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Residents discuss Harrison's future

Visioning sessions allow for input to building's use

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Sandra Caldwell knows what she'd like to see at Harrison High School once it closes later this year: a fitness center. But even more than that, she said she

wants to see the facility planned for the school building be accessible to all.

"However they develop it, I want it to be affordable for all the residents to be able to take part," said Caldwell, a Harrison alumna. "Some of our classes, which are awesome and great and I'm sure are right-priced, are outpriced for

some people. If they could find a way for everyone to enjoy what happens."

Caldwell was one of many people looking to give feedback Feb. 16 at the Costick Center on the proposed plans for the high school, wrapping up its final months as an educational institution before it closes in June.

The second visioning session the city held saw more than 100 people attend to hear about proposed plans and pitch

their ideas for what the city of Farmington Hills should do once it acquires the school land at 29995 12 Mile. The plan is for the city to acquire the land for \$500,000 later this year once school wraps and begin work to renovate the space into some sort of community arts and recreation center.

That work will be bonded, said Ellen

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Plymouth native Sabrina Imamura played the role of Woman 1 in the hit Broadway musical "Hamilton."

ON BROADWAY

Plymouth actor shines in smash hit 'Hamilton'

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From Beck Road to Broadway, Plymouth native Sabrina Imamura's path to the pinnacle of performing arts has been nothing short of remarkable.

A 2009 graduate of Plymouth High School, Imamura flourished in the ensemble role of "Woman 1" in the smash hit Broadway musical "Hamilton" for two months in November and December after serving in the same position for approximately 18 months during the musical's first national tour starting in

2017.

Fueled by unyielding perseverance, a passion to perform, a ton of talent and some exquisite DNA, Imamura is the rarest of rare performers who can proudly stamp Broadway on their resume.

"I've been interested in the performing arts for as long as I can re-

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Vehicles targeted for break-in at Livonia gym

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Livonia police are warning gym-goers once again to be wary of what you leave in your vehicle while working out after a purse was taken from a vehicle.

Police were called the evening of Jan. 14 to Planet Fitness, 29475 Seven Mile, on the report of a larceny from an auto. There, police spoke to a 40-year-old South Lyon woman who said she arrived at the gym an hour earlier and parked her vehicle in the lot in front of the gym. When she came back out to her car later, she discovered the lock on her car door had been punched out and her purse was taken from out of the backseat.

The purse contained her wallet, which included her driver's license, cash and a debit card. The woman said no fraudulent transactions had been put on her card, which she was in the process of cancelling.

While police were speaking to the South Lyon woman, a 38-year-old Detroit woman approached officers and informed them her vehicle was damaged. She said someone had punched her door below the lock, but did not gain entry to her vehicle. She was at the gym roughly the same time as the other victim.

No exterior cameras were available for police to review footage.

Anyone with information surrounding the theft or damage to the vehicles is encouraged to call Livonia police at 734-466-2470.

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Police say a suspect stole a purse from the back seat of a vehicle parked outside the Planet Fitness near Seven Mile and Middlebelt. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Judge hears arguments in jail death case

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A Wayne County assistant prosecutor told 20th District Judge Mark Plawecki Friday morning the three Westland public safety officials neglected their duty by not offering an inmate in custody of Westland police care when he appeared to suffer a medical emergency back in 2017.

Those statements came as the three — former police Sgt. Ronald Buckley, as well as paramedics Leah Maynard and Matthew Dicosola — sat in the Dearborn Heights courtroom on Michigan Avenue during closing arguments in their preliminary examination on involuntary manslaughter charges over the death of William Marshall, an inmate at the police station who died in custody Dec. 10, 2017.

“We know that Mr. Marshall did not refuse care,” said Barbara Lanning, a Wayne County assistant prosecutor. “Mr. Marshall was not offered care.”

Closing arguments continued during the prelim Friday morning, which originally began last month. District Judge Mark Plawecki, who overheard the case, said he would make a ruling at a later time on whether to bind the three over on the involuntary manslaughter charge and the misconduct in office charges the three face.

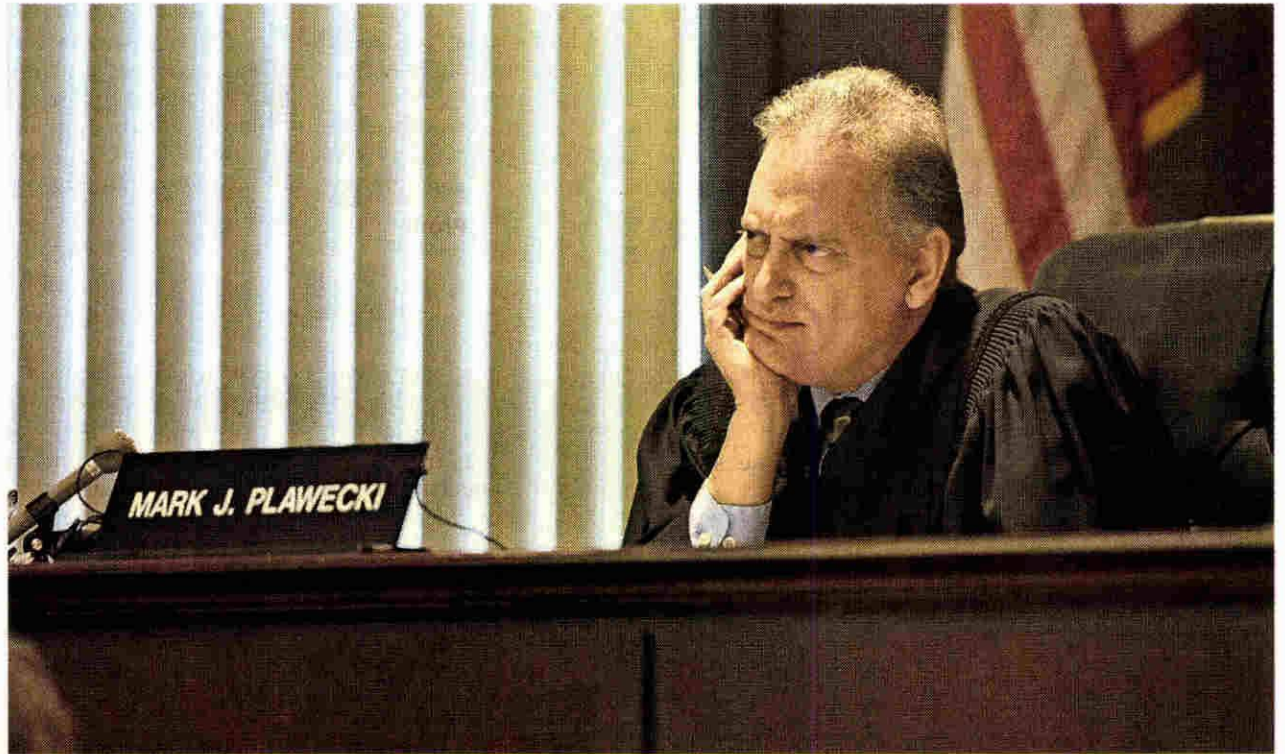
Marshall was arrested that morning and detained at the Westland Police Department back on the morning of Dec. 10, 2017. Later that morning, he began reacting negatively to an amount of cocaine that he had swallowed and another inmate called to officers for help. Prosecutors claim Buckley, the shift commander at that time, and Maynard and Dicosola, who responded to an original call, did not do enough to attempt to save his life. Marshall died from the intake of drugs.

Marc Hart, a defense attorney representing Dicosola, said there was no evidence connecting his client to any foul play, claiming there was no intent to cause any harm to the victim as he did not know Marshall had swallowed the cocaine at the time.

“How in the world is the prosecution going to make



Defendants (from left) Leah Maynard and Matt Dicosola, both paramedics, and former police Sgt. Ronald Buckley at their Jan. 18 preliminary exam in Dearborn Heights. JOHN HEIDER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Judge Mark J. Plawecki listens to information given during a preliminary exam of defendants Ronald Buckley, Matt Dicosola and Leah Maynard at the Dearborn Heights courtroom Jan. 18. JOHN HEIDER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

the argument that my client knowingly intended to injure Mr. Marshall?” he said. “There’s nothing in this record to suggest that he, in any way, shape or form, that he intended to cause harm to Mr. Marshall.”

The three were charged last fall after a review of evidence by Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy. Separately, the city of Westland settled last year with Marshall’s family in a civil case for \$3.75 million.

Michael Rataj, the defense attorney representing Maynard, said his client and Dicosola were “scapegoats” for several other public safety officials that interacted with Marshall that morning.

He said if Marshall had swallowed the cocaine earlier before he got to the jail, other police and public safety officers could have reacted.

“They didn’t call for the paramedics,” he said. “They did nothing.”

There was no official timetable given in court for when Plawecki would decide on whether he would bind the three over to Wayne County Circuit Court.

