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## Wild enters crowded Dems race

He wants to succeed Conyers in House 13th District

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After being re-elected to a four-year term as Westland mayor in November, William Wild said he began to consider getting into the U.S. House 13th District race after veteran U.S. Rep. John Conyers, D-Detroit, gave up his seat the following month.

"Once the seat became open, I was really approached by a lot of people. At first, I didn't give it much consideration," said Wild, 49. "I spent time with my family. My wife encouraged me to do it. I can understand why people might say I was just re-elected mayor but at the time, I had no idea Conyers would be resigning."

With 20 years' local government experience as mayor, councilman and ap-

pointed office, Wild said he also has 30 years' experience as a small-business owner.

"I know how government works, I know how business works. I think the skill set I have developed as mayor would serve me best," Wild said. "There are severe partisan issues (in Washington, D.C.). We don't have that locally or we get over it. I think we're all Democrats, so we won't be that different on major



Wild

policy issues. I think voters can recognize experience, integrity, track record, the skill set and the track record of a person who gets things done."

As Wild made his announcement, former Detroit state Rep. Shanelle Jenkins also added her name to the race. They joined a crowded Democratic field that includes Conyers's son, John Conyers III; Conyers's grand-nephew, state Sen. Ian Conyers of Detroit; Detroit City Council President Brenda Jones; former

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After filling the hole, Daimon Parker tamps down the patch with the back of the shovel blade. He knows the patch is temporary. Michigan's freeze-thaw cycle means that road crews never run out of work. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## A THANKLESS TASK

Meet the workers who try to keep our roads from falling apart

**David Veselenak**  
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It's a slow-moving procession, similar to what you'd find during a parade. But this two-vehicle operation doesn't

feature candy thrown a float. Just cold patch.

Such is the day of highway maintenance workers assigned to fill potholes across Oakland County in the winter and spring. Crews are sent out to spend eight hours a day filling those dangerous

craters that form along county roads with a combination of freezing, thawing and precipitation.

Crews take a reprieve when snow is all plowed from county roads and use

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## Livonia rec center set for camera upgrades

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It appears there will be a few more cameras able to capture that awesome dunk you've been practicing at Livonia's recreation center.

The Jack E. Kirksey Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard, is planning on adding a few more surveillance cameras to its campus later on this year. The move comes after the request, done by the city's parks and recreation department, was reviewed by the city council during its Feb. 12 study meeting.

"We are upgrading some existing cameras. The system we have is an analog system right now. Technology, obviously, has changed in the last 15 years since it was installed, so some will be replaced with new digital cameras," said Ted Davis, superintendent of parks and recreation. "We are adding some new cameras, most importantly in our skate area, parking lot and gymnasiums, kind of filling in the blind spots we have with the current system."

The plan, which is on the city council's consent agenda Monday and is all

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## Wild

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state Rep. Rashida Talib; state Sen. Coleman Young II, the son of the legendary Detroit mayor; and Michael Gilmore, a former Democratic organizer.

Wild is the only non-Detroiter in the race and described the vacant seat as a call to service. "One thing I have taken away from talking to people it is they are just frustrated with the crumbling roads," he said. "They look at what they are working on when they are supposed to work on roads, infrastructure. People are looking for a reasonable voice."

Conyers had served in Congress since 1965 before resigning at age 88 in the midst of allegations of sexual harassment and other mistreatment of women staff members.

During the just over 50 years Westland has been incorporated as a city, Wild noted no local resident has ever been an elected representative in Washington.

"It would be the honor of my lifetime to represent the community in Washington. The issues are pretty much the same across the district," said Wild, who made an earlier bid for Wayne County executive. "They need help from Washington for infrastructure. I would be sure we get money to the district — any money from Washington is added dollars. The roads are in

terrible shape and water and sewer."

In kicking off his campaign, Wild cited a range of accomplishments, such as efforts in boosting senior transit availability and lifelong learning programs; the Wild About Youth Works jobs program aimed at young adults; implementing a comprehensive LGBTQ anti-discrimination policy ensuring fair access to housing, employment and other services and opportunities; attracting more than \$200 million in new investment to Westland's business district; and delivering balanced budgets for the past 11 years and growing the city's rainy day fund to \$6 million while raising the city's bond rating.

"For nearly two decades, I've been bridging the gap between the needs of our neighborhoods and federal policies and dollars," he said. "We can do better. We must keep Congress focused squarely on the issues that matter, like rebuilding our infrastructure, access to affordable, quality health care, excellent schools for our kids and to good-paying jobs and opportunities. I know we can all work together to achieve a better quality of life, not just for today, but for our future, and not just for the 13th District, but for every American."

To learn more about the campaign, go to [www.billwildforcongress.com](http://www.billwildforcongress.com).

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### WESTLAND LIBRARY EVENTS

The William P. Faust Public Library is located at 6123 Central City Parkway. For information, call 734-326-6123 or go to [www.westlandlibrary.org/](http://www.westlandlibrary.org/).

#### Intro to Excel

**When:** 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 26

**Details:** An introduction to Microsoft Excel 2010. The class covers basic terminology, formatting cells and creating lists. Basic computer knowledge and familiarity with Microsoft Word is necessary. It is required to know how to use a mouse. Registration encouraged.

#### Job Seekers Lab

**When:** 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26

**Details:** Are you a job hunter? Do you need assistance developing your resume or cover letter? Do you need help filing for unemployment, creating an email address or searching job boards and websites? We can help.

#### Long-term care presentation

**When:** 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27

**Details:** Join us as we welcome the Law Office of Erin E. Mortenson, specialists in elder law. You must register with the law office by calling 248-924-9550 or go to [chelsey@mortensonelderlaw.com](mailto:chelsey@mortensonelderlaw.com)

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# Cameras

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but approved, would see a new camera and pole for the skate park; seven cameras replaced in the parking lot and skate park; 360-degree cameras installed at the skate park pavilion, front canopy and inside the front desk area; an additional camera in each gymnasium; a Wi-Fi bridge to connect the cameras to city hall; and a new network video recorder server.

The cameras would be bought from the same company, Advanced Satellite Communications, that installed the cameras along the Civic Center campus, including inside city hall and the Robert and Janet Bennett Library. Total cost for the upgrades is budgeted not to exceed \$72,372.49.

"This will align us with city hall and the police department," Davis said.

The cameras were installed in 2015 after a carjacking at knife point took place in the Civic Center parking lot in August 2014. The suspect in that case was eventually arrested and charged with carjacking. She remains locked up in prison, serving a five- to 20-year sentence.

The Livonia Police Department will also have access to the cameras, though recordings are typically stored and reviewed later if needed. A similar situation will be set up at the rec center, Davis said.

"Typically, we don't have a staff person watching cameras like you'd see at a casino," he said. "We tend to go back and look at footage after the fact if there was an incident."

Councilwoman Cathy White said she supported the move to upgrade the cameras, saying they will assist the facility in its security.

"I know those cameras help a lot in all sorts of situations, especially theft," she said.

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## HYPE RECREATION CENTER EVENTS

All classes take place at the HYPE Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Road, in Wayne. For more information, call 734-721-7460. Classes are free unless noted.

### Health screening

**When:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 14  
**Details:** Screening includes blood pressure, cholesterol and glucose (diabetes). No fasting required and no appointment needed. You must be 18 years or older. Offered through Beaumont's Community Health.

### Legal consultation

**When:** Thursday, March 15 (by appointment only)  
**Details:** Have questions that only an attorney can answer for you? Here's your opportunity. Appointments are for 15 minutes. Senior residents ages 50 and up. Call Nancy at 734-721-7460.

### Personal Action Toward Health

**When:** 6-8:30 p.m. each Wednesday through March 28  
**Details:** Designed to provide skills and tools to help people living with Type 2 diabetes and their support system, live a healthier life. It is a fun, interactive, workshop led by certified leaders. Go to <https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/fUjwC5yw29h2y58MfzjBgp?domain=beaumont.org> or call 313-586-5488 to register.

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**When:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday  
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**When:** 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 3  
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**When:** 6-8 p.m. each Tuesday, April 4 through May 9  
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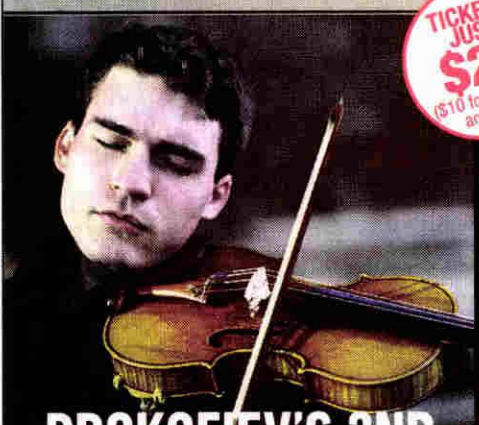
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#### Purse taken from bowling alley

A patron of Vision Lanes, 38250 Ford, came to the police station Feb. 12 to report her purse had been stolen.

She said her purse was stolen while it was sitting on a table. She later located her purse in a garbage can, though her wallet and credit cards were missing. She said she did not know who would have taken the items and had already canceled her credit cards.

#### Hit and run reported near Warren, Newburgh

A driver came to the police station Feb. 13 to report a hit-and-run accident took place near the intersection of Warren and Newburgh roads.

He said he was driving westbound on Warren when he was sideswiped by another car, an older four-door, cream-colored vehicle. He said the suspect's vehicle was driving in the curb lane and entered the through lane before striking him. The suspect then drove away.

#### Bicycle found

Police were called Feb. 15 to a residence in the 38000 block of Deer Creek Boulevard on the report of a found bicycle.

The resident said he returned home that day and found a bicycle resting near the garage by his home. Visible footprints were seen in the snow leading back to Hix. Police recovered the bi-

cycle and secured it as found property at the police station.

#### Laptop stolen at DTE Energy location

A victim working at the DTE Energy center, 38155 Cherry Hill, came to the police station Feb. 15 to report a laptop had been stolen.

The victim said she set the laptop down and saw it that afternoon. She went to leave a few hours later and found the computer was missing from where she left it. She contacted some other employees and asked about the computer, but they did not respond. Police advised her to provide the computer's serial number at a later date to have it entered as stolen.

#### Wheel, tire stolen

Police were called Feb. 15 to the 38000 block of South Miller Circle on the report of a larceny from auto.

The victim said she parked her vehicle in the driveway the night before. The next day, she came back to the car and found a tire and wheel missing from it. Police observed the car resting on a landscaping brick, as well as the three other tires and wheels still attached. The victim said she found no other damage to the car and it was locked. Neighbors told her they did not see anything overnight and no suspect information was available.

— By David Veselenak

### LIVONIA POLICE BRIEFS

#### Wallet taken at Meijer

A shopper at Meijer, 13000 Middlebelt, came into the Livonia police station Monday afternoon to report her wallet had been taken.

She said she went into the store and left her purse in her cart while she shopped. She said she looked away a few times while shopping and was bumped by a man several times. She went to check out and found her wallet missing. She checked with the store's management, who said she needed to file a police report to review security footage.

#### iPhone stolen from cellphone store

A manager at T-Mobile, 13429 Middlebelt, came to the police station Feb. 17 to report the theft of a cellphone from the store.

He said the suspect came in and said he wanted to put another phone on his sister's account. After verifying he was an authorized user, he also asked to purchase a new iPhone 8 Plus. An employee went and selected a cellphone and the suspect grabbed it and left the store without paying for it. The manager said they would forward footage of the inci-

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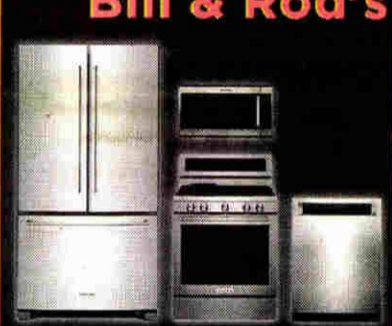


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**Fight reported**

Wayne police were dispatched the evening of Feb. 13 to the intersection of Michigan Avenue and Venoy on the report of a fight that had broken out.

