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## Anna's House features plenty of choices

Popular west Michigan eatery opens first metro Detroit location

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Probably the first thing you'll notice about Anna's House is how bright it is compared to the Max & Erma's that previously occupied the building at Newburgh and Warren roads in Westland.

It's not just the windows — it's also the bright, pastel decor and furnishings.

"A lot of places are very dark. We go on the brighter side. We want it to be happy and cheerful," said Curtis Lubbers, general manager of the Westland Anna's House.

The music helps with that, too, he said, being largely pop favorites from the '50s and '60s. The booths are reminiscent of dinette tables that once graced many homes as baby boomers were growing up. The restaurant also

has a large circular counter, where guests can eat seated on old school pivoting stools.

"We like to have a breakfast counter. We're first-come, first-served. There can be half an hour to an hour wait on the weekends," Lubbers said. "You can go to the counter if you want. You can have a meal and (see a) show watching the servers make specialty drinks. Sometimes people wait for a seat at the counter."

Adding to that cheerful atmosphere is a menu that provides something for everyone, regardless of their dietary restrictions. Anna's House is open from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily offering breakfast all day, with salads and sandwiches.

"I am not surprised about how well we are doing. I am surprised about



Matt Salmeto serves eggs Benedict. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Redford Township Police Officer Jennifer Mansfield and retired K-9 officer Maverick were thrilled at the turnout. TOM BEAUDOIN

## Redford K-9 dog savors chew toys in retirement

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Jennifer Mansfield admits it was a difficult transition the first time she left her house in police uniform without her partner the last 10 years.

The Redford Township police officer worked with Maverick, a German shepherd, the last 10 years. She said he still wants to hit the road whenever she

heads out.

"For him, it was just an adjustment of being home," she said. "The first time I told him to stay, he thought he was in trouble."

Maverick, a well-known K-9 in Redford, retired earlier this month from the department after a decade of service. His retirement was marked by a celebration last weekend at the Ancient Order of the Hibernians Hall.

Mansfield said more than 250 people came to wish Maverick a happy retirement filled with squeaky toys and bowls of food.

Mansfield said in addition to plenty of Redford residents coming to wish him the best, he also received some recognition from various political leaders.

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## Garden City to host annual Santaland Parade

The holiday season is just around the corner and so is the 2017 Garden City Downtown Development Authority Santaland Parade. The theme of the 57th annual parade is a Storybook Christmas. Participants are urged to incorporate this theme when designing their entries. Participation forms can be found online at [www.santalandparade.com](http://www.santalandparade.com).

Highlighting this year's parade is Miss Michigan USA, Elizabeth Johnson, who was crowned Sept. 30. The parade will also include four high school bands. Along with mainstay, the Garden City Cougars marching band, the parade will feature the Livonia Franklin Patriots marching band the combined Taylor Kennedy and Taylor Truman marching band and the Robichaud Bulldogs drum line.

The Great Lakes Garrison, a subdivision of the 501st Legion premier Imperial Star Wars costuming group, returns, along with The Great Lakes Ghostbuster Coalition. Another favorite, the Redford Unicycle Club, will return to this year's parade. The Detroit Tigers and Detroit Lions will be represented with their mascots Paws and Roary. Add in tons of classic cars, marching groups, scouts, service organizations, characters, Stan the Fireman, businesses and, of course, Santa and you have one of the best holiday parades in all of Michigan. Last year, the parade included 80 entries.

The parade begins at Garden City High School, travels south on Middlebelt, east on Ford and ends in the Gar-

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# ANNA'S

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excited people have been so excited about our dietary choices. We offer gluten-free, dairy-free, vegan and vegetarian options," Lubbers said. "That's what helped us grow in Grand Rapids. We filled a void for healthy living and all-natural meat products. We filled a void in Westland, too."

Anna's House is based in the Grand Rapids area and the Westland location is the company's first venture into the eastern side of Michigan. Another location is set to open in Farmington Hills.

"We didn't know much about the community, but we knew this was a great location. Everyone has been so welcoming — the residents, the city folks, Mayor (William) Wild have been awesome," said Lubbers, who began



The eclectic decor evokes the 1950 and '60s. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

as a server at Anna's House in Holland. "The Westland location has been doing extremely well. East Beltline (located in Grand Rapids) is the top location. They're hard to beat." Among the top sellers

at the restaurant are the breakfast burrito (eggs, sausage, onions, green pepper and cheddar cheese, topped with sour cream, guacamole and rancho sauce) and the California omelet (cream cheese, bacon, tomato and avocado).

"My favorite on the menu is the chorizo burger. It's a half-beef, half-chorizo patty with a sunny side up egg, onion rings and chipotle aioli on a pretzel bun," Lubbers said.

Anna's House has

specialty pancakes, french toast and crepes, entree salads, burgers, sandwiches wraps and pannins. Another popular item, Lubbers said, is the Twilight French Toast, with a creme brulee sauce, fresh berries and a raspberry melba.

Starting in December, Lubbers said a seasonal menu will be offered for three months, including new entrees.

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Anna's House Restaurant is a Grand Rapids-area favorite, now open in Westland. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Stephanie Suchala is ready to serve you at Anna's House. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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den City Town Parking lot (northeast corner of Ford and Middlebelt), where the title sponsor of the parade, the Garden City DDA, will hold its post-parade event with hot chocolate, cookies and giveaways, along with an opportunity for kids to meet with Santa and some of the groups from the parade. The parade will be shown live locally on GCTV (Channel 12 on Comcast, Chan-

nel 18 on WOW and Channel 99 on Uverse) and will also be streamed live to Facebook (City of Garden City, Michigan) and to the GCTV U Stream channel. Links to all of these options can be found on the City's website at www.gardencitymi.org.

Along with the title sponsorship of the Garden City DDA, the parade is supported financially by a number of businesses, including the Buccilli Group (\$2,000) the DTE Energy Foundation (\$2,000), Garden City Hospital (\$1,000) Inkor-

porate Graphics (in-kind), Barsamian Family Dentistry, GC Medical Center, the Santeiu family, Orin Jewelers, Fleming Financial Services, Hersey's Shoes and Gordon Chevrolet (all \$500). Also, \$250 has been contributed so far by Dr. Harvey Ellis DDS, Garden City Ace Hardware and Comcast. The parade committee also wishes to thank Gordon Chevrolet and North Brothers Ford for loaning the parade vehicles to use during the parade. The parade committee is still accepting donations and informa-

tion about becoming a sponsor is available at www.santalandparade.com.

The first Santaland Parade was in 1961 and put on by the Garden City Jaycees. Currently, the parade is run by a volunteer committee that is a part of the Garden City Community Coalition. The day of the parade, more than 100 volunteers are used to handle staging, the parade itself, television production and any other elements of the parade's operation.

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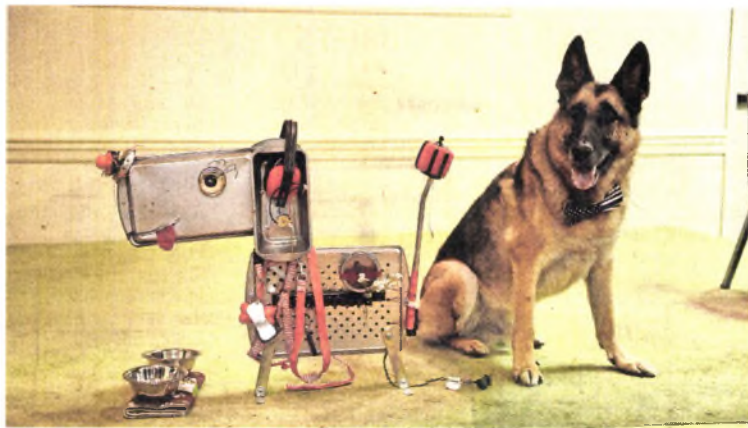
"It was fun," Mansfield said. "He received a special tribute from state Rep. Leslie Love and (state Sen. David) Knezek. And then (county Commissioner) Diane Webb did a proclamation."

## More than 1,500 runs

During his career with the Redford Township Police Department, Maverick went on more than 1,500 documented runs in Redford and surrounding communities, including Detroit, Livonia, Southfield and wherever else he was called to assist. During that time, he chased burglary suspects, sniffed out drugs and even was the calming force for children at community events.

During his career, Mansfield said Maverick never needed to bite a suspect, relying on other policing techniques to help capture suspects.

Mansfield recalled his first run, one the two went on to locate a suspect fleeing police that went into Detroit's west side. After searching around several homes in the perimeter set up by police, Mansfield said Maverick walked over toward a garbage can "Maverick started



Maverick has a new friend as he sits next to "Selfie," a gift he received at his retirement party. TOM BEAUDOIN

tracking through a yard and walked over to one of those garbage cans and just put his feet on it," she said. "He just turned and looked at me. So I turned and looked at my backup and said, 'Did you guys check the garbage can?'"

"And out comes Oscar the Grouch; the guy was in the garbage can. That was his first live find."

Now that he's retired, he lives with Mansfield at her home. But residents can rest assure Maverick isn't going anywhere; if Mansfield is not working, she said she hopes to bring him to various events across Redford.

She said he might even make appearances at some of the surrounding hospitals as well, where



Robert Willis and his wife Lorraine (far left) came out for the retirement party for K-9 officer Maverick. Redford Police Officer Jennifer Mansfield (center) had been partner with Maverick for 10 years. TOM BEAUDOIN

he typically is received with open arms.

"He's a very welcome guest at Beaumont (Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills) and Garden

City," she said.

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Amelia Crandall came all the way from Frankenmut celebrate with retired Redford Police K-9 officer Maverick. TOM BEAUDOIN



Wayne County Commissioner Diane Webb (right) and state Rep., Leslie Love (left) present retired K-9 officer Maverick and Redford Police Officer Jennifer Mansfield with special tributes from Wayne County and the state of Michigan for the 10 years of service. TOM BEAUDOIN

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### WESTLAND POLICE BRIEFS

#### Speakers stolen from front door

A resident who lives in the 500 block of Van Sull called the police station Oct. 16 to report the theft of two speakers that were delivered to the home. He said the speakers were delivered and left on the front porch, but were stolen. They were delivered but never received them. No suspect information was available.

#### Front business broken into

Police were dispatched Oct. 16 to a vacant business at N. Wayne on the report of a burglary. Police arrived and spoke to the victim, who was at the storefront boarding up the door. He said he was at the store earlier that afternoon and everything was in. Later that evening, he was informed by a

neighboring business the front glass door was shattered. He does not believe access was gained and his tools appeared to be still at the site.

#### Counterfeit money

Police were called Oct. 17 to Malarkey's, 35750 Warren, on the report of some counterfeit cash that had been passed.

The caller said he received the bill the day before and noticed that day the money was fake. He did not know where it came from, but said it came from the poker room. Two bills appeared to have the same serial numbers.

#### Halloween decorations stolen

A resident who lives in the 1600 block of Crown came into the police station Oct. 18 to report the theft

of some Halloween decorations.

She said someone took two Halloween decorations from her yard. Also taken was a solar light and a welcome sign.

#### Wallet taken from vehicle

A resident who lives in the 8000 block of Dowling called police to her home Oct. 21 to report her wallet had been taken.

She said she discovered that morning her vehicle had been ransacked. The only thing missing was a wallet containing gift cards. The doors to the car were unlocked and no suspect information was available.

— By David Veselenak

### LIVONIA POLICE BRIEFS

#### Wallet taken from vehicle

A resident who lives in the 9800 block of Harrison came to the Livonia police station Monday morning to report her wallet had been stolen from her vehicle.

Said she parked her car and left it unlocked outside. When she returned to it the next day, she found her wallet missing. It contained her driver's license, library cards, Costco card, debit card and some cash. She did not know who took the wallet and

said there had not been any activity on her bank card.

#### Shoplifting suspect attempts to steal trading cards

Police were called Oct. 20 to Target, 20100 Haggerty, on the report of a retail fraud suspect in custody.

Store employees said the man was seen looking at some trading cards on the trading card wall. He selected two boxes off the shelf and took them elsewhere in the store. He opened the boxes and con-

cealed some of the cards in his pocket. He went to another part of the store and opened more card packs and concealed them. He tried to leave without paying, but was stopped. Police arrived and issued him a citation, releasing him at the scene. He was also trespassing from the store.

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#### Package stolen

A resident who lives in the 32900 block of Forest filed a report with Wayne police Oct. 18 regarding the theft of a package.

She said she received an email saying her package of body spritz had been delivered. She noticed a few days later she did not receive the package. She checked with the leasing office to see if the package had been left there, though it did not have the package. She called UPS, who said the driver had been in her area that day delivering packages and was advised to file a police report.

#### Wallet taken from vehicle

A resident who lives in the 38200 block of Laurewood filed a police report Oct. 13 to report her wallet had been taken from her vehicle.

She said someone took the wallet from her front seat of her car. Some of her papers were found scat-

tered at a nearby house. She said she remembers locking her car doors the night before, but said it's possible she hit the wrong button to lock the car. It was left parked at the end of the driveway.

#### Attempted break-in of residence

Police were called Oct. 19 to the 4300 block of Randolph on the report of an attempted burglary.