If convicted, the three would face a maximum of 15 years in prison. The three remain out of custody on bond.

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Prosecuting attorney Barbara Lanning begins to sum up the case against three defendants Jan. 18 in the Dearborn Heights courtroom of Judge Mark Plawecki in the manslaughter death of William Marshall in 2017 in the Westland jail. JOHN HEIDER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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CWW elects new leadership team

The Conference of Western Wayne, an association of 18 chief elected local officials in Michigan's largest county, announced that it has selected its new 2019 leadership team.

The CWW 2019 Executive Committee is composed of chairperson Supervisor Robert Nix II (Northville Township), vice chairperson Mayor Kerreen Conley (Belleville), secretary Supervisor Pat Williams (Canton Township), treasurer Mayor Byron Nolen (Inkster) and chair emeritus Mayor LeRoy Burcorff (Romulus), who led the CWW the last year.

"I am truly grateful to serve the 18 communities in western Wayne County that make up this organization," Nix said. "Our board has met monthly for nearly four decades, to take positions on state and federal legislation and county matters. Our primary focuses include: local government, public safety, substance use prevention, transportation and community and economic development. Our region is the most populated in the county and we pride ourselves on



The 18 members of CWW selected the new leadership team at its board meeting Jan. 11 in Northville Township.

working together to promote western Wayne."

The CWW is a bipartisan group that works collectively to discuss mutual is-

sues, share information and generally improve the quality of life for the nearly 700,000 residents who live in the region. CWW also serves as the 9-1-1 Ser-

vice District for western Wayne County.

CWW communities are the cities of Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus, Wayne and Westland and the townships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and Van Buren.

The CWW area is 340 square miles, bordered by Washtenaw County to the west, Oakland County to the north, the city of Detroit to the east and Monroe County to the south.

Despite the diversity of size, economic development and population density, these communities have been working together to enhance this area of Wayne County for nearly 40 years.

"All of our 700,000 residents and 340 square miles are impacted by the decisions and laws that are made at the federal, state and county levels," Nix said. "It is vital that we continue to collaborate in order to create the best solutions possible to the challenges we face."

Suspects identified in Livonia 'smash and grab'

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Livonia police say the suspects arrested earlier this month in Oakland County for "smash and grab" crimes at Costco are suspects in a similar crime that took place Jan. 2.

Police say two of the same suspects were arrested after taking police on a chase starting at the Costco in Commerce Township. Suspects Raphael Simmons, 17, of Detroit and JaJuan Profit, 18, of Highland Park were arrested Jan. 7 after taking police on a chase from the store east of M-5 through West Bloomfield before being arrested on the West Bloomfield/Bloomfield Township border.

Livonia police say those two individuals, along with others, are suspected of a similar crime Jan. 2 at the Costco at

13700 Middlebelt. Police say the suspects entered the store in the evening wearing dark clothing and covering their faces. A greeter told police she tried to ask for membership cards, but was ignored.

A short time later, a loud crashing noise was heard near the jewelry case and she saw one of the suspects leave out the door and another suspect swinging a black hammer as they left. One suspect, 17-year-old Detroit resident James King Stoval, was tripped by an employee and tackled, where he was held until authorities arrived, police said.

After the incident in Commerce Township, Livonia police suspected there may be a connection to the incident at the Costco in Livonia. Officers



Profit



Simmons

spoke to Profit and Simmons while they were lodged in the Oakland County Jail on those charges filed in relationship to the Commerce Township Costco crime.

After more investigation, police were able to connect the two and submitted a warrant to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, which appeared to be approved in the court's online records. Lt. Charles Lister of the Livonia Police Department said Thursday morning that the two had not yet been arraigned in Livonia's 16th District Court.

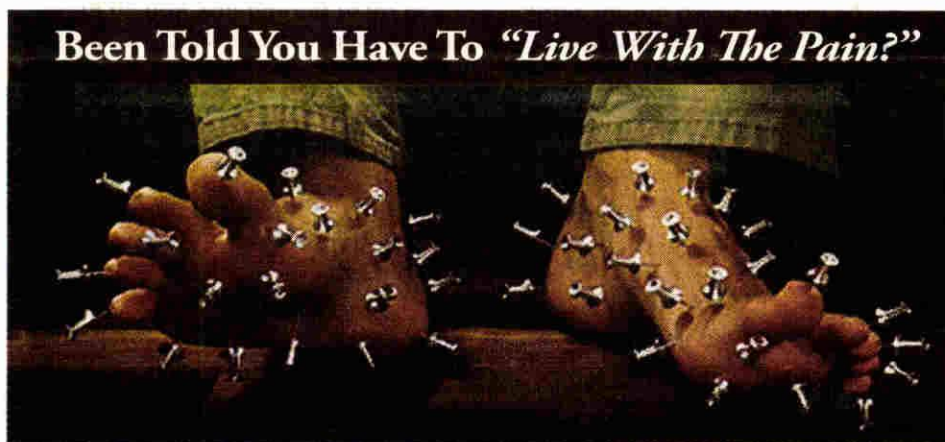
Those Livonia charges will include armed robbery, first-degree retail fraud and malicious destruction of personal property \$200 or more but less than \$1,000. If convicted, the two face up to life in prison.

Stoval was charged earlier this month with first-degree retail fraud and malicious destruction of personal property \$200 or more but less than \$1,000. If convicted, he faces up to five years in prison.

It's believed the suspects could be connected to other similar crimes in metro Detroit, including thefts at Somerset Collection in Troy and Partridge Creek in Clinton Township.

Both Simmons and Profit remain locked up in the Oakland County Jail as of Jan. 17, with Simmons held on a \$350,000 cash or surety bond and Profit on a \$500,000 cash or surety bond, according to online jail records. Stoval is being held in the Wayne County Jail on a \$20,000 cash or surety bond, according to Wayne County Jail online records.

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Harrison

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Schnackel, director of special services for the city. Work is expected to begin in October and last about a year for a targeted opening date of fall 2020 for the center. Some activities are expected to shift from the Costick Center on 11 Mile to the Harrison site as well.

The session Wednesday was to get more feedback from residents and interested stakeholders. That feedback collected so far wasn't a big surprise to Jeff Zona, a senior associate at Troy-based Integrated Design Solutions, a firm assisting with the city's work at the center.

"Everybody has their own main interest," he said. "There's absolutely nothing negative. It's all been positive."

The plans currently call for renovations to take place on the first and second floors and could include features such as a fitness center, recreation pool and fine art facilities.

Such a project is doable, Zona said, because so many of the elements the community has requested are already in place, such as the theater and swimming pool.

"The one cool thing about the school is the facility has a lot of components that are already in the building," Zona said. "It's an old school, it's updated. We have to update it per code, we have to update the look of everything because it's not a very attractive look right now."

Carl Christoph, a parks and recreation commissioner, has seen some large projects developed in the city, including Founders Sports Park on Eight Mile. But the Harrison project, he said, has a different feel to it.

"I think the momentum on this is more intense," he said. "Because this is such a diverse project, there's more community support and community involvement than anything else."

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Mark Reaves with Integrated Design Solutions talks to a guest at the open house to discuss the future of Harrison High School. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Farmington Hills resident Sandra Caldwell writes down what she would like to see at the Harrison site. DAVID VESELENAK | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Actor

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member," said Imamura, who has lived in New York City since 2013. "My mom (Jennifer) was a classical pianist, so she signed up my older sister (Tatiana) and I for piano lessons and dance when we were young.

"I can remember growing up, there were times before piano lessons I would ask, 'Do I have to go?', which I never did with dance lessons. I loved dance. But looking back, I'm so thankful I continued piano until my senior year in high school, because it helped me learn so much about music — things that I still use today."

Imamura's pre-Broadway credentials are stellar. In addition to performing two summers with The Joffrey Ballet, she sparkled as a featured dancer in "The Stars of Ballet and Broadway" at the Detroit Music Hall and even participated as a contestant on Fox's "So You Think You Can Dance."

When asked who had the biggest influence on her success, Imamura didn't hesitate to say her mother Jennifer, a former model and classical pianist, and her father Nich.

"As a mother, anytime my children succeed in something, especially something that not too many people can succeed in, it makes me incredibly proud," Jennifer Imamura said. "Whenever I see Sabrina on stage for anything, I get emotional and cry."

"For her last show (Dec. 30), she was the only cast member leaving, so they have a tradition where after the remaining cast take their bows, the performer who is leaving steps forward and bows. I really lost it then."

'Big Apple' bound

Not long after graduating from the University of Michigan in 2013 with a bachelor of fine arts degree in dance and art history, Imamura moved to New York, where she made ends meet by freelancing as a contemporary ballet dancer, actor, bartender and waitress/hostess — basically, whatever it took.

"There are things I miss about Plymouth: the hometown aspect, the greenery and, of course, my family. But I am obsessed with living in New York," she said. "Wherever you go — except the touristy places like Times Square — people are always on the go, always grinding, always in a rush."

