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W-W threat still being looked into

Meetings on school safety took place across the district in response, including one Monday morning

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Law enforcement and school officials continue to investigate the threats leveled toward the Wayne-Westland Community Schools district last month. But in the meantime, Superintendent Shelley Holt has taken to the community to meet with parents, teachers and students to talk about school safety.

"What they've helped us do is humanize ourselves to one another, because they got to sit down across the table from us and realize that yes, I'm the superintendent, but I'm a mother, too,' Holt said.

Such a discussion on student safety took place Monday morning in the school district's administration offices, the fourth such meeting across the district. The meetings came after schools were closed for a day last month after a threat was discovered on social media, one of many that have happened since the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Florida that left 17 people dead.

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Westland residents Amanda Brown (right) and Caryn Hudson attend Monday's meeting on school safety in Westland. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Centers announces campaign for state **House seat**

Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Trustee Dan Centers, 33, has announced his bid to be the Democrat Party nominee for state representative in the 19th District. The district, which covers the city of Livonia, is currently represented by Rep. Laura Cox, R-Livonia, who has announced she will not seek re-election.

Centers made his announcement March 8 at the Wintergarden Tavern in Livonia. His name will

A 2016 resurfacing project in Oakland County. Officials in local communities say they'll use additional road money just made available by the state to fund repairs and improvement projects that might otherwise have been postponed. FILE PHOTO

Lansing to the rescue?

Officials grateful for new state road money, but say more is needed

Matt Jachman

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Dear Michigan legislators: Thanks for the new road money. Also: It's not enough.

Those are the dual sentiments expressed by local officials over the state Legislature's approval of \$175 million in additional road money in response to a public outcry over pot-

hole-ridden roads that worsen with every thaw. The package was approved unanimously in both houses of the Legislature and Gov. Rick Snyder is expected to sign it.

"Any additional funding we can get is more than welcome," said David Lear, assistant city engineer in Livonia. "Obviously, our budget for infrastructure repairs is much less than what it should be throughout the state."

"We definitely appreciate the additional money available and we'll put it to good use," said Craig Bryson, spokesman for the Road Commission for Oakland County. But, Bryson added, the county has about 600 miles of primary road that's

The amount of money local communities would receive under emergency road funding being considered by the state varies greatly. PHILIP ALLMEN

appear on the Democratic primary ballot Tuesday, Aug. 7.

"I am running because, as a fourth-generation resident of Livonia, I know and care Centers

deeply about my home-

town," Centers said. "We need a state representative who will listen to our neighbors and advocate for Livonia's hardworking families in the Michigan Legislature. I have the right experience to bring the change our community is asking for."

Centers is running to protect highquality public education, support seniors and retirees, build an economy that attracts good paying jobs, invest in strong roads and infrastructure and expand access to affordable health care.

Centers and wife Janice have lived in Livonia for nearly their entire lives. He attended Livonia Public Schools, starting at Jackson Center Preschool and graduating from Churchill High School. Centers earned the top rank of Eagle Scout as a member of Livonia Troop 889. After studying education at Madonna University, Centers worked as a classroom teacher and then as an executive with Boy Scouts of America. He now works in higher education as a development officer and is pursuing his master of business administration at Madonna.

Twice elected by Livonia voters to serve on the Livonia school board, Centers has used his experience as a former elementary school teacher to advocate for resources to improve Livonia Public Schools. He also strives to

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Threat

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The fourth meeting attracted only about 15 people, though Holt said hundreds more attended them at Wayne Memorial High School, John Glenn High School and Stevenson Middle School.

That feedback, Holt said, will be used to move the district's security plans forward.

"All of these have been extremely helpful, because all the information gathering, we've got pages from (the forum at Wayne Memorial High School), pages from Stevenson, same thing from Glenn," she said.

"Now we're going to take all that information and bring it together and this is the information we're going to use to help with our current safety proce- 100, 1,000 times." dures."

Parent Amanda Brown, who has a child enrolled in the district, said she came to talk about the issues after saying it was important for more parents to stay engaged in such talks.

"You have to lead by example, I feel," she said. "I think more parents need to be involved."

Investigations continue

Westland Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik said officers continue to investigate the threat, though noted it may be a while before the individual who initiated that message would be located due to how much it was shared over social media.

"It's very, very, very difficult to find out who these came from," he said. "The next thing you know, it's multiplying 10,

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He said officers are still looking into it and did not say whether any criminal charges could come as a result of the threat.

The threat was just one of many to hit the region in the last month. Several young people, including one South Lyon High School student, have been arrested and charged with making terrorist threats with these incidents reported to school officials. School in districts such as Livonia, Plymouth-Canton, Novi and Farmington have all seen issues over the past month with threats of violence.

The meeting came just two days before students at several schools across the region plan to protest gun violence during the day by walking out of their buildings. Another such protest is planned for April 20, the 19th anniversary of the Columbine High School shoot-

About 15 people attended Monday's meeting on school safety in Westland, though Superintendent Shelley Holt said hundreds attended previous meetings on the topic. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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provide public school teachers and staff with the support they need and deserve.

Centers also volunteers with the Livonia Jaycees, a nonprofit organization that promotes civic engagement and positive change through meaningful

volunteer work in the local community. Through his work with the Jaycees, he was awarded Project of the Year in both 2014 and 2015 for projects that benefited hungry students across Livonia, as well as students who are physically challenged at Livonia's Webster Elementary. In 2014, Centers was named Outstanding Young Michigander by the Michigan Jaycee Foundation.

"I'm humbled by the overwhelming

support I've received so far," Centers said. "Our campaign is building momentum every day and it is clear that Livonia is ready for change. I am eager to hear from voters about how we can work together to prioritize Livonia families and build a strong future for our community.'

For more information, go to www. DanCenters.com.

ing that left more than a dozen students dead.

Contact David Veselenak at dveselenak@hometownlife.com or 734-678-6729. Follow him on Twitter: @davidve selenak.



Shelley Holt, superintendent of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools district, speaks during the meeting. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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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.

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.

Matter of balance

When: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday Details: An award-winning program designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase their activity level. Learn practical strategies to manage falls, make changes to reduce

WESTLAND POLICE BRIEFS

Hit and run reported

A motorist driving near Christine and Ford Road in called Westland police March 2 to report a hit-and-run incident.

The driver said she was traveling southbound on Christine, toward eastbound Ford, when someone driving a darkcolored Honda or Kia turned and struck the motorist's right fender. The suspect then turned into the Game Stop parking lot and fled the area through the parking lot. The victim then drove home to call police.

Part of vehicle taken

LO-DETOO 1076

A resident who lives in the 30000 block of Michigan Avenue came to the police station March 2 to report a larceny from automobile.

She said someone took the passenger-side headlight off her vehicle when it was parked in front of her residence. She said one of her tires was flattened as well. She did not know who would have done this and said she was not having trouble with anyone. fall risks at home and improve balance and flexibility. Call Nancy at 734-721-7460 to register.

Diabetes prevention program

When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 3

Details: Small changes can make a big difference in your health; helping you to prevent the development of type 2 diabetes. Beaumont's Diabetes Prevention Program is led by trained lifestyle coaches who will give you the skills you need to make lasting, healthy lifestyle changes. Call 313-586-5488 or go to https://protect-us.mimecast.com /s/TWWHC68x3RHqRjkPf6Tv-c?domain=beaumont.org to register.

Cooking for diabetes

When: 6-8 p.m. each Tuesday, April 4 through May 9 Details: This six-week workshop is a commitment of fun, interactive sessions presented by a trained culinary and nutrition instructor. Hands-on presentations demonstrate the link between nutrition and health, the affordability of

Bumper missing

A resident who lives in the 37000 block of Willow Lane came to the police station March 3 to report part of a bumper stolen.

She said someone took part of her rear bumper. Police went out and observed the bottom bumper guard missing from her vehicle. She said her vehicle was parked at her home the night before and discovered it was missing the following night.

Vehicle damaged

Police were dispatched Feb. 26 to a residence in the 8500 block of Hix on the report of some damage done to a vehicle.

The victim said the rear passenger wheel fell off his car while he was backing out that morning. Police saw damage to the rear quarter panel. The victim said the car was parked in the space the day before and wasn't moved until that morning. He said no work was done recently that would have caused the damage and no suspect information was available.

- By David Veselenak





healthy eating, healthy meal planning and cooking tips.

Free groceries and cookbooks are included to practice new skills at home. This workshop provides specialized recipes and information for adults living with diabetes and their caregivers. Class is free and open to adults who have not previously enrolled in a Cooking Matters course.

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Sometimes Travelers Club

Stop by the office or city hall to pick up trip fliers, which will have further trip details, or call Nancy at 734-721-7460. The club is offering the following trips:

Gems of Detroit, Thursday, April 5. Visit the Roasting Plant. Tour the iconic GM Renaissance Center. Enjoy the Motown Museum. Lunch at Slow's BBQ.