Police spoke to the victim, who said she noticed a full hand print on her kitchen window the night before. She said the screen had also been slid open. She did not know who would have attempted to break in. Police checked the scene for evidence.

#### Possible attempted burglary

Police were dispatched Oct. 18 to a home in the 34500 block of Glenwood on the report of an attempted break-in of a home.

The victim said she was in the hospital the past week and had her granddaughter watching her home.

When she returned home, she found an object obstructing the dead bolt lock, not allowing her to open the door. No suspect information was available.

#### Man found in vacant apartment

Police were called Oct. 17 to a residence in the 35700 block of West Michigan Avenue on the report of a break-in at an apartment.

The victim, the owner of the apartment building, said someone moved out of one of the units Oct. 15 and maintenance changed the locked on the door the next day. The manager and workers showed up at the unit Oct. 17, opened the door and found someone sleeping on the floor. The man begged him not to call police and he left on foot. He told the owner someone in the building had let him into the unit.

— By David Veselenak

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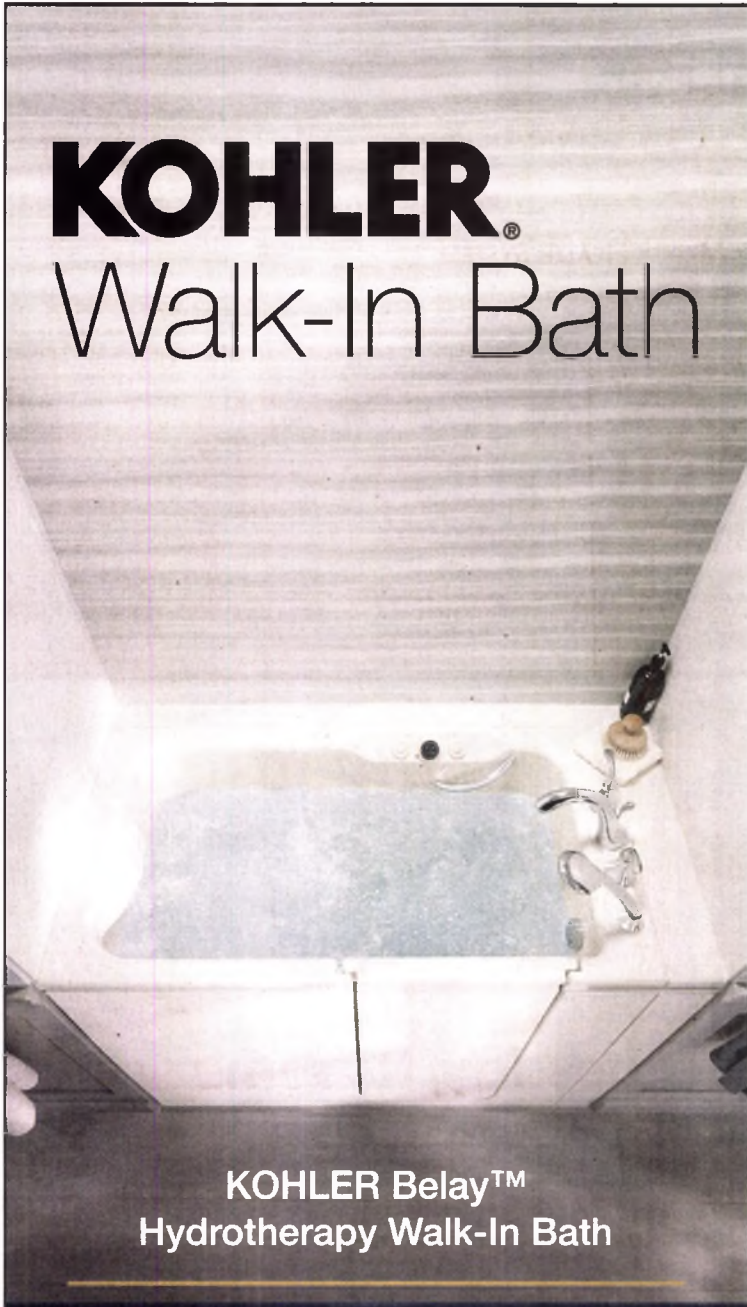
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## Livonia YMCA offers some early Halloween excitement

With emphasis on fun, fitness and healthy snacks, the Livonia Family YMCA celebrated Halloween a little early this year.

On Oct. 21, a haunted house replaced a locker room, games replaced workout routines and costumes were worn rather than athletic gear.

"This was an opportunity for kids and their families to experience some togetherness, with events that went beyond the typical activities the Y offers," said Brian Wolverton, executive director of the Livonia Family YMCA. Crafts, Halloween stories and a costume contest were a few of the activities children enjoyed. Visitors experienced a "candy-free" evening, as healthy snacks were featured.

"All the Halloween fun centered around family togetherness and health-centered activities," Wolverton said. "Many of our visitors were Y regulars, but this was an opportunity for families who were new to the Y to get to know us a little better. We know a visit to the Y is the best way for families from Livonia, Westland and the surrounding communities to get a sense of what we are about."

"This type of event really shows that, although the Y is there to offer fitness classes, swimming lessons or basketball, the Y also creates community," Wolverton added. "Events like Halloween at the Y are a way for us to show that we are a welcoming environment for kids where they can connect with others, develop character and have fun."

Jennifer Bennett, an active YMCA parent, could not agree more.

"My three children do a lot of different things here," Bennett said. "We have taken part in swimming lessons, gymnastics, child care and parents night out. We love the summer camp because it is affordable, it lasts through Labor Day when many other camps do not and I know my kids are in a safe, healthy environment."

A highlight of the Halloween event was the opportunity for kids to have an up-close look at a fire engine, courtesy of the Livonia Fire Department.

"Livonia is a great community," said Dave Kaul, a 14-year veteran of the Livonia Fire Department. "Bringing the truck to the YMCA is a great way for us to connect with the community."



Two-year-old Gregg Bennett creates some spooky art with the help of his mother, Jennifer Bennett. LIVONIA FAMILY YMCA



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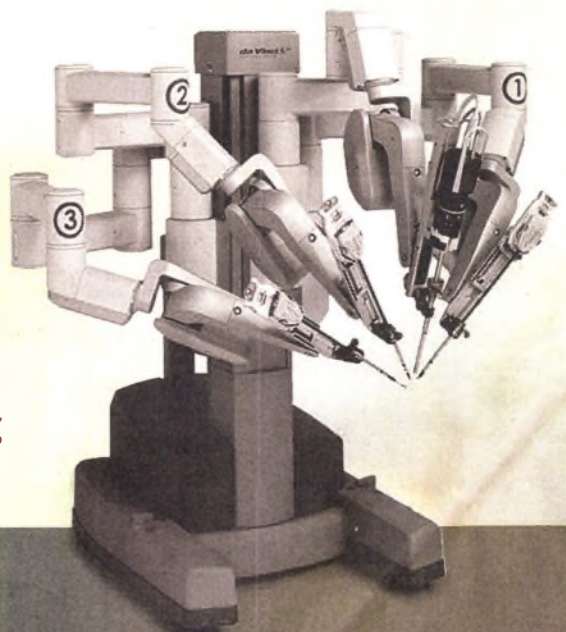
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## Wayne Memorial students prepare for college



Members of the senior class at Wayne Memorial High School spent part of Oct. 20 in the computer lab working on their future. All members of the Class of 2018 applied to college. The high school counselors helped students apply to colleges of their choice, fill out financial aid and scholarship forms and write essays for colleges and scholarships. October is Michigan College Month and Wayne Memorial has participated in it every year. Michigan College Month is part of a national initiative with the goal to provide every graduating high school senior the opportunity to apply to college and for financial aid. Special focus is placed on assisting students who would be the first in their families to attend college and students who may not have otherwise seriously considered applying to college.

## Documentary explores toxic exposure and effects of burn pits

After returning home from battlefields in Iraq and Afghanistan, American soldiers are developing serious illnesses; this is a result of past exposure to open-air burn pits on their own military bases.

The 55-minute documentary, "Delay, Deny, Hope You Die," explores the facts about burn pits and the fumes and smoke to which military veterans were exposed.

Family members, health care professionals, veterans and taxpayers should be informed about this rarely discussed military standard operating procedure.

The viewing of this detailed documentary is free due to generosity of Phoenix Theatres and Legal Help for Veterans, PLLC. Tickets only available at the theaters on a first-come, first-served basis at each showing.

Show times are:  
 » Phoenix Theatres-Livonia: 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 6  
 » Phoenix Theatres-Wayne: 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 7  
 » Phoenix Theatres-Monroe: 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8

Since the U.S. went to war in Afghanistan in 2001 and Iraq in 2003, about 2.5 million members of the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard and related Reserve and National Guard units have been deployed in the Afghanistan and Iraq wars, according to Department of Defense data.

DOD reports about 99 percent of troops were exposed to burn pit smoke and fumes. However, only a little more than 100,000 veterans have registered with VA because of burn pit fume exposure. The dangers of the smoke were not discussed and links to medical problems are not known.

"Michigan is home to 600,000 veterans who need to hear this story of concern to their comrades," Brig. Gen. Carol Ann Fausone (ret) said. "This emotional documentary tells an important story that everyone needs to see".

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# IMMIGRANT EXPLORES FLAG'S COLORS

Sarvinder Naberhaus, who came to America at age 4, wants to inspire children

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Each week, this series will introduce you to an exceptional American who unites, rather than divides, our communities. To read more about the American profiled here and more average Americans doing exceptional things, visit [one-nation.usatoday.com](http://one-nation.usatoday.com).

AMES, Iowa - It's as if everything in her life led to this moment, said Sarvinder Naberhaus.

The Ames woman awoke with the words "blue sky and white stars" drifting between dream and waking. The image of the flag and immigrants at Ellis Island came to her. She began writing a book, "Blue Sky White Stars," that she hoped would make children feel the freedom and unity that she found in America.

"It was put in motion even before I was born. This dream and this momentum ... from my great-grandfather who was aware that America was the light of the world," Naberhaus said.

Her great-grandfather boarded a ship in India in the 1920s to travel to America but had second thoughts and got off. Her father, Harpal Bal, had the same dream, but his pocket was picked in Calcutta. A priest loaned him money to go to school. His education eventually allowed him to come to America in 1965, continue his veterinary education and become an Iowa State University professor.

Naberhaus, 56, arrived with her family at age 4. She was the only face of color in her school class. Three times she was targeted with racist remarks.

But a woman later gave her a book, "Chester the Little Pony." After that she spent her days sitting high on a tree branch reading books. She went to college and became a teacher.

But it wasn't until she had become an American citizen in 1996 and had children of her own, the last of three in 1999, that she decided to write her own books for children.

The dream followed, sparking an image of the flag, its colors a metaphor for the color of the American landscape and the multicultural faces of Americans.



Sarvinder Naberhaus of Ames, Iowa, said she hopes her children's book, "Blue Sky White Stars," will bring people together. MICHAEL ZAMORA/USA TODAY NETWORK

"We are woven together with different colors and threads. The perfect metaphor for people literally woven together," said Naberhaus, who was paired with illustrator Kadir Nelson to produce the Penguin book, released in June.

The book's final page is an illustration of the flag on the moon.

"That's how high freedom can take you," she said. "It can take you to the moon."

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**SARVINDER NABERHAUS**

**Location:** Ames, Iowa

**Age:** 56

**Profession:** Writer

**Mission:** My mission with this book was healing and unity and to bring joy and stories in the hearts of children.

**Q&A WITH SARVINDER NABERHAUS**

**What does it mean to you to be an American?**

I think it means that I am privileged. I have opportunities I would never have had in India. It means freedom, it means a new perspective and ways of looking at things from when we first moved here from India. Today we look back and see how we have changed. I think it has been for the better. Coming here as an immigrant means I have grown and that I've learned. I've looked and I've compared America to other nations. I see what we do in America and how we do it. I think we do very well. In America, you can achieve your dreams.

**What moment touched and motivated you to launch this effort?**

It's a culmination of my life and prior to my life — the momentum came from my ancestors and pushed me towards America. It feels like that was my purpose and my destiny. I slept on it, and the words came to me, blue sky white stars. Then I just kept going with the idea. How far can this parallel take me? White rows, red rows. Red, white and blue. I wrote down the images that came to my mind.

**What gives you hope and what concerns you?**

My hope for our nation would be that it would continue healing. I feel like it has been on the right path of equality and acceptance for all man for who they are, whether they are disabled, whether they are of a different race, whatever makes them different, that we would celebrate the differences rather than try to get rid of the differences. We are not all alike, and we want to be appreciated for who we are, inside and out. We all know the real value of a human being is what's inside of them, not what's outside of them.

**What do you hope to accomplish through your efforts?**

I hope to bring more and more joy to people with my books, because I was such a reader and loved books. It was a wonder for me and a new world. My hope is I will pass along that joy to other people. In the book, I hope they will feel something when they read it, when they look at the etched lines of worry on Abraham Lincoln's face. Even before this current political climate, I told my friend that I thought this book was meant to bring healing to this nation, to unite our nation.

