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# Mayor supports reunification

# City leaders across country send letter to Trump

Westland Mayor William R. Wild has officially signed a letter from the United States Conference of Mayors, calling for immediate reunification of immigrant children with their families.

The letter, which a press release said has been signed by a bipartisan group of mayors across the nation, expresses the deep concern that mayors have with the current administration's policies that led to the separation of children from

their families at the nation's border.

"All of us descend from immigrants," Wild stated in the release. "As mayor, I see firsthand, every day, the positive impact that immigrants have on our community by contributing in countless ways to our economic, educational and cultural strength. We must continue to fight to defend those who cannot fight for themselves."

The letter is being sent to the Presi-

dent of the United States and Congress and includes a call for the administration to:

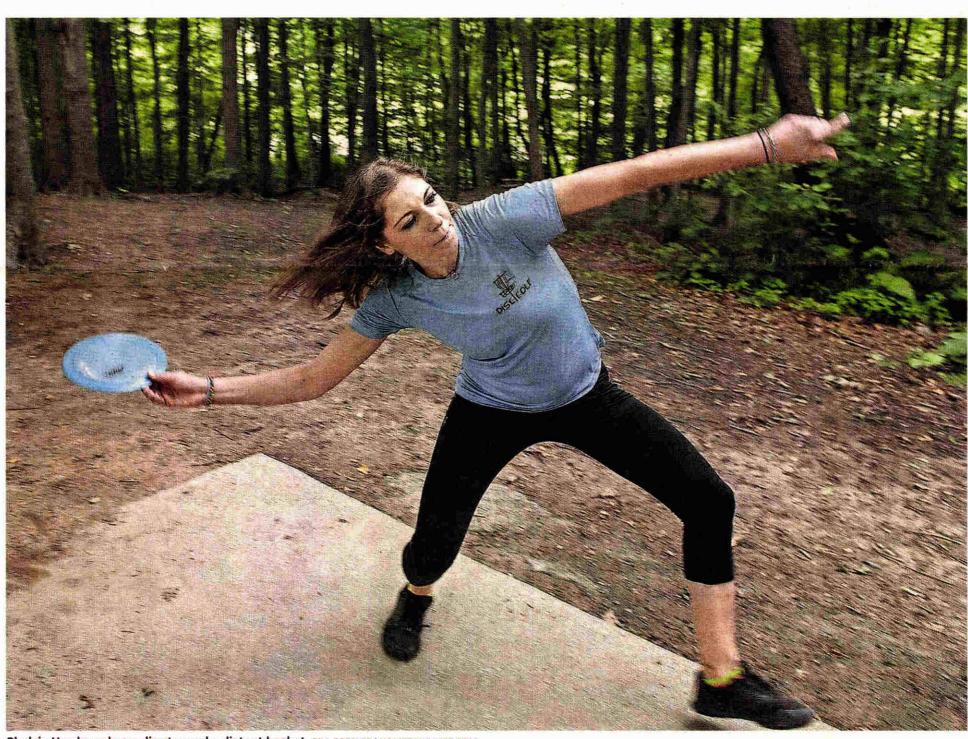
Move quickly and openly to return separated children from their Wild parents

■ Provide local and state leaders fill access to information regarding children separated from their parents who have been sent to their jurisdictions so we can help make sure

these children are getting the services they need

■ Enact legislation needed to make sure that separated children and their parents can be quickly reunited and include safeguards to ensure that family separation never again plays a part in our nation's immigration policy

■ Enact a permanent solution to this and other immigration problems by developing and passing bipartisan legislation that will fix our nation's broken immigration system.



Chelsie Huz launches a disc toward a distant basket. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# Check out these 6 trendy recreational options

Tim Smith

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Ah, nothing like a summer of warm breezes, cool shade and sizzling recreational pursuits to enjoy during July and August — and we're not talking about pitching horseshoes or kicking back.

Although the latter option always is a good one.

Now if you're talking about pitching axes at targets (for fun, of course) or booting soccer balls on the golf course of all things, then we're in the ballpark.

Following is a sampling of off-beat recreational activities certain to ramp up the summer fun meter.

Throw that ax

Yes, you read that correctly. It's cool-

er than going with a group of friends to a bowling alley and it's a good way to let off some steam with friends, co-workers or family.

Plymouth's Laurie Golden Birchler went with friends Eva and Tim Davis to Detroit Axe (on Nine Mile near Woodward, 248-291-5650) in Ferndale and said the outing hit the mark — both so-

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Axepert Angie Jones demonstrates the two-hand throw. C.T. KRUGER/NOW NEWS GROUP

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# Free tickets, but do you buy that timeshare?



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Q: My wife and I read your column and have attended many of your talks over the years and hope you can help us. While on vacation recently we attended a presentation for a timeshare. We had no intention on buying one but went because we got tickets for a free show. After sitting down with a representative of the company and going through the numbers it seems to me that whether we use the timeshare for our vacation or just rent it out, that a timeshare could be a pretty good investment. My wife disagrees and doesn't want to buy it; she thinks it is a lousy investment. We both trust you, so would you tell us what you think of timeshares in general? I should mention the timeshare we're thinking of purchasing is located in Las Vegas a city that my wife and

A; Without looking at the numbers on your specific timeshare I tend to agree with your wife in that on the whole, timeshares are not good investments. A timeshare may be good for future vacations, but it's not an investment where you can hope to make money.

When I think of an investment, I think of something that's either going to generate income on a regular basis or appreciate over time. Unfortunately, timeshares don't fit this criterion. First, from an appreciation standpoint, it is very difficult to sell timeshares. Even though the internet has made it easier, there are still a lot more sellers than buyers in the market. Historically, when you look at what timeshares have sold for on the secondary market, they're generally selling for less than half of what people

I have known many people who have purchased timeshares; some of them think they made the right decision, others have regretted their decision.

originally paid. Therefore, since they are not appreciating in value they are not good investments for the long-run.

With most timeshares, you can sell your allotted time. So, if you have a week in Las Vegas you could sell that week. However, once again, selling a particular week is not necessarily the easiest thing to do. In addition, the prices are not that favorable once you factor in the commissions. When you look at some of the resale sites where they will sell your week, it's not unusual to pay upwards of 30 percent in commissions. The bottom line from the standpoint of growth and income, is that timeshares do not seem as a whole, to provide a return on your

As far as I'm concerned, if someone was thinking about buying a timeshare I would tell them to focus on quality of life and not on the investment potential. In addition, if I was thinking about buying a timeshare as opposed to buying directly from the developer, I would look at purchasing one on the secondary

market. In many situations you can buy a timeshare for one-third of the price of what the developer is selling it for. There are a variety of websites that you can use to purchase timeshares.

Whether you buy a new timeshare or one on the secondary market, it is important that you understand your rights and responsibilities before you purchase. Remember, not all timeshares are the same. You need to do your homework so you're not buying into a property that's not maintained nor managed properly. In addition, it is also important to know what you are going to pay in maintenance fees on a yearly basis. Not only do you pay for the timeshare upfront, in addition, you have an obligation to pay a yearly maintenance fee. Whether you actually use the property or not you are still required to pay the maintenance fee. The bottom line is before you buy a timeshare, make sure you understand what you are buying and all the ongoing costs involved.

I have known many people who have purchased timeshares; some of them think they made the right decision, others have regretted their decision. However, one thing I have yet to see is anyone who's made money by selling their timeshare. Therefore, look at it as investment in your future vacations, not as an investment for your retirement.

Good luck!

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# Westland council OKs deal with supervisor union

The Westland City Council approved a new collective bargaining agreement with the union that represents the city's supervisor employees.

The move came at the council's July 2 meeting.

The city and UAW Local 174, representing 15 general and public works employees, have negotiated a new 4.5-year

union contract. City officials said "key benefits" include a 1-percent wage increase, a change in optical insurance and a two-day increase of personal business days.

Remaining in place are tiered wage and other benefits for which new hires and employees with less seniority take longer to achieve top pay. With a goal of reducing the city's "legacy costs," effective July 1, 2018, all employees in a MERS Defined Benefit Plan will increase their pre-tax wage contribution from 5 percent to 6 percent. The Defined Benefit Plan will be closed to new hires hired on or after July 1, helping with the city's overall liability, officials said in a release.

"The city continues to work collaboratively with our unions to help reduce the liability of legacy costs while honoring the hard work our employees do, daily, in service of the residents of Westland," Mayor William Wild stated in a

# Donation speeds up Village Arts Factory project

**Brad Kadrich** 

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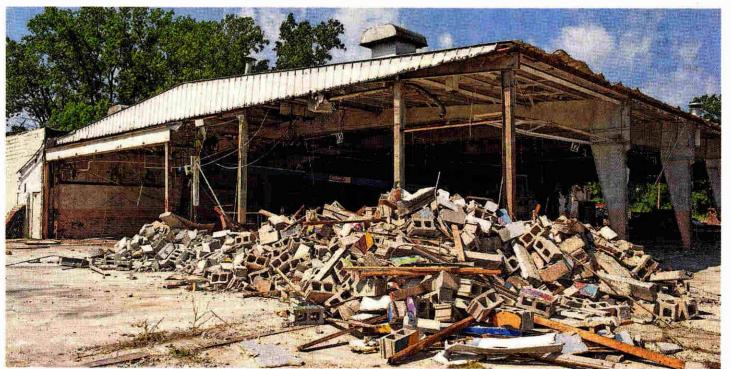
Glenn Shaw has been a supporter of the Village Arts Factory project on the old Henry Ford property at Cherry Hill and Ridge in Canton since the project first got off the ground in 2012.

But Shaw has never been a big fan of the pace of the project and recently gave two things to the Canton Partnership for the Arts & Humanities, the owner of the project: A proposal to speed up the process of getting the project up-and-running, and a large donation to help make it happen.

Since then, the pace has certainly picked up. A project originally expected not to open until some time in 2019 is now forging ahead toward an expected October 2018 ribbon-cutting.

"I live here (in Canton), we do business in Canton, it's a great community, so why not (get involved)," said Shaw, founder of Westland-based Wayne County Appraisal, a property assessment firm that handles assessing for several surrounding muicipalities. "You've got the village theater, it's all in that area. Why not have this arts facility? It's one more thing I think the community needs. It's a great community."

The Village Arts Factory project envisions three buildings, including an old dormitory building that has already been rehabbed and is expected to house arts activities particularly for female veterans. It already has a tenant, Ann Arbor-based Eisenhower Center, ready to begin that phase.



The former De-Sta-Co factory is partially demolished. Reconstruction of what is left will begin soon for the Village Arts Factory. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

There's also an outlier building expected to house a restaurant; partnership officials are in talks with a restaurant group on a potential lease, though exective director Jill Engel wouldn't say which group.

That leaves what was — until this week —a 32,000-square-foot ware-house building expected to house a variety of spaces for any number of vendors: artists, tradespeople, etc.