"The feeling here is, like, there are only so many minutes in a day and we'd better use every one we can. I love the energy. New York is an amazing city."

Imamura eventually signed as a dancer and model with an agent at MSA Talent, igniting her career on Broadway.

"My agent asked me if I'd be down for going out to some Broadway auditions and I said, 'Sure!'" she said. "I had visited New York several times with my family when I was young and we'd always try to see a Broadway show."

"The only drawback was that I was on a contemporary ballet track and I had never taken vocal lessons.



Sabrina Imamura is pictured with "Hamilton" creator Lin-Manuel Miranda.

That's where my piano experience helped me, in a sense, because it made me more of a musical person and I could hear notes well."

Breaking barriers

When it came to securing roles on Broadway, Imamura's Asian-American ethnicity — her father Nich is Japanese, her mom is Polish — was detrimental, until "Hamilton" came along.

The Tony Award-winning musical is based on the life of founding father Alexander Hamilton — with a twist. The cast is diverse (Thomas Jefferson is played by an African-American, for example) and many of the songs have hip-hop and soul beats.

"Our cast looks like America looks now and that's certainly intentional," "Hamilton" creator Lin-Manuel Miranda told the New York Times in 2015. "It's a way of pulling you into the story and allowing you to leave whatever cultural baggage you have about the founding fathers at the door."

The concept proved beneficial for Imamura. "Due to my ethnicity, I'd get audition calls mostly for Asian-themed musicals like 'The King and I' and 'Miss Saigon,' but not the more mainstream shows like, for example, 'Rent,'" Imamura said. "When my audition for 'Hamilton's first national tour came up, I

didn't get my hopes too high, because there were hundreds of actors who had been auditioning for many, many months for just 11 ensemble spots."

Imamura was called back for a second pressure-packed audition that stretched from 9:30 a.m. to after 8 p.m. — exhausting and exhilarating at the same time, she said.

"We were asked to perform different routines and dance numbers from the show, then they'd make cuts," she said. "Then we'd be given another number and there'd be more cuts. Toward the end of the day, they asked me if I could stick around and sing for them. That made me very nervous, because I was not a trained singer."

"I sang two songs, then the composer of the show called me over to his piano and asked me to sing 'Take Me Or Leave Me' from 'Rent.' After I performed it once, he said, 'Can you up the octave for me?' Even though I wasn't real confident, I said, 'Sure!'"

A few weeks later — with her parents in New York to help her move into a new apartment — Imamura's agent called.

"I missed the call because we were moving things," she said. "When I called her back, she said, 'Where are you? Put me on speaker!' Then she told me I had made the cast of 'Hamilton's first national tour and that I'd have to move to the West Coast. I couldn't stop smiling."

Up to the challenge

Over the ensuing 18 months, Imamura would perform in close to 400 three-hour shows — sometimes twice a day — six days a week, in cities including San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego.

"I loved it," she said. "In a lot of shows, the ensemble cast are kept in the background, but not in 'Hamilton.' They encouraged us to make each track our own performance. Everyone got to sing a solo or got a few lines in a speaking role."

The grueling 18-month journey eventually took a physical toll on Imamura's body, forcing her to step away and move back to New York.

The big break

Just a few months into her time away from "Hamilton," Imamura received a life-changing email from her agent.

"The girl who played woman 1 for the Broadway show had to take a leave of absence, so they wanted me to cover for her," Imamura said. "My debut on Broadway was an unreal moment. Even though I had performed the track between 300 and 400 times, I was still nervous before that first show."

"A friend of mine was planning to attend one of the shows and she asked me if she'd be able to see me (on stage). I said, 'Oh yeah, you'll see me!' I covered for two months. I wish it could have been longer, but it was an unbelievable experience."

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Man with fraudulent credit cards in car charged

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A vehicle acting suspiciously in Livonia led officers to dozens of fraudulent credit cards discovered in a traffic stop earlier this month.

Officers were patrolling around Six Mile and Newburgh during the early morning hours of Jan. 15 when they saw a vehicle pull out from the parking lot at Buffalo Wild Wings. The vehicle then attempted a U-turn to avoid police, catching the officers' attention. After running the license plate, police discovered the vehicle owner had a warrant out for his

arrest. The vehicle was followed to Mallory, south of Six Mile, and police pulled it over near Newburgh and North Sherwood Court. Police spoke to the driver, 24-year-old Naquante Stanton of Redford, who said he did not have a driver's license and said the vehicle was his uncle's, who was allowing him to drive it. After checking, police discovered Stanton's license had been suspended 13 times and he had two convictions for driving with a suspended license. He also had warrants out of Dear-



Stanton

born Heights and Chesterfield Township.

Stanton was detained by police, who then searched the vehicle. They found a backpack full of dozens of credit cards and a magnetic credit card reader. At least one card with Stanton's name was located in the backpack. Fifteen more cards were located in his wallet, police said. He was arrested and taken to the police station for processing.

While at the station, police checked the found credit cards and discovered they were fraudulent and several were blank. At least one of the cards matched a fraud case in Farmington Hills and another matched a case out of White Lake

Township. Stanton was later charged with 57 criminal counts, including 39 counts of possession of a fraudulent financial transaction device, eight counts of stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without consent, nine counts of forgery, alteration or counterfeiting a financial transaction device and one count of operating a motor vehicle while license suspended, according to online court records.

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Time to start thinking about tax documents and filing

Money Matters
Rick Bloom
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

It's just about tax time once again, so I thought I would run through a few thoughts about taxes that, hopefully, will help you during this season.

The first issue you should always remember is that, ultimately, you and I are responsible for our own tax returns. If we hire a tax preparer that doesn't follow the law and the IRS assesses additional taxes and penalties, you and I are responsible. That is why it's so important that, if you are going to hire someone to do your tax return, make sure you hire a professional and someone who is dedicated to staying current with the tax law. Remember, this year we have a new tax law and it's important that your preparer is up to date with it. Just because you used a certain tax preparer last year does not mean you should automatically use the same preparer this year.

This time of year, we are about to receive 1099s, W-2s and other tax information. It is important that you save this information for when you prepare your tax return. Remember, when you receive something like a 1099 or a W-2,

keep in mind that the IRS is also receiving those same documents. If for some reason you do not report a 1099 or something of that nature, you will find that you're opening yourself up for IRS scrutiny and I can assure you no one wants that. As you begin to receive your tax information, make sure you have a file to save the documents until needed. If you are not sure if something should be saved or not, save it. It's better to be safe than sorry.

It's important when you do hire someone to do your tax return that you find out the cost up front. Completing tax returns is no different than any other professional service and whomever you use should be able to give you a good estimate of what your return will cost to prepare. If someone won't quote you a fee, it's probably a good sign that you should look elsewhere.

For many, there is a way for you to complete your tax return free online using tax preparation software programs. The IRS, for the last 15 years or so, has partnered with a variety of tax preparation software companies to offer free software. To qualify for this, your income has to be \$66,000 or less. According to the IRS, about 70 percent of Americans are eligible for this software. To access the software, all you need to do is to go to IRS.gov and click on "free

file."

For those concerned that the software is through the IRS, you don't have to be. The software offered is through private companies such as TurboTax. If you meet the income requirements and, particularly, with the new tax law where filing tax returns should be easier for the majority of people, taking advantage of the IRS free tax preparation software program is something you definitely should consider.

There has been lots of talk this year that, because of the government shutdown, people will not receive their re-

fund until the stalemate is resolved. That's not necessarily the case. According to the IRS, tax refunds will be issued despite the government shutdown. For those who are going to get refunds, there is no reason to delay in filing your returns.

Good luck!
Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like him to respond to questions, email rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.



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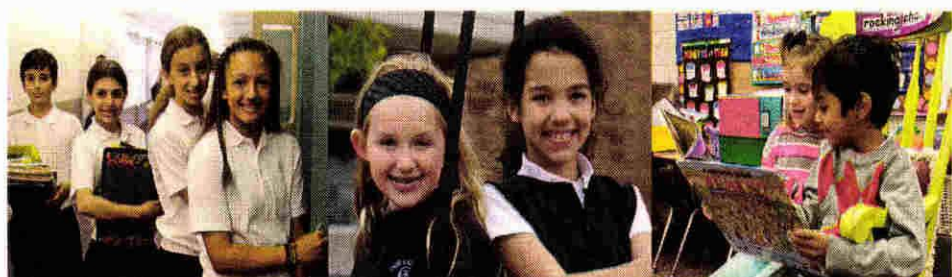
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Preschool open house

A preschool and child care open house will take place from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 26, at the William P. Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, in Westland. Parents can preview Westland-area preschools and child care centers. Staff from the schools will have a table set up, ready to answer questions and provide information on their programs.

No registration necessary, just drop in.