■ District Detroit, Wednesday, April 11. Guided tour of Little Caesars Arena. Lunch at Pizza Papalis. Three hours to try your luck at Greektown Casino.

Memory Lane/Grand River Avenue, Wednesday, April 25. Guided tour of the Redford Theatre (opened in 1928), currently owned and operated by the Motor City Theatre Organ Society. Lunch at the Stillwater Grill. Shopping at Heart of Michigan and Sweet Sensations.

Spring Mystery Tour, Thursday, April 26. This trip has something for everyone. Four planned stops, plus lunch. Travel approximately two hours away. In which directions, we cannot say. Proof of citizenship is not required.



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Emergency fund is key to financial well-being



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The other day, I met with a client to discuss his portfolio, as well as some other issues. One of the issues we discussed was some money the client had at his bank. The client was complaining about the return on that money; he wanted to add the money into his investment portfolio that we managed, because it had significantly better returns. When I told the client that I thought he would be making a mistake, he looked at me in shock. He couldn't believe I was telling him to leave the money in the bank, where it was getting an extremely low rate of return. After the shock wore off, my client wanted to know how I could justify leaving the money in the bank at such a low rate of return.

What I explained to the client was

that every investment has its own goal and objective. The money he had in the bank was his emergency fund. With emergency money, return is not the primary issue; accessibility is. With emergency funds, your goal is to have instant access to it in case of unexpected financial needs. If you kept your emergency money in something like stocks, you could be in the situation that there is a financial emergency and you may be forced to sell at an inopportune time.

I have always believed one of the ingredients that makes a successful investor is the flexibility to sell. We have seen it frequently over the last number of years — markets will take a temporary downturn and then, in a rather short time, regain their strength. If you were forced to sell when the markets took one of those unexpected downturns, it can be very costly. By having money that is liquid — like in the bank, where you have instant access to it — in a financial emergency you are not going to have to be selling into weakness. You can use I am a strong believer that everyone needs an emergency fund. What I generally recommend is you keep three to six months of living expenses as an emergency fund.

your emergency fund, allowing you to be in control of your portfolio as opposed to letting a financial emergency dictate to you.

I am a strong believer that everyone needs an emergency fund. What I generally recommend is you keep three to six months of living expenses as an emergency fund. If it costs you \$4,000 a month to live, your emergency fund needs to be between \$12,000 and \$24,000.

One of the beauties of having an emergency fund is that it protects the rest of your portfolio. By having an emergency fund, it will allow you to cover your short-term needs, allowing you not to dip into your portfolio or, worse, run up a balance on your charge card. In too many cases when people don't have an emergency fund, they end up using their charge cards to cover their shortterm needs and that is a very expensive way of going.

For those who do not have an emergency fund or if your emergency fund is underfunded, there is no time like the present to make changes. Even if you have to stop investing for a while or sell an investment, it is something you should consider. An emergency fund is an important ingredient to having a well-balanced and diversified portfolio. Good luck!

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rated in poor condition and the new money will only go so far.

The new money comes as Michigan's roads last week received a D-minus grade from the American Society of Civil Engineers. The group rated 13 categories of infrastructure in its annual report card, giving the state an overall grade of D-plus.

Oakland will be getting just over \$7 million in new money, according to the Michigan Department of Transportation, and Bryson said the ROCC is ready to use it in a three-pronged approach: Asphalt "preservation overlays" on stretches of road in moderate shape, milling and resurfacing of short portions of crumbling asphalt and the selective replacement of the worst slabs on concrete roads.

Bryson said RCOC engineers are currently evaluating possible projects for this year's road construction season.

In Livonia, the new money - just over \$686,000 - will likely be added to the existing pot for this season's projects, Lear said.

"We never have quite enough to do all the projects" and the additional money could help get projects done that might otherwise get crossed off the list, he said.

As examples, Lear cited Industrial Road, east of Levan, and Amrhein Road, west of Levan. As in Oakland County, candidates for road improvements this season are still being evaluated and Lear and Bryson both said road conditions after this spring's final thaw could affect the priorities.

Public services officials in Farmington Hills, which is getting nearly \$581,000, and Novi, which is getting almost \$382,000, also said the new money will likely be put toward this season's projects.

In Farmington Hills, that will include the rehabilitation of Inkster Road, between 13 Mile and Northwestern Highway, and of 13 Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, said Karen Mondora, the city's public services director.

Some of the money may also be used for pothole-filling and spot repairs, Mondora said. "Every



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little bit helps. We're grateful for it," she said.

Livonia is also lobbying Wayne County to repair the worst-off major roads that are under the county's jurisdiction, such as Farmington Road, between Schoolcraft and Plymouth roads, and parts of Merriman, Lear said.

Wayne County will be getting nearly \$6.5 million of the state's additional \$175 million. Calls to the county's public services department were not returned and questions for roads officials emailed to a department spokeswoman went unanswered.

Pat Williams, Canton Township supervisor, didn't hesitate when asked what he'd like to see Wayne County do with the new money.

"Replace the roads that are in horrific, Third World condition," Williams said March 8.

And which might those be? "There's not a major thoroughfare that doesn't have significant degradation," he said.

As a township, Canton doesn't get road funding from the state, but relies on the county to maintain its roads. The county has 1,440 miles of primary and secondary roads under its care, plus 462 miles of state trunk lines and freeways.

There are nine townships in Wayne County. "We're all competing for the same very limited amount," Williams said.

"The roads are deplorable across the state and the townships in Wayne County are feeling a little more pain," he added. Despite not receiving road revenue, Canton has spent about \$10 million of its own money in the last decade to supplement the county's efforts. Still, Williams said, there's not a day that goes by that he doesn't get phone calls and emails from residents who are frustrated by poor road conditions and complaining of damaged tires and vehicles.

Williams said he saw County Executive Warren Evans at an event March 8 and spoke with him about the roads. "Warren Evans does understand Canton's problem," he said, and is working on plans to boost the county road budget in the short term, possibly by selling bonds that would be paid back with future state revenue.

Canton also has a citizens committee studying ways to improve the township's roads and the group "is getting very close" to making recommendations, Williams said.

The just-approved \$175 million will be added to additional state infrastructure money, projected to be more than \$600 million this year, resulting from 2015 legislation that raised vehicle registration fees and fuel taxes and set aside some state income tax revenue for infrastructure. That figure is expected to reach \$1.2 billion annually by 2021.

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Seedlings event draws record number of bowlers

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The folks at Kennedy Industries, Inc., are big on helping out in the community.

That's why the company had six teams bowling Saturday in the 31st annual fundraiser for Seedlings Braille Books of Livonia, which provides braille books to visually impaired children.

It's the biggest fundraiser for Seedlings every year and Kennedy helped the 2018 event, held at Novi Bowl, clock in as the biggest and best ever.

More than 200 bowlers helped raise money toward Seedlings' \$60,000 goal.

"Our company does one charity event a month," said Margie Kubasta, who organized the six-team Kennedy contingent. "We challenge ourselves to raise more money for each event. This event is fun and it's for a great cause."

The event drew a ton of support from around Livonia and surrounding communities. There were eight headline sponsors and nearly 60 event/prize/ lane sponsors.

While final figures weren't yet available, Seedlings officials are confident the event topped the \$55,000 raised last year and were hopeful they'd reached the \$60,000 goal set for the 2018 event.

It's the kind of support Deb Bonde, the founder and director of Seedlings, appreciates.

'We totally rely on supporters and donors," Bonde said. "Without them, we can't do what we do for the kids. We have incredibly generous supporters who help make this happen."

Anyone who'd still like to donate can do so at www.firstgiving.com/ event/seedlingsbraille/31st-annualbowling-for-braille-books.

Contact Brad Kadrich at bkadrich@hometownlife.com. Follow him on Twitter: @bkadrich.



Hometownlife.com Consumer Experience Director Phil Allmen shows off his bowling form. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Livonia Mayor Dennis Wright speaks with Dave Rexroth of WXYZ-TV (Channel 7) and celebrity bowler for the event. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



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St. Patrick's Day at Legion

The Myron H. Beals American Legion Post 32, 9318 Newburgh Road, in Livonia is having its annual St. Patrick's Day party from noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17. A corned beef dinner will cost \$12 (includes cabbage, potatoes and carrots), while a corned beef sandwich is \$7.

The party will include games and door prizes, as well as Irish drink specials. There will be Irish trivia at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., with \$5 per team entry. The public is welcome.

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 Five Mile Road, 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 Five Mile Road, 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.

Support group at St. Michael's

St. Michael's new St. Monica's support group, which meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month in the St. Michael school library, 11441 Hubbard Road, for parents, grandparents and others praying for the return of their children, grandchildren and other loved ones to the church, will begin offering its meetings in both a live and a webinar format starting with the March 21 meeting. For details, call 734-261-1455, ext. 200. To join the webinar version, email gmichuta@hotmail.com for full instructions.

