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# Local candidates setting own identities

Most want to distance themselves from party leaders

**Brad Kadrich** 

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President Donald Trump was a polarizing figure before he got elected and has continued to be a lightning rod since his inauguration. The same can be said for both Bernie Sanders and, of course, Hillary Clinton for the Democrats.

While the president is such a largerthan-life figure and Sanders and Clinton are still trying to have an impact on their party, candidates for local offices are, in some instances, distancing themselves from national party leaders and hoping to find their own identity (according to responses to questionnaires sent out by Hometown Life; not all candidates responded).

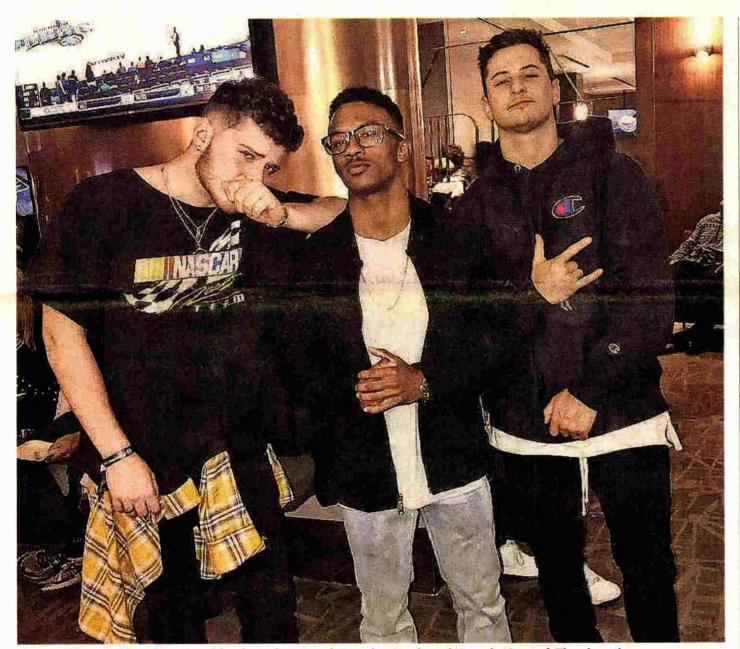
Dan Centers of Livonia, a Livonia Public Schools district board trustee who is running for state representative in the 19th District - which covers Livonia - said it's time to "move beyond the Sanders/Clinton infighting of 2016.

"Neither is on the ballot in 2018. ... Instead, a united party will need to work to stop the Republican attacks on wages and health care," Centers said. "Michigan has major problems with infrastructure, education and transparency. All Democrats can agree those are the issues we need to address going forward."

Laurie Pohutsky of Livonia, also running for the state House 19th District seat, called herself a "progressive who wants to see positive change" in Michigan and in the country.

"I do not subscribe to business-asusual politics and I do not want to merely maintain the status quo," said Pohutsky, seeking her first elective office. "I

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# **Check out** Blues, **Brews and BBQ** in Westland

**David Veselenak** hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

It's almost time for the biggest festival in Westland.

Blues, Brews and BBQ returns Friday and Saturday, Aug. 3-4, to Thomas H. Brown Central City Park, 1901 N. Carlson. Thousands are expected to attend this year's festival, which has a strong lineup.

Pictured (from left) are longtime friends Andrew Bazzi, Brandon Harris and Hussein Youssef. They have known one another since middle school. SUBMITTED

# **TOP OF THE CHARTS**

### Friends reflect on rise of Canton native Bazzi

#### **Ed Wright**

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Long before his hit single "Mine" surged to the summit of the Billboard Top 40 earlier this summer, Canton singer/songwriter Andrew Bazzi's silkysmooth voice was moving grown women to tears.

"I'll never forget the eighth-grade talent show at (Canton's) Discovery (Middle School)," Brandon Harris said, his voice dancing at the memory. "A lot of the teachers and students knew Andrew could sing because he'd always be rapping and singing in the hallways, but I don't think they knew how good he really was."

They found out quickly.

"Andrew got up on that stage, the room went silent and he performed 'Talking to the Moon' by Bruno Mars," Harris said. "Honestly, Andrew sounded better than Bruno Mars. He blew everybody away.

"When Andrew finished the song, I looked around the room and there were teachers crying. Teachers! I'll never forget that. It was powerful."

Bazzi's good friends and acquaintances describe him as fun-loving, hardworking and outgoing.

"There'd be times we'd ask him to hang out or go to a movie or something and Andrew would say, 'I'd love to, but I

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Andrew Bazzi performs a song at **Connection Church in Canton during** his middle school years. AUTUMN THORNSBERRY

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Here's what you should look forward to at this year's event.

### **The Blues**

Music lovers can rejoice as their ears take in the smooth tunes playing near Ford Road.

A half-dozen groups will take the stage during the festival, kicking off with The Boa Constrictors at 6:30 p.m. Friday. Described as a blues band "with a rockabilly twist," they'll remain on stage after their act to collaborate with John Watkins right after. Broken Arrow will close the evening out 9-11 p.m.

Saturday's lineup will begin at 4 p.m., when the Joe Stanley Band takes the stage. Stanley has played across the region for more than 20 years and will sing and play guitar with touches of funk, soul and rock and roll. The Bob Murray Band takes the stage after. Murray, a recipient of the Detroit Blues Society's Lifetime Achievement Award, has played backup for artists such as Frankie Less and Sonny Rhodes.

Headlining the show is a collaboration between The Madison Avenue Band and The Soul Men, who will play starting at 8 p.m. The Madison Avenue Band hails from the Toledo area and has performed for more than a quarter-century. The Soul Men perform several of the Blues Brothers' songs and other types of music, including Motown.

### **The Brews**

It's not a festival in Michigan with-

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### **Festival**

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out some of the Great Lakes State's best beers

This year's festival features plenty of options for Michigan beer connoisseurs:

Dirty Blonde by Atwater Brewery: A great drink for summer, Atwater's Dirty Blonde is a bright wheat ale brewed with ingredients that include fresh orange peel and coriander.

Erik the Red by Dragonmead Brewery: One of the prides of Macomb County, Dragonmead has brewed for more than two decades. Erik the Red is an Irish amber ale.

I Norm's Raggedy Ass IPA: One of the more popular local brews, this beer from Birmingham has won World Beer Cup medals and is a highlight for those who enjoy double IPAs.

Angry Orchard Rose by Angry Orchard: Not a beer drinker or need to avoid gluten? Be sure to enjoy this highly-acclaimed cider, made from red flesh apples from France.

For those not into the craft beer scene, plenty of other options for



There will be plenty of brews, blues and, of course, barbecue in Westland. WLND

drinks remain, including Miller Lite, Molson and Corona Light.

### **The Barbecue**

All those brews will go down nicely with some fresh barbecue. Several local barbecue businesses will sell their wares through the festival, including former Westland BBQ Throwdown Champions HillBilly Bone BBQ.

Also serving up dishes are:

Heaven on a Roll, which specializes in sandwiches.

Stick a Pig in it, which will bring its unique dish, a pulled pork sundae featuring mashed potatoes covered in barbecue sauce, pulled pork and a cherry tomato

I Ole Daddy's BBQ food truck, which is known for using only wood to cook its dishes

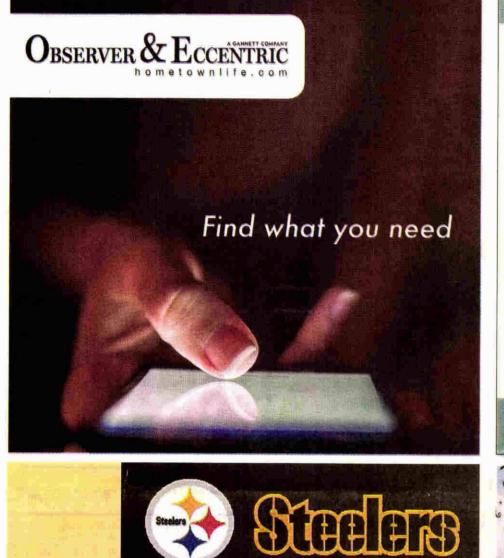
Mr. Pit Master BBQ will have chicken, pulled pork and other dishes.

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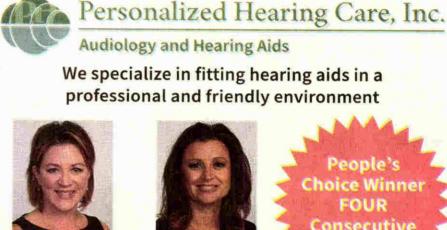
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### Candidates

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believe in state-funded single-payer health care, making public education a priority and preserving the environment, particularly our Great Lakes."

Jewell Jones of Inkster, the incumbent state representative in the 11th District, took neither Sanders' nor Clinton's side, instead placing him in the center of the spectrum, where he believes "most Democratic Party members fall."

'There is a tendency to think that the majority of Democrats are ultra-liberal, but I believe these are probably the most vocal members of the party," Jones said. "We all want to pursue sensible policies that support workers, seniors and struggling families who seek good-paying jobs, affordable educations/training, health care and lower auto insurance costs."

