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Class-action water lawsuit dismissed

Mayor: City 'held the position that lawsuit was frivolous'

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A class-action lawsuit alleging Westland was charging excessive water/sewer rates has been dismissed.

Filed in Wayne County Circuit Court, the lawsuit alleged Westland charged water/sewer fees in excess of what is needed to cover actual expenses, with the revenues used to fund

general operations.

That effectively creates a tax in violation of the Headlee Amendment, according to the lawsuit, which sought a refund for approximately 27,000 current water customers and that the city be enjoined from future overcharging.

On Thursday, Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Craig Strong issued an opinion dismissing the lawsuit.

The original plaintiffs in the lawsuit against Westland were two condominium owners associations, Deerhurst and Woodview, but it was later certified as a class-action lawsuit. Royal Oak-based Kickham Hanley law firm filed the lawsuit and has been involved in similar litigation with several other area communities. A similar lawsuit against the City of Taylor was also recently dismissed.

Representatives from the condo association and the law

firm couldn't be reached for comment.

The city had filed motions arguing the water/sewer rates were reasonable and appropriate to cover costs for the system. The opinion from Strong agreed with the city's position, as well as finding the city had not improperly transferred money from the water/sewer fund — a self-supporting enterprise fund — to the general fund to support general public services.

"The City of Westland has,

from the beginning, held the position that this lawsuit was frivolous," Mayor William Wild said. "This decision by Judge Strong proves that the city was right to oppose this lawsuit. We are happy with the outcome and will continue to provide Westland residents



Wild

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CARROLL DEWEESE

Toast chef Chris Gadulka prepares his sauces at the Birmingham Farmers Market Chef Clash.



CARROLL DEWEESE

Townhouse chef Ben Zemach at the Chef Clash.

CHEF CLASH A TASTY AFFAIR AT BIRMINGHAM FARMERS MARKET

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Two chefs enter the kitchen, one chef leaves.

It was a war of spices and a battle of sauces at the Birmingham Farmers Market Chef Clash, featuring two of the area's top chefs, Ben Zemach of Townhouse and Chris Gadulka of Toast. Their task June 25 was to prepare one savory dish and one sweet dish under a tight deadline.

And to make it an even zestier affair, two secret ingredients were unveiled right before the start of the competi-

tion: coffee for the main course and lavender for the dessert. Steady hands and a sturdy skillet were needed to make this meal a success.

"This is the third year I've been invited and everyone out here is super-awesome," Gadulka said. "Ben's outstanding to compete against and it's fun to work in front of a crowd. There's just a lot of great camaraderie going on here."

Kim Thompson of Birmingham was among the spectators. Thompson, who grew up in Farmington, is a bona fide foodie, having attended the College of Culinary Arts at Johnson & Wales Uni-

versity.

"I didn't even know this was going on, so it's kind of a bonus," said Thompson, a regular at the Birmingham Farmers Market. "It's very cool to watch them work."

Standing nearby were Eileen and Howard Roff of Bloomfield Hills. Declaring herself more of a baker, Eileen Roff said she loves baking pies.

"Today, I'm going to make some strawberry pie when I get home," she said. "I just bought some strawberries. I'll roll out my crust and get at it."

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Person of interest in missing woman case faces sexual assault charges

Police believe man tried to assault Hines Park runner

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A Berkley man faces several criminal charges after Livonia police say he was the man who

attempted to sexually assault a runner last year in Hines Park.

Floyd Galloway Jr., 30, was arraigned Wednesday morning before 16th District Judge Kathleen McCann on charges

of kidnapping, criminal sexual conduct-assault with intent to commit sexual penetration and assault with intent to to great bodily harm less than murder by strangulation.

Police say Galloway approached a female runner back on Sept. 4 along Hines Drive

near Levan and grabbed her, bringing her down an embankment. There, police say he strangled her, tried to take her clothes off and told her he wanted to have sex with her.

The woman was able to escape the man and summon the attention of a passing motorist,

who contacted police. Through an investigation, Livonia police determined Galloway was the primary suspect and arrested him. If convicted, he faces up to life in prison.

Several agencies worked on

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the case, including the Livonia Police Department, the Farmington Hills Police Department, the Southfield Police Department, the Michigan State Police and the FBI.

"I am very pleased to announce the arrest of the defendant and the case will now proceed through the criminal justice system," said Livonia Police Chief Curtis Caid in a statement. "This investigation

sends a clear message that regardless of the jurisdiction of the crime, regional law enforcement resources will come together as one to protect our communities and seek justice."

McCann set bond for Galloway at \$750,000 cash, and requires he wear a GPS tether if the bond is posted. His next scheduled court date is scheduled for the morning of July 6 in Livonia's 16th District Court.

His attorney, John Dakmak, said many of the allegations leveled against Galloway will be dealt with during his day



Floyd Russell Galloway is arraigned on charges of kidnapping and sexual assault. At right, defense attorney John Dakmak.

in court. "We'll deal with it in court," he said after the hearing.

Galloway's name has also floated around as a potential person of interest in the disappearance of Farmington Hills resident Danielle Stislicki, who has been missing since Dec. 2.

A press release from the Farmington Hills Police Department issued Wednesday confirmed Galloway as a person of interest in Stislicki's disappearance, though noted the investigation into her disappearance remains open.

"The Stislicki case remains an active investigation. The pieces of the puzzle have been slowly falling into place since Danielle disappeared on Dec. 2. Investigators are optimistic the case will be solved. They will not rest until justice is obtained for Danielle and the Stislicki family," said Farmington Hills Police Chief Chuck Nebus in a statement.

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CHEFS

The contest

This year's panel of judges included Birmingham Mayor Mark Nickita, retired Market Master Richard "Cousin Don" Hobson and personal chef Matt Tulpa.

Nickita, a celebrated architect, had the eye for determining the best-looking dish. Tulpa had the culinary chops. Hobson had the appetite.

"Don't ask me to share!" Hobson teased the crowd before passing around one of the dishes. When someone managed to borrow his fork, he called it a case of "double dipping."

For the main event, Gadulka created a beef filet with hollandaise sauce, while Zemach cooked up trout with a side of tabouli and artichokes. Dessert followed, with a chocolate crepe from Toast and rice pudding from the Townhouse.

It was a close contest down to the last bite, with the judges picking Gadulka as this year's master chef winner. It's the second year in a row he took home the honor and, in true chef form, he gave lots of credit to his competition.

"To be honest, I'm really surprised I won.



Toast restaurant chef Chris Gadulka was the winner of this year's Chef Clash at the Birmingham Farmers Market.

Ben did an outstanding job," Gadulka said. "I really consider myself lucky to win. He had some really good food."

While he favored the rice pudding, Nickita said it was probably the filet that gave Gadulka a slight edge.

"It was a lot of fun and very tasty," the mayor said. "And I'm glad I didn't have breakfast ... because it was a lot of food."

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prepare for a disaster while properly maintaining the water system, Wild said.

Westland spends about \$33 million annually operating and maintaining the local water/sewer systems. With water bills sent out every other month, the city carries an approximately \$2-\$3 million in receivables at any given time for the water/sewer fund.

Along with water/

sewer rate litigation, Kickham Hanley also filed lawsuits against several Oakland County communities challenging drainage district charges for storm water and sewage treatment. Those communities settled the dispute with the exception of Oak Park, which is appealing a ruling not to dismiss the lawsuit.

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First BBQ festival celebrates Independence Day

Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village will be transformed into a week-end-long festival celebrating Independence Day and everything summer with mouthwatering BBQ, fireworks, cold brews, family fun and live music.

The festival runs July 7-9.

After guests enjoy a full day of pig races, monster truck rides, bounce houses and lawn games the festival will culminate in a stunning fireworks display Friday, July 7. Festival-goers can grab a drink, enjoy live entertainment and follow the smell of BBQ. Visit redwhitenbbq.com for details.

Visitors can enjoy craft selections from ROAK Brewing, Magic Hat Brewing Company, Blake's Hard Cider Company and more. An exciting feature of Red, White & BBQ is the Moscow Mule Tent, which will allow guests an opportunity to try new and innovative incarnations of the popular Moscow Mule cocktail.

Cold beer, spicy mules and classic festival lemonade will pair perfectly



BBQ will be the order of the day during the Greenmead festival July 7-9.

with the offerings guests will find at BBQ Pit Row. BBQ Pit Row will showcase everything from smoky brisket to tangy pulled pork, and everything in between. Hungry guests can enjoy fare from Smoke Ring BBQ, Smoke Shack, Hog Wild BBQ and dozens more.

Red, White & BBQ Festival will feature two stages and a veritable "who's who" of local musical talent, culminating in the summer's best festival lineup. This event boasts three days of continuous live music, including local favorites Reefermen, Dan Tillery,

Tosha Owens, Tripp N Dixie and more.