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### Westland Veterans Day event

The Westland Veterans Association will be hosting the Veterans Day ceremony at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, at the Veterans Memorial Garden of Westland. The Westland Veterans Association would like to recognize all Westland Purple Heart recipient veterans that will be attending the ceremony. If someone is attending who is not a veteran but their loved one received the Purple Heart and has died, call 734-788-7753 by Oct. 30.

### Joyner to speak at Rotary meeting

The Livonia Rotary Club will host a special presentation Monday, Oct. 30, given by Bill Joyner, in honor of his mother Geraldine Joyner and Rotary International's World Polio Day. Mrs. Joyner was a role model of endurance and fortitude, becoming a PTA president, a school board member for Livonia Public Schools, a board member for Wayne County Regional Educational Service Area and a member of the League of Women Voters. Joyner will discuss his mother's medical treatment, including early treatments prior to the polio vaccine.

The Livonia Rotary Club meets at noon each Monday at Laurel Manor. The cost for Joyner's presentation is \$15, payable at the door.

### Jubo Method at Wayne library

The Friends of the Wayne Public Library will present a seminar on the Jubo Method, a new music program designed for any person who wants to play, read and compose music on day one, 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, at the library, 3737 S. Wayne Road.

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Instruments will be provided for the event and will be available for purchase. To register for this free program, visit the Adult Reference Desk or call the library at 734-721-7832.

### Inspire Theatre presents 'Fright'

"It Happened One Fright," kicks off the 13th season of Inspire Theatre, Westland's only live theater. "Fright" is an original musical adaptation including music borrowed from the '60s to the '80s incorporating several musical genres, from Michael Jackson to gypsy music. Inspire Theatre is housed in the Westland Center for the Arts, 33455 Warren Road. "It Happened One Fright" runs for Oct. 27-29 and Nov. 3-5, at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$16 and are available at <http://inspiretheatre.ticketleap.com>. For more information, call 734-751-7057.

### Lagers for Lunches event

The Livonia Jaycees will be hosting its fourth annual Lagers for Lunches Event at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 3, at the One Under Banquet Hall. Join the Jaycees, community leaders and friends for an evening of craft beer tasting, strolling appetizers and fun raffles. Proceeds will go toward the Livonia Education Foundation, in an effort to off-set lunch debt balances within Livonia Public Schools.

Tickets are \$45 per individual or \$80 per couple and include entrance to the event, 15 drink tickets and strolling appetizers. Designated driver tickets are also available for \$25. Attendees must be 21

years of age or older.

For more information and to purchase tickets, go to [www.lagersforlunches.eventbrite.com](http://www.lagersforlunches.eventbrite.com). To learn more about the Livonia Jaycees, go to [www.livoniajaycees.org](http://www.livoniajaycees.org) or email [LivoniaJaycees@gmail.com](mailto:LivoniaJaycees@gmail.com).

### Livonia Turkey Trot

Register now for the Livonia Parks and Recreation Department's annual Turkey Trot 5K fun walk/run at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at Bicentennial Park (Seven Mile and Wayne roads). Registration takes place at the Kirksey Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard. The \$15 per person fee includes a Turkey Trot T-shirt, if registered by Oct. 23.

Proceeds and canned food donations will benefit the Livonia Goodfellows. Last year, the Turkey Trot had over 450 participants and resulted in hundreds of cans of food and raised over \$4,000 to assist the Livonia Goodfellows in providing holiday meals for local families. After the walk/run, visit the food truck rally to satisfy your post Turkey Trot appetite.

For more information, call 734-466-2900 or go to [www.livoniaparks.org](http://www.livoniaparks.org).

### Our Saviour Lutheran health clinic

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, 33333 Warren Road, Westland, will host a health and wellness Fair from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4. The Wayne-Westland Fire Authority will be on hand, with a fire engine for children to explore and fire safety information for children and parents. A registered nurse will provide free blood pressure and blood sugar tests, with information on nutrition and health. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans representatives will provide information about how to improve your physical, financial, and spiritual health.

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the American Red Cross will offer a CPR training class, which will provide a two-year CPR certification. There is a \$100 charge for the CPR class.

All other activities are free. For more information, contact the Rev. Guy Purdue at 734-834-0139 or email [revguy.purdue@yahoo.com](mailto:revguy.purdue@yahoo.com).

### Tail Waggers 1990 benefit

Tail Waggers 1990, a local nonprofit animal rescue organization, is inviting the community to its 28th annual Tail Waggers Bowl on Saturday, Nov. 4, at Woodland Lanes in Livonia. Squads are being held at 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. and costs \$25 per adult and \$15 per child.

The entry fee includes three games of bowling, lunch or dinner with dessert, commemorative gift and entry into mystery game to win donated prizes from local businesses. Grand prizes are awarded to those that raise the most money in each squad. Strolling raffle with a chance to win prizes from the Detroit Tigers, Detroit Red Wings, Michigan State, dining establishments and hotels will add to the excitement, along with 50/50 drawings at all three squads.

For more information on Tail Waggers 1990 or to register for the event, go to [www.tailwaggers](http://www.tailwaggers)

1990.org. If you have questions, contact Laura Zain at 734-855-4077 or [tailwaggers.1990@yahoo.com](mailto:tailwaggers.1990@yahoo.com).

### Zonta Club to host movie screening

The Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County will host a screening of the award-winning documentary film "Little Stones," which follows Brazilian graffiti artist Panmela Castro, Senegalese rap-singer Sister Fa, Indian dance therapist Sohini Chakraborty and fashion designer Anna Taylor as they use their art to combat violence against women and to empower women and girls globally.

The film will screen at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 6, at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main Street. Admission is free, but donations are welcome. All proceeds benefit the Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County in its service and advocacy efforts.

### St. Mary Mercy to host Hernia Night

St. Mary Mercy Livonia will host a Hernia Night program 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 7, in the hospital's South Auditorium. Guests should enter from the South Entrance, 14555 Levan Road.

Dr. Jacob Roberts will answer questions, discuss hernia-related symptoms and provide education about the lat-

est hernia treatments, including minimally invasive surgery. Screenings will also be performed following the presentation and individuals will have an opportunity to participate in a hands-on demonstration with the da-Vinci Surgical System.

Attendees will be entered to win Red Wings tickets and refreshments will be provided. For more information or to register, call 734-655-8486.

### 3D Photography Club meeting

The 3D Photography Club will host its next meeting 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, at Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road.

The program will be a presentation of the best stereo images from the recent Detroit International Stereo Exhibition and a tutorial on making modern stereo-view cards. Everyone is invited to come see the award-winning 3D images. The meetings are free to attend and visitors are always welcome. Stereo cameras, 3D movies and educational videos are available for members to borrow or rent.

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**Dorothy F.** Age 92, died October 19, 2017, surrounded by her family at home in Canton. Beloved wife of the late Thomas DeVenny. Cherished mother of Suzanne DeVenny (Doug Waffle), Jennifer (Fred) Beyer, Thomas DeVenny, Jeanne (Carl) Schulze, Janette (Paul) Baggett and Todd DeVenny. Devoted grandmother to Brooke DeVenny, Thomas "TJ" DeVenny, Ian Waffle, Joseph Beyer and Rebecca Beyer. Dear sister of Lois (Ben) Walby and sisters-in-law Mildred (James) Roland and Drue (Sylvan) Ferrell. Aunt and great-aunt to numerous nieces and nephews. Greatly loved by her many friends and neighbors, including her special friend, the late Lamar Authier. Preceded in death by her parents Ella and William Roland, stepfather Anthony Hilgendorf, brothers William Roland, James Roland and Joseph Hilgendorf, and her sister-in-law, Joyce Hilgendorf. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

### Mahalak



**Carole Ann (LeClair)**, age 79 died peacefully on October 18, 2017 while watching the sunset from her condo patio in South Padre Island, TX. Carole was born January 29, 1938, in Black River, MI, the daughter of Eugene and Dorothy LeClair. Carole attended St. Anne Catholic School, was a member of the 1956 graduating class of Catholic Central High School, Alpena, MI and later completed nursing school. She was an active member of the Alpena community and worked at Alpena General as an LPN Operating Room Nurse. On December 27, 1958, Carole married Lawrence "Joe" Mahalak of Ossineke, MI and upon his completion of Engineering school, they moved to Saginaw, MI and later to Livonia, MI. Family, friends and her Catholic faith were Carole's passion, joy and center. She enjoyed spending time with family and, as a beachcomber, taking long walks on the seashore. As a lifelong learner, she could often be seen reading, sharing her love of the ocean and serving others in need. Her sense of adventure and commitment to others has carried out in all her children and grandchildren. Carole is survived by her husband, Joe, their four children, Bradley (Cindy) Mahalak, Steven (Liz) Mahalak, Lynn (David) Rhein and Daniel (Leanne) Mahalak and seven grandchildren, Hannah, Elle, Logan, Jared, Kendra, Mica and Hazel. Mrs. Mahalak was preceded in death by a brother, Eugene LeClair, Jr. Carole was a member of St. Agnes Catholic Church, Fowlerville, MI. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at St. Agnes, November 10, 2017 with viewing at 9am and Mass at 10am. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. Agnes Christian Service in Carole's memory. Her cremated remains will be interred at St. Catherine Catholic Cemetery, Ossineke, MI with a Committal Service on July 2, 2018 at 3pm. Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.bannanfuneralhome.com](http://www.bannanfuneralhome.com). Her generous spirit, wealth of selflessness and friendly smile will be sorely missed by all of her family and friends.

### Moorhead

**Gertrude "Gigi"** of Milford, formerly of Canton, died on October 25, 2017 at the age of 92. Gertrude was preceded in death by her loving husband, William (d. 2005); her daughter, Julie Pheley (d. 1997); and great granddaughter Karlie Wagner (d. 1995). She is survived by her daughter, Barb Moorhead (Leslie Watson); granddaughter, Jennifer (Michael) Sroczyński; great-granddaughters, Rebeka (Andrew) Beresford and Rachel Sroczyński; great-great-grandchildren, Perseus and Athena Beresford; son-in-law, Dennis Pheley; sister, Jeanetta Gibson, and many loving nieces and nephews. Services will be held privately. Memorial contributions encouraged to: National Multiple Sclerosis Society, MI Chapter, 21311 Civic Center Dr., Southfield, MI 48076. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248.684.6645 or visit [www.LynchandSonsMilford.com](http://www.LynchandSonsMilford.com)

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Meet at the Northville Recreation West parking lot, on the east side of Hines Drive, south of Seven Mile Road. We will be hiking in the northern section of the Arboretum, which has some

rolling hills.

Program fee is \$3 per person, recommended for ages 12 and older. Call the park office to pre-register or with any questions at 734-261-1990.

### History of Hines Park and Nankin Mills Nature Center

**When:** 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18  
**Details:** The development of Hines Parkway began in the 1920s. Join us for an indoor presentation at Nankin Mills Interpretive Center to learn more about the history of Hines Park and the first Nature Center at Nankin Mills in the 1960s and '70s.

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GIRLS GOLF

# Marian's Kennedy bags state crown

Freshman finishes with top individual score at Division 2 state finals

Marty Budner  
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Shannon Kennedy certainly made an impact in her first year on the high school golf circuit.

The Bloomfield Hills Marian freshman played with the poise of a seasoned senior to claim medalist honors at the Division 2 state tournament Oct. 20-21 in Battle Creek. Kennedy carded a two-round total of 146 (76-70) and took first place by three strokes over Alexis Carras of Midland Dow, who finished at 149 (74-75).

"It is a huge honor. She is absolutely

exceptional," said Cathie Fritz, Marian's co-head coach with Leon Braisted. "Her maturity and course management and decision-making is so unbelievable for her age."

"Shannon was not nervous," she added. "She was just ready to play and ready to buckle down."

Kennedy ended the first round Oct. 20 with a 4-over score on the Bedford Valley Golf Course and trailed three other golfers after 18 holes. On Oct. 21, the Beverly Hills resident rallied in impressive fashion over a strong group

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Marian freshman Shannon Kennedy captured the Division 2 individual state championship Oct. 21 at Bedford Valley Golf Course. CATHIE FRITZ

BOYS TENNIS



Sebastian Burman and his brother Cade teamed this season to win the No. 1 flight doubles champions for the Bloomfield Hills. MARTY BUDNER

# 'Targeted' Bloomfield Hills wins with revamped lineup

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Bloomfield Hills was ranked No. 1 heading into the Division 1 boys tennis state tournament and the Black Hawks showed they deserved that lofty billing.

Head coach Greg Burks's team captured the program's first outright title Oct. 21 at the Midland Community Tennis Center. Bloomfield Hills shared the crown two years ago with Novi and placed second last year.

The Black Hawks had three flight champions and advanced to at least the semifinal round in seven of the eight flights to win with 30 points. Troy, an OAA Red Division member along with Bloomfield Hills, finished second with

28 points. Ann Arbor Huron was third (21), followed by Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (19).

The pressure-packed tournament triumph allowed Bloomfield Hills to complete a perfect season.

"This year was unbelievable," said Burks, who coached seven years at Lahser before taking over the consolidated Bloomfield Hills program five years ago. "Going undefeated, winning leagues in the toughest league in the state, winning regionals and then finishing it off with a state final championship was a great feeling."