Dementia educational series

Enriched Life Home Care Services, 10811 Farmington Road, in Livonia will be hosting a series of five seminars on dementia, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 23, April 20 and May 25. The purpose of this series is to help break down the myths, stigma, and isolation for those living with dementia and their families.

The seminars at free and open to those who want to learn from speaker Carol Waarala, an expert with more than 20 years of experience in the field. Space is limited and reservations are required at 734-744-6477.

Inspire Theatre auditions

Inspire Theatre will be holding auditions for its upcoming production of "Leading Ladies" 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28, and Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Westland Center for the Arts, 33455 Warren Road. There will be (adult) roles for five males and three females of varying ages.

Arrive before 6:30 p.m. to fill out paperwork. Plan on staying entire time. Wear comfortable clothing. Cold readings. For more information, go to inspiretheatre.com.

W-W Distinguished Young Woman

The next program orientation for the Wayne-Westland Distinguished Woman program is set for 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28, at 37955 Glenwood in Wayne. Any high school junior girl, who attends a high school in Wayne or Westland, may register at any time. Go to www.distinguishteddyw.org and click on "Apply Now."

The Wayne-Westland Distinguished Young Woman Program will take place Friday, March 8.

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, Feb. 3, 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 Bob at 734-728-1247.

'Comedy Tonight' at Inspire Theatre

Inspire Theatre of Westland will kick off the new year with "A Comedy Tonight," an original comedy about a reboot of a 1980s musical-comedy-variety show.

The play runs through Feb. 3. Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased at inspiretheatre.ticketleap.com or by calling the box office at 734-751-7057. Inspire Theatre is located in the Westland Center for the Arts, 33455 Warren Road.

Widowed Friends

Widowed persons of all ages and faiths can attend a bereavement support series to help deal with the emotions and other issues often experienced following the loss of a spouse, scheduled for 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 3 through March 10, at St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh Road, in Livonia. For more information or to register,

call 734-591-7879.

Parent Night at Wayne HS

Wayne Memorial High School, 3001 Fourth Street, will be hosting an eight-grade parent night for those transitioning to ninth grade or interested in getting more information for the 2019-20 school year at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5. Students do not have to be currently attending a Wayne-Westland Community Schools district school to attend.

Topics covered will include scheduling, graduation requirements, testing out requirements, direct college courses, AP courses, extracurricular activities and more. Parking is available in the Glenwood Street parking lot and guests should enter through the front of the auditorium. For more information, call the counseling department at 734-419-2215.

Livonia Garden Club

The Livonia Garden Club will hold its next monthly meeting Tuesday, Feb. 5, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road. A meet and greet is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., with the meeting at 7 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Lisa Eldred Steinkopf, known as The Houseplant Guru, who features all things houseplants on her blog, thehouseplantguru.com. She has recently had a book published: "Houseplants, The Complete Guide to Choosing, Growing, and Caring for Indoor Plants."

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 II on the fourth floor. Feb. 5, 12 and 19 are the next series dates.

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

Compass Alliance luncheon

Detroit Tigers chaplain Jeff Totten will share his spiritual journey during the Compass Christian Business Alliance luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman Road, in Livonia. Totten plans to speak about "Building a Team to Accomplish a Goal."

The luncheon is open to the public and the cost is \$20. Tickets are available at michigancompass.org/westernwayne.

Friends used book sale

The Friends of the Westland Public Library will conduct a used book sale Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 7-10, at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. Hours are 3-6 p.m. Thursday (preview sale), 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 3 p.m. Sunday (bag day, \$4 per bag).

Scrapbooking event

Ss. Simon & Jude Church, 32500 Palmer Road, in Westland will host a scrapbooking event from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16. The event will include breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks and beverages all day. There will also be a raffle and vendors on-site.

The cost is \$35 for full day or \$20 for half day per person. For more information, call 734-721-4867.

SouthernCare Hospice volunteers

SouthernCare Hospice is seeking caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to help with office tasks, to serve as friendly visitors for its patients. Their service area includes the counties of Livingston, Monroe, Oakland, Wayne and Washtenaw. Volunteers set their own schedules and typically donate about two hours of their time per week.

The next volunteer orientation is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, at 17900 Victor Parkway, in Livonia. For more information or to apply for an interview, call 734-522-0069.

Livonia chamber to host Daniels

The Livonia Chamber of Commerce will host a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, at the Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, featuring as guest speaker Ken Daniels, the television voice of the Detroit Red Wings. Daniels lost his son Jamie at age 23 to an opioid overdose in December 2016.

The luncheon is sponsored by St. Mary Mercy Livonia and Growth Works, as both are becoming more involved in the opioid fight in western Wayne County. For more information, call 734-427-2122 or email tahmouch@livonia.org.

Kindermusik with Grandfriends

Educators from Evola Music of Canton will present Kindermusik with Grandfriends, an innovative concept for bringing generations together through music and play, at 11 a.m. the first Saturday of each month at Angel Gardens of Livonia, 38910 Six Mile Road.

This monthly intergenerational program will include singing, playing, dance and and more and is open to all ages. Families receive a small gift to take home. Register by calling Evola School of Music at 734-455-4677.

LPS swim classes

The Livonia Public Schools district offers swim classes for infants/toddlers, youths and adults, as well as lap swim and water aerobics, at Churchill High School, 8900 N. Newburgh Road. Classes meet 5:45- 9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday for eight weeks.

For more information or to register, call 734-744-2602 or go to www.livonia-publicschools.org and click on the Community link.

Livonia Towne Club meeting

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

when it's the second Thursday).

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.

For more information, call Vicki at 734-591-3254.

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.

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.

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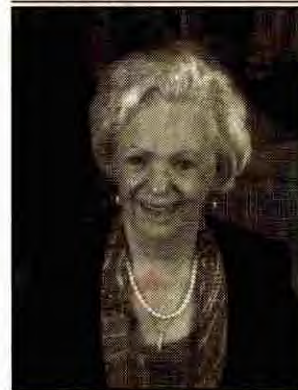
The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Livonia Post 3941, 31611 Plymouth Road, will be hosting a euchre tournament at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday. The fundraiser is to support the post. All are welcome. Entry fee is either \$8 or \$10. For more information, email vfw3941@gmail.com.

Food pantry

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

Obituaries

To place an ad, call 586-826-7171 or visit mideathnotices.com/place.php



Shirley Joan Henry

-- Shirley Joan Henry Age 85. December 12, 2018 Beloved wife of Robert L. Henry, Jr.

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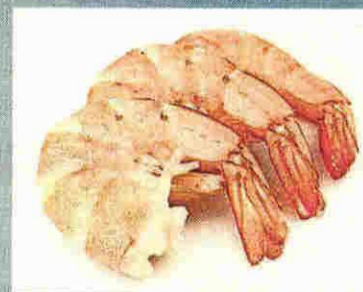
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PREP WRESTLING

Observerland draws top talent

Churchill to host 18-school field Saturday, Jan. 26

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After a four-year hiatus, Westland John Glenn is back in the fold for the Observerland Invitational wrestling tournament.

The Rockets, currently ranked No. 8 in Division 1 by MichiganGrappler.com, will be sending its 'A' team for the 28th annual tournament, set for Saturday, Jan. 26, at Livonia Churchill.

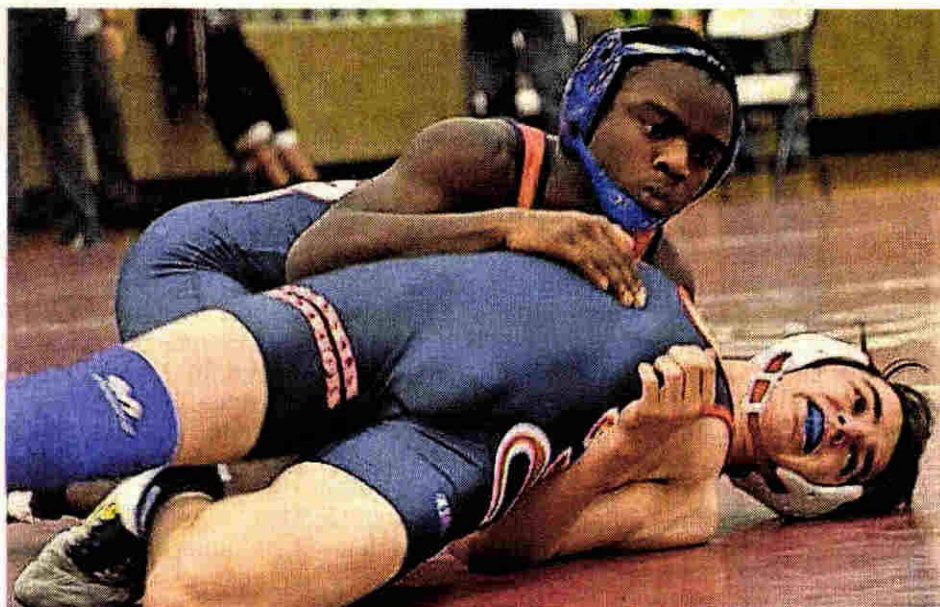
Monroe Jefferson will not return to defend its Observerland title, opting instead to go to the Marysville Invitational.