On Monday, contractors began tak-

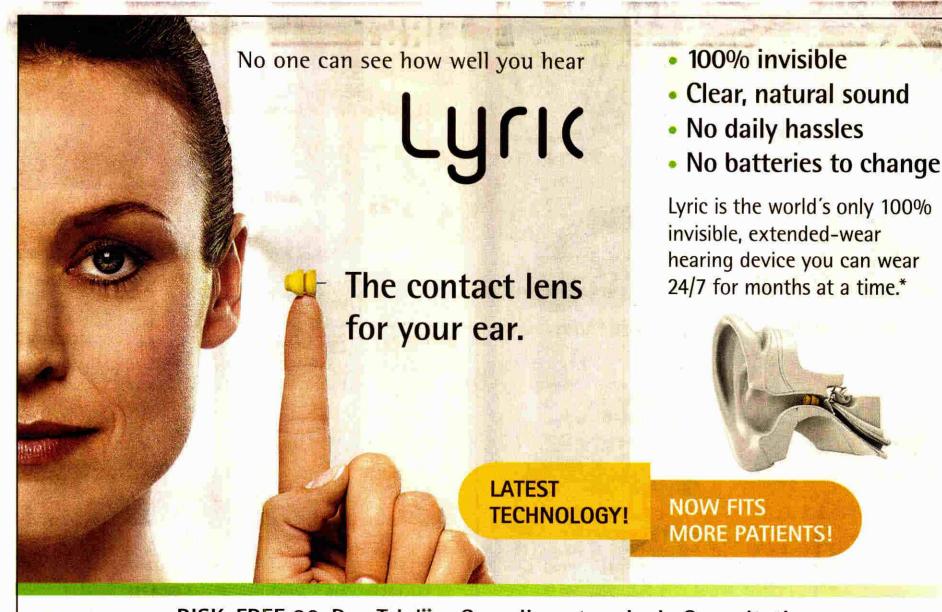
ing down half of the building, creating enough space to solve the project's 18-month parking lot battle with Wayne County. Engel said the partnership has made application to the county five times in 18 months, each time having the proposal sent back for various reasons.

"We're working all issues regarding sanitary sewer, water/sewer lines, getting them into the factory and the dormitory," Shaw said last week. "Hopefully at the end of the tear-down we'll have approvals to run those things in.

"We're working on a parking lot plan," he added. "Once we've got all those things approved, we'll start with the building."

It's a reversal of the process the partnership started with. The thought, according to Engel, was to get the dormitory and the factory done first, because

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cially and from the recreational aspect.
"It's more like a hatchet," Birchler said. "There's a plywood target that you're throwing at. They give you a lesson in technique, and it's very technical.

You don't have to throw it very hard."

Birchler lobbed the ax from a distance of about 20 feet toward a plywood target not unlike one used for darts.

"There's a chain-link fence pretty much floor to ceiling that divides each lane," Birchler explained. "So if you have an errant throw it's not going to go into the other lane."

One problem she encountered was the blade not sticking into the target.

"They have a lot of safety rules," she noted. "I feel like it's safer than the driving range. It would be nearly impossible for you to hit anybody with the ax even if you threw it wrong."

With an adjacent restaurant-bar, Detroit Axe participants can socialize before and after games. Sometimes, even during.

"It's very social, they say they allow you to have drinks in the throwing area," Birchler said. "You're not allowed to bring them past a certain point. But when it's not your turn to throw, you can stand behind the line, there's a little table and you can have a beer."

Reservations are helpful, with "arenas" for between 6-12 participants. If smaller groups want to go, chances are they would be paired with people from a different party.

"It would be a great birthday outing or a team outing, something like that," she added. "If you have a group of people that you went with together, it would be a great night out."

Detroit Axe (detroitaxe.com) is located at 344 W. Nine Mile in Ferndale. Call (248) 291-5650. Walk-ins are welcome, but call for information.

Another option for ax throwing fun is the Backyard Axe Throwing League at Twelve Mile Crossing in Novi (at Fountain Walk, near West Oaks Shopping Center). Call 248-675-8575.

# Getting their kicks

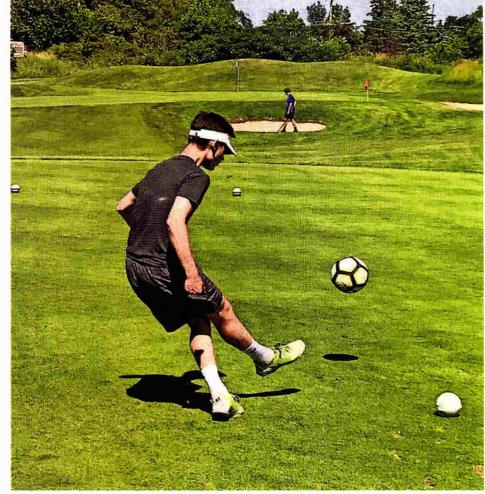
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Kyle Pahl sends his tee shot on its way playing footgolf. TIM SMITH | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

School students Ethan Pahl, Kyle Pahl and Luke Winters are spending a summer afternoon on.

But the trio came out June 29 to Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center in Plymouth with soccer balls — there were no drivers, wedges or putters to be found — for an enjoyable round of footgolf. They each paid \$17 to play nine holes.

Just like the name suggests, the game is all about playing golf but with a soccer ball instead.

"I've been playing soccer for about 10 years now," said Ethan Pahl, 17. "And I like normal golf, so I found out they had footgolf here. So I started coming here and it just interests me.

"Some of the challenges, there's one hole you get it over the water, it's interesting and really cool. Some of them aren't too hard, but it's a good balance."

His brother, Kyle, 16, said he is a "really competitive person, so it's an extra thing to go against my brother in."

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Winters, 16, said he was invited to play his first round of footgolf on June 29, and came away wanting to make a return trip.

"It's really fun, I really like it, I'm definitely going to come out here again," Winters noted. "The sand pits, those are a challenge to get it out of. ... getting your foot under it and almost scooping it out of the sand and onto the grass."

For more information, call 734-453-7272 or visit foxhills.com.

## Disc golf

Perhaps the art of throwing a disc several hundred feet into a wire basket no longer is considered trendy or chic. But disc golf is growing in popularity, with leagues springing up all over metro Detroit.

Chelsie Huz of Canton said she discovered the sport almost by accident.

"I just had a few friends one day that

told me about disc golfing, and said I should come out and give it a try," Huz said. "After the first time, I just kind of found like it was my little home spot. It's fun to get out and enjoy exercise and the fresh air."

And it's a sport that won't break the bank.

Recreation lovers who would rather not be confined to leagues can just head out to free courses such as Cass Benton Park in Northville and give the sport a spin.

### Ultimate dodgeball

Sky Zone Trampoline Park (42550 Executive Dr., Canton) is ready if you are, for everything from freestyle jumps to SkySlams to Ultimate Dodgeball.

Some of the weekly deals include Jumpalooza and a 4 Jump Skypack, while Foam Zone provides adventurous types with a chance to soar. (skyzone.com/canton for more information)

### **Pickleball**

The mixing and matching of sports to come up with something different extends to Pickleball — a paddle game combining tennis and badminton.

It's worth checking out at the Plymouth Arts & Recreation Complex, 650 Church Street in Plymouth. Call 734-927-4090 or go to plymouthparc.com for more info.

Game times: are 9 a.m. to noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; noon to 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays; 12:30 to 2 p.m. Wednesdays for uptempo, intermediate/advanced matchups.

## Fowling, anyone?

Ready for another new concoction of recreational pursuits? A newfangled sport coined "fowling" gives participants the chance to throw the pigskin at a stand of bowling pins.

It is a touchdown and perfect strike wrapped up into one activity. Those willing to give it a shot can go to the Fowling Warehouse, 3901 Christopher St. in Hamtramck. Call 313-264-1288 or visit fowlingwarehouse.com.

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# Company looking to hire dozens at new Novi plant

**David Veselenak** 

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It didn't take long for Morrison Industries to find the right space to open its second facility.

The Morrison, Tenn.-based company wanted to be closer to the auto industry and decided on opening a shop in southeast Michigan. It found the perfect spot in the first place it looked, said president and CEO Jacob Wilson: 46480 Magellan Drive in Novi.

"It was a big deal to have a presence and be right in there with our customers," he said.

The company, which has operated in town since last fall, held its grand opening celebration June 28 at its 50,000square-foot facility. The company, a manufacturer of shipping containers, wanted to locate closer to the domestic auto industry and Novi was the right choice from a geographic perspective, as well as a workforce perspective.

"We need to be centrally located for our customers," Wilson said. "We also want to be able to pull a diverse workforce from different demographic areas.'

Jacqueline Bell, the facility's general manager, said the company has slowly brought on employees since opening late last year and is currently looking for

"Right now, we've got about 20 employees on the floor," she said. "We're



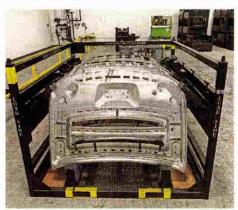
You never know who you will run into in Novi. Nathan Kile is a welder at the new Morrison Industries. When he's not welding at the new facility, he volunteers with the non-profit League of Enchantment, a group dedicated to "Bring smiles to adults and children alike" according to its website. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

looking for an immediate fill of about 10-15 more in the areas of weld, general assembly and fabrication."

The company has worked with several automakers even before coming to Michigan, including General Motors, Chrysler and Toyota. Bell said it now

works with Ford since coming to Michi-

Bell said the company hopes to increase the number of jobs within the next year to between 75-100 at the site. Those interested in reviewing jobs at Morrison can do so by visiting the facil-



Morrison's racks are built to spec for clients. This rack holds vehicle hoods for an auto supplier. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

ity, located west of West Park and north of 12 Mile, or by filling out an application on the company's website at morrisonindustries.com.

"We've got some amazing talent that we've got from Novi and the surrounding areas," she said. "We're extremely fortunate with the talent we've been able to bring in. And I think that's largely in part to being attracted to Morrison's culture that the company brings and presents to those prospects."

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# Traveling anxiety? Here's what you need to know



Our Mental Health L.J. McCullough

For many, the summer months are associated with vacations, get-aways and traveling. Unfortunately, traveling can be a worrisome event for some people. They may simply stay home and miss out on the many benefits of travel.

You see, for many travel is a very anxiety-provoking experience.

Travel anxiety may be a part of a more generalized anxiety disorder or it may be a specific phobia which could involve a fear of flying or a fear of driving or a fear of being away from one's familiar surroundings. The underlying reasons for travel anxiety, are often unconscious. But, these can be uncovered in psychotherapy. The process can be arduous and can take a good deal of time. However, while uncovering the reasons for the fear, there are tactical approaches which can be simultaneously pur-

In addition to working with a psychotherapist, who is psychoanalytically informed, you can be helped to uncover the reasons for your fears. Also, directly facing fears with some straightforward "self-help" techniques is a good idea. Some call this exposure therapy, cognitive therapy, or desensitization.

## The process

In general, the process involves learning control over one's nervous system through breathing exercises with relaxation techniques. This is coupled with challenging one's thoughts about feared situations.

In flying anxieties, it is interesting that most sufferers aren't worried about

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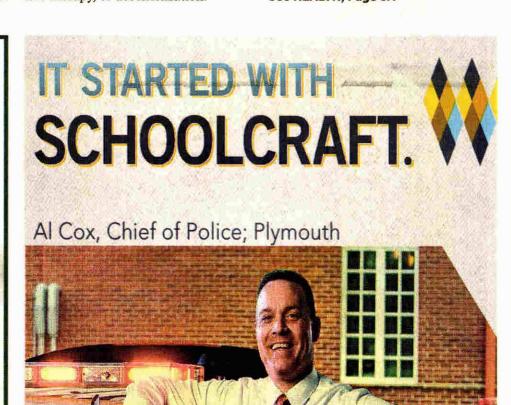
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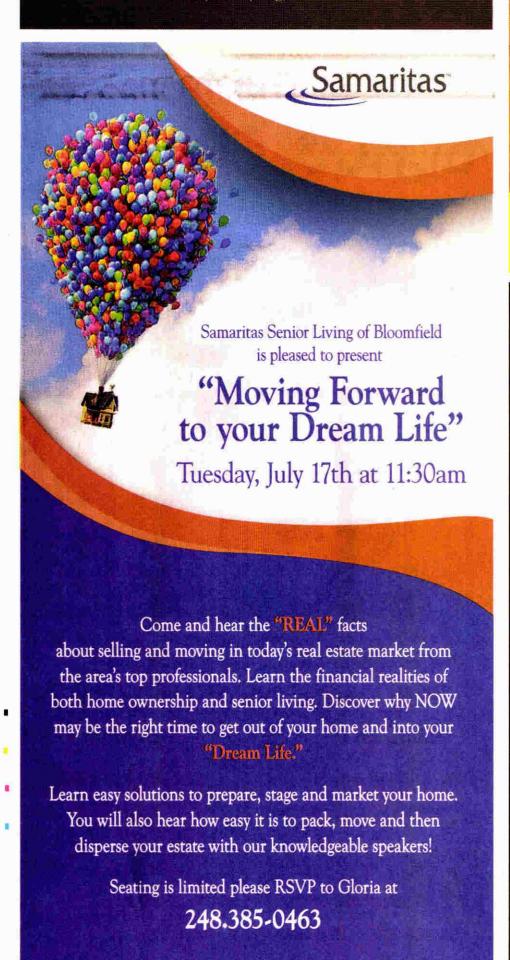
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those would house projects that would make for easier fundraising.