Livonia Towne Club meeting

Livonia Towne Club, a nonprofit women's organization that brings together women for social interaction, meets the fourth Thursday of each month from September through May (except in November and December, when it's the second Thursday).

Its next lunch is at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 22. For more information, call Vicki at 734-591-3254.

St. Michael Lenten fish dinners

St. Mary Mercy weight management classes

St. Mary Mercy Livonia will host a weight management program titled Weigh Your Options. Classes are scheduled for 6:30-8 p.m. both Thursday, March 22, and Thursday, May 24.

Registered dietitians will provide attendees with information to help individuals begin a weight loss program. Attendees will learn about successful weight management programs, where to find reliable resources and healthy activities in the community and what is needed to create a healthy lifestyle. Participants will learn how to read food labels, write SMART goals and how to determine their healthiest weight.

The class will take place in St. Mary Mercy's Classroom 10, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, accessed from the South Entrance. There is a \$5 fee for this class and registration is required. Register online at www.stmarymercy.org and click on "Classes and Events."

Livonia Bunny Brunch

The annual Livonia Bunny Brunch will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 24, at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road. The event includes lunch, crafts and a visit from the Easter Bunny.

Tickets are available for \$6 for Livonia residents and \$9 for non-residents at the Kirksey Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard. All attendees over the age of 2 must have a ticket. For more information, call 734-466-2900.

Shoe drive fundraiser

The Ian Clemens Foundation is conducting a shoe drive fundraiser through April 30 to raise funds for pediatric cancer families C.S. Mott, Children's Hospital of Michigan and Sparrow. The Ian Clemens Foundation will earn funds based on the total weight of the shoes collected, as Funds20rgs will issue a check for the collected shoes.

Those wishing to donate gently worn, used and new shoes can do so at:

Frost Middle School, 14041 Stark Road, in Livonia, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 12:30-2 p.m. Sunday, March 25 and April 22.

Livonia Chamber of Commerce, 33300 Five Mile Road, Suite 212, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Pure Chiropractic, 34730 Plymouth Road, in Livonia, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and 3-6 p.m. Tuesday.

For more information, go to www. ianclemensfoundation.org or email teamlan@ianclemensfoundation.org.

Skywarn training class

The Livonia's Emergency Preparedness Department, in conjunction with the Livonia Amateur Radio Club, is sponsoring a National Weather Service Skywarn training program at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile. The training is free and no advanced registration is necessary. The Skywarn training program is a partnership between the National Weather Service and the community that is designed to help reduce the threat posed by severe weather through a network of trained volunteer "storm spotters" who relay reports of severe weather to the NWS. For more information, go to http:// www.ci.livonia.mi.us/Home.aspx or contact Livonia Emergency Preparedness director Brian C. Kahn at 734-466-2368 or email-brian.kahn@livoniapd.com.

slaw, a roll and water, lemonade and coffee.

Egg hunt at Rotary Park

A free egg hunt is scheduled for noon Saturday, March 31, at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard Street, in Livonia. Registration is 10:30-11:30 a.m., come early for pictures with the Easter Bunny.

First United Methodist fish fry

The First United Methodist Church of Wayne/Westland, 3 Towne Square, is holding fish fry dinners at 4:30 p.m. each Friday through Lent. Cost \$10 for adults, \$4 for children ages 5-12, under age 5 free. Dinner includes fried or baked fish, baked potato or french fries, cole slaw and a roll. A piece of pie is \$1. Pop is \$1 a can. Coffee or lemonade are free.

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.

Addiction treatment series

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile Road, in Livonia offers an ongoing series titled "Addiction: What you need to know and what you can do." Classes are scheduled 7-8:30 p.m. the first three Tuesdays of each month through May (April 3, 10 and 17) in Classroom 11.

Focus is on understanding addiction and the impact of addiction on families. No registration necessary. For more information, contact Karen Bonanno at kbonanno@livoniasaveouryouth.org or 734 338-9580.

Krasula to speak at luncheon

Jack Krasula, radio host of "Anything is Possible" on WJR-AM (760), will be the guest speaker at the Compass Christian Business Alliance luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, April 5, at Dave & Buster's, 19375 Victor Parkway, in Livonia. The fee is \$20.

The goal of Compass Christian Business Alliance is to serve as a bridge for Christian business people during monthly gatherings featuring inspirational speakers. To sign up for luncheons go to michigancompass.org/ westernwayne.

Ss. Simon and Jude garage sale

SS Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer Road, in Westland will hold a garage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 6. A bag sale for \$3 starts at 3 p.m., when all large items go for half-price.

Love of Lace

The Great Lakes Lace Group, Inc., will Savior Christian neighborhood present Love of Lace from I a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 21777 Five Mile Road. The event is free and open to the public.

This is a session on selecting classical repertoire and the essential practice strategies that can be used to create successful and artistic performances. Contact Sharon pianoallegrostu-Gomulka at dio@gmail.com to RSVP or for more information.

Blessings in a Backpack trivia night

The Livonia chapter of Blessings in a Backpack will host its third annual trivia night fundraiser at 7 p.m. Friday, April 13, at One Under Bar, 35780 Five Mile Road, in Livonia. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Your sponsorship, donation and/or participation in this event will help feed at-risk students in Livonia. Each week, backpacks are packed by volunteers and distributed to more than 300 children in eight elementary schools in the Livonia Public Schools.

Tickets are available online at https://guestli.st/498396. Go to https://www.biablivonia.org/ to learn more about sponsorship and donation opportunities.

Old Testament class

Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, in Livonia is hosting a Bible Old Testament event from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 21. You will learn 77 hand signs designed to help you understand the big picture of the Old Testament.

Class is \$15 (\$1 will be added if paying through PayPal to cover fees) On-site childcare is available, \$10 per child, limited spaces available. Call ahead of time to register your child. Go to WWW. timothylutheranchurch.com/walkthru thebible.html for more information and to register.

Rotary Club reverse raffle

The Rotary Club of Livonia is hosting its annual reverse raffle at 4:30 p.m. Monday, April 23, Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Road. The proceeds benefit Livonia Rotary Park and the Rotary Charitable Foundation. This year, the charitable foundation gifted more than \$24,000 to organizations locally and globally.

A \$130 ticket buys dinner for two, four drink tickets, dessert and several chances to win. The top five prizes range from \$350 to \$3,000, with 22 random winners of \$100. Appetizers are at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. and the drawing begins at 7 p.m. For more information, go to www.livoniarotary.org.

Diabetes support group

St. Mary Mercy Livonia will offer a diabetes support group 1:30-2:30 p.m. the third Friday of each month in 2018. The group meets in St. Mary Mercy's Classroom 11. The support group will offer participants an opportunity to meet others living diabetes and learn from one another. To learn more about the program, call 734-655-2868.

St. Michael the Archangel Parish invites the community to its annual all-you-caneat Lenten fish fry, scheduled for 4:30-7 p.m. each Friday through March 23, in the St. Michael School cafeteria. There will be no dinner Good Friday.

The dinners will all feature baked or fried, hand-dipped fresh Atlantic cod, mac and cheese, green beans, cole slaw, French fries or baked potato, rolls, beverages and ice cream. Prices are: adults, \$10; seniors, \$8; children ages 3-13, \$5.50; and under age 3, free. Take-out service is also available at \$9 per dinner. Lenten Stations of the Cross services will be offered in the church at 7 p.m. each evening following the dinner.

St. Michael is located at 11441 Hubbard Road in Livonia. For more information, call 734-261-1455, ext. 200, or go to www.livoniastmichael.org.

St. Mary fish fry

St. Mary Catholic Church, 34530 Michigan Avenue, in Wayne is hosting its annual Lenten fish fry 4-7 p.m. each Friday through March 30. The menu includes traditional fried fish, baked fish, baked salmon, shrimp and macaroni and cheese, along with cole

Bring your own project to join the "lace in," see demonstration and exhibits in lace making with bobbins, shuttle and needle. Learn the basics of bobbin lace or tatting. Vendors of lace making supplies and books will be on-site.

For more information, go to www.gllgi.org.

Piano seminar at Schoolcraft

The Livonia Area Piano Teachers' Forum will host the upcoming appearance of Dr. Helen Marlais and invites piano teachers to attend her presentation "Classical Repertoire Selection and Leveling," set for 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 11, at the Schoolcraft College VistaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, in Livonia.

program

Savior Christian Church of Redford, a mobile ministry, has started a program called "Redford Neighbors Helping Neighbors." It is offering assistance to the elderly and disabled in the community who may need help with taking out their trash and recycling bins. This will not cost any money nor will any donations be accepted.

Elderly Redford neighbors ages 65 and older who are unable to take their new bins to the road or the disabled of any age living in Redford may call 734-469-7910 and ask for Stacey, Savior Christian Church's service minister, to schedule a trash take out. It can also be reached by email at Savior-ChristianChurch@yahoo.com.