"Going into states being the team to beat is very tough," he added. "You have a target on your back the whole

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GREG BURKS  
Bloomfield Hills boys tennis coach

PREP FOOTBALL

# Salem earns first playoff berth since 1991 season

Tim Smith  
hometownlife.com

Hard, cold rain was pounding down on the helmets of Salem varsity football players Monday afternoon.

But the Rocks weren't feeling down and out about the nasty practice weather they were enduring. Instead, their voices had plenty of enthusiasm as they stormed through the session.

And why shouldn't they be upbeat despite the elements? The Rocks are going to the MHSAA playoffs, finding out Oct. 22 during a "Selection Sunday" gathering in the Salem gym they would visit unbeaten Belleville.

"We are loving practicing in the rain today, for sure," said head coach Kurt Britnell, in his ninth year at the Salem helm. "We've had enthusiastic practices pretty much all year, it's been pretty consistent. Maybe a little bit more hooping and hollering, but it was focused. It was good."

Britnell and his coaching staff actually found out earlier Oct. 22 that Salem earned its first playoff spot since 1991 thanks to a 40-27 rout of Northville in Week 9, enabling the Rocks to make the cut as a 5-4 at-large team.

"We (coaches) knew we were in; we

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Running the ball for key yards earlier this season is Salem senior quarterback Ryan Young. He is one of 31 seniors who will finally experience a playoff game. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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## PREP VOLLEYBALL

## Churchill's Dunn sisters are getting it done

Dynamic duo love playing on same team with Chargers

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Livonia Churchill volleyball is a family affair, especially in the Dunn household.

Sisters Annabelle and Sarah Dunn love being able to talk about everything from aces to rallies around the kitchen table. Or on their cellphones. Or in the car on trips back and forth from the Churchill gym.

It doesn't matter where those chalk talks happen. Chargers volleyball is worth it to Annabelle, a senior co-captain and outside hitter, and Sarah, a sophomore right-side hitter/defensive specialist combo player.

"Having Sarah on the team, it's really fun," said Annabelle, now in her fourth season with the varsity. "It's nice because she really is my biggest critic and supporter, so it's kind of good to have someone who will always have my back, no matter what."

"And I think this team can go far. We're practicing hard. This group of girls, we're all so, like, compatible and we all mesh very well, so that's really nice to have that dynamic."

Sarah said she's hav-



Sisters Sarah (left) and Annabelle Dunn are enjoying the chance to play varsity volleyball together at Livonia Churchill. TIM SMITH

ing a blast playing on the same team as her older sister, especially on a squad that won the Kensington Lakes Activities Association Black Division (6-0 overall, according to the website) and has momentum entering the Class A district at Churchill.

The Chargers open at 7 p.m. Monday against Dearborn Heights Crestwood. Also in the district are Wayne Memorial, Westland John Glenn, Garden City and Dearborn.

"I really like it. It's fun sharing the high school experience with my sister and being on the same team with her," Sarah said. "We always critique each other and give each other good advice."

"At home, we'll talk about volleyball with our family in general, about stuff we can work on and get better at. We always talk about what we can do at practice."

#### Similar, yet different

Although they have different hobbies and

interests (Annabelle likes to read and watch movies, Sarah likes art and "making stuff"), they have a lot in common — besides their DNA, of course — on the volleyball court.

"We're both very loud and aggressive," Annabelle said. "Personality-wise, I'm more reserved, where she is spontaneous, funky. She's so, like, crazy and it's really refreshing."

Another common thread, Annabelle said, is "we both like rap music

for hyping up on game days."

They also enjoy decompressing from another pressure-packed high school contest by making regular trips to the U-M football stadium in Ann Arbor.

"We both like sports. We're, like, really into watching college football," Sarah said. "And we go tailgate and watch Michigan football. Our family's just really big Michigan fans. My dad (Tracy) has season tickets."

The Dunn sisters don't go long without talking about volleyball — or thinking about it.

"My mom (Mary Beth) played when she was in high school, so that was a thing," Sarah said. "We both started when we were pretty young" in Westland-based rec leagues.

Once both girls reached Churchill as ninth-graders, they immediately found their comfort zone in the world of digs and spikes.

"When I first came here, I was on the freshman team. That was really good," the older Dunn said. "It was a good way to come in, not knowing anyone and make friends."

"My second year, Mark Grenier came into coaching and I, as a sophomore, was selected for the varsity team. That was kind of incredible. I made friends with all the

upperclassmen; that year we went to the final four. That was probably one of the best experiences of my life.

"Junior year, we had eight seniors coming in from the year before. It was good to play with them again and have a really good dynamic. This year, it's kind of cool being one of the senior players and being selected as a captain this year was awesome."

Sarah concurred about Churchill being the perfect place to learn and grow as a player. Last season, she was coached by Grenier (who last spring joined Madonna University's volleyball staff), with Kristin Clutter taking over the Chargers this season.

"(Grenier) is such a good coach and, like, Kristin is also an amazing coach," Sarah said. "And I'm really excited for the years to come and just get better as a team and grow as a team and get farther as a team in the (state) tournament."

Underscoring all that is they really enjoy everything about the sport.

"I like hammering the ball over for a point, especially, like, if it's a good ball and I just slam it down," Sarah added. "I love that. And it's a great pass and a great set, it's just, like, clean volleyball. It's so nice."

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## TENNIS

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time and our players handled it so well. We had our moments of being nervous, but in the end fought hard and never gave up."

#### Hemrich wins again in singles

Senior Constantin Hemrich led the Bloomfield Hills charge by claiming his third consecutive individual title at No. 3 singles.

In each final, Hemrich was the top-seeded player, winning in straight sets. He was 12-0 over that span, including a 6-0, 6-0 pasting of Clarkston's Jacob Burkett to win this year's crown.

"Constantin is one of the most intelligent guys I have ever met," Burks said. "His tennis IQ is off the charts. He figures out how to beat you within such a short amount of time, it's scary."

"What he did is almost



Bloomfield Hills captured the Division 1 boys tennis state championship Oct. 21 in Midland.

unheard of and I couldn't be more proud of him," he added. "He was an excellent leader for our team this year and was a huge contributing factor to our state title."

The top two doubles teams of Cade and Sebastian Burman (No. 1) and Vik Chakraborty and Chaz Blamo (No. 2) were forced to three sets to claim their flight crowns.

The Burman brothers, playing as the top seed, defeated Brother Rice's third-seeded duo of Sam

Schwartz and Jack Brockhaus, 6-4, 1-6, 6-1. Chakraborty and Blamo were seeded second and rallied past Rice's top-seeded tandem of Niko Mamatas and Riley McNulty, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (5).

"For myself, probably the greatest moment I've had as their coach was when our No. 2 doubles team of Vik and Chaz won their final match and everyone on the team came out to watch them," Burks said. "It was one of those moments I'll al-

ways remember."

The two runner-up finishes were by No. 1 singles player Andrew Zhang and the No. 3 doubles squad of Adrian Wilen and Chris Sauer. Zhang lost to Troy standout and defending state champion Steve Forman in straight sets, 6-1, 6-1.

Sophomore Tommy Herb and the No. 4 doubles team of Kyle Peres and Alex Walkon both lost in the semifinal round. Freshman Andrew Chen, playing No. 4 sin-

gles, fell in his quarterfinal match.

"The reason we won was plain and simple — hard work," Burks said. "It was a complete team effort. Everyone on the team pulled their weight and got us points."

"The fact that our whole team, all 18 guys, were there (Oct. 21) when we won was special," he said. "It truly was a team effort."

#### Retooling the lineup

Bloomfield Hills lost a few key players from last year to graduation and Burks was forced to retool his lineup this season.

With the graduation of all-state No. 1 singles player Josh Mukherjee, the nationally-ranked Zhang took over that tough flight. Herb moved up from doubles to take over No. 2 singles. Burks put the Burmans together at No. 1 doubles and, of the 10 returning players, Hemrich and Chakraborty were the only ones stationed in their same flight from last year.

The revamped group won their season-opening tournament and went on to create history.

"We graduated a lot of guys last year and had some tough spots to fill," Burks said. "But we had some incoming talent and all of our players practiced very hard in the off-season. With Tommy (Herb) taking over that No. 2 singles slot, we had one of the best one and two combinations in high school tennis."

"And having Constantin at No. 3 again made us so strong in singles. With our doubles lineup looking very strong, I felt that we were going to still have a very solid squad. The boys worked so hard through the season. Every practice and match I saw improvement."

"(Assistant coach) Nick (Tolomei) and I realized quickly, actually right after the Ann Arbor Huron invite, that we had a great group of guys and that we were going to be pretty good," he said.

They proved to be the best.

## SALEM

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didn't know who we were playing," Britnell said. "We tried to keep it as tight-lipped as possible so it'd be a surprise."

#### Not done yet

Following the practice, senior standouts Ryan Young, Alex Howie and Andrew Davis all talked about how great it feels to achieve their goal of getting a taste of the playoffs before their high school careers ended.

"It feels great to be out here," said quarterback Young, who completed 12-of-14 passes against the Mustangs to lead a 493-yard offensive outburst in what was a do-or-die situation. "A lot of energy out here."

According to lineman Howie, a 6-4, 300-pound offensive guard who is being courted by a number of Division I universities, it was fun to have the chance to practice in the rain because it



During a September game against Canton, Salem senior Andrew Davis grabs a pass thrown by quarterback Ryan Young. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

came after Selection Sunday and meant their season isn't over.

"I don't think I even minded the rain today," Howie said. "Just knowing that we got an opportunity that a lot of schools didn't, we came out here, we practiced. We're grateful to be here."

Running back Davis

had a monster game against Northville, rushing 26 times for 265 yards and scoring four touchdowns.

"It's pretty big, that, (after) 26 years we finally did it," Davis said. "But I'm just glad to be here and we need to make a statement. It's definitely going to be a big memory of high

school football, finally making the playoffs."

#### Feeling upbeat

In the victory over Northville, Davis and Young were the main cogs, but the Rocks had stellar efforts across the board.

Other contributors included senior Parker Selby (nine catches for

88 yards), senior Sean McCormack (28-yard TD catch, five tackles), junior Dez Dewberry (two fumble recoveries, two tackles for loss and a sack) and junior Josh Gilmour — who became Salem's all-time kicking leader with his sixth and seventh field goals of the season.

Britnell ended the practice imploring the group to not just think "getting in" is the ultimate achievement.

"That was last night, it's fun and all that," Britnell said about celebrating the playoff berth. "But with 31 seniors, the point is not to be in it. The point is to make a statement in it. We're here practicing to win a game. And today was the first day of that."

And many of those seniors have been on the same page since ninth grade, working toward finally joining the playoff party.

"It was just coming together as a team," Young said. "We had a lot of adversity throughout the year, definitely ...

we've had a strong bond since freshman year, so we knew we could come together and get it done."

"You just got to get in and then you got a chance to prove people wrong."

#### Prove them wrong

The team learned something about itself as it battled down the stretch for that winning record and a spot in the playoffs.

"We're stronger as a unit, we play well together," Howie said. "When we're on our game we can hang with anybody."

"Nothing's been easy," Britnell said. "We've had issues all year and adversity. It's kind of a good thing. Now that we're in, anything can happen."

"To be able to handle those challenges throughout the year makes us more playoff ready, because we had to fight for it. Hopefully, that means that we'll be ready to fight Friday."

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## PREP VOLLEYBALL

# Mercy claims eighth league title in program history

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Farmington Hills Mercy's volleyball team again reigns supreme in the Catholic League.

The Marlins defeated arch rival Bloomfield Hills Marian to capture their first Catholic League tournament title in six years Monday night at Madonna University. Mercy needed four sets — two of which went overtime — to get past the Mustangs, 25-19, 27-25, 29-31, 25-13.

Mercy's last two Catholic League titles, in 2010-11, were also against Marian. The Marlins now own eight tournament crowns in program history.

Veteran head coach Loretta Vogel said it is a very satisfying feeling to have regained the Catholic League title.



Junior hitter Logan Beyer helped lead Mercy to the Catholic League championship with a four-set victory over arch rival Bloomfield Hills Marian. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"I'm still smiling, does that express it? We've been there a couple of times since (2011), but we just weren't able to walk away with it," Vogel said. "When you're in the Catholic League, it's important. It's something that is definitely a goal for us at the beginning of

the season.

"It was a great night," she added. "And as everyone knows, Mercy and Marian are big rivalries and that, obviously, added to the excitement of the evening. It was an honor for us to win the Catholic League."

The Marlins were led

by sophomore outside hitter Jess Mruzik, senior outside hitter Lauren Hunt and junior left side hitter Logan Beyer. Freshman setter Julia Bishop also had a strong outing, directing the offense.

"For us, we put together a different plan on how we wanted to play Marian," said Vogel, whose team defeated Marian in five sets during the regular season. "We put together something I felt would be a strong suit for us. We were quite pleased with how everything worked out.

"I'm very fortunate. I have a group of athletes who are willing to change and look at different offensive systems. And playing Marian, we had an idea who the ball was going to, what kind of defense we were going to run and I think that made

a difference.