A witness told police he met the victim at a nearby gas station, where they were going to buy some cigarettes. They began walking south on Venoy and observed the suspect walking north. The witness said they believed an assault would happen. As they crossed paths, the suspect took a piece of ice that was in his hand and struck the victim in the face. The witness said he could only provide the suspect's first name, saying he had met him a few times before. The victim said he did not know why the incident took place.

**Online fraud reported**

A resident who lives in the 3500 block of Barry filed a police report Feb. 13 regarding a scam they had fallen victim to.


He said he had reached out to a company for some computer assistance. He spoke to a representative, who said they could not deliver the service and wanted to refund the victim's \$250. Instead of a refund, they ended up charging his account more than \$850.

**Car stolen**

Police were called Feb. 19 to Joulis Coney Island, 5006 S. Wayne, on the report of a man whose car was stolen.

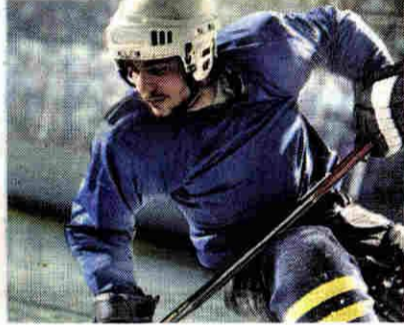
The victim said he had met the suspect at a gas station in Inkster and agreed to get a drink with her. They then ended up spending a few days together. The two drove to the victim's father's house and he went inside to grab a phone charger. While inside, the suspect drove off in the victim's car. He said his driver's license and cellphone were in the car when she drove away. The car belonged to the victim's mother. He walked to the restaurant to call police afterward, since his phone had been stolen.

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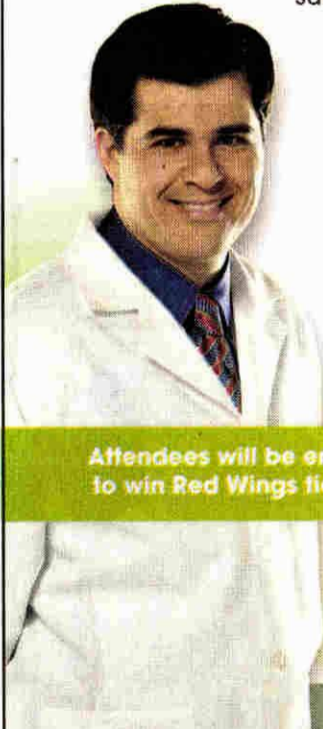
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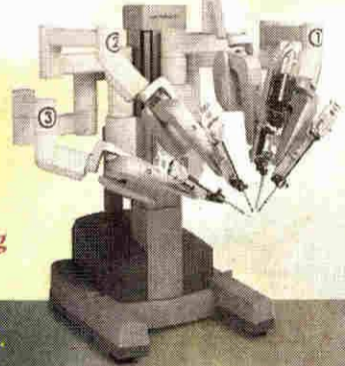


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# Woman accused of stealing purse facing charges

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A Detroit woman faces criminal charges after police located her with several stolen credit cards believed to have been taken from a Salvation Army shopper this year.

Livonia police arrested Bernice Ella Thomas, 70, this past weekend. She's suspected of stealing a purse from a woman shopping at the Salvation Army store, 33600 Plymouth, a crime reported to police back on Jan. 6. The victim told police then a woman bumped into her a few times at the store and later she realized her purse was missing.

Police put out an image of the suspect at a local pharmacy where the victim's credit card had been used. They said the devices had been used at pharmacies in Livonia and Northville.

Thomas is charged with three counts of illegal use of a financial transaction device and three counts of retaining/

stealing a financial transaction device. She was arraigned over the weekend and given a \$25,000 cash or surety bond.

She was also charged as a habitual offender-fourth, which brings enhanced sentencing requirements if she is found guilty. She faces up to 15 years in prison.

The Michigan Department of Corrections online database does not list a criminal history for Thomas. Capt. Robert Nenciarini of the Livonia Police Department said she is also a suspect in similar crimes at other stores.

She's expected to go before a judge for a probable cause conference Thursday, March 1, in Livonia's 16th District Court. A preliminary examination is scheduled to take place Thursday, March 8.

Contact David Veselenak at [dveselenak@hometownlife.com](mailto:dveselenak@hometownlife.com).



Thomas

## Police

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dent to police.

### Shoplifting reported

Police were called Feb. 16 to Menards, 12701 Middlebelt, on the report of a retail fraud suspect in custody.

An employee told police the suspect was seen walking into the store and selecting a rotary hammer drill. He took it to the service desk and said he forgot his receipt for it in the car. He then tried to walk out of the store with the drill, but was stopped by an employee. He was detained until police arrived. He was arrested and taken to the police station for processing.

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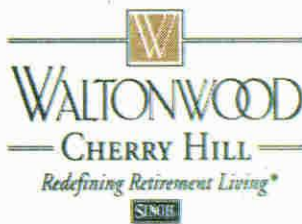
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## Potholes

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that additional time to head out and fill, not repair, potholes.

"You just know when the snow lets up, that's usually when the potholes start popping up," said Ron Hoolihan, a crew leader for the Road Commission for Oakland County, who works out of the garage along Franklin Road in Southfield. "We know we're either going to be patching or plowing snow from December to the beginning of April."

That was the scene earlier this month, as highway maintenance workers Daimon Parker of Oak Park and Alan Beyer of Waterford worked their way east along 10 Mile Road, between Evergreen and Southfield, in Southfield. That was their assigned location Feb. 14, though they could be assigned to fill potholes anywhere between Eight Mile and 14 Mile and Coolidge and Novi roads, one of the most densely populated parts of Oakland County. And plenty of the roads along its southern border are in bad shape.

In fact, potholes have cropped up all across the region earlier than expected. Both Wayne and Oakland counties have reported using more material and manpower to fill potholes earlier this season than previous years. The cause? Dramatic swings in temperatures that form potholes on roads such as Interstate 275, Middlebelt and 10 Mile, to name just a few.

Parker, who's worked at the RCOC the past six months, said their assignment that day was to travel along 10 Mile Road, east toward Greenfield, before making their way back toward Evergreen, a round trip of about four miles.

The procession is slow, with one driving a pickup truck pulling the trailer full of cold patch, another worker walking right behind to spot those "tire-eating" potholes, then a larger county truck behind them to flatten and solidify the cold patch after it fills the hole.

"Once he drives over it, it packs it down," Parker said. "Then the excess stuff comes off and it'll fly."

**'I could actually lay down in one of these holes'**

Throwing his arm up whenever he saw a pothole in need of filling, Parker would then grab his shovel and get to

work, scooping up cold patch and dropping it into craters that would make the moon blush. After scraping the excess patch and dropping that into another hole or crevasse that needs filling, the process would begin again.

This is how a day filling potholes goes, unless they get called out to fill a pothole that's big enough to draw a motorist complaint. While those happen, Parker said they'll only get called out to such a pothole perhaps three times a week.

While he's been on the job only a few months, Parker said the largest pothole he's seen came just down the road at the intersection of 10 Mile, Evergreen and Northwestern Highway.

"It was just one and it was real bad," he said. "We were actually working on 12 Mile in Novi (and had to come back)."

But the potholes aren't limited to the eastern side of the county. That stretch of road in Novi, especially near the 12 Mile and Novi roads intersection, has seen better days. Hoolihan said crews were just recently out filling potholes that had gotten so bad, it took several trailers of cold patch to do.

An average crew will use three to six tons of cold patch a day. That intersection alone, Hoolihan said, used up nearly double that.

"We put about six or eight tons of material down there," he said. "I know it's usually bad, but I was amazed when we got out there."

The worst area, according to 10-year highway maintenance worker Frank Pena, was Greenfield, between Eight Mile and Nine Mile. There, crews would fill that stretch of roadway on a regular basis before it was repaired.

"We were there every single day," he said. "I could actually lay down in one of these holes."

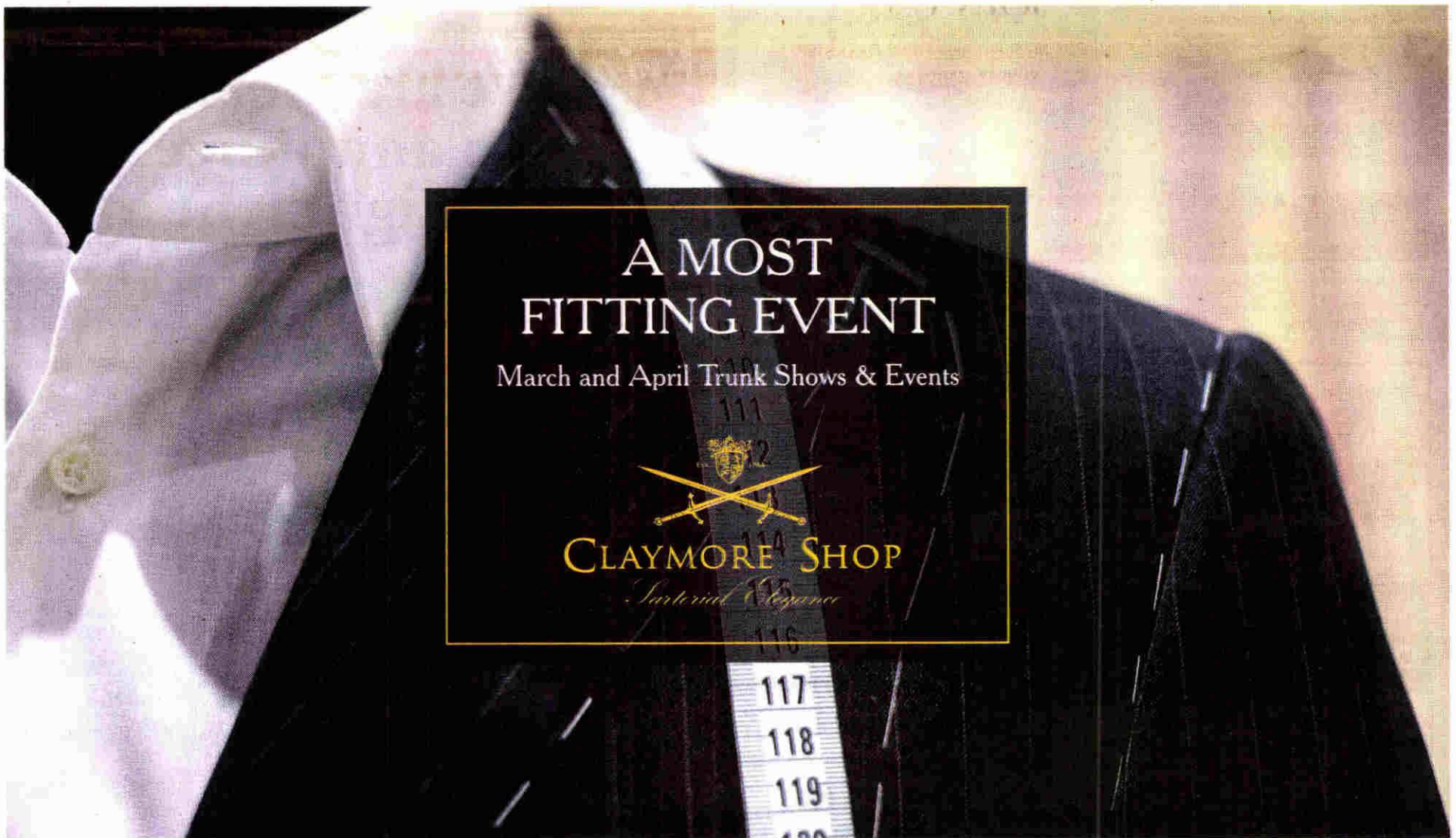
### Busy season

It's been quite busy in recent weeks between the snowfall and patching, especially for Beyer, who just begun working for the road commission three weeks earlier.

Beyer, who recently left the U.S. Air Force after serving about five years and joined the RCOC, said the work is a nice break from doing the same thing all the time, something he experienced as a mechanic while in the service.

