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New members join Wayne council

Four newcomers sworn in during city hall ceremony

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Wayne's new mayor, John Rhaesa, has plenty he wants to tackle in his twoyear term. But the first thing he plans on addressing is bringing members of the city council together and finding ways to get along.

"First thing is trying to unite the council back together and start moving the city forward again," he said. "I feel like we've been stalled for a while now and we need to get that working and bring a cohesiveness back."

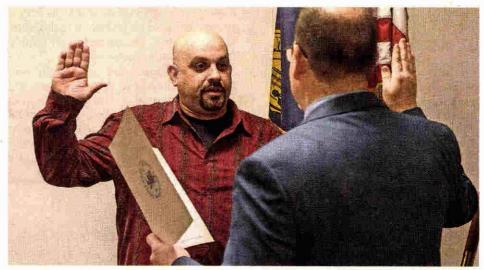
The council will have plenty of new

faces at its next meeting Nov. 20, as the four individuals who won seats on the council this past election all were sworn into office this past Tuesday at Wayne City Hall.

Rhaesa, who had served as a councilman for several years, won election as mayor and will serve in that capacity until 2020. Joining him as winners of seats on the council were Anthony Miller, Kelly Skiff and Phillip Wagner, all of whom will serve until 2022.

In addition to keeping parks safe and bringing back more public safety officers to the city — Rhaesa noted two po-

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John P. Rhaesa is sworn in as mayor by City Clerk Matt Miller. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



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CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY

Seedlings accepts donation of thousands of books from UPS Stores

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Seedlings Braille Books for Children got quite the early Christmas present from those who typically deliver them. The Livonia-based nonprofit, which provides popular books in braille for the blind at no or low cost, was the recipient of \$8,500 worth of books to give to children who need them by the UPS Stores across southeast Michigan.

"I'm just happy that this is going to a charity where these children can get books that are converted," said Eric Ladwig, who operates the UPS Store at Five Mile and Newburgh in Livonia. "We're so happy to be involved with your charity and we hope this gift goes a long way."

Karen Smith, community outreach manager for Seedlings, said the donation is one of the largest the organization has gotten and helps offset the costs it would typically spend on buying books from publishers.

"That's 2,500 books that we don't have to buy," she said. "Now what that means is we'll be able to put that number additional books in the hands of children who are blind. And that's important, because braille books are rare

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Tree of Life returns to Laurel Park Place

Angela Hospice's annual Tree of Life has been greeting holiday shoppers at Laurel Park Place since 1990. That first year, \$10,000 was collected for Angela Hospice's charitable work. Nearly three decades later, the Tree of Life is Angela Hospice's biggest annual fundraiser, raising crucial funding for the non-prof-

Angela Hospice's annual Tree of Life it's many charitable outreach programs.

Angela Hospice invites the community to participate in the Tree of Life by making a donation in any amount to the hospice's programs via mail, online or in person at the display at Laurel Park Place, next to Von Maur. Donors will also have the opportunity to honor or remember loved ones with angel ornaments on the Tree of Life display. Last year, Angela Hospice received 2,478 angel requests via mail, with hundreds more angels created at Laurel Park.

"The Tree of Life is one of the most beautiful holiday displays of the season," said Bob Alexander, director of development for Angela Hospice. "Not just because it looks like a sparkling Christmas tree forest right in the middle of the mall, but because the colorful angel ornaments displaying the names of loved ones represent so many precious mem-

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lice officers are expected to be sworn in at the Nov. 20 meeting - he said it's his goal to make downtown Wayne an attractive place to spend time.

"I want to continue to bring downtown Wayne back to where it becomes a place people want to come, to make it a destination again," he said. "And just make sure the Main Street program is successful. I feel like that's a program that got started while I was on council and I think we're five years into that and we continue to make strides and I feel like we're making improvements in that area."

The election means each of the city's six wards now has a designated council seat, with Miller representing Ward 4, Skiff representing Ward 5 and Wagner representing Ward 6, even though the

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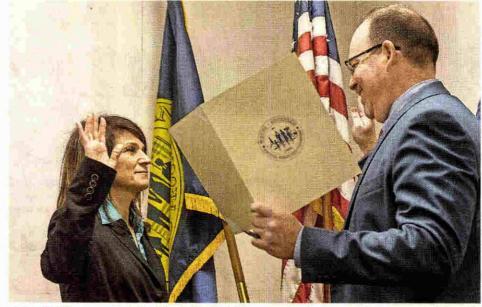


Anthony Miller (left) is sworn into office by Wayne City Clerk Matthew Miller. Anthony Miller won election to the council in the Nov. 6 election. COURTESY OF MATTHEW MILLER

election was citywide.

Issues with the city's ward system, implemented by voters in 2014, is something Skiff said she'd like to tackle during her time on council, preferably through a ballot proposal.

"Some people want it to be the way that they believed it was voted for, which is you only vote for the person in your ward," she said. "You elect a person in that ward, the people who live in that ward. Then there's another prevailing



Kelly Skiff answers City Clerk Matt Miller as she is sworn in as a member of council. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

thought that they just want to get rid of it. So placing them both on the ballot and giving voters the choice would be my goal."

Currently, wards are represented by only council members who live in those wards, but the entire city votes for candidates, even those candidates who don't live in the same ward.

The election does leave one vacancy: Rhaesa, who represented Ward 2, resigned his council seat to become mayor. The council is expected to discuss how to fill that seat at its next meeting, scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20, at Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road. Wagner said his biggest priority is finding revenue for the city, something he knows needs to be done especially after escaping having a budget deficit for the next fiscal year. "We need to increase revenue," he said. "We're not going to do that by raising taxes, so we've got to raise the tax values, we've got to attract businesses, we've to do everything we can to do that."

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Tree

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ories of those who have blessed our lives and loved us so well."

Donations to the Tree of Life support programs such as community grief support, Good Samaritan care for the uninsured, and special initiatives that create memorable experiences for hospice patients and the people who love them.

Community members are encouraged to go to AskForAngela.com to submit the names for their angels. For more information, call 734-464-7810.



Angela Hospice choir members Jennifer Perniciaro of Westland and Mary Stapleton of Northville perform at last year's Tree of Live opening.





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Volunteers brought smiles to the faces of Redford Township seniors and disabled veterans Nov. 10 as they performed yard work as part of Wayne County Commissioner Diane Webb's 10th annual Make a Senior Smile Day. In all, 98 volunteers raked leaves at 32 Redford Township homes and collected more than 675 bags of yard waste. Volunteers came from the township police and fire departments, Ignite Church, Mercy Road Church, Northridge Church, Redford Union School District students and staff and Redford Jaycees. Others who volunteered included Bob Miller, Scott Parcha and his children, Redford Senior Director Dorothy Thompson and Presbyterian Village representative Sheree Marshall. A group of student volunteers from the University of Michigan also took part in this year's event.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Master plan thoughts

As a resident of the City of Livonia for almost 40 years I have been asked by public notice and an article in the Livonia Observer to comment on the Livonia Vision 21/New Master Plan. Following are my constructive comments: I would like to stress the critical importance of the city's infrastructure systems and networks (especially to future growth) as they relate to any at grade and abovegrade land use planning. If the two do not support one another in a cohesive plan, then the potential exists where stress and unsustainability is exerted on one or both areas of the new Livonia Vision 21/Land Use Master Plan.

As an affiliated member of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), a national professional organization of civil engineers that issues annual "Infrastructure Report Cards" across the nation and for the State of Michigan has a comprehensive research library and

professional tools for local government and planning/zoning officials to use when considering Master Plans. In essence, there should also be a complementary "Infrastructure Master Plan" that goes hand-in-hand with a Land Use Master Plan.

I would suggest that the City of Livonia consider obtaining the services of a community planning firm or civil engineering firm, using the Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) bidding process, and that this Infrastructure Master Plan be considered as part and parcel of any finally approved Livonia Vision 21 Plan.

As a part of this Infrastructure Master Plan. The City of Livonia should study and implement, where applicable, ASCE's "Envision" horizontal infrastructure sustainability evaluation process. This process will insure that there are sustainability considerations given to future infrastructure improvements that will be necessitated by a new and growing Land Use Master Plan.

The quality of newly-constructed uses, more and more, will look to the above grade LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) guidelines to ensure that the City of Livonia has sustainable buildings. The "Envision" program guidelines will ensure that future infrastructure, in harmony with the new Land Use Plan, will support sustainable infrastructure as well. Joe Neussendorfer Livonia

Thank you Clarenceville

As many of you know, I have recently remarried and I am blessed to have reconnected with my Clarenceville classmate and graduate, Pamela Burrows. Pam and I have discussed at great length where we will now call home, and together, we have decided to sell my Livonia/Clarenceville house. With this decision comes the obligation to resign from my position on the Clarenceville School Board.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my years serving the Clarenceville community, students, staff and fellow board mem-

bers.I hope my 10 1/2 years on the Board of Education has helped to prepare and build rewarding futures for the students of our district. I was always driven to provide every Clarenceville student with an excellent education, along with a safe and fun learning environment. It was with deep commitment and communication with our community that I tried to uphold and maintain our community's values and culture.

I'd like to thank everyone in the Clarenceville community for their support. Whether you voted for me or not, whether we agreed on topics or not, I thank you for reaching out and letting your voice be heard. I will always love this little district with the big heart and will miss serving you along with the many friends I've made over the last decade.