"You know, when you have two teams that match up like us, everyone plays their best game," she added. "We knew it was going to be close, so we prepared ourselves for that."

Mercy (30-5-1), ranked No. 2 behind Rockford, now turns its attention to the state tournament, which begins this week with district action.

The Marlins will play in the Class A district hosted by Southfield Arts & Technology, with their first match at 5:30 p.m. Monday against rival Farmington Harrison. The district championship game is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday.

The district champion will open regional play at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 7 at Farmington High School.

The Marlins will be seeking their 15th con-

secutive district championship this year. In addition, they have advanced to the regional title game or beyond eight straight times. The past three years, Mercy has been eliminated from postseason play by the eventual Class A state champion.

In each of the past two seasons, Mercy lost to Novi. In 2015, Mercy fell to Romeo.

"You sort of take credit in that the team that stopped us the last three years is the team that went on to win the state title," Vogel said. "But it is really one game at a time when you get into districts. You just have to look at it that way."

"We do our homework. The team we face, we know what they're going to do," she added. "We always scout them. That's why I say you just take one game at a time."

## PREP VOLLEYBALL

## Quad scrimmage helps teams get ready for postseason

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With districts fast approaching, Monday was a perfect time for volleyball teams to crank it up during a quad scrimmage at Plymouth Christian Academy.

The host Eagles, ranked No. 1 in Class D (as well as Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division champions), went up against Class A teams Northville and Canton, plus Class C Brighton Charyl Stockwell.

"This is the first time we've done a quad scrimmage," PCA head coach D.J. Kellogg said. "You get the most bang for the buck; you get one scrimmage date and you get three good teams. It makes it fun. It's a good tuneup right before districts and regionals."

Plymouth Christian (33-7-2, 10-0 in the MIAC Blue) defeated Charyl Stockwell 25-13, 25-15,



Plymouth Christian sophomore Gabriella Kellogg (right) hammers the ball Monday. Defending for Canton is Abby Zelenak. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

then needed three sets to get past Canton (25-19, 19-25, 15-10). PCA then went up against the Mustangs, ranked in the top 10 in Class A. Northville prevailed 25-16 and 25-22.

Kellogg said his defending state champions are more than willing and able to raise the competitive bar by facing Class

A squads.

"We've been trying to schedule that, as much as we can," Kellogg said. "I think it's like going against a 95 mph pitcher (Class A) and you got somebody pitching 80 (Class D). It slows down a little bit.

"There's still great Class D schools out there. But the height, athleticism. You might get four or five on a team in Class A versus a (Class D) school with a couple good athletes. You can't take a point off, so I think that mental focus helps in the postseason, because you don't have that opportunity to take a breather."

### Quad sharpens skills

PCA senior outside hitter Grace Kellogg said although the Eagles fell short against Northville, she liked the way the Eagles improved in the second set.

"It's just to get some good competition in before playoffs," Grace

Kellogg said. "We definitely like to play against some top-ranked teams. It was really helpful, especially playing Northville. They're up there in Class A, they're a really solid team. We kind of struggled in the first game, but in the second game, we picked it up."

Players from the Class A teams also liked the quad format, especially getting the opportunity to get a lot of reps in.

"I think it went really well," Canton sophomore outside hitter Megan Flanagan said. "I like how we can experience different teams and different types of teams, because we don't normally get that. It was really fun. I think all of the girls improved. We got a lot of touches, which really helps."

"It's such a great thing to go up against hitters and liberos, people (targeted to be) playing D-I college. It's such a great experience and we get to

learn and grow as players and as a team."

Northville freshman outside hitter Jenna Boksha had a similar take.

"It really prepares us," Boksha said. "It's better than practice. It's a real game situation, so you're in that mindset of playing an actual game, instead of just going to practice."

"I think that (quad format) helps us. We learn how to match into different defenses, how to play, no matter the circumstances."

### Hanging tough

PCA recently had another test against top teams, at the Beast of the East tourney in Warren (at the Michigan Elite Volleyball Academy). The Eagles tied for fifth place out of 32 teams.

"We had good teams in our pool," D.J. Kellogg said. "We had Grosse Pointe North, we had Salem, we beat them both. Grosse Pointe

North, we went to three games. We played (Bloomfield Hills) Marian and went to three games (losing 15-13 in the deciding set).

"Being second in the pool put us in the gold bracket. We played Mat-tawan right out of the gate, they're the No. 10-ranked team in (Class) A. We beat them in three. And we played Grand Rapids Christian (No. 3 in Class A), they're just phenomenal. For us, being in the top half is something to be proud of."

Plymouth Christian will host a district beginning Oct. 30 and is favored to make it to the regional. Also beginning Oct. 30 is a district at Novi, where Canton and Northville (as well as Salem and Plymouth) will compete.

The favorite there will be defending Class A state champion Novi.

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## BOYS TENNIS

## Cranbrook senior Jacobson wins third individual state championship

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Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood continues to rule in Division 3.

The Cranes, represented in all eight flight finals, rolled to their third consecutive boys tennis state championship Oct. 21 in Holland. Cranbrook Kingswood finished with 36 points, while arch rival Detroit Country Day placed second for the third straight season with 28 points.

It was Cranbrook Kingswood's fifth crown since 2008 and 21st title in the program's storied history, dating back to 1972.

That was all good news for first-year head coach Steve Herdoiza.

"The boys really wel-



Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood's boys tennis team captured its third consecutive state title Oct. 21 in Midland.

comed me and my coaching style/system right from the start," said Herdoiza, a Bloomfield Hills native and former All-America singles player at Northwestern. "It was extremely gratifying to me that we continued the winning tradition at Cranbrook. They did all the right things and put

in all the hard work, so they were very deserving of the state title."

Cranbrook Kingswood won three singles flights and another in doubles.

At No. 1 singles, senior Benji Jacobson lived up to his top seeding with a 6-2, 6-4, victory over Jack Dausman of Coopersville. Jacobson who won

all four of his matches in straight sets to corral his third straight individual state crown. He won at No. 1 singles last year and won the No. 2 singles crown in 2015.

Lucas Bosch (No. 2) and Justin Luo (No. 3) won their respective flights in straight sets as top seeds. Bosch defeated Country Day's Ricky Warnicke, 6-4, 6-0, and Luo did not lose a game against Allegan's Kody Harrington.

Cranbrook Kingswood's No. 2 doubles team of Joseph Croskey and Nikhil Deenadayalu also won in straight sets.

CK's runners-up included Sohuh Acharya at No. 4 singles and the doubles teams of Andrew Du and Jacob Yellen (No. 1), Eshaan Kawlra and Jack Trees (No. 3) and

Hayes Bradley and David Hermelin (No. 4).

"I felt we had the best depth and chemistry of all the teams at the state," said Herdoiza, who also led Brother Rice and Andover to state titles in previous coaching stints. "I think this really showed at the states, as we were the only team to have all eight flights in the finals."

"I felt very good about our chances all year," he added. "We returned most of our players from the previous year, so we had good depth and experience on our side. Also, this group of boys was very motivated, coachable and growth driven."

Cranbrook Kingswood had another strong season, winning the Catholic League and regional tournament titles. The

Cranes finished with a 12-3-2 record.

"This was a really fun group of kids to work with," Herdoiza said. "They really applied themselves well throughout the season, making improvement and development a top priority."

"Every player on our team, even those that didn't play, made such great contributions to our success," he added. "I am thrilled for our seniors that they were able to go out on a winning note."

Detroit Country Day's state champions were Eric Wang (No. 4 singles), Tom Nardicchio and Eric Liu (No. 3 doubles) and Nick Sicilia and Justin Lee (No. 4 doubles).

Birmingham Seaholm was sixth with 682. The Maples, state runners-up last year after having won three consecutive titles from 2013-15, were led by Haily Roovers with 165. Cate Joelson (169), Sydney Pickell (169) and Allie Weina (179) were the other Maples scorers.

Birmingham Groves had a pair of individual participants, Chloe Colton and Anika Krishnan, who both carded 188.

## KENNEDY

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of competitors and carded 2-under 70 to win. Kennedy earned the crown by logging three birdies on the final nine holes.

"When she hit the turn after nine holes on Saturday, they were having to wait some 15-20 minutes between shots, so everyone's energy was getting low," Fritz said. "I was talking to Shannon and told her to keep her energy level up. She said,

'you're right' and on (No.) 10, she made a par, on (Nos.) 11 and 12, birdie, birdie. She was just amazing."

"Most golfers are unraveling on the back nine, making bogeys and double-bogeys, while Shannon birdies three of her last nine holes. She is just that kind of competitor. It's fun and amazing to watch."

"And when her putting is on and she's following the putting process, that's when she shoots these numbers," she added. "She was just putting well. She had

worked on it very hard prior to states and I just think she had her putting stroke down and her confidence down."

### Early signs of greatness

Kennedy, who has played travel hockey and basketball, showed signs of greatness right away by winning her tournament debut in August. She earned a runner-up finish at both the Catholic League (76) tourney Oct. 2 at Edgewood Country Club and at the state regional (78) Oct. 13 at Huron Meadows Met-

ropark.

For the season, Kennedy finished with a 75 tournament average.

"We knew Shannon was going to be a great player coming into the season," Fritz said. "Shannon was strong all season long and she strikes the ball well all the time."

"The amazing thing I found is that she's the most coachable golfer I've ever come across," she added. "She's willing to look at things and discuss things from a course-management perspective. She's willing

to put her driver away in order to have good placement off the tee. She was extremely coachable from day one of practice."

As a team, Marian placed second to Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern by a dozen strokes. Northern had two players in the top 10 and finished with a 656 team score, while the Mustangs posted a two-round total of 668.

Marian's other scorers were senior Alexandra Robb who shot 165 (84-81), freshman Lauren Sass at 177 (92-85) and



PREP FOOTBALL

# Slazinski shatters state record for single-game receptions

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Bloomfield Hills dropped its final football game of the season Oct. 20 in a wild affair with Oak Park, 58-39, but Black Hawks fans still had reason to celebrate senior night.

Senior receiver Ty Slazinski shattered a Michigan High School Athletic Association record for single-game receptions as he hauled in 22 passes from senior quarterback John Paddock. The old mark of 18 was held jointly by Comstock Park's Nick Turowski (2015) and Ionia's Adam Kerr (1992).



Bloomfield Hills wide receiver Ty Slazinski (right) set a state record Oct. 20 for single-game receptions from quarterback John Paddock. MARTY BUDNER

"It was a hard-fought game. I knew coming in that (Oak Park's) defensive backs were great," Slazinski said a few moments after his big night. "I knew they were legit,

so I didn't expect anything like this to really go down in this game. I was just hoping for a win and do my best.

"It hasn't really sunk in yet that I set the rec-

ord, but I'm sure it will," he added. "And when I'm older, I'm sure I'll remember it forever. Coming into this year, I never thought something like this would happen."

The tying and record-setting receptions came on the final play of the third quarter and first play of the fourth with Bloomfield Hills trailing, 50-26.

Slazinski caught his 18th pass for 13 yards on a first-down play from the Oak Park 45-yard line. Bloomfield Hills started the fourth quarter at the Oak Park 32-yard line. Paddock shot a ball out to Slazinski and the sure-handed wide

receiver latched on to the 2-yard pass, which broke the state record.

Slazinski finished the game with 22 catches for 211 yards and three touchdowns. He was targeted 36 times by Paddock, in his second year as starting quarterback after transferring from neighboring Brother Rice.

"I couldn't have done it without John," Slazinski said. "He was finding me all night. When we started getting close to the record, we knew and he was just trying to find me. We really wanted to set that record."

"We found out at half-time that we were on 10

(receptions) and I knew the record was 18," he added. "We did it together. It just wasn't me."

Paddock also hit the records books, as his 59 passes and 36 completions both rank among the top 10 in those single-game MHSAA categories.

"I have no doubt in my mind that Ty Slazinski is the best receiver in the state of Michigan," Paddock said. "I mean, when you talk about route running, composure and having chemistry with your quarterback, it is unbelievable. I could not ask for a better receiver."

BOYS SOCCER

# You only need one: Plymouth blanks Saline in regional

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With the second half clock of Tuesday's Division 1 boys soccer regional semifinal getting close to single digits and the game scoreless, the Plymouth Wildcats were looking for just one scoring opportunity against Saline.

The Wildcats got just what they needed with 11:11 remaining in regulation, with Sawyer Eggen finishing a nifty feed from Caleb Crawford for the only goal in a 1-0 victory at Novi Meadows Stadium.

"I saw Caleb, he looked up," Eggen said. "Their center back wasn't really paying attention. He played me through and I was able to get the goal."

With Eggen scoring



Plymouth's Cameron Cieslik (right) and Saline's Nicholas Scott battle for the ball during the first half of the regional semifinal in Novi. DAN DEAN

what he said was "probably the biggest goal of my career, by far," Plymouth advanced to the regional against Novi Detroit Catholic Central, which was scheduled for Friday.

On the decisive play, Crawford slipped a pass along the right side of the

pitch to Eggen. His low shot eluded diving Saline goalkeeper Sam Herner.