Savior Christian Church would love to have volunteers, as well. Residents that are willing to donate one evening a week, for an hour or so, contact Savior Christian Church to sign up to lend a hand.

Check out these events happening this weekend

David Veselenak

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Everyone may be a little Irish this weekend, but there's plenty to do if you're not one to kiss the Blarney Stone or drink (responsibly) an Irish stout at your local watering hole.

Take a look at some of the events taking place this St. Patrick's Day weekend in the hometownlife.com communities:

Hockey Night in Westland

If you can't get enough hockey, Westland's Mike Modano Arena, 6210 Wildwood, will be the place for you Friday night.

That's because Hockey Night in West-

land returns as a group of Detroit Red Wings alumni will take the ice against Westland's own Wild Wings, led by Mayor Bill Wild. The game serves as a fundraiser for the arena and will also feature raffles, a "Score-O" game and plenty more. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the puck drops at 7 p.m

Tickets for the game are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and can be purchased at Westland City Hall, Mike Modano Ice Arena, North Bros. Ford or online at cityofwestland.com.

Northville Marketplace

The Northville business community will gather this weekend under one roof to share services.

The Northville Marketplace takes place

from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile. Put on by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, the event will host more than 60 businesses offering information on their services. Samples of food will be available from area restaurants and door prizes will be awarded beginning at 1:15 p.m. In addition, a LE-GO building contest will also take place.

Admission is \$2 per person and parking is free. For more information, go to northville.org.

Shamrock Race in Plymouth

For those who won't party "too" hard Saturday for St. Patrick's Day, there's an option to work off that corned beef and green beer Sunday morning.

That's because a Shamrock Run, put on

by the Kona Running Co., will take place beginning at 7 a.m. Sunday in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. The race, which will consist of both one-mile and 5K runs, will take place through Plymouth and encourages participants to come wearing green and other festive outfits. A costume contest will be judged by the Plymouth DDA as well.

More details on the run, including maps of the race as well as for parking in downtown Plymouth, are available at plymouthmich.org.

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The Kingdom of God is coming – and it's here



Cultural Relevancy Dean Johnson USA TODAY NETWORK -MICHIGAN

On Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 14, Nikolas Cruz packed his AR-15 semi-automatic rifle and multiple magazines in a duffel bag and took an Uber ride to Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla. He was dropped off at the school at 2:19 p.m. He entered the school and pulled a fire alarm to flush students out of their classrooms and into the hallway. He began firing, killing 17 people and wounding 14 more. Cruz dropped his rifle on the third floor of the building and ran out of the school, blending in with fleeing students. He walked to a Walmart, where he purchased a soda at the Subway restaurant there. He then walked to a McDonald's and lingered there before leaving again on foot. Two miles away from the school, in the city of Coral Springs, he was stopped and arrested by a police officer. Police originally took him to a hospital emergency room because he was experiencing "labored breathing."

The Old Testament prophets proclaimed that the world is not the way it is supposed to be. They spoke about "the current order of things" (i.e. the way things are) in this world filled with sin, evil, violence and injustice. It's what the Apostle Paul in Galatians 1:4 called "this present evil age." We don't have a hard time believing that that's the age we live in.

But the prophets also spoke about a coming time they called "The Day of the Lord." Jews later began to call it "The Kingdom of God." This will be a time when sin and evil will be purged and God's perfect reign will be restored. The Bible also calls it "This Age" and "The Age to Come."

The prophets and later Jews pictured a definite break between the two time periods. One will end (you'll see it!) and the other will begin. It won't be subtle. It'll be a gigantic, cataclysmic event. So if you're living in the troubled now, the one big question everyone has is, "When will it come?" Jesus addressed that question in Luke 17.

He said that in one sense, the Kingdom of God had already come. "It is in your midst," he said. This was actually pretty offensive to people who heard it. How can you say The Kingdom of God has come, when we still live in a world of school shootings and cancer and loneliness and sexual harassment and racism and broken families?

Jesus was saying that since he had come, the restoration of God's reign was already beginning in the hearts of those who received his message.

But Jesus went on to say that in another sense, the Kingdom of God is not yet here. The fulness of God's reign is, obviously, yet to come. There will come a cataclysmic, observable time when things are made right. So the challenge for us now is to live as Kingdom people, with Kingdom values, as we labor in this troubled world. The Kingdom of God is both now and future. It is already and not yet. It is both here and still coming.

The Rev. Dean Johnson is senior pastor at Lake Pointe Bible Church in Plymouth. Email him at DeanLPBC @sbcglobal.net.



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The Livonia archery range will open for the season at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 7. The archery range, located on Glendale Avenue, east of Farmington Road, between Plymouth Road and I-96, offers several target lanes and one lane specifically for shooting broad heads to tunein hunting bows.

The archery range is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each Saturdays and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.each Sunday (starting in May) through October. During September and October, the range is also open from 4 p.m. to dusk each Tuesday and Thursday. An adult must accompany all children ages 10 and under. Daily fees for adults are \$4 for Livonia residents and \$6 for non-residents. Children are \$2 for Livonia residents and \$4 for nonresidents. Season pass rates are also available.

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Brighton shocks No. 1-ranked CC, 2-1

Bulldogs were last state team to beat Shamrocks

Sports

Bill Khan

Livingston Daily USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

They were the unbeatable team, a juggernaut that had steamrolled through the state of Michigan with such ferocity that a state hockey championship seemed inevitable.

Key word: Were.

Brighton crashed the coronation Friday in the Division 1 semifinals at Plymouth's USA Hockey Arena, returning to the state final for the sixth time in the last seven years with a 2-1 upset of a Detroit Catholic Central team that was being mentioned as one of the best to ever come out of Michigan.

All the Shamrocks did was go 23-0 against in-state competition. They outscored their previous six opponents, 50-0, the list of victims including four state-ranked teams.

But Brighton didn't succumb to intimidation. The Bulldogs were the last Michigan team to beat Catholic Central, winning 5-2 in the state championship game last season.

Brighton (23-6-1) has a confidence that most teams lack when facing the

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Brighton goalie Harrison Fleming makes a save in front of Catholic Central's Breandan West (right). DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

The puck stops here



GIRLS BASKETBALL Wayne Memorial claims first regional trophy

Tim Smith hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

Payback was on the mind of Camree Clegg and her Wayne Memorial teammates as they faced Belleville in the Class A girls basketball regional final March 8 at Wyandotte Roosevelt.

The Zebras remembered getting to that same place on the postseason schedule last year, only to be knocked out by the Tigers on a last-second basket.

This time around, the Zebras coasted from start to finish en route to a 66-36 victory. The regional title is the first in program history.

Detroit Country Day forward Mickey VanAntwerp scores the first goal of Saturday's Division 3 championship game, beating Livonia Churchill goalie Chris Sergison while sliding into the net. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Country Day pops Churchill's bubble, wins D-3 state title

Tim Smith

hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

For two straight days at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Detroit Country Day junior goalie Sam Evola stared down enormous last-second pressure as opponents tried to force overtime.

Both Friday against the No. 1-ranked team in Division 3 (Hancock) and Saturday afternoon against upstart Livonia Churchill in the championship contest, Evola had the answers — winning 2-1 each game to cap off the first state title

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for Country Day since 1981. With the title triumph, the Yellowjackets reeled off 22 wins in a row to finish with a 28-2-1 mark.

"It's all mental strength, to be honest," said Evola, who foiled the Chargers with a 30-save performance. "You're going to be sore, you're going to be banged up. You just got to know what you do best and execute.

"It was the same thing as (Friday). We were up by a goal, same score, just do what I do best."

Churchill trailed 2-0 with about 11 minutes left in the third period, follow-

ing a power-play goal by senior forward Tim Stebbins, who re-directed senior defenseman Grant Petrucci's point shot.

The Chargers responded on a fiveon-three power play, with a snap shot from inside the blue line by senior defenseman Seth Kucharczyk getting past the screened Evola to make it 2-1 at the 9:07 mark. Junior forward Cameron Greener drew the lone assist.

"We had three power-play opportunities at that point and you know

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"Just redemption, it was always in the back of our heads that we lost by one (last season)," Clegg said. "So we knew we had to come out and play our hardest and that's what we did and we got the win."

Clegg scored only two points in the first half, but she helped orchestrate leads of 12-2 after one quarter and 27-7 at the half thanks to six assists. She picked up her own scoring in the second half and wound up with 15 points, along with 11 assists.

Leading the Zebras (21-4) with 20 points and nine rebounds was impressive junior guard Sammiyah Hoskin. Also a thorn in Belleville's side was junior guard Jeanae Terry, who scored 17 points.

"Jeanae Terry is just emerging into her own, being one of the top prospects in the state of Michigan," Wayne Memorial coach Jarvis Mitchell said. "I expect performances like that from her, because she's put in the work and she's earned the right to be aggressive and find her place in the basketball game. She's starting to come into her own groove.