A portion of profits from Red, White & BBQ will benefit two Livonia charities: The Friends of Greenmead and the The Livonia Anniversary Committee. The Friends of Greenmead is a non-profit, volunteer organi-

zation that raises funds for the development and restoration of Greenmead, Livonia's lovely historical village, and the chosen home of Red, White & BBQ Festival.

The Livonia Anniversary Committee is a non-profit volunteer group of citizens that produces

the annual Livonia Spree (a week-long celebration of Livonia's founding). The Livonia Anniversary Committee also presents the Spree Scholarship and offers grants to Livonia education and community based non-profit civic organizations.

LIVONIA POLICE BRIEFS

Shoplifting suspect fights with employee

Livonia police were called June 26 to Hallmark, 30959 Five Mile, on the report of a retail fraud suspect who had gotten into a skirmish with an employee before leaving the store.

An employee said the suspect was seen entering the store and looked at several glass candle

holders. She selected several of them and placed them into a bag. She allegedly tried to leave the store with the items in the bag without paying, but was confronted by an employee. The two struggled over the bag, and a Snoopy candle holder reportedly fell onto the employee's head during the struggle. The employee then called police, though the suspect had fled the store by

the time officers arrived. Police were informed the owner could access the security footage and would provide officers with video of the incident.

Retail fraud reported

Police were dispatched June 24 to Walmart, 29555 Plymouth, on the report of a retail fraud suspect in custody. The suspect was seen

walking in the store with items before heading to the self checkout area. She scanned several items and tried to pay for them, but her card was declined. She tried to pay for the items again, though the card was declined. She reportedly voided the transaction and later walked out carrying all the items in her cart without paying for them. A loss prevention employee reportedly

stopped her and recovered the merchandise. Items reportedly taken included soap, a toothbrush, shirts and swimwear.

Shoplifting suspect stopped

Police were called June 23 to Walmart, 29555 Plymouth, on the report of a retail fraud.

An employee told police they saw the suspect in the store via secu-

rity footage. He was seen placing items in a bag in a cart as he walked through the store. He then reportedly walked out with items without paying and was stopped by an employee. Police arrived and arrested him, taking him to the police station for processing.

- Compiled from reports filed with the Livonia Police Department.

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School district official fosters leadership, aims to improve graduation rates

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When a group of mostly Somali students walked out of Technical High School in 2015, St. Cloud, Minnesota, school district was thrust into the news.

Protesters said the catalyst for the walkout was twofold: a social media post depicting a Somali student in a wheelchair and implying she was affiliated with a terrorist organization, and an incident involving fruit being thrown at a Somali student.

For Sebastian Witherspoon, who has been with the district for six years, the walkout was a lesson, one that proved the district needed to be more attuned to the daily lives of students and create new forums for communication.

"Student voice matters. We learned that what they have to say matters, and we learned that students have a tipping point, even though they are extremely resilient," he said. "That sped up the process of having these groups."

Witherspoon is director of equity services for the district. He works to help improve graduation rates and participation for students of color through parent involvement groups, classroom collaborations, professional development and leadership programs for students.

"We exist because students of color, especially in Minnesota, do a lot worse than white students academically," Witherspoon said. "We understand a lot of our kids have additional barriers that middle-class white kids don't."

St. Cloud school district has a much higher percentage of students of color than surrounding districts.

Witherspoon said St. Cloud school district's equity services department focuses on the whole child. "A lot of our work is not around academics; it's around helping students get to a place so that they can access education," he said.



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As director of equity services, Sebastian Witherspoon works to narrow the achievement gap for students of color in the St. Cloud, Minnesota, school district.

"I didn't believe that the color of your skin and your circumstances should define your outcome," Witherspoon said of his drive to help students. "I just did it initially to be a role model, to show up, but that's not enough. Kids need much more than someone just saying, 'You can do it! You can do it!' They need resources. ... They need someone to be there and to help them through the process."

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Sebastian Witherspoon

Location: St. Cloud, Minnesota

Profession: Director of equity services for St. Cloud school district

Mission: To help improve graduation rates and participation for students of color

Q&A WITH SEBASTIAN WITHERSPOON

What does it mean to you to be an American?

For me, as an African-American male, it means I have an obligation to do my best every day, to acknowledge the freedoms that I currently have, and to honor the people that came before me in the best way that I can, considering the tumultuous journey they had to go through for me to get here. So I have to honor that and do my best to represent not just my family and my students and my school, but represent being an African-American male and what that means positively, and to role model, and to not take that for granted ever.

What moment motivated you to launch this effort?

I think one of the most challenging moments of my life was when I didn't graduate from high school and all my friends did. I was sitting up in the balcony watching them graduate, and I was bawling like a little baby, because I knew I should have done that. Then on top of that, knowing the people that I disappointed. I think that started me on this trajectory, but ultimately what really lit a fire in me was seeing black men in America be stereotyped and marginalized and be put in a box ... and knowing that it's not that cut-and-dried. I don't want to see young people like me not be successful just because of the color of their skin.

What gives you hope or what concerns you?

The same thing — seeing people change and seeing people not change. You know, we all have biases, but (what gives me hope is) really being pleasantly surprised by having really pleasant conversations with people who you've already stereotyped and thought that they were going to show up one way but didn't. But on the flip side, it's the same thing, (being concerned with) somebody who you don't expect to act like that kind of shows a bad side of themselves.

What do you hope to accomplish through your efforts?

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St. Mary Mercy Livonia successfully inserted the world's smallest pacemaker into two patients June 16, joining a small number of facilities in Michigan that now offer minimally-invasive surgery for people living with an irregular heart rhythm.

The Micra TPS pacemaker is the size of a vitamin capsule, more than nine times smaller than a conventional pacemaker. The new pacemaker is completely self-contained within the heart, which eliminates potential medical complications arising from a chest incision or as a result of wires running from a conventional pacemaker into the heart.

"We strive to improve quality through innovation and by bringing leading-edge medical technology to our patients," said David Spivey, president and CEO of St. Mary Mercy Livonia. "I congratulate our Cardiovascular Services team for their diligent work to elevate our level of service for people living with an irregular



The new pacemaker (right) is small enough to be delivered through a catheter and implanted directly into the heart.

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heartbeat."

A pacemaker addresses Bradycardia, a condition characterized by a slow or irregular heart rhythm, usually fewer than 60 beats per minute. At this rate, the heart is unable to pump enough oxygen-rich blood to the

body during normal activity or exercise, causing dizziness, fatigue, shortness of breath or fainting spells. Pacemakers are the most common way to treat Bradycardia to help restore the heart's normal rhythm and relieve

symptoms by sending electrical impulses to the heart to increase the heart rate.

Nathan Foster, M.D., the St. Mary Mercy cardiologist who performed both surgeries, explains

that unlike traditional pacemakers, the Micra TPS pacemaker device does not require cardiac wires (leads) or a surgical "pocket" under the skin. Instead, the device is small enough to be

delivered through a catheter and implanted directly into the heart, providing a safe alternative to conventional pacemakers without the complications associated with leads – all while being cosmetically invisible. The device is also designed to automatically adjust pacing therapy based on a patient's activity levels.

"By removing the device pocket and leads, the two most common failure points of traditional devices are eliminated," Foster said. "All of this is accomplished in a tiny package that outperforms many pacemakers currently on the market. I'm thrilled that our team can offer this new option to patients."

The Micra TPS was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in April 2016 and has been granted Medicare reimbursement eligibility, allowing broad patient access to the pacing technology.

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Madonna students host Brain Awareness Day in South Lyon

Student members and the faculty adviser of the Madonna University Psychology Club presented Brain Awareness Day to some 80, third- and fourth-graders June 12 at Bartlett Elementary School in South Lyon. They were hosted by Sarah Thiel, a guest teacher for the South Lyon School District.

This annual service project combines aspects of psychology and biology and addresses the need for neuroscience education in primary schools. The dual-goal for Brain Awareness Day is for elementary students to receive a thorough introduction to the inner workings of their brains and for the college student mentors to gain experience developing effective and meaningful teaching strategies for extremely difficult topics.

The Madonna student mentors prepared dynamic and engaging lesson plans that highlighted the importance of the brain and brain research. At interactive brain stations, the children were able to see and touch real animal brains, play with plastic models of the human brain, play games to understand the function of the brain's neurons, experience optical illusions and play

beach ball catch while wearing image-distortion goggles. The future neuroscientists also made brain neurons from pipe cleaners to take home.

"It was a lot of fun working with the kids and seeing how excited they were to learn about neuroscience," said Tiffany Gibbons, Madonna psychology student from South Lyon. "One student told me she wouldn't mind cutting into her recess to finish building her neuron!"