The goal ensured that Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich, who won the pregame coin toss, made the correct call in defending against the wind in the first half. He wanted his team to get out of

the opening 40 minutes without giving up a goal and then go from there.

"We did a great job, accomplished that and just kept the pressure on second half and had a breakthrough," Neschich said. "It was a great finish."

The goal came shortly after Plymouth's Scottlar Chakrabarty nearly ripped a shot into the Saline net, only to be denied by Herner. Chakrabarty had several Grade A scoring chances on a night where rain, wind and cool temperatures made it tougher to be creative.

Following are several other takeaways from the contest:

**PLAY THEIR GAME**

Eggen said the way the Wildcats won the game "really showed the

fight we had and that will help us going forward."

"Just play our game, play like how we always play," Bennett Brooks said. "Which is part defense and then press them. Especially this game, the touches, no one's touches going to be on. That's how we came out."

**SLIPPERY STUFF**

With the rainy, windy conditions, it was a tall order for players on both sides to control the ball, let alone connect with passes.

"The weather, the ground was slippery, the touches were a little bit off, I think," senior Ben Tetlow said. "But you just got to play strong and know the conditions aren't that great. It's for both sides, though, so it works with you and

against you."

The Wildcats nearly benefited when Chakrabarty's long-range shot slipped through keeper Herner's fingers like a watermelon seed. But the ball trickled wide to the right.

**SHUTTING THEM DOWN**

Plymouth's game plan was to get on the board first and then hold off the Hornets with smothering defense. That is exactly how the contest played out.

"Tommy (Sullivan) and Alex Bowser did a great job at center back and (Ryan) Wu, Cam (Cieslik) and Alec (Rogers) were great at the outside backs," Neschich said. "Just a great defensive effort, of course, led by Bennett Brooks."

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## PREP ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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# COLIN TROUP

FOOTBALL SENIOR CANTON CHIEFS

Canton senior Colin Troup is a running back who knows how to get to the end zone, whether with power or speed. He also finished strong to easily Hometown Life Prep Athlete of the Week honors for Week 9.

Troup jumped ahead of Plymouth senior girls cross country runner Erin Johnson in the first day of the poll and went on to garner 38.68 percent of the 29,415 votes that were cast — 11,379 to be exact.

In the runner-up spot was Detroit Catholic Central senior soccer player Ryan Pierson with 6,268 votes (21.31 percent). Johnson placed third, with 5,998 votes (20.39 percent). Closing out the nominees were Novi senior volleyball player Erin O'Leary (5,153, 17.52 percent), Bloomfield Hills Marian freshman girls golfer Shannon Kennedy (538, 1.83 percent) and Bloomfield Hills senior football player Ty Slazinski (79, 0.27 percent).

**WHAT HE DID:** Troup continued his outstanding senior season in the Week 9 KLAA showdown against Livonia Churchill. With the championship on the line,

he scored four touchdowns as the Chiefs prevailed 35-21. Three of those TDs came on the ground and he added a touchdown reception. All told, Troup registered over 200 all-purpose yards — including 174 on the ground.

"We knew we were going to play a tough team, Churchill, they're a really good team. But Coach (Tim) Baechler, he's really been preparing us, he's been watching film every day. He's just really prepared us for

the win and I think that really helped us."

**WHAT HE SAID ABOUT BEING NAMED ATHLETE OF THE WEEK:**

"I think it was really special. My teammates were all proud of me and I have to give them all props, because they're the people that helped me have a stellar game. I wouldn't have had the game if it wasn't for them."



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**CITY OF LIVONIA  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 502 of Act 110 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2006, as amended, and Articles XIX and XXIII of Ordinance #543, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Livonia, as amended, the City Planning Commission of the City of Livonia will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, in the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the following items:

**Petition 2017-09-01-05 submitted by the City Planning Commission**, pursuant to Section 23.01(b) of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, requesting to rezone the City-owned property at 13335 Farmington Road, located on the west side of Farmington Road between the CSX Railroad right-of-way and Schoolcraft Road in the Northeast ¼ of Section 28, from M-1 (Light Manufacturing) to PL (Public Land).

**Petition 2017-10-01-06 submitted by Southwest Housing Solutions** pursuant to Section 23.01 of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, requesting to rezone the property at 29023 Eight Mile Road, located on the south side of Eight Mile Road between Brentwood Avenue and Middlebelt Road in the Northwest ¼ of Section 1, from C-1 (Local Business) to OS (Office Services).

**Petition 2017-10-01-07 submitted by Feldman Automotive, Inc.**, pursuant to Section 23.01 of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, requesting to rezone the rear portion of the property (northerly 7.7 acres) at 33850 Plymouth Road, located on the north side of Plymouth Road between Farmington and Stark Roads in the Southeast ¼ of Section 28, from M-1 (Light Manufacturing) to C-2 (General Business).

**Petition 2017-10-02-14 submitted by HH & Sons, L.L.C.** requesting waiver use approval pursuant to Section 11.03(v) of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, to use the building at 27565 Grand River Avenue for office space, storage and e-commerce in association with the business operations of a pawn shop (Great Lakes Pawn), located on the south side of Grand River Avenue between Inkster and Eight Mile Roads in the Northeast ¼ of Section 1.

The above-mentioned petitions will be on file in the City Planning Commission office, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, during the period of five (5) days immediately preceding the scheduled public hearing and may be examined during normal working hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Ian Wilshaw, Chairman  
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION**

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**CITY OF LIVONIA  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**AGENDA  
Zoning Board of Appeals**

**November 14, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.  
Livonia City Hall - Gallery (5th Floor)  
33000 Civic Center Drive  
Livonia, MI  
(734) 466 2259**

**APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-10-56 (Tabled on October 10, 2017):** Lazelle Jones, Jr., west side of Sunset (19943) between Fargo and Pembroke, seeking to construct a detached garage while maintaining an attached garage and shed, resulting in excess number of garages and garage area.

**APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-11-64:** Gordon Stefanick, north side of Lamoyne (33966) between Stamford and Norwich, seeking to construct a covered front porch, resulting in deficient front yard setback.

**APPEAL CASE NO. 2017-11-65:** Livonia West Commerce Center, LLC, 2575 S. Haggerty, Ste. 500, Canton, MI 48188, on behalf of Lessee Amazon, north side of Amrhein (39000) between Eckles and Richfield Court, seeking to erect a ground sign while maintaining an existing wall sign. Either a ground or wall sign is allowed, not both. The ground sign proposed is five (5) foot tall, 24 square foot in area and a setback of ten (10) feet. The existing wall sign is approximately 103 square foot in area.

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

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Will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, at which time, candidates for the following office will be voted upon in the City of Livonia, Wayne County, Michigan:

**CITY COUNCIL**

**THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Precinct	Location	Address
1A & 1B Consolidated	Clarenceville JHS	20210 Middlebelt Rd.
2A	Clarenceville HS	20155 Middlebelt Rd.
3A & 3B Consolidated	Webster School	32401 Pembroke Street
4A	Webster School	32401 Pembroke Street
7A	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh
8A & 8B Consolidated	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh
9A & 16A Consolidated	Cass School	34633 Munger Avenue
10A & 24B Consolidated	Riley School	15555 Henry Ruff Rd.
11A & 12A Consolidated	Coolidge School	30500 Curtis Avenue
13A & 14A Consolidated	Riley School	15555 Henry Ruff Rd.
15A & 16B Consolidated	Buchanan School	16400 Hubbard Road
17A & 17B Consolidated	Hoover School	15900 Levan Road
18A	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh
19A & 19B Consolidated	Randolph School	14470 Norman Avenue
20A & 21A Consolidated	Frost School	14041 Stark Road
22A & 22B Consolidated	Kennedy School	14201 Hubbard Road
23A & 23B Consolidated	Roosevelt School	30200 Lyndon Avenue
24A	Roosevelt School	30200 Lyndon Avenue
25A & 36A Consolidated	Emerson School	29100 W. Chicago Avenue
31A & 31B Consolidated	Rosedale School	36651 Ann Arbor Trail
32A & 33A Consolidated	Rosedale School	36651 Ann Arbor Trail
34A	Grant School	9300 Hubbard Road
34B & 34C Consolidated	Grant School	9300 Hubbard Road
35A	Emerson School	29100 W. Chicago Avenue
35B & 35C Consolidated	Emerson School	29100 W. Chicago Avenue
36B	Cleveland School	28030 Cathedral Avenue

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The polls of said election will be open at seven (7:00) o'clock A.M. and remain open until eight (8:00) o'clock P.M. Eastern time of said day of election.

**VOTER INSTRUCTIONS IN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT**

To comply with the voting accessibility requirements, the voting instructions will be provided on a CD. Any voters who request the voting instructions in an "alternative format" in advance of the election will be supplied with a copy of the CD. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in an "alternative format" should be made by contacting the clerk in advance of the election no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Friday preceding the Election. In an instance where a voter contacts his or her local clerk in advance of the election to request that the voter instructions be available in an "alternative format" in the polls, the clerk will arrange to have a cassette player available in the polling place.

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR CITY OF LIVONIA RESIDENTS**

Voter's may obtain an absentee ballot by submitting an application to the Livonia City Clerk's office. Applications may be printed from the City of Livonia website ([www.ci.livonia.mi.us](http://www.ci.livonia.mi.us)), you can call the Clerks office at 734-466-2121 and leave your name and address to have an application sent to you, or you can pick up an application at the City Clerk's office, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI, 48154. The last day we can mail an absentee ballot is Saturday, November 4, 2017. Voted Absentee Ballots must be returned to the Livonia City Clerk's office by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2017.

**SUSAN M. NASH  
LIVONIA CITY CLERK**

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY  
Notice of Election**

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Garden City, Wayne County, Michigan:  
Notice is hereby given that the City General Election will be held in the City of Garden City on,

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

Candidates for the following offices are to be voted upon:

Mayor  
City Council  
City Council Partial Term  
Library Board Member

The following proposals will be voted on:

**GARDEN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL**

**EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW 19.8320 MILLS FOR 5 YEARS**

Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Garden City Public Schools, 1333 Radcliff Street, Garden City, Michigan 48135-1126, telephone: (734) 762-8300.

**Garden City Street Improvement Bond Proposal**

Shall the City of Garden City, County of Wayne, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds, in one or more series, payable in not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of issuance of each series, for the purpose of paying the cost to improve, replace, resurface, and reconstruct streets in the City, including sidewalk improvements, drainage improvements, and water and sewer improvements, together with necessary rights-of-way, appurtenances and attachments thereto?

Yes  
No

The estimated millage to be levied in 2018 is 0.7495 mills (\$0.7495 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is 6.2266 mills (\$6.2266 per \$1,000 of taxable value).

I, ERIC R. SABREE, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of September 13, 2017 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

**WAYNE COUNTY  
Wayne County, Michigan  
City of Garden City**

Taxing Authority	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	11/03/2009	1 mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	08/07/2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County Parks	08/02/2016	0.25 mills	2020
Wayne County Resa	11/08/2016	2 mills	2021

**OTHER TAXING AUTHORITIES**

Schoolcraft Comm	10/07/1985	.05 mills	Unlimited
College			
<b>GARDEN CITY SCHOOLS</b>			
Garden City Schools	06/11/2001	3.1 mills	2005 thru (not to exceed 30 years)
	August 2012	18 mills	2018 non-homestead
	11/2014	2 mills	2020
<b>CITY OF GARDEN CITY</b>			
City of Garden City	08/04/2015	3.5 mills	2020

The places of voting for the City General Election to be held on November 7, 2017 will be as follows:

Precincts 1 and 6	Farmington School 33411 Marquette
Precincts 2 and 5	Memorial School 30001 Marquette
Precincts 3 and 4	Lathers School 28351 Marquette
Precinct 7	Maplewood Center 31735 Maplewood
Precinct 8	Henry Ruff School 30300 Maplewood
Precinct 9	Civic Center 6000 Middlebelt
Precinct 10	Douglas School 6400 Hartel

All polling places are handicapper accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office at 734-793-1620 prior to Election Day. If you anticipate difficulties at your normal polling place please phone the City Clerk's Office to arrange an alternate location. Absentee Ballots for this Election are available at City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt, through 4:00 P.M., Monday, November 6, 2017, to anyone who meets one of the following requirements: Electors age 60 or older; Electors who expect to be absent from Garden City the entire time the polls are open on Election Day; Electors who are physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another; Electors who cannot attend the polls due to tenets of their religion; or Electors who are confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial. Furthermore, any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may be given assistance by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer or officer or agent of the voter's union.

In addition to our regular hours, the City Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, November 4th, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the sole purpose of absentee voting.