However, the second- and third-place finishers from last year, Novi Detroit Catholic Central Varsity White and

the Glenn 'B' team, both return.

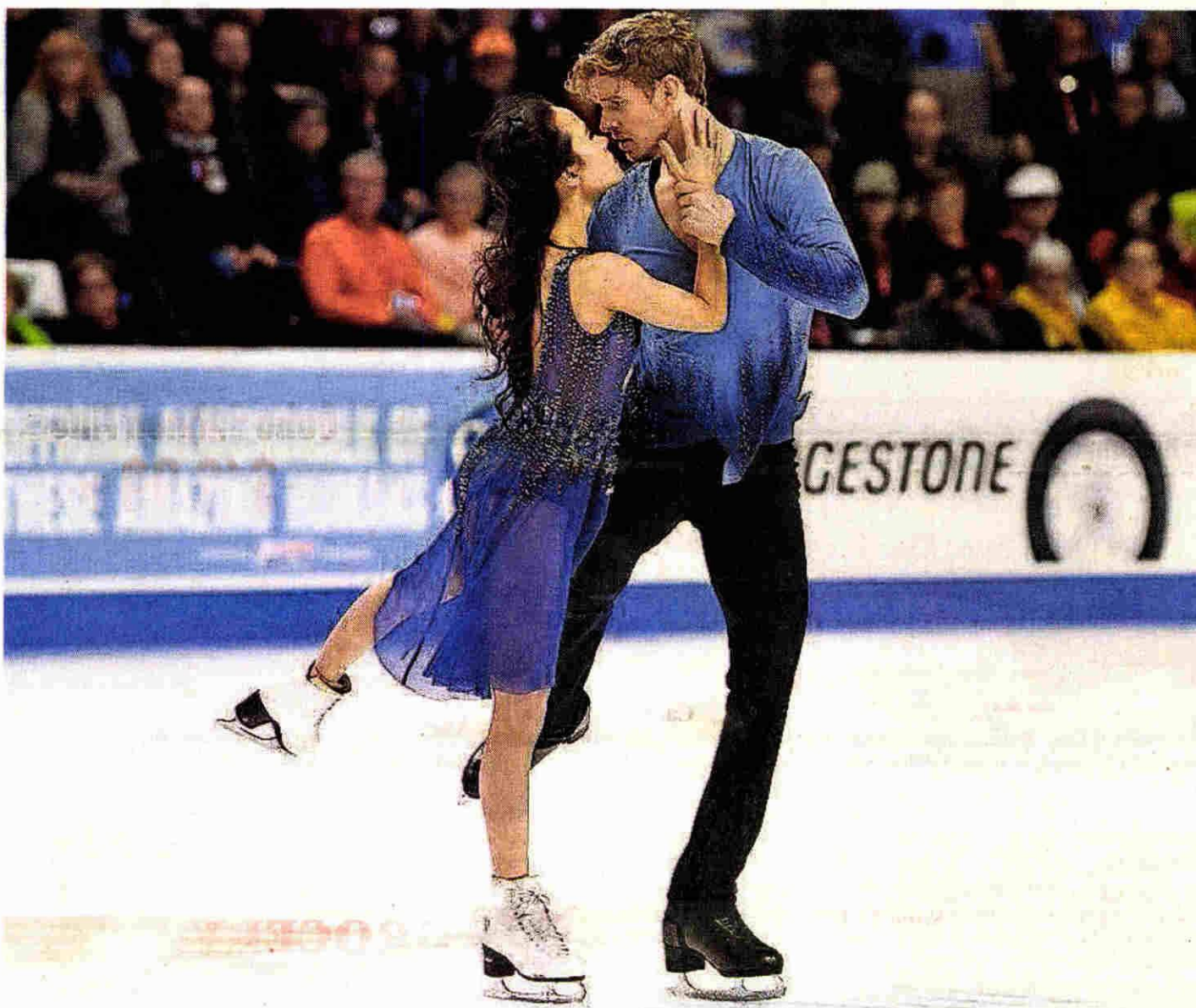
"In the last few years, we've gone out to Yale, an individual tournament, a round-robin, and it's been great, but we won the tournament for four or five years in a row, so I just figured it was time to move on and try something else," Glenn coach Bill Polk said. "It seems like Observerland has a few different teams in there than the past. We were wrestling the same people for a while. I searched around and looked at a lot of options and when I talked to the coaches over there (at Churchill) they said I could bring two teams, so that kind of made my decision easy just so I can bring more kids and watch them all wrestle under one roof."

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John Glenn's Caleb Meekins, the 125-pound Wayne County champ, takes down Franklin's Jimmy Polk. TIFFANY BARNUM

FIGURE SKATING



Madison Chock and Evan Bates recently competed in Poland, taking a first place, in preparation for the U.S. Figure Skating Championships this week in Detroit. JAY ADEFF | U.S. FIGURE SKATING

Back for a visit

Ice dancers Chock and Bates feeling re-energized after move to Canada

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A change of scenery is apparently just what the doctor ordered for two-time Olympic ice dancers Madison Chock and Evan Bates.

The two, who represented the U.S. in

the 2018 PyeongChang Games (placing ninth) and the 2014 Sochi Games (placing eighth), have embarked on a new frontier as they changed their skating operations from the Novi Ice Arena to Montreal, Quebec.

After seven years (2011-18) with

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Madison Chock, a 2010 Novi High grad, and Ann Arbor native Evan Bates are two-time Olympians headed to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships at Little Caesars Arena. U.S. FIGURE SKATING

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

For OSU's Jordan, the decision to go to NFL wasn't easy

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Michael Jordan figured it was time again to call out the moving trucks.

Whether it's Mayflower, Atlas or North American Van Lines, the three-year starting offensive lineman at Ohio State — after much thought — decided it's time to load up, with the National Football League as his next destination.

After starting 41 straight games for the Buckeyes, which featured a successful move from guard to center his junior season, the Canton native and Plymouth High grad now finds himself training in Pensacola, Fla., for the NFL Scouting Combine (Feb. 26 through March 4 in Indianapolis) in preparation for the NFL Draft (April 25-27 in Nashville).




Jordan

Leaving Columbus is certainly tough for Jordan, who ended his career on high note after helping OSU to a 13-1 record, including wins in the Rose Bowl and Big Ten Championship game, not to mention a convincing 62-39 victory in the season finale against arch-rival Michigan.

"I just feel I was ready to play at the next level," Jordan said. "I talked with my parents, prayed about it, talked to coaches, talked to a bunch of people. I had a bunch of great teammates at Ohio State. It was so hard to leave them, but I just felt it was the right decision for me."


Making the move from guard to center in 2018, Jordan continued the Buckeyes' recent run of All-America-

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Churchill's Hage up for national award

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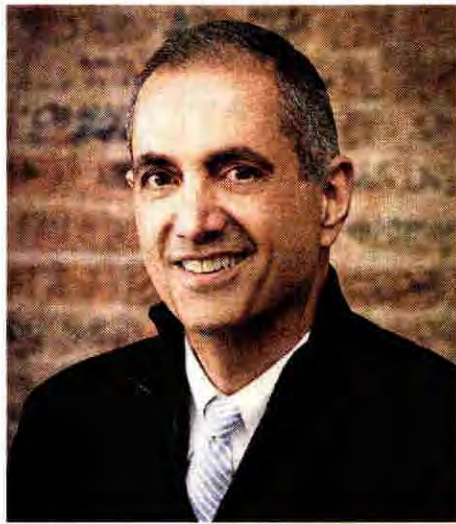
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Livonia Churchill athletic director Marc Hage is among the state's eight finalists for a prestigious award given annually by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association, the professional organization of school coaches and athletic directors.

Each of the eight finalists will be honored, along with the Coach of the Year, during the NHSACA's annual conference June 22-27 in Bismarck, N.D., where more than 500 coaches and athletic directors will participate.

Among others from the state nominated for NHSACA Coach of the Year are: Leon Braisted III (Birmingham Marian), girls golf; Dan Griesbaum (Grosse Pointe South), baseball; Emeott David (East Kentwood), boys track and field; Tim Simpson (Lansing Catholic), girls cross country; and Betty Wroubel (Pontiac Notre Dame Prep), volleyball.

The selection and nomination for awards comes from each sports' association and through the Michigan High School Coaches Association. The NHSACA selection of the Michigan finalists is based on the performance of their programs over the years and/or



Hage

their contribution to the sport, school and community.

The 59-year-old Hage is a graduate of Churchill High and Michigan State. He has worked for the Livonia Public Schools district since 1990 and, prior to that, was a physical education teacher at Holt and Berkley.