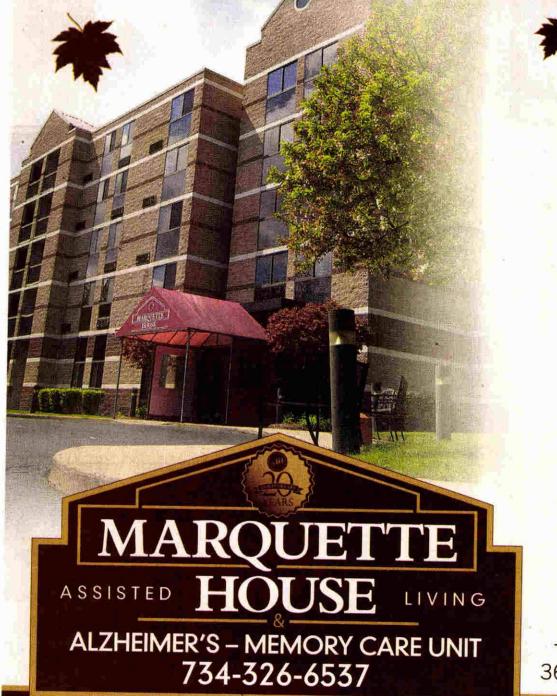
In closing, "It's always a great day to be a Clarenceville Trojan!"

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Salvation Army seeks applicants for holiday help

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Families with children up to age 14 may apply to receive toys from The Salvation Army corps community centers' toy shops. Families up to six will receive a box of non-perishable food to prepare a holiday meal and a grocery store gift card to purchase fresh foods. Larger families will receive more.

Senior citizens will receive grocery store gift cards. Applicants must provide proof of all members living in the household. Adults must provide a form of identification — which can include a driver's license or state ID - and proof that they live in the ZIP code served by the corps at which they are applying (such as a recent utility bill or rent lease). Proof of income, as well as names and dates of birth for children, are required to apply for Christmas assistance.

Applications must be filed by appointment at a corps community center according to the recipient's

ZIP code. To schedule an application appointment, contact the nearest Salvation Army corps community center. For help finding the nearest center, go to www.salmich.org or call 248-443-5500.

This past year, The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit was involved in providing 2,577,524 meals and 622,610 nights of shelter for the homeless. The Salvation Army uses 87 cents of every dollar raised to provide direct services to people in need.

Sometimes getting what you don't deserve is a good thing



Cultural Relevancy Dean Johnson USA TODAY NETWORK -

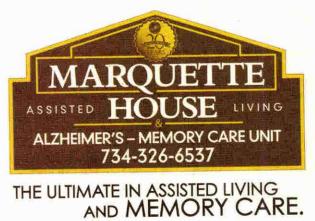
When I was a kid, I went to summer camp on a scholarship because we were poor. At the camp was a place called the Canteen, the camp store



candy, pop, T-shirts, icecream, etc. You didn't use cash. You put your money in an account and drew on it for the two weeks you were there. But my account was empty, because I didn't have any money. Then one day, they told me that someone had put money into my account. (And it was some huge amount at the time, like \$50.) I knew it wasn't anything I had earned. Someone had just credited money into my account that I hadn't earned.

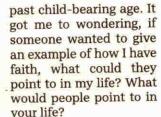
where you could buy

In the apostle Paul's Letter to the Romans, Chapter 4, he makes the



claim that a person can be righteous before God not by doing good deeds, but by simply having faith. As Exhibit 1A, he offers Abraham, founder of the Jewish religion: "Abraham believed God and it was credited to him as righteousness." He goes on to say that it wasn't just available to Abraham, but to all of us.

As an example of when Abraham showed great faith in God, Paul tells the story of when God told Abraham he would be the "father of many nations" and Abraham believed God, even though both Abraham and his wife were very old and way



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It's also a bit humorous when Paul says that Abraham "never wavered" in his faith. If you actually read the story of Abraham in Genesis 12-25, you'll see that he did doubt, question, stumble, act impulsively and make lots of mistakes. But at the end of the day, he always came back to trusting God. That's what the Bible calls faith in God: Not perfection, but at the end of the day you confess your shortcomings and you say, "God I still believe."

It reminds me of "The Lord of the Rings," where Frodo is hailed as the hero for courageously destroying the ring of power in the fire of Mt. Doom. Remember how he struggled? But in the end, it went in and that's all anyone remembers.

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Q: I have a tax question I hope you can help me with. My father died last year. About six months before he died, he gifted me a variety of stocks that he had held for years. In total, I received about \$100,000 worth of stocks. When my father died. I inheriadditional ted an \$500,000 in stocks. Earlier this year, I sold all the stocks and used the money to pay off debts. I paid off my house, my charge cards and a student debt that I incurred on behalf of my children. I have always done my own tax returns and I plan to do my 2018 return myself as well. My question is, as I do some year-end tax planning,

what are the tax consequences of the sale of the stocks? I am confused as to what my cost basis is for the stocks I received. Hopefully, you can help me with it.

A: The tax consequences are different between the stocks that you received as a gift and the stocks you received as an inheritance. First, let's first talk about the \$100,000 that you received as a gift. When you receive stocks as a gift, your cost basis is what is known as a transfer basis. In other words, your cost basis is the same as your dad's cost basis. For example, if you dad had purchased the stocks in total for \$60,000, that

would be your cost basis. When you sold the stocks, you would have a \$40,000 taxable gain (\$100,000 minus \$60,000 equals \$40,000). If you sold the stock for \$100,000, you would pay capital gain tax on the \$40,000. Under the new tax law, your capital gains rate is now based upon your income instead of your tax bracket. If you are single and your income is less than \$38,600 or if you're married and your joint income is less than \$77,200, you will actually pay zero taxes on longterm capital gains. Your tax rate will be 15 percent for single taxpayers whose income is up to \$425,800 or \$479,000 for joint filers. If your income is above these limits, your capital gain rate is 20 percent. In addition, high wagers may also be subject to an additional 3.8

percent on net investment income.

The tax treatment on the \$500,000 that you received as an inheritance is totally different. Your cost basis is the fair market value of the stocks on your dad's date of death. If the value of the stocks you received as an inheritance were worth \$500,000 at the date of death and you sold the stocks for \$510,000, only the \$10,000 would be subject to capital gains tax. The key difference between the tax consequences of a gift and an inheritance is the fact that, in a gift you get a transfer basis, while on an inheritance you get a step-up basis based on the fair market value as of the date of death.

As a side note, I like

what you did with the money. You used your inheritance to pay off debt, which generally I think is a good way of going. Being debt-free gives you lots of flexibility in the fu-Unfortunately, ture. when many people receive an inheritance, they look for ways to spend the money. You looked for ways you could improve your financial health by paying down debt - congratulations.

Debt has a way of strangling people by preventing them from having any flexibility. That's why I'm such a proponent of paying down debt wherever possible. Paying off charge card debt is a no-brainer, because by paying down that debt, your return is the interest you would have been paying. On a typical charge card, interest, at a minimum, is 18½ percent. Since interest on charge cards is not tax-deductible, when you pay down charge card debt, you're getting a guaranteed 18½-percent return on your money after taxes. I can't think of any investment that would give you such a high return. If you get an inheritance or a bonus, the first thing you should be doing is trying to improve your financial situation by paying down debt, particularly highinterest, non-tax-deductible debt. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a feeonly financial adviser. His website is www. bloomassetmanagement .com.

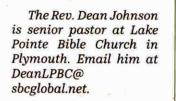
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My sister-in-law Eileen was a much loved and highly respected woman in Alaska - both in the native community as well as the mainline culture - right up until she died two months ago. My oldest daughter is currently in Alaska finalizing Eileen's affairs. My daughter tells me that when she goes places, she keeps receiving honor and respect from people, not because of anything she has done, but because she is Eileen's niece. "I don't deserve it,

Dad," she told me. The respect that Eileen earned is being credited to my daughter. She keeps getting credit for something someone else did. That's pretty much the Gospel.



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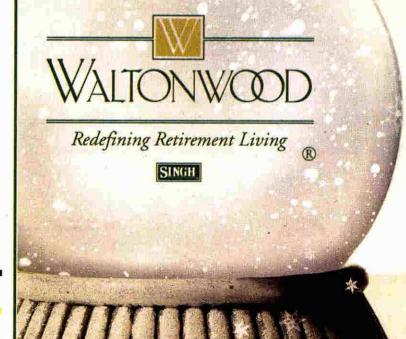
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and typically expensive."

It's a service that greatly benefits children, not just locally, but across the globe. Seedlings has distributed books across 75 countries in addition to locally.

Some of those children were at Seedlings during the presentation. Khara Gilmore, 7, came to Seedlings with her mother, Jennifer Joseph. Khara has complete vision loss and the books provided by Seedlings have helped her feel more independent, allowing her to read when she wants to and not wait on a family member to read to her.

"Every year, she gets books. We get the catalog frequently and there might be a book there that she heard about at school," said Joseph, who

Avery Devereux, 8, reads with her mother, Ann Devereux, at Seedlings Braille Books for Children. The Devereuxes live in Royal Oak. DAVID

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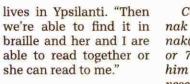
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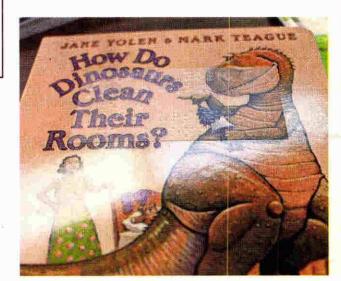
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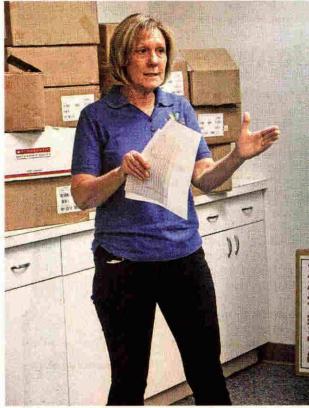
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Right: Karen Smith, community outreach manager for Seedlings, speaks about the donation given by the UPS Stores across southeast Michigan.