Jones's challenger, Garden City Mayor Randy Walker, is more succinct about where he stands.

"I hold more traditional Democratic values and beliefs," Walker said.

Jacob Johnson of Wayne, a Democrat running in the state House 16th District — which serves Wayne and Westland - was a "proud" supporter of Sanders in 2016 who interviewed for a position with the Clinton campaign, then turned it down due to family issues.

"I want to be a new kind of leader," Johnson said. "I

Coleman

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want to identify the needs of the community and handle the needs before we work on the wants. Donald Trump and I would disagree on a lot, I feel, but I also would be open to talking with all elected officials to find a middle ground for the common good."

Kevin Coleman of Westland called himself a "moderate Democrat." Coleman gave up his seat on the Westland City Council in an unsuccessful effort to unseat Westland Mayor Bill Wild and is now also seeking the 16th District house seat.

"I'm a moderate Democrat with support for some progressive policies, including universal health care, minimum wage increase, criminal-justice reform and expanded voting rights," Coleman said. "I would like to see more inclusive and compassionate leadership at the federal level. We need leaders at the state level, such as myself, who will fight to protect everyday people and help flip other districts to blue, which I have done and will continue to do."

Robert Kosowski, a Democrat seeking the state Senate seat in the 6th District (Westland, Romulus, Belleville, Taylor and Flat Rock), aligned himself with

Kosowski

Pohutsky Polehanki

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neither Sanders' nor Clinton's party direction.

"I hold more traditional Democratic values and beliefs," Kosowski said.

Dayna Polehanki of Livonia, running for the state Senate seat in the 7th District being vacated by the term-limited Patrick Colbeck, brushed aside comparisons to national party leadership and focused on her own identity.

"I support public education in Michigan by fully funding our K-12 schools, removing the profit motive in education and making college affordable for working families," Polehanki said. "I support fixing our roads and crumbling infrastructure by properly funding existing repairs while finding ways to make innovative road-building materials cost-effective. I support giving our seniors the care and secure retirement they've rightly earned by reversing the pension tax and protecting Medicare and Medicaid.'

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# League of Women Voters offers voting assistance

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County is offering assistance to those voting Tuesday, Aug. 7, in the primary election.

The league has provided an online voter guide. Go to VOTE411.org to read and compare candidate responses to relevant issues, find your polling place, check voting hours, learn about ballot measures and read tips about voting in Michigan.

The league also hosted candidate forums for the U.S. House 11th District (Republican and Democratic candidates) and the state House 16th District and state Sen-

ate 6th District. The video links for these forums can be found on the League's website: LWVnorthwestwayne.org.

Voters will need to choose one party's ballot in the primary election and then vote only for candidates in that party. Casting votes in multiple parties will invalidate the ballot.

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### Children aren't happy with mom's new living arrangements



**Money Matters Rick Bloom** 

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Q: I am 60 and a widow. I have been dating someone for the last year or so and we have decided to move in together. The plan is for him to sell his house and move into mine. We currently have no plans to marry, as I would lose my health care insurance if that happens. My kids are very much opposed to this, as they think my boyfriend is just a gold digger. I obviously disagree with them, but I do want to protect myself. My first question deals with my portfolio. If our relationship does not work, is my portfolio at risk? Also, what happens if I pass away before him; does he get a share of my portfolio? He has been very good to me and I do want to protect him if something does happen to me, but I don't want to do anything irrevocable. Currently, the house is in my name. My children want me to do a quit-claim deed to put their names on the house. I would like to know the legal ramifications of doing a quit-claim deed. I do trust my children, but I'm not sure they have my best interests at heart.

A: The first issue deals with your portfolio. Basically, you are under no obligation, whether you're living together or not, to leave him anything. Even if you die while he's still living in the house, he has no legal right to your portfolio. If you two eventually get married, he would have certain rights. The cure for that is to do a prenuptial agreement before you get married.

If you choose to leave him something if you should predecease him - and at the same time you don't want to do anything irrevocable — you have two op-tions. The first is you can name him as a beneficiary of your portfolio. If you have an account at places like Fidelity, Schwab or Vanguard, you can name him as a beneficiary. It doesn't have to be for 100 percent of the account; you can choose to leave him any percent you want. By naming a beneficiary, it is 100percent revocable. You are free to change your beneficiary at any time. If, down the road, the relationship sours,

all you would have to do is change the beneficiary

Another option is to do a will or a trust where you can decide how much you want to leave him. Once again, wills and trusts are totally revocable and you can make changes whenever you choose.

As a side note, if you have not had your will and/or trust looked at since you became a widow, it's probably a good idea to do so. Of course, if you have never done any estate planning documents, no matter what you decide to do with your friend, it is important to have an estate plan. As part of that, you should have a medical power of attorney, so that someone can take charge of your medical affairs if you are unable to.

With regards to the house, if you do a quit-claim deed and add your children to your home, you are basically making them a co-owner of your property. As a co-owner, they would have certain rights to your home during your lifetime. Typically, when you do a quit-claim deed, you're transferring all or a portion of your ownership to those people.

In your situation, I would probably discourage you from doing a quit-claim deed. You are having issues with your children about your friend and, if you put their names on your home, it could cause you some problems. If your reason to add your kids' names to the property is to avoid probate, but not to currently transfer ownership, I would look at either doing a Lady Bird Deed or a Trust. Both of these documents would allow you to retain control of your property and only give your kids rights upon your death.

One question I get all the time is whether people should put their children's name on their property, such as their home. Although every case is different, I generally want people to retain 100-percent control of their property for as long as possible. After all, we all know of families who've gotten into some nasty fights and that is certainly something you want to avoid. Everyone needs to be cautious when they put others, even children, on their property. Avoiding probate is a good goal, but you can do that without giving up control.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloom assetmanagement.com.

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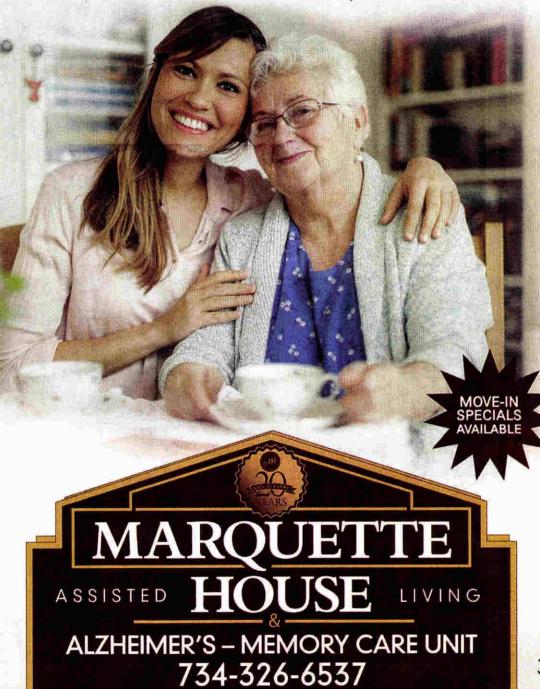


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Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft Road, in Livonia will host a computer science camp, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, July 30 through Aug. 2. Designed for students in grades 8-12, the camp provides the opportunity to create an android mobile app, build a robot, design a website and learn basic computer programming. No special computer skills are required.

The cost of the camp is \$200 and includes the robotics kit, a flash drive and four days of computer fun. Registration is limited to 25 students and can be done online at http://www.madonna.edu/events. For more information, contact professor Mike Johnson at mjohnson@madonna.edu.

### **Children's Science Ministry**

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.

### **Family Safety Awareness Day**

Beaumont Hospital, Wayne, 33155 Annapolis Street, is hosting its third annual Family Safety Awareness Day to educate the community about how to stay safe in their homes, communities and beyond, 2-6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 1.

Activities and demonstrations include ambulance tour, child identification kits, driving simulator, fire safety obstacle course, gun safety, helicopter tour, smokehouse and shooting simulator. Free bicycle helmets will be available 2-4 p.m. for those who complete the safety stations (while supplies last).

Organizations scheduled to be represented are Michigan's Department of Natural Resources, local fire departments, Fur Angels, K-9 units, LifeFlight of Michigan, Michigan Search and Rescue, local police departments and U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

For more information, go to beaumont.org/ safety-days, or call 734-467-2756.

#### **Michigan Tastefest at Joe's**

Joe's Produce, 33152 W. Seven Mile Road, in Livonia will host a Michigan Tastefest from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4. The event will include prizes to raffle off and many different vendors with samples to try. There will be a band starting at noon, grilling starting at 11 a.m. and face painting from noon to 2 p.m.

### St. Rafka annual festival

St. Rafka Maronite Church, 32765 Lyndon Street, in Livonia will host its fifth annual festival Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 4-5. Hours are 4-11:30 p.m. Saturday and 1-8 p.m. Sunday. Admission and parking are free.

The festival features homemade Middle Eastern food, premium bar, live music, dancing, children's games, giant inflatables, kiddie train, face painting, raffles, oxygen bar, hookah lounge and henna tattoos. Live music will be performed Saturday by 50 Amp Fuse and Emad Batayeh and Sunday by Exit 69 and Usama Baalbaki.