"There's always something different

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Livonia chamber to host Lions player

Detroit Lions player Don Carey will speak to a group of business people and high school students during a Livonia Chamber of Commerce luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman Road.

When not on the gridiron, Carey runs a real estate company, studies to earn a master's degree in theological studies, leads a para-church organization and operates a foundation geared toward empowering children. For the chamber luncheon, the event's sponsors — AlphaUSA, law firm of Fausone Bohn, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, LMR Associates and Dave & Buster's — are sponsoring a table of students from each of Livonia's five high schools: Churchill, Clarenceville, Franklin, Ladywood and Stevenson.

Admission to the luncheon is \$30 for chamber members and students. For more information, contact the Livonia Chamber at 734-427-2122 or go to www.livonia.org.

Hernia seminar at St. Mary Mercy

St. Mary Mercy Livonia will host hernia night 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, in the hospital's South Auditorium. The night will include a free educational seminar and screening.

Dr. Jacob Roberts, M.D., will answer questions, discuss hernia-related symptoms and provide education about the latest hernia treatments. Attendees

will be entered to win Detroit Red Wings tickets and refreshments will be provided. Guests should enter from the hospital's south entrance, 14555 Levan Road.

For more information or to register, call 734-655-8486.

Livonia Dems Club

The Livonia Democratic Club meets the second Wednesday of each month. Its next meeting is scheduled for 7-9 p.m. March 14 at 33150 Schoolcraft Road, 104. For more information, call 734-466-5140.

Food drive

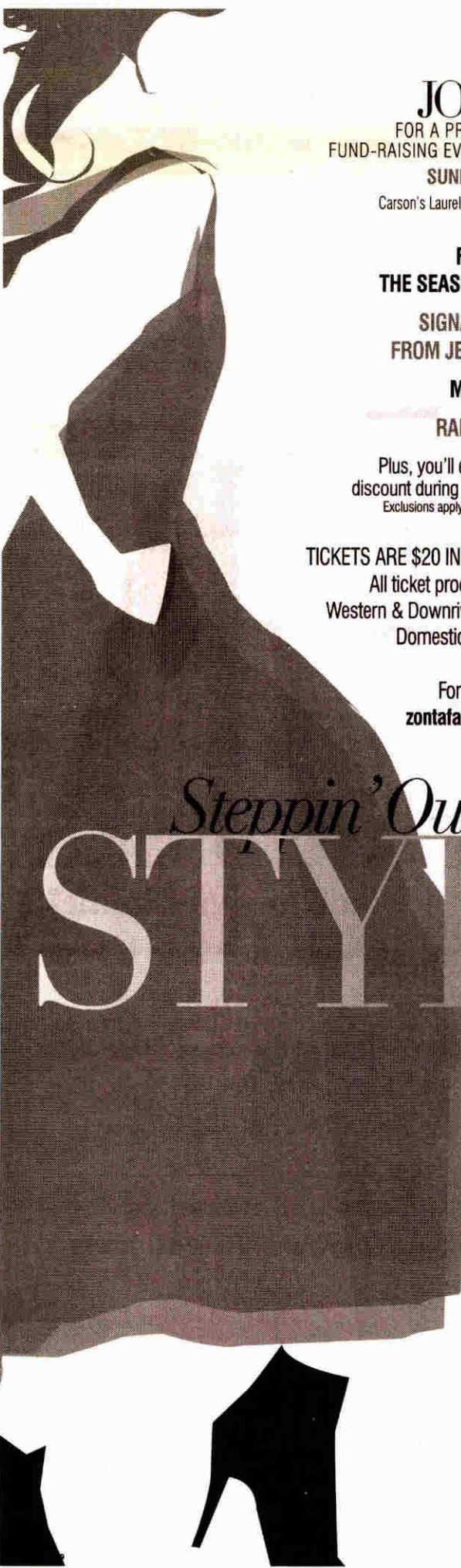
The Youth of Unity (Y.O.U.) is collecting food and funds for the poor and homeless. Collection boxes for non-perishable items will be at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Middlebelt, from Sunday, March 18, until Sunday, April 15. Drop-off times are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and 9:30 a.m. to noon Sunday.

Monetary donations can also be made by cash or check. Make checks payable to Unity of Livonia and include "Fast for Food" on the notation line. Checks can be mailed to Unity of Livonia, 28660 Middlebelt, Livonia, MI 48154. Cash donations need to be delivered to the church.

On Saturday, April 14, the Youth of Unity (Y.O.U.) will fast for 24 hours to raise awareness of hunger and nutrition challenges within our community. Donations will be delivered to Redford Interfaith Relief, a local hunger organization, and ChristNet, a partnership of local churches serving southeast Michigan's homeless community.

American Legion fish dinners

The Myron H. Beals American Legion Post 32, 9318 Newburgh Road, in Livonia will host fish dinners 5-8 p.m. each Friday during Lent through March 30, that are open to the public. Cost is \$12 for perch, \$10 for cod or shrimp and \$9 for chicken, which includes side dishes.



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# Potholes

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every day," he said. "I was an aircraft mechanic, so every day was the same." The road maintenance work, while it can be taxing, has benefited Parker in other ways. Picking up the skills he's learned out of the RCOC garage, he's applied some of that to work around his house. "So far, it's helped me at home do different things," he said. "Where I would probably pay somebody, I don't do that

anymore. I pick it up and at least try first before I need to get it serviced." Those who need to report a pothole on Oakland County roads can do so by calling 877-858-4804 or filing a complaint online at rcocweb.com. Potholes in Wayne County can be reported by calling 888-762-3273 or online at waynecounty.com.

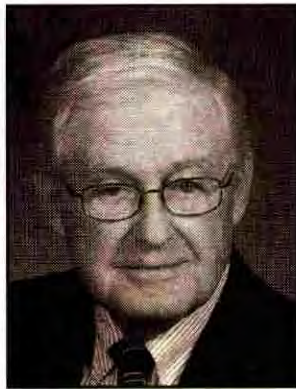
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# Obituaries

## James B. (Jim) McKeon



PLYMOUTH - 92 went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, surrounded by his family. Born July 18, 1925 to Paul and Edith (Trollman) in Fenton MI, he was their only child to be born in a hospital and is survived by his sister Eileen Fous, 97 (Flint) and Jack, 89 (Ann Arbor). He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years Shirley (nee Scott), brother Charles (Bloomfield Hills) and sister Mary Mora (Flint). He is survived by his 6 children: Marcie (Ron) Foster; Jim (Carol); Jean (Chuck) Martin; Rebecca (Richard) Horvath; Karen Holstad; Janet (Bruce) Lillie; 15 grandchildren and 7 great-grand children. Jim grew up on a family farm in Fenton, and enjoyed telling stories of daily life during the 1930's. He made history come alive from his recollections of hitching up draft horses, winters without central heat, Christmas' with homemade gifts, feeding cats while milking cows, trading a goat for a doctors house call and many more. Jim attended Fenton High School, playing football and baseball. Football was played without face masks resulting in an occasional dentist visit after a game. Baseball was much simpler and Jim claimed to be quite skilled at making bats on a lathe. He was on the Student Council at Fenton and President of the 1944 Senior Class. Notwithstanding his farm deferment, after graduation Jim enlisted in the Navy. The GI bill earned him a trip to MSU where he continued his interest in serving others by finding homes for persons displaced by the war. He was elected to MSU's Student Council and served as its President. He graduated in 1949 with a BS in Mechanical Engineering. After graduation he worked at Detroit Radiator followed shortly by Ford Tractor. During this period Jim became a Professional Engineer, but more importantly he spotted another Fenton graduate - Shirley Scott, Fenton's 1st homecoming queen - who was attending Wayne State. Through careful study of class times and bus schedules Jim carefully planned what Shirley thought was a

chance meeting. In the late 1950's Jim moved from Ford Tractor to Distribution Services Inc. (DSI), which moved to Plymouth in 1962. In 1965 Jim designed and built the company's main production area that was the largest clear span area on the country at the time. In 1985 he also built the Hamilton Street plant and later was an instrumental member of the Board of Directors at the time of the Company's sale. In 1973 he began McKeon, Inc. Real Estate, his many business interests continued to keep him involved in property management and commercial investments. Community concerns have always been an important factor to Jim. He has been an advisor to Junior Achievement, and the Boy Scouts. He served on the Plymouth City Commission from 1966 through 1973, as a Commissioner, Mayor pro-tem and Mayor. As Mayor he visited Plymouth, England and hosted the Mayor of Plymouth England during his time in Michigan. Jim has served on the Board of Directors of the Schoolcraft Development Authority, the Board of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, and since 1962 a member of the Kiwanis Club as well as a dedicated and involved member of Our Lady of Good Counsel's congregation. He was very honored when he was named to the Plymouth Hall of Fame. When Jim needed to relax he enjoyed cultivating roses, a fine green lawn, time at his cabin on Burt Lake, but mostly telling and re-telling his grandchildren stories of his childhood growing up on a farm. Visitation Sunday, February 25th 2-7 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd., (Between Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. Rosary Sunday 4 PM. In state Monday, February 26th 9:30 AM until the 10 AM Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth. Interment Riverside Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Community Foundation of Plymouth, or the Plymouth Kiwanis Foundation. To share a memory, please visit [vermeulenfuneralhome.com](http://vermeulenfuneralhome.com)



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# Obituaries

## Margaret Jane Barton

-- was the daughter of Irma and Henry Walsh of Owosso, Michigan. She was a graduate of the Owosso High School in the class of 1941 and received her Bachelor's Degree in Art History from the University of Michigan in 1945. In 1946 she married her University classmate, David Watt Barton of Flint, Michigan. In 1949, their daughter, Linda Jane, was born when they lived in Birmingham, Michigan. In 1955, the family moved to Foxcroft subdivision in Bloomfield Township, Michigan. Over forty years of happy summers were spent at their summer home at L'Arbre Croche Club in Harbor Springs, Michigan beginning in 1971. In 1975, Margaret Jane began selling her folk art "theorem" paintings under the title, "Jane Barton Theorem Paintings". The Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan gave her a contract to copy examples in their collection and bought her paintings to sell in their museum shops. Antique dealers and museum shops were among her best customers. David made her painted grained frames. Her interest in historic preservation inspired her to hire a restoration architect to preserve her father's Victorian style building in Owosso, which had housed his cigar store. The work was completed in 1980. Jane was a member of The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Metropolitan Detroit, Foxcroft Improvement Association, The Foxcroft Women's Club, Heirloom Chapter #145 Questers. She was a Silver Life member of The Village Club in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. While a member of the Classes Committee, she gave some lectures on historical subjects. In addition, Jane belonged to the U. of M. Alumni Association, The Martha Cook Building Alumnae Association, D.A.R. Piety Hill Chapter, Bloomfield Township Historical Society and Christ Church Cranbrook, etc. After 59 years of marriage, David passed away in 2005. Predeceased by daughter, Linda Jane Barton of Hackettstown, New Jersey in 2016. Jane is survived by her nieces Dorothy Barton Pazzi (Dennis) and Donna Barton. Memorial service February 26, 2018 Monday 11 a.m. at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine and Cranbrook Rds., Bloomfield Hills. Memorial tributes to Christ Church Cranbrook or Women's Auxiliary of Salvation Army of Metro Detroit or Charity of Donor's Choice. A.J. Desmond & Sons (248) 549-0500. View obituary and share memories at [AJDesmond.com](http://AJDesmond.com)

## Sophia H. Fonseca

**BAXTER, WV** - Mrs. Sophia H. (Chiater) Fonseca, born on March 5, 1923 in Baxter, West Virginia, to the late Elizabeth Chiater and the late Andrew Chiater, passed away at age 94 on February 13, 2018 in Port Charlotte, Florida.



Sophia was the loving wife of Anthony Fonseca and would have celebrated their 49th anniversary this June. Preceded in death by her 3 brothers and 4 sisters. She is survived by her daughters, Lois (Marshall-deceased) Field, Nancy (Tom) Smith, Melissa (Tim) McAteer and Melinda (Pete) Brewis; son Michael (Pat) Fonseca; 14 amazing and beautiful grandchildren; and 11 beautiful great-grandchildren and many other extended family members.