"Hoskin is just a hard-nosed kid that won't quit. When you have kids on your team like Sammiyah Hoskin, it makes the team better, because not

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Farmington wins district crown to end drought

Marty Budner hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Farmington's boys basketball team

couldn't wait to accept the Class A district championship trophy Friday from Southfield A&T athletic director Anika McEvans.

There's a good reason players were so anxious to get their hands on that coveted piece of hardware. After all, it's been 20 years since Farmington last won a district championship.

Farmington, trailing by 10 points halfway through the fourth quarter, used a relentless pressure defense over the final minutes to pull out a dramatic 57-55 victory over Birmingham Groves to win the district tourney hosted by Southfield. Farmington's last district title came in 1998.

"It feels great. I'm so happy for these guys, because they work so hard in the off-season, in the summer, in the fall," Farmington coach Terrance Porter said. "This was one of our goals and we were able to accomplish it.

"I like the fight we showed tonight," he added. "We showed a lot of intestinal fortitude."

Bryant sparks big rally

Farmington senior guard Ray Bryant, who finished with a game-high 25 points, played a key role in the remarkable rally.

Bryant scored Farmington's first nine points of the fourth quarter, but then, while attempting to make a defensive stop, got caught in an awkward position and came down holding his left knee. Bryant was carried off the floor and it didn't look good, for him nor the team, which trailed 50-40 with 3:55 left in the fourth quarter.

Farmington, however, regrouped over the next three minutes and actually cut into the lead, trailing by five points, 53-48, with 2:18 left. At that point, Bryant shook off the injury and re-entered the game and promptly swished home a crucial trey which made it a two-point deficit.

A minute later, Farmington senior Christian Smith hit a pair of free throws to tie the game. With 12 seconds left, Bryant, driving to the hoop, was fouled and made one of his two free throws to put his team on top, 54-53. Bashar Shalal later hit one free throw and Smith followed with another pair of free throws to make it 57-53 with eight seconds remaining.

Farmington allowed Groves' Offie Rashed to go in for an uncontested layup to account for the final score.

Farmington's 17-5 game-ending run

Bloomfield. So we just wanted to come out here and get a win.

"I hit a real big shot there at the end, which helped our team get the win," he added. "I just want to thank my teammates, though, because they helped me out when I got hurt."

Pressure pays off

Porter said the difference down the stretch was his team caused a few key turnovers and was 7-of-10 from the free-throw line over the game's final three minutes.

"We were fortunate. Our pressure finally kicked in and turned them over," Porter said. "We tried to keep the ball out of the primary ball handler's hands and make someone else initiate their offense. It worked out for us and it led to some easy baskets.

(Groves) coach (Marc) West did a good job preparing his team today," he added. "I think both teams knew one another from our previous game. I just think we were fortunate to turn them over the way we did and we started making some shots. We struggled in the first half to score."

Groves, which lost to Farmington in mid-February in an OAA crossover game at Little Caesars Arena, trailed 12-9 after the first quarter, but used a 19-4 second-quarter scoring outburst to go up 28-16 at halftime.

Groves still held a lead after three quarters, 37-31, only to fall victim to Farmington's late rally.

"It was disappointing going down the stretch," West said. "There was a 15-8 difference in fouls there in the second half and I guess we just weren't getting to the right positions and they were able to knock down some free throws.

"I thought our guys battled and we had to play the end of the game with two starters fouled out and that made a difference. That made it tougher on us. Their pressure bothered us and they're physical on the press. But to Farmington's credit, they kept playing."

Farmington's only other double-figure scorer was freshman guard Jaden Akins, who had 11 points. Senior forward Austin Anthony grabbed a teamhigh seven rebounds, while Bryant added six.

Groves had three players reach double figures: freshman guard Daniel Lee (17), Rashed (15) and senior guard Mitchell Pitts (13). Senior forward Cristion Williams added eight points.

Farmington (15-7), which placed third in the OAA Blue Division, was scheduled to play Monday in a regional semifinal against Detroit Martin Luther King.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Stevenson two-sport trio sparks district title win

Tim Smith hometownlife.com

USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

The way Livonia Stevenson's Parker Graham was grabbing the basketball and firing it the length of the court to George Ferguson during Friday's Class A district final against Redford Thurston, it was as if they were still on the football field.

Graham - the Spartans' quarterback - hooked up several times with Ferguson (who happened to be one of his top receivers), stretching the Eagles' defense and resulting in quickstrike baskets at the rim. Also getting in on the act was senior guard Devin Dunn, another football receiver.

But the football-basketball trio had plenty of help, especially from center Thomas Demers (20 points, 15 rebounds) and shooting guard Chriz Fazica (15 points) as the Spartans cruised to a 75-54 victory at Dearborn Fordson

Stevenson (16-7) advanced to the regionals, scheduled Monday against University of Detroit-Jesuit.

"If people press us, (Graham) can go downcourt because George and Devin both played football, they were his receivers," Stevenson coach Kareem Smart said. "So he has the green light to throw it."

"Some of them didn't work out, but a couple of them did, so that's all that matters," Graham said with a laugh, about his long-range feeds. "When we get down to it, it just takes grit and toughness. That's what you get from football, so that's what we take to the court."

It starts with defense

Ferguson (17 points, 10 rebounds) pointed to great rapport with the two other three-sport seniors (they all play baseball, too). Chipping in 14 points was Dunn. Graham added seven points and 10 boards.

"Chemistry, it's a big boost and we're all really good friends," Ferguson said. "I think we got the pieces, this team, and we got the heart. We want it."

"e just got such good chemistry," Dunn said. "It just keeps building every single year."

Thurston (10-12) didn't give up easily. Stevenson needed to stop the Eagles to win a district championship for the first time in the eight years Smart has been with the program (four years as head coach and four coaching the JV).

"We had to buckle down, defensively," Smart said. "First quarter, we didn't do so hot of a job of stopping them from driving. Then second quarter, we took a team effort and started blocking off the drivers. That kind of sparked us 23-17, but then scored nine points in the first minute of the second - with senior Karlos Berry, who scored nine points, hitting a trey and following up with a deuce-and-one. Suddenly, it was a 26-23 Thurston lead.

But the Spartans flipped the switch and went on a 21-4 run to end the first half up, 44-30.

'We just stopped executing defensively what we needed to do, we just got out of sorts a little bit," veteran Thurston coach Brian Bates said. "And then they kept pushing, they kept doing what they do and we didn't. I give them all the credit in the world.

"They attack the rim really well and we needed to put a body on them and we didn't, all night long. Again, I give them credit, because they're an aggressive team and they played aggressively."

Stevenson went up by 20 points (52-32) midway through the third after baskets by Graham and Demers.

The Eagles had one last gasp on backto-back treys by seniors Malik Walker (nine points) and Demetrius Dowd (11 points) and Dowd followed with a slam to cut the lead to 56-42. Senior Kevin Newell also scored nine for Thurston.

A trey from the left corner by Fazica made it 59-44 late in the third and the Spartans were back on track.

"It hurts real bad to not move on," said Dowd, also a football-basketball athlete. "But it was a good experience with the group of guys that I played with."

The Eagles got to the district final after an emotional 69-62 overtime victory against Redford Union.

Following are other takeaways:

DIFFERENT SCRIPT

Stevenson's Smart said the 2017-18 team has a different style than previous teams, not relying on perimeter shooting and taking the ball to the basket with purpose for layups and put-backs (which were plentiful against Thurston).

"Our goal was to drive and (find) Fuzica, which we did in the first quarter three or four times for threes," he said. "It was for him to get shots and for everybody else to get to the basket."

NOT DUNN YET

Smart added that Dunn's hard-nosed approach from the guard position provides another new wrinkle.

"Devin, he's been great for us all year," Smart said. "Within the last 10-15 games, he's had 15 or more points in every game. He's a big reason why we're here today."

BREAKING OUT

The Spartans also were sparked by Demers, who altered Thurston shot attempts in the paint and wound up with a lot of points at the other end.

"Thomas played a heck of a game, I'm proud of Thomas today," Smart said. 'He finished, he passed the ball, rebounded and blocked shots."

ended the program's long postseason drought.

"This is a real good feeling," Bryant said. "We tried to do it last year, but we lost in the first round by a lot to West Twitter: @MartyBudner.

Contact Marty Budner at mbudner@hometownlife.com. Follow him on to get going more on offense."

The two teams went back and forth for much of the first quarter, trading the lead.

Thurston trailed after one quarter,

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Wayne

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only is she hard-nosed and won't quit, she's also a very good leader."

Of course, it doesn't hurt to have Miss Basketball finalist Clegg, who is playing next year at Division I Clemson, in the backcourt.

Mitchell said he wasn't worried in the least when Clegg misfired on several treys in the first half, because she still was in charge.

"That's why it's called a basketball team, but I don't even know if she was off, because by halftime she had six assists," Mitchell said. "I told her at halftime that this was probably one of the best games I've seen her play, because she controlled the basketball game without scoring."