For more information and a complete event schedule, go to www.SaintRafkaFestival.com.

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Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST. Polling place locations for Redford Township.

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scheduled for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft Road, in Livonia.

The free, family-friendly event features a huge selection of tasty summertime eats such as burgers, ice cream, dogs and shakes - all plant-based or vegan. Nearly 60 food trucks and vendors will be on-site. Attendees also can enjoy shopping for vegan items, playing sand volleyball, carnival games, a bounce house and more while being entertained by the Hines Drive Band and the award-winning Sun Messengers.

Admission and parking are free. For more information, go to vegmichigan.org.

### Ann Arbor Magic Club

The Ann Arbor Magic Club, a club for magicians, meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at Senate Coney Island, 34359 Plymouth Road, in Livonia. The next meeting is set for Aug. 8.

The club is open to anyone who has an interest in learning about and/or performing the art of magic. All ages welcome. No admission cost for meetings. Club memberships are available and require an application and start at \$25.

For more information, call 313-910-1041 or email annarbormagicclub@gmail.com.

### **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.

### Summer camp with Kaykim

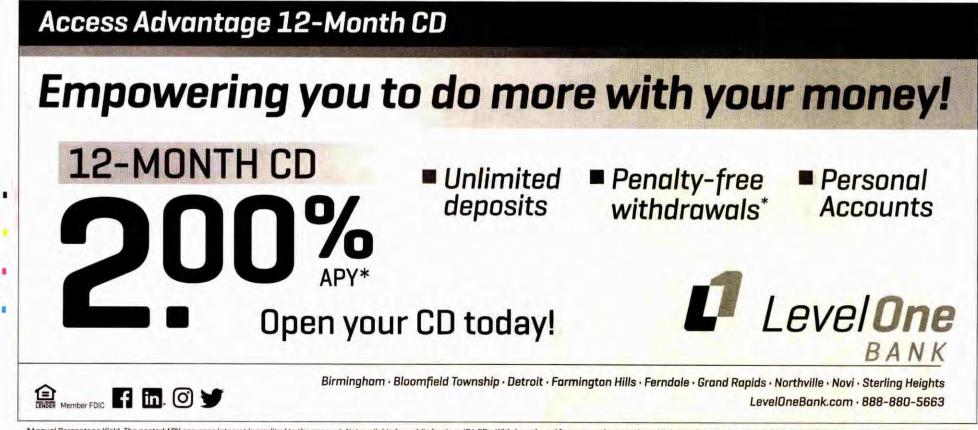
Berean Bible Church, 35375 Ann Arbor Trail, in Livonia will host a Kaykim Academics Summer Day Kamp from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each weekday through Aug. 10. Campers enjoy hands-on science, interpretive history, cooking, sewing, interactive geography, baseball, basketball, soccer, drama/acting, martial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

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### You are who God says you are



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When I was in elementary school, I was a good athlete. On field day, I could win all the running races — the longer the race, the better I did. And our school had a flag football team for fifth- and sixth-grade boys, where we played against other elementary schools. I was a starter both years at center. But during the summer between sixth and seventh grade, my family moved to a new town an hour and a half away. I started seventh grade at a school where nobody knew me. When teams were picked in gym or recess, I wouldn't get picked until far down the line. I was no longer a good athlete.

Then, the very first day of eighth grade, something odd happened. The gym teacher had us go outside to play touch football. He selected what were probably the two best athletes in the class to be captains, who would each pick their teams. One of the captains, a tall, well-liked guy, picked me first. (To this day I think he thought I was someone else.) As I walked up to stand next to him, I could see the other boys look at me and I heard more than one say something like, "He picked him first? He must know something we don't." That day, I became a good athlete again and it lasted all through eighth grade.

Why do I tell you that story? Because there's no way I was a good athlete in sixth grade, then I wasn't for a year and then I was again. The only thing that changed was what other kids said and thought about me — and the fact that I listened to them. If someone else thought I wasn't capable, I believed that I must not be. If someone thought I was capable, I believed them.

Do you care more than you should about what other people think of you? I do, even though I tell myself that I shouldn't. So I got this idea: What if I were to do a study of the Bible to see what God says about me? Here's what I came up with: The Bible says I am made in God's image and likeness. (Genesis 1:26. In some way I am "like God."). It says I am God's son (John 1:12, Galatians 3:26. I know what you're thinking - "I thought Jesus was God's son!" He is, but it turns out that I am, too!) The Bible says that because I now have a relationship with God, I actually have God living in me (1 Corinthians 6:19). The next time someone questions your worth or value, spring that one on them.

In John 15:15, Jesus calls me his friend. Ephesians 2:10 says I am God's work of art. ("For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.") I was chosen by God ("elected") and I am holy and loved. (1 Thessalonians 1:4, "We know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you ..." and Ephesians 1:4, "For he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world that we may be holy and blameless in his sight.")

There are many more. I'll save some for next time I write. For now, decide that you will believe the Bible more than people. Decide to listen to God more than those around you, because it turns out that He knows you quite a bit better than anyone else does.

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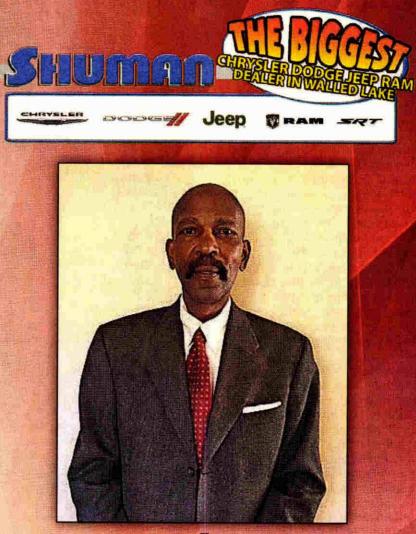
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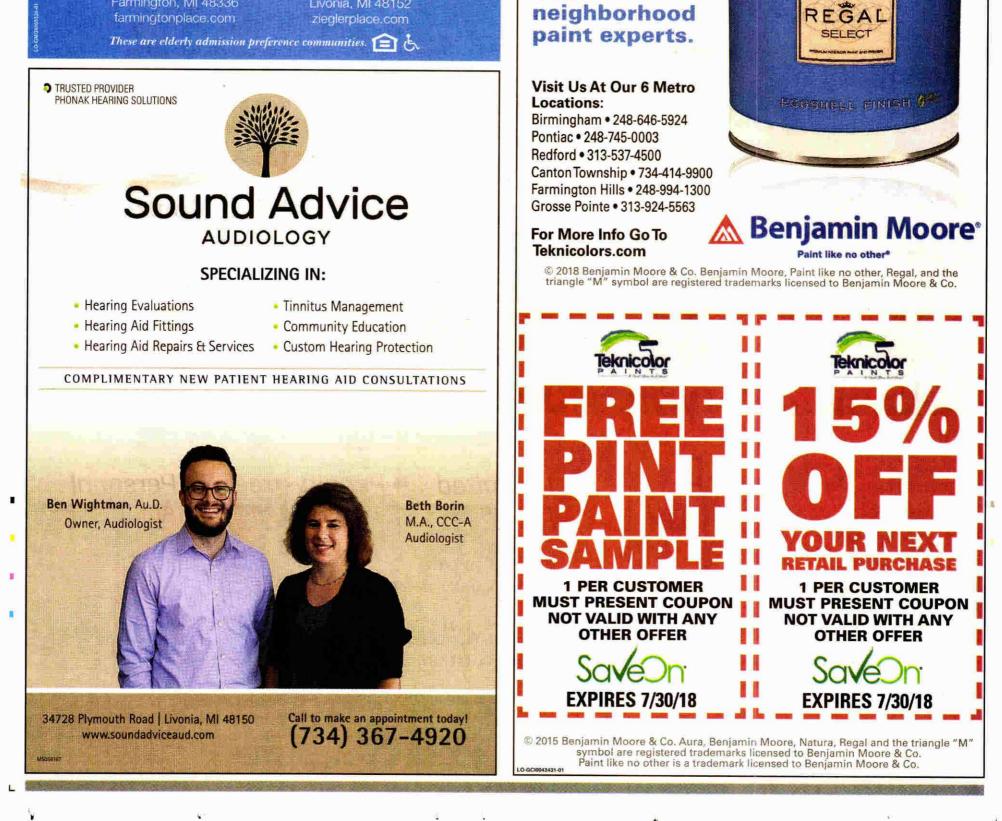
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### Bazzi

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can't; I have to work on my music," Harris said.

"Andrew saved up all the money he earned so that, when he moved to Los Angeles, he could pay for the studio time he needed. He had a plan and he carried it out."

"I have never met a more outgoing person," longtime friend Noah Saad added. "He was always laughing, smiling, telling jokes ... trying to make everyone around him feel good."

Autumn Thornsberry became fast friends with Bazzi at Connection Church in Canton. With a passion for photography, Thornsberry - who now owns her own photography business would snap off photos of Bazzi while he'd sing and play guitar with the church's band.

It didn't take long before Thornsberry realized she was watching something special blossoming.