According to Kenneth Thiel, Ph.D., assistant professor of psychology at Madonna, the event is meant to spark scientific inquiry and to develop an interest in brain health in young children. "I was really amazed with how quickly all of the students caught on to the lessons. Neuroscience is not an easy topic, even for college students, but by the end of the day, it seemed like the children had a pretty firm grasp on most of the brain terminology we were trying to teach," he said. "Equipping elementary students with knowledge about their brains is an important early step in helping them understand and optimize their own cognitive capacity, as well as preserve and promote their own neural health."



Kenneth Thiel, Madonna assistant professor of psychology, talks about the plastic model of a human brain, as Bartlett Elementary students touch animal brains, during the Brain Awareness Day in South Lyon.



Madonna Psychology Club students Tiffany Milosevski of Livonia (left) and Tiffany Gibbons of South Lyon work with Bartlett Elementary students to make brain neuron models out of pipe cleaners, during the recent Brain Awareness Day.

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Q: I have an IRS problem that I need your help with. A few years ago, a very dear friend of mine passed away. I was named beneficiary of her IRA. When it came time to do my tax return, my tax preparer told me that I did not have to pay tax on the money. I remember at the time him telling me that, since this was an inheritance, I did not have to pay any taxes. A little over a year later, I received a bill from the IRS claiming I owed taxes on the inheritance. At the time, they also hit me with a penalty and interest. I took the letter to my preparer and he told me the IRS was wrong and that I should ignore it, which



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

I did. Over the next year or so, I received a number of letters from the IRS and I always turned them over to my preparer, who assured me that I can ignore the letters. A few weeks ago, I was notified by my bank that the IRS had taken money from my account. I contacted my tax preparer, but he has ignored my calls. I did contact the IRS and, in so many words, they told me that the case is closed. They took from my bank account not only taxes, but also

interest and penalties. I am livid about the situation, but I don't know what I can do. My question to you is, do you think I should hire an attorney to try to get the money back from the IRS?

A: I definitely think it makes sense to sit down with an attorney to discuss your situation. I don't think the focus of the attorney should be on the IRS, but on your tax preparer. I believe you received incredibly bad advice from your tax preparer and it seems to me that he has some responsibility for your situation.

First, it is clear that your inheritance is taxable to you. Your tax preparer is generally

correct in that inheritances are not subject to tax, but the exception of the rule applies to things such as a 401(k) and IRA. When you inherit a traditional 401(k) or IRA, the entire amount you receive is subject to taxes at your ordinary income bracket. If the money you inherited was in a Roth 401(k) or Roth IRA, the amount you receive would not be subject to taxes. However, since this was a traditional IRA, the money is taxed to you.

With regard to the IRS, it is correct when it comes to your tax liability. It is clear that the inheritance is subject to tax, but there is an issue of penalties. The IRS has wide discretion as to the

type of penalties assessed and whether penalties are assessed at all. It is possible that the IRS would waive the penalty in your situation. Unfortunately, you are fighting an uphill battle because the IRS has already taken your money. It is much more difficult to deal with the IRS when it has your money as opposed to you owing it. That being said, I believe at a minimum your tax preparer should refund to you the amount you paid in penalties. Without question, your preparer gave you bad advice and should be responsible for the penalty that you incurred because of that bad advice.

The tax preparer gave bad advice when it came

to how the inheritance is taxed. The tax issue at hand is not complex and the preparer should have been more informed of the law. That being said, the advice to ignore the IRS was horrible. Even though more than half the notices the IRS sends out are incorrect, you cannot ignore them. When the IRS sends you a letter, whether it's right or not doesn't matter; you must respond. If you don't respond, trust me, the IRS will not go away and resolving any tax difficulty will only be more difficult.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. If you would like him to respond to questions, email rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

WAYNE COUNTY EVENTS

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Marecki holding office hours

Wayne County Commissioner Terry Marecki, R-Livonia, has announced she will be conducting office hours in the District 9 community of Livonia 10-11 a.m. Monday, July 3, at the Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road. Constituents can meet with Commissioner Marecki and discuss matters of concern within the community.

"I am looking forward to the opportunity of sitting down and meeting with my Livonia constituents on a one-to-one basis and listening to their concerns regarding Wayne County," Marecki said. "The exchange of information that occurs at these meetings is certainly beneficial, and necessary, in continuing the progress we seek in our community."

For more information, contact Commissioner Marecki's office at 313-224-0946.

Former pastor makes return visit

Former Clarenceville United Methodist Church pastor Dr. Jim Tuttle will be returning Sunday, July 2, to speak at 9:30 a.m. The church is located on 20300 Middlebelt Rd., just south of Eight Mile Road, on the east side of Middlebelt.

Tuttle, who recently retired, was the pastor at Clarenceville United Methodist Church from 1985-90. He had a great impact on the congregation and many members will be looking forward to his return, if only for one day, the church says.

Golf outing for pancreatic cancer research

The fifth annual Charles Cobb Foundation Golf Outing will be held Saturday, July 22, at the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. All proceeds will be donated to the pancreatic cancer research team at Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Registration and continental breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m., with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$100 per person, which includes breakfast, scramble golf, BBQ buffet lunch and awards. The event will also include gaming holes, a 50/50 raffle and 20 themed raffle baskets.

For more information, sponsorship opportunities or to register for the golf outing, contact Denise Cobb at 734-673-9428 or denise@charlescobbfoundation.org. To register or donate online, go to www.charlescobbfoundation.org. Registration deadline is July 15.

Thursday concerts at Canton's Heritage Park

Continuing a more than 20-year tradition, the Thursday Night Concert Series will fill Canton's Heritage Park with a wide variety of musical entertainment and plenty of family fun during these free weekly concerts, sponsored by Can-

ton Community Financial.

Concerts will be held 7:30-9 p.m. each Thursday through Aug. 10 in Heritage Park, adjacent to the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Audience members are encouraged to bring blankets or folding chairs for optimal enjoyment on the amphithe-

ater lawn. Participants are also encouraged to take part in weekly theme nights, raffles and kids activities. In addition, summertime food items will be available for purchase on-site from Crusin' Custom Cones and Good Humor Ice Cream. Canton Leisure Services will be collecting donation items for Operation Care Package,

a Michigan nonprofit group that distributes items to U.S. troops, during concerts in July.

The schedule includes: July 6: Magic Bus - Music from the late '60s that will take you on a psychedelic musical journey to Woodstock and back; July 13: Crossroads - A family band playing contemporary hits, Motown, jazz, funk and more; July

20: Saints of Soul - Featuring a repertoire of vintage soul music with infectious grooves and explosive power; July 27: Together Band - Enjoy high-energy hits in a wide range of classic rock, funk and "feel good" music; Aug. 3: Timbre of Cedar - A play list of the greatest '90s

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Everett



Lexie L. 88, life-long resident of Plymouth, passed away from complications of dementia in Greenville, TX, on June 26, 2017. Mr. Everett was a well-respected businessman & a devout Christian leader. He was co-owner of Plymouth Plating Works, Inc., where he retired after 42 years. He was a charter member of the Plymouth Church of Christ, serving as an elder for 25 years. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Margie Sadler Everett, & two daughters, Vanessa Blythe of Quinlan, TX, & Lynn Morris of Collierville, TN, four grandchildren & eight great-grandchildren. A memorial service for him was held at the Boles Church of Christ, Quinlan, TX.

Oesterle, Jr.

Kenneth Carlyle Kenneth Carlyle Oesterle, Jr., age 76, of New Hudson, passed away on June 25, 2017. He was the first son born to Kenneth and Lillian (nee Rennert) Oesterle on May 4, 1941 in Detroit, Michigan. He was united in marriage on November 24, 1962 to Carole L. Stuckey. After graduating from Redford Union High School in 1959, Ken proudly served his country in the United States Navy. He then earned his undergraduate degree in Education from Concordia University and went on to complete a Master's Degree in Education from Eastern Michigan University. For 40 over years, Ken taught scores of children in sixth grade and upper elementary learning disabled classes at Redford Union Schools. He also tutored adults at Schoolcraft College in order to improve their literacy. Commitment to his career inspired him to develop hand signals to assist students in pronunciation patterns of words. During this time he also trademarked the Unispell Dictionary that used his self-developed phonetic system to simplify the pronunciation of words. Also, he invented the game called Count Down 91 that made learning and using multiplication tables fun for kids and adults alike. Ken had a very analytical mind. He enjoyed getting all of the available information on a subject, contemplating it, calculating with it if financial and, then, making wise choices. He enjoyed reading, working on cars, summer road trips and singing including in a Barbershop Quartet for a number of years. Ken was a devoted husband, father, brother, uncle, teacher, and friend. He is survived by his loving wife Carole; his daughter Laura L. Oesterle; his siblings Dolores (the late John) Curran, Loretta (Don) Keeney, Edward (Gay) Oesterle, and Steve (Rose) Oesterle; and many nieces, nephews, and friends. Ken was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Marlene (Doug) Hoag. Visitation will be held Friday, June 30 from 1pm until 2pm with the funeral services beginning at 2pm at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville. Mitch Yudas, a Spiritual Care Coordinator with Angela Hospice, will officiate at the service. Ken will be laid to rest at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock on Saturday, July 1 at noon. Memorial contributions, if desired, would be appreciated for Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154 or Reading Works at readingworksdetroit.org. "When I began to read, I began to exist." - Walter Dean Myers