"I am honored and humbled by this nomination," said Hage, who has been Churchill's A.D. since 1997. "Athletics

have always been a labor of love for me and I have been the beneficiary of ardent support throughout the years. This would not be possible without the guidance and assistance of the Livonia community and our parents, the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, the Livonia Churchill coaches, superintendent Mrs. Andrea Oquist, our Central Office staff, the athletic administrators of the KLAAs, my own family and, of course, the student-athletes at Churchill."

In March, Hage will also be recognized in Traverse City by the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association, as he'll receive its highest honor as state Athletic Director of the Year.

During his 22-year run at Churchill, Hage has been named the MIAAA's Region II Athletic Director of the Year twice (2002 and 2011). He also was also awarded the MIAAA's George Lovich State Award of Merit (2014) and was a recipient of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Allen W. Bush Award (2015).

He has also served as past president of the Western Lakes Activities Association and Kensington Lakes Activities Association (2014 to present). He is the

KLAA's commissioner for boys and girls soccer. Hage was also instrumental in the transition phase from the WLAA to the KLAAs in 2007-08.

The NHSACA is a 54-year-old association with nearly 335,000 members serving as athletic administrators and all levels as coaches in numerous high schools and junior/middle highs throughout the country.

Partnered with the Michigan High School Coaches Association, the NHSACA works to promote the educational value of interscholastic athletics and the role of athletic administrators and coaches.

"This nomination is shared with all of you as we have traveled down this road together," Hage said. "Please keep in mind that when the days of educational athletics come to a close for many high school athletes, the word 'student' will always come first in the phrase 'student-athlete.' I am so grateful for all of you and thank you for allowing me the opportunity to grow and prosper, which has been a direct result of my association with each of you."

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Dancers

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coach Igor Shpilband in Novi, the team separated from their long-time coach and began training last summer with three new coaches in Marie-France Dubreuil, Patrice Lauzon and Romain Haguenauer.

The new partnership is in its infant stages as the 26-year-old Chock, a 2010 Novi High grad, and the 29-year-old Bates, an Ann Arbor native, return home for the 2019 GEICO U.S. Figure Skating Championships this week at Detroit's Little Caesars Arena.

"The move to Montreal has been really good for us on a lot of levels," Bates said. "First, I think like what Maddie spoke about, things can get stagnant for a while. And for us, it's been training for me in Michigan my whole life and for Maddie for 13 years and so we I think we needed a change just to feel reinvigorated for the next four-year cycle. And then, obviously, there's something really special going on in the camp in Montreal. You see the success that they all have, especially at the Olympics. We knew that if we could move, that would be the place that would spark our passion again and give us the daily competition we were craving."

Following the Olympics and the World Championships last March in Milan, Italy, where they placed fifth, Chock underwent surgery for a bothersome ankle, which removed some chipped bone fragments that hampered her throughout that 2018 season.

"I needed to put my health first and make that a priority," said Chock, a California native. "I was just kind of holding on last season and pushing through because the Olympics were the most important thing. It really gave me time to focus on my health and some things I needed to do. But also it gave us a bit of a different perspective when we came back."

The move to Montreal has been beneficial on many different fronts for the dance pair, who have twice earned a medal in the International Skating Union Worlds (silver in 2015, bronze in 2016) as well as winning the 2015 U.S. Nationals.

"It kind of reignited our passion for skating," Chock said. "We realized there's a lot of things we take for granted and I think skating was one of those things. I found since I've been off and had a nice long chance to miss skating, when I came there was some much more joy and just pureness, like I just felt I was reliving for the first time when I was a little girl when I learned how to skate and everything was exciting. But of course, it was a bit frustrating because we wanted to go 100 percent right away, but it was a really nice transition into the next phase of our careers and I'm really happy that we took time off trying to evaluate our careers and appreciate what we've done and set goals for what we want to accomplish in the next few years."

Their return to the ice, however, was delayed. They pulled out of the scheduled competition last November at the ISU Grand Prix in Helsinki, Finland, before officially making their comeback Jan. 8-12 at the Mentor Toruń Cup in Poland, where they placed first overall,



Ice dancers Evan Bates (middle) and Madison Chock (right) visit with their fellow #TeamNovi skaters and the media during the 2018 Olympic send-off celebration at Novi Ice Arena. BRAD EMONS | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

winning both the rhythmic dance and free dance.

"We had a great time in Poland. It was our first competition in 10 months and I can tell you it felt like a very long 10 months, but it felt really, really great to be back competing again," Chock said. "We had a really good first outing. We felt like we performed our programs well for the first time. We're really excited about our material this season. Our main goal is to get people excited about our skating again as much as we are, because we have a new-found inspiration and passion for skating that we haven't felt in a long time, so we're really excited to share that with everyone this season."

Getting back into the swing of things, however, has proven to be a challenge for the Michigan duo.

"We were really a little nervous for the short dance, especially," Bates said. "There's no simulation for competition and we train a lot and we felt really prepared. The programs feel like they're in a good place, but then when you get to the competition and the moment arrives, there's nothing like it. We were a little bit nervous for the first time out and maybe it showed a little bit, especially in the short dance, but I think the free dance was a really good skate for us. It was something we had been waiting for a long time. We finally got the opportunity to compete and perform and it just felt like a relief, honestly."

Under the direction of Shpilband for seven years, Chock and Bates reached the podium six straight times at the U.S. Nationals. They were also two-time Grand Prix Final silver medalists (2014-15, 2015-16) and a four-time Four Continents medalists (2013, 2015, 2016, 2017) in addition to being the U.S. Nationals champs (2015).

Depending on their draw, Chock and

Bates are scheduled to skate 3:55-5:50 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, in the championship rhythmic dance. They will conclude their performance with championship free dance set for 6:15-8:55 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, at Little Caesars Arena.

"Our goal for U.S. championships and beyond this season is simply to show the way we're feeling about our own skating, which is why we're very excited," said Bates, a University of Michigan grad. "The passion never dies, we just needed a spark again and feel re-invigorated. We're very excited about the direction it's going for us. We wanted to get other people excited about it. Whatever the placement is at Nationals, we'll certainly be able to live with it knowing that we're heading in the right direction."

The coaching change has given Chock and Bates a new lease on their skating life. It's challenge, but a welcomed one, nonetheless.

"There's no wrong way to skate, but there are different schools of thought," Bates said. "It's interesting, because Maddie and I have been trained by Russians for our entire careers. Marie and Patrice have never been trained by Russians their entire careers, so I think we're seeing a different approach. We're going to find some middle ground between our previous techniques (and) the new techniques that we're learning and it's going to evolve. But there's certainly a lot that we have learned and it's been very exciting. For, I like learning and skating. To be 29 and come to a new school, I feel like I'm learning new things and I'm getting better. It's very exciting and Maddie is feeling the same way. We're just excited to go to the rink in the morning, work on basics, work on stroking and, obviously, in championships and we're in season right now."

The native language in Quebec is French, but the pair have been able to forge new friendships along the way and have made a smooth adjustment to life away from home.

The distance, however, between Montreal to Detroit is 522 miles, a more than nine-hour drive.

"Both of our parents both live in Michigan, so it was especially difficult during the holidays, because we weren't able to be with all of them," Chock said. "His parents came up for Thanksgiving and my parents came up for Christmas, but it's different because we didn't get to see everyone. We were trying to keep our focus, because we had the competition coming up, so we didn't get that real holiday, family, Christmas-time experience that we usually get. We were a little homesick, but it was great that our parents came up to visit us for a little bit."

This is the first time since 1994 that the U.S. Figure Skating Championships have been staged in Detroit (then it was at Joe Louis Arena). The last one is best remembered for the national media stir it created following the attack on Nancy Kerrigan while she was at a practice session next door at Cobo Arena.

Chock and Bates will certainly savor their time being back home.

"It's been a long time since the U.S. Championships have been in Detroit and we're really happy to be able to perform in our hometown when they come back to Little Caesars Arena, which we actually got to see a few weeks ago and it's a beautiful venue," Chock said, "and we'll definitely have friends and family out there to support us, so that will be great."

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MLS SOCCER



Michigan Bucks player Brad Dunwell, who started 91 games at Wake Forest, was taken in the third round of the MLS SuperDraft by the Houston Dynamo. JAY DUNWELL

Five Bucks selected in latest MLS SuperDraft

Former standout MSU goalie taken by new MLS franchise FC Cincinnati

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The Michigan Bucks of the Premier Development League continue to replenish Major League Soccer after five of their players were taken in last week's MLS SuperDraft.

Among those selected was former Michigan Jaguars youth player and Michigan State goalkeeper Jimmy Hague (Walled Lake Western), taken in the second round with the 30th pick overall by the expansion FC Cincinnati.