"Andrew was always playing guitar and singing at church, for as long as I have known him," Thornsberry said. "I also remember him being much younger than everybody else, but always hanging out with the older kids.

"I think that his talent was so beyond his years that he was able to fit in and perform with people a lot older than him. Our church had a lot of talented kids, but I remember a lot of people would joke that Andrew stood out, that he was going to do something big with this one day.

It was no secret which of the three Plymouth-Canton Educational Park high schools Bazzi yearned to attend.

"Most of his friends drew Plymouth, so when he drew Canton, he was bumming out a little bit," Harris said. "A lot of his friends were athletes - he would have been, if not for his commitment to music - so when he hung out with us, we'd give him our letter jackets to wear."

"Mine" debuted Feb. 3 at No. 56 on the Billboard Hot 100 with an astronomical 11.4 million streams in the United States

According to an article on Billboard-.com, the streaming success of "Mine" is partially the result of editorial support from Apple Music, which helped the track hit No. 1 on the service's Pop Streaming chart.

The sky proved to be the limit for (from left) Hussein Youssef, Andrew Bazzi and **Brandon Harris.** 

Earlier this month, "Mine" was No. 1 on the Billboard Top 40 chart. The song has also been nominated for an MTV Video Music Award in the category Song of the Year.

'The moment we heard (Bazzi's) music, we knew that his fresh sound would have a massive appeal that would connect with fans around the world," Arjan Timmermans, Apple Music's head of pop programming, told Billboard.com. "Bazzi is solid proof that the state of pop is strong."

Harris said he and Bazzi were attending a Detroit Pistons game when the elements of "Mine" started coming togeth-

"When the Pistons were warming up before the game, there was this background beat playing in the arena," Harris said. "Andrew was, like, 'I love this beat, it's beautiful' and he ended up using it on a stretch of drums beating on 'Mine.

"Andrew said he came up with the melody for 'Mine' while he was at a party in L.A."

Bazzi moved to Los Angeles with his father during his junior year at Canton to record at big-time studios in southern California.

"When I talk to him now, he's changed a little, but only because he's more driven than before," Saad said. "He not only wants to be successful, he wants to sustain it."

Youssef and Harris have visited Bazzi in Los Angeles - and their old friend's hosting skills were off the charts.

"We had a great time," Harris said with a smile.

Not surprisingly, Bazzi's mode of transportation has been elevated during the course of his ascending fame.

"Andrew didn't even have a (driver's) license until just before he moved to L.A., so Hussein and I would give him rides when he needed it," Harris said. "We didn't mind at all, because we love him and we'd have done anything for him.

"So Andrew went from not owning a car in Canton to driving a McLaren in Los Angeles. He's worked for every bit of his success, though."

A short time after "Mine" started getting regular airplay on the radio, Bazzi made his television debut on the "Ellen" show.

Harris described how, during a Camila Cabello concert at The Fillmore Detroit, with Bazzi serving as the opening act, people throughout the crowd were singing the lyrics from "Mine."

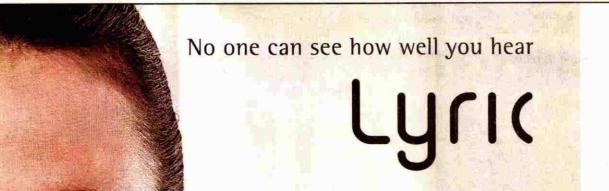
"And it wasn't just people from around Detroit, there were people from all over Michigan and the Midwest," Harris said. "I think that's the moment I realized my good friend had arrived."

Thornsberry's "wow!" moment came a few months back while driving in her car.

"I heard 'Mine' for the first time on the radio and I immediately got chills," Thornsberry said. "The photo I took of him was one of my very first photos and probably one of his first shows. To think now he is famous and I run my own photo business ... life really comes full-cir-

"It's really cool to see somebody grow up to do something so big and stick with their dreams."

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Ellison of Redford performs during auditions for the Michigan State Fair Superstars competition. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Ria Ellendula, 15, a sophomore at Northville High School, performs for judges at NextWave Media Labs in Troy during the Superstars auditions. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# 34 musicians vie for state Superstar status

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The scene earlier this month at 950 Stephenson Highway may have raised a few eyebrows. Like clockwork, every 25 minutes or so, a new musician would make their way across the vast windswept and at times rainy sea of asphalt toting guitars, drums, amps, turntables and more to NextWave Media Labs in hopes of scoring a coveted spot in the Michigan State Fair Superstars competition semifinal round.

Including Christian contemporary, country, rock, rap and folk, the music was as diverse as the performers bringing it to stage.

Bands seem to have a leg up on the competition — from the hard-driving rock of Zotz from Sterling Heights to the cool rhythm of Ellison from Redford to the funky metal of IS Evolution from Detroit.

"It's going to be tough," judge and Michigan State Fair artistic director Elisa Fixler said, referring to the talent of performers. A panel of four judges, which also included longtime industry professional Terri Koggenhop, state fair executive director Steve Masters and state fair entertainment committee member Mike Balon, has the task of whittling the group down to 12-14 semifinalists, all of whom will perform at the state fair during Labor Day weekend.

The semifinalists will be invited to a workshop at Pearl Sound Studios in Canton prior to the state fair to help prepare for the long weekend of performing. All semifinalists will perform a three-song set Thursday and Friday Aug. 30-31, at Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. All contestants will be required to play "Robin Redbreast," a song written by last year's winners, the Gasoline Gypsies, as well as a ballad and an uptempo song. Original songs will carry more weight with the judges.

From there, the field will be narrowed to five, with each playing a 30-minute set Saturday of fair weekend, with the Gasoline Gypies also headlining the evening.

That Sunday, the honorable mention performer will receive \$100 and play a 30-minute set. The runner-up will receive \$500 and play a 60-minute set, warming up for the grand prize winner, who will perform two 45-minutes sets.

In addition, the grand prize winner will receive a prize package valued at approximately \$20,000, including a \$2,000 cash prize; songwriting coaching, artist and repertoire song selection; publishing consultation and vocal performance instruction, all from Nadir Omowale; independent music artist business development and coaching from Jill Jack; studio production consultation and direction from Chuck Alkazian; along with recording and mastering of a three-song EP at Pearl Sound Studios in Canton and booking consultation with 2 Stones Events.

Previous Superstars winners in-

- 2017: The Gasoline Gypsies
   2016: Redi Choi
- 2015: Carly Bins
- 2014: Alison Albrecht

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# **Obituaries**

### Linda K. Comer

SAN ANTONIO, TX. - After a lengthy battle with Parkinson's disease, Linda K. Comer passed away on Friday, June 22nd, 2018 in San Antonio, Texas just shy of her 73rd birthday. Linda was born in Connellsville, PA on June 25th, 1945, a daughter of the late John Orbin and Edna Meeks Orbin. Linda grew up in Ypsilanti, MI and graduated with honors from Willow Run High School. Afterward she attended Schoolcraft College in Livonia, MI where she obtained an Associate's Degree in Accounting Applied Science. She also had a deep interest in music and was the lead singer in a country band.



Linda married her childhood sweetheart, Jack Comer just days before her 18th birthday on June 22nd, 1963 in Ypsilanti MI. They resided in Westland, MI for 5 years and gave birth to two children. Later they moved to Plymouth, MI where they remained for 41 years until migrating to Texas in their later years.

Linda was a dedicated wife and mother who worked part time while bringing up young children. Later she worked for Michael T. Fant and Associates in Plymouth, MI. She was an accountant and tax preparer for 10 years until she retired in 2005.

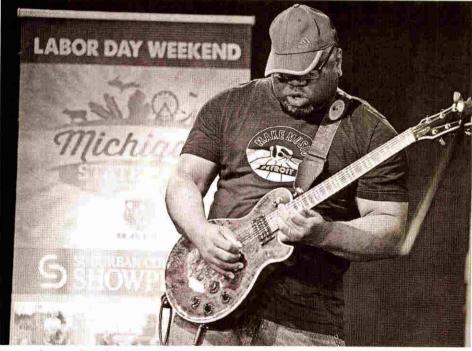
Linda was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2005. She bravely underwent deep brain stem surgery in the fall of 2009 which significantly improved her quality of life.

Linda is survived by her husband, Jack Comer; two children, Robin Comer Efron and husband James A. Efron of Pompano Beach, FL and Brian Comer, wife Kim Hedtke Comer of Texas, grandson Brady Comer, sister Nancy Anderson and brother Calvin Orbin, as well as several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a brother, Bob Orbin.

Linda requested cremation. Her ashes will be interred at Parkview Memorial Cemetery (www.parkviewmemorialcemetery.com) in Livonia, MI. A memorial is planned for August 11th at 12 p.m. at Summit On The Park, Canton, MI https://www.canton-mi.org/158/Summit-on-the-Park

In lieu of flowers, kindly consider a donation to The Parkinson's Foundation (http://www.parkinson.org/) tribute page in her name.

