lower rungs of Detroit's minor league system simply were not as attractive as having the opportunity to play for the Blue Devils, where he hopes to raise his draft stock while pursuing his academic goals.

"I would say comparing the two situations, Major League

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Baseball would have had to take me away from Duke," Mann said. "I would say if the money was right and the situation made sense - but after talking to scouts and seeing how they had me projected going through their farm systems, my family and I felt it made more sense to go to Duke and get a head-start on my degree and kind of develop at my pace. "Some of the scouts had me

going in the top 10 rounds. But because of the financial expectation of where I got drafted and what my family was asking for, those didn't match up," he added. "We felt like we had a great situation at Duke, so why not have the mentality of having MLB take me away from Duke? Obviously, we wanted to go pro, but we weren't going to do it for cheap."

Great prep career

Mann was a four-year team captain for the Country Day baseball team, which advanced to the Division 2 state quarterfinals last spring and captured three consecutive district championships. The 5-foot-10, 190-pound pitcher/outfielder

coaching staffs that I did and experience so much success with my teams and individ-ually," Mann said. "I truly feel blessed. But I will always feel hunger to get the state championship that I never did at Country Day. When I get to college, I will focus on the conference championships and national championships. I had a great high school career with plenty of memories. Now I plan to make some more at the next level. It's time to turn the page and now the real work starts.

Another chance

Mann will not have much time to relax this summer.

Mann graduated Thursday from DCD and is enrolled in the summer semester at Duke. which begins July 3. Owner of a 3.95 grade-point average who has made the honor roll at DCD ever since sixth grade, Mann plans to eventually purse a degree in business

Mann, who will next be eligible for the MLB draft in 2020, hopes to showcase his talents enough at Duke that he can move up into the top five at that time.

four at bats and drove in two runs June 12 for the Rams. Anthony DiPonio went 2-for-4 and drove in a pair. Also enjoying good days at the plate, as part of a 15-hit attack, were Lucska (2-for-3, three RBIs) and Jordyn Finney (2for-4, RBI).

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GIRLS SOCCER

Marian rally produces D-2 state championship

Marty Budner

Bloomfield Hills Marian wasn't going to let a first-half goal — the first it had allowed during this year's state tournament - ruin a perfect season.

The resilient Mustangs (24-0) trailed 1-0 at halftime of Saturday's Division 2 girls soccer state championship game against Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern, but rallied for two second-half goals en route to a 2-1 victory at Williamston High School.

"To be a state champion is all I ever wanted for the past four years and I know every single girl on our team was in on that, too," said senior for-ward Ellie DeConinck, who scored both of her team's goals. "That was our motto this season."

The Mustangs dominated most of the game, out-shoot-ing the Huskies 18-5. Despite controlling the first 40 minutes, Marian found itself trail-ing for the first time this year when Northern's Addie Brown connected on a turnaround shot at the 15:59 mark.