Hague became the second former Jaguars player drafted into MLS — joining midfielder Ken Krolicki (Canton/MSU), who appeared in 19 games during his rookie year with the Montreal Impact — and the first product of the Junior Jaguars development program to reach the professional ranks.

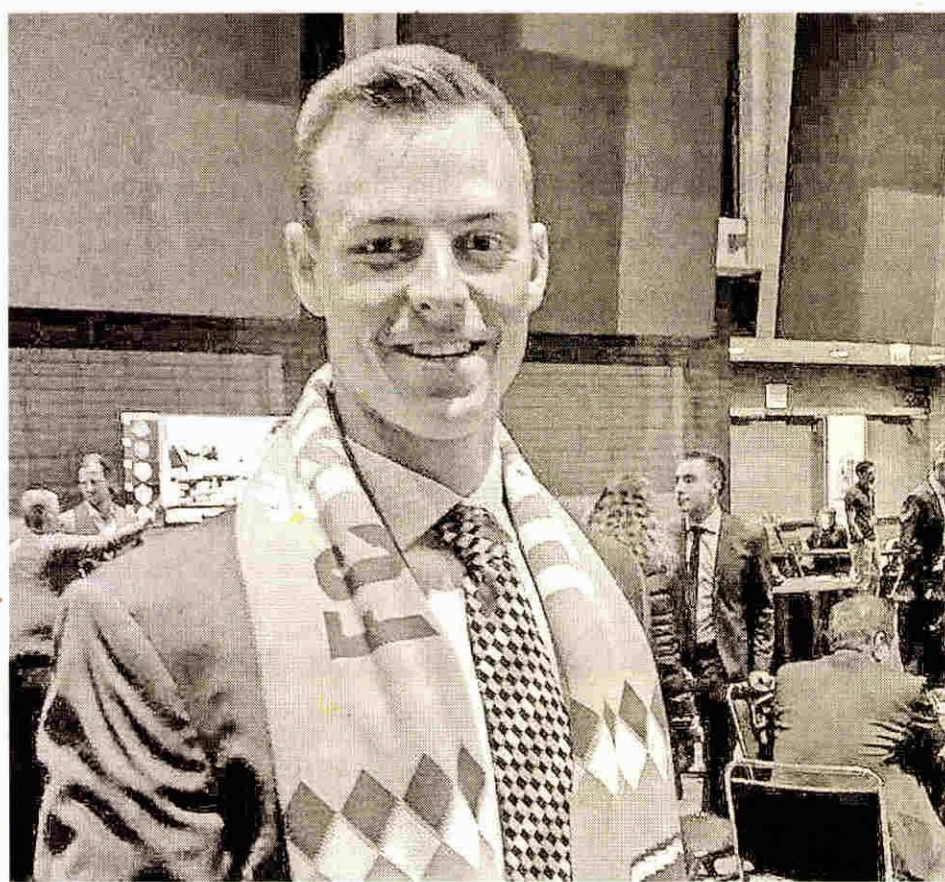
Hague will join former Northville High and MSU standout Fatai Alashe on the Cincinnati FC roster.

"Honestly, it feels incredible," said Hague, who was on hand for his selection in Chicago. "This is a dream come true and this is a moment I'll cherish for the rest of my life."

Hague began his soccer career in the early days of the Junior Jaguars program and eventually worked his way up through the Novi-based club.

In 2012, Hague was part of the 1996 Boys Green team, along with Krolicki, that captured the U.S. Youth Soccer National Championship. During that tournament, Hague was awarded the Golden Gloves as the best goalkeeper in the tournament.

"We are extremely proud of everything Jimmy has accomplished thus



Former Michigan Bucks goalkeeper Jimmy Hague was all smiles after being taken in the second round of the MLS SuperDraft by the expansion Cincinnati FC.

MICHIGAN JAGUARS

far," Michigan Jaguars Executive Director Paul Tinnion said. "We have known Jimmy since he was a kid and it was rewarding to see him drafted after all the hard work he put into soccer in his years with our club."

After high school, Hague spent five seasons at MSU, where he led the Spartans to an NCAA Final Four berth in 2018. He earned numerous Big Ten honors, including all-Big Ten first team and Big Ten Goalkeeper of the Year in 2017.

"I basically say I got to Michigan State because of the Jags," Hague said in an interview prior to the draft. "My

relationship with the coaches, I knew I had them for a lifetime."

Hague started all last summer for the USL League 2 Bucks, the most storied franchise in the history of what was formerly known as the Premier Development League.

The selections cemented the Bucks' annual legacy in the MLS SuperDraft being the only team in the world that has had at least one player selected or signed in every SuperDraft since its inception in 1999, when Jeremy Aldrich (Mattawan/ Butler University) heard his name called by the Miami Fusion.

The other four Bucks players going in the MLS Super Draft included:

■ **Marcello Borges (Kearney, N.J./Michigan):** The attacking defender from U-M was also selected in the second round (28th overall) by the Colorado Rapids.

Borges, a two-time all-Big Ten second team player who led the Wolverines to a 12-6-2 record, became the 78th player in Bucks history to be selected or signed by an MLS team.

■ **Grant Stoneman (St. Charles, Ill./Loyola of Chicago):** The Missouri Valley Conference Defender of the Year and three-time all-MVC first-team player will stay close to home after being selected by the Chicago Fire with the seventh pick of the third round (55th overall).

■ **Brad Dunwell (Grand Rapids/Wake Forest):** A mainstay with the Bucks and second-team All-America with the Demon Deacons, he was taken with the eighth pick of the third round (56th overall) by the Houston Dynamo.

The midfielder spent four summers with the Bucks as they captured the Hank Steinbrecher Cup, two regular season and two playoff titles, including the coveted 2016 PDL North American Championship.

At Wake Forest, Dunwell was a four-year starter and team captain, starting all 91 games and leading the Demon Deacons to a 73-11-7 record, more wins than any other Division I program in that time.

■ **Joey Piatczyc (Lee's Summit, Mo./West Virginia):** The midfielder was selected in the fourth round (84th overall) by the New York Red Bulls.

Piatczyc is West Virginia's all-time assists leader and guided the Mountaineers to an unbeaten Mid-American Conference record and regular season conference title in 2018.

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Jordan

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quality play at that position. He followed Rimington Award winners Pat Elflein (2016) and Billy Price (2017) and fueled an offense that set Ohio State and Big Ten records for yards total offense per game.

Jordan has started every game over the past three years and is a two-time all-Big Ten selection. As a guard, he was a freshman All-American in 2016 and first team all-Big Ten pick in 2017.

He made the move to center in 2018 and the results for the Ohio State offense were historic. Ten times this season the Buckeyes totaled 500 or more yards total offense, including 567 against Michigan — at the time, the nation's No. 1-ranked defense.

Jordan was named All-America by two organizations. He's a first team pick for SI.com and earned second team honors from the Walter Camp Football Foundation.

"The thing I'll miss most about Ohio State is, No. 1, the family," Jordan said. "The brotherhood there is unbelievable. It's unreal. I'm also going to miss playing in front of Buckeye nation and, obviously, I'll miss my coaches."

Jordan, who hopes to go in the top 100 picks this April, got the blessings from outgoing OSU coach Urban Meyer to declare for the NFL Draft.

"Urban Meyer is a great coach," Jordan said. "We have a pretty strong relationship. When I declared (for the NFL), he called me and said, 'I'm going to support your decision.' That meant a lot to me and he's always been with me every step of the way. He got the best out of me. Whether I liked it or not, he got the best out of me."

Jordan is one of only six OSU players to start their first game as a true freshman. The last offensive lineman to do it was Orlando Pace, who went on to become an NFL Hall of Fame player.

Jordan was born in Fairfield, Ohio, moved to Kentucky as a preschooler, but continued to attend elementary school in Ohio until re-locating with his family to South Carolina during the middle of his sixth-grade year.

He arrived at Plymouth as a freshman in high school and showed promise quickly on the gridiron.

"Coach (Mike) Sawchuk is the one who really started it all," Jordan said. "He saw something in me after my freshman year in high school, going into my sophomore year, when he moved me up to varsity and gave me a chance. It was really hard, but each and every day he gave me a chance to compete and start at right tackle when I was a sophomore. I ended up winning the job and starting both ways. He just pushed me to become a better player."

Jordan, who also wrestled and participated in track and field, graduated from Plymouth High a semester early to enroll at OSU in January 2016.

"The toughest adjustment was getting used to the college workouts," Jordan said. "And the toughest ad-



Ohio State's Michael Jordan switched from guard to center for the 2018 season. KIRK IRWIN | OHIO STATE DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS

justment was managing the football and school at the same time. It's basically like a full-time job."

Jordan was asked to switch to center prior to the 2018 because there was a need. His NFL stock may rise now that he can play two positions, but he prefers one over the other. He is ranked the No. 3 center in this year's draft class, according to ESPN's Mel Kiper Jr.