Peterson

Leo V. June 23, 2017. Beloved husband of Helen (nee North). Loving father of Leo (Molly), Karen (Andrew MacKenzie), Chris (Pauline), Lawrence, and Leslie Wajda (Edward). Dear brother of Marion Ellis. Also survived by 11 grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Services were held Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at St. Hugo of the Hills Stone Chapel, Bloomfield Hills. Memorial tributes to the American Cancer Society or the charity of donor's choice. A.J. Desmond & Sons 248-549-0500. View obituary and share memories at AJDesmond.com

Shewood



Charles "Slim" Age 84, passed away June 28, 2017. He was born on June 20, 1933, in Detroit, Michigan to Charles and Jean (Waddell) Sherwood. Charles and Elaine enjoyed 57 years of marriage. His Family... Charles will be missed by his wife, Elaine Sherwood; his children, Theresa Matteson Kondel, Chuck (Petra) Sherwood, Kathy (Tim) Schriber; siblings, Arthur (Adrianna) Sherwood, Lee Sherwood; grandchildren, Matt (Kasey) Matteson, Emily Matteson, C.J. Sherwood, Ryan Sherwood, Brent Schriber, James Schriber, Lauren Schriber. His Farewell... Charles' family and friends will gather Monday, July 3, 2017 1pm until time of his community farewell service at 7:00pm, Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel. David Cornwell will serve as celebrant. Memorial contributions are suggested to Salvation Army or Alzheimer's Association. Please leave a message of comfort for Charles' family at 1-877-231-7900, or sign his guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.

Soltesz



Joseph John 94 of Jonesville and formerly of Livonia, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at Drews Country Living in Hillsdale. He was born October 24, 1922 in Throop, Pennsylvania to Michael and Mary (Seidel) Soltesz. Joe married Ellenjane Kathleen Gohlke on April 7, 1953 and she preceded him in death on November 7, 2016. Joe graduated from Southwestern High School and he received his bachelors and masters in education from Wayne State University. He served his country in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. Joe taught business education for many years at Mumford High School and Southwestern High School, later retiring from the Detroit Public Schools after 45 years of service as a teacher and administrator. In 2001, Joe was honored as the Livonia Citizen of Year. He attended St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hillsdale and also enjoyed playing bridge. In their retirement, Joe and his wife, Jane, enjoyed volunteering for Greenmead Historical Village and the Historical Commission in Livonia. Survivors include four children, Deborah (Kyle Harris) Soltesz of Brazoria, Texas, Laurel (Robert) Jones of St. Louis, Missouri, Christopher (Ann) Soltesz of Arlington, Texas and Sara (Anthony) Lisznay of Jonesville; six grandchildren, Justin Jones, Nathan (Kate) Jones, Eric Lisznay, Daniel Soltesz, Elyse Lisznay and Matthew Soltesz and one great granddaughter, Hadley Jones. In addition to his wife, Jane, Joe was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Mitzi Yurko and brother, John Soltesz. Funeral services for Joseph Soltesz will be Saturday, July 1, 2017 at 11:00 AM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hillsdale with Pastor Scott Johnson officiating. The family will receive friends for visitation on Friday from 5-8 PM at VanHorn-Eagle Funeral Home in Hillsdale. Memorial donations are suggested to the Livonia Historical Commission c/o Greenmead, 20510 Newburgh Rd, Livonia, Michigan, 48152. Please visit www.eaglefuneralhomes.com to leave online condolences.

Swaney



Shirley Anne age 86, passed away Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at her beloved cottage "Morning Glory" at Macatawa, Michigan. She was preceded in death by her parents, Marian and Russel Swaney, former husbands Gar Meadowcroft and Gene Eyer, brother Rusty Swaney and nephew Billy Swaney. Shirley is survived by her children; Scott (Gail) Meadowcroft, Greg (Marlene) Meadowcroft and Julie (Charlie) Harrett; grandchildren, Colin Meadowcroft, Sydney Meadowcroft, Robin (Kyle)MacKillop, Sophie Meadowcroft, Porter Harrett and Coye Harrett; sister-in-law Jean Swaney and siblings Sandy (Cort) Lecklider, Bill (Nancy) Swaney and Dick (Terry) Swaney; along with numerous nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Shirley earned a BA in Education from Michigan State University and had a degree in Holistic Health from Western Michigan University. She was always active in many outdoor sports along with teaching aerobics, fitness and Tai Chi. Since Shirley's diagnosis of ovarian cancer ten years ago, she continued her life style of walking, bike riding, knitting and teaching Tai Chi, Yoga and Qi-Gong. Her grit and grace were in inspiration to her family and friends. Her presence will be greatly missed. A memorial service will be held at Grace Episcopal Church, 555 Michigan Ave. in Holland on Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at 12 noon. Following the service family and friends will gather for a lunch reception in the church undercroft. Memorial contributions may be given in Shirley's honor to Hospice of Holland, 270 Hoover Blvd., Holland, MI 49423-3719. www.langelandsterenberg.com

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Davenport University degrees

Davenport University announced that several local students officially completed degrees in business, technology, health professions or urban education at the end of the winter 2017 semester. Davenport hosted commencement on April 30 in Grand Rapids.

Local students who recently graduated from Davenport University include: **Robert Maracle** of Westland; **Trumaine Lawshea** of Westland; **Lashonda Hinton** of Westland; **Jake Otto** of Livonia; **Julie Lebbos** of Livonia; **Heather Chiti** of Garden City; and **Jamie Hicks** of Wayne

Founded in 1866, Davenport is a private, nonprofit university serving about 8,000 students at campuses across Michigan and online.

Alma degrees

The Alma College Registrar's Office announced the following students have completed the requirements for their respective degrees, which were conferred in April 2017.

Jessica Drife of Garden City received a Bachelor of Arts degree summa cum laude in secondary education and mathematics.

Kelly LaPorte of Livonia received a Bachelor of Science degree cum laude with Departmental Honors in integrative physiology and health science.

Sara Stemen of Livonia received a Bachelor of Arts degree with Departmental Honors in communication.

Alma College, founded in 1886, is a four-year residential liberal arts college located in the heart of Michigan's Lower Peninsula.

Mount St. Mary's Dean's List

Michael Kenney of Livonia is among the 607 students who earned dean's list honors for the spring 2017 semester at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Mount St. Mary's University is a private, liberal arts, Catholic university in the Catocin Mountains near historic Emmitsburg, Maryland, with a satellite campus in Frederick, Maryland's second largest city.

University of Alabama Dean's List

University of Alabama student **Jack Thomas Ryckman** of Livonia was named to the Dean's List for Spring 2017. University of Alabama student **Devin James Finer** of Westland was named to the Dean's List for Spring 2017.

A total of 11,101 students enrolled during the 2017 spring semester at The University of Alabama were named to the Dean's List with an academic record of 3.5 (or above) or the President's List with an academic record of 4.0 (all A's). The UA Dean's and President's lists recognize full-time undergraduate students.

The University of Alabama, the state's oldest and largest public institution of higher education, is a student-centered research university that draws the best and brightest to an academic community committed to providing a premier undergraduate and graduate education.

Wisconsin Lutheran College Dean's List

Katelynn Naujock of Livonia, a senior, has been named to Wisconsin Lutheran College's Dean's List for the spring 2017 semester. To be eligible for Dean's List, a student must carry a semester GPA of 3.6 or higher.

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On Oct. 20, 2003 Kirk Jones of Canton leaped from the railing along the Niagara River in Ontario, Canada, and became the first human to survive the 300-foot drop over Horseshoe Falls with nothing but the clothes on his back. Jones poses at Terrapin Point on the American side of Horseshoe Falls in August 2004 in Niagara Falls State Park, N.Y.

Man who survived Niagara plunge dies after apparent 2nd attempt – with a snake

Detroit Free Press staff

A Michigan native, and the first person to have survived an unprotected plunge into Niagara Falls, is believed to have died on April 19 after a second attempt at plunging into the same falls, according to the Associated Press.

The body of 53-year-old Kirk Jones was recovered from the waters under the falls on June 2, the AP reported.

The AP said the apparent stunt with an inflatable ball might have also involved a boa constrictor, which hasn't been found, but an empty snake cage was found in Jones' parked van.

Jones' first plunge was in 2003, when he slipped into the Niagara River and was carried over and under the falls in an apparent suicide attempt.