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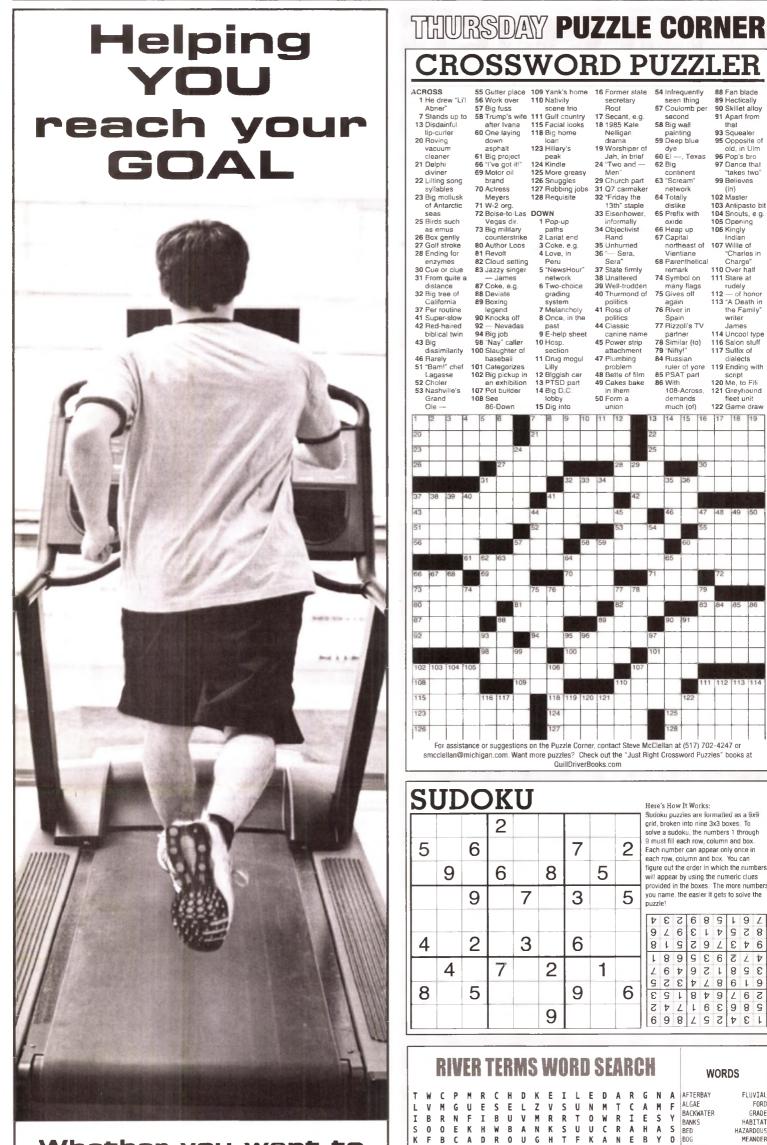
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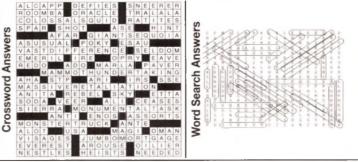


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LOCAL SPORTS B6 (WGRL) 0 & E Media | Thursday, June 22, 2017 hometownlife.com NO. 3034 NO. 3033 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 350 OF TITLE 13, CHAPTER 08 (WATER SERVICE RATES AND REVENUES) OF THE LIVONIA AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 190, 220, 240 AND REPEALING SECTIONS 110 AND 160 OF TITLE 13 CHAPTER 20 (LIVONIA SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM) OF CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED. THE LIVONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED. THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS: THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS: <u>Section 1.</u> Section 110 of Title 13, Chapter 20 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, is hereby repealed and reserved as of the date this ordinance becomes effective, and all other ordinances $\underline{Section}$ 1. Section 350 of Title 13, Chapter 08 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows: or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect. 13.08.350 Enforcement. A. Charges for water and sewer service constitute a lien on the property served, and on or after September 1st of each year the finance 13.20.110 - [Reserved] department of the city shall certify any such charges which as of March 1st of that year remain unpaid and are delinquent to the city assessor by providing the Section 2. Section 160 of Title 13, Chapter 20 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, is hereby repealed and reserved as of the date this ordinance becomes effective, and all other ordinances assessor with a list of properties having such arrearages, identifying each such property and the amount of the arrearage accrued on or before the preceding March 1st, and the assessor shall enter the same upon the city tax roll of that year against or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect. 13.20.160 - [Reserved] the premises to which such service shall have been rendered. Said charges shall be collected and said lien shall be enforced in the same manner as provided in respect Section 3. Section 190 of Title 13, Chapter 20 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is to taxes assessed upon such roll. hereby amended to read as follows B. On an appeal by the owner of a property with a water and sewer charge arrearage predating the most recent March 1st, the Water and Sewer Board may grant temporary relief from entry of the arrearage on the city tax roll in a case 13.20.190 - Payment of charges -- Enforcement by lien and other remedies. A. Charges, rates, and liens for water and sewer service may be enforced as set forth in section 13 08 350 above where the Board finds both a) that such entry would impose an undue hardship on the property owner, and b) the relief would not imperil the collectability of the B. In addition to other remedies provided, the city shall have the right to shut off and discontinue the supply of water to any premises for the nonpayment of charges and rates herein specified when due. arrearage C. In addition to other remedies provided, the city shall have all rights provided Section 4. Section 220 of Title 13, Chapter 20 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is by statute, including the right to shut off and discontinue the supply of water