She had a passion for golf, bowling, gardening, cooking and embraced all family, extended family and friends and made everyone feel accepted and special. A Celebration of her life is being planned for July in Michigan.

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## Shirley Stone

**JACKSON** - age 92. Beloved wife of the late George Stone for 47 years. Loving mother of 4 sons, Allen (Char), Chris (Pam), Keith (Marlene), Ken (Cinda) Stone and 2 daughters, Kathy (Dennis) Kolehmainen and Diane Bastarache. Dear sister of Catherine Beach. Also survived by 12 Grandchildren, 6 Great-Grandchildren and several nieces & nephews.

Memorial Services, Saturday, April 28, 2018, 11:00 AM, Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood Rd., Westland The family would like to extend a Thank You to Legacy Assisted Living Center and Southern Care Hospice. Please view and send tributes to, [www.uhtfh.com](http://www.uhtfh.com)



## George Washington Soroka

**WESTLAND** - 92, passed away peacefully Saturday, February 17, 2018 at Four Chaplains Nursing Care Center in Westland. George was a lifelong Michigander, born February 22, 1925 to the late Joseph Soroka and Augusta (Koss) Soroka in Detroit.



He graduated from Wilbur Wright High School in Detroit at the age of 25, after he was honorably discharged from the United States Army, surviving the Battle of the Bulge and earning a Purple Heart. Retired as an automotive designer from Fisher Body, he enjoyed collecting stamps and coins, bowling and watching Tigers baseball. An honest, hardworking, quiet man, deeply loved by his wife, Erma of 58 years (who passed away in 2010) and his three children: Diana Septer, George Soroka and Christopher Soroka. George is also survived by many grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

According to George's wishes, cremation has taken place and no services will be held.

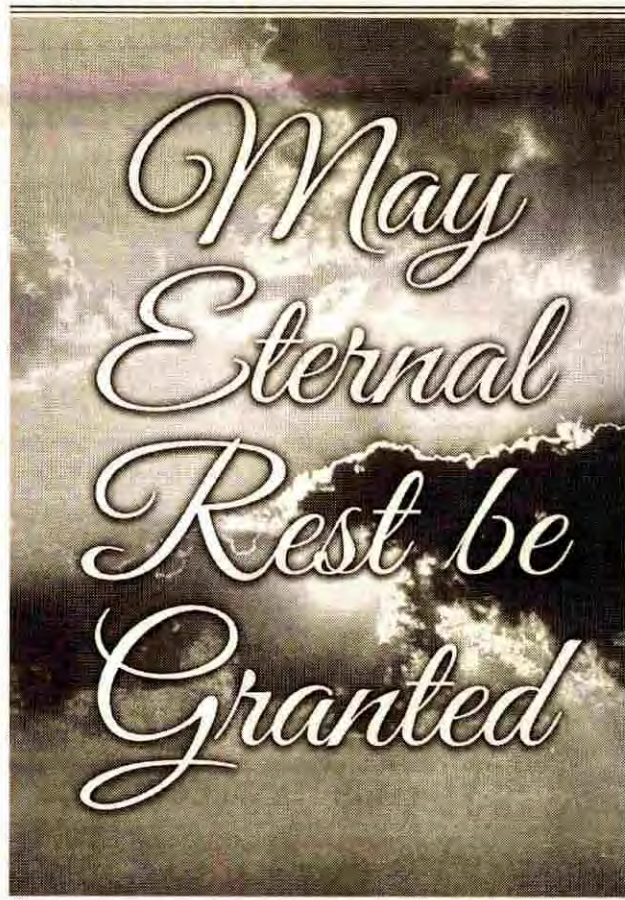
## Marie Breach

**CANTON** - Marie Breach of Canton, passed away February 21, 2018 at the age of 82. She was born in Stirling, Ontario on June 23, 1935 to Alexander and Gertrude McCrory. Marie was the beloved wife of the late Arthur Breach who passed away in 2004. Marie is lovingly survived by her sons James (Holly) Breach, David (Emily) Breach and Robert Breach, her precious grandchildren Natalie, Meredith, Adam, Benjamin, Lauren, Olivia, Riley, Sidney, Bobby, and Jolee, and her dear siblings John (Barb), Clifford, and Pauline. Marie was preceded in death by both of her parents, and her sisters Eleanor and Brenda.



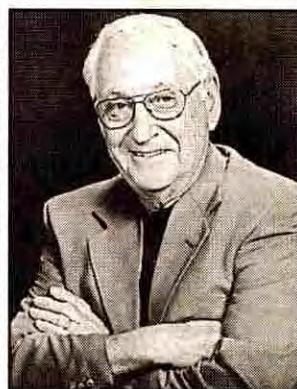
Marie left high school in 9th grade to begin working at Northern Telecom. She eventually moved on to work for A & P Supermarkets where she met her husband of 49 years, Arthur. They were married in 1955 and began building a wonderful life together. Marie and Arthur moved from Toronto to Winnipeg and then back to Toronto, before immigrating to the United States in 1979. They eventually settled in the Detroit area beginning in 1981. She was a homemaker for 25 years raising "her boys". After they were grown, she pursued and received her GED. Marie went on to become a teaching assistant at Plymouth Starkweather where she helped in the Adult Education Program. She was always an intellectually curious woman who loved her crosswords and pursued a lifetime of learning. Marie also enjoyed sewing, knitting, gardening and playing cards. She also loved to travel to new places going to France, England, and Hawaii. More than anything, Marie cherished the time spent with her family, especially her grandchildren.

A Memorial Gathering will be Sunday, February 25, from 12-2:30pm at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170. Her Memorial Service will immediately follow beginning at 2:30pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Lung Association.



## Richard "Jerry" G. Raymond

**HONOR** - passed away surrounded by his family on February 19, 2018. Born in Highland Park, Michigan on July 14, 1928, he graduated from Michigan State Normal College (now Eastern Michigan University) in 1950 where he lettered in two sports - football and baseball. He later received his Masters degree from the University of Michigan and did post graduate work at Wayne State University.



He had a diverse career as a coach, teacher and mentor, playing an integral role in the development of many young men and women over the years. As a coach at both the high school and college level, he excelled. At the high school level, he coached in Cass City Michigan and Highland Park, Michigan. At the college level, he progressed from various assistant coach positions, ultimately serving as head football coach at Eastern Michigan for the 1965 and 1966 seasons. He also coached basketball at Eastern Michigan, leading the freshman team to an undefeated season. In 1986, he was inducted into the E-Club Athletic Hall of Fame at Eastern Michigan University for both football and baseball, and is also a member of the Highland Park High School Hall of Fame. After coaching, he was the director of admissions and registrar at Highland Park Community College till his retirement in 1988, at which time he made his permanent home in Honor, MI on his beloved Platte Lake on the site of the former Highland Park Summer Camp; later splitting time between Honor and Fort Myers, Florida.

In retirement, he continued to support Eastern Michigan athletics as a charter member of the EMU Dugout Club and EMU Football Bust Committee. Also, he was a member of the Frankfort (Michigan) Rotary, as well as the Michigan Sports Sages, while at the same time, volunteering as a

starter at Crystal Mountain Golf Club. Through retirement he maintained a deep belief in the benefits of higher education, volunteering on various local committees supporting Northwest Michigan College. For adventure, he and his wife Mary Jo enjoyed traveling, with visits to locations including China, Australia and New Zealand, and multiple trips to Europe. He raised his family in Redford Township and Plymouth, Michigan and also his beloved cottage on Platte Lake in Honor, MI.

He is survived by his wife and partner of 66 years, Mary Jo (Bradley), five children: Brad (Marilyn), Laurie, Connie (Kim), Richard (Holly) and Christopher (Wendy). He is also survived by 11 grandchildren. He is remembered for his undying love for Mary Jo, unwavering dedication to his family, and for his passion, humor and integrity. He was preceded in death by his loving siblings; Marie, Charles, Patricia and Lawrence.

Friends are welcome to visit with Jerry's family on Friday, March 9, 2018 starting at 6:00 PM with a 7:00 PM Rosary at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, 11411 S. Lacore Rd., Empire, Michigan 49630. A Mass of Christian Burial honoring Jerry will take place at 11:00 AM, with visiting one hour prior, on Saturday, March 10, 2018 at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church. Rev. Fr. Tony Cureton will officiate. In lieu of flowers, those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider a memorial donation to Hospice of Michigan, 10850 E. Traverse Hwy, Traverse City, MI 49684 and the Alzheimer's Association, 921 W. Eleventh St. Suite 1W, Traverse City, MI 49684. Please feel free to share you thoughts and memories with Jerry's family at [www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com](http://www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com). The family is being cared for by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

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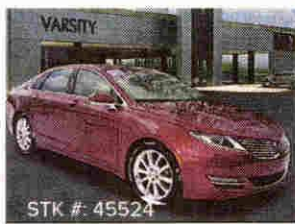
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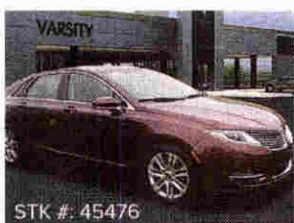
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# Sports



Southfield's Cheyene McEvans (left) attempts to get past North Farmington defender Khyra King-Ealy earlier this season. MARTY BUDNER

## Groves' Dunbar qualifies for finals

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As far as Groves wrestling head coach Joseph Jones is concerned, Damon Dunbar should have qualified for the wrestling individual state finals last year as a freshman. The talented lightweight fell one match short.

Dunbar made up for that disappointment Feb. 17 in the Division 1 regional at Hartland High School.

Wrestling at 130 pounds, Dunbar placed second overall and will head to the individual state finals, scheduled for March 2-3 at Ford Field in Detroit.

"Damon should have qualified for states last year," Jones said. "He got into the regional and had some issues and didn't make it out. This year, hands down, I knew he was going to qualify. I just didn't know what weight class he was going to go.

"At first we had talked about (119), but he stayed at (130) and wrestled all

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## Canton guards hit gas pedal in tourney opener

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When Canton guards Vinson Sigmon, Eian Barker and B. Artis White start flinging the basketball around the horn, each successive pass with more steam than the previous one, something just clicks for the Chiefs' high-octane offense.

Throw in some clutch shooting from elsewhere in the lineup, not to mention hard-nosed defense that forces turnovers and transition points, and it's easy to see why the Chiefs improved to 17-0 Tuesday with a convincing 68-46 win over Howell.

The victory opened the KLAA boys basketball tournament for both teams. Canton advanced to Fridays tourney semifinals against Novi.

"We look at it, like, all gas, no

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# OH, MERCY!

## Marlins to host one of state's toughest districts

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The girls basketball state tournament begins Monday with district play in four different classes across the state. Record-wise, you would be hard pressed to find a more challenging district than the one at Farmington Mercy.

The five team Class A district includes three OAA division winners: Red Division champion Southfield Arts & Technology (13-4), White Division co-champion Birmingham Groves (17-2) and Blue Division co-champion Far-

mington (15-4).

North Farmington (12-5) placed third in the perennially tough Red Division and host Mercy (16-3) finished as the Catholic League Central Division's regular-season co-champion.

The combined record of those teams is 73-18, for a whopping .802 percent winning average.

"It is a very tough district. There are times when you have maybe two or three good teams in a district, but all the teams are coming in well above .500," Mercy head coach Gary Morris said. "I don't know if I've ever seen a tougher district in terms of across the board. Every team that's in there will present a challenge.

"When I first saw that district, I knew it was going to be tough," he added. "It's

going to be a real challenge and, unfortunately, you're going to have some good teams falling by the wayside quickly."

The district opener at 6 p.m. Monday features a terrific match-up between Groves and five-time defending district champion Mercy.