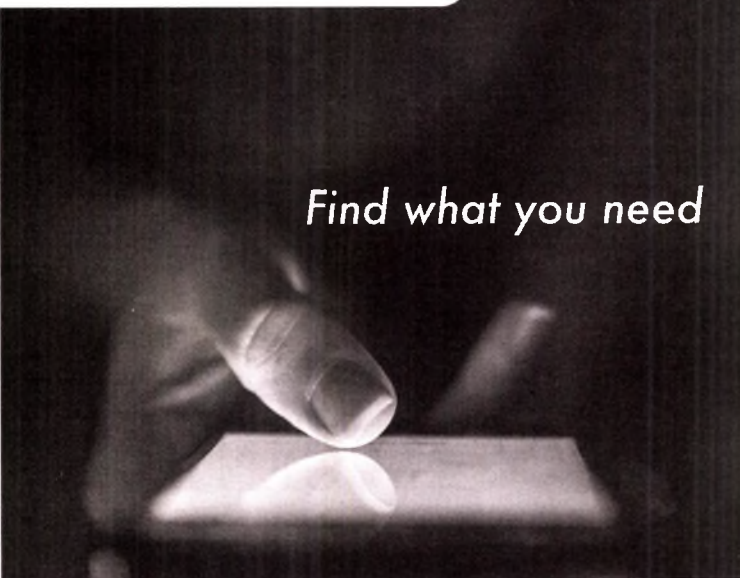
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PUBLIC NOTICE  
TO ALL QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE  
CITY OF LIVONIA  
COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:**

A public accuracy test of the election software and tabulation equipment will be held at 3:00 P.M., on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan.

The accuracy test will be conducted for the **CITY GENERAL ELECTION** to be held on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017**, in the City of Livonia.

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CITY CLERK**

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2005	DODGE	VA	WD2PD744355738974	2500 SPRINTER	ARREST	1705911	1
2003	CHEVROLET	SW	1GNES16SX36128138	TRAILBLAZER	ARREST	1706010	2
2005	HONDA	2D	1HGCM72325A010775	CIVIC	ARREST	1706039	3
1999	SATURN	4D	1G8ZR5271XZ 152300	ION	ACCIDENT	1706116	4
2004	CHEVROLET	4D	1G1ZU54824F200673	MALIBU	ACCIDENT	1706136	5
2008	FORD	4D	1FAHP35NX8W225545	FOCUS	ARREST	1706152	6
2006	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1WT58K069168264	IMPALA	ARREST	1706171	7
2006	CADILLAC	4D	1G6KD54Y32U137183	DEVILLE	ARREST	1706180	8
2002	KIA	4D	KNADC123926145895	RIO	ABANDONED	1706247	9
2003	MERCURY	4D	2MEFM74W53X625455	GRAND MARQUIS	ABANDONED	1706247	10
2017	RAM	PU	3C6RR7L78HG608164	R1500	ACCIDENT	1706272	11
2002	LINCOLN	4D	1LNHM87A12Y687106	LS	ARREST	1706309	12
2000	MERCURY	2D	1ZWFT61L4Y5611573	COUGER	ACCIDENT	1706334	13
2003	FORD	PU	1FTZR45E63PA86242	RANGER	ARREST	1706344	14
2006	FORD	4D	1FAPP34N26W139233	FOCUS	ACCIDENT	1706362	15
2001	FORD	4D	1FAPP34381W378390	FOCUS	ACCIDENT	1706401	16
2005	PONTIC	4D	1G2ZH528454120372	G6	ARREST	1706429	17
2005	CHRYSLER	4D	1C3EL46X05N692395	SEBRING	ABANDONED	1706435	18
2004	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1WF52E749381042	IMPALA	ABANDONED	1706467	19
2009	DODGE	4D	3D4GG67VX9T573313	JOURNEY	HAZARD	1706482	20
2003	DODGE	SW	1D8GP25B938196448	CARAVAN	ARREST	1706485	21
2010	DODGE	2D	1B3CB3HA3AD574609	CALIBER	ACCIDENT	1706541	22
2008	SATURN	4D	1G8IS57N68F280557	AURA	ABANDONED	1706565	23
2008	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1WS583981346864	IMPALA	ARREST	1706574	24
2004	BUICK	4D	1G4HP52K84U128698	LESABRE	ACCIDENT	1706642	25
2013	DODGE	4D	1C3CDZAG2DN549259	AVENGER	ARREST	1706666	26
2005	FORD	4D	1FAPP25145G190702	FIVE HUNDRED	ARREST	1706693	27
2005	DODGE	SW	1D4HB48NX5P609544	DURANGO	ABANDONED	1706698	28
2003	BUICK	4D	1G4HP52K83410560 1	LESABRE	ACCIDENT	1706710	29
2008	JEEP	4D	1J 8HR48NX8C 168750	GRRAND CHR	ABANDONED	1706743	30
1988	DODGE	4D	1B3BS48K5JN250548	SHADOW	ACCIDENT	TITLE	31
2001	SATURN	4D	1G8JU52F41Y550614	L200	ACCIDENT	TITLE	32
2005	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1WF55E859211382	IMPALA	ARREST	TITLE	33
2001	CHRYSLER	SW	3C8FY4BB81T694934	PT CRUISER	ACCIDENT	TITLE	34

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY  
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ZONING  
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that at a meeting of the City Council of Garden City held on October 23, 2017, the City Council adopted an amendment to the Zoning Map of the Zoning Ordinance to rezone parcel 35-019-99-0009-000 (located at 203-225 Middlebelt Road) from C-1, Local Business District to C-2, Community Business District.

This amendment to the Zoning Map of the Zoning Ordinance shall be effective eight (8) days following its publication date. Copies of the amendment may be viewed or obtained at the Office of Community Development, City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135 during regular office hours.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST**

A public accuracy test will be conducted at the time and location listed, for the purpose of testing the accuracy of the tabulating equipment, and programs, which will be used to record and tabulate voted ballots for the City General Election, to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 in Garden City, Wayne County, Michigan.

**Location:** Civic Center  
6000 Middlebelt  
Garden City, Michigan 48135

**Date:** November 1, 2017  
Wednesday

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.

**Contact:** Allyson M. Bettis  
City Clerk  
734-793-1620

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY  
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ZONING  
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that at a meeting of the City Council of Garden City held on October 23, 2017, the City Council adopted an amendment to Sections 154.030 (Lighting Requirements) of the Zoning Ordinance to address string lights, tube lights, and other similar lighting around windows and architectural building features.

This amendment to the lighting regulations of the Zoning Ordinance shall be effective eight (8) days following its publication date. Copies of the amendment may be viewed or obtained at the Office of Community Development, City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135 during regular office hours.

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY  
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ZONING  
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that at a meeting of the City Council of Garden City held on October 23, 2017, the City Council adopted an amendment to the Zoning Map of the Zoning Ordinance to rezone the eastern 132 feet of parcel 35-013-01-0053-001 (more commonly known as 1724 Middlebelt Road) and the eastern 132 feet of parcel 35-013-01-0054-001 from O-1, Office District to R-1, Single Family Residential District.

This amendment to the Zoning Map of the Zoning Ordinance shall be effective eight (8) days following its publication date. Copies of the amendment may be viewed or obtained at the Office of Community Development, City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135 during regular office hours.

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### How to stand out in a competitive market

BY PETER JONES  
THEJOBNETWORK

We all know the market is competitive. Any job you apply for is probably receiving a minimum of 100 applications — with some getting thousands. But someone has to get every job, right? People do make it through to the next levels of the hiring process, even in a crowded, qualified field of applicants.

You have to assume the majority of job seekers you're competing with are on the ball — their resumes are spotless and their experience and skill base matches or exceeds the job requirements. So how can you stand out as the best person for the job? Use some of these more targeted strategies to help elevate your application package:

**1. Make your purpose clear and direct.**

The most impressive (or at least the most attractive) candidates tend to be the ones who project a kind of professional purpose. These candidates have taken the time and effort to figure out what it is they want to do, and why and how to reach their goals. Recruiters find it very easy to match these candidates into their companies, because it's clear if they'll be a fit. Make



sure you can articulate the talents that make you a good match and place them prominently in your cover letter, resume and other application materials. Know yourself and make that sing.

**2. Don't hold back — sell yourself.**

It's not enough to just know what drives you. You have to share that vision, enthusiastically, even if you're shy and

not prone to bragging. Put together a short pitch that summarizes why you, and only you, are the best person for the job. Once you have this down, you can use it at many points during your job search. Turn it into an elevator pitch for networking. Emphasize it in your interview. Build it into your social media presence. Make your sales pitch a part of how you present to the world while job seeking.

**3. Sanitize your social media.**

You could have the greatest application in the world, but if your social media profiles are inappropriate or controversial or just childish, a recruiter is going to toss your file in the trash.

Make sure to Google yourself and scour your net presence until it's every bit as polished and professional as you hope to present yourself.

**4. Make your professional info a click away.**

There are some fancy trends out there, and you better believe the competition will be keeping up with them. If you're up for it, try building a personal website to give a sense of your personal branding. Include the link in your resume, and include your resume on your website. A website can also (stylishly) convey all the context you didn't have room to include on your resume. Use this extra space to your advantage.

**5. Network to build a group of reliable referrals.**

Sometimes it really does come down to who you know. Make sure you're constantly networking and making inquiries. Find inroads to companies you want to work for to make contacts and seek mentors. You never know when someone you meet at a cocktail party or a lecture is going to be the one to pass your resume to a decision maker.

*Peter Jones is a career advice journalist for TheJobNetwork.com, where this article was originally published. He investigates and writes about current strategies, tips, and trending topics related to all stages of one's career.*

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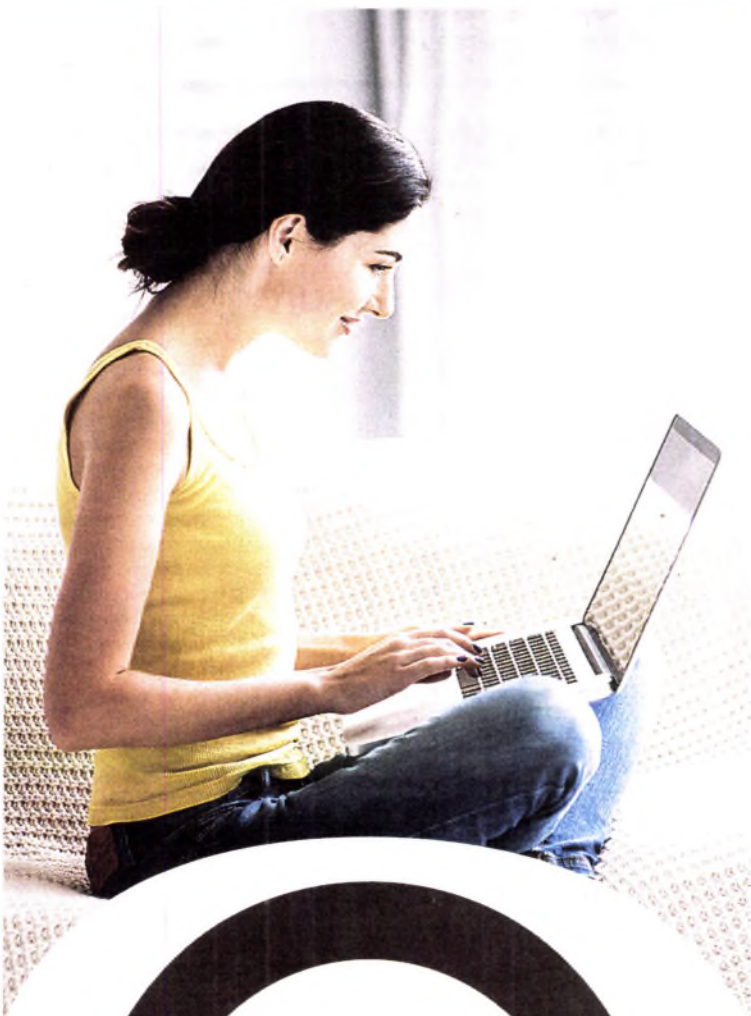


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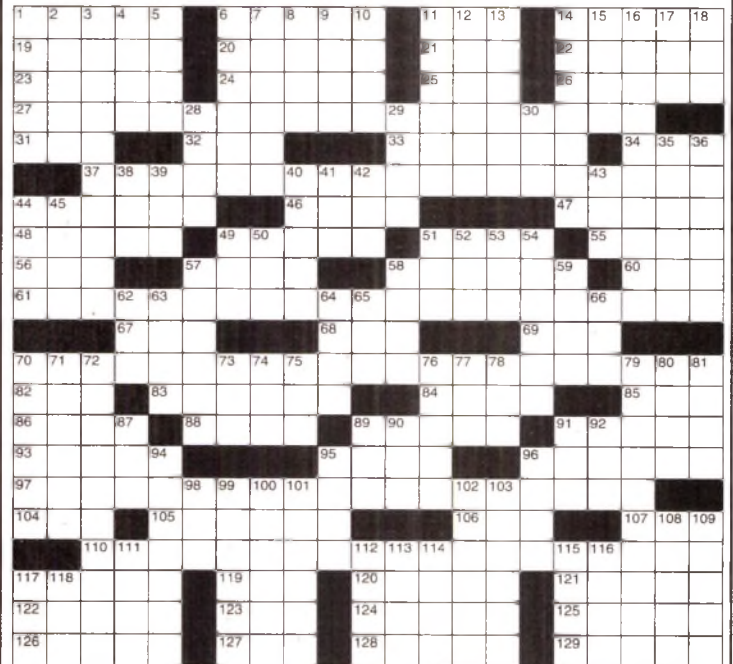
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## CROSSWORD PUZZLER