Belleville, which finished 18-6, struggled to make much happen in the first half against the continuous full-court press from the Zebras.

"We came out kind of nervous, I'm not going to lie," said Belleville senior guard and Wayne State Universitybound Katelyn Sherwood, who led the Tigers with 12 points. "It's a good press because they're very tall, athletic, fast. It took us a second to adjust, obviously.

"But once coach kind of yelled at us (at halftime) to calm down, we had to take a deep breath and say, 'Hey, this is basketball, we just got to do our thing, relax and have fun.

The Tigers did find the mark more in the second half, but by then the cake was all but baked.



Wayne Memorial celebrates after winning the Class A girls basketball regional championship at Wyandotte Roosevelt. TIM SMITH

According to Terry, one reason the Zebras have had a big season is the way everybody picks up the slack when called upon. Against Belleville, with Clegg not hitting her shots early on, that meant Terry and Hoskin just had to score - and they did.

Terry buried a trey from the right wing to make it 12-2 with a minute to go in the first quarter and hit another from the same spot midway through the second. She led the Zebras with 11 first-half points (Hoskin scored 10 before the break).

"I'm always in the gym, shooting those types of shots," Terry said. "So I knew coming into the game, if I shot that shot, it would go in. I knew if I just kept my momentum and kept my adrenaline up, those shots would go in.

"Cam's always going to come back with the threes. If it's not in the beginning, it's going to come in the end. So I just knew if I had it in the beginning, she'd come around in the end."

Clegg wasn't too concerned about her personal stats, because the team was taking care of the only number that mattered — on the scoreboard.

"We were playing extremely unselfish, we locked up on defense and made them create turnovers and play our speed," Clegg said. "It worked out in our favor. Everybody's getting better, everybody's becoming way more unselfish and sharing the ball.

"We're not worried about scoring, we're just trying to get the win."

The Zebras were scheduled Tuesday face Hartland in a Class A quarterfinal at Southfield A&T.

Following are other takeaways:

DIALING IT DOWN

When the regional trophy was presented to Mitchell at center court, he calmly walked over to the bench with it instead of getting in the middle of a wild celebration. There was a reason for that approach.

"You never want to get too high, you never want to get too low," Mitchell said. "You want to stay even-keeled and focused on the next situation once you get past this. We take it one game at a time."

STICKING TO IT

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Although Clegg said the team wanted redemption for losing to Belleville in the

2017 regional final, Mitchell downplayed that aspect.

"I wanted them to get better and I told them tonight we're competing against ourselves to make ourselves better than we were yesterday," Mitchell said. "Because when you get to saying, 'Oh, this team beat us last year' then it gets mental ... because it's all psychology."

SMOOTH AS SILK

During the KLAA tournament, the Zebras were able to win despite not playing as well as they could. Foul trouble and turnovers needed to be overcome, which they did.

Those issues weren't evident against Belleville because Mitchell's team kept the pressure going for 32 minutes and played a very sound game in the process.

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Also helping the Zebras' cause was junior Jayah Hicks, with six points.

Belleville senior Raven Grantham scored 10 points, while junior Shacylah Smith added eight.

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Churchill storms back to win semifinal

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With each game during the 2018 boys hockey postseason, Livonia Churchill is writing another page of history.

Friday's 3-1 victory over Riverview Gabriel Richard in the Division 3 semifinal at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth ensured that the book on the 2018 tourney run was not complete. Churchill played Detroit Country Day for the state title Saturday, losing, 2-1.

The Chargers' first appearance in the final four was salvaged behind a bluecollar, team effort — punctuated by two enormous goals by senior forward and co-captain Josh Friend that helped bring the team back from an early 1-0 deficit.

"The biggest thing we stressed was patience," sixth-year Churchill coach Jason Reynolds said. "We wanted to take our time, we wanted to play our game, we wanted to be calm and composed and confident with our play. Eventually, we broke it open."

It took a while for that to happen, however.

Friend banged in a centering feed from senior linemate Carter Swider at 14:25 of the second period, to finally get the Chargers even.

The winning goal, just over two minutes into the final period, was all about Friend. He picked off a pass in the Pioneers' zone, wheeled and roofed a blast from between the circles that beat goalie Drew Adams (33 saves).

"Gabriel Richard just tried to put the puck up through the center of the ice," Friend said. "Our forecheck is really good. I was staying up high and just intercepted the pass. I saw the corner and had to take it."

Elbow grease

The Chargers (16-11-3) still needed to kill a couple of penalties, but with steady senior goalie Chris Sergison (22 saves) and strong penalty killers on the job, the Pioneers weren't able to respond.

"In my history here with Churchill, this has been perhaps the most phenomenal penalty killing effort that I've had in all my years of coaching," Reynolds said. "They're consistently staying to their system, they don't take risks. And they've even found a couple goals



Churchill's Josh Friend celebrates the first of his two goals against Gabriel Richard. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

along the way.

"We have guys on our units who are willing to do the dirty work, those lunch-pail jobs blocking shots and sacrificing their body for the betterment of the team."

Junior forward Zach Vendittelli put the exclamation point on the victory when he scored a shorthanded goal with 4:01 remaining. He stripped the puck behind the Gabriel Richard goal and his shot from the side of the net banked in off Adams.

"Our team had a lot of energy, energy's a big thing on our team," Friend said. "Everyone was flying, we started on time."

Friend added that the winning goal, obviously, is "pretty up there" in his ranking of career highlights.

"It's the first time Churchill's ever been to USA Arena, Compuware," Friend said. "It's a great experience, it's an awesome feeling."

Senior forward and co-captain Conor Burnette had his foot on the gas pedal the entire game, with a pro-active pace and several shots on goal.

"We got tremendous respect for our opponent," Burnette said. "We knew they work hard and we had to work harder."

Preaching patience

The Chargers needed to keep plug-

ging to overcome an early hole, however. Gabriel Richard junior forward Josh Wiseman buried a centering pass from sophomore linemate Nathan Vazquez.

But Sergison, who blanked Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett on March 7 in the D-3 quarterfinals, made a clutch pad stop in the closing seconds of the period to keep Churchill down just one.

"Chris Sergison, our goaltender, he's playing outstanding, he's playing amazing," Burnette said. "He's been waiting his turn ever since his freshman year.

"He watched his freshman year, he watched his sophomore year, he watched his junior year. Finally, got his chance and he's making the best of it."

Friend then had his chance to keep writing an exciting chapter in Churchill hockey history and he didn't miss.

Following are other takeaways:

FINALLY

With the Pioneers leading 1-0 for much of the second period, the Chargers kept pushing for the tying goal.

It finally came when two longtime teammates (Friend and Swider) hooked up for a net-front jam with 2:35 left. That goal rewarded several back-toback shifts by the hard-working Chargers.

"There's a turning point in every game and that, for sure, was the turning point in this one," said Burnette, who then glanced over to Friend sitting next to him in the interview room. "This guy (Friend) worked his butt off. I can't thank him enough for what he's been doing for the team. He's been stepping it up every game."

LOUD AND PROUD

A large, noisy contingent of Churchill students and teachers cheered throughout the contest, getting louder and louder as the team started to take control late in the second period.

"We had school today," Friend said. "I don't know if anybody went to class."

After the final buzzer, the Chargers streamed out onto the ice and slammed into the glass in front of the throng of happy home fans.

RESET BUTTON

Reynolds said it was important for the Chargers to withstand a late Gabriel Richard charge, during the shift following Friend's equalizer. During a frantic 30 seconds, Sergison stopped a shot and another clanked off the left post.

"It gave us a chance to get back into the locker room, recompose ourselves, know that it was an even game at that point and that you can approach the third period as a 0-0 hockey game," Reynolds said. "It was kind of a reset for us. That was an advantage for us, as the game went on I think we got more confident."

Gabriel Richard coach Rick DeSana, whose team ended the season 18-12, also pointed to that sequence.

"It just seemed like it got tipped, (Sergison) made a glove save and then the puck (went) off the post and we were all over them for that shift," DeSana said. "It would have definitely made a big difference being able to respond right there."

HARD HAT

Friend wore the white hard hat awarded to that game's MVP, but he quickly said it should have been given to everybody on the team this time around.

"The best player from the last game moves it on to the best player of the next game," Friend said. "I couldn't really do it without my team. I wouldn't say I'm the MVP, I'd say the whole entire team's the MVP."

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amazing run.

"Our last loss to Liggett, we weren't very good," Novock said. "And we put 51 minutes on the clock (at practice) and I said, 'You guys owe me another game,

they're going to get their opportunities," Country Day coach Frank Novock said. "They did and they got traffic in front. The only way they're going to score on him is if he can't see it. They collapsed real good and it found its way in."

Whatever it takes

Churchill (16-12-3), in its first state finals appearance, then turned up the offensive heat during additional powerplay time and with senior goalie Chris Sergison (24 saves) pulled in the final minute. But Evola and his teammates were ready.