Jones of Canton began to seriously consider the idea after a family visit to the falls eight weeks prior to his plunge in 2003. At the time, Jones — who said he felt like the “loneliest man in the world” — was never married, unemployed and full of regret.

There was a moment when Jones was close to climbing back to safety and forgetting the whole thing. But then he heard a woman asking him if he was going to jump. It triggered something in him, and he responded, “I think I will.”

He was sucked into the current, and refused to look at the shore because he didn't want the panicked faces in his memory.

He somehow survived the 167-foot plummet and submersion in the frigid river, and felt cleansed

afterward.

The plunge brought him fame, a \$100,000 contract to join the circus, and a meeting with his boyhood idol Alice Cooper.

“I think I left a lot of my problems on the bottom of the gorge that day,” Jones told the Free Press at the time.

On April 19, the same day Jones is believed to have died, tourists spotted an 8-foot plastic ball spinning in the Niagara River rapids before it went over the brink, the AP reported.

The Niagara Gazette reported that after Jones' death, the New York State Park Police found a website featuring a photo of the falls and a picture of Jones and the boa constrictor, Misty.

The site has been taken down, according to the Niagara Gazette.

CALENDAR

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covers that showcase the talents of these band members; and Aug. 10: First Call – Enjoy electrifying pop hits from yesterday and today.

All concerts are weather dependent. To receive text weather updates, join our free RainedOut service by texting “cantonconcerts” to 84483. Weather updates will also be available by contacting the Summit on the Park front desk at 734-394-5460 or watch for updates online at www.facebook.com/cantonfun. For more information about this concert series, call 734-394-5460 or go to www.cantonfun.org.

Recognizing military members

TEAM Schostak Family Restaurants (TSFR), a Livonia-based family-owned restaurant group with an expansive portfolio of casual, quick service and family dining restaurants throughout the state, and its 65 Applebee's restaurants have launched a statewide campaign to recognize Michigan's dedicated military members in honor of the upcoming Fourth of July holiday.

TSFR and its Applebee's restaurants are seeking community nominations now through Tuesday, July 4, for hometown military heroes who have courageously served or are enlisted in military services. TSFR will select a semifinalist group of 15

heroes. The public can then vote on the TSFR website for their hometown hero out of the 15 semifinalists from July 6-9. The five heroes who receive the most public votes will each receive a \$250 Visa gift card and a \$250 Applebee's gift card. All military members who reside within a 10-mile radius of TSFR's Applebee's restaurants are eligible to be one of the five finalists.

Those interested in nominating a military member need to complete the form, including the nominator's name and contact information, the nominee's name and city of residence, and 200 words or less explaining why the military member should be recognized. Nominators can access the form on TSFR's website.

For more information on TSFR's Memorial Day Military campaign or a complete list of participating restaurants, visit www.teamschostak.com.

Vacation bible school

Vacation Bible School will be held from 9 a.m. to noon July 10-14 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile Road, Livonia.

At “Hero Central” kids will discover their strength in God! There will be crafts, recreation, drama, music, science experiments, super snacks, and “Flame” the red panda. Heroes that are 3 years old and potty-trained through sixth-graders are welcome. Cost is \$10 per child for the week, \$30 maximum per family.

For more information, to register, or volunteer (adult or older youth), call the church office at 734-422-6038.

Drop-in art workshop

A free DIA Creative Drop-In Art Workshop for Kids in Wayne is set for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 14. The DIA is bringing a drop-in art workshop to downtown Wayne, Knights of Columbus No. 3021, Notre Dame Lounge, 3144 S. Wayne Road.

Space and supplies may be limited. To RSVP, go to <http://bit.ly/2rZ8s91>.

Youth coed T-Ball and Coach Pitch

New this fall, Livonia Parks and Recreation will offer youth coed instructional T-Ball and Coach Pitch. Registration for T-Ball, ages 5-6, and Coach Pitch, ages 7-8. The program is an introduction to the concept of baseball. Youngsters get instruction and scrimmage with other teams. Youth will learn the importance of good sportsmanship and the joy of the game.

The season will take place from mid-August through early October, with T-Ball scrimmages on Monday and Wednesday evenings and Coach Pitch Scrimmages on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Fees are \$40 per child for Livonia residents and \$50 per child for non-residents. Registration runs through Friday, July 14, at the Kirksey Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard. For more information, call 734-466-2900.

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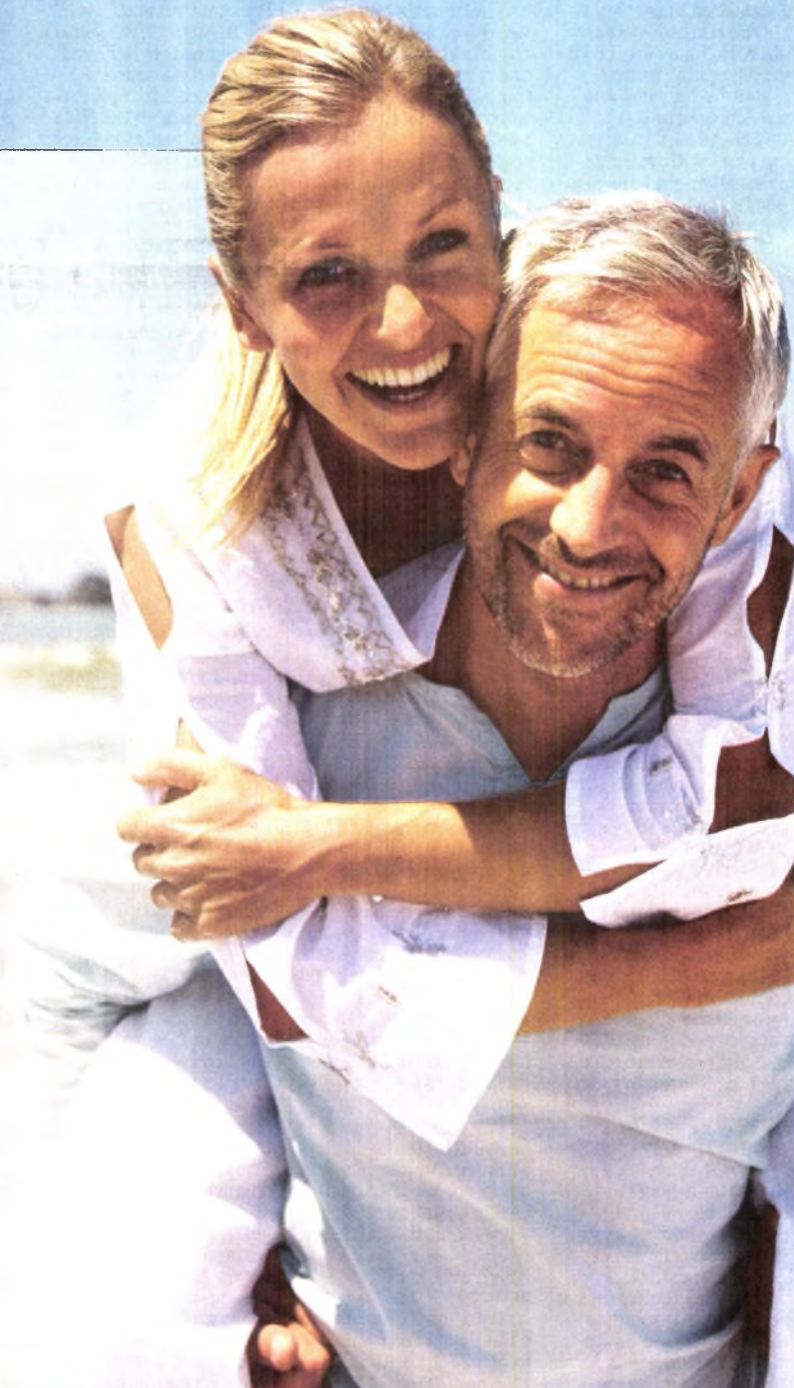
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PREP FOOTBALL

East players form tight bond in win

Game finishes indoors after lightning delay at Saginaw Valley State

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It didn't matter if they played outdoors or indoors, the East was clearly the better team June 24 during its 21-0 win over the West in the 35th annual Michigan High School Coaches Association All-Star game at Saginaw Valley State.

After officials detected lightning in the area during the fourth quarter at Wilkes Stadium, the final 5:37 was played indoors at the nearby Ryder Center, SVSU's state-of-the-art indoor football facility.

The East, getting an 18-yard touchdown pass from Kyle Wood (Rochester Adams) to Derek Lynch (Bloomfield Hills) in the first quarter and a 1-yard keeper by Wood in the second, jumped out to a 14-0 halftime

lead.

The score remained that way until the fourth quarter stoppage, when players, coaches and spectators were moved indoors.

The East, which now leads the series 20-17, put an exclamation point on the victory when Livonia Franklin's Nyassinu Crowell scored from 1 yard out with less than a minute remaining.