### Veteran Groves is ready

Groves, a veteran team led by first-year head coach Jessica Wieseler, had a stellar regular season last year with 18 wins en route to the OAA Gold crown. However, the Falcons, after soaring to an early lead over arch-rival Birmingham Groves in their postsea-

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Senior Nick Law heads to his first individual state finals during his record-setting career at Birmingham Seaholm.

## Seaholm sends pair to state finals

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A senior and a freshman will represent Birmingham Seaholm at the wrestling individual state finals.

Nick Law, a four-year varsity wrestler, and Jackson Vance, a high school newcomer, had strong regional tournaments and are headed to the Division 1 finals, set for March 2-3 at Ford Field in Detroit.

The grand march kick-starts the two-day affair at 11:45 a.m. Friday and the championship matches are scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. Saturday. The starting weight is 103 pounds.

"I think it's been, like, six years since we've had two guys making it through," Seaholm head coach Neil Tuomi said. "It's a very satisfying feeling and pretty exciting."

"I was hoping those two guys would make it through," he added. "I was hoping for a third, but two is better than none. It's more than we got last year and the year before that we got one and the year before that we got one. So this is good for us."

Law, wrestling at 145 pounds, went 2-2 at the regional to earn a fourth-place finish and his first state finals berth.

After placing second at the district, Law opened the regional with a 9-3 decision over Warren De La Salle freshman Brett Stanley. He then lost to Fraser's Jalen Smith (8-6), defeated L'Anse Creuse junior Samuel Shaw (pin at 3:50) and fell in a rematch to Stanley (10-6) in the consolation battle.

"It's awesome that he made it through, because last year he got sick just before the tournament started and he couldn't wrestle in the district," Tuomi said. "So this was a big weight off his shoulder."

Tuomi never doubted that Law could make it to the state finals this year.

"He's had over 30 wins in every year of his career. He's beaten a few kids who were ranked in the state and he's beaten some pretty good kids and his losses this year were to good kids," Tuomi said. "He's a take-down kind of wrestler. He likes to stay on his feet. He likes fast moves and he likes shooting. He likes to get his opponent off-balance and then he goes in for the shot."

Law, Seaholm's record holder for career wins with 149, takes a 43-9 mark to the state finals, where he will meet Bay City Western junior Vic Schoenherr in a first-round match. Schoenherr was a regional champion and enters with a 44-2 record.

"If he can wrestle his style at states, I think he can place," Tuomi said. "He has a tough opening match, but if he sticks to his style, he can win and, if he wrestles to win, he'll place. He can compete with almost anybody in his weight class."

### A freshman surprise

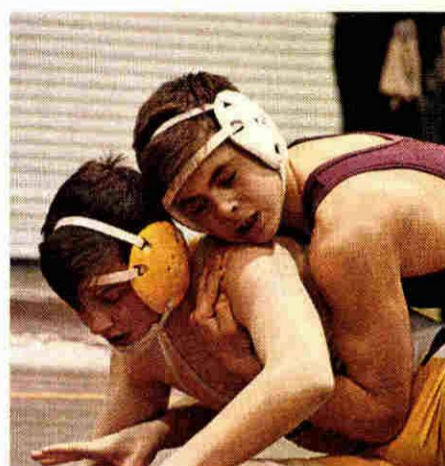
Vance is Seaholm's surprise qualifier. According to Tuomi, Vance is the first Maple freshman to qualify for states since 1990.

"I didn't expect him to qualify in his first year of high school wrestling, but I knew he had the talent to do it," Tuomi said of Vance. "I think he is our first Seaholm kid to go to state as a freshman, at least since I've been here since 1990."

"He's been wrestling since he was 4 years old," he added. "He's a don't-make-mistakes kind of wrestler and he likes to capitalize on other opponents' mistakes. He wins a lot of really close matches."

Vance qualified by placing second at the regional, matching his district finish.

Wrestling at 125 pounds, Vance won two of his three matches. He wrestled his way right to the regional champion-



After placing second at both the district and regional, freshman phenom Jackson Vance qualified for the Division 1 individual state finals.

ship match after defeating Fraser senior Seth Fillar (7-6) in his opener and Macomb Dakota senior Connor Casey (5-3) in the semifinal.

In the final, Vance lost to Hartland junior Kyle Kantola in a first-period pin (35 seconds). Vance suffered a third-round pin to Kantola in the district final.

"It was great, because at the district, he was only a seventh seed and he had to beat a state qualifier in the semifinals to get into the final," Tuomi said. "After he got through districts, I thought he had a pretty good shot at getting to states. But he had to wrestle a couple of tough kids at the regional and he did really well."

Vance will meet another high school rookie in Brighton freshman Zach Johnson in his opening state finals match. Vance takes in a 30-11 record and Johnson, who was third at his regional tournament, is 42-7.

"It's great for our program to have a freshman go to states," Tuomi said. "Because we have, like, 12 freshmen on our team, so now he can set the example for our team and lead, too. He's a great kid and I kind of think he can place, too."

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## Marian captures another league title

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Bloomfield Hills Marian is back atop the perch.

The Mustangs, after surrendering the Catholic League A-B tournament title to Farmington Hills Mercy last year, regained the crown Feb. 18 with a 49-30 triumph over Dearborn Divine Child. It is the Mustangs' third title over the past four years and the 16th in their illustrious history — the first in 1986 — under head coach Mary Ciccone.

"Winning the Catholic League title is always satisfying," said Ciccone, whose team tied for the Central Division regular-season title with Mercy, but beat it twice during the regular season to earn the top seed. "It was good, very good. We played well. We played some serious defense and frustrated them."

The win was even more satisfying, considering the Mustangs avenged two regular-season Central Division losses to the Falcons. Divine Child defeated Marian in early January (39-30) and in late January (38-34).

In both of those losses, the Mustangs could not find an offensive rhythm. In the Catholic League final played at the University of Detroit Mercy's Calihan Hall, Marian was on its game at both ends of the court.

The Mustangs came out on fire, hitting four 3-point shots en route to a 19-8 lead after the first quarter. Senior guard Samantha Patterson hit two of those treys, while freshman guard Shannon Kennedy and sophomore Sophia Mancini hit one each.

### Mustangs show balanced offense

Marian held a 27-18 halftime lead and outscored the Falcons 22-12 in the second half. Divine Child did not score more than nine points in any quarter.

"We shot the ball very well. We came out and hit some big shots right from the beginning," said Ciccone, fifth on the state's all-time win list. "We hits those four threes and they had to come out of their zone and it was downhill for them."

"They came out in their zone like they did the first two times we played them and we didn't shoot the ball well," she added. "They played well in the first game and we didn't. In the second game, we lost a close game, but we didn't have (senior center) Uche (Ike)."

Ike, who was sick in that second game against the Falcons, led the balanced Marian scoring attack in the title game with 10 points. Patterson added eight points, while junior guard Olivia Moore and Mancini had seven apiece. Freshman guard Shannon Kennedy and sophomore forward Lauren Licari contributed six each.

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## Two Farmington wrestlers head to finals

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North Farmington's Scott Hampton and Farmington's Jake Justice are headed to the wrestling individual state finals.

Justice, a senior, and Hampton, a junior, both wrestled in the 130-pound weight group and both finished fourth at their respective regional. They will now compete in the state finals, scheduled for March 2-3 at Ford Field in Detroit.

A three-time team captain, Justice went 1-2 at the Division 2 regional at Warren Woods Tower.

Justice had a first-round bye and then lost to Hazel Park's Joseph Eisho (8-3 decision). Justice then defeated Redford Union sophomore Shakaleb Nicholson via a first-period pin (1:21). In the consolation match, Justice lost to Madison Heights Lamphere junior Matt Tomsett by a technical fall (17-2).

Justice will take a 35-11 record into the state finals. The three-time state qualifier's first match will be against

Mattawan senior Peter Deaton, a regional champion who is 36-1.

Justice has 134 career victories, tied for the most in Farmington High School history. He finished second this season at the annual Oakland County tournament and was third at the Observerland meet.

"Jack has wrestled a tough schedule this year," said Howard Welsh, Farmington's assistant coach. "I believe all of his losses have been to state qualifiers."

"Although Jake finished fourth at the regional, the consensus is that this was the toughest regional for his 130-pound weight class," he added. "If Jake wrestles up to his capability, he can certainly place at the state meet this year."

In the Division 1 regional at Hartland, Hampton went 2-2 by winning his first and third matches.

Hampton opened with a 7-5 decision over Fraser senior Joshua Brady and then fell to top-seeded Groves sophomore Damon Dunbar by a 14-0 major decision. Hampton then defeated Walled Lake junior Jack Greenstein 6-5 and lost his consolation match to Hartland senior Carter Hankins by a first-period pin



Senior Jake Justice has 134 career victories at Farmington, which ties a school record. He has a chance to set the record at next weekend's individual state finals at Ford Field.

(1:35).

Hampton (28-10) opens the state finals against top-seeded and undefeated Detroit Catholic Central sophomore

Joshua Edmond (17-0).

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## Dunbar

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year at (130)," he said. "We just want him to keep pushing and pushing."

### State meet journey

Dunbar began his individual state finals journey in fine fashion by winning the district championship Feb. 10 in his home gym. The second-year varsity wrestler defeated three foes, including top-seeded Carter Hankins of Hartland by a 5-1 decision in the championship match.

Dunbar then made sure his second regional appearance was more rewarding.

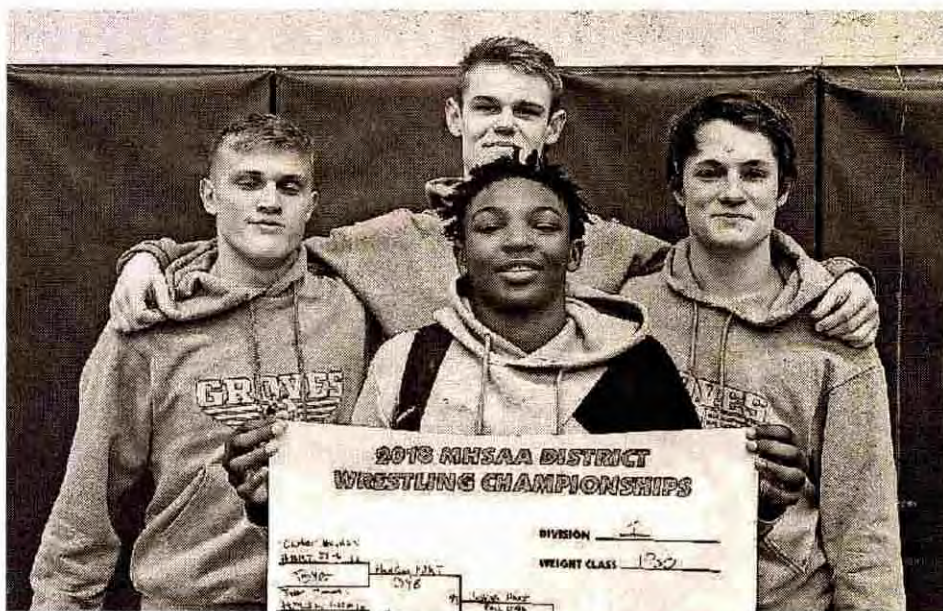
Entering as the top seed, Dunbar easily won his first two matches. He defeated Chippewa Valley junior Carson Boni in his opener (21-6 technical fall), then downed North Farmington junior Scott Hampton in the semifinals (14-0 major decision).

In the championship match, Utica junior Zach P. Wells surprised Dunbar with a 3-2 decision.

"It really wasn't a good match. The Ford kid kind of stayed away from (Dunbar)," Jones said. "It was kind of a thing where he wanted to keep his distance because he is tall and Damon is short so he couldn't get in on him."

Despite the loss, Dunbar advances to the state finals, where he will meet Westland John Glenn senior Isaac Lefler in his opening match. Dunbar enters the match with a 38-4 record while Lefler, who finished third at his regional, is 43-6.

"Damon got a tough draw in his first match against the John Glenn kid who's



Groves sophomore Damon Dunbar (front) qualified for the state finals after placing second at the recent regional tournament. Dunbar's teammates (from left), Micah Mydloski, Jacob Smith and Nathan Campbell, were also regional qualifiers.

pretty good," Jones said. "We just have to go after the kid and stay on him and have no mistakes. We just have to stay with him."