Evola made stops when he had to and senior forward Carter Elrod made some daring blocks to frustrate the Churchill comeback bid.

"A lot of it's guys like him right here (Elrod), blocking shots out of nowhere," Evola said while sitting next to Elrod in the postgame interview room. "I think they might have scored if he hadn't blocked that one shot. I hadn't seen it."

Elrod, who broke a hand blocking a shot earlier this season, said he was "just the guy out there to do it. I knew any of my teammates would do the same thing. We stuck to a system all year and it got us here and we won."

Churchill senior forward Carter Swider said he and his teammates left it all out on the ice in the bid for a tying goal.

"We just knew we just had to get in front of the net and screen him," Swider said. "He's a great goalie, just try to get shots through from the point and, hopefully, get a dirty goal. We knew we weren't going to get anything fancy, we just had to keep shooting, keep peppering him."

The Yellowjackets broke a scoreless tie with 38 seconds to play in the second period, on a breakaway by junior forward Mickey VanAntwerp.

"It was just an unfortunate circumstance on the ice, a puck got away from us and he had a stride or two on us,"

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Livonia Churchill coach Jason Reynolds poses with the runner-up trophy with the Chargers captains. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Churchill coach Jason Reynolds said. "Our defenseman tried to chase it down, but those are the bounces that make or break hockey games.

"We knew this was going to be a back-and-forth game, we knew it was going to be a tight game and probably low-scoring.

"As the game went on, I thought we did a nice job of continuing to get traffic in front of their net. We just came up a goal short."

Following are other takeaways:

BUILDING A CULTURE

Both Novock and Reynolds talked about how their teams bought into a new way of doing things this season.

"With the leadership, it just kept evolving," Novock said. "Like, 'Now, we're going to work out in the summer.' Just little things like that; it's a culture change.

"This is still high school sports. How many of these kids that played this whole week are going to move on to junior and college hockey? Two, maybe. It's just that tough of a road and you got to keep it in perspective."

Reynolds said his program continued to evolve, with the first trip to the finals something to keep building off of.

"We've built a culture of learning here with our Charger program and each season has progressed and gotten better and better," Reynolds said. "We had a great senior class this year that really protected our culture and made sure everybody stayed on point and worked hard.

"Obviously, you get here once, the goal is let's find a way back here again."

TAKE A LOOK

The Chargers thought they had scored a power-play goal with more than nine minutes to play in the game. But officials immediately waved off the goal and ruled that the puck was gloved into the Yellowjackets goal.

Officials converged to discuss whether or not to go to video replay, which was available for the semifinals and finals. The headphones never were used, to Reynolds's dismay.

"To be very honest with you, I was under the impression we had video replay for a reason," Reynolds said. "I was disappointed they didn't use the video replay, but they took one of the officials' word.

"That being said, it's no different than any other road block that we've been thrown into at that point. You just have to reset, you have to continue to work hard. We were lucky to get a goal there late in the third period and that gave us an opportunity to rally a little bit."

STREAK REACHES 22

Country Day closed out the season with 22 victories in a row, but Novock said the way his team responded to a no-pucks practice after a poor game against Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett really jump-started that

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because we didn't play on Saturday.'

"That was the last game we lost this season. Not one guy complained, they took their medicine. ... You get a group that starts to feel like that, that (it) can do some magical things and this group did."

BOTTLE IT UP

Coaches and players both marveled at the high energy level and overall atmosphere all weekend at USA Hockey Arena and agreed that the experience was one they'll never forget.

"It's very humbling to have such an outpouring of support from the local community, the city of Livonia," Reynolds said. "Even our rivals from across town have all reached out, showing their united support for us.

"This has been a one-of-a-kind experience. Even though we didn't get to the ultimate goal, we're incredibly blessed to be here."

Chargers senior defenseman Willis Wuebben added that, although the defeat was a heart-breaker, "the core group of boys on the team, like Swider, our goalie Sergy, Seth and Josh, I've known those kids all my life. It's cool to make a run like that with some of my brothers."

TURNING ON THE JETS

The goal by VanAntwerp in the final minute of the middle period featured the junior forward breaking an 0-fer on breakaways, Novock joked.

"I guess you save your best for last, when it matters the most," he said. "And even him skating, Mick's not the fastest guy in the world, but I think that's the fastest I've seen him skate all year.

"And it was towards the end of a shift, he just outraced the guy ... he was able to cut and made a great shot. I think it let us breathe a little bit."

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Brighton

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Shamrocks. With Friday's victory, the Bulldogs are 3-1 the past two seasons against Catholic Central.

"The pressure was on them," Brighton coach Paul Moggach said. "We wanted to make them wonder, 'What in the heck is happening?' I thought we did that.'

"Brighton's always been a playoff team," senior forward Adam Conquest said. "We always come to play in the big games. I knew, I think everyone knew, that we would give it our all. It came out for the best for us."

The loss was a shock to the system for the Shamrocks, whose late-

season run of dominance began with an 8-0 victory Feb. 21 over Division 2 finalist Hartland.

Catholic Central's regular-season three losses came against Culver Academy of Indiana. A tie game came against Lake Forest Academy of Illinois.

"I told them to keep their heads up," Catholic Central coach Brandon Kaleniecki said. "They had an incredible season. They lost one game in the state of Michigan; it happened to be at the wrong time of the year. It doesn't change the fact they were tremendous kids. They worked hard, they did everything we asked them to do. We just didn't come up with our best game at the right time. I told them I felt deserved better they than a semifinal exit. But

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you give all the credit in the world to Brighton. They did a great job. They outplayed us."

Brighton took a 1-0 lead with 48.5 seconds left in the first period when Kahra threw a cross-ice pass to Conquest, who rang one in off the post from the right circle on the power play.

"He found me open, I got it right in my wheelhouse and shot it," Conquest said. "Thank God it went in. I thought it hit the post and went out. It just gave us momentum. It was a big goal, knowing it was C.C., knowing they haven't given up a goal in about six games."

Conquest's goal ended Catholic Central's shutout streak at 268 minutes, 39 seconds.

In a scene more out of an NHL game than a high school game, Brighton



Brighton defenseman Sam Brennan, left, and Detroit Catholic Central's Ryan Clemons battle for the puck.

had to wait through an agonizingly long video review before Kahra's power-play goal with 4:38 left in the second period was confirmed. The Michigan High School Athletic Association allows video review in hockey and basketball for scoring plays at this level of the tournament.

The Catholic Central net was dislodged as the puck was going into the net.

"I knew the whole time they would count it,

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because if was going in Lee scored on the power the whole way," Kahra said. "Of course, there was always a chance they'd call it off. We were ready if they called it off to keep playing."

The Bulldogs braced for a desperate Catholic Central team in the third period.

Shortly after a huge pad save by goalie Harrison Fleming, Catholic Central (25-4-1) made sure the final minutes wouldn't be comfortable for Brighton when Jared

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play with 3:05 remaining.

The Bulldogs thought they regained a two-goal lead with 2:06 left, but a goal was disallowed when it was ruled the puck was kicked.

When Brighton defenseman Sam Brennan was penalized for holding with 1:00 left, the Shamrocks had the opportunity for a six-onfour advantage in the offensive zone after pulling goalie Zach Allan.

Brighton cleared the zone three times, with Kahra getting the puck out for the final time, setting off a wild celebration.

Fleming, who was the backup goaltender until late January, made 21 saves.

"It's been pretty crazy," said Fleming, who was Brighton's junior varsity goalie last season. "It's exciting. I've been trying very hard to get here."







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SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
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Presiding: President Godbout Present: Green, Hammons, Hart, Herzberg, Johnson, Londeau 44: Minutes of regular meeting held 2/20/18. - Harbor Freight Tent Sale, 34600 Warren Rd. 3/5-3/11/2018. North Bros/City of Westland 5K Run/Walk 5/12/18. - Purchase of ADORE software program for PD; amt. \$6,685. - IGA w/City of Inkster for sharing costs of repairs of Annapolis Road.
- Adopt Ord. 238-A-2 to add 2 alt. members to Board of Review.
45: Minutes of study session held 2/20/18.
46: Set 5/7/18 as Public Hearing date for proposed 2018-19 budget. 47: Conf. re-appt. of D. Fowlkes to Planning Commission for 2 yr. term to exp. 2/18/20. 48: Conf. appt. of R. Shifflett to Building authority to fill unexpired term to exp. 3/4/19. 49: Conf. appt. of D. Stachow to Board of Review for 3 yr. term to exp. 3/5/21. 51: Conf. appt. of M. Downing as Alt. Member to ZBA to fill unexp. term to exp. 10/2/18.

52: Adopted Resolution approving various precinct polling location changes. 53: Appr. checklist: \$5,119,861.73. Mtg. adj. at 7:51 p.m.