- ACROSS**
- 1 Carried, as a load
  - 6 University in Druid Hills, Georgia
  - 11 Old TV's "Mayberry"
  - 14 Mythical man-goat
  - 19 Sub in WWII
  - 20 Coloratura Callas
  - 21 The "E" of REO
  - 22 Mio of films
  - 23 Toot one's own horn
  - 24 Tidy up
  - 25 Seoul soldier
  - 26 Bridle straps
  - 27 Start of a riddle
  - 31 Volcano stuff
  - 32 Basilica seat
  - 33 — Lorraine (region of France)
  - 34 Break bread
  - 37 Riddle, part 2
  - 44 Made up for
  - 46 Cupid's counterpart
  - 47 Mello — (drink brand)
  - 48 Paint type
  - 49 Trembly tree
  - 51 Pepsi or Tab
  - 55 Picnic spoiler
  - 56 Pitching star
  - 57 Clog or pump
  - 58 Skylight?
  - 60 No-frills shirt
  - 61 Riddle, part 3
  - 67 Actress Long or Vardalos
  - 68 Hurry-scurry
  - 69 People with power
  - 70 Riddle, part 4
  - 82 Lac liquid
  - 83 Bumper finish
  - 84 Assistant
  - 85 Man-mouse connector
  - 86 eBay offers
  - 88 Stitches
  - 89 Signed one's name to
  - 91 Up and about
  - 93 Weeps
  - 95 Slushy drink
  - 96 Gave in exchange
  - 97 End of the riddle
  - 104 Me, in Lyons
  - 105 Old game consoles
  - 106 Near-infinite time span
  - 107 Shiny stone
  - 110 Riddle's answer
  - 117 Student
  - 119 Hill VIP: Abbr.
  - 120 Sky hunter
  - 121 Feel jubilant
  - 122 Beneficial
  - 123 Ending for Sudan
  - 124 "Pippin" Tony winner
  - 125 Lamp spirit
  - 126 Overly fond type
  - 127 Old JFK flier
  - 128 Paid to play
  - 129 Braying ones
  - DOWN**
  - 1 Friend of Forrest Gump
  - 2 Some double reeds
  - 3 Household insect trap
  - 4 Curiosity org.
  - 5 Caesar's dying words
  - 6 Was a roast host, say
  - 7 African land
  - 8 Russian city
  - 9 Iranian city
  - 10 Yin's partner
  - 11 Throw again, as dice
  - 12 Like silky down
  - 13 Authoritarian decree
  - 14 Black magic
  - 15 On a cruise
  - 16 Sleeping bag fabric brand
  - 17 Osaka coin
  - 18 Coll. dorm supervisors
  - 28 Barreled
  - 29 Fezzes, e.g.
  - 30 Learning loc.
  - 35 More homely
  - 36 Gives a call
  - 38 "Liftoff!" precursor
  - 39 Really annoy
  - 40 Ward off
  - 41 Prior to, to a bard
  - 42 Swindle
  - 43 Beyond, to a bard
  - 44 "Woe!"
  - 45 Tijuana nosh
  - 49 "I caught ya!"
  - 50 Fa-la link
  - 51 Bovine chew
  - 52 Eye, to a bard
  - 53 Mauna —
  - 54 Make it
  - 57 Mown paths
  - 58 Before long, to a bard
  - 59 Ex-governor Carlson
  - 62 Savings acct. earnings
  - 63 Blu-ray —
  - 64 Unvarying
  - 65 Suffix with block
  - 66 Suffix with balloon
  - 70 Skype setup
  - 71 Coiffure
  - 72 An amplifier receives it
  - 73 "— you in?"
  - 74 Drag
  - 75 Ambulance inits.
  - 76 "Star Trek" actor George
  - 77 Rush along
  - 78 Mix in
  - 79 Holders of frankfurters
  - 80 Maumee Bay's lake
  - 81 36 inches
  - 87 Month no. 9
  - 89 German "I"
  - 90 Born, in Lyons
  - 91 Klee's forte
  - 92 Took a chair
  - 94 Waldorf's Muppet partner
  - 95 Formal reply to "Who's there?"
  - 96 Scads
  - 98 Biblical verb suffix
  - 99 Lactern platforms
  - 100 "Hondo" actor
  - 101 Official seal
  - 102 Lie at rest
  - 103 Bewailed
  - 108 "The Office" actress
  - 109 Deals (out) French river
  - 112 Den fixture
  - 113 Pressing tool
  - 114 Nasal spray, e.g.
  - 115 Dreamcast company
  - 116 Firewood splitters
  - 117 Peas' place
  - 118 ET carrier



For assistance or suggestions on the Puzzle Corner, contact Steve McClellan at (517) 702/4247 or [smcclellan@michigan.com](mailto:smcclellan@michigan.com). Want more puzzles? Check out the "Just Right Crossword Puzzles" books at [QuillDriverBooks.com](http://QuillDriverBooks.com)

## SUDOKU

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**Here's How It Works:**  
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

7	6	3	1	5	8	4	2	9
9	2	8	7	3	7	8	4	5
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- PUMPKIN
- SCARY
- SCREECH
- SKELETON
- SPIDER
- SPIRIT
- SPOOKY
- TOMBSTONE
- VAMPIRE
- WEREWOLF
- WINGS
- WITCH
- ZOMBIE

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

**Crossword Answers**

ACROSS: 1. CARRY, 6. DRUID, 11. MAYBE, 14. GOAT, 19. SUB, 20. CALLAS, 21. E, 22. MILES, 23. HORN, 24. TIDY, 25. SOLDIER, 26. BRIDLE, 27. RIDDLE, 31. VOLCANO, 32. BASILICA, 33. LORRAINE, 34. BREAK, 37. RIDDLE, 44. MADE, 46. CUPID, 47. MELLO, 48. PAINT, 49. TREMBLY, 51. PEPSI, 55. PICNIC, 56. PITCHING, 57. CLOG, 58. SKYLIGHT, 60. NO-FRILLS, 61. RIDDLE, 67. ACTRESS, 68. HURRY, 69. PEOPLE, 70. RIDDLE, 82. LAC, 83. BUMPER, 84. ASSISTANT, 85. MAN-MOUSE, 86. EBAY, 88. STITCHES, 89. SIGNED, 91. UP, 93. WEEPS, 95. SLUSHY, 96. GAVE, 97. END, 104. ME, 105. OLD, 106. NEAR-INFINITE, 107. SHINY, 110. RIDDLE, 117. STUDENT, 119. HILL, 120. SKY, 121. FEEL, 122. BENEFICIAL, 123. ENDING, 124. PIPPIN, 125. LAMP, 126. OVERLY, 127. OLD, 128. PAID, 129. BRAYING, DOWN: 1. FRIEND, 2. SOME, 3. HOUSEHOLD, 4. CURIOSITY, 5. CAESAR, 6. WAS, 7. AFRICAN, 8. RUSSIAN, 9. IRANIAN, 10. YIN, 11. THROW, 12. LIKE, 13. AUTHORITARIAN, 14. BLACK, 15. ON, 16. SLEEPING, 17. OSAKA, 18. COLLEGE, 28. BARRELED, 29. FEZZES, 30. LEARNING, 35. MORE, 36. GIVES, 38. LIFTOFF, 39. REALLY, 40. WARD, 41. PRIOR, 42. SWINDLE, 43. BEYOND, 44. WOE, 45. TIJUANA, 49. I, 50. FA-LA, 51. BOVINE, 52. EYE, 53. MAUNA, 54. MAKE, 57. MOWN, 58. BEFORE, 59. EX-GOVERNOR, 62. SAVINGS, 63. BLU-RAY, 64. UNVARYING, 65. SUFFIX, 66. SUFFIX, 70. SKYPE, 71. COIFFURE, 72. AN, 73. YOU, 74. DRAG, 75. AMBULANCE, 76. STAR, 77. RUSH, 78. MIX, 79. HOLDERS, 80. MAUMEE, 81. 36, 87. MONTH, 89. GERMAN, 90. BORN, 91. KLEE, 92. TOOK, 94. WALDORF, 95. FORMAL, 96. SCADS, 98. BIBLICAL, 99. LACTERN, 100. HONDO, 101. OFFICIAL, 102. LIE, 103. BEWAILED, 108. THE, 109. DEALS, 111. BELGIAN, 112. DEN, 113. PRESSING, 114. NASAL, 115. DREAMCAST, 116. FIREWOOD, 117. PEAS, 118. ET

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# Car Report

## HYUNDAI TESTS 'SHOPPER ASSURANCE' PROGRAM TO BOOST CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE 4 WAYS, PLANNING NATIONWIDE ROLLOUT IN 2018



By Dale Buss

As U.S. auto sales level off and competition tightens for what is still a healthy pool of customers, brands are turning to traditional levers such as bigger financial incentives to make sure they're competitive.

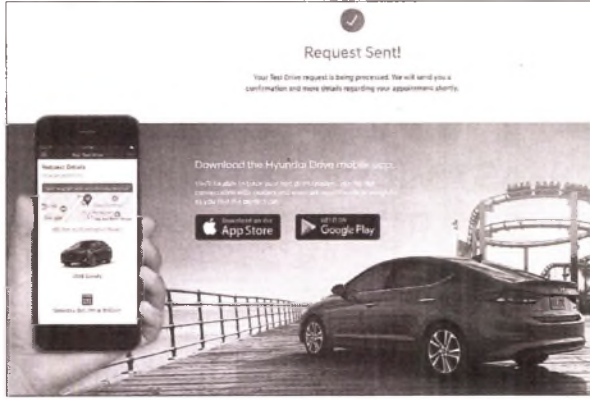
Hyundai dealers are bringing something new to the game: a program called Shopper Assurance that aims to make the buying experience better. It launches in Miami, Orlando, Dallas and Houston and will roll out to all U.S. Hyundai dealers in early 2018.

Of course, the car-buying experience is infamously frustrating to American consumers and especially to millennials, who want to handle as much of the process as possible online. But Hyundai's research found that if the brand could address four pain points, 84 percent of consumers would visit a dealership that offered solutions over one that did not.

"It is the future of car buying, and our commitment to creating a flexible, efficient and better way to purchase a car in partnership with our dealer body," said Dean Evans, CMO of Hyundai Motor America, in a press release.

Specifically, Shopper Assurance offers:

- **Transparent Pricing:** Participating dealers post the fair market pricing on their web sites (MSRP minus



incentives and any dealer-offered discounts) so customers know exactly what the market pricing is for the vehicle, reducing negotiating time and eliminating the frustration of widely advertised incentives not being available on dealer web sites.

- **Flexible Test Drive:** Customers can contact the dealer through a Hyundai platform that allows them to schedule by phone or by app in available markets, for delivery of the test-drive vehicle at a location of their choosing.

- **Streamlined Purchase:** Buyers can complete most paperwork online before visiting the dealership for a vehicle in the dealer's inventory, including applying for financing, obtaining credit approvals, calculating payment estimates and valuing trade-ins.

- **Three-Day Money-Back Guarantee:** Return the car for a full refund as long as it's got less than 300 miles.

Hyundai could use a lift. The brand's sales in the US were down by 15 percent

through September compared with a year earlier, while the overall light-vehicle market was down only less than 2 percent in the same period. Lately Hyundai has struggled mainly with the fact that it's relatively light on SUVs and crossovers compared with sedans, and American consumers have shifted significantly away from the latter.

Hyundai hopes to get about 700 of its 820 dealers to go with the voluntary Shopper Assurance program. Its Genesis luxury brand will get something similar in 2018.

"We did extensive research, some of that internally over the last two years, asking customers what they wanted," Evans told me. "We had good ideas, from being close to customers for years, about test drives. And what were other companies like Amazon and other remote business models like grocery stores doing to bring products to people? There were some studies out there and we said, look at the pain.

"It's a balancing act all the time with retailers and customers. Every store runs a little differently. We're trying to highlight overall improvement categories like time saved without being too prescriptive, and dial in a better experience over time."

"We can't dictate pricing to the dealer body, but we recognize in the marketplace that there is a transaction price that consumers all kind of figure out and go get in the research process through TrueCar and Edmunds and so on. When a customer comes to a Hyundai retailer, especially online, I want that number that they want to sell their car for to be about the same as everyone online says it should be. We want our price to validate that.

"Because of all those variables, and because the dealer network is at various stages of adoption, we're staying at the high level in this year. But some dealers, even tomorrow, could be down to the

penny with the price, a guaranteed trade-in and digital signage online. I want the customer to see only maybe a \$500 difference between my trade and what they see on Kelly Blue Book and CarMax. We're trying to show them transparency, not guaranteeing some online transactional-level sale price."

Do consumers remember Hyundai Assurance, which the brand launched in 2009 to guarantee it would pick up car payments if someone bought a Hyundai and later lost their job?

"What they think of Hyundai today," Evans said, "is that we're definitely a value brand and a rational brand and with these assurances, and they pop up every once in a while. That's why we attach this to 'Assurance': There's some value in that and we love the word. How do we make the customer more at the center of our world? We think this could be the Assurance that's most memorable over time."



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