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Deux plays guitar for IS Evolution at NextWave Media Labs in Troy during auditions for the Michigan State Fair Superstars competition. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



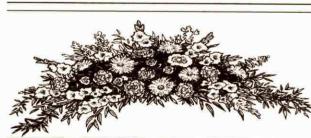
Hanging out at NextWave Media Labs after performing in the Michigan State Fair Superstars auditions are (from left) Aspen Jacobsen, her mom Stephanie and dad Ken, all of Commerce Township, and performer Stewart Benbow of Westland. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

### **Ruth Judd**

NORTH OAKS, MN -Age, 91, of North Oaks, MN formerly of Plymouth, MI. Passed away July 15, 2018.

Predeceased by loving husband of 63 years Edmond, son Curtis, her brothers and parents. Survived by daughter Polly ( Robb ) LaChappelle; grandsons Curtis,

Jackson and Joel; nieces, nephews and many friends. Born and raised in Bristol, CT. Graduate of Bristol High School 1945. Graduate of Tufts University 1949, receiving a BA in Economics. At Tufts, she became a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority. Upon graduation she worked at Aetna Life Insurance Company at the home office in Hartford, CT for 2 years as a Group Insurance underwriter. She married Edmond in 1951. They lived in CT, IL, OH and MI where she was an active member of each community. They lived in Plymouth 40 years raising their family, being involved members of their community and church and making countless cherished friendships. They moved to MN ten years ago to be closer to family. Ruth enjoyed many activities including volunteering in several clubs and committees, traveling, entertaining, opera, performance theater and study groups. Memorial Service held in North Oaks, MN along with a Memorial Service and Interment for Ruth and Edmond will be in Bristol, CT. Memorials preferred to First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church St., Plymouth, MI, 48170 or donor's choice.



### **Karl Schober**

PLYMOUTH - Age 81 of Plymouth born October 1936, passed on July 15, 2018 with his family by his side. A kind, supportive and loving husband to his wife Caryle. Cherished father to Audrey and her husband Dave Starr, and Alan. Proud "Opa" to Jennifer and her husband Jay Teegardin, and Joshua. Dear brother to Alfred. Loved by those he encountered for his sense of humor, kindness, and helpfulness. A former employee of Ford Motor for 43+ years. Join us for a gathering of family and friends to celebrate the Life of Karl at the Memorial Service Saturday, August 4th 11 AM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Rd. West (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Friday, August 3rd 2-9 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to the Martin Edward Galvin Fund for IPF Research. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com





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### **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

# **Players eager to make history**

LTU resurrects program for first time in 70 years

### **Marty Budner**

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Robert Florence and Devin Visnaw

can't wait to play organized football for the first time in two years. The fact they'll be making history makes it even more special.

Florence, a Canton resident who played high school football at Plymouth, and Visnaw, a Livonian who played at Franklin, are members of Lawrence Tech University's 2018 football team. They will be representing the Southfield-based university, which resurrected its football program after 70 years, when it was known as Lawrence Institute of Technology. Neither has played football since their senior season in fall 2016 and are ecstatic to put on the helmet and pads again. Their emotions range from the thrill of resuming smashmouth contact to pride in re-establishing a pro-

gram that had been dormant since 1946.

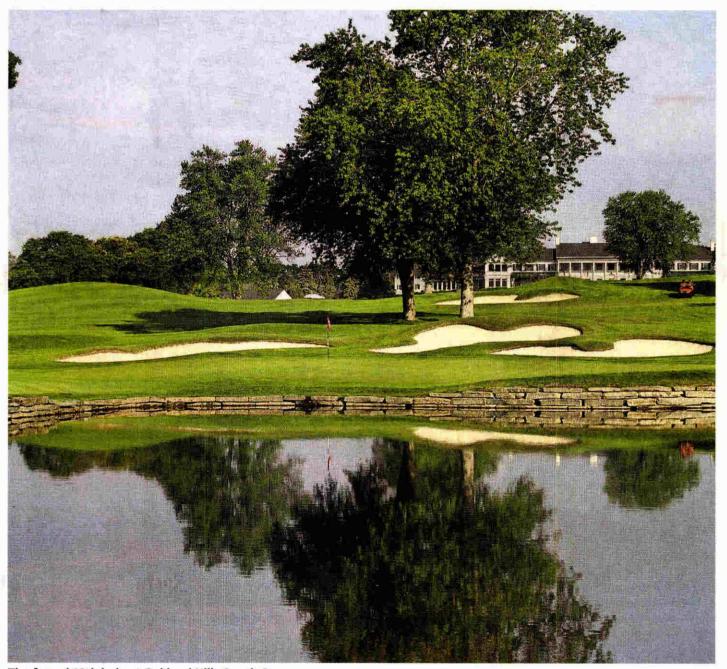
"I'm really anxious. I've been getting butterflies in my stomach every time I think about playing that first game," said Florence, who played offensive tackle and defensive end during his prep days at Plymouth. "It's going to be my first time playing a college game and

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Devin Visnaw wears his Lawrence Tech University football jersey with his mom Carrie Gava and sister Avery Visnaw by his side. VISNAW FAMILY PHOTO

### **CLUB GOLF**



### RUNNING

### Sowa reaps Northville Road Runner Classic title

Brad Emons hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Dan Sowa proved July 21 he was up to the challenge for the newly designed Northville Road Runner Classic 8-kilometer course.

The 24-year-old from Farmington Hills, who placed second a year ago, gradually pulled away from runner-up Adam Lawrence of Royal Oak to earn the 8K title in 30 minutes, 14.23 seconds, in the 13th annual event held at historic Maybury State Park in Northville.

Sowa, a Pittsburgh native who ran middle distance in track and cross country at Ohio Northern University

The famed 16th hole at Oakland Hills South Course. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# 'Monster' gets a makeover

### Oakland Hills' South Course will close for renovation

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a while.

"The Monster" is going to be caged for

Oakland Hills Country Club mem-

bers voted overwhelmingly to allow for a

major renovation of its championship

#### South Course.

The famed layout, dubbed "The Monster" by Ben Hogan following the 1951 U.S. Open, will shut down starting in fall 2019 and reopen in spring 2021. It will be closed for the entire 2020 golf season a total of some 19 months overall.

The renovation is essentially a greens overhaul. The course routing will not be

affected.

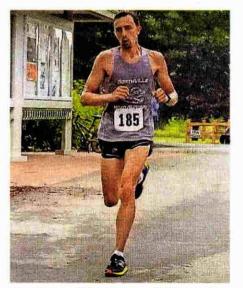
"First and foremost, the substructure of our greens need better drainage. Those greens themselves are 100 years old," said club president Bill Royce, an Oakland Hills Country Club member for 25 years. "We're expanding the greens. A lot of the greens over the years have gotten smaller. That

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from 2012-16, averaged 6:05 per mile, while Lawrence finished in 31:41 (6:23 pace). Plymouth's Kevin Pline was third in 32:55.

"It was definitely humid and hilly, but I just pushed through it and ran a

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Dan Sowa of Farmington Hills was the overall winner in the 8K at the Northville Road Runner Classic. E. MARIA FOX



### **AMATEUR GOLF**

# Winners crowned in MWGA's annual state tourney

Marty Budner hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

It was a good day on the links for Debra Horning.

The Bloomfield Hill resident captured Flight 2 low gross honors at the Michigan Women's Golf Association State Championship tournament, held July 14-15 at Timber Ridge Golf Course in East Lansing. Horning shot a two-round total of 170 (87-83).

Plymouth resident Jane Kersjes was second with 179.

The Flight 2 low net winner winner was Yvette Johnson of Farmington Hills at 134, followed by Detroit's Suzanne Madej at 139.

"Timber Ridge certainly presented the challenge and our games (skins, closest to the flag and chip-ins) gave all players a chance to win a little extra," said Cynthia Pickard, technology director, webmaster and member of the competition and events committee.

In Flight 1, Windsor resident Audrey Akins was the overall champion as she carded 155 (83-72) to capture low gross honors. Ada's Joan Garety, a seven-time champion, was second, just a shot behind at 156.

Southfield's Shelly Weiss was first low net (160) and Ypsilanti's Cindy Hill was second (178).

In other results, the top two Flight 3 low gross players were Royal Oak's The-



The top Flight 2 performers in the recent MWGA state championship tournament were (from left) Yvette Johnson (Farmington Hills), Sue Madej (Detroit), Jane Kersjes (Plymouth) and Debra Horning (Bloomfield Hills). MWGA

resa MacPherson (193) and Dearborn's Carol Rudder (203). The best low net scorers were Rochester's Linda Bermingham (140) and Susan Merrick (147).

A pair of Plymouth residents — Kathleen Brennan and Barbara Coury — were Flight 4's top two low gross scorers at 202 and 208, respectively. Waterford's Joan Cleland (145) and Hartland's Faye Bassette (146) took low net honors.

The competition's lone eagle came from Helga Toriello, who posted a 2 on

the 279-yard, par-4 No. 2 hole. That particular hole yielded only 12 pars during the competition.

First-time participants included Kim Smith, Ann Busby and Jane Schnoor, all from the Grand Rapids area, and Waterford's Katie Boyd, a member of the Saginaw Valley State University golf team.