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In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 4 of Act 207 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1921, as amended, the City Zoning Act (MSA 5.2934; MCLA 125.584) as well as Article XXIII of Ordinance No. 543, as amended, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Livonia, the Council has determined that a Public Hearing will take place before the Council of the City of Livonia on **Monday, November 26, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.**, in the Auditorium at City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, with respect to the following item:

Appeal of the denial of the Planning Commission regarding Petition 2018-08-02-18 submitted by Comfort Care Senior Living, requesting waiver use approval to construct and operate a senior assisted living facility, located on the north side of Plymouth Road between Farmington and Stark Roads (34020 Plymouth Road), in the Southeast ¼ of Section 28. SUSAN M. NASH, CITY CLERK

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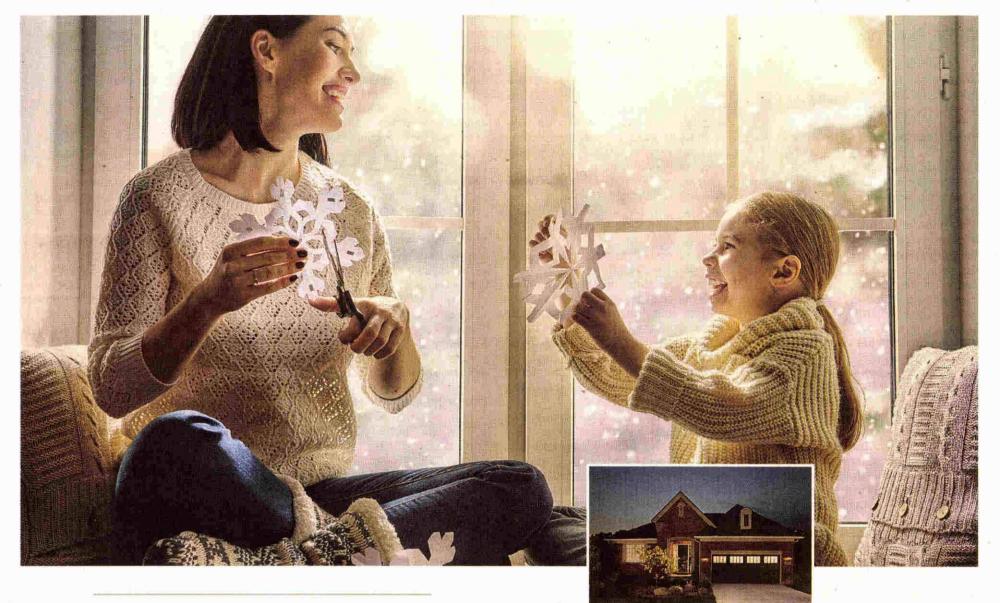
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Best Kept Secrets of Livonia

The Livonia Historical Society will host author Bob Hardies, who will present Best Kept Secrets of Livonia at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 19, at the Alexander Blue House at Greenmead, Livonia's historical park, located off Newburgh Road, just South of Eight Mile Road. Hardies has written a series of four books on this subject.

For more information, call 734-436-4117.

Stevenson 10-year reunion

The Livonia Stevenson High School class of 2008 will hold its 10-year reunion 8-11 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23, at Craft Breww City, 27843 Orchard Lake Road, in Farmington Hills.

Ticket prices range from \$27.50 (non-alcoholic ticket) to \$52 (open bar included) and are available at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shsclass-of-2008-10-year-reunion-tickets-48095456806?utm-medium=discovery&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&aff=escb&utmsource=cp&utm-term=listing.

Wayne library book sale

The Friends of the Wayne Public Library will host a used book sale from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, at the library, 3737 S. Wayne Road. Books will be sold for \$1 per bag and bags will be provided.

Ballroom dancing at St. Timothy

St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh Road, in Livonia will host ballroom dancing 7:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24 and Dec: 8. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information, call 586-873-3353.

Railroadiana train show

The Ss. Simon and Jude Ushers Club is sponsoring a buy-and-swap Railroadiana Train Show from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 25, at the church social

. hall, 32500 Palmer Road, in Westland. There will be approximately 100 dealer tables available.

The cost is \$10 for an eight-foot table. Dealer set up is 9 a.m. the day of the show and complimentary coffee and doughnuts will be available to the dealers until 10:30 a.m. Food also will be available. Admission is \$2 per person and \$4 per family. Parking is free.

For more information or table reservations, call 734-728-1247.

Livonia Swim Club tryouts

The Livonia Community Swim Club is hosting tryouts 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Nov. 26-29, for youths ages 5-18 interested in participating in competitive swimming, at the Kirksey Community Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard. LCSC is a year-round swim team whose mission is to provide a program that develops water safety awareness, personal fitness, swimming technique and racing skills.

LCSC is a member of USA Swimming and participates in competitions at the local, state, regional and national levels. Session II begins Nov. 26 and continues through March 2019. For more information, contact head coach Vince Gallant at vincegallant@gmail.com or go to https://www.teamunify.com/Home. jsp?_tabid_=0&team=milcsc.

Instagram photo contest

Children ages 5-12 who live in the Livonia or Clarenceville school districts are invited to participate in the "December is Special to Me Because …" Instagram photo contest, sponsored by the Save Our Youth Coalition and the Livonia Parks and Recreation Department.

Entries will be divided into four age divisions: 5-6, 7-8, 9-10 and 11-12. Each age division winner will receive \$25 and an award. One overall winner will receive \$100 and an award. All winners will be invited to the holiday celebration parade and tree lighting Sunday, Dec. 2, to help Santa light the tree.

All entries must be posted to Instagram @livoniarec using #decemberisspecial18 by 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27. For more information, call 734-466-2900 or go to www.livoniaparks.org.

Holiday food, gift drive

Heather Ridge Apartments, 7500

Newburgh Road, in Westland will be accepting donations of new toys and nonperishable food items through Thursday, Nov. 29. Drop off donated items from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Heather Ridge will donate all items to Westland Goodfellows. For more information, call 734-458-0010.

Three Cities Art Club

Three Cities Art Club members will exhibit their art at Westland's Gallery at City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, through Nov. 29. The exhibition will include original works done in watercolor, oil, acrylic, pencil, charcoal, pastel, airbrush and photography. This is a free event and everyone is welcome.

The gallery is open whenever city hall is open. For more information, call 313-231-3939, email marilynmeredith@wowway.com or go to www.threecitiesartclub.org.

Exploring teen suicide

New Life Church, 3311 Ford Road, in Garden City will host Exploring Teen Suicide, 7-8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30. This event is designed to promote awareness and discussion on the staggering statistics surrounding teen suicide and offer hope, along with ways it can be reduced and perhaps prevented. RSVP by Nov. 25 by calling Sherri at 248-227-5288.

Livonia library art exhibit

The Bennett Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, in Livonia will host an art exhibit titled Visual Poems in Drawing through Nov. 30 featuring Huaming Wang, an artist, designer and engineer. His artwork has been exhibited nationally and internationally.

The library is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Goodfellows newspaper sale

The Livonia Goodfellows organization is conducting its annual newspaper sale from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, to benefit its No Child Without A Christmas program. In 2017, the organization assisted 280 families with 651 children.

The group will be at dozens of busi-

ness throughout the community selling the holiday papers. For more information, go to livoniagoodfellows.org or call 313-438-0862 (voice mail).

Livonia Christmas Walk

The Friends for the Development of Greemead will host the 30th annual Livonia Christmas Walk from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1. Ticket sales begin at 9:30 a.m. All of the homes are decorated by the homeowners, each is unique and special.

The Greenmead gift shop (Eight Mile and Newburgh roads) is open the day of the walk, all walk participants receive a coupon for a free gift and a discount on purchases at the gift shop. In addition the Simmons/Hill house is open for tours that day, cookies and hot chocolate is served to visitors.

All proceeds benefit the development of Greenmead Historical Park. Tickets (\$9 in advance, \$10 day of event) are available at city hall, city libraries, Greenmead office and members of the Friends for the Development of Greenmead.

Holiday craft fair

Celebration Lutheran Church, 39375 Joy Road, in Westland will host a craft fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1. Admission is \$1 or a non-perishable food item donation at the door. There will also be a cafe and bake sale. For more information, call 734-422-7211.

St. Mary addiction series

St. Mary Mercy Hospital Livonia, 36475 Five Mile Road, in Livonia is offering an ongoing series titled Addiction: What you need to know and what you can do. Classes are scheduled 7-8:30 p.m. the first three Tuesdays of each month, September through May, in Classroom 11 on the fourth floor. Dec. 4, 11 and 18 are the next series dates.

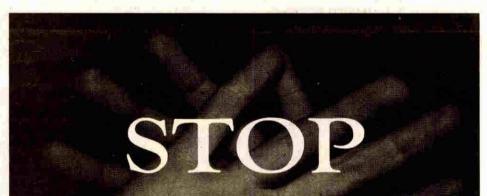
No registration necessary. For more information, contact Karen Bonanno at kbonanno@livoniasaveouryouth.org or 734-338-9580.

Livonia Towne Club meeting

Livonia Towne Club, a nonprofit women's organization that brings to-

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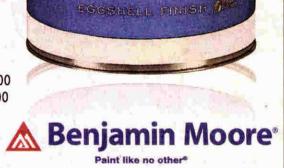


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Jeffrey Scott Maxey

GARDEN CITY - Jeffrey Scott Maxey was born on September 16, 1958 in Superior Township Michigan. He was one of four children born from the union of the late John Maxey and Mary (Stout) Maxey. He attended Plymouth High School and graduated with the Class of 1976.

Jeff was blessed with a beautiful daughter and later in life a granddaughter both of whom he loved deeply. Over the course of ten years, Jeff, opened his home and fostered thirteen children. Jeff adored all of his foster children and was extremely proud of them.