"Our thinking was if we did the historic buildings, it would be easier to raise grant funding and do private fundraising," Engel said. "We were going to do the historic buildings first, and then flip to the west side and do a capital campaign for the warehouse."

According to Engel, Shaw gave them a new design that would have all the parking on the west side of the property, rather than trying to fit some in front of the dormitory on the east side.

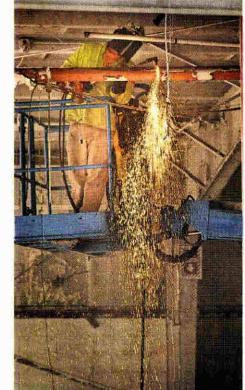
Shaw also urged the board to "get this warehouse open."

"Glenn said 'you need to get tenants for this arts warehouse." Engel said. "We have people call us all the time and ask, 'when's this thing going to be open?' In hindsight, should we have done the warehouse first, and then come back and done the historic buildings? Maybe.'

Shaw convinced the partnership board it would be easier and cheaper construction costs have risen 10 percent in the last six months, he said - to get the warehouse up and running and filled with tenants to demonstrate the viability of the project.

"I would hope we could get started on the building by mid July or early August," Shaw said. "My goal is to unlock the door by Oct. 1. Everybody laughs at me when I say that, but I tell them, 'you gotta have a goal."

Shaw declined to say how much his donation was, only that it was big enough to help quicken the pace of the project.



Workers cut pipe for removal. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"I wanted to put enough funds in there that would leave me the flexibility to negotiate leases, and help these people out," Shaw said. "It's a new adventure for everybody who's going into this building, and there is some risk for them. I want to make sure they're successful.

This is going to be an exciting project," Shaw added. "When we get done with this part of Canton Township, people are going to be proud."

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Celebration Lutheran Church, 39375 Joy Road in Westland, will be offering a special program for children called Science Together with Enlightened Ministry (STEM) 6-7 p.m. each Monday during July. Celebration is offering this event at no cost to children entering grades 1-5 in the fall.

To register, or for more information, go to www.celebrationlc.com and click on "Youth" or call 734-582-4112.

# Treasure in Heaven

St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh Road, in Livonia will host a children's program titled Treasure in Heaven from 9:30 a.m. to noon each Tuesday, July 10-31. The program is open to children in grades 1-5. Bring your own lunch. For more information, call 734 464-8844.

### Parks and Rec Month in Livonia

During July, explore the "undiscovered" roles of local parks and recreation with Livonia Parks and Recreation during Park and Recreation Month. A variety of activities are planned for residents of all ages and abilities, including the grand opening of the universally accessible playground at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard, at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 10.

For more information, go to www.LivoniaParks.org and www.nrpa.org/July.

## Game night fundraiser

The Citizens for Peace is hosting a game night fundraiser at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road. A \$10 donation includes refreshments, prizes, fun and laughter.

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### **Summer Fun Series**

The Livonia Parks and Recreation Department will present the Summer Fun Series featuring inflatables, games and food along with an outdoor family concert or movie at 6 p.m. each Tuesday from July 10 through Aug. 21.

The series begins at 6 p.m. July 10 with family activities, live music at 6:30 p.m. and the movie "Paddington 2" at 8:20 p.m. at the Kirksey Recreation Center (Five Mile and Hubbard). The fun continues at Rotary Park (Six Mile and Hubbard) at 6 p.m. July 17 as Gemini takes the stage. The following Tuesday, July 24, return to Rotary Park for an evening with Music Man Dave.

Catch the movie "Peter Rabbit" at 6 p.m. July 31 at the Kirksey Recreation Center. Live music will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the movie at 8:20 p.m. The series continues at Rotary Park at 6 p.m. Aug. 7 with Peter "Madcat" Ruth, followed by Miss Paula and the Candy Bandits on Aug. 14. The series concludes Aug. 21 with Guy Louis.

For more information, 734-466-2900 or go to www.LivoniaParks.org.

## **Livonia GOP Club speaker series**

The Livonia Republican Club has announced it's first inaugural Summer Night Forums speaking series, featuring current and former elected officials on the federal, state, county and municipal level, as well as policy experts on a variety of topics.

The series will be held at the Livonia Victory Center, 33462 Seven Mile Road. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., with programs beginning promptly at 7 p.m. The schedule includes:

■ Tuesday, July 10: A forum on faith and government with state Rep. Jeff Noble, R-Plymouth, a Southern Baptist Convention minister, and the Rev. Dr. Richard Zeile, member of the state Board of Education and a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod minister.

■ Thursday, July 26: A forum will be held on the recreational marijuana referendum between Scott Greenlee of Healthy and Productive Michigan, in opposition to the referendum, and Josh Hovey of Truscott Rossman, in favor of the referendum.

■ Tuesday, Aug. 14: Ed Haroutunian, founding chairman of the Wayne County Republican Committee, will speak about the structure of the Republican Party in Wayne County.

Thursday, Aug. 23: A local issues forum ,with a panel that will feature Livonia Mayor Dennis Wright, Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams, Northville Township Supervisor Bob Nix and Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise.

These events are free and open to the public, however you must register for tickets via Eventbrite. A link can be found at www.LivoniaGOP.com.

## **Wayne Downtown Days**

Wayne Downtown Days will be held Thursday through Saturday, July 12-14, at venues around downtown Wayne. The event coincides with Wayne's annual Cruisin' U.S. 12 Car Cruise, which is Saturday.

The event will feature three days of live music, art and sales. For more information, go to downtownwayne.org/downtowndays or contact Maxwell Cameron, executive director of Wayne Main Street, at 734-629-6822.

## **Community Health Fair**

Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, will be hosting a community health fair open to all community members from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 19.

There will be free testing for blood pressure, vision and hearing, dental exams, height/weight measurements, sugar (glucose) and HIV tests (for ages over 18). Children activities include a bounce house, craft table, free food and more

For more information, go to gardencitypresbyterian.org, email gcpc5497@sbcglobal.net or call 734-421-7620.

# St. Michael car show

Then St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441 Hubbard, in Livonia is

hosting its third annual summer car show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 21, rain or shine, with a limited number of display spots available on a first-come, first-reserved basis. There is a \$10 registration fee; spectators are free. All makes, models and years of cars are welcome.

Voting will take place throughout the day, with the awards ceremony at 2:30 p.m. Door prizes will be drawn every hour and there will be additional activities, music and food available. For registration information, go to www.livoniastmichael.org. or call 734-261-1455, ext. 204.

## **DYW Scholarship Program**

The Distinguished Young Women of Michigan Scholarship Program is holding its 61st annual pageant at 6 p.m. Saturday, July 21, at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, in Canton. This scholarship program promotes academics, leadership and talent and is open to high school junior young women graduating in 2019.

This program awards college scholar-ships to young women who have distinguished themselves at school and in their communities. Contestants will be judged based on academic achievement, talent, self-expression, physical fitness, and interview. Last year, more than \$7,000 in cash scholarships were awarded at the state program, along with numerous college-granted scholarships. The winner will go on to represent the state of Michigan at the Distinguished Young Women National Finals in Mobile, Ala., as well as community events throughout our state.

Tickets are available at www.cantonvillagetheater.org and clicking on See a Show. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for children and senior citizens. All proceeds go toward the Distinguished Young Women of Michigan Scholarship Program.

For more information, go to www.distinguishedyw.org or email michigan@distinguishedyw.org.

## Exhibit at Westland City Hall

Tim Tonachella, Gwendolyn Roth

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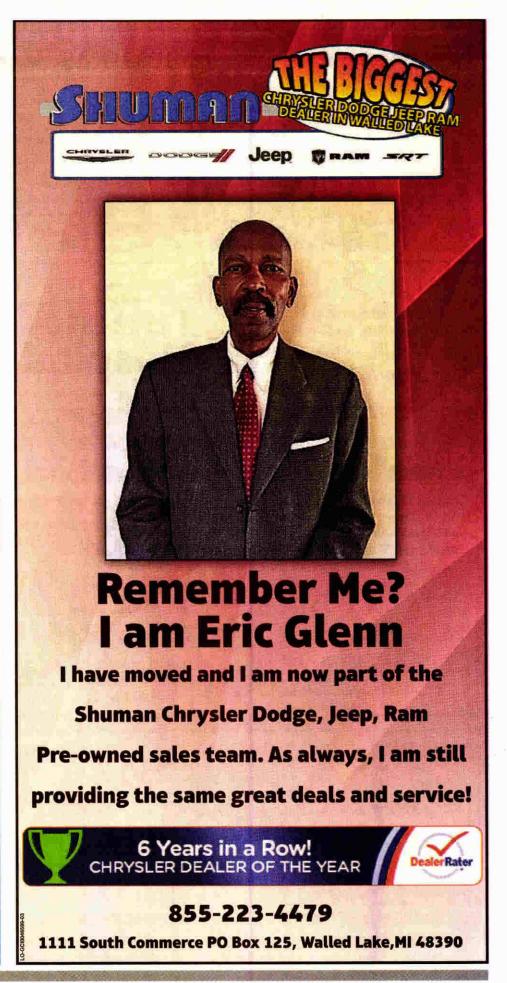
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the plane being out of control but are worried about themselves being out of control. Armed with anxiety reduction techniques, breathing exercises, and distraction methods, a grounded traveler can become a frequent flyer with practice.

Some airlines offer desensitization programs for those with severe flying phobias in which they are taught various techniques while on board a grounded plane. In session two, they are taxied around without lifting off, continuing to practice their relaxation exercises. In the final phase, they achieve a take-off, a short flight, and a landing – all under the influence of self-induced relaxation guided by a "travel coach" pro-

vided by the airlines.

## Fear of ground travel

Fears of traveling by automobile are often, on the surface, experienced as fears of being hurt in an accident. Frequently, underneath there is a real fear of separation. The anxiety may increase the farther one gets away from familiar surroundings of their own home.

Again, as in airplane flying, the learning of fear desensitization techniques is very important. So is facing the fear and getting in an automobile, first as a passenger and later as a driver, armed with techniques that will induce relaxation. Mentally rehearsing trips in cars, or by any means, can also help.

The important thing is to face the fear through behavior that will expose the underlying thoughts, fantasies and feelings so as to master them. The best ap-

proach for some, can be the simultaneous work with a psychotherapist to pursue the underlying causes, in conjunction with a counselor for direct attack at the surface symptoms.

Remember: As St. Augustine said, "The world is a book and those who do not travel only read one page."