MWGA membership is available to amateur female golfers of all ages and skill levels.

The MWGA's next three scheduled

events are the 4-Woman Cha Cha Cha on July 30 at Northville Hills; the 2-Woman Four-Ball on Aug. 12 at the Links of Novi; and the 2-Woman Four Ball on Sept. 8 at Kensington Metropark in Brighton.

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

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### LTU

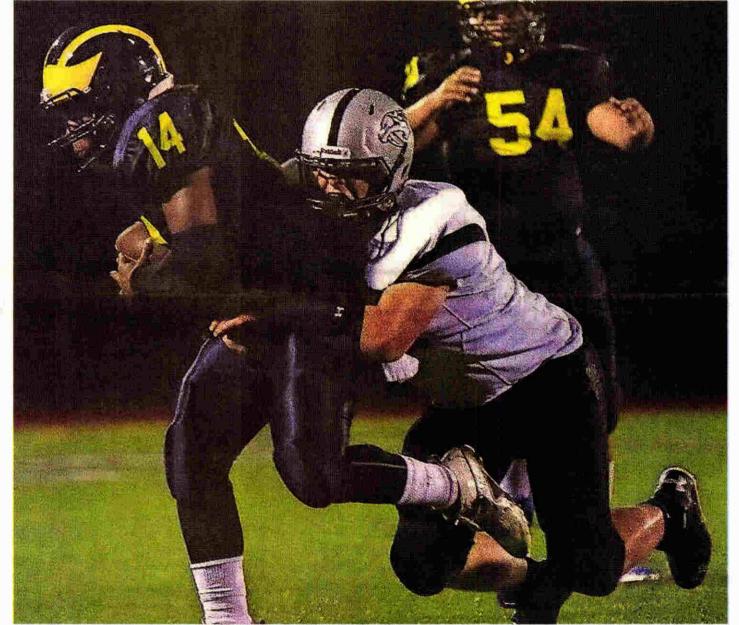
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that's going to be awesome. I'm just itching to get back out on the field.

"And the fact that we are going to be part of a class building a new program really appealed to me and it was really a cool opportunity that not a lot of people get to do. There's already a team atmosphere and a culture at other schools and even in high school.

"But when you start a program from the ground up, you get to build that culture and you set the standard for what that school's going to be like five or 10 years down the road with their football program. If we start off and bring a good mentality to that school, it will pay off for many teams down the line, I believe.

"(LTU head) coach (Jeff Duvendeck) stresses all the time about culture, culture, culture," he added. "He wants us to be the best role models we can be for the classes coming in after us and he wants us to set a good precedent for everybody else coming through the program."



Visnaw, like Florence an offensive lineman, agrees that getting a new program off the ground provides a great sense of accomplishment.

"I think it's the coolest thing that could happen, because I can forever say I was part of team one at Lawrence Tech," said Visnaw, who is learning new zone blocking schemes as a guard. "I've always wanted to play college football since my youth football days with the Livonia Blue Jays. I barely played with the Blue Jays, because I had a hard time making weight. So to go from that to starting on both sides of the football at Franklin to college football is amazing.

"Just the hype and excitement of playing my first game of college football is already there," he added. "If you play football in college, it's a great thing to tell people, but very few people can say they were part of the first team in that program."

Florence and Visnaw are mechanical engineering majors and selected LTU because of its outstanding reputation in that field. The fact that LTU administrators decided to bring back football made the school even more appealing to them.

Florence originally planned to attend Michigan Tech University and try out for the school's football team as a walkon. However, Duvendeck met with the 6-foot-3, 260-pound lineman and swayed him to the Blue Devils.

"I really wanted to play sports in college, but I didn't go to LTU just to play sports. I was really looking for a good engineering college," Florence said. "I could have walked on at Michigan Tech, which is known as an engineering school, and I was planning on going there.

"But then coach Duvendeck reached out to me and let me know that they were having a football program starting up. I knew they also had a good engineering school and I had considered it, but found it too expensive. But with the little football scholarship I got from there, I found it in my price range.

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Robert Florence (right), making a tackle during his prep days at Plymouth High School, can't wait to play his first college game for Lawrence Tech University. FLORENCE FAMILY PHOTO



Devin Visnaw, a three-year varsity lineman at Livonia Franklin, transferred to play football at Lawrence Tech after one semester at Wayne State University. VISNAW FAMILY PHOTO

"I was really excited to go there. I didn't have the means to go there until I had the opportunity from coach Duvendeck," he added. "It is really a good environment (at LTU) and I think I'll do a lot better at a small school than I would have at a huge school. It all sort of came together and fell on my lap and I was really blessed by that."

### **A Blue Devils transfer**

Visnaw's story is somewhat different.

Visnaw headed to Wayne State University after graduating from Franklin in 2017. After spending one semester at WSU, he decided to transfer to LTU to finish his freshman year of college.

"I was going to Wayne State and that was my four-year plan until Lawrence Tech came around," said Visnaw, who played two years of varsity football at Franklin. "(LTU) said they were interested in me and I was looking into their school further and found out it was a great engineering school, which is what I want to get into. It was very much a win-win situation for me."

Florence went through fall practice sessions with LTU in 2017, but Visnaw did not. Both participated in the program's inaugural spring game, held in April at Farmington Harrison High School, where the defense forced a late turnover to defeat the offense.

LTU resumes practice this week, with team meetings Monday and two-a-days picking up at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

"I believe we have a really strong team," said Florence, who will play tackle or guard. "I don't quite have an idea of how other teams are, since there is no film out there. But I do know we have formed quite a good bond over this past year and we're all really hard-working. We'll get in the weight room and get after it and I have a feeling we're going to do pretty good this year. That's my prediction." The program's first football game was played in 1933 and LIT went 0-2 that year. LIT had nine more seasons of football before the program was dissolved in 1946, when it went 4-3-2 under then head coach Don Ridler.

In its rebooted season this year, Lawrence Tech will play a nine-game schedule, with the first game set for Sept. 1 at home at the LTU Athletic Field (Northwestern Highway and 10 Mile Road) against Oakland University's club team. The Blue Devils will play three other home games — Sept. 15 against the University of Pittsburgh club team, Oct. 13 vs. Indiana Wesleyan University (another first-year team) and Oct. 27 against Trinity Bible College.

LTU will play an independent schedule this year and is slated to compete in the Mid-States Football Association of the NAIA in 2019.

"We're a new team with all new players. I don't expect us to be the best team right away," Visnaw said. "But we have a corps. It's all there. We have weapons. We're already making progress and we're like brothers already. We're there for each other, we have each other's back and we hang out with each other. I like where we're at."

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### Course

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was one of the reasons why we wanted to do it.

"The second reason is we want to make sure we keep the South Course as a championship venue for championship golf. And three, just the member enjoyment of the golf course itself. The first two being the main ones.

"We're not going to lose any of the golf season in '19 because we're closing in October and you can still move dirt around," he added. "We'll be closed all of 2020 and we'll open it up in the spring, like we normally do, in April of 2021. So we're going to lose one golf season."

### North Course stays open

Although the final decision was made at a board meeting July 12, renovation discussions actually started in late 2015.

Club members voted down the original redesign plan in 2016 because of financial concerns. They went back to the drawing board, eliminated some costs and presented the revised plan to membership in June. Board members easily passed the new proposal earlier this month.

During the lengthy renovation, the club's underrated and unheralded North Course will remain open for play. The North Course most recently hosted the 2016 U.S. Amateur and the 2012 Michigan Amateur. It will host the 2019 Michigan Amateur.

"The North Course, I think, is beautiful and extremely playable, meaning the members can go out and enjoy it," OHCC professional Steve Brady said. "It's all you can handle. Every time we have a championship there — like the Michigan Amateur, which we're hosting next year — none of the players ever really beat it up.

"It's always in great shape and the greens are always firm and fast," he added. "This year, both courses are firm and fast. So Oakland Hills is in the best shape I've seen it in a long time."

It marks the third renovation of the South Course, originally designed by Donald Ross and opened for play July 13, 1918.

Robert Trent Jones was responsible for the first makeover, prior to the 1951 U.S. Open. His son Reese Jones oversaw



Oakland Hills member Joe Michelotti putts on the first hole of the South Course. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

the second enhancement, prior to the 2008 PGA Championship.

### Hanse leads big project

The newest renovation project, led by renowned golf architect Gil Hanse, will address both course and technology-related areas, including:

■ Replacing various areas with linear and penal bunkering with risk- and reward-oriented features

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■ Rebuilding the infamous green complexes while retaining the traditional challenging undulations

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■ Adding new grass surfaces on the greens to perform at peak levels throughout the playing season

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■ Ensuring high-quality grass surfaces throughout the property

■ Addressing strategic placement of forward tees and extending the championship tees to more than 750 yards

Allowing for a new irrigation system

Extending peak playing conditions on each side of the season.

#### Gearing for another major

"We'll increase the yardage to just over 7,500 yards. It's only, like, 150-ish yards of length that we're adding," said Royce, a Bloomfield Township resident. "It will stay a par 70 for the pros and par 72 for the members, because we're not changing the routing or anything.