to any hereby amended to read as follows: premises for the nonpayment of water bills when due. Water and sever services so discontinued shall not be restored until all sums then due and owing shall be paid 13.20.220 - Operation and maintenance fund. A. Out of the revenues in the receiving fund there shall first be set aside during each quarterly period into a separate depository account designated "operation and maintenance fund," a sum sufficient to provide for the payment of the next quarter's current expenses of administration and operation of the sewage disposal system and such current expenses for the maintenance <u>Section 2.</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect. <u>Section 3.</u> Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this thereof as may be necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order. ordinance B. The city council, prior to the commencement of each operating year, shall adopt a budget covering the foregoing expenses for each year. The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia Section 5. Section 240 of Title 13, Chapter 20 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is held Monday, June 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m hereby amended to read as follows Susan M. Nash, City Clerk 13.20.240 - Fixed debt-retirement payments -- Provisions for insufficiencies. A. It shall be the duty of the city treasure, pursuant to the provisions of the contract, to forward to Wayne County certain fixed debt-retirement payments due from the city The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me on this 13th day of June, 2017. Dennis K. Wright, Mayor from time to time. If at any time there are insufficient funds in the contract payment fund or the contract payment reserve fund to meet such payments in full, the deficiency Approved as to form shall be paid out of the general funds of the city pursuant to the obligation assumed by the city under the terms of the contract and Act 342, Public Acts of 1939, as amended. Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: June 13, 2017 B. Pursuant to the provisions of the contract and Section 5(b) of Act 342, Public Acts of 1939, as amended, the city has pledged its full faith, credit and resources to the making of the fixed debt-retirement payments when required under the contract. To carry out the pledge, the city treasurer is directed and ordered to make up any deficiencies in Publish: June 22, 2017 such required payments of the general funds of the city, in event there are insufficient funds in the contract payment fund or contract payment reserve fund to meet the required payments. The city does hereby irrevocably agree and pledge itself to levy such ad valorem taxes as may be necessary to provide funds to make such payments, in the event the revenues herein provided become or are anticipated to be insufficient therefore therefore. therefor, or to make up any advances or payments made from the general funds of the city as herein required Visit us for more <u>Section 6.</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect. Section 7. Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this news & information ordinance. The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia held Monday, June 5, 2017, at 7:00 $\rm p.m.$ **(D)** Susan M. Nash, City Clerk The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me on this 13th day of June, 2017 hometownlife.com Dennis K. Wright, Mayor Approved as to form: Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: June 13, 2017