L.J. McCulloch is a Diplomate of the American Psychotherapy Association. He is credentialed in Mental Health, Addictions, Traumatic Stress, Brain Injury and Social Work. His office for mental health services has been headquartered in Farmington Hills for two decades. His column, "Our Mental Health," with 300 publications, is a monthly production of the Observer/Eccentric Newspapers. It is archived at the Farmington Library, http://www.farmlib. Feel free to call McCulloch at 248-474-2763 ext. 222 for a courtesy consultation.

# **CALENDAR**

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and the city of Westland present 2-Point Perspective, a photography exhibition exploring divergent styles and contrasting points of view, that will run through Friday, July 27, at Westland's Gallery at City Hall, 36300 Warren Road. The show is free and open to the public during normal business hours and evening activities.

Both artists are members of Three Cities Art Club. For more information about Tonachella and his work,

www.facebook.com/TimTonachellaphotography1 or email Tim48170@gmail.com. To find out more about Roth's work, go to www.gwenroth.zenfolio.com or email gwenrothphoto@gmail.com.

## Summer camp with Kaykim

Berean Bible Church, 35375 Ann Arbor Trail, in Livonia will host a Kaykim Academics Summer Day Kamp from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each weekday through Aug. 10. Campers enjoy hands-on science, interpretive history, cooking, sewing, interactive geography, baseball, basketball, soccer, drama/acting, martial arts, chess, arts and crafts, camp music and games. and more.

Drop-off service and lunch options are available. For more information, go to www.kaykimacademics.com.

## **FRIENDS** in Wayne

The city of Wayne 2018 FRIENDS (People Helping People) group is looking for volunteers. FRIENDS will take place Saturday, Sept. 8 (rain date, Sept. 15). The goal of this program, which began in 1998, is to help a Wayne resident whose home is in need of some care and they are not able to handle the work due to financial or medical reasons.

The day (usually about six hours) starts at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast at the HYPE Recreation Center. Material, equipment, T-shirts and lunch, plus refreshments, are provided on-site. Youth groups are welcome, with one adult for every five youth volun-

teers

If you would like to volunteer or need more information, call the Community Development Department at 734-722-2000 or email Albert Damitio at damitioalb@gmail.com.

## **Benedictine High reunion**

The Benedictine High School Class of 1973 will hold its 45th reunion at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Italian American Banquet & Conference Center, 39200 W. Five Mile Road, Livonia. Late admission for those not participating in the meal will begin at 8 p.m. A cash bar will be available. Musical entertainment will be provided by the popular band Cat Daddy & the 1320s.

The high school, which was located on the southeast corner of West Outer Drive and the Southfield Freeway in northwest Detroit, closed its doors in 2004 and the building now serves as a charter school.

Reservations and payment must be received by no later than Sept. 10. Tickets may be purchased and complete reunion information can be found at www.bennyhigh73.com. Additional information may be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/detroitbennyhigh73; by emailing the committee at bennyhigh73@att.net; or by calling 734-620-1201.

## Art classes at VAAL

Several art classes and workshops will be held at the Visual Arts Association of Livonia during the summer semester. The art classes at VAAL are all taught by professional artists.

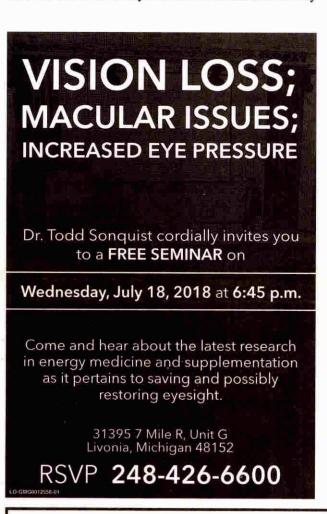
The VAAL classroom is located in the Village Shopping Center at 37653 Five Mile Road. For more information or to receive a schedule of classes, call 734-838-1204 or go to vaalart.org.

# Food pantry

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard Road, in Livonia sponsors a food pantry 10-11 a.m. the second Saturday of each month. For more information, call 734-421-8451.

# 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.







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# Mark James Cady Sr.

PLYMOUTH - Age 93. Born in Detroit Michigan on September 21, 1924 and died in Plymouth, Michigan on June 29, 2018. Mark was preceded in death by his darling wife and dearest friend, Ellen Lee Cady (Smith). They remained devoted after 63 years marriage and always shared their deepest thoughts about family, faith and everyday subjects. Mark is survived by his seven loving children and their spouses, including Mark James Jr. (Minnijo) Cady, Elisa Marie Cady, Michelle Anne (Foster, dec) Freydl, Elaine Therese (William) Pearson, Jeanne Madeleine Cady, Paula Elizabeth Cady, and Maura Lee (Scott)

Cady-Rye. He was a loving Grandfather to Neal (Becky) Pearson, Nathan Pearson (dec), Craig (Kelsey) Pearson, Justin Pearson, Britta Pearson, Mark James Cady III, Meryn Underhill-Cady and Ian Underhill-Cady. He was a loving Great-Grandfather to Genevieve, Ruby and William Pearson and to technology, continuing his life-long love for photograph and cars, working in Zoey and Piper Lee Pearson. The eldest child of Walter Dewey and Irene his workshop and even trying his hand at the piano. But he mainly treasured Ruth (Aubin) Cady and dear brother to Barbara, Beverly, Joan, Paul (Dec), Patricia and John (dec), Mark was raised in Detroit, Michigan, appreciating life in the growing Motor City. While attending St. Mary's of Redford High School, he played football on the Rustic team and played trombone. He graduated in 1942 and was drafted into the United States Army in October 1943. He served in the 87th Infantry Division and was honorably discharged in April 1946. He served in the European theater, including England, Belgium and France. Due to severe frostbite, he fortunately missed the Battle of the Bulge in December 1944 and was transferred back to England where he served in the Army Aircorp until 1946. Mark met his darling Lee after WWII through the Detroit Catholic singles club called the "Toby Club." He had met the Scottish lass of his dreams who married him and they raised

their family of seven children. They moved to Plymouth Michigan in 1977 and have enjoyed many years together in their country dream home. Mark graduated from the University of Detroit where he became a Mechanical Engineer; and in 1960 he earned his Professional Engineering Certification. He was a Chief Engineering Manager at Cox Instruments in Detroit with approximately 75 engineers under his leadership. He was the first President and Senior Founding Partner of Testek, Inc. Founded on July 20, 1969 (the day of the first moonwalk), Testek remains the worldwide leader of custom test equipment design and development. As a result of his love for cars, he was one of the founding members of the Jaguar Affiliates Group of Michigan where he enjoyed driving his 1957 Jaguar XK-150 on road rallies with his brother-in-law, Bill. The JAG club is celebrating their 51st anniversary this year. Mark was also an active and faithful member of Our Lady of Good Counsel where he served the poor through the St. Vincent de Paul Society and PBJ Outreach. Mark's retirement years were spent traveling, embracing spending time with his darling wife, Lee. Visitation Thursday, July 12, 2018, 4-8 pm at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West, Plymouth, MI (btwn Sheldon and Beck). In state Friday, July 13th 10 AM until the 10:30 AM Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth, MI. Interment Saturday, July 14th, Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield, MI. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Our Lady of Good Counsel or St. Vincent de Paul. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

Vermeulen-Sajewski

# **Elaine Pearl Hayes**

## - - Elaine was born November 6, 1924 to Andrew Mittal-Bakalar and Mary M. Bakalar in Streator, IL. She was baptized, confirmed and married in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Streator. She attended Streator elementary schools and graduated from Streator



High School in 1943. She worked to earn her technical education at Liberty Beauty School in Peoria, Il., pursuing her career as owner-operator of Vogue Beauty Shop in Streator for eight and one-half years. She married William C. Hayes of Marseilles, IL, May 16, 1948. They are parents of three daughters; Mary (John) Mitchell of Livonia, MI, Jean (Roger) Reynolds of Ann Arbor, MI and Elaine (Dale) Sharer of Highland, MI. The family resided in Streator for ten years; Ann Arbor for nineteen, Glasgow, KY for seven years and have resided in Livonia, MI since 1984. She was employed in sales at J L Hudson, Ann Arbor for several years and was a self-employed Beauty Consultant for Mary Kay Cosmetics for over thirty years in Kentucky and Michigan. She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and five sisters. She is survived by her husband, three daughters and granddaughter Nina (Ryan) Strang of Saline, MI; grandsons Philip Gardner of St. Peter, MN and Evan (Riley) Reynolds of Ann Arbor. Elaine was an active member of Lola Park Ev. Lutheran Church in Redford, MI, also the Livonia Neighbors and Friends Club and the Livonia Towne Club. Memorial contributions appreciated to the Lutheran Hour Ministries. Services were entrusted to Harry J. Will Funeral Home.

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# Angela Marrie Johnson

WESTLAND - Age 52, passed away Thursday, June 28, 2018. She was born July 16, 1965 in Lincoln Park, MI, the daughter of Rufus G. and Geneva M. (Cross) Johnson. She worked as a customer service agent for the airline industry. She was a loving daughter, sister, aunt and cousin

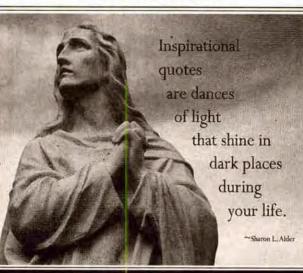


and will be greatly missed. Survivors include: her mother Geneva; two brothers, Bobby (Susan) Johnson and Ritchie Johnson; her nephew and niece, Joshua "Sunshine" Johnson and Ashley "Little Miss Little Bit" Johnson; three great nieces, Brooklynn, Payslee and Annabelle; her three cats, Tanner, Lucy and Ellie; and several cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her father, two brothers, Ricky and John and several aunts and uncles. The funeral service will be 1 pm Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at Ypsilanti Old Regular Baptist Church, 5667 Denton Road, Canton with Brother Danny Adams officiating. Burial will follow in Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. The family will receive friends 2-8 pm Sunday and 2-8 pm Monday at Stark Funeral Service and at the church from 12 noon until time of service Tuesday. Please sign her guest book at www.starkfuneral.com.