James Godbout **Council President**

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CITY OF LIVONIA NOTICE OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE NOXIOUS WEED AND REFUSE ORDINANCE

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City Clerk

TO: All owners, occupants or possessors of subdivided lands or lots:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Title 8, Chapter 40 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, of the City of Livonia, all noxious weeds, or other weeds, grass, brush or deleterious, unhealthful growths exceeding a height of nine (9) inches, or any refuse or debris growing, standing or lying upon any property in the City of Livonia, shall be cut down, destroyed or removed as the case may be, by May 1 of each year and as many times thereafter as may be necessary. If any noxious weeds or other weeds, grass, brush or deleterious, unhealthful growths exceeding a height of nine (9) inches, or any refuse or debris, growing, standing or lying upon any property in the City so ordered to be cut down, destroyed or removed by May 1, as aforesaid, have not been removed by the owner or occupant of the premises, then the City of Livonia is hereby authorized to enter upon the land and destroy, cut down or remove said noxious weeds, grass, brush or deleterious, unhealthful growths exceeding a height of (9) inches, or any refuse or debris growing, standing or lying upon any property in the City at the expense of the owner or occupant of said land. The City may cut down, destroy or remove noxious weeds, or other weeds, grass, brush or deleterious, unhealthful growths exceeding a height of nine (9) inches or any refuse or debris, growing, standing or lying upon any property in the City as many times as is necessary and charge the costs to the property owner.

In the event the owner or occupant, or any person or persons, agent, firm or corporation having control or management of any subdivided land in any subdivision in which buildings have been erected on sixty percent (60%) of the lots included in that subdivision and where such subdivision has a residential zoning classification of R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, R-6 or R-U-F, or the owners or occupants, or any person or persons, agent, firm or corporation having control or management of any property, regardless of zoning classification, which abuts or is adjacent to the aforementioned subdivisions for a depth of two hundred (200) feet, or the owners or occupants, or person or persons, agent, firm or corporation, having control or management of any property, regardless of zoning classification, which abuts or is adjacent to any developed public park or any developed school or college grounds, whether public, private or parochial, for a depth of two hundred (200) feet, or the owners or occupants, or person or persons, agent, firm or corporation having control or management of any property, regardless of zoning classification, along all improved streets in common usage for a depth of two hundred (200) feet or the depth of the property, whichever is less, shall fail, refuse or neglect to comply with the above mentioned ordinance, the City shall cause said noxious weeds, grass, brush, or deleterious, unhealthful growths exceeding a height of nine (9) inches, or any refuse or debris growing, standing or lying upon any property in the City to be cut down, destroyed or removed. Provided, further, that any lands which are situated within the floodplains of any natural streams or watercourses, or any area between the lower or upper banks of such streams or watercourses, shall be exempted from the provisions of this ordinance. All expenses incurred by the City in the cutting, destruction or removal of same will be levied and collected against such property in the manner provided by law. The expenses incurred in cutting, destruction, or removal of all noxious weeds, or other weeds, grass, brush or deleterious, unhealthful growths exceeding a height of nine (9) inches, or any refuse or debris growing, standing or lying upon any property shall include, but are not limited to, an administrative charge of seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars for each of the first two instances in a calendar year of cutting, destruction, or removal, which administrative charge shall increase to one hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars for the third and each subsequent instance of cutting, destruction, or removal required in the same calendar year.

Failure to comply with the requirements set forth in Title 8, Chapter 40 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, may also result in the prosecution for same, and liability to the extent of the penalty therein provided.

Jerome A. Hanna **Director of Inspection** City of Livonia

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CITY OF LIVONIA 2018 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Livonia is entitled to receive \$319,348 (estimated) of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the 2018 program year (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019). The City has prepared a "2018 Annual Action Plan" covering the program period for citizen comment. The Annual Action Plan details how the City proposes to utilize its 2018 CDBG estimated entitlement grant of \$319,348 in addition to \$257,000 in potential un-programmed funds from prior years and program income. The Action Plan is required by federal regulations in order for the City to continue to participate in the CDBG program.

The 2018-19 Annual Action Plan proposes the following activities to address those priority housing needs with 2018-19 CDBG estimated grant funds of \$316,348 in addition to \$257,000 in potential un-programmed funds from prior years and program income received:

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Rehabilitation Projects	- \$132,348
Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation	- \$30,000
Public Service activities:	
- Senior Transportation Program	- \$46,000
- Mental Health Counseling Program	- \$2,000
- First Step - Domestic Violence Program	- \$23,000
- Emergency Utility Assistance Program	- \$5,000
 Maintain/Manage City-Owned Rental Homes 	- \$136,000
 Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative 	- \$62,000
Economic Development	-
 Public Facilities Improvement/Maintenance 	- \$80,000
Fair Housing Initiative	
Overall Grant Administration	- \$60,000

Other Programs:

Ongoing administration of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

Public Housing modernization through the Capital Fund Grant program

 Provide referrals to the homeless and persons with special needs for shelter and other available services.

• Provide referrals to Counseling Agencies for persons seeking assistance with foreclosure and purchase of affordable housing

Copies of the Consolidated Plan and 2018-19 Annual Action Plan are available for review by interested citizens between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Housing Commission's Community Development Office located at 10800 Farmington Road, Livonia MI 48150. Written comments regarding the Consolidated Plan and 2018-19 CDBG program may be directed to Brandie Isaacson, Community Development Director, 10800 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48150. Comments will be received for a period of not less than 30 days, but not after 4:30 p.m. April 15, 2018. The Action Plan will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on or about May 15, 2018.

James M. Inglis, Housing Director Dennis K. Wright, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 238-A-2

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE WESTLAND CITY CODE BY AMENDING ARTICLE V, DIVISION 4, SECTIONS 2-301 TO 2-303 TO ALLOW THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBERS TO THE ASSESSING BOARD OF REVIEW

It is hereby ordained:

Publish: March 15, 2018

Section 1. That Article V, Sections 2-301 to 2-303 of the Westland City Code are hereby amended to provide as follows:

"Sec. 2-301. - Purpose.

The purpose of this division is to increase the number of members on the board of review from the three members that are expressed in Charter section 13.7 to six regular members and two alternate members, as authorized by sections 28(2) and (3) of the General Property Tax Act, MCL 211.28, MSA 7.28. Alternate members shall perform the duties of a regular member of the board of review in the absence of a regular member."

Sec. 2-302. - Qualifications and appointment of members.

The additional board of review members and alternate members created by this division shall meet the same qualifications as are provided in Charter section 13.7(a), and shall be appointed in the same manner as provided in Charter section 13.7(b).

Sec. 2-303. - Term of office.

The three existing members of the board of review shall continue to serve their staggered, three-year terms pursuant to Charter section 13.7(c), and the three new regular members appointed under this division shall be appointed to staggered, three-year terms that coincide with the terms of the existing members. The two alternate members shall be appointed to a three year term that coincides with two of the regular members.

Section 2. That all other provisions of Article V, Division 4 of the Westland City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Repeal. All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

Section 5. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as

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required by law. Adopted: March 5, 2018

Effective: March 15, 2018 Published: March 15, 2018

CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Case #2209, Proposed Land Division and Combination, Parcels #028-04-0042-000 and -0046-000, West Side of Executive Drive and East Side of Hix Road, North of Ford Road, Nancy Siwik

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public meeting of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Commission before 5:00 p.m. one (1) day prior to the scheduled meeting.

> Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman Westland Planning Commission



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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On March 20th, 2018 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

2002	Pontiac	SUNFIRE	1G2JB12T027169929
1998	HONDA	CIVIC	2HGEJ6440WH114413
2003	CHEVROLET	TRAILBLAZER	1GNDS13S332215581
2004	FORD	EXPLORER	1FMZU73K54ZA81849
2010	MERCURY	MILAN	3MEHM0HA5AR612263
2000	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF55EXY9383191
2006	HONDA	CRV	JHLRD785X6C048474
2005	MERCURY	SABLE	1MEFM55S85A625865
2005	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E559357324
2006	CHEVROLET	MONTE CARLO	2G1WK151769223039
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1999	HONDA	ACCORD	1HGCG1651XA040904
2001	TOYOTA	CAMRY	2T1CF28P91C519337
2006	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WC581969332697
2003	FORD	FOCUS	1FAFP36363W120983
2004	FORD	EXPEDITION	1FMFU16L44LA09726
2005	CHEVROLET	UPLANDER	1GNDV33L25D268131
2000	CHRYSLER	300M	2C3HE66G5YH403589
2000	CHEVROLET	LUMINA	2G1WL52JXY1344769
2008	DODGE	AVENGER	1B3LC56K38N249757
2010	FORD	FUSION	3FAHP0HA3AR249590

*All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

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ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL **MEETING NO. 2018-06** March 6, 2018

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. APPROVED: agenda; Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:35 p.m. reconvened in Open Session at 7:27 p.m. Adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller City Clerk



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