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NO. 3029 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 050 OF TITLE 13, CHAPTER 08 (WATER SERVICE RATES AND REVENUES) OF THE LIVONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED.	NO. 3032 ANORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 050 OF TITLE 13, CHAPTER 28 (INDUSTRIAL WASTE SURCHARGE) OF THE LIVONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED.
THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS:	THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS:
Section 1. Section 050 of Title 13, Chapter 08 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:	Section 1. Section 050 of Title 13, Chapter 28 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is
13.08.050 Fixed rates. A. In addition to the charge for water usage, effective with the first billing on and after July 1, 2017, there will be a fixed quarterly charge, determined by meter size, as follows:	hereby amended to read as follows: 13.28.050 Schedule of charges. Industrial waste pollutant strength surcharges are adopted herein, made effective with the first billing on and after July 1, 2017, for users of
METER SIZE QUARTERLY CHARGE 5/8 Inch \$ 26.28 3/4 Inch \$ 26.28	the wastewater system of the City of Livonia, and are to be computed as follows: Computation of Industrial Waste Pollutant Strength Surcharge
1 Inch \$ 26.28	The industrial waste pollutant strength surcharge shall be computed in accordance with
1 1/2" Meter \$ 77.25 2" Meter \$ 99.15	the following formula: SC = 0.0624 V [a (BOD-275) + b (TSS-350) + c (P-12) + d (FOG-100)]
3" Meter \$ 130.28 4" Meter \$ 199.07	Where:
6" Meter \$ 530.35 8" Meter \$ 1,502.27	SC = Pollutant strength surcharge fee in dollars for the billing period.
10" Meter \$ 4,330.42	V = Volume of waste discharged in the billing period in Mcf (1,000 cubic feet).
B. Seasonal Flat rate Water, per quarter \$ 80.68.	BOD = Five-day biochemical oxygen demand of the waste expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm).
<u>Section 2.</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.	TSS = Total suspended solids in the waste expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm).
<u>Section 3.</u> Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this ordinance.	P = Phosphorus in the waste expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm). FOG = Fats, oils, and grease in the waste expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm). a, b, c, d = Surcharge rates in dollars/pound for treating BOD, TSS, P and FOG,
The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of	respectively.
Livonia held Monday, June 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.	0.624 = Factor which converts Mcf to MM lbs. a = dollars/pound for treating BOD = \$0.486/pound greater than 275 mg/l.
Susan M. Nash, City Clerk The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me on this 13th day of June, 2017. Dennis K. Wright, Mayor	b=dollars/pound for treating TSS = \$0.493/pound greater than 350 mg/l.c=dollars/pound for treating P = \$7.266/pound greater than 12 mg/l.
Approved as to form:	d = dollars/pound for treating FOG = \$0.468/pound greater than 100 mg/l. Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only
Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: June 13, 2017	to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.
	<u>Section 3.</u> Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this
Publish: June 22, 2017 Lo-0000023180 3re	ordinance.
NO. 3028	The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 040 OF TITLE 13, CHAPTER 08 (WATER SERVICE RATES AND REVENUES) OF THE LIVONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED.	Livonia held Monday, June 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Susan M. Nash, City Clerk The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me on this 13th day of June, 2017. Dennis K. Wright, Mayor
THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS:	Approved as to form:
<u>Section 1.</u> Section 040 of Title 13, Chapter 08 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:	Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: June 13, 2017
13.08.040 Consumption rates. Effective with the first billing on and after July 1, 2017, water use will be charged at the following rates:	
AMOUNT PER 100 CHARGE DESCRIPTION CUBIC FEET	Publish: June 22, 2017 LC-0000322163 3at
Base Charge	AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 120
GLWA per 100 cubic feet of water used \$ 2.12 City of Livonia per 100 cubic feet of water used \$ 0.60 Use Charge per 100 cubic feet of water used \$ 2.72	OF TITLE 13, CHAPTER 20 (LIVONIA SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM) OF THE LIVONIA CODE
Large User (meters sizes 1.5 inch or larger) Charge per 100 cubic feet of water used Total Use Charge for Large Users per 100 cubic feet of water used	OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED.
Rates presently established shall continue for bills issued before July 1, 2017.	Section 1. Section 120 of Title 13, Chapter 20 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:
Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.	13.20.120 Disposal and maintenance rates (sewer). A. Effective with the first billing on and after July 1, 2017, the fixed quarterly charge for sewage system maintenance, determined by water meter size, shall be as follows:
<u>Section 3.</u> Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this	METER SIZE QUARTERLY CHARGE
ordinance.	5/8 Inch \$ 43.47 3/4 Inch \$ 43.47
The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia	1 Inch \$ 43.47 1 1/2" Meter \$ 127.77
held Monday, June 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.	2" Meter \$ 164.01 3" Meter \$ 215.50
Susan M. Nash, City Clerk The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me on this 13th day of June, 2017. Dennis K. Wright, Mayor	4* Meter \$ 329.29 6" Meter \$ 877.25 8" Meter \$ 2,484.91
Approved as to form:	10" Meter \$ 7,162.94
Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: June 13, 2017	B. 1. In addition to the fixed quarterly maintenance charge, effective with the first billing on and after July 1, 2017, there will be a charge for sewage system use, which shall be assessed at the following rates:
Publish: June 22, 2017	Base Charge Wayne County per 100 cubic feet of water used \$ 1.64
NO. 3031	City of Livonia per 100 cubic feet of water used\$ 0.60Base Charge per 100 cubic feet of water used\$ 2.24
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 130 OF TITLE 13, CHAPTER 20 (LIVONIA SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM) OF THE LIVONIA CODE	Large User (meters sizes 1.5 inch or larger) Charge per 100 cubic feet of water used Total Charge for Large Users per 100 cubic feet of water used \$ 3.41
OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED.	2. For each dwelling unit with an unmetered water supply, there shall be a flat quarterly sewage system charge of: \$88.27
THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS:	3. Users other than single-family and two-family residential shall be subject to monthly
Section 1. Section 130 of Title 13, Chapter 20 the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, is	Industrial Waste Control Meter Charges, determined by meter size, in the following
hereby amended to read as follows:	amounts:
13.20.130 Special rates-For designated uses. A Effective with the first hilling	amounts: MONTHLY INDUSTRIAL WASTE
13.20.130 Special rates—For designated uses. A. Effective with the first billing on and after July 1, 2017, where sewage disposal service is furnished to users not situated within the situate disposal user for such users shall be sefullows:	
on and after July 1, 2017, where sewage disposal service is furnished to users not situated within the city, the sewage disposal rate for such users shall be as follows:	MONTHLY INDUSTRIAL WASTE METER SIZE CONTROL CHARGE 5/8 Inch \$ 5.72 3/4 Inch \$ 8.58
on and after July 1, 2017, where sewage disposal service is furnished to users not situated	MONTHLY INDUSTRIAL WASTE METER SIZE CONTROL CHARGE 5/8 Inch \$ 5.72