# Sheila Kelly

CANTON - Kelly, Sheila (nee Sullivan) of Canton, formally of Livonia, and Horton, Michigan. Born July 12, 1942, left us peacefully on July 1, 2018. Cherished wife of Michael for 56 wonderful years. Daughter of the late Eleanor and Frank Sullivan. Incredible Mother of Bridget (Ed) Holton, Sean (Michele) Kelly, Tim Kelly and Colleen (Rob) Schultz. Beloved grandmother of Ryan (Amy), Megan and Patrick Holton, Kennedy Kelly, Michael Kelly, Jacob, Josh and Lily Miles, Samantha and Gunner Schultz. Proceeded in death by her brothers Dennis and Daniel Sullivan. Sister-In-Law of (the late) Daniel and Judy Kelly, (the late) Fran and Homer Sperry, Pat (the late Carol) Kelly, Kitty (the late George) Zauner, Maureen (the late Bud) Hassien, Joe (Cheryl) Kelly, (the late) Thomas Kelly and Anne (Bill) Smirthwaite. Forever loved Aunt and Friend to too many to list. She fought the valiant fight and was an inspiration to all who knew her. Visitation Friday, July 6th from 3 to 8 PM at McCabe Funeral Home, 851 Canton Center Rd, Canton (Rosary at 7 PM). Celebration of her journey, Saturday, July 7th at St. Kenneth Church, 14951 Haggerty Road, Plymouth, In-state at 9 AM, Mass at 10 AM. In Lieu of flowers family requests donations to St Jude's Children's Research Hospital or the Capuchin Order Ministries. www. mccabefuneralhome.com

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**Donald Flood** 

- - Age 88. Husband of the late Norma. Beloved father of Lynda (Tim) Smith and the late Cynthia Flood. Loving grandfather of Kelley (Ryan) King, Karey (Justin) Heinitz and Michael and Mark Pohutsky. Dear brother of Marvin (Gail) Flood. Don was an Air Force Veteran, Michigan State Police Lieutenant Detective, Chief of Police of Romulus, also a licensed realtor, played softball until he was 78 and enjoyed golf. Visitation Friday July 6, 10 am until 11 am memorial services at Grace Lutheran Church 25630 Grand River, Redford 48240. Interment Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia. In lieu of flowers donations to the church appreciated. Condolences at CharlesStepFuneralHome. com

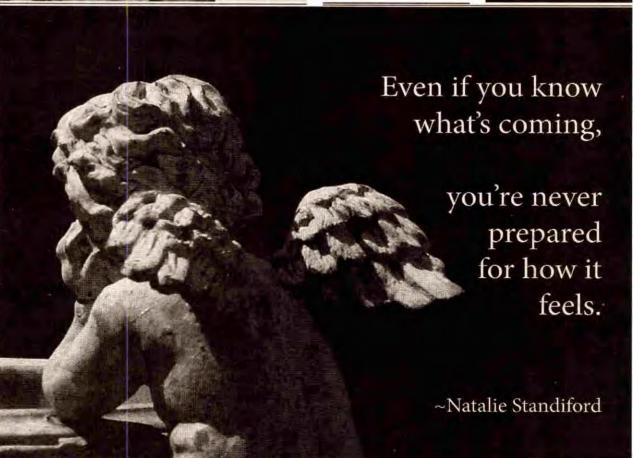
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# Joseph Rice

LIVONIA - Joseph Michael Rice Jr., age 82, of Livonia, Michigan passed away on Thursday June 28, 2018. Joseph was born March 13, 1936 to the late Mary and Joseph Rice Sr. of Saginaw. Survived by his wife Joan Rice, Son Bradley (Jen) Rice and grandchildren Mathew and William Rice. Services were held at Harry J Will Funeral Home.

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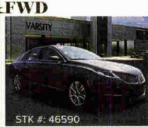
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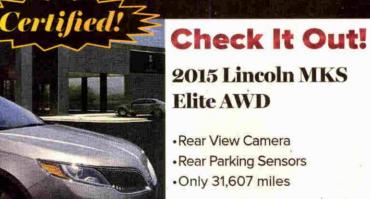


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## USA TODAY SPORTS

# Sports

**BOYS TENNIS** 

# **Zhang nets USTA Midwest title**

Incoming senior will also play USTA Boys' 18s Nationals in Kalamazoo

**Brad Emons** 

Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Andrew Zhang has experienced plenty of highs during his junior tennis career.

But in the heat and humidity of Indianapolis, the incoming Bloomfield Hills senior reached a personal pinnacle when he captured the USTA Midwest Closed Boys' 18 singles title with a 4-6, 6-1, 6-1 win on June 28 over Patrick Fletchall of Carmel, Ind.

More than 1,000 juniors from all five USTA/Midwest Section States – Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin – competed in the event hosted by the Washington Township Area Schools. The tournament included four age groups and players must earn the right to play or be endorsed by their respective USTA Districts.

"I had a couple of tournaments leading up to the Closed and I'd been playing very, very well these past couple of weeks," said Zhang, who as the top seed went 7-0 during his singles run while dropping only two sets.

Zhang advanced to the finals with a 6-2, 6-1 victory over West Bloomfield's Jacob Bickersteth after ousting 14th-

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# **DETROIT RED WINGS**



Alec Regula, a third-round pick of the Detroit Red Wings in the 2018 NHL draft, is one of 13 defenseman who participating in this week's Development Camp. COURTESY OF DETROIT RED WINGS



Alec Regula listens intently during
Thursday morning's Red Wings
Development Camp at the Belfor
Training Center. COURTESY OF DETROIT RED

# Hometown teen drafted by Detroit Red Wings

Marty Budner

USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Alec Regula is the youngest defenseman and the second-youngest of the 44 players participating in this week's Detroit Red Wings development camp.

The 17-year-old former Cranbrook Kingswood standout was Detroit's third-round pick — 67th overall — in the recent NHL entry draft held in Dallas. The young hockey talent arrived at camp knowing he's one Detroit's "pro-

ject" players and is intent to learn all that he can about what it takes to play at the professional level.

"Right now, this is just a good learning experience for me," Regula said June 28 following his practice session with Team Lindsay at the underground Belfor Training Center at Little Caesars Arena. "This camp just makes me realize how much further I have to go and how much more work I have to do. I think, right now, I have a ways to

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

# From Redford Union to the Reds, Stefanski catches on

**Brad Emons** 

Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Mike Stefanski has been able to connect quite a few dots on the United States map.

That's because the journeyman catcher made eight different stops during his 13-year minor league baseball career including Arizona, Beloit, Stockton, El Paso, New Orleans, Louisville, Arkansas and Memphis.

But 1987 Redford Union grad, who played at the University of Detroit Mercy, has found a home during the past 15 years with the Cincinnati Reds where he has served the past five seasons as their Major League catching coordinator.

Following his final season with AAA Louisville in 2003, Stefanski became bullpen catcher with the Reds and has never looked back.

"Toward the end of my career I had already worked with a few players in the minor leagues, most notably was Jason LeRoux," the 48-year-old Stefanski said. "It was kind of an easy transition to what I'm doing now. At

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Redford native Mike Stefanski, who played at the University of Detroit, is in his 15th season coaching with the Cincinnati Reds. THE CINCINNATI REDS



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# LIVONIA RAVENS SEIZE 13-U WESTERN SUBURBAN **BASEBALL LEAGUE TITLE**



The Livonia Ravens captured the Western Suburban Baseball League's 13-and-under championship with a 7-4 win June 20 over the previously unbeaten Canton Cardinals at Pioneer Park in Farmington Hills. Members of the Ravens, coached by Jim Bates, include Shane Samborski, Brandt Hazzard, Aidan Murray, Seth Pac, Andrew Matukaitis, Matt Thomas, Mac Muszynski, Chuck Davidek, J.D. Bates, Rhys McGuigan, Mason Rudy and Owen Reed. Assistant coaches include Matt Hazard, Boyd Rudy and Jason Samborski, while Dan Muszynski served as team scorekeeper. SHARI DAVIDEK

# PLYMOUTH-CANTON SPIRIT TAKE FIRST IN FOWLERVILLE SOFTBALL TOURNEY



The 10-under Plymouth-Canton Spirit girls softball team finished 4-0 while outscoring their opponents 61-4 to capture the Rosa Oliver Memorial Tournament, June 16-17, in Fowlerville. The Spirit, coached by Jay Frank, Karen McAuliffe and Ray Roberts, defeated the Livonia Wild, Fowlerville Gladiators, Downriver Dynamite and Livingston Prospects en route to the title. Team members include Mikayla Roberts, Ryley Frank, Reese Edwards, Lucy Winters, Tessa Adams, Chelsie VanHooser, Shannon McAuliffe, Samantha Moore, Taylor Bond, Becky Reddeman and Natalie McCall. KAREN MCAULIFFE

# **COACHING**

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the time I was 34, it was late in my career, and I always told myself I was always going to let the kids play at some point, so I just decided to come into

Although he played some third base in high school, catching has always been Stefanski's forte. He not only found his niche as a member of the Reds coaching staff, but he is also heavily invested in Cincinnati's organization from top-tobottom reporting to Jeff Graupe, Senior Director of Player of Development, along with minor league roving catching instructor Corky Miller.

Under then manager Bryan Price, who was fired early this the season after a 3-15 start, Stefanski helped mold an organizational philosophy when it comes to catching. He also worked with the Reds' minor league catchers during spring training. (Jim Riggleman is now the Reds' interim coach.)

"The coolest part about it is that I've always wanted to take over an organization and just want to create and be involved in the development of all our catchers - the guys we get from the (MLB) Draft and just being more involved in their protocol as far as their development is concerned," Stefanski said. "It's just been a really neat process. I think I've been doing it for five years and we've kind of set a goal when we started it that we wanted our released guys coveted by other organizations because we did it the right way. Everybody caught and everybody did it at a pretty high level, so that's the goal when we started doing it. But prior to Bryan Price taking over, I was just pretty much doing the catching at the big league level, which is mostly a maintenance job."

After playing his high school freshman and sophomore seasons primarily as a catcher, Stefanski got a call up to play for the varsity by coach Stu Rose, who put him initially in the infield to fill a need.

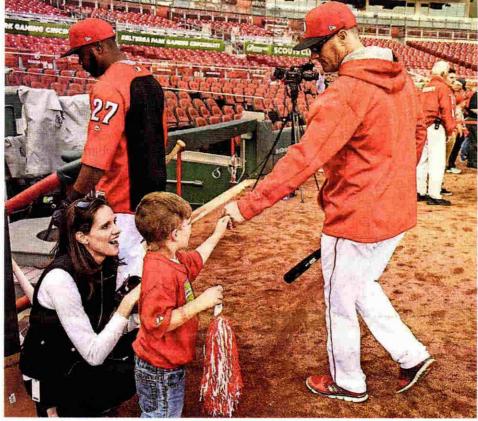
"I thought at the time I was a pretty good player anyway, so I didn't have to catch," Stefanski said. "I think my first varsity game in high school as a sophomore was third baseman. And then an injury came about two weeks into the season and I caught probably the rest of my whole career.'

During his junior and senior years he was behind the plate and was a twotime All-Northwest Suburban League choice before accepting a scholarship offer from University of Detroit coach Bob Miller, who pitched in the Majors himself (starting the first game of 1950 World Series as a rookie with the Phil-

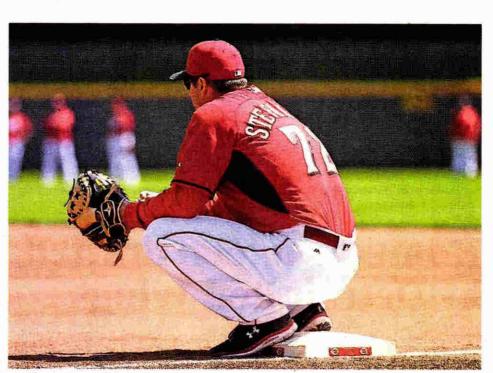
Miller was a Redford Township native himself and his sons (Bob, Jr. and Pat) played for RU as well.

"He gave me a chance to play in college, so that helps," said Stefanski, who played four years for the Titans. "Boogs (Miller) was a pitching guy, but he taught you how to be a man. He taught you how to be an adult, how to be respectful and respect the game. He was very good and comfortable with his guys and he trusted you. We played hard for

"Then you had Robert Atkins (U-D assistant) was there, too. I learned a ton



Cincinnati Reds catching coordinator Mike Stefanski (right) fist pumps a young fan. THE CINCINNATI REDS



Redford Union High grad Mike Stefanski is the Major League catching coordinator for the Cincinnati Reds. GREGORY RUST | CINCINNATI REDS

from Robert Atkins, especially playing Adray ball in the summer. He had a different way about him. He was more in your face, whereas 'Boogs' was just, 'Come on guys, Geez, you can't do that."

Following his senior year at U-D, Stefanski was taken by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 40th round of the June 1991 free-agent draft where he was signed by Larry Keller.

"The combination of those two guys were very influential," said of Miller and Atkins. "I still remember conversations with Bob Atkins in the summer league that resonated and helped me out when I was signed professionally. I did sign professionally as a senior and being disappointed that I wasn't drafted as a junior. He (Atkins) kind of put it in perspective for me and helped out a lot as far as that was concerned.'