"It was originally supposed to be for me, but my quarterback fumbled it and I just carried him in," said Crowell, who was the East's second leading rusher on the afternoon behind Wood. "It felt good, but that wasn't the best part, though. The best part was coming here and meeting a new group of kids."

The game started with a

52-yard end-around flea flicker play from Jared Davis (Frankenmuth) to Najon Moore (Warren Fitzgerald) set up the first score.

And with 9:49 left in the opening quarter, the speedy 5-foot-5, 155-pound Lynch, who will play this fall for the University of Findlay, caught a pass in the flat, faked one West tackler and found the end zone.

"That was my route, just a quick out," Lynch said. "I went out, no one was on me, so I just caught it, got a good block in front of me and I just saw it and just had to score it at that point."

In the second quarter, Lynch made a highlight reel 10-yard run, a la Barry Sanders, when he juke a couple of West tack-



FRANKLIN'S NYASSINU CROWELL (RIGHT) OF THE EAST SQUAD FINDS DAYLIGHT AS EAST KENTWOOD'S ANDRE WELCH MOVES IN FOR THE TACKLE.

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MARTIAL ARTS

NEW KICKERS ON THE BLOCK

P-CEP United Tae Kwon Do, only high school squad in Michigan, to compete July 6 at Cobo Center

Tim Smith
hometownlife.com

When Alex Covert was a student at Salem High School, he wanted to earn a varsity letter in the sport he's loved since early childhood — taekwondo.

The catch was there was no team to get that chance. So the 2009 Salem grad ultimately played varsity soccer and ran varsity track.

Eight years later, he is Master Alexander Covert of Olympia Chung Do Kwan in Canton.

He is a fifth-degree black belt (there are nine levels) and also is instructor of the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park United Tae Kwon Do Club, which got off the ground in 2016-17 and is on track to become an official varsity sport at the Park for 2017-18.

Youngsters from Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools joined the only prep team in Michigan and will compete Thursday, July 6, at Cobo Center in Detroit at the U.S. Collegiate Taekwondo

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TIM SMITH

Master Alexander Covert is a 2009 Salem grad and a fifth-degree black belt.



Master Alexander Covert (left) trains Lubna Farhat during a recent session at Olympia Tae Kwon Do in Canton. Covert coaches the upstart P-CEP United team, of which Farhat is a member.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS

From hockey to hoops, Anastos switches gears

Brad Emons
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Although she just ended a stellar four-year career with the Boston College women's hockey team, Andie Anastos decided she didn't want to let a possible fifth-year of eligibility go to waste.

The 2013 Livonia Ladywood High grad has decided to switch gears as a walk-on for the BC women's basketball team, which may now make her the Babe Didrikson Zaharias of the Chestnut Hill campus.

The last time the 5-foot-8 Anastos laced up her basketball shoes for an organized game was in the 2013 MHSAA Class B state quarterfinals, when the Blazers fell to eventual state champion Goodrich.

As a senior, Anastos was a



Anastos

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BOSTON COLLEGE ATHLETICS

After four years with the Boston College women's hockey team, Andie Anastos will use her fifth year of eligibility to play basketball there.

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CLUB VOLLEYBALL



The Legacy Elite U15 team finished third in the Open Division at the AAU Girls Junior National Volleyball Championships in Orlando, Fla.

Legacy Elite U15 takes third in AAU Junior tournament

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Legacy Elite made quite a run last month in the Under-15 Open Division at the 44th AAU Girls Junior National Volleyball Championship in Orlando, Fla.

Legacy Elite U15, coached by Bryan Lindstrom and Steven Click, finished with a 7-4 tournament record, winning 15 of 27 sets en route to a third-place finish in a tournament that started at the Orange County Convention Center and finished at ESPN's Josten Center in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

Orlando-Tampa (Fla.) South Rox Red captured the title with a 12-0 record, while Louisville (Ky.) PNK took runner-up honors with a 9-4 mark.

Legacy Elite reached the semifinals of the knockout stage with a 25-14, 18-25, 15-7 win over Kentucky-Indiana Volleyball Academy Red before falling to PNK, 18-25, 20-25.

Legacy Elite, which is competing this week in the USA Volleyball Junior Olympics in the Open Division at the Minneapolis (Minn.) Convention Center, features several area players, including Emily Hagelthorn (South Lyon East), 5-foot-1 defensive specialist; Nyia Setla (Northville), 5-1 DS; Genevieve Sale (Farmington Hills Mercy), 5-10 right-side hitter; Christina Audette (Birmingham Marian), 5-8 outside hitter; Alexa Rousseau (Bloomfield Hills), 6-3 setter; and Lauren King (West Bloomfield), 5-10 RSH-middle blocker.

Rounding out the squad are Meghan Dombrowski (Utica Eisenhower), 6-2 MB; Janelle Kwasiborski (Ortonville Brandon), 5-11 MB; Kendall Murray (Ann Arbor Skyline), 6-1 MB; Kennedy Dolmage (Macomb Lutheran North), 5-4 DS; and Katie Straton (Rochester Stoney Creek), 5-10 OH.

PRO SOCCER

Stevenson grad Hildebrandt turns Cincinnati crowd on its ear

Patrick Brennan
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Futbol Club Cincinnati goalkeeper Mitch Hildebrandt took soccer bedlam to a new level in Cincinnati with one flick of his left hand.

FC Cincinnati (United Soccer League) led Chicago Fire of MLS on penalty kicks, 3-1, in a Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup Round of 16 match June 28 when Hildebrandt sprawled left and flashed his left palm.

Hildebrandt, the reigning USL Goalkeeper of the Year who was an all-stater at Livonia Stevenson High before starring at Oakland University, then pushed Chicago's fourth penalty kick attempt wide of his left post.

The save was Hildebrandt's third of the penalty-kick stage of the match, which went scoreless through 120 minutes. It confirmed another stunning upset of a top-flight, MLS team on FC Cincinnati's fairy tale run in U.S. Open Cup.

A Nippert Stadium throng of 32,287 – the second-biggest crowd in U.S. Open Cup history and the largest crowd to see a competitive, non-friendly FC Cincinnati match – heaved and rocked the University of Cincinnati's historic football venue in celebration.

FC Cincinnati's players and coaches did the



Stevenson High grad Mitch Hildebrandt was the hero in FC Cincinnati's upset PK win over Chicago in the U.S. Open Cup.

same, gathering in the north end of the stadium.

In addition to the three penalty-kick stops, Hildebrandt's night included 10 saves and two punches. On a night of superlative performance by Cincinnati, Hildebrandt's outing shone brightest.

"This city is unbelievable and the team was absolutely unbelievable," said Hildebrandt, who was a member of Stevenson's MHSAA Division 1 state runner-up team in 2006. "The amount of work that they put in for 120 minutes was, yeah, that's – I can't even fathom how they feel right now, so that game was just amazing."

Hildebrandt, 26, who began his pro career in 2012 with the Tampa Bay Rowdies before moving to Minnesota FC (2012-15), also produced his seventh shutout of the season in all competitions

and his 17th all time for Cincinnati.

Cincinnati midfielder Aodhan Quinn missed FC Cincinnati's first penalty, which was taken directly in front of the Bailey supporters section in Nippert's north end.

Josu, Harrison Delbridge and Jimmy McLaughlin all followed with successful conversions for FC Cincinnati.

Hildebrandt responded to Quinn's miss by stonewalling Nemanja Nikolic on the ensuing kick, Arturo Alvarez and, on the final kick of the match, Juninho.

Only world-renowned Bastian Schweinsteiger, the third penalty taker for Chicago, was able to beat Hildebrandt.

"I just try to react," Hildebrandt said of his strategy for facing penalties. "We have people that (study) penalties and they give me some info, but

mainly I just try to react. I try to stand my ground and credit to the staff. They gave me some good direction."

Hildebrandt hasn't allowed a goal from run of play in 300 minutes of U.S. Open Cup competition. Including FC Cincinnati backup Dallas Jaye's second-round shutout of AFC Cleveland, Cincinnati hasn't allowed an Open Cup goal in 420 minutes.

The match allowed FC Cincinnati to progress to the quarterfinals of the U.S. Open Cup, where it will face second-division side Miami FC (NASL), but the result also meant more than that.

For on-field matters, FC Cincinnati is streaking. The club improved to 7-1-2 in its last 10 matches and 9-5-5 overall.

Off the field, the Cincinnati-Chicago match was received locally as the latest can't-miss event in FC Cincinnati history. It was an event that played out before a national TV audience on ESPN with the network's top soccer-broadcast crew on the call.

Considering the stage, it was another successful audition for the Queen City club, which some now view as a leading candidate in the MLS expansion process that's expected to yield two new franchises by year's end.

Hometownlife.com sports editor Brad Emons contributed to this report.

ALL-STARS

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lers.