A naturally hard worker, Jeff would do anything to help those in need. For many years he worked for the Oakdale Recovery Center. Here he oversaw day to day operations and was extremely proud of his direct care with patients. Jeff was truly honored to help people and was very successful in doing so.

In his spare time, Jeff enjoyed watching his Detroit sports teams, especially the Red Wings and playing golf. Jeff loved the little things in life, being outdoors and tending to his yard. He enjoyed camping trips with his family and always provided delicious meals cooked on the grill. Jeff would often listen to his favorite Rock N' Roll bands, especially the Eagle's. He had a playful personality and enjoyed making those around him laugh, often taking after his favorite Three Stooges. Above anything, his daughter and granddaughter were his pride and joy. To know Jeff was to love him and he will be deeply missed by many.

Jeffrey Scott Maxey, age 60 of Garden City, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at his home. In addition to his father, Jeff's passing was preceded by a brother: Brad Maxey.

To cherish his memory, Jeff leaves his beloved daughter: Marie Maxey; his granddaughter: Jaesey Maxey; his mother: Mary Maxey; his brother: Greg (Maggie) Maxey; his sister: Jacky (Jerry) Wallace; his sister-in-law: Sue Maxey, his former spouse: Pat Kime; and many extended family members and friends.

Friends may gather at 4:00pm for a Memorial Service on Friday, November 16, 2018 at Calvary Baptist Church; 43065 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan. Arrangements have been entrusted to Merkle Funeral Service, North Monroe; 2442 North Monroe Street (734) 384-5185.

Online guests may leave words of inspiration and comfort or share a photo by visiting www.merklefs.com.



Heather Edna Shephard

PLYMOUTH - Heather Edna Shephard, age 83, long time resident of Plymouth, MI., passed away peacefully November 11, 2018 surrounded by her loving family. She was born December 1, 1934 in Cambellton, New Brunswick, Canada to the late Frank and Catherine (Stanger) Watson.



Heather is survived by her husband of 63 years, Sterling Shephard, daughters: Catherine (Steve) McKenny of Ann Arbor, MI, Jennifer (Chris) Car penter of Plano, IL, and Jane (Craig) Wise of Troy, OH, sons: David Shephard of Ferndale, MI, and Ian Shephard of Ypsilanti, MI, grandchildren: Ian McKenny, Sean and Kate Carpenter, Emaline and Claire Wise, and Anthony and Daniel Shephard. Heather was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth where she served as an elder, and deacon. She also gave her time to the church teaching Sunday school and singing in the choir, among other things. Heather worked 17 years as an administrative assistant with Plymouth Canton Community Schools. Heather was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She had a love for the beauty of the outdoors, and enjoyed gardening, fishing, and flying kites. She was a member of the Plymouth Garden Club.



Ann J. Grenier

OHIO - FORMALLY OF LIVONIA - Loving daughter of the late Noble and Delores. Dear sister of Marvin (Irene), Jack (Ron) (Noble Jr), Sr. Cheryl Ann, Louis (Rose), Charles (Jennifer), Robert (Cindy) and the late Carol Ann and Mary. Beloved aunt of many nieces and neph-

ews. Also survived by her almost like sister and brother Kim (Dave) Prickett Albers. She will be missed by many. Ann was heavily in TICA, and cat rescues. She won many prestigious awards in the cat society. She was a very good soul who loved her animals and would do anything for them. She did rescue and showed in Tica. Ann placed many kitties and very much enjoyed showing them. Through the years she helped raise money for many homeless cats. A memorial service will be held next May at Oak Grove Cemetery in Manchester, MI. A celebration of life will be held after at the home of Charles and Jennifer where Ann enjoyed calling out her Bingo game for the kids of all ages! RIP Ann we loved you. In lieu of flowers feel free to donate to your favorite kitty rescue. www.santeiufuneralhome.com.



Loving wife of the late Edward Polesky. Beloved mother to Mary Vaughn, Irene Martin, Linda (Steve) White and Michael (Cindy) Polesky. Cherished grandmother of eight and dear great grandmother to six. Genevieve was an adventure seeker and always loved trying new things. She loved to dance with her late husband and often enjoyed playing card games especially euchre! Her children and family meant ev-

Genevieve Polesky

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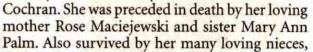
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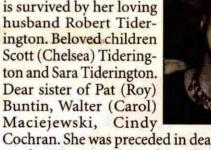
Debby Tiderington

PLYMOUTH - born on January 16, 1959 in Detroit and passed away on October 28, 2018. Debby is survived by her loving husband Robert Tiderington. Beloved children Scott (Chelsea) Tiderington and Sara Tiderington. Dear sister of Pat (Roy) Buntin, Walter (Carol)











In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister Florence Robertson and brother Kenneth Watson.

A memorial service will be held at 11 am on Saturday December 1, 2018 at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth with Rev. Emily Campbell officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following in the fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, Heather's family requests donations be made to the American Cancer Society 20450 Civic Center Drive, Southfield, MI 48076.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com or www.vermeu lenfh.com.



and William and great grandmother of Graham, Madeleine, Thomas, Charlie, and Nora. Dearest sister of Yvonne, Ruth, Barbara and the late Alphonsine.

Cherished grandmother of Jonathan, Saundra,

Erik, Nicholas, Joel, Ginelle, Michael, Benjamin,

Bernice Rose Reed

LIVONIA - Bernice

Rose Reed, age 84, of Li-

vonia, Michigan passed

away on Friday Novem-

ber 9, 2018. Beloved wife

of the late Michael Roy

Reed. Loving mother

of Mark (Susan) Reed,

Rhonda (Charles) Horn,

Ron (Deanna) Reed, Ca-

sey (Sara) Reed, and the

late Michael Leo Reed.

Bernice was devout Catholic and was a member of St. Theodore Parish. She drove a bus for the Livonia Senior Center for over 20 years. Bernice enjoyed spending her time with her family whom she loved more than anything.

A memorial visitation for Bernice will be held on Friday, November 16, 2018 from 2-8pm at Harry J Will Funeral Home, Livonia. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at 10am (instate at 9:30am) at St Colette Catholic Church, 17600 Newburgh Rd, Livonia, Michigan 48152.

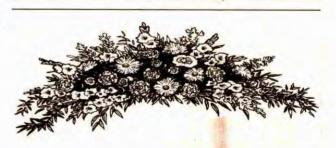
In lieu of flowers, donations in Bernice's name can be made out to EWTN- Eternal Word Television Network

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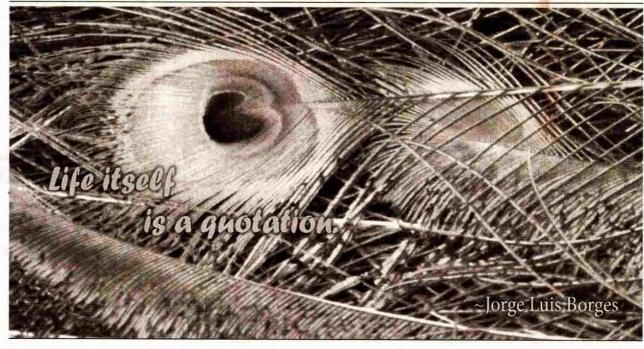
nephews, cousins and friends. For the past 20 years, Debby battled breast cancer. She surprised everyone with her "you would never know it, I wear it so well" attitude and lived through it all with courage, humor and grace. Debby was and will continue to be an inspiration to all. A Memorial Gathering will take place on Sunday, November 25, 2018 from 1-4 PM at the indoor pavilion in McClumpha Park located at 46640 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth (Ann Arbor Trail west of Beck). To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com





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gether women for social interaction, meets the fourth Thursday of each month from September through May (except in November and December, when it's the second Thursday). The group will be celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

The club meets for lunch and a program at different restaurants in Livonia and surrounding areas. The program could be an informative speaker, bingo, fashion show, music entertainment and more, plus an occasional local day trip.

Its next luncheon is 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, featuring John Sterbenz, an accordion-keyboard player. For more information, call Vicki at 734-591-3254.

Holiday craft show

Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia will host its annual holiday craft show from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7. There will also be a quilt raffle, drawings and refreshments available for purchase, with all proceeds mation, call 734-466-2900. to benefit S.C.A.N. (Senior Citizen Achievement Needs).

Admission is free. For more information, call 734-466-2557.

Detroit Lutheran Singers concert

The Detroit Lutheran Singers group will present Benjamin Britten's " A Ceremony of Carols" during a concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 W. Seven Mile Road, in Livonia. This collection of Christmas music is based on old English carols and is accompanied by a harp. In addition, there will be wonderful arrangements of traditional songs of the season and the audience will be invited to sing the "Hallelujah Chorus."

Lunch with Santa

The Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, will host its annual Lunch with Santa at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. The event includes lunch, crafts and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus. Tickets are available online at

www.livoniaparks.org. For more infor-

Breakfast with Santa

The Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, in Westland will host a Breakfast with Santa from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. A buffet will include breakfast and light lunch items.

All children will have a chance to meet Santa and take a photo and will receive a special gift from Santa. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. Advance reservations are required. Call 734-525-3550, email helleniccc@ gmail.com or go to http://www. hellenicculturalcenter.com/.

Holiday sing-along with Santa

The William P. Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, in Westland will host a holiday sing-along with Santa 6-8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10. Join us for songs, hot cocoa, cookies, crafts and a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus, along with a live reindeer. Registration required.

New exhibit at Livonia library

The Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road, in Livonia is hosting an exhibit through December on the Potawatomi Nation, Native Americans that populated Livonia and its surrounding areas before the Europeans came. The exhibit was curated by Livonia historian Joe Neussendorfer.