In his first professional season, Stefanski won the Arizona League batting title 1991 with a .364 average in 56 games with 75 hits and 43 RBIs. He was traded

to the Cardinals in 1995, signed by the Reds twice and the Cardinals once

He played nine seasons in AAA and compiled an overall minor league .278 career average with 61 homers and 407 RBIs before ending his playing career in 2003 in Louisville.

Stefanski joined the Reds' staff in 2004 and has been there ever since. He has witnessed how the professional

game has evolved. "I think the analytics as far as the catching is concerned has put a real high priority on the receiving of the baseball," he said. "But other than that, I don't think the analytics really touch our position too much. A lot of organizations sell out for 'Oh, we've got to catch the ball better' and they hire 5,000 different people to create logarithms to score catching and receiving in a zone. How you catch the ball is one of our top priorities. It's not like something we don't pay attention to."

During his minor league career, Stefanski played 60 games at first, third and the outfield. He also made four appearances as a pitcher. Many players who are drafted eventually switch from their original positions.

"I really don't think they're hard to find because there are a lot guys that are conversion guys," Stefanski said of catchers. "And those present challenges, but they also they're more open to instruction as well. What I mean by conversion guys is third basemen who can't hit, they make them catchers, second baseman . . . whatever. If you have a guy they drafted and he's having trouble swinging the bat they send them to us. There's a lot of guys in college who only caught a little bit and then they come to us and they want them to become catchers to start out, so I think it's beneficial for them to come into our organization as opposed to another if they're going to try the catching craft."

During all his seasons behind the plate and being a bullpen catcher, Stefanski said he is holding up reasonably well health wise at age 48 despite all the squatting and crouching.

"Knock on wood . . . my knees I don't have much problem to be honest with you," He said. "My knees have always been strong. I had one knee surgery and that was just to clean up and that was probably seven or eight years ago. My right one might be due to get done. Once I get into it everything is fine and I try and stay in good of shape as I can stay in for the job. The hard part is the throwing aspect. People have no idea how much we throw during a day. Taking care of the arm has become an issue having shoulder surgeries two of the last three years. I've had two elbow surgeries, three shoulder surgeries. That's the hard part is the throwing the ball. We'll be out there at 2:30 and right up until game time."

Once the game starts, Stefanski can be found in his usual spot.

"I'm in the bullpen because I do remain helping out getting the second guys up, and then assist Ted Power, who is our bullpen coach," he said. "I assist him in keeping track of the lineup that's coming up. So we basically work the bullpen together and I catch if we get a second guy to warm up if we need a righty-lefty at the same time . . .

Stefanski, who was born in Flint and grew up in Redford, has made Maineville, Ohio his home with his wife Ysela and three children (Shelbie, Michael and Lauren).

"I love it," the former catcher said. "We used to travel to Xavier (University) to play and it was kind of funny because my son (Michael) played an 18U game at Xavier and I was telling him I played a lot of games here (when he was at U-D). Back then I was kind of thinking, 'This would be a neat area to move to.' I always told my mom if I moved anywhere I think I'd move to Cincinnati or Louisville. When I got married there was just better opportunities at that time. There wasn't a lot of indoor baseball facilities in Michigan. It was so cold that it wasn't much of a baseball off season for me."

Stefanski, however, will have another homecoming when the Reds play a twogame series July 31-Aug. 1 against the Tigers at Comerica Park.

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# **Plymouth Canton** Force brings home hoop hardware

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The Plymouth-Canton Force, an eighth-grade boys basketball team, defeated the Glenwood (Ohio) Elite, 51-50, to capture the FAAST Summer Championship tournament held June 23 at Whitmore Lake.

Coached by Evan Paputa, the Force team defeated talented and athletic Toledo-area team that featured the toprated class of 2022 football player from the state of Ohio.

Force team members included Michael Barker (University of Detroit Jesuit), Greg Michalopoulos (Salem), Brendan Church (Canton), Jason Stewart (Plymouth), Danny Groechel (Novi), Jake Kuchka (Plymouth). Ben Spahn (Dearborn Divine Child), Preston Zayti (Novi Detroit Catholic Central), Brandon Keen (Canton), Derik Watson (Salem) and Kelton McCaslin.

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Members of the Plymouth-Canton force included (bottom row, from left:) Michael Barker, Greg Michalopoulos, Brendan Church, Jason Stewart, Danny Groechel, Jake Kuchka; (back row, from left) Ben Spahn, Preston Zayti, Brandon Keen, Derik Watson, Kelton McCaslin and head coach Evan Paputa. SUBMITTED

**BOYS BASKETBALL** 

# Palmer takes over as Brother Rice's new coach

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Brother Rice did not have to go far to find its new basketball coach.

Bloomfield Hills resident and former Detroit Country Day basketball player Rick Palmer will take over the Warriors program. Rice administrators released former head coach Ed Shaffer in mid-April to pursue "another direction."

After an extensive search and interview process that included more than 20 candidates, Palmer officially was named head coach May 24 and formally introduced to the school community in a ceremony Wednesday evening inside Rice's gymnasium.

'Our search committee worked diligently in our process and coach Palmer became the clear choice to lead our program moving forward," Brother Rice athletic director Jeff Calcaterra said. "He understands the values of Brother Rice and our commitment to excellence in academics and athletics. He will be an active member of our community while instilling what it takes to be a top program in Michigan."

Palmer worked as an assistant coach for five years (2009-13) at Detroit Country Day, where he helped lead the Yellowjackets to five regional titles and two state championships (2010 and 2013).

He also was a graduate assistant at Lakeland (Wis.) College and worked as director of basketball operations at Bowling Green State University.

While the 34-year-old Palmer has erved as a head coach on the AAU circuit, this is his first job as a high school head coach. He has not coached at the prep level since leaving Country Day in

"Brother Rice is an amazing place with a rich basketball culture, but even



Palmer

more so an elite athletic department," Palmer said. "I'm thrilled for the opportunity and, when the opportunity came up, I knew I was interested right away.

"Going through the interview process and kind of doing my due diligence, it just became really apparent that there is a real commitment to getting Brother Rice basketball back to where it's been in the past and trying to consistently compete for Catholic League and state championships. So I was thrilled to be selected and I'm really fired up to get go-

"I've been away from the high school coaching level for a couple of years," he added. "I've gotten to meet the players and, just being with them and just going through this process, I realized how much I've missed it. I thought it was time for me to be a head coach and the dream is finally coming true."

# Learning from legends

Palmer grew up in the area and began his basketball career playing on the fourth- and fifth-grade team at St. Regis. The self-proclaimed "Country Day lifer" went on to become a three-year where he served as a captain his senior

After graduating from DCD in 2002, Palmer went to Albion College, where he was a four-year letter winner and a captain on the 2005 Albion team that made the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Division III national tournament.

Palmer, a guard, helped lead the Brits to 88 wins in four years - a school record for career wins. Palmer and each member of the 2005 team was inducted into the Albion College Athletic Hall of

Palmer played for two highly-regarded head coaches - Kurt Keener at Country Day (nine state championships with 678 victories in 34 years) and Mike Turner at Albion (527 wins in 34 years).

Palmer said his basketball acumen originates with those men.

"I've played for legendary coaches. I obviously start with coach Keener and his reputation speaks for itself," Palmer said. "And at the college level, Mike Turner at Albion is another legendary Division III Hall of Fame coach.

"I've been really fortunate to just have been around great basketball minds my whole life," he added. "I think I get my coaching pedigree — I get little bits and pieces - from them. I'm hoping to do them proud as I start to take over the Brother Rice program."

Palmer plans to incorporate an uptempo style offense with an aggressive defense.

"I think in my five years at Country Day, we averaged over 75 points per and down and run," he said. "Defensively, we're going to try to be a blue-collar team and get after you and get physical.

'You don't have much of a choice than to be physical when you play in the Catholic League," he added. "But that's

letter winner at Detroit Country Day, the type of balance I'll be looking for. There are so many great coaches in the Catholic League and I'm looking forward to competing against them."

# Returning to glory

Palmer has high expectations at Brother Rice, whose only state championship was in 1979 under head coach Bill Norton. The program has produced more than 30 all-state players, including former NBA champion B.J. Armstrong (1985 graduate).

However, the majority of those allstate stars played before the turn of the century. Rice has had only four all-state players since 2000, the last of whom was Kevonte Martin-Manley in 2010.

Rice competes in the tough Catholic League Central Division along with perennial stellar programs Warren De La Salle, Orchard Lake St. Mary's, U-D Jesuit and Detroit Catholic Central. The Warriors finished with four overall wins last season and were last in the league standings

"I think if we can get to the level where we can compete with the upper level of our division in the Catholic League, we really believe that prepares you to contend in March," Palmer said. 'That's going to be our goal. It sounds like a lofty goal now with where the program is, but that's the type of expectations I want.

"It used to be a 'state-championshipor-bust' environment at Brother Rice and I hope we can get comfortable working in that kind of environment again," he added. "I would love to get to that point and it's going to be a long road to get there and a long ways out at this point, but I think we have the tools to get

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# **TENNIS**

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seed Presley Thieneman (Indianapolis) in the quarterfinals, 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

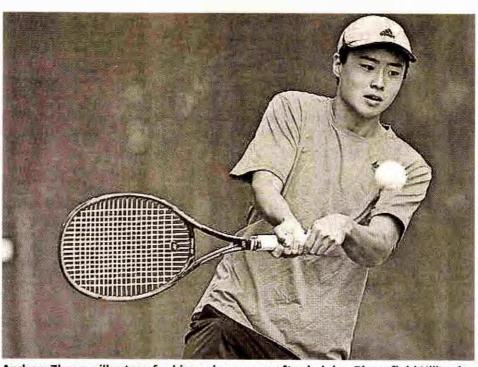
"I thought I made a lot of first serves," Zhang said. "I thought I was super solid from the baseline this whole tournament, which really helped because I wasn't giving many free points to my opponents. I just thought whenever I had the chance, if I was aggressive, if I had the chance to be aggressive, I might as well take it. And everything just really worked in my favor in the tournament and I'm very happy with the end result.

Last November, Zhang was runnerup in the USTA Boys' 16 National Indoor Championships. He also played earlier this spring in the prestigious Adidas Easter Bowl in Indian Wells, Calif. where he reached the round of 16 during the qualifying draw.

'This was definitely one of my proudest moments because it's such a prestigious tournament," Zhang said of the Midwest Closed. "I'd probably say this and I reached the finals of a Super National Thanksgiving weekend in Boston. That was definitely really up there as well. Got a silver ball."

It was an exhausting week of tennis to say the least for Zhang, who also reached Boys' 18 doubles finals with partner Natan Spear (Chicago, Ill.) before losing the night before to Fletchall and Lucas Horve (Forsyth, Ill.), 6-1, 1-6, 1-0 (10-8 in a super-breaker).

Zhang played a total of 12 matches in five days, no easy task considering the weather conditions at the North Central



Andrew Zhang will return for his senior season after helping Bloomfield Hills win the MHSAA Division 1 team championship. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

High School courts.

'You just try and stay hydrated before and during the match, that's all you can do," said the 6-foot, 150-pound left-han-

According to TennisRecruting.net, Zhang is a 5-star recruit with a 44-13 singles record the past 12 months. He is ranked No. 1 in Michigan, No. 2 in the Great Lakes and No. 27 nationally.

His USTA standing is 69th overall in the nation. He is coached by Armand Molino from Wessen Indoor Tennis Club in Pontiac and Paco Trinidad from Bloomfield Tennis & Fitness.