"The interesting thing is largely it takes the course back to close to the original Donald Ross design. Of course, there were very few trees out on the property at that time and there are still plenty of trees out there.

"It kind of takes the best of what Trent Jones and Reese Jones did and Donald Ross and combines it all together," he added. "It's pretty exciting."

Oakland Hills, founded in 1916, has hosted six U.S. Open Championships, three PGA Championships, one Ryder Cup, two U.S. Senior Open Championships, two U.S. Amateur Championships and a U.S. Women's Amateur Championship.

The last major at Oakland Hills was the 2008 PGA Championship. The last signature event was the 2016 U.S. Amateur.

"Our goal is definitely to get another major down the line," Royce said. "That's exactly what we want to do. The membership is on board with the plan.

"All of the majors are already scheduled pretty far out," he added. "We're in discussions with the governing bodies of golf and have been on a continuous basis, but we don't have anything on the docket though."

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### Classic

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good race," said Sowa, a mechanical engineer for Design Systems, Inc. "The second-place runner (Lawrence) was with me for a little bit in the trails at the start, then I felt myself pull away."

The toughest stretch on the newly designed 8K course was a steep climb on a gravel road just prior to the three-mile mark.

"What made it difficult was running by myself and the hills, for sure," said Sowa, who joined the Northville Road Runners as a club member in 2016. "I thought it was a great course, definitely improved over last year. I think it's a good run for anybody to run."

South Lyon's Amy Hartman was the overall female winner in the 8K, leading 40 entrants with a first-place clocking of 42:17.59 (8:31 pace). Northville's Jasmine Beltrame was runner-up in 43:46, while Redford's Sarah Romanik was third in 45:58.

The 8K masters (40-and-over) male and female champions, respectively, were Canton's Tomochiro Muramatsu (33:23.24) and Northville's Elizabeth Sankaran (45.46.09).

In the 5K race, Jeff Novak (Plymouth) came away with the title with a time of 19:35.26. Novak, a U.S. Coast Guard Detroit Sector captain, averaged 6:19 per mile and finished almost a minute ahead of Ann Ar-

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The 8K runners get off to a fast start in the Northville Road Runners Classic at Maybury State Park. E. MARIA FOX

bor's Ryan Moore (20:34) and Northville's Benjamin Hartigan (20:51) to lead the men's field.

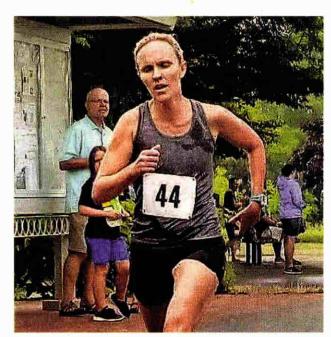
Northville's Katie Johnston averaged 6:44 per mile to win the female 5K in 20:54, while Plymouth's Amy Masternak was runner-up in 21:49. Hartland's Megan Moore placed third (25:40).

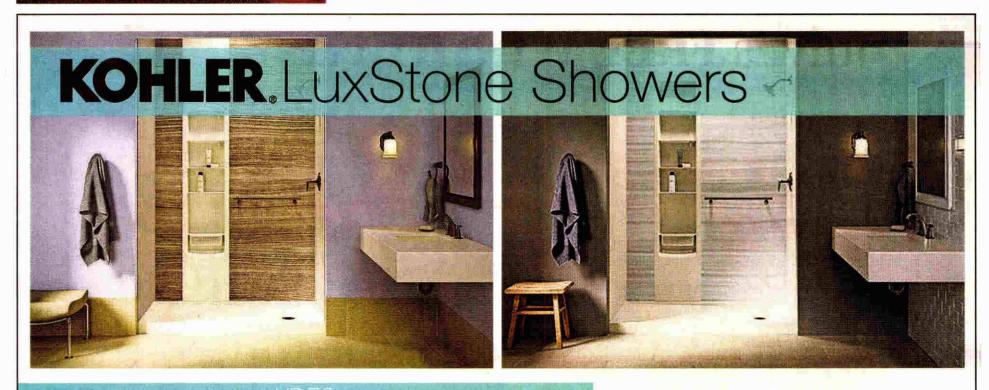
Masternak, a Detroit school teacher and breast cancer survivor, was the female masters champion, while Farmington Hills' Takeshi Chikagawa was the masters male winner in 21:03 (6:47 per mile).

The 5K race drew a total of 87 competitors, while the 8K had 97. The event also included one-mile fun runwalk. All participants received finisher medals and tech shirts.

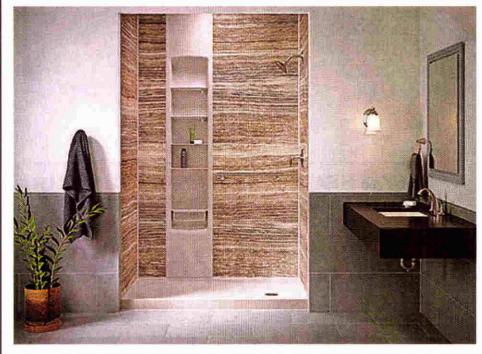
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Northville's Kathy Johnston was the overall female winner in the Northville Road Runner Classic 5K. E. MARIA FOX





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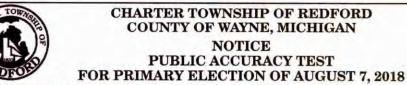
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tabulate the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of law.

GARTH J. CHRISTIE, MMC Charter Township of Redford

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### **CITY OF LIVONIA** PUBLIC NOTICE

AGENDA Zoning Board of Appeals

August 14, 2018 - 7:00 p.m. Livonia City Hall – Auditorium (1st Floor) 33000 Civic Center Drive Livonia, MI (734) 466 2259

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-06-19 (Tabled on June 12, 2018): David Lamarand, south side of Whitcomb (27967) between Harrison and Stanmoor, seeking to remove the existing detached garage and construct a new detached garage, resulting in excess height and the side wall where the roof intersects is also over height.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-08-29: Kevin Oliverio, east side of Ingram (14030) between Grennada and Scone, seeking to construct a covered rear porch (cover and enclosure), resulting in deficient rear yard setback.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-08-30: Steven McMillion, north side of Nye Court (30880) between Flamingo and the cul-de-sac, seeking to construct a roof over a front porch, resulting in deficient front yard setback. The existing front yard setback is nonconforming at 38 feet where 50 feet is required.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-08-31: Steve Gilson, east side of Doris (15558) between Five Mile and Puritan, seeking to construct a detached garage while maintaining an attached garage, resulting in excess number of garages and garage area.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-08-32: Michigan Property Group, 34355 Glouster Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48331, seeking to grant an amended variance based on a lessened front yard setback than previously approved (2016-06-40), on property located on the north side of Schoolcraft (28900) between Cardwell and Middlebelt.

APPEAL CASE NO. 2018-08-33: St. Mary's Orthodox Church, east side of Merriman (18100) between Pickford and Mayville, seeking to construct a detached garage, resulting in excess garage area and height.

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

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### City of Livonia - 07/09/18 1,852nd Regular Meeting Synopsis

Present: White, McIntyre, Meakin, Jolly, Kritzman, Bahr and Toy.

Absent: None.

#239-18 Approved minutes of the 1,851st Regular Meeting of the Council held on June 18, 2018.

Audience Communication: Lena Epstein, candidate for 11th Congressional District, spoke about her skills that qualify her for the position.

- Several items were received and filed for the information of the City Council.
- #240-18 Approved noise ordinance waiver for wedding reception on August 18, 2018, from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at 20341 Parker Street.
- Approved noise ordinance waiver for VegMichigan Summer Festival at Madonna #241-18 University from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on August 5, 2018.
- #242-18 Approved Kimberly Oaks Civic Association Picnic from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at St. Rafka Church located on Lyndon and Brookfield on August 26, 2018.
- #243-18 Approved block party request for August 25, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Roycroft, between Levan and Comstock, with rain date of August 26, 2018.
- #244-18 Approved block party request for August 4, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Summers, between 14074-34713 and 14092-34708 Summers, with rain date of August 5, 2018.
- #245-18 Approved block party request for August 4, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Lancaster, between Hix and Knolson, with rain date of August 5, 2018.
- #246-18 Approved noise ordinance waiver for wedding reception from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for August 25, 2018, at 31571 Bobrich.
- #247-18
- Approved purchase of (3) John Deere rakes and (1) trailer for Parks. Approved purchase of (1) 2019 Ford F150 4X4 super cab pickup for Forestry. #248-18
- Approved purchase of (4) 2019 Ford F250 4X4 super cab pickups for Parks. #249-18
- Approved Amendment No. 3 to contract with Great Lakes Water Authority to be in #250-18 effect for next four years.
- Approved additional appropriation and expenditure for 2018 Asphalt Road Paving #251-18 for DPW Parking Lot Reconstruction for an additional \$349,322.
- #252-18 Approved Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for resurfacing of Inkster Road from Six to Seven Mile Road with City's participation to be estimated at 4.54%. riven to an Ordinance amonding Chanter 100 of title 2 of the Livenia Code

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

### NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

A public accuracy test of the election software and tabulation equipment will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2018, at the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan.