Memorial Day parade planning

The Wayne Westland Veterans Parade Council will be holding planning meetings for next year's parade, which will be held Sunday, May 26, 2019. The

meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. the last Wednesday of most months at the Harris-Kehrer VFW Post 3323, 1055 S. Wayne Road. For more information, go to www.facebook.com/veterans.parade council or call 313-576-7268 or 734-355-4569.

Metro Fibromyalgia & CFS support group

The Metro Fibromyalgia & CFS support group meets 1-3 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, in Garden City. The meetings include speakers and open table talk meetings. Donations are accepted.

For more information, go to www.MetroFibroGroup.com or call 734-981-2519.

VFW euchre tourney

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Livonia Post 3941, 31611 Plymouth Road, will be hosting a euchre tournament at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday. The fundraiser is to support the post. All are welcome. Entry fee is either \$8 or \$10. For more information, email vfw3941@gmail.com.

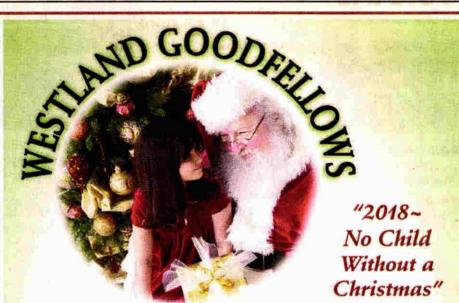
Diabetes support group

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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The Westland Goodfellows are holding a toy and food drive. Donations of toys, hats & gloves, and non-perishable food items can be dropped off at any of the following locations. All donated items will be distributed to Westland families this Christmas. Donation boxes available November 1 to December 1, 2018.

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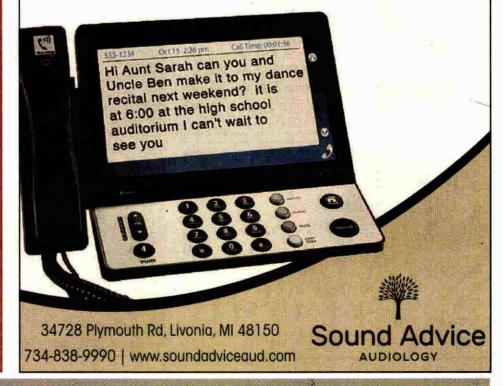
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PREP TENNIS

Lehmann leaving on a high note

Coaching lifer spent 27 years with Canton Chiefs

Tim Smith

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Barb Lehmann has considered the tennis courts as an extension of her counseling office at Canton High School.

Outside in the fresh air, Lehmann for many seasons has offered advice and encouragement to players on her Canton varsity boys and girls tennis teams.

But with the 2018 boys season now over (the Chiefs finished third at Division 1 regional and went on to place 18th in the state finals Oct. 19-20 at Midland), Lehmann's 27-year coaching career at Canton is over. Lehmann recently an-

nounced she would retire from coaching a sport she has played (at Salem) and Lehmann loved since her own youth.

"The decision to retire from tennis was not an easy decision, but I felt it was time for me to make a change," Lehmann wrote in an email. "While I have loved the years of coaching and working with so many truly wonderful kids, it is a year-round responsibility.

"I never wanted to do the minimal amount, so I created and worked to have my players in as many tournaments as the state allowed, having at least a team dinner or event off the court each week and worked to create a bond and level of success we would all be proud of. That came as a full-time job. Now it is time for me to follow my other passions and interests."

Lehmann is going out on a high personal note, as she received Regional Coach of the Year honors, an award that "is more than I can believe."

When she began her Canton coaching tenure, she took over from Carol Michaels (who stuck around to help Lehmann that first season) for what was "a great learning experience."

And she plans to extend the same transitional courtesy to whoever is next in line with the Chiefs.

"I want to be around to help continue the program and help if I can," Lehmann said. "The kids that I have had the honor of working with over the years, I believe are some of the truly best around. They deserve the program to be as great as they are."

A tennis family

The longtime love of tennis is something she picked up organically - as she was in a top-flight, tennis-loving family. Her parents (George and Diane Hanosh)

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BOYS HOCKEY



PREP ATHLETICS Clarenceville leaving Western Wayne to join MIAC

Brad Emons hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Once the smallest fish in a big pond, Livonia Clarenceville will become the big fish in a new pond after announcing Nov. 7 it has decided to move into a new conference for the 2019-20 school year.

Following six seasons in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference, where it was smallest member among eight schools with 551 students (according to the Michigan High School Athletic Association), Clarenceville has been accepted into the Michigan Indepenent Athletic Conference. Clarenceville earned a minimum eight of the 10 votes required to earn acceptance into MIAC, which currently fields 12 schools. Also headed to the MIAC for the 2019-20 school year is Whitmore Lake (enrollment 278), which is currently in the Tri-County Conference. **Clarenceville Principal Troy Nelson** and school athletic director Kevin Murphy recently made a 75-minute pitch to the MIAC membership and gained a stamp of approval. "I think the main reason we looked to move was to find a conference that all of our sports could better compete in," Murphy said. "We had some sports that could compete in that conference (WWAC) and some that held their own as long as they could. But when the dynamics changed in the conference where there were no more two divisions with a lower division, we just couldn't continue to compete with all of our sports and it had an effect on our participation numbers. It wasn't a bad fit, but this is something that just works better." The MIAC, which features a Blue and Red Division, also includes Plymouth Christian Academy (164 students), Lutheran High Westland (185), Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (90), Novi Christian (84), Bloomfield Hills Roeper (159), Southfield Christian (174), Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (96), Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (183), Sterling Heights Parkway Christian (181), Center Line Macomb Christian (40), Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (292) and Brighton Charyl Stockwell Academy (252). "I think it's a good thing, we (the MIAC) changed our constitution, we used to be private and independent, now it's private, charter or public (schools) that will suit our needs," Novi Christian athletic director Glynn Blackwell said. "The (two-year) probation that we put them under - if it

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Talk about hitting the ground running – or, in this case, hit the ice skating.

It's 45 minutes before practice Wednesday afternoon inside the Birmingham Ice Arena and first-year Bir-



mingham Unified head coach Mike Boback is ready to go.

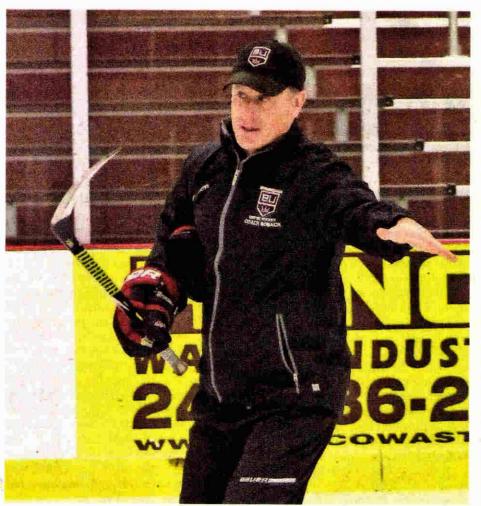
Sitting behind a desk inside the coach's office and wearing his dark BU jacket, Boback's skates are laced. His gloves rest on one corner of the desk

Boback

with his black BU hat sitting on top of them, awaiting pickup.

"By the time (the players) get out of class and by the time they get here, we're down to 48 minutes is what I figure for skating and skills," Boback said. "School is their main priority, but as soon as they get here with me, let's go out and have some fun and start learning how to play hockey the right way.

"We have to get them in shape as well



Mike Boback played four years of pro hockey with both the Washington Capitals and Los Angeles Kings organizations. MARTY BUDNER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Setla leads Northville to D-1 quarterfinal win

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It may not be quite like Broadway, but Nyia Setla knows when it's time to take center stage.

When Northville's starting senior libero Hannah Grant was ruled out the day before Tuesday's MHSAA Division 1 volleyball state quarterfinal against Livonia Churchill with an injury, there was a little bit of uneasiness in the Mustangs' camp.

But Setla stepped in like a seasoned veteran for the Michigan State commit and proved to be quite the understudy, helping Northville to a 25-21, 25-16, 25-15 victory over the Chargers at Ann Arbor Huron.

Setla filled the void with 11 digs and senior Ally Zayan also helped solidify the back row with eight digs as Northville improved to 47-6-1 while securing a spot the state semifinals at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena against Rockford.

Grant took 10 stiches to her knee following a weekend mishap, but the Mustangs didn't miss a beat.

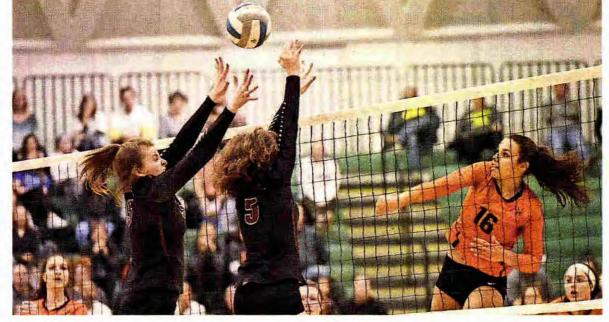
"I'm not going to lie, I had a little bit of a panic attack because it wasn't typically my normal position," Setla said. "But once I got more reps in before this day, I felt more comfortable and I just reminded myself to stay calm. And that's what I did and here we are."

Grant, who was fighting an infection to her knee as well, turned assistant coach and head cheerleader for the Mustangs on the bench.

"She would give me tips and pointers about where to stay on defense and serve receive ... my own personal coach," Setla said. "She would guide me. She said, 'Keep leading this team through."

Churchill, making its second quarterfinal appearance in three years, met Northville during the Kensington Lakes Activities Association tournament semifinals Oct. 20 and lost a tough three-setter.