Away from tennis, Zhang says, "I like to watch athletics, listen to music, hang out with friends, go out to eat, just try and live a normal teenage life, I guess."

In March, Zhang committed to Duke University after considering Ivy League schools Columbia and Dartmouth, along with Michigan and Michigan State. He carries a 3.95 grade-point average and would like to study something either in the medicine field or business

"What really set Duke apart from the other schools, I thought . . . I really enjoyed the campus," Zhang said. "The

campus is super nice. Duke could also offer really good academics as well as a really good tennis program, which I thought was really important for me as well. I thought I bought in with the team very well. I really liked the coaches as well. Those were a couple factors why I chose Duke.

Next up on Zhang's summer itinerary is the USTA Boys' 18 and 16 National Championships, Aug. 3-12, in Kalamazoo where he'll be making his first appearance in the Boys' 18s and his third trip overall.

"Last year was my good chance, lost in the round of 16," Zhang said. "We'll

see what happens this year." This fall, Zhang will help Bloomfield Hills defend its MHSAA Division 1 team championship where he was runner-up to Troy's Steve Forman at No. 1 singles.

During his sophomore year, the Black Hawks placed second to Ann Arbor Huron as Zhang captured the No. 2 singles title. In 2015, Bloomfield Hills and Novi shared the team title as Zhang took runner-up honors at No. 2 singles.

Expected to join the Black Hawks' lineup this fall is Noah Roslin, who along with partner Noah Hernandez, finished runner-up in the Midwest Closed Boys' 14 doubles final to Milford's Aidan Kim and Michael Choi (Warrenville, Ill.), 7-5,

"It's looking really good," Zhang said. "Even though we lose a couple of our key teammates, we've got a bunch of good kids like Noah Roslin, who is coming on. He'll be very helpful to the team. We're hungry for another championship."

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# High school All-State boys lacrosse teams unveiled

# Catholic Central, Brother Rice players lead the way

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Under a new two-year pilot program. the Michigan High School Lacrosse Coaches Association recently announced its revamped All-State boys teams for 2018.

There were two primary changes with the list being reduced in number, while Divisions 1 and 2 were combined into one team regardless of division.

Here are the results for each position this season:

### First-team

Attack: John Reid, Ann Arbor Pioneer; Andrew Billig, Brighton; Davis Schiller, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook; Joey Kamish, Novi Detroit Catholic Central; Peter Thompson, Detroit CC; Bryce Clay, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central; Tate Hallock, Forest Hills Central; Cam Kostus, Rockford.

Midfield: Jack Johnson, Brighton; Michael Cosgrove, Birmingham Brother Rice; Ethan Pattinson, Detroit CC; Dylan Prime, Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day; Patrick O'Hara, Brother Rice; Patrick English, Forest Hills Central; Reece Potter, Hartland.

Long stick midfield: Jack Crosby, Brother Rice; Connor Toomey, Cranbrook; Kyle Love, Detroit CC.

Face-off: Jacob Rogers, East Grand Rapids; Logan Wedder, Forest Hills Central; Samuel Faber, Haslett.

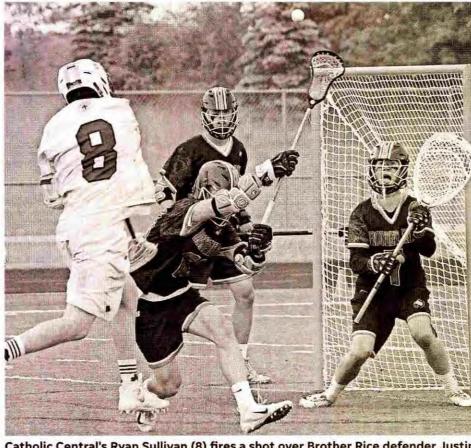
Defensive midfield: Connor Marsh, Brother Rice; Kyle Basch, Forest Hills

Defense: James Donaldson, Brother Rice; Breandan Martin, Detroit CC; Owen Bruinius, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern; Andy Trapp, Forest Hills Central; Matt Blland, Lake Orion; Abe Khoury, Northville; Collin Hartley, Rock-

Goalie: Jack Michael, Brother Rice; Nick Milanowski, East Grand Rapids; Ben Stoklas, Rockford.

# Second team

Attack: Paul Mucci, Bloomfield Hills;



Catholic Central's Ryan Sullivan (8) fires a shot over Brother Rice defender Justin Glod with goalie Jack Michael poised to make the save. MARTY BUDNER! HOMETOWNI IFF COM

Justin Glod, Brother Rice; Grant Coleman, Cranbrook; Ryan Sullivan, Detroit CC; Eric Solberg, East Grand Rapids, Jace Conley, Orchard Lake St. Mary Prep; Tanyr Krummenacher, Saline.

Midfield: Anthony Salamone, Northville; Nick Polydoras, Canton; Ryan Birney, Detroit CC; Jake Belanger, Country Day; Connor Davis, East Grand Rapids; Drew Poortenga, East Grand Rapids, Jacob Gallaher, Hartland, Andrew Dailey-Chawlibog, St. Mary Prep.

Long stick midfield: Justin Petouhoff, Detroit CC; Andrew Conlon, East Grand Rapids; Nick Clark, Forest Hills

Face-off specialist: Lawson Brophy, Cranbrook; Fernando Robison, Tecum-

Defensive midfield: Sully Dansbury, Brother Rice; Pat Brandemihl, Detroit

Defense: Kelson Connors, Flint Powers Catholic; Cam Deines, Forest Hills Central; Grant Petrucci, Country Day; Austin Albrecht, Grosse Pointe North; Matthew Knill, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep ; Kyle Heeren, Rockford; Tucker Martinez, Zeeland.

Goalie: Jakob Hemme, Detroit CC; Jack Nolan, Forest Hills Central; Evan Griffin, Hartland.

## Third team

Attack: Quinton Sappington, Country Day; Max Payton, Grosse Pointe North; Jack Belz, Hudsonville; Chris French, Lake Orion; Gavin Roach, Plymouth; Silvio Scappaticci, South Lyon Unified; Dylan Day, Tecumseh, Tyler Nelson, Troy Athens.

Midfield: Ivan Progar, Brighton; Jonah Rinaldis, Cranbrook; Grant Chafee, Warren DeLaSalle; Zach Talovich, Flint Powers; John Schulte, Grosse Pointe South; Nate Yuhas, Ann Arbor Pioneer; Jack Loveland, Saline; Nick Harvath, South Lyon; John Conroy, University of Detroit Jesuit.

Long stick midfield: James Edwards, Ann Arbor Skyline, Shane Allen, Harrison Township L'Anse Creuse; Evan Zarotney, Lansing Waverly.

Face-off specialist: Connor Beals, Detroit CC; Alward Patterson, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Eastern.

Defensive midfield: Luke Helwing, Brighton; Ryan Eardley, East Grand

Defense: Andrew Mills, Ann Arbor Pioneer; Hayden Latham, Caledonia; Dom Ciarelli, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard; Caleb Foster, Forest Hills Central; Jacob Hoexum, Forest Hills Eastern; Mario Lorelli, Grosse Pointe North; Hunter Stearnes, Hudsonville; Charlie Shaver, Plymouth.

Goalie: Jack Goganis, Bloomfield Hills; Patrick Well, St. Mary Prep; Sean Richard, U-D Jesuit.

## Honorable mention

Attack: Travis Barr, DeWitt; Vinc Floro, Dearborn Divine Child; Jack Radzville, Howell; Casey Lyons, Novi; Alex Goodall, Royal Oak Shrine; Colby Brown, Spring Lake; Henry Carroll, Traverse City St. Francis; Spencer Warezak, Grosse Pointe Woods University-Lig-

Midfield: Cameron Newton, Ann Arbor Skyline; Connor Flanigan, Canton; Cole Williams, Grand Ledge; Griffin Fenech, Haslett; Noah Sorenson, Holland Christian; Sebastian Carrier, Okemos; Will Ronan, Rochester Adams; Tyler Thompson, Salem.

Long stick midfield: Trey Feldeisen, Ann Arbor Greenhills; Brendan Bontrager, Shrine.

Face-off specialist: Jake DeYoung, Hartland; Cole Scheffler, Rockford.

Defensive midfielder: Mac Brice, Cranbrook; Quest Bigelow, Troy.

Defense: Nolan Bailey, Huron Valley United; Jacob Mukhtar, Notre Dame Prep; Quinn Hanley, Portage Northern; Brayden Blackburn, Muskegon Reeths-Puffer; Bryce Salmon, Adams; Kyle Diton, Salem; Jalen Mireles, Tecumseh; Alexander Decker, Utica Eisenhower.

Goalie: Vincenzo Jean, Divine Child; John Coyle, Grosse Pointe South; Joey Ciuk, Okemos.

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# HOCKEY

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go. I think the staff here looks at me as kind of a project.

"I'm big, lengthy and real young. I know I have a lot to improve on and I'm aware of all that," he added. "But I think I really have a chance to make it and be an impact player. It's really exciting."

Regula has the size (6-foot-4), drive, right-handed shot and hockey IQ which makes him an intriguing prospect.

Regula's most likely immediate destination is with the Ontario Hockey League's London Knights, his last junior team. According to NHL guidelines, a player age 20 or under cannot go to an NHL affiliate if they don't make the parent team.

"If I don't make the Red Wings roster, I would have to go back to play for London," Regula said. "I think over the next couple of years, I can take some really big steps."

# Cranbrook product

A West Bloomfield native, Regula began his organized youth hockey days with the Plymouth Stingrays and then moved into the Compuware program when he was age 8. He advanced to the Detroit Honeybaked U-13 team before deciding to join the vaunted Cranbrook Kingswood hockey program.

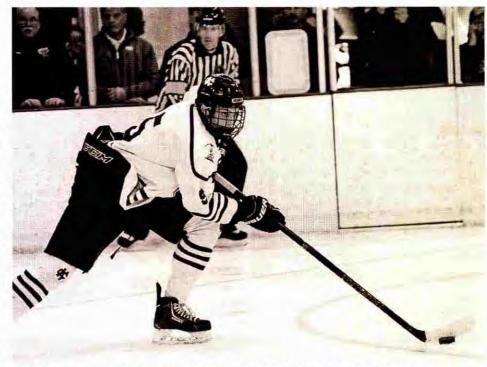
Regula, who attended the Cranbrook Educational Community's elementary and middle schools, spent two years in high school playing defense for legendary head coach Andy Weidenbach.

As a freshman, Regula helped lead the Cranes to the 2015 Division 3 state championship and a 25-2-4 record. He finished with three goals and six assists that season, which is the last time Cranbrook Kingswood won the state title.

Regula picked up his play the next year, compiling four goals with 17 assists and earning second team Division 3 allstate accolades. The Cranes finished with a 19-9-2 record, losing in the state tournament's semifinal round in overtime to Hancock.

Following his sophomore season, Regula left the prep circuit to continue honing his hockey skills at the junior level.

"It was just awesome playing at



Alec Regula played two years of high school hockey at Cranbrook Kingswood before deciding to jump to the Chicago Steel of the United States Hockey League. JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Cranbrook, since I was in their schools since kindergarten," said Regula, who played both years of high school hockey with his older brother C.J. "The school means a lot to me and really has a special place in my heart. It's an amazing school with an amazing campus and amazing people.

"If I could have graduated from there, I would have, but my career picked up a little quicker than I thought it would. No regrets. It's not a knock on Michigan hockey or to pump my own tires, but I just feel like I kind of took a lot of steps really quickly and I thought I needed to move on to a harder level.