The accuracy test will be conducted for the STATE PRIMARY ELECTION to be held on TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018, in the City of Livonia.

SUSAN M. NASH, CITY CLERK

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### SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL DISTRICT 2018-2019

Regular meetings of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District shall be held at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays, in the Board of Education offices, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 734-744-2500, on the following dates:

July 23, 2018	August 20, 2018	September 24, 2018	October 22, 2018
November 26, 2018	December 17, 2018	January 28, 2019	February 25, 2019
March 25, 2019	April 29, 2019	May 20, 2019	June 3, 2019 June 17, 2019

The Board regularly holds Committee and Study Session meetings throughout the year. Additional Special Meetings and/or Board Workshops may also be scheduled as needed.

Special meetings of the Board of Education may be called by the President of the Board, or any two members of the Board, by serving on the other members a written notice of the day, time, location, and purpose of such meetings. Service of the notices shall be made in accordance with Board Policy BCAC and with the provisions of P.A. 267 and the General School Laws of the State of Michigan, and may be made by a member of the Board or any employee of the Board.

The Secretary of the Board shall cause public notice to be given of all meetings of the Board of Education in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Proposed minutes of Board meetings will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Board of Education offices, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, not more than eight business days after the date of each meeting, and approved minutes of each meeting will be on the LPS Web site and available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same location not more than five business days after the meeting at which the minutes are approved.

The President and/or Secretary of the Board shall be authorized to sign all contracts and legal documents on behalf of the Board of Education following approval by resolution of the Board, unless the Board specifically designates other members of the Board or administration in its resolution to approve the contract or legal document.

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### **CITY OF LIVONIA ELECTION NOTICE**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LIVONIA, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A

### PRIMARY ELECTION

Will be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, in the City of Livonia at which time, candidates of the Republican, Democratic, and Libertarian parties for the following offices will be voted upon in the City of Livonia, Wayne County, Michigan:

> Governor United States Representative in Congress State Senator State Representative County Executive Sheriff **County Commissioner**

Delegates to County Convention

### THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Precinct	Location	Address
1A	Clarenceville JHS	20210 Middlebelt Road
1B	Clarenceville JHS	20210 Middlebelt Road
2A	Clarenceville HS	20155 Middlebelt Road
3A*	Coolidge School	30500 Curtis Avenue
3B*	Coolidge School	30500 Curtis Avenue
4A*	Coolidge School	30500 Curtis Avenue
7A	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh Road
8A	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh Road

First Re	of Ordinances (Livonia Cable Television Regulatory Ordinance).
#253-18	
# <b>254-1</b> 8	Approved waiver use Petition submitted by CESCO, Inc. to renovate Speedway gas station located at 37416 Seven Mile Road, subject to conditions. (Petition 2018-05-02-11)
#255-18	Approved canopy height of 18 feet for renovation of Speedway gas station located at 37416 Seven Mile Road. (Petition 2018-05-02-11)
#256-18	Accepted Grant of Easement from Livonia Storage Units LLC for variable width public utility easement for storm sewer constructed at 28153 Eight Mile Road.
#257-18	Suspended the Rules of Order.
#258-18	Approved acquisition of tax-foreclosed property at 9614 Auburndale for total amount of \$19,826.44, to be reimbursed with Federal Community Development Block Grant Funds.
	ce <b>Communication:</b> Ray Shuholz spoke about resources available for people who natal health issues and disabilities.
Meeting	Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.
Full tex Susan M	t of the official minutes is available in the Office of the City Clerk. I. Nash
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8B	Holmes School	
9A*	Hoover School	
10A	Riley School	
11A	Coolidge School	
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14A	Riley School	
15A	Buchanan School	
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### RELATIVE TO THE OPENING AND CLOSING OF POLLS

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

### ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR CITY OF LIVONIA RESIDENTS

Voters may obtain an absentee ballot by submitting an application to the Livonia City Clerk's Office. Applications may be printed from the City of Livonia website (www.ci.livonia.mi.us), you can call the Clerk's Office at (734) 466-2121 and leave your name and address to have an application sent to you, or you can pick up an application at the City Clerk's Office, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI, 48154. The last day we can mail an absentee ballot is August 4, 2018. In person Absentee Ballots can be obtained at City Hall on Monday, August 6, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and must be voted at City Hall. All mailed Absentee Ballots must be returned to the Livonia City Clerk's office by 8:00 p.m. on August 7, 2018.

> SUSAN M. NASH **Livonia City Clerk**

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or many of us, there's nothing quite as exhilarating in our professional careers as the day we get a raise. In addition to having some extra money coming our way on a regular basis, it's a nice acknowledgment that our hard work and effort is appreciated. However, sometimes these moments don't go exactly as we envisioned. What do you do when you get a raise, but it's not quite as much as you were hoping for?

The "insufficient raise" can be a very tricky situation to handle. On the one hand, you don't want to show a lack of appreciation for the gesture, which hopefully came with good intentions. You also likely don't want to adopt an adversarial or hostile position with your boss. On the other hand, you don't want the powers that be at your job to think that you're a complete pushover with no ambition who can be bought off cheaply. You want to make sure that you're being fairly compensated for all of



doing yourself any favors by acting on your emotions. Logic and reason are your best tools to convince your managers that you deserve a larger raise, so don't let them you're feeling overly emotional and need some time to collect yourself, then by all means take it.

#### Negotiate

won't be the last. In fact, your boss will not likely be shocked by a "counter-suggestion" regarding your raise, so don't approach the moment full of fear or the belief that you're

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reassert your value as an employee, and possibly even redefine or clarify your position and responsibilities moving forward - which can be really beneficial for all involved.

### Make your case

When you enter into a discussion regarding your raise, it's in your best interest to be prepared to back up your belief that you deserve more with some strong evidence.

When stating your case, highlight what you've done on the job to merit a larger paycheck. Discuss your accomplishments as well as any cost saving measures you've been involved with and demonstrate your value to the team moving forward.

The stronger your case, the more likely you are to get the raise you're looking for.

Have you just gotten a raise but aren't thrilled with the amount? Fear not - all is not lost. Use the strategies and advice presented here to try and salvage a challenging situation and turn the tables to your monetary advantage. Good luck!

your hard work and effort. So, how do you proceed when you find yourself in this unfortunate position?

### **Don't react emotionally**

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If you can get ahold of your emotions and let reason lead you, you can calmly discuss the situation with your boss and try and reach a mutually beneficial arrangement. But if

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Keep in mind that most salary discussions, from the time you're hired through every raise, are open to some level of negotiation.

You won't be the first employee looking to make a better deal and you certainly

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entering hostile territory. If handled well, a conversation regarding your raise can be a polite and effective exchange of thoughts that may benefit both sides.

Consider the negotiation process an opportunity to

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#### Education:

High School or equivalent required. College credits in Criminal Justice or related study preferred.

Two (2) years security related experience. Three years employment with emphasis on interaction with the public may be considered.

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#### Education:

Previous graduation from an accredited Police Training or a P.A. 330 accredited academy, and received a Police Officer training program, including receiving instruction on Use of Force policy.Bachelor Degree in criminal justice or related field preferred.

#### Experience:

Previous Law Enforcement experience with an MCOLES Police agency or equivalent experience with P.A. 330 certified Police Agency Ten (10) years of previous corporate security experience and an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice may be considered.

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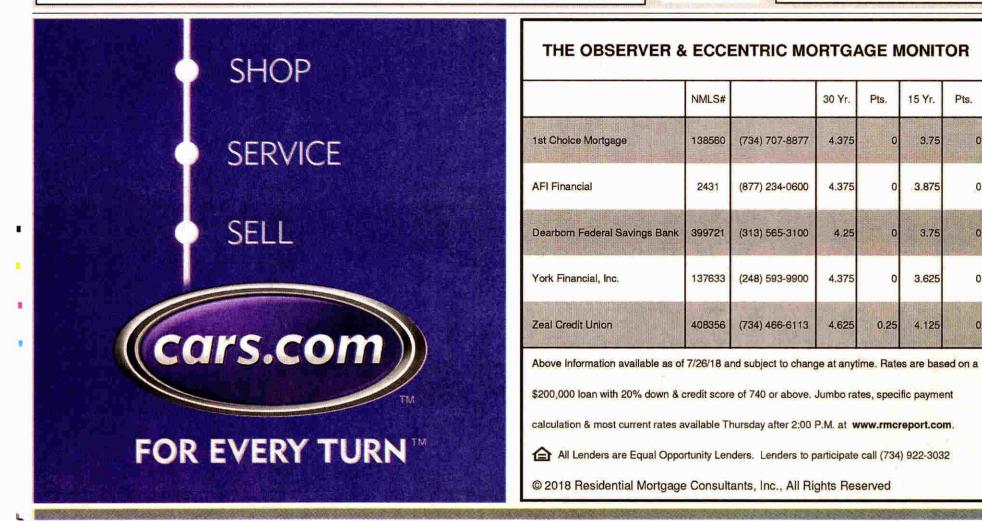
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