"Being a smaller player, that's one of the things I have to do or else I won't get any yards," Lynch said. "That's one of the things I really do a lot."

The East defense posted its first shutout over the West since the 2008 game (9-0).

Farmington Hills Harrison linebacker Guam Lee Jr., who stands 5-10 and weighs 200 pounds, came up with the "stick" of the game on a West ball carrier in the second quarter.

"It was really exciting, because it set the tone for the game," Lee said. "We really got things going, got the shutout, great day overall."

Lee, who will play at Notre Dame (Ohio) College, was playing under a different defensive scheme devised by East head coach Jeff Wood (Temperance Bedford).

"We were playing a 3-4 (defense)," Lee said. "It was my first time doing that, because at Harrison

we do a 4-4, kind of 5-2, so I really had to re-learn the whole position and we all came together. Great coaching by coach (Walker) Zaban (Dearborn Fordson). The linebackers were solid and we all melded together and did the job."

Another stalwart on defense for the East was fellow linebacker Marquise Hathaway (Redford Union), who was somewhat surprised his team pitched the shutout.

"I wasn't really expecting it," said the 6-1, 230-pound Hathaway. "I was expecting more from them. But, hey, we handled our business, we did our job and came out with a win."

"Today, we had fun. It was just a great experience. I met a lot of new people. Some of the best players across the state come in, making a team within a week and it's just like ... probably the best experience I've ever had in high school."

Hathaway will cross the Ambassador Bridge this fall to play for the University of Windsor. His recruiting process was initially started



Derek Lynch (Bloomfield Hills) scored the first TD for the East squad during a 21-0 win over the West.

through social media. "They contacted me through Twitter," Hathaway said. "It just came out of nowhere and it was unexpected."

Kyle Wood and Crowell carried most of the load offensive for the East.

"I don't think it could have gone any better," said the 6-foot, 190-pound Wood, who will play next season at Michigan Tech.

"I've played smash-mouth football for about five years now with Tony Patriotto and Mark McFarland (at Adams). They preach it. You've got to be tough, you've got to finish runs and set the tone of the game and that's just what I do."

The East owned the time of possession, with the exception of the third quarter, when the West threatened, but could not



Lee

score. "It was crazy. I didn't expect us to jell together like that," Lynch said. "Coming from all different schools, some being rivals ... for us to come together like that and score 21 was just amazing. It was a great experience."

East head coach Jeff Wood said he had a total of seven practices coming into the game, but many were walk-throughs while implementing his veer offensive system and 4-3 defense.

"The best thing was is, we talked to them about that fact we were like a long lost family at a re-

union coming in," he said. "Nobody knew each other and, by the end, we were going to leave as brothers. And that makes a huge difference, when you're playing for your brother instead of somebody that has a price tag on his head in the pros. And our kids just loved that stuff. And they dove in with both feet and we got a lot of stuff accomplished."

Crowell, whose Franklin team was ironically eliminated by Jeff Wood's Bedford squad during the second round of the Division 2 state playoffs last fall, got a much needed equipment adjustment prior to the game.

"All week in practice, I was using somebody else's helmet and it was just too small," said Crowell, who will play at a Minnesota junior college this fall. "My coach (Chris Kelbert) brought it up this morning at 9 a.m. I got to give a shout-out to him."

And also give a big shout-out to the East squad, as well.

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ANASTOS

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fearless point guard who averaged 19.2 points, 9.4 rebounds and 5.2 assists en route to all-state honors. And she did it while juggling two sports that season, also playing for the 2013 AAA state champion Honeybaked U19 team.

"I was just talking to a few people. My academic adviser brought it up and then so did some of my hockey coaches and then, just honestly, somehow it worked out," Anastos said of her switch to hoops. "It's definitely a little bit crazy."

Anastos will join an Eagles basketball team that finished 9-21 overall and 2-14 in the tough Atlantic Coast Conference last season under

coach Erik Johnson, entering his fourth year.

"We talked a little bit," said Anastos, a resident of Farmington Hills who was recently inducted into the Detroit Catholic League Hall of Fame. "I know what (Johnson) wants my role to be on their team or what to look for and so I was able to work it out and have a good conversation with them and figure out what's going on."

Anastos is taking summer school classes, while working out with the basketball team. She admits the only times she picked up a basketball during the past four years was at Ladywood alumni reunion games.

But she looks forward to the challenge of getting reacquainted with the sport.

"I've been playing a little here and there,"

Anastos said. "I feel good. I'm excited for the opportunity and very grateful that they're letting me to do that."

Anastos left an indelible mark on the BC women's hockey program, where she was a key member of the winningest class in school history, both in victories (129) and winning percentage (.859).

A two-time captain, Anastos played in more games (156) in a BC uniform than any other women's hockey player. She scored 58 goals (eighth all-time) and had 86 assists (tied for fifth).

As a senior, she tallied 16 goals and added 26 assists while being voted to the 2017 New England Hockey Writers Association Division 1 All-Star Team. She also earned Hockey East all-star honorable mention hon-

ors. The forward also took part in three NCAA Frozen Fours, helping the Eagles to a 40-1 record and a runner-up finish to Minnesota in 2016. BC also won three Beanpot titles and a pair of Hockey East championships.

"Obviously, would have loved to win a national championship, was close to it for about three years," Anastos said. "But no regrets. I had the time of my life. It's was a blast. I loved the people, loved the coaches. It was an amazing, amazing opportunity and amazing chances everywhere."

A graduate with a B.A. from BC's Lynch School of Education as an applied psychology, human development and film major, Anastos also excelled in the classroom. She earned the Athletic Director's Award for

Academic Achievement three times, as well as places on the Hockey East all-academic team and the ACC honor roll.

Anastos will be taking grad school classes next year in the administration and leadership program at BC.

"It's the people who make it amazing," Anastos said of Boston College. "I've made some of the greatest friends there and my coaches have just been unbelievable. And it goes high up into our athletic department to Brad Bates, the athletic director. He was amazing and the same with even the professors and the community, all the people there who make it unreal."

Anastos, who has four siblings, comes from a hockey and basketball family.

Her father Tom is

former commissioner of the Central Collegiate Hockey Association and former men's hockey head coach at Michigan State (2011-17). Her older sister Lauren played hockey at Adrian College.

Another sister, Jenna, was a member of the Northwood University basketball team (2008-12) and was an assistant coach there as well.

Anastos admits there's been one major adjustment while transitioning over from hockey to hoops.

"The running — 100 percent the running," she said with a laugh. "It's a lot different than the skating. Harder on the knees and shins."