"But I think Damon can have a good run at states," he added. "I think he can place. We're hoping he can place high this year. He's wrestled a lot of those kids out there as they kind of grew up together out of the Silverback Wrestling Club."

### A spectacular season

Dunbar has enjoyed a spectacular season for the Falcons.

He was third at the Oakland County championship meet, captured the OAA league championship and the West

Bloomfield Invitational title. He was second at the Walled Lake Northern Invitational, where he lost to Hartland's Hankins.

In just two years, Dunbar is nearing the 100-victory mark with a 93-6 record.

"I'm really excited for him as a sophomore. He's an exciting kid and he has some special talents," Jones said. "He's been wrestling all his life, basically. This year, he's having a really good year and he's starting to peak when he's supposed to."

"We just have few things that we have to tweak before the state finals. One thing about Damon is that he never gets tired. He just keeps going and going. He can wrestle and you never see him get tired. Even when he gets off the mat, he

has more energy. He has tons and tons of energy and I've never seen him get physically tired in a match — never.

"He's finesse and he's very, very physical. He has a lot of different styles of wrestling. If you tie up with him, he will throw you. He's a leg rider. He can shoot. He's an all-around wrestler."

"We just have to get him to be a little more disciplined at finishing things and that's just from being young in high school," he added. "We still have to critique him and get his technique completely down."

### Emotional for seniors

Groves had three seniors who were regional qualifiers, but could not make it through to the state finals.

Micah Mydloski (140 pounds), a state qualifier last year, Nathan Campbell (160) and Jacob Smith (171) all lost their first two matches. All three finished the season with at least 30 victories: Mydloski at 31-11, Campbell at 33-11 and Smith at 31-8. Mydloski, who eclipsed the 100-victory mark this season, will wrestle at Heidelberg (Ohio) University next year.

"This was a good season for the team. I had five seniors, three of them I was hoping would make it through (to states)," Jones said. "This was one of my hardest years emotionally for me, because I have some seniors that dedicated their off-season the last two years to wrestling."

"They did great to get as far as they did," he added. "And just the luck of the draw, they didn't make it out of the regionals. That touched me really hard."

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## Districts

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son opener, finished with a stunning 10-point defeat.

The Falcons hope to make a longer state tournament run this year. They are playing with a tremendous amount of confidence after their outstanding regular season.

Wieseler, however, knows it will not be easy.

"We are definitely in a tough district and it will be a tall order to make a run in the postseason," Wieseler said. "Right now, our team is hitting strides and coming together and have been working hard to stay mentally focused to help us prepare for our upcoming games."

"We are going to need to be firing on all cylinders in order to make a run," she added. "But we are looking forward to the challenge."

The Falcons are led by star guard/forward Sha Carter, who averages in double figures and is capable of hitting the 30-point barrier every game. Carter has plenty of support in returning players Kayla Nelson, Lauren Palmer, Bella Boerman, Sacha Tyler, Emilie Felax, Ellie Ruprich and Jasmine Worthly.

Morris knows his Marlins, who struggle to score at times but always play good defense, are impressed with Groves.

"We know Groves is a very good team and that game is going to be a challenge for us," Morris said. "We've seen them several times and they have an outstanding player in Carter and they have other pieces to go along with her. Our attention is now focused on Groves."

### Mercy has balanced scoring

While Groves is a senior-laden team with plenty of experience, Mercy is nearly the opposite.

The Marlins have enjoyed a successful season despite a roster laced with five freshmen — Alexis Roberts, Ellie Tisko, Lindsay Lukomski, Jillian Smith and Julia Bishop — who get their fair share of playing time.

Mercy's co-captains are seniors Jenna Schluter and Bella Dugas. Senior Lexi Thomas and junior Isabelle Miner both play a significant role.

The balanced scoring attack is led by Schluter, Dugas and Bishop, who all average eight points per game. Dugas and Bishop are the leading rebounders and Schluter leads in assists.

"I've been very pleased with the season we've had. For the most part, we played with one returning starter in Jenna Schuler," Morris said. "Our freshmen play significant minutes and, at times, our inexperience shows and that's to be expected, because we are very young."

"But it's a fun group to coach and it's a group that really gets along well," he added. "The older players have embraced the freshmen and our chemistry



Senior center Olivia Perkins (right) helped lead Farmington to a strong season in the OAA Blue Division. MARTY BUDNER



Groves senior Kayla Nelson (right) provides strong guard play for the OAA White Division co-champions. MARTY BUDNER



Mercy senior co-captain Bella Dugas provides veteran leadership on a very young Marlins squad. MARTY BUDNER

is very good. We'll see what we can do come next week."

The Groves/Mercy winner advances to the semifinal against North Farmington at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

### Raiders had streaky season

The Raiders have had a streaky season, winning their first six games, dropping four in a row, followed by five straight wins. They have split their last

four games.

North Farmington is led by standout senior center Sam Cherney, who averages a double-double per game. The team's other seniors are Madisyn Hoke, Patil Tcholakian, Natalie George, Lynn Lerner and Khyra King-Ealy. Sophomore Molly Simpson is a 3-point shooting guard capable of putting up big numbers.

North Farmington lost in last year's district championship game to Mercy by two points.

Southfield A&T and Farmington are on the other side of the bracket and will play in Wednesday's other semifinal game at 5:30 p.m.

If anyone gets a favorite's nod, it would be Southfield. The Warriors, under veteran head coach Michele Marshall, advanced to the Class A state semifinals last year before losing to eventual state runner-up East Kentwood.

High-scoring Southfield A&T is led by junior Alexis Johnson, who averages 20 points per game, and sophomore Cheyenne McEvans, who averages 15 points and 12 rebounds. Senior D'Layna Holliman, senior Shayna Manning and freshman Kayiona Willis are other top players for the Warriors.

Farmington, under first-year head coach Laura Guzman, finished strong. The Falcons split their first six games, then followed with 12 wins in their next 13 outings. The only loss during that span was to North Farmington by 11 points.

Farmington is led by senior forward Olivia Perkins, who is a strong force inside the paint. The other top players include seniors Abbey Smentowski, MyKayla Martin and Nevada Hargress, juniors Iasia Rimson and Cecelia Norris and sophomore Hailey Walker.

The district champion advances to the regional hosted by Southfield A&T, where it will play a first-round game against the Detroit Martin Luther King district champion at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6.

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Canton's Vinson Sigmon, guarded by Matthew Dewar of Howell, makes this shot during the second quarter of Tuesday's KLAAs tournament game. GILLIS BENEDICT | LIVINGSTON DAILY

## Canton

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brakes," said Sigmon, a senior who scored 13 points. "We try to keep our foot on the gas, no braking, keep our foot on their throat. When we get a lead we push it, we push it as hard as we can as far as we can, for 32 minutes. We know where we need to be, we know what we got to do. We keep pushing on it."

Barker also had a solid game, with a team-leading 14 points. He was one of four Chiefs to reach double figures (junior White and senior Chase Meredith added 11 apiece).

"We had good chemistry last year, but this year is even better," Barker said. "And also we have good chemistry on the court and off the court. That helps, too. We're able to find each other. We know where everybody should be at. We know our roles."

"Coach (Jimmy) Reddy will be on us in practice, so we say practice how you want to play in the games. We know our roles in practice, so it shows up in the game."

The Highlanders (10-7) gave the Chiefs plenty, especially in the first half, lifted by the return of junior guard Josh Palo — who scored 18 points to lead all scorers. Contributing nine points was sophomore Anthony Honkala, while senior Cody Deurloo had five.

"There were lots of bright spots," Howell head coach Nick Simon said. "Josh came back and played pretty well for being out a couple games with a hurt ankle. We're going to learn and grow a lot from this. I thought we did a lot of good things early. We just hit a patch where we got a little out of sorts, but I thought we competed real well the whole game."

Reddy said a key to the win was a defensive coverage adjustment that reaped benefits in the second half, which began with Canton nursing a 30-21 lead.

The Chiefs then outscored Howell in the third, 27-12, registering a handful of mid-court steals and cashing in those with points.

"In the first half, Howell's cutting and player movement gave us a little bit of trouble," Reddy said. "For the most part, defensively, we were very good in the second half ... better help, better communication, for sure. In the third and fourth quarter, we were able to do that."

And Reddy's trio of starting guards moved the ball and orchestrated quick-strike attacks on the Howell basket time after time.

"Those guys are individually outstanding but, more importantly, they're great teammates," Reddy said. "And they share the ball, they're all willing passers and, when they're all on the same page, they're moving it quick, fast. They're all tough covers."

Canton got off to a 12-2 lead, with triples from Sigmon, White and senior

guard Connor Engel.

The Highlanders clawed back and trailed 16-12 after one quarter, with a lay-up-and-one by Palo and Honkala's trey.

And then Canton's guards starting working their magic in the second. White dished it to Barker for a fast-break bucket and, moments later, White stripped the ball and fed a no-look pass to Sigmon for a layup. That opened a 28-17 lead with 2:30 left in the half.

A 12-0 run by the Chiefs in the third quarter salted the game away, turning a 37-30 lead into an insurmountable 49-30 edge.

During that span, senior forward Noah Brown was a catalyst. He grabbed an offensive rebound and converted a layup, then stole the in-bounds pass and scored again. Brown finished with eight points, four rebounds, three assists and two steals.

Following are several other takeaways:

### THEY'RE UNSUNG

Although the Chiefs have their top guns, Reddy likes to talk about his glue guys — such as Meredith, Brown, Engle, senior Danny Lanava and sophomore Benny Stesiak.

"Chase was real good tonight, he was real good at both ends," Reddy said. "He helped us defensively, protect the rim a little bit, rebound the ball. And he was good on the offensive end, finishing around the rim. He even knocked down a three."

"We've got other guys that help. Noah Brown off the bench, Connor Engel, who starts, those guys do a lot of little things that nobody sees. Benny Stesiak off the bench is another weapon for us."

Meredith led the Chiefs with seven rebounds.

### HOT IN THE OVEN

One of the keys to Canton's season-long success is relentless defensive pressure that forces miscues. Such was the case again Tuesday, as the Highlanders made 16 turnovers compared to Canton's six.

"I think they hurt us a lot in transition, on turnovers more than anything else," Howell's Simon said. "Obviously, they're good in the half court, too. But if you're going to pick your poison, I'd rather play against them in the half court than letting them get a bunch of buckets."

### IT WORKED FOR A WHILE

Simon tried to get his team to slow down the game enough to keep the score close. That game plan was moderately successful early on.

"In the second half, we just got sped up a little bit," he said. "And once we got sped up, they hit big shots and that ballooned that lead to a point where it was going to be kind of tough to come back. We're going to learn a lot from this game, for sure."

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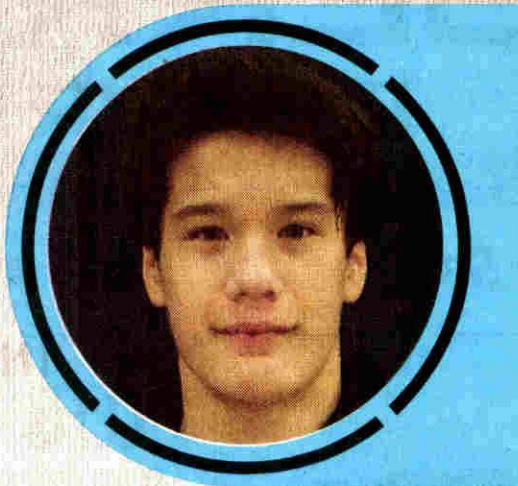
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Persistence defines Livonia Franklin junior wrestler Russell Rusnell, who captured this week's Hometown Life Prep Athlete of the Week poll by a landslide.

Rusnell — who came in a close second place in the previous week's weekly poll — was nominated for a second consecutive week after his strong second-place showing in the 112-pound weight class at the Division 1 individual regionals Feb. 17 at Saline High School.