The rematch, however, proved to be more one-sided as the Chargers were unable to contain junior Clare McNam-



Northville's Laryssa Imbuzeiro (right) goes on the attack against Churchill's Summer Clark (left) and Grace Facione. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

ara, who helped dominate the front row, finishing with 10 kills, two solo blocks and four assist blocks.

"Honestly, I just think it was a mental thing today," Churchill coach Kristin Clutter said. "Northville, they are an exceptionally talented team and I take nothing away from them. I think our kids just felt a little bit of the pressure today and we just made some unusual errors. We needed to be a stronger blocking team and we just didn't bring that part of our game tonight."

Northville used a balanced hitting attack to overcome a sterling performance by Churchill junior outside hitter Sarah Dunn, who finished with a match-best 16 kills.

"There were a ton plays out there where there were those fast runs where we'd dig it up, we get something up with that emergency ball, the setter gets it in the air and (Dunn) would put it right down," Northville coach Julie Fisette said. "Amazing stuff."

Other offensive contributors for the Mustangs included sophomore Jenna Boksha, who recorded eight kills, along with senior Michael VanAcker, sophomore Laryssa Imbuzerio and sophomore Jaden Rice with five each.

Setters Gabi Fisette and Emma Stiles

finished with 15 and 14 assist-to-kills, respectively.

"It was funny because Friday we had a whole different game plan from what Monday's practice looked like," coach Fisette said. "And then all the sudden Monday, we realized, 'OK, now we have to have a whole different game plan for our practice.""

And despite the apprehension, Setla was dialed in throughout the match.

"I think Nyia knew going in," Fisette said. "Hannah coached her. Hannah talked to her through everything. She pulled her off, she told her what to look for. (Grant) is the glue, which is nice, but that was my biggest worry. I know the kids have skills and I know we've got a deep bench that we can tap at any time, but I was worried without the Hannah on the court, the glue that keeps them together."

Dunn was the only Charger in double figures with kills, while senior Summer Clark was next best with five. Setters Grace Vaeth and Jordan Wozniak both recorded 11 assist-to-kills.

Freshman defensive specialist Jessica Maladecki recorded 20 digs, while Dunn added 10.

"Sarah wants to win probably more than any kid that I've ever coached," Clutter said. "She's an exceptional player and I'm really proud of her performance tonight."

The Chargers bow out as KLAA East Division champions and finished with a 36-13 record.

"I'm really proud of our season and these kids have worked really hard," Clutter said. "Only one team ends on a win in this series of games, and just to end the season on a loss is tough."

Meanwhile, Northville hoped to get Grant back in the lineup for state semifinal.

"I was a little nervous, but I'm nervous about everything and my (assistant) coaches try and calm me down," Fisette said. "I think I'm going to be nervous the whole time. But I said, 'We got this.' We've got a strong bench, there's different people who can play different positions."

Meanwhile, Setla was ready to step into the libero spot if needed once again in Battle Creek.

"I'm excited, I'm ready to go," she said.

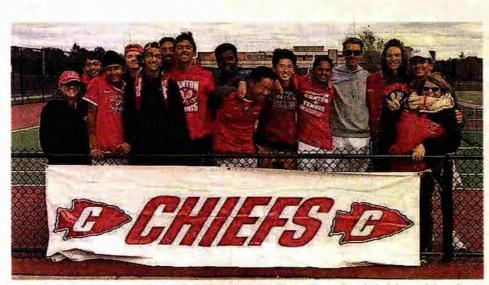
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Lehmann

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set the tone. George Hanosh was his daughter's first tennis coach at Garden City West High School and "he would run a tennis camp for four weeks in the summer and I along with my brother (Ted) learned the sport at a very young age."

"It was with my dad that I learned the



"The goal was to have more players on the varsity. The difference has changed off the court a great deal.

"My players used to play multiple sports and letter in them, but the demands for so many sports has created a year-round program. While I have always encouraged my players to play in the winter, take group lessons to stay on top of their game, it was never a requirement. It had its trade off of not being the most winning team each and every season, but we always were the team with the best sportsmanship and team connection."

sport of tennis and about competition," Lehmann said. "I learned how to play hard, play with consistency and never give up.

"When I made the varsity team at Salem High School, it now was my mom who took over. With my dad coaching, my mom became my biggest fan and still is even today."

In fact, according to Lehmann, Diane Hanosh continues to be Canton's No. 1 cheerleader. George Hanosh died in 2003.

Another key tennis influence for Lehmann was her high school coach, Judy Braun: "She (Braun) encouraged me to join the state tennis organization and

Longtime Canton tennis coach Barb Lehmann (standing, far right) is retiring from coaching after nearly three decades on the job.

become an integral part of the future of tennis."

Also on her list to thank were Carol Michaels, Jim Hays and Canton assistant coaches "for their dedication and friendship. Each of them helped me to grow to the coach I am today."

A common thread during her three

decades as head coach was making sure the athletes were all about being good teammates.

"The sport hasn't changed much, other than the state and our league have added flights to the varsity lineup to include a fourth doubles team and our league added a fifth," Lehmann said. Now that her coaching career has ended, Lehmann will continue counseling duties at Canton and also enjoy autumn weekends up north.

"My husband and I were not lucky enough to have children, but I have had the pleasure to have three months out of the year to be the coach for so so many," she added.

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C'ville

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doesn't work out - there's a safeguard there."

The WWAC, of which Clarenceville is currently a member, was down to eight schools for the 2018-19 school year after the three Dearborn Public Schools exit-

ed, with Fordson and Dearborn highs joining the Kensington Lakes Activities Association, while Edsel Ford jumped to the 10-school Downriver League.

The largest school in the WWAC is Dearborn Heights Crestwood (1,424), followed by Redford Thurston (1,098), Garden City (1,080), Redford Union (947), Romulus (796) Dearborn Heights Annapolis (708) and Dearborn Heights Robichaud (608).

Next year, Melvindale is set to join the WWAC to replace Clarenceville after a nine-year run in the 10-member Downriver League (formed in 2009).

Clarenceville, which joined the WWAC six years ago after the Metro Conference dissolved, struggled competitively in a number of sports, but most prominently the past five seasons



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in football, going 6-37 under coach Ryan Irish after finishing 11-1 and reaching the MHSAA Division 6 state semifinals in 2013.

This season, the Trojans had only three juniors and did not have a senior on their football roster, which led to the forfeits of four WWAC varsity games because of injuries and low numbers. Clarenceville dressed just 18 players, including a kicker, and finished with only 12 players due to injuries in a 46-6 loss Sept. 14 at Romulus.

Clarenceville continued to play a JV schedule on its new synthetic turf at David B. McDowell Field. The school celebrated its homecoming Oct. 12 against Crestwood with a boys varsity soccer match at its newly renovated Tim Shaw Stadium, which cost the district \$3.5 million.

The Trojans, however, suited up a varsity team for its season home finale,

losing 50-6 to Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

Irish was in his second stint as Clarenceville varsity coach. From 2005-09, he guided the Trojans to a 24-23 overall record. His 2008 squad finished 9-2 and reached the second round of the Division 5 playoffs. In 2010, he stepped down to take the Waterford Mott job. He returned to Clarenceville in 2017 to replace coach Ken Fry and went 2-7 in 2017 and 0-9 this year.

Murphy said a search is on for a new varsity football coach after Irish turned his resignation following the season.

The MIAC, meanwhile, has five schools that play football, including Lutheran Westland, Parkway, Southfield Christian, Oakland Christian and Lutheran Northwest. Affiliate MIAC football members this past fall included Detroit Public Safety, Dearborn Heights Star International and Mount Clemens.

Blackwell said there were concerns about Clarenceville's enrollment, but understands the logic of moving from the WWAC to the MIAC.

"We've been playing Clarenceville the past five, six, seven years and it's been very competitive," Blackwell said. "There haven't been any blowouts. Whereas in that Western Wayne, they're playing against Romulus, Annapolis ... they don't have the participation.

"Most of the MIAC schools play them, so they're already known as far as a level of competition. Livonia Clarenceville has played almost every one of our schools over the past five, six years ... baseball, girls basketball, boys basketball, soccer."

With the addition of Clarenceville and Whitmore Lake, the MIAC will have 14 schools for 2019-20, with more room to grow. In 2017, Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett and Ann Arbor Greenhills left the MIAC join the Catholic League, while Taylor Baptist Park and Ypsilanti Calvary Christian both closed its doors.

"We would ultimately like to get to a three-division tier," Blackwell said. "We were on that page with Liggett, Greenhills ... then two schools closed."

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Mercy advances to final four for second straight season

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Mercy's volleyball team found itself in the state tournament's final four for the second straight season.

But take it from Canisius Collegebound senior Ella Loussia, the Marlins were focused on bigger and better

things after methodically taking care of Sterling Heights Stevenson, 25-8, 25-17, 25-14, during Tuesday's Division 1 quarterfinal played at St. Clair Shores Lake Shore.

Mercy, which lost in last year's state semifinal to arch rival Marian, was set to play Lake Orion in the state semifinals at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena. The state championship game was scheduled for Saturday at the same venue.

"It was really hard for us to lose (in the semifinals) last year. We were really excited and we thought we had it in the bag and we ended up losing," said Loussia, an outside hitter from West Bloomfield in her second varsity season.

"I guess it really humbled us for this year. This year, we went (into the tournament) with the attitude that you can

beat a team 99 times, but the 100th time is what matters. That's kind of what happened last year. We learned that we can lose anytime, so we know we have to play our hardest and hope for the best. It's not over yet, no matter what.

"But this year really exciting for us. We're calling it the bounce-back sea-

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Boback

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to last the season," he added. "We just try to grab as much ice as we can and rally the guys up with the pace I'm pushing them to play at."

Accepting the job

The Birmingham Public Schools district athletic department was looking for a coach to take over the BU program, formerly headed by Steve Kruk, who left after last season for a minor league coaching job in Wyoming.