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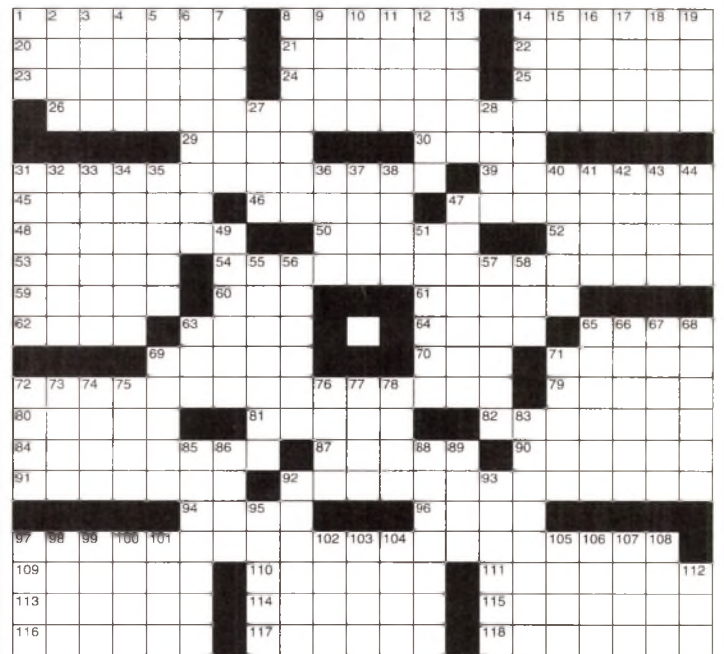
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 - 21 Crescent-shaped
 - 22 Have a thought
 - 23 Bishop, e.g.
 - 24 Apparel
 - 25 It's hung and hit at fiesta
 - 26 Start of an instruction
 - 29 "Anne of Green Gables" novelist Lucy — Montgomery
 - 30 "— have thought it?"
 - 31 Instruction, part 2
 - 39 Reindeer herders' region
 - 45 Burrow
 - 46 Scottish estate owner
 - 47 1976 title film role for Robby Benson
 - 48 Gin-and-lime cocktails
 - 50 Weeper of Greek myth
 - 52 Kitchen appliance brand
 - 53 Everything considered
 - 54 Instruction, part 3
 - 59 Catholic bigwigs
 - 60 Huge time unit
 - 61 Elf
 - 62 With 41-Down, town near New London, Connecticut
 - 63 — about (near)
 - 64 Have — (know someone with clout)
 - 65 Weak type
 - 69 Terrific
 - 70 NFL goals
 - 71 See 97-Down
 - 72 Instruction, part 4
 - 79 Steamers, e.g.
 - 80 Barbera's partner in cartoons
 - 81 Artist Rouseau
 - 82 Orion's kin
 - 84 Proceeds
 - 87 Coffee option
 - 90 Plaza Hotel girl of kid-lit
 - 91 Venus, just before dawn
 - 92 Instruction, part 5
 - 94 — Field (Mets' home)
 - 96 One all, e.g.
 - 97 End of the instruction
 - 109 Team novice
 - 110 Warrant
 - 111 Actor Gary
 - 113 Bee or ant
 - 114 More timid
 - 115 Put to use (near)
 - 116 Mall stands alternative
 - 117 Shines and smooths
 - 118 Vended
 - 10 Animated bug film
 - 11 Go via sea
 - 12 Scattered, as seeds
 - 13 "For cryin' out loud!"
 - 14 Two-footed
 - 15 Aesir god
 - 16 Confined, with "up"
 - 17 Jack of early late-night TV
 - 18 Bluesy James
 - 19 Merger, e.g.
 - 27 Knitting stitch
 - 28 E. — (gut bacteria)
 - 31 Band
 - 32 Couscous alternative
 - 33 Opens, as a gas tank
 - 34 Sock variety
 - 35 Film units
 - 36 Baseball's Martinez
 - 37 Shamrock's land
 - 38 Reversed one
 - 40 Dinner piece
 - 41 See 62-Across
 - 42 Open a bit
 - 43 Taboo thing
 - 44 Unhearing
 - 47 Carlisle of the Go-Go's
 - 49 Awful smell
 - 51 Indirect route
 - 55 Tobacco pipes
 - 56 Get clothed
 - 57 Is
 - 58 Material for some cans
 - 63 Alley —
 - 65 Lambaste
 - 66 Rome's land, in France
 - 67 Acacia relative
 - 68 Badger
 - 69 Incine
 - 71 Resell tickets
 - 72 Mississippi senator Cochran
 - 73 "Mary — Little Lamb"
 - 74 One of the deadly sins
 - 75 Santa — (some winds)
 - 76 Lead-in to spore
 - 77 67-Down, for one
 - 78 Personal quirks
 - 83 Article-preceding summary
 - 85 Marks of distinction
 - 86 Cat Nation tribe
 - 88 Pollination organs
 - 89 Pâte de — gras
 - 92 Truck fuel
 - 93 Vessel with a bag, maybe
 - 95 Streetcars
 - 97 With 71-Across, French avant-garde composer
 - 98 TV actress Anderson
 - 99 Ho-hum (barely earns)
 - 101 Lit candle bit
 - 102 "Hmm... yes"
 - 103 Zap, as leftovers
 - 104 Arduous hike
 - 105 Lost traction
 - 106 Soilder, say
 - 107 Jannings of old films
 - 108 Demolish
 - 112 Actor Romero



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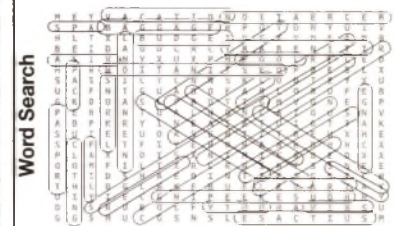
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Car Report

DODGE STEPS UP AGAIN BY SPONSORING 'ROADKILL NIGHTS' A WEEK BEFORE DREAM CRUISE, CENTERED IN PONTIAC



By Dale Buss

Now that Chevrolet has withdrawn as the primary sponsor of the annual "Dream Cruise" on Woodward Avenue, another legendary Motown brand is stepping up its own presence in the week-long, mid-August celebration that draws thousands of old hot rods and their owners—as well as hundreds of thousands of observers and other fans—to the central thoroughfare of metropolitan Detroit.

Dodge is kicking off the city's celebration of classic cars and car culture for the second straight year with a night of legal drag racing on Woodward, helping aging boomers see fulfilled something that most of them

could only have hoped to get away with in their youth as cruisers.

Specifically, on August 12, Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge will take over MI Concourse in Pontiac with drag racing and thrill rides, celebrity-showdown races and other family-friendly activities.

Attendees also will be able to check out the full potential, on the drag strip and via race simulators, of the 2018 Dodge Challenger SRT Demon. As the most powerful muscle car ever, with 840 horsepower and 770 pound-feet of torque, SRT Demon will be the new halo car for the Fiat Chrysler-owned brand that has doubled down on its performance chops in recent years and now wants to be almost totally defined by that attribute.

Even in an era of encroachment by emissions-friendly electric cars and thrill-killing self-driving features, there's still a big place for car fans who want to steer their own vehicles.



Dodge wants throngs for Roadkill Nights in Pontiac again this year

"Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge," TEN: The Enthusiast Network's popular drag-racing event and car festival, attracted more than 30,000 fans last year, returns to M1 Concourse in Pontiac, Michigan. Moving up a week, Roadkill kicks off southeast Michigan's weeklong celebration of classic cars and car culture.

This year's "Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge" is even bigger and better, bringing back legal street drag racing on Woodward Avenue and even more experiences, including Dodge Thrill Rides in the 707-horsepower Dodge Challenger SRT Hellcat and Charger SRT Hellcat and the 645-horsepower

Charger SRT Demon on the dragstrip and "drive" it via a high-octane drag racing simulation experience. Additional activities include cacklefest, wheelstander exhibition runs, dyno tests, show 'n' shine, "Roadkill" stunts and exhibitions.

New family-friendly activities this year include thrill rides on the M1 track, large inflatable slides and obstacle course, rock climbing walls, face painting, as well as live music and entertainment on the main stage, and an eclectic array of food truck offerings and beverages available for purchase.

"Continuing the Dodge brand's efforts to take racing off the streets

and to a professionally run strip, there is no better way to kick off Detroit's annual cruise week than to have a pure enthusiast event like Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge," said Tim Kuniskis, Head of Passenger Cars, Dodge, SRT, Chrysler, and FIAT, FCA - North America, in a company press release.

"This event is also the perfect opportunity to show muscle car enthusiasts from around the world the new 840-horsepower Dodge Challenger SRT Demon where it was born to dominate - on the dragstrip."

The car show and festival will also include a first-ever celebrity showdown with "Roadkill" cohosts David Freiburger and Mike Finnegan, drag racing stars Leah Pritchett and Matt Hagan, and "The House of Muscle" car guru Mike Musto. Leading the races will be Freiburger and Finnegan, cohosts of the most-viewed YouTube automotive original series in the United States, Chris Jacobs of Velocity's "Overhaulin'" will cohost the activities both on and off the dragstrip.

"Roadkill Nights brings 'Roadkill' to life and allows our fans to participate in the thrill of fingers-clenching, top-speed drag racing, which is what we thrive on," Freiburger says. "There's something for everyone — drag racers, families, foodies and anyone who is looking to have a great day filled with unparalleled fun at an iconic location."

The August 12 "Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge" event is open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Drag racing and Dodge Thrill rides will take place from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.



The sun sets over "Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge" last year

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In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 4 of Act 207 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1921, as amended, the City Zoning Act (MSA 5.2934; MCLA 125.584) as well as Article XXIII of Ordinance No. 543, as amended, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Livonia, the Council has determined that a Public Hearing will take place before the Council of the City of Livonia on **Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Auditorium at City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, with respect to the following item:

PETITION 2017-05-01-03 submitted by Brian Duggan, on behalf of Soave/Oro Construction L.L.C., to rezone the properties located on the west side of Farmington Road between Pickford and Curtis Roads (18491, 18489, 18481, 18477, 18451, 18431, 18421 and 18363 Farmington Road) in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 9, from OS (Office Services) to R-1 (One Family Residential - 60'x120' Lot).

SUSAN M. NASH, CITY CLERK

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PETITION 2017-05-01-02 submitted by Brian Duggan, on behalf of Soave/Oro Construction L.L.C., to rezone the property located on the west side of Farmington Road between Pickford and Clarita Roads (18761 Farmington Road) in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 9, from OS (Office Services) to R-1 (One Family Residential - 60'x120' Lot).

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All proposals shall be sealed in envelopes, plainly marked with: **CITY OF LIVONIA, MICHIGAN PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT - REPLACEMENT OF AIR HANDLING UNIT AT CITY HALL, name of vendor** and shall be addressed to the City Clerk, City of Livonia, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan 48154.

No vendor may withdraw his proposal within 120 calendar days after the date set for opening thereof.

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Don Rohraff
Director of Public Works

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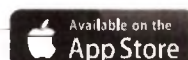


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