He collected 7,316 of 9,276 total votes cast for just under 79 percent. In second place was Livonia Stevenson senior girls basketball player Sarah Tanderers (1,842, 19.86 percent).

The third-place finisher (wrestler Mikey Mars of Westland John Glenn) received only 40 votes.

"I was very surprised, in response to being selected as Prep Athlete of the Week," wrote Rusnell, in an e-mail. "I was nominated last week and was very close to winning it, and was a little disappointed when I lost."

"When I was nominated this week, I found out a little bit earlier and immediately started to tell my fam-

ily and friends to go vote, which I think made a huge difference."

Rusnell's second nomination followed his performance at the individual regionals, where he defeated Temperance Bedford's Chase Grzegorzczuk and Plymouth's Tyler Campbell to reach the finals at 112.

Following a loss to Alec Balogh of Southgate Anderson, Rusnell's record entering the March 3 state individual finals at Ford Field in Detroit is 47-7 with 18 pins. For his career, he has 107 victories.

"I think I wrestled really well at individual regionals, however, there were a couple things that I need to work on during these next two weeks of practice heading into the state tournament," Rusnell continued. "I have been wrestling much better this year than I did last year

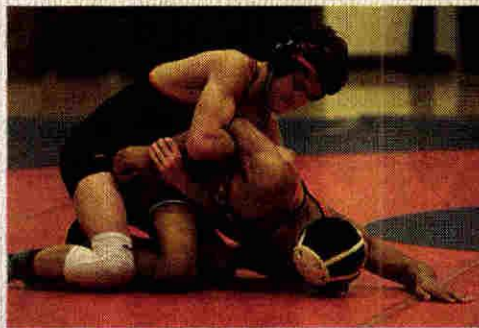
which I think can be contributed to confidence."

"This year I have stepped on the line confident in every match and that has helped me wrestled much better. I am extremely excited to wrestle next weekend at Ford Field, there is nothing better than the feeling of wrestling at states."

With another season left in his prep career, Rusnell has a shot to reach 150 career wins. He already is the latest in a long line of outstanding Franklin wrestlers.

Joining Rusnell from the Patriots at Ford Field will be Johnny DiPonio, Jake Swirple and Manee Willie.

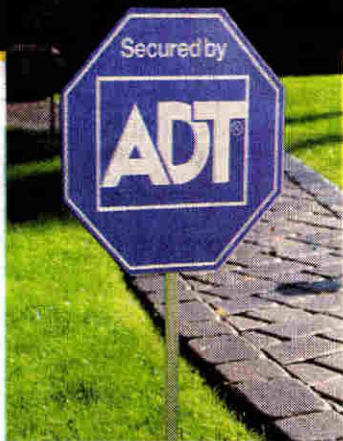
"It is amazing to be able to help continue the legacy that was made by previous teams and individuals, such as Nathan and Jordan Atienza, and to be apart of a program that has won 13 straight district titles," Rusnell said. "Much of my success can be attributed to coach (David) Chiola and coach (Josh) Billiau. They have helped me tremendously to grow on the mat" since seventh grade.



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# Lewis keys Wayne's KLAA playoff win

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The back of his jersey reads '0,' but Wayne Memorial's Isaiah Lewis can put up some impressive numbers when called upon.

The soft-spoken junior point guard proved to be the difference Tuesday as the host Zebras pulled out a hard-fought 65-55 boys basketball victory over upset-minded Northville in the opening round of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association playoffs.

"I was feeling it today," said the 5-foot-11 Lewis, who scored 23 points to share game-high honors with teammate Rashad Williams. "At first, I heard them talking and they were saying to leave me open. They were giving me open shots. I was hitting them and tonight I had a big day."



Lewis

Lewis, who already has an scholarship offer from Wayne State and some interest by a couple of NCAA Division I schools, connected on six 3-pointers, while Williams added three from beyond the arc.

"(Lewis) is a good player and they're loaded with good players that play very well together," Northville coach Todd Sander said of the Zebras (13-4). "Obviously, with (Rashad Williams), you know what you're dealing with, so you've got to pick your poison. But Lewis made us pay and he hit open shots. It seemed like every loose ball bounced to him and he buried it in the bottom of the net."

Wayne coach Nkwane Young was not surprised by yet another strong outing turned in by Lewis, who shot an efficient 8-of-16 from the field.

"Isaiah has been carrying us a lot lately," Young said. "He's been playing pretty good. He's stepped up big time this year. He can shoot the ball. With he and Rashad, we have two of the best in the state. When they're both on, we click."

Northville trailed by as many as 15 points late in the third quarter, 55-40, after Terrence Williams (11 points) made an acrobatic layup with 1:08 remaining.

But the Mustangs (11-7) refused to fold and made a stirring comeback in the final quarter, only to fall short.

On two separate occasions during the final four minutes, Northville trimmed Wayne's lead to four, but couldn't convert to make it one possession game.

"Northville played a good game," Young said. "Their guys played with a lot of energy, tough. We knew they were going to be well-coached. We got up by 15 and then we lacked a little bit. Their guys played hard and I've got to give them credit. They kept on fighting."

Junior forward Steven Morrissey scored 14 first-half points as the Mustangs trailed 34-27 at intermission.

Morrissey finished with a team-high 17, while senior guard Niko Barach and senior forward Mark Grimes added 14 and 12, respectively.

The Mustangs did a good job protecting the ball against Wayne's full-court pressure defense, committing just 10 turnovers.

"They way they move the ball is excellent," Lewis said. "It's kind of hard because you've got to keep switching, but we ended up with the 'W.'"

Northville was 19-of-54 from the floor (35.1 percent) and 10-of-13 from the free-throw line (76.9 percent).

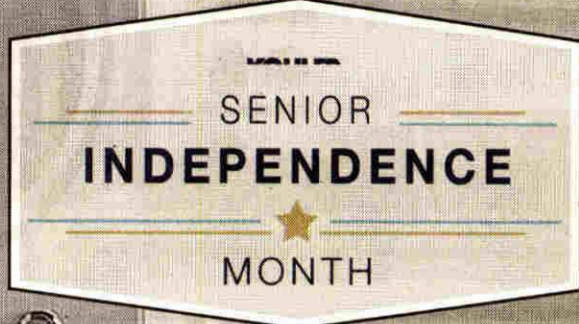
"When we play our best, we make a lot of shots from the perimeter," Sander said. "We shot it better late, but I thought we missed a lot early. But it seemed like every darn loose ball bounced their way one way or another and it resulted in a hoop for them."

Williams, Wayne's other standout guard headed to Cleveland State, was automatic at the foul line, going 8-of-8, including six straight in the final 1:55 to help seal the win.

The Zebras shot the ball extremely well, going 22-of-42 from the field (52.3 percent) and 12-of-15 from the foul line (80 percent).

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### CITY OF WESTLAND 2018 Animal Licenses

Licenses must be obtained on or before March 1, 2018 for all animals age four (4) months or older. A statement of rabies vaccination must be presented upon applying for an animal license. Beginning March 2, 2018, a \$2.00 penalty will be assessed. (*Westland Code of Ordinances; as amended: Chapter 18; Section 9*)

Licenses may be purchased at the:

**Westland City Clerk's Office,**  
36300 Warren Road, Westland

Richard LeBlanc  
Westland City Clerk

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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, March 13, 2018, in the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the following items:

**Petition 2018-02-02-03 submitted by Wade Shows, Inc.** requesting waiver use approval pursuant to Section 11.03(f) of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, to conduct a carnival in the parking lot of Sears, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Livonia, consisting of amusement rides, games and food concessions from May 17, 2018 through May 28, 2018, inclusive, on property at 29500 Seven Mile Road, located on the northwest corner of Seven Mile Road and Middlebelt Road in the Southeast ¼ of Section 2.

**Petition 2018-02-02-04 submitted by TMade Studios** requesting waiver use approval pursuant to Section 16.11(f) of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, to operate a dance and yoga studio at 12908 Farmington Road within the Livonia Trade Center, located on the east side of Farmington Road between the CSX railroad right-of-way and Schoolcraft Road in the Northwest ¼ of Section 27.

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 WESTLAND 2018 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Westland Board of Review will be conducting the 2018 March Board of Review and will convene in the City Council Chambers located at 36300 Warren Road Westland, Michigan 48185.

The Board of Review schedule is as follows:

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 10:30 a.m.

**Appeal Hearing by Appointment Only**

Monday, March 12, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Mail-In Appeals ONLY**

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. Hearings are by appointment only. COMPLETED 2018 Board of Review Petitions are required and must be submitted to the Assessor's Office prior to your appointment. The deadline for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in-person before the Board of Review is Wednesday March 14, 2018 at 1:00 pm.

Copies of the notices stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted and published in the local newspaper.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions please contact the Assessor's Office at 734-467-3160.

Richard LeBlanc, CMC

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### CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC NOTICE 2018 BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Review for the City of Wayne will meet in the Council Chambers at City of Wayne, 3355 S. Wayne Road, Wayne, Michigan on the following dates and times for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll:

Meeting dates are as follows:

Date	Day	Appointment Time	Petition
March 15, 2018	Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Organizational Meeting
March 19, 2018	Monday	10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.	
March 20, 2018	Tuesday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	
March 22, 2018	Thursday	1:30 p.m.	Wrap Up NO NEW APPTS

Your 2018 Notice of Assessment, Taxable Valuation and Property Classification will be mailed to you the first week of March 2018. The inflation rate, expressed as a multiplier, to be used in the 2018 Capped Value Formula is 1.021. The Inflation Rate Multiplier Calculation is outlined in Bulletin No. 11 of 2016 by the State Tax Commission on the State of Michigan website.

Letter appeals are to be accompanied by a completed Form 618 Petition to Board of Review L-4035. The Petition is available at [www.michigan.gov/treasury](http://www.michigan.gov/treasury) - select Search Treasury - Forms [618]. Petitioner agents must submit, for each parcel individually, current letters with original signatures from your client properly authorizing you to appear for the property owner.

If you desire an appointment, please call the Assessment Department at 734-722-2000 Ext. 1014 Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller  
City Clerk

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**Open Enrollment** begins 3/1/2018 for FAXON LANGUAGE IMMERSION ACADEMY 28555 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248)702-6272  
Applications for grades K-7 for the 2018-2019 school year are available at the school Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Additionally, we will be open for enrollment on April 11, 2018 (4 p.m.-6 p.m.) and June 30, 2018 (12 p.m.-4 p.m.). The application deadline is August 10, 2018. Should applications exceed available space; a lottery will be held on August 13, 2018 at 5 p.m.

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### CRESCENT ACADEMY

Crescent Academy, a Tuition-Free Public School Academy, located at 17570 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, Michigan 48076, (248) 423-4581, announces its Open Enrollment period for the 2018-2019 school years for grades PK-8. Applications may be picked up at the Academy.

Open enrollment for new applicants 03/05/18- 03/31/18 from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

If enrollment applications exceed the number of available spaces, a random selection will be held at 17570 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48076 on May 31, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

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American Montessori Academy, a Tuition-Free Public School Academy, announces its Open Enrollment period for the 2018-2019 school year for grades K-8. Applications may be picked up at the Academy lower campus: 14800 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, MI, 48154.

3/2/18 - 3/23/18 Open Enrollment for new applicants

3/2 - 3/23, 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (Mon-Fri)

\* 3/13 also 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

\* 3/19 also 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

\* 3/10 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

If enrollment applications exceed the number of available spaces, a random selection will be held at AMA lower campus, 14800 Middlebelt Road on March 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

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### CITY OF WAYNE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE CITY OF WAYNE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A BROWNFIELD PLAN FOR THE METRO STORAGE DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 33577 MICHIGAN AVENUE, WAYNE, MICHIGAN.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing shall be held before the City of Wayne City Council on March 6, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. EST at the Wayne City Hall located at 3355 S. Wayne Rd. Wayne, MI 48184, to consider the adoption of a resolution approving a Brownfield Plan (the "Plan") for the property located at 33577 Michigan Avenue, Wayne, MI 48184, within which the City Council shall exercise its powers, all pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended.