"That's when I went to the Chicago Steel's camp and made it," he added. "I thought about it for a while, but I thought I needed some bigger competition other than Cranbrook for my draft year. That's what I did and it worked out really well."

# Weidenbach: great 'potential'

Weidenbach, who has coached various levels of hockey over his illustrious career, said Regula really picked up his play from his freshman to sophomore seasons.

"I always felt that Alec had the potential to play hockey at a higher level," said Weidenbach, who has led Cranbrook to a record 17 hockey state championships. "When he first came to Cranbrook from AAA hockey, he looked like he had great potential. However, because of limited playing time (at AAA), it looked like he lacked confidence.

"He had good overall hockey skills and a good hockey IQ. Cranbrook provided him an opportunity to play in all situations," he added. "As he regained his confidence, he improved rapidly. By the end of his sophomore year, he was our best player."

After leaving Cranbrook, Regula played a year with the Chicago Steel, where he played 53 games at right defense with one goal and four assists. He played this past season with London, where he upped his game and his offense, finishing with seven goals and 18 assists in 67 games.

# **Meeting with Wings brass**

Regula's progress the last couple of season caught the eye of Detroit's brass.

Prior to this year's draft, he met with Wings scouts who indicated he'd be on their radar. To his absolute delight, he was selected by his hometown team.

"It's just crazy to me that I was drafted (by the Wings). This is just a surreal feeling," Regula said. "I never thought about being drafted by Detroit until I went to the (NHL) combines. "I had a really good meeting with them. And I remember when I left the room, I called my dad and said, 'If I'm going to get picked, (Detroit's) one of the teams that's going to do it.' That's how well the meeting went in comparison to others.

"I knew they had a lot of picks this year and, when the third round came, I didn't really know where I was going to go, but that was kind of my territory," he added. "Detroit had some picks there and when they called my name, that was awesome.'

As a kid growing up around hockey, Regula enjoyed some extraordinary perks as his dad Chet was Detroit's team dentist for years. He got to interact with many of the Wings player and likes to model his game after Detroit's all-star captain and Hall of Fame defenseman Nick Lidstrom.

"Being around the (Joe Louis Arena) growing up in Detroit, it's such a familiar place to me," Regula said. "It's my hometown and I live 30 minutes down the road, so I don't feel very far from home at all. It's really special.

"I was in and out of the locker rooms when I was growing up and was part of their historic years, all those Stanley Cups. Steve Yzerman, (Henrik) Zetterberg, Pavel Datsyuk and Nick Lidstrom and everyone like that.

"Lidstrom is the guy I really want to be like," he added. "He was just solid and an all-around great leader. He's really a guy you can look up to."

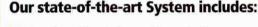
If Regula blossoms to anywhere near Lidstrom's level, he will realize his dream of wearing that coveted Red Wings jersey.

"I think I've been growing a lot the last few years and I think my footwork has really improved," Regula said. "The guys at the next level skate really well and I have to get a lot stronger. The puck battles in the corners. You have to get those 50/50 pucks. It's a whole new ballgame at the NHL level."

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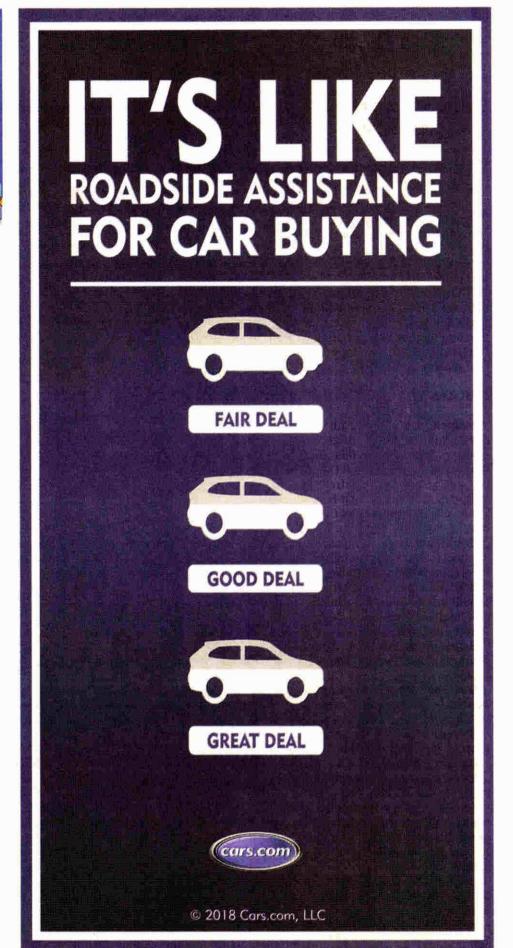
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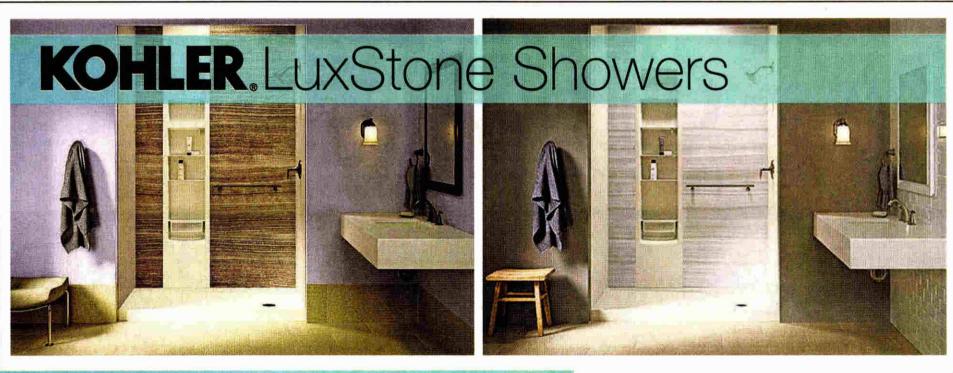
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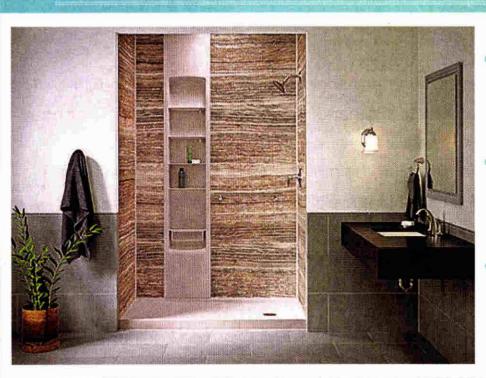
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APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-06-18 (Tabled on June 12, 2018): Tom and Eula Fitzsimmons, west side of Laurel (10633) between Plymouth and Pinetree, seeking to construct an accessory building (shed) on property, resulting in excess area. No more than a six-foot-wide door is allowed to be considered an accessory building (shed) and not a detached garage

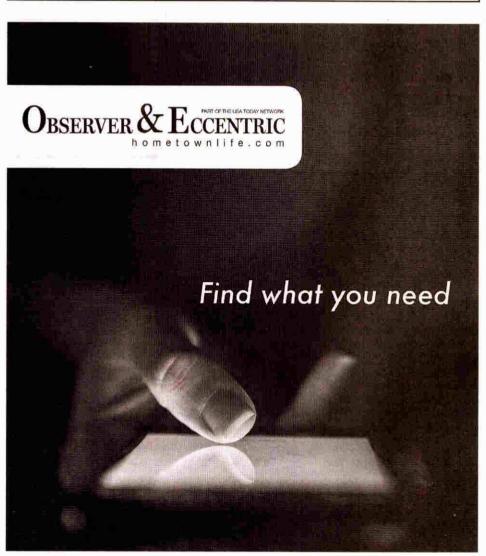
APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-07-25: Joseph VanVliet, east side of Sunbury (9052) between Dover and Grandon, seeking to erect a covered front porch (7' x 22'), resulting in deficient front yard

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-07-27: John G. Morris, north side of Oregon (33110) between Louisiana and Woodring, seeking to construct a kitchen and attached garage addition, resulting in deficient rear yard setback.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-07-28: Larry Perri, 39019 Stacey, Livonia, MI 48154, seeking to construct a new dwelling with attached garage on property located on the east side of Laurel (10166) between Pinetree and Plymouth, resulting in deficient lot width and area. All other existing out buildings must be removed.

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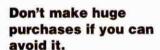
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# Prepare your finances before you lose your job

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ometimes firings or layoffs come out of the blue — you go to work one morning, thinking everything is fine, and then ... bam. Other times, you kind of know it's coming. Maybe things aren't going so well with your company or your industry, making layoffs a painful inevi-

Or maybe things just haven't been going well for you personally and you know it's just a matter of time. Whatever the case may be, if you can see the writing on the wall and you want to make sure you're preparing yourself, how do you tackle your immediate financial future?



If you're thinking of buying a house, investing in a friend's startup, getting a new car, or whatever, reconsider your timeline.

If you lose your job tomorrow and have to spend months on a job hunt, will you be able to afford this big extra expense?

If this is something you can put off for at least a few months while you regroup professionally and financially, defer the investment.

Know your state's unemployment policies.

Knowing what you're going to get, in terms of unemployment pay, will help you stay on top of your bills in the aftermath of getting fired.

Come up with several different budgets.

You probably already have some kind of a general budget in your life, but this is a crisis budget. Identify absolute necessities (like food, utilities, rent/mortgage), and make sure you have enough money

to cover those first.

It's also helpful to come up with a few different scenarios for your budgets. For example, Budget A is the one you use if you're unemployed for two months, with severance and unemployment. Budget B is the one where you're unemployed for six months or longer, with severance and unemployment. Budget C can be the wildcard, if you're unemployed longer, or don't have severance or unemployment. If the axe hasn't fallen

all the different scenarios you might be facing and plan accordingly.

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**Get rid of unnecessary** expenses and bills.

Think about what you actually need in your life, and what are the "nice to haves."

Do you need cable, or could you get by for a few months with some kind of Netflix + Hulu combo? Do you go out to dinner or get takeout several times a week, when you could just as easily cook? It's time to put serious thought into the

costs that can be reduced or canceled.

## See if you can modify your bill payments.

Some bills are likely nonnegotiable, like electricity or food. Others may allow you to modify your payments based on financial hardship, like student loans. For any bills you're currently paying, it's worth the research to see if you can modify your payments on a short-term basis, if possible.

## Don't panic and stop paying bills.

Your instinct may be to stop and hoard all your money. While you may be able to ride out the short-term pain of being late on bills, you're seriously endangering your financial health. If you can make payments on schedule, do. Avoid repercussions for your credit if at all possible.

Losing your job is traumatic and scary, but it's essential to keep calm and prioritize your finances so that you can help yourself get back on track as quickly as possible.

Kate Lopaze is a career advice journalist for The Job Network.com where this article was originally published. She investigates and writes about current strategies, tips, and trending topics related to all stages of one's career.

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Must be a high school graduate, or equivalent, Associates Degree preferred General Requirements Must be MCOLES certified. Previous experience as an MCOLES police officer preferred.

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Campus Safety Officer Internal / External **Part Time** 

(E014-18)

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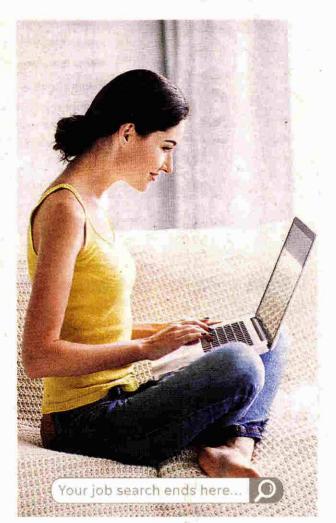
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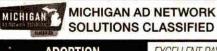
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