system for which consumption data may be obtained, such rate shall be equal to the

appropriate base rate established in 13.20.120(B)(1), plus the appropriate quarterly fixed charge as determined by meter size established in 13.20.120(A).

B. All seasonal users with kitchen or bathroom facilities shall pay 50% of the current per unit sewage charge, i.e.:

Base Charge	
Wayne County per 100 cubic feet	\$ 0.82
City of Livonia per 100 cubic feet	\$ 0.30
Base Charge per 100 cubic feet	\$_1.12
Large User (meters sizes 1.5 inch or larger)	
Charge per 100 cubic feet	\$ 0.59
Total Base Charge for Large Users per	\$ 1.71
100 cubic feet of water used	

C. The above rates do not include any rates imposed by the county for the treatment and disposal of sewage through its sewage treatment and disposal facilities. Any such rate shall be included and specified as a separate item in bills sent to users as hereinafter provided.

<u>Section 2.</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

<u>Section 3.</u> Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia held Monday, June 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Susan M. Nash, City Clerk

The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me on this 13th day of June, 2017.

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Dennis K. Wright, Mayor

Approved as to form:

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Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: June 13, 2017

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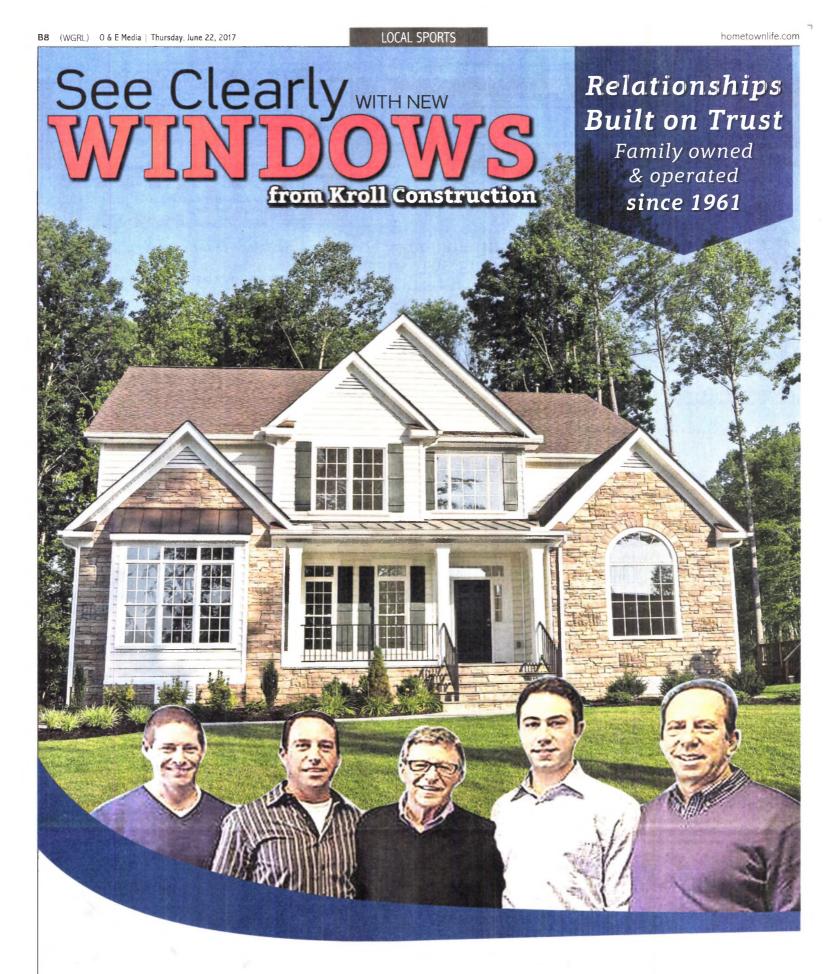
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