A copy of the Plan is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Wayne, 3355 S. Wayne Road, Wayne, Michigan 48184.

All aspects of the Plan are open for discussion at the Public Hearing. All interested persons desiring to address the City Council shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the consideration of the Plan.

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Matthew K. Miller City Clerk

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### LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS 15125 FARMINGTON ROAD LIVONIA, MI 48154-5474 (734) 744-2500

The Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, Livonia, Michigan, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the purchase of:

**Athletic Field Renovation Bid for the 2017-2018 School Year**  
(See Attached Specifications)

Request for Proposal (RFP) documents can be obtained at the Livonia Public School Website, [www.livoniapublicschools.org](http://www.livoniapublicschools.org) under the section titled DISTRICT, Purchasing Bids, 2017-2018 school year, open bids OR the SIGMA Website, [www.michigan.gov/SIGMAVSS](http://www.michigan.gov/SIGMAVSS). Please feel free to include additional pages of information if necessary. For bids to be considered they must meet or exceed all specifications herein.

**Sealed bids marked Athletic Field Renovation Bid will be received until 1:00 p.m. on the 6th day of March, 2018, in the Business Office at the Board of Education complex, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan.** Mailed bids should be sent to the attention of: Phillip Francis, Director of Operations, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154. **Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.**

**There will be a walk thru on February 27th, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia, MI 48150.**

The Bid Opening will take place at **1:00 p.m.** on the **6th** day of **March, 2018** at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Complex, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. **No bids will be accepted after the date and time specified and will not be opened. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.**

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement of disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner and any employee of the bidder and any member of the Livonia Board of Education, the Livonia Public Schools Superintendent or Director of Finance, any member of the Wayne RESA Board of Education or the Superintendent of Wayne RESA. **No bid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.**

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Affidavit of Compliance - Iran Economic Sanctions Act. **No bid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized statement.**

All bids must be accompanied by the Equal Opportunity Statement. **No bid shall be accepted that does not include this statement.**

**This is a Prevailing Wage Bid.**

All bids must include a Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Livonia Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each bid over \$23,230.00 and must be submitted with the bid forms furnished with specification.

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet and all sheets must be returned for the bid. All proposals shall remain firm for a period of ninety (90) days.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part: to award to other than the low bidder: to waive any irregularities and/or informalities: and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the district, including awarding by line item, with rationale to support such a decision. Livonia Public Schools local preference resolution will be followed for all proposals.

Prices bid are to be **F.O.B. Destination.** All purchases are to be exempt from all taxes, including state and federal taxes. Exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.

**Any bid submitted will be binding for ninety (90) days subsequent to the date of the bid submission.** All bids must be submitted on the attached bid form and signed by the bidder. Two (2) signed copies of the bid package are to be addressed to the attention of:

Phillip Francis, Director of Operations  
Livonia Public Schools  
15125 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48154-5474  
**"Athletic Field Renovation"**

One (1) copy of the bid package should be retained for your files.

Any questions regarding bid specifications should be referred to Harry Lau, Administrator of Facilities and Operations, [hlaul@livoniapublicschools.org](mailto:hlaul@livoniapublicschools.org), 734.744.2511, between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. EST.

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### 5 ways to help your teen's career path

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These days, it's more challenging than ever for teens to choose the right career path. On top of having a lack of real-world life experience and the self-awareness to help guide them toward making choices that are right for them, the work world is changing rapidly these days as a result of accelerating technological innovation, a fluctuating economy and shifting staffing demands.

That leaves many young adults struggling to find their purpose after high school.

The challenges teens face when searching for their ideal careers starts in college. According to a recent *Borderzine* article, "About 80 percent of students in the United States end up changing their major at least once, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. On average, college students change their major at least three times over the course of their college career."

This general level of indecisiveness can have serious implications for young adults and their ability to make clear and rational life decisions, on top of adding stress and pressure to an already challenging time in life.

If you're a parent or guardian of a teen who's trying to figure



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out what career path to pursue, consider taking advantage of the following five strategies for helping them out:

**1. Help them make choices based on who they are.**

This one's important: although you may have big dreams and plans for your teen, your child is not merely an extension of you, and projecting your hopes and wishes for their future on them is not a guaranteed path to career fulfillment.

If you want your teen to pursue a career path that has

a good chance of making them happy, help them make choices based on who they are and what makes them a unique individual.

**2. Empower them to explore their strengths and passions.**

Choosing the right career shouldn't be a shot in the dark. If your teen is having trouble making a decision, a great first step is to help them make a list of their strengths, interests and passions.

Once they have a list, it's much easier to come up with a manageable set of possible

career options that might be right for them.

**3. Help them find a suitable mentor.**

If your teen has an interest in a particular field, a great way to learn more — and discover if it is the right path for them — is to help them connect with a prospective mentor in the field who can help them learn the day-to-day realities of life on the job, as well as short-term and long-term career options and outlooks. Intern and volunteer opportunities are excellent ways to get valuable exposure and experience.

**4. Support their choices.**

Sure, this seems obvious, but what happens if your teen chooses a career path that you don't agree with?

This happens all the time, and the parents who support and encourage their teens to follow their dreams — whether it's a choice you wholeheartedly support or think is a bad idea — are much more likely to have teens who are happy and successful, no matter what path they decide to pursue.

Be patient, supportive and encouraging to your teen as they grapple with this tough life decision, and you're much more likely to see a positive result.

**5. Set a good example.**

The truth is, parents who are happy and fulfilled with their professional choices in life and who display positive work habits and behaviors are much more likely to have children who make smart choices regarding their career paths — and they're also much more likely to exhibit similar positive work habits, which will help them achieve success in their chosen fields.

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- 97 Spanish coin
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- 99 List abbr.
- 101 Lands in the ocean, to Henri
- 104 Leave the house
- 106 Sky twinklers
- 110 Go by plane
- 113 Bronze coin in Harry Potter books
- 115 — chi
- 116 Stupefy
- 117 Angel player Della
- 120 Transverse rail support
- 123 Courage
- 126 Track-and-field event
- 128 Tangles
- 129 Come next
- 130 Irish city near Killarney
- 131 Scares
- 132 — Park, Colorado
- 133 Indian lutes

- 7 Lawn lunch
- 8 Oar wood
- 9 Sky color, in Cannes
- 10 Religious branch
- 11 Rug rats
- 12 No longer sailing
- 13 See 73-Down
- 14 Univ. dorm monitors
- 15 BYOB part
- 16 Cast list
- 17 Froth made by waves
- 18 Ward of Miss Havisham
- 19 Pittsburgh footballer
- 24 Quinn who played Annie
- 28 Tachometer abbr.
- 32 Walks laboriously
- 34 "Who's there?" response
- 35 Nary a soul
- 37 Uptight
- 38 Animal skin
- 40 City of Iowa
- 41 Tit for —
- 45 Gymnast Comaneci
- 47 Cherry with the 1989 hit "Buffalo Stance"

- 49 Number of deadly sins
- 51 Chastain of soccer
- 52 Tin Man's container
- 53 Coalitions
- 54 Gives a hand at a card table
- 55 Mechanical learning
- 56 Carmen of "That Night in Rio"
- 57 East Indian lentil stew
- 62 Scripted lines
- 63 Inuit or Yupik language
- 64 Benumb
- 67 Tag team, e.g.
- 68 Deg. for a painter
- 69 Female cells
- 72 Hot planet
- 73 With 13-Down, it's risky to skate on
- 74 Opposite of east, in Spain
- 75 "By gar!"
- 78 Trump — Mahal
- 81 Elevator part
- 83 Send via PC

- 85 Stepson in "I, Claudius"
- 86 Thing read on a Kindle
- 88 Low cards
- 90 — sci
- 91 "O" in a letter, maybe
- 92 Essence
- 93 Isn't naughty
- 94 Super-insect of 1960s TV
- 95 City near Anaheim
- 100 More slothful
- 102 Means of exit
- 103 That lady
- 105 Mothers' brothers
- 107 Head Hun
- 108 Luise of "The Good Earth"
- 109 Long fights
- 111 Lavish meal
- 112 Giggly laugh
- 114 Wrongful acts, in law
- 118 Phoenix hoopsters
- 119 Once, old-style
- 121 Goa dress
- 122 Some jazz singing
- 124 Org. for pucksters
- 125 Mid grade?
- 127 Fitting

## SUDOKU

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

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!

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- INFARCT
- MITRAL VALVE
- MURMUR
- MUSCLE
- OCCCLUSION
- PALPITATION
- PRESSURE
- PULMONARY
- THROMBOSIS

### ANSWER KEY

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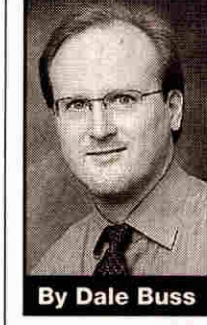
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## Car Report

# HOT ON THE HEELS OF ITS SUPER BOWL AD, KIA PIVOTS TO PROMOTING CRUCIAL NEW VERSION OF FORTE



While some other brands have been singing kumbah-ya with their marketing and focusing on messages of peace, unity and mobility, Kia has come out lately with a bare-knuckled message about capability, performance and even power.



The fully capable 2019 Kia Forte takes design inspiration from the slick Stinger car.

Witness its Super Bowl commercial, in which Kia introduced its Stinger performance sedan with an ageless Steven Tyler and a race track. That only followed one of the standout promotional moments at press days for the 2018 North American International Auto Show, in which Kia took on Lamborghini—and won. With a cheeky video stunt, that is, which compared the new 2019 Kia Forte with the Lamborghini Aventador. Its bigger mission these days is making an impact with a new version of the Kia Forte compact sedan that is crucial for a brand that still relies heavily on providing affordable entry-level and mainstream-priced sedans. The U.S. market has embraced crossovers and SUVs lately, and Kia has entries in those segments including Soul, Sorento and the new Niro. By introducing a redesigned version of its Forte compact sedan at the Detroit auto show, the Korean automaker revealed a larger and more fuel-efficient 2019 model, one that

Functionally, the new Forte offers high-beam assist headlights and “functional air curtains” on the outside, for instance, and “more soft-touch surfaces” on the inside as well as ventilated front seats and a 10-way driver’s power seat in one trim level. There’s “better egress and ingress” for passengers than in the current Forte, and “passenger room and cargo room are among the largest in the segment,” Hedrick said. For more insights we spoke with Saad Chehab, VP of Marketing Communications at Kia Motors America. Saad, what are consumers telling you about Forte’s segment these days and how does the new car meet those expectations? It’s an exciting shape that they’re looking for. It has always been known for vehicles at an affordable price but not so much excitement. But we have the design capability to change that and bring excitement back to the

segment. Also we have the roominess that people continue to look for. Why look at a smaller SUV versus a car like Forte? It has the room, practicality, safety and technology you need, and you don’t need a ladder to climb into it. Kia is well represented across both SUV and CUV segments, and sedans. So how do you strategically approach the shift in the market? You have to be relevant. That’s why we’ve introduced Niro, a new crossover plug-in hybrid. If you’re in the market at the right size with the right vehicle at the same time with the colorfulness of choices and tastes that exist in the marketplace, the majority want sedans. Hatches are in too, and fuel-efficient and environmentally friendly sedans are hot. Practicality is in. We need to stay with as wide a portfolio as possible to attract folks looking for style in segments that have become a little bit soft in excitement. Forte comes in as a big answer in that big market that still has a lot of market share. Kia has been ranking No. 1 in the J.D. Power Initial Quality Study for the last two years, a huge accomplishment for the brand. What does that enable you to do marketing-wise? For any brand who has achieved and invested in this, it’s a badge of pride that we have, as an engineering and manufacturing company, produced these great products to share with the world. It’s important for consumers to know that they can put their money into something that they know will be reliable, dependable and the best of the best at a similar price to any other product. What’s going to be our differentiation? Styling, and a dependability award not given by some ad agency but by the customer. We’re proud of customers’ feedback and want to share it with other customers.

The interior of the Forte is a revelation.





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