Learning of the opportunity shortly after Kruk left, Boback happily accepted the job. In addition to taking over the high school program, he became the Birmingham Hockey Association's director of hockey at all levels.

"I think I'm having more fun that half the guys out here," said Boback, who also coaches the '09 Birmingham Rangers. "I've really enjoyed being around the guys and being a part of it.'

The ultimate plan is to implement throughout the BHA a certain playing structure, which all players will learn as youngsters. The theory is, by the time they reach high school, they will have already been assimilated to his style of play.

"I thought if I took the job, I could really do something well in the association by grooming the kids," Boback said. "And by taking over the whole association, I could put my plan in motion. And that's how things evolved for me.

"As I got more and more acclimated to Birmingham and got to know people and got to know hockey, I saw that there were really some talented kids here," he added. "And the hockey player in you never leaves you. You get that smell, you get back in the rink and then your blood starts flowing again. Now I'm a full addict, as I was while growing up."

Playing for NHL organizations

The 49-year-old Boback grew up in Shelby Township and graduated from Utica Eisenhower High School.

He played junior hockey in the renowned Compuware program for Andy Weidenbach, who now coaches at Cranbrook Kingswood High School. He attended Providence College, where he enjoyed a four-year hockey career with the Friars from 1989-92. Boback finished his college days with 201 points, including 73 goals.

The right-handed shooting center was the Washington Capitals' 10thround selection (No. 198 overall) in the 1990 NHL Entry Draft.

Boback played four seasons of professional hockey, three with Washington's AHL affiliates in Baltimore and Portland, plus a year with the L.A. Kings IHL affiliate in Phoenix. Boback was a member of the 1994 Portland Pirates team, coached by current New York Islanders coach Barry Trotz, that won the AHL's Calder Cup championship.

He then spent a year playing hockey for Sodertalje SK of the Swedish Elite League before calling it a career because of injuries.

'Hockey is a fun game, there's no doubt," he said. "That's why you come back. I get back out on the ice and I feel like I'm 12 years old again. But my body just can't take (playing) any more. But I really enjoyed playing in the AHL."

After his pro hockey days were over, Boback entered the coaching ranks. He's coached at various levels with the Honeybaked and Compuware programs and with the Orchard Lake United travel teams.

Boback. a Birmingham resident, took a break from coaching in 2016 to spend more time with his family.

However, while Boback said it's going to be a challenge, he's glad to be back behind the bench.

"I've coached at this age level before, but not in high school. This is very different," Boback said. "This is the greatest challenge I've ever had, just because of the fact we only get an hour of ice. The kids rush in and rush out. It's really, to me, the hardest coaching position I've had just because of that.

"You get two weeks from the time they say pick your team and go and then you get hour ice slots three days a week. Before you know it, you're getting them out and getting them stretched and, the next thing you know, the Zamboni's coming out on the ice.

"So it's just getting them to think and challenging them to play at a different pace and at a different level," he added. "It's really condensing all that and it's a huge challenge."

Playing aggressive hockey

BU enjoyed two straight winning seasons under Kruk, including last year, when the Kings finished at 18-4-2. Birmingham went undefeated through its first 16 games (15-0-1) and captured the OAA White Division championship with a perfect 10-0 record.

The Kings' season ended with a loss

in the first round of the state tournament to Weidenbach's Cranbrook Kingswood squad.

Boback has a strong corps of 13 returning players from last year's varsity squad, including what he calls the four horsemen in senior captains Andrew Beggs, Dylan Resnick, Will Sanders and Daniel Zalesin.

Beggs was BU's top offensive player last year and Sanders earned the Del Schroder Award, symbolic of the most tenacious player. Zalesin is the lone defenseman among the group. Starting goalie Gabriel Barish also returns.

BU defeated Country Day in a recent exhibition game and opened the season Saturday against Troy.

"It's a hungry group. They're committed and they're dedicated," Boback said. 'They're learning a lot quick and they're absorbing it. It's a nice club. There's no doubt the gentleman (Kruk) who was here before me had given them some good concepts to work with.

"I've just taken them and accelerated them a little bit to put my flavor to it. Play a little bit more aggressive and less tentative. I'm more of a puck control offensive guy, that's how I played. I'm pushing defense first, be accountable in your own zone and magical things will happen.

"I can't wait to see what this team is going to be like in February," he added. Two weeks really isn't enough to instill anything in them. I'm just trying to get them going and getting them to believe in themselves."

Boback is ready to push the pace. His skates are already laced.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK DCD goalkeeper Dougherty is latest weekly poll winner

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Jon Dougherty saved his best for last and it resulted in the Detroit Country Day goalkeeper earning Athlete of the Week honors.

The three-year senior goalie had a brilliant 19-save performance in leading

Country Day to a thrilling 1-0 shootout triumph over Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern in the Division 2 boys soccer state championship game played Nov. 3 at Comstock Park.



those efforts, Dougherty For Dougherty was one of six nominees in the Athlete

of the Week poll. He won with 7,341 votes (45.73 percent of the voting).

Plymouth cross country standout Carter Solomon, second in the recent MHSAA Division 1 state meet, was runner-up in the AOW voting (4,958 votes). Livonia Churchill volleyball player Sarah Dunn was third (2,464 votes).

"One of our teachers found the (Ath-

lete of the Week) link and sent out an I've ever seen him drop a ball that he email to our school about the voting, said Dougherty, also a pitcher on DCD's baseball team. "I clicked on the link and I was really excited to see my name on the list. It's really cool to win it and it's always nice to win an award like that, especially Athlete of the Week."

Dougherty, who has a 3.93 gradepoint average, enjoyed a sensational season for the Yellowjackets by posting a sparkling 17-4-2 record with six shutouts and a 0.61 goals-against average. He finished with a 28-7-5 career record with 23 shutouts.

The 17-year-old Beverly Hills resident lifted DCD to its 15th state championship in program history - the first since 2011.

In the state championship game, Dougherty made a number of key saves, including a huge stop of Northern's first player during the shootout.

"He was great all year, but I think the last game he played was the best he's ever played. That's the way to do it,' DCD head coach Steve Bossert said. "He's got a real large frame, he's 6foot-3, and in competition I don't think meant to catch.

"He doesn't bobble balls or give up rebounds. His technique is really solid and his athleticism and reaction time are special," he added. "I think when you combine all those talents with his exceptional mind, he's able to erase any defensive mistakes that we make and really give your team a chance to beat a team that might be better than you. And I really think that was the case (in the state title game)."

Dougherty agreed to answer a few questions:

Tell us about your performance (vs. Forest Hills Northern). What was it like facing all those shots and keeping pretty busy? Throughout the game, I never really felt the pressure over us, despite them firing off 30 shots. Our defense did a good job of limiting the quality scoring chances that FHN had. I just tried to do my job throughout the game and help my teammates out as much as they helped me out all year. I was really confident that, if we limited the close range opportunities, then I'd save any shot they took. And that's really how it went down. They tried to apply pressure, but we never let them through, so we took it to PK's. Thankfully, I was able to make a save on their first shot and that's all we needed to win.

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Favorite all-time movie? "Shrek 2."

Who would you consider your sports role model and why? Aaron Rodgers. He's been an active member in the community around him, doing amazing works of charity for those in need. He is also extremely humble despite being the greatest quarterback of all time and the only reason the (Green Bay) Packers are competitive every year.

Favorite song? "Despacito II" by Luis Fonsi and Daddy Yankee.

If you could take a trip anywhere in the world, where would you go and why? Mount Kilimanjaro. I've loved hiking since I was 11 years old and hiked the Peruvian Andes. A dream of mine has always been to climb Kilimanjaro.

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Mercy

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son," she added. "We're trying to do better than we did last year and we're all really working hard in practice."

No. 1 Marlins peaking

Veteran Mercy head coach Loretta Vogel has watched her No. 1-ranked team soar through the year's state tourney without dropping a set, including a sweep of Marian in the regional championship game.

Vogel believes the Marlins were peaking heading into the semifinal match.

"In reviewing (the match against) Marian, there was just a lot of emotion on, obviously, both sides," Vogel said. "I don't think we had a letdown (against

Stevenson). I think they are pretty well focused that it truly is the very next game and what we do in practice, getting ready for the game, play our game and make the adjustments that are necessary during the course of the game.

"I think we have a good feeling (going into the final four)," she added. "We've had a pretty good feeling most of the year, but we're adding a few small items into the rotation and that's worked well for us."

Mercy was in control the entire match against Stevenson, the unranked Macomb Activities Conference White Division champion that finished the season with a 44-10 record.

The Marlins never trailed, taking a 10-0 lead in the opening set, a 4-1 lead in the middle set and a 5-1 advantage in the third.

Mercy took the first set on a dink kill by sophomore setter Julia Bishop on a Loussia serve. The Marlins won the second on a Stevenson miscue and secured the match with a strong cross-court kill by junior outside hitter Jess Mruzik.

Mruzik slams 16 kills

Mruzik, a member of the U.S. National junior team, finished with a teamhigh 16 kills, with five digs, two aces and two block assists. Bishop finished with 31 assists, five kills and sophomore middle hitter Charli Atiemo added five kills and 2.5 blocks.

Junior libero Kalya Shields finished with 14 digs and two assists.

'It's great to come back this year and be able to make it back (to the semifinals) again," Bishop said. "Our big goal was, obviously, to make it back to where we lost last year, make up for that loss (to Marian) and go further this year.

'I'm beyond proud of the team right now. The bench is what got us here and that's why we're successful," she added.

"They're the ones who push us in every practice, they make everyone better and they make us all earn our positions."

Mercy took a 53-2 record into the semifinal against Oakland Activities Association foe Lake Orion. The Dragons, ranked No. 2 in the state, are responsible for one of those losses, defeating the Marlins in a late-August tournament.

Mercy, however, did not have Mruzik in the lineup that day as she was still competing with the national team.

The last time Mercy advanced to the state championship game was in 2010, when it lost to Marian. The Marlins have never won a volleyball state title.

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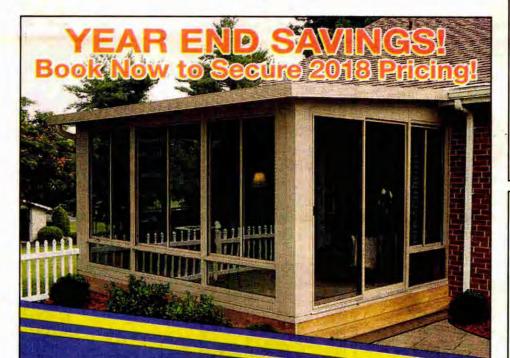
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SUMMARY OF **ORDINANCE NO. 3077**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10.03 OF ARTICLE X OF ORDINANCE NO. 543, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AND CITED AS "THE CITY OF LIVONIA ZONING ORDINANCE."

This ordinance amends the zoning ordinance to allow establishments having liquor licenses such as Class C, Tavern, Micro brewers and Brewpubs, to operate in conjunction with restaurants and other dining facilities as waiver uses in C-1 districts.

A true copy of Ordinance No. 3077 may be inspected or obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, First Floor, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan 48154.

Ordinance No. 3077 was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia held Wednesday, November 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

Susan M. Nash, City Clerk

Ordinance No. 3077 was authenticated by me on the 8th day of November, 2018.

Dennis K. Wright, Mayor

Approved as to form: Paul A. Bernier, City Attorney Dated: November 8, 2018 Published: November 18, 2018

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

The Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, Livonia, Michigan, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the purchase of: Paving at Coolidge Elementary School, Emerson Middle School, Frost Middle School and Churchill High School Bid

(See Attached Specifications)

Request for Proposal (RFP) documents can be obtained at the Livonia Public School Website, www. livoniapublicschools.org under the section titled DISTRICT, Purchasing Bids, 2018-19 school year, Open Bids OR the SIGMA Website, <u>www.michigan.gov/SIGMAVSS</u>. Please feel free to include additional pages of information if necessary. For bids to be considered they must meet or exceed all specifications herein.

Sealed bids marked Paving at Coolidge Elementary School, Emerson Middle School, Frost Middle School and Churchill High School will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 28th day November, 2018, in the Operations Office at the Board of Education complex, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan. Mailed bids should be sent to the attention of: Phillip Francis, Director of Operations, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154. Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.

A walk through will be held on November 15, 2018, starting at 10:00 a.m., at Emerson Middle School, 29100 W. Chicago, Livonia, Michigan; then Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Michigan; then Frost Middle School, 14041 Stark, Livonia, Michigan; ending at Coolidge Elementary, 30500 Curtis, Livonia, Michigan.

The Bid Opening will take place at 2:00 p.m. on the 28th day of November, 2018, at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Complex, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. No bids will be accepted after the date and time specified and will not be opened. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

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

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

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

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

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A walk through will be held on November 14, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., at Johnson Upper Elementary School, 8400 Hix, Westland, Michigan.

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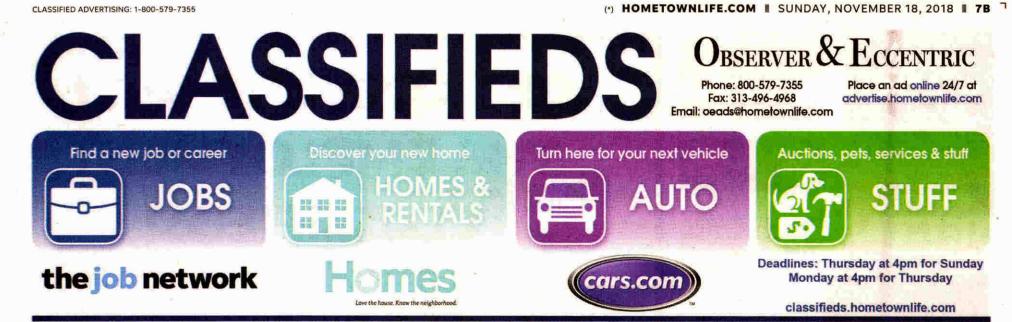
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Comparing your current position to a new job offer

Eric Titner thejobnetwork.com

If there's one thing you can count on as you travel along your career path, it's that you'll encounter some challenging decisions along the way-and the choices you make can have a lasting impact on your professional journey as you move forward.

Among those challenges you might encounter is the often-dreaded "position decision." Does the following scenario sound similar? While at your current job, you've been either an active or passive candidate for other positions and at some point, a new offer comes your way. It's like reaching a big fork in the road on your career path-do you choose to hold on to your current position or take a leap (and a possible risk) and make a change? What factors should you consider when weighing your options? How do you handle this without losing a step in your current workload and responsibilities?

The first step in this process is to acknowledge that when you're faced with making a choice between two options, you need to figure out what determining factors matter to you. These will help you weigh the pros and cons of each, and hopefully will bring you closer to making a reasoned and informed decision.

The following are some potential key



Consider all of the intangibles that impact your work life. GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCKPHOTO

a potential new one. Does one offer a significantly higher salary than the other? This calculation should include both immediate salary and long-term potential salary. (Remember, your decision shouldn't just be based on short-term considerations; instead, you should also factor in the long-term potential for each position.) Are the salaries for both jobs in the same ballpark? If so, then move on to other important variables to help you make up your mind.

Benefits

table. Does one job allow you the opportunity to work remotely, which aligns well with your lifestyle and needs? Does another have paid family leave and you're looking to start a family? Againweigh everything, and consider both your immediate and long-term needs and plans.

Culture and fit

In additional to more tangible factors like salary and benefits, make sure you consider all of the intangibles that im-

excite you and energize your more than the other? This can really help bolste your need for professional fulfillmen over the long haul.

Logistics

Consider the practical "nuts and bolts" of your job, which come into play when forming an impression of your po sition. What are the offices or work space like? Are they comfortable and in viting, and conducive to productivity' How about your individual workspace' Is one more attractive than the other' How do the commutes stack up agains each other? By this point you know the drill-make a list of the things that mat ter to you, weigh one job against the oth er, and see where things stand.

Long-term goals

What are your professional goals both in the short-term and across you professional journey? Take some time to consider your answer to this question carefully-it's an important one. Are you looking for opportunities for caree advancement? Are you looking to build your skill set and take advantage o learning opportunities? Do you want to make a difference in your field or indus try-or in the world at large? Whateve your goals are, which job is better posi tioned to help you achieve them? Obvi ously, this calls for a bit of speculation on your part, but make a job change i: always a bit of a leap-but you have the opportunity to make the jump (or not fully informed and with your eyes wide open.

determining factors that you can use to help you make the right decision.

Salary

For almost everyone in the world of work, salary is one of the primary variables when deciding on a job. You can use salary as a point of comparison when weighing your current job against

Many companies offer benefits packages along with salaries as an incentive to join their teams. Use these perks to help you decide which opportunity suits you best. Everything is fair game-from insurance to bonuses and vacation time, tuition reimbursement for furthering your education, and even retirement planning benefits should be on the

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pact your work life. Think about things like environment and culture of the company, along with your relationships with the people and teams you currently or will potentially interact with-because in many ways, these affect your day-to-day work life as much as money and benefits. How about the mission of the company you work for vs. the new potential company? Does one of them

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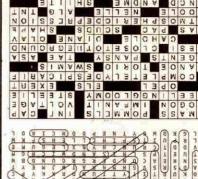
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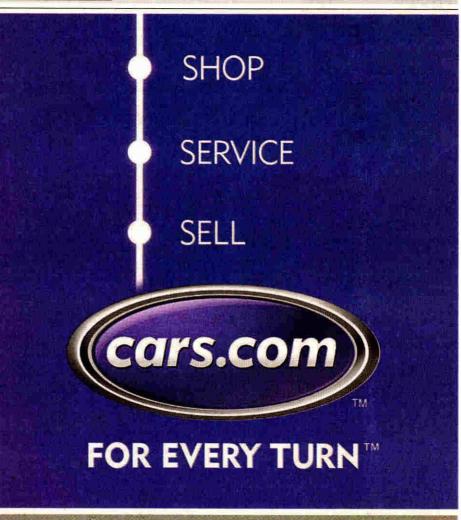
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> Asbestos Abatement at Niji-Iro Elementary School Bid (See Attached Specifications)

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Sealed bids marked Asbestos Abatement at Niji-Iro Elementary School Bid will be received until 12:30 p.m on the 28th day November, 2018, in the Operations Office at the Board of Education complex, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan. Mailed bids should be sent to the attention of: Phillip Francis, Director of Operations, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154. Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.

A walk through will be held Monday, November 19, 2018, at 3:30 p.m. at Niji-Iro Elementary School, 36611 Curtis, Livonia, Michigan.

The Bid Opening will take place at 12:30 p.m. on the 28th day of November, 2018, at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Complex, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. No bids will be accepted after the date and time specified and will not be opened. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

> Phillip Francis, Director of Operations Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road Livonia, MI 48154-5474 "Asbestos Abatement at Niji-Iro Elementary School Bid"

One (1) copy of the bid package should be retained for your files. Any questions regarding bid specifications should be referred to Harry Lau, Administrator of Facilities and Operations, hlau@livoniapublicschools.org, 734.744.2511, between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. EST. All samples should be sent to Harry Lau, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48154.

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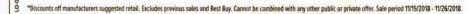
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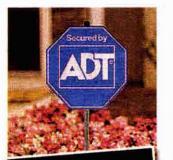
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