"I'm a guard," Jordan said. "The toughest adjustment (to center) was most definitely the repetition, just getting accurate with the snap. It was at first a struggle, but I picked it up right away."

Ironically, Jordan received an scholarship offer from Michigan before getting one from OSU, but growing up in southwest Ohio, he was rooted in scarlet and gray.

"I've always been a Buckeye fan," Jordan said.

Jordan leaves OSU with a 3-0 record against Michigan. A victory in 2016 over Penn State ranks as one of his signature highlights, right along this year's season-ending drubbing at the Horseshoe over the Wolverines.

"It was really just the preparation," Jordan said. "We don't just prepare that week for Michigan. We prepare all year long, January until Michigan week. Against Michigan, it all came together and it was just amazing."

Jordan said he needs 20 more credits to graduate and is currently taking three online classes while training in Pensacola. He is being represented by the Miami-based sports agency Rosenhaus Sports.

During his spare time, Jordan treasures being with friends and family. He occasionally goes out for a movie, likes to roller skate and play video games.

Whenever Jordan's name will be called during the NFL Draft, he'll more than likely have to have the moving trucks on call.

"My favorite (NFL) team growing up was the Cincinnati Bengals," Jordan said. "I would not be upset at all if they drafted me."

And wouldn't that be quite the homecoming for Michael Jordan?

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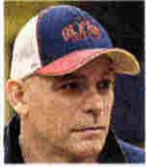
Wrestling

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Among other hometownlife.com area schools entered in the 18-school field are host Churchill, Wayne Memorial, Salem, Farmington, Farmington Harrison, North Farmington, Northville and Birmingham Brother Rice.

Also in the field are Berkley, Grosse Pointe South, Detroit Mumford Academy, Ortonville Brandon, Rochester and Waterford Mott.

"One of the reasons I decided to go back is just because these guys have never wrestled in it," Polk said. "And Observerland was such a strong tradition. For years and years, it was one of the toughest tournaments around. It was kind of the bragging rights for the area. But I think the tournament changed for a while and I don't think it was competitive. And you've got to change it up sometimes ... I figured we'd change it up after four or five years."



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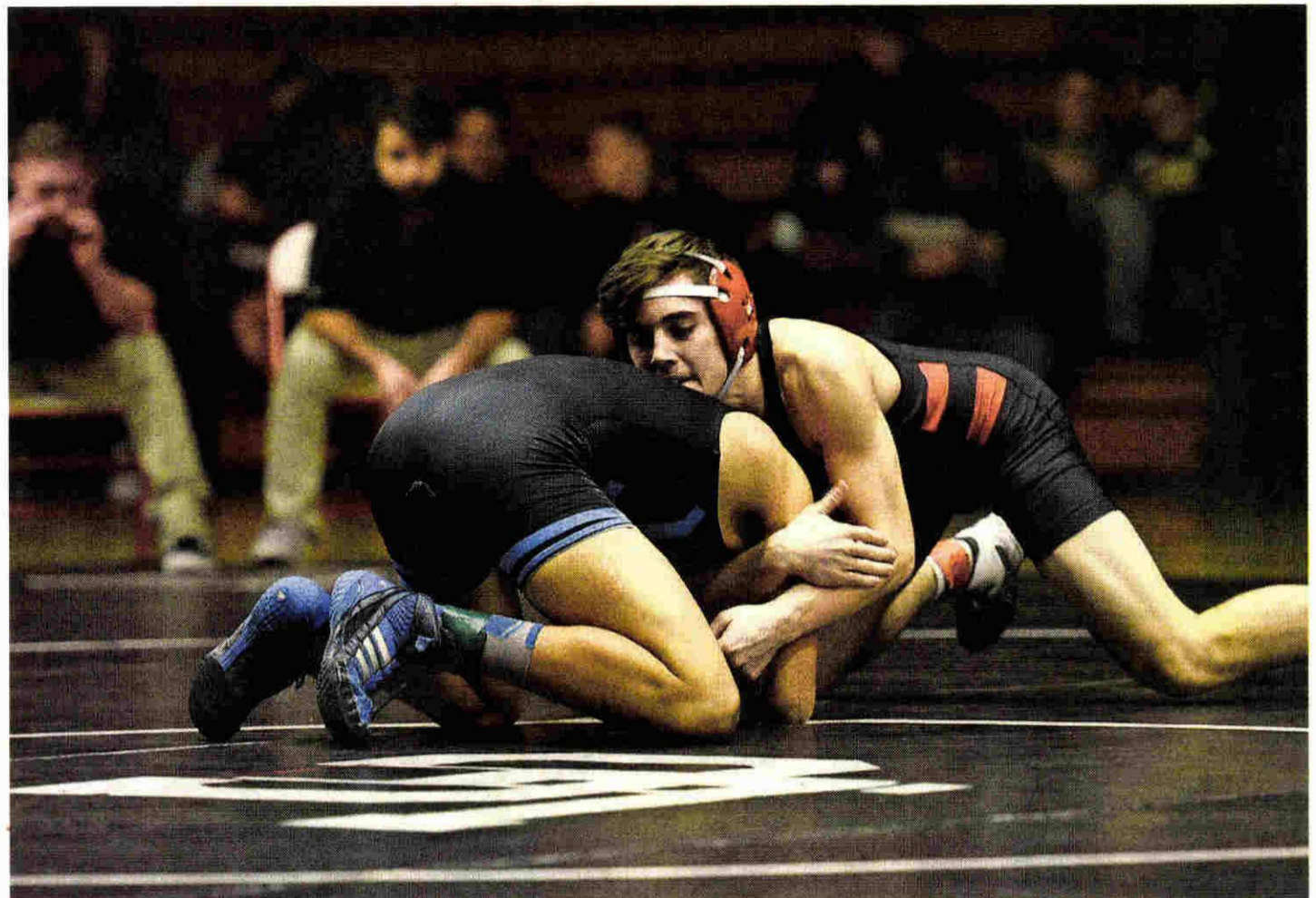
The Rockets are off to a solid start this season, capturing the Seasons Beatings Christmas Duals at Pinckney and the Wayne County Invitational, while also placing second behind top-ranked Detroit CC's Varsity Blue squad in the

Rocket Duals.

"I still think we can be better, but we're having a pretty decent year," said Polk, who guided Glenn to a D-1 team state quarterfinal berth last year. "We graduated a lot, but I knew this team would be just as strong and, at the end of the day, I feel that they are. But we've got to stay healthy and we still have a lot of improving to do before the post-season, because we're definitely not ready yet."

Glenn will be led by a trio of state placers, all ranked in the top 10 in their weight classes by MichiganGrappler.com.

Leading the way is Caleb Meekins, a senior at 125 pounds, who has only two



Churchill's Drew Bush (right) takes on Waterford Mott's Darian Lindemier during last year's 135-pound Observerland championship match. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

losses so far and is ranked No. 4 individually in his weight class by MichiganGrappler.com. Meekins was fourth in last year's Division 1 individual state finals.

"I think Caleb is going to be a state champ at the end of this year," Polk said. "He's very, very close right now. I think he's in the top three or four kids in his weight class and I feel Caleb is superior. He's just lost a couple of close matches this year, which is only going to make him hungrier at the end of the year. But I think he's really going to have a really good shot of winning the whole thing. Hopefully, he's the next state champ. Who knows?"

Meanwhile, Glenn senior Kyle Borthwell has just one setback all season and is ranked No. 4 at 135. He finished fourth as a freshman and fifth as a sophomore in the state finals, but had to default in last year's regional because of an injury. "Kyle is probably the most talented

kid in my room," Polk said. "He's been wrestling a long time. His technique is solid. He was banged up a little bit this year, which kind of hurt him conditioning-wise for a little while. But he seems like he's back on pace and his conditioning the last week or so ... he lost his first match at Catholic Central (Invitational) and I think it was a little bit of a wake-up call. So everybody needs that and I think the top three or four in his weight class can beat each other. I think he's got just as good of a chance of winning as anybody else does."

Polk's nephew Brenton Polk (145) is ranked No. 5 in the state after placing eighth in last year's Division 1 state finals. He is sporting a 26-3 record so far this season.

"It's gone by fast and I can't believe he's a senior already," Bill Polk said. "Brent is kind of the poster child of what our program is all about really. He didn't start until he was in eighth grade. He

went through the ranks of starting as a JV wrestler to building himself up to varsity. Last year, he took eighth in the state so he got up on the podium and this he's having a great season."

Another top 10-ranked wrestler in the mix is Salem senior JaQuan Baker, who is No. 10 at 171.

Yet another wrestler to watch is Churchill's Drew Bush, a returning Observerland champ at 135, who took upper weights MVP honors. He is Livonia city champion this season at 140.

Farmington's Donovan King, a senior, is also back after being out with an injury last year. He placed fifth as a heavy-weight in the Division 2 state finals as a sophomore.

Action begins at 9 a.m. and admission is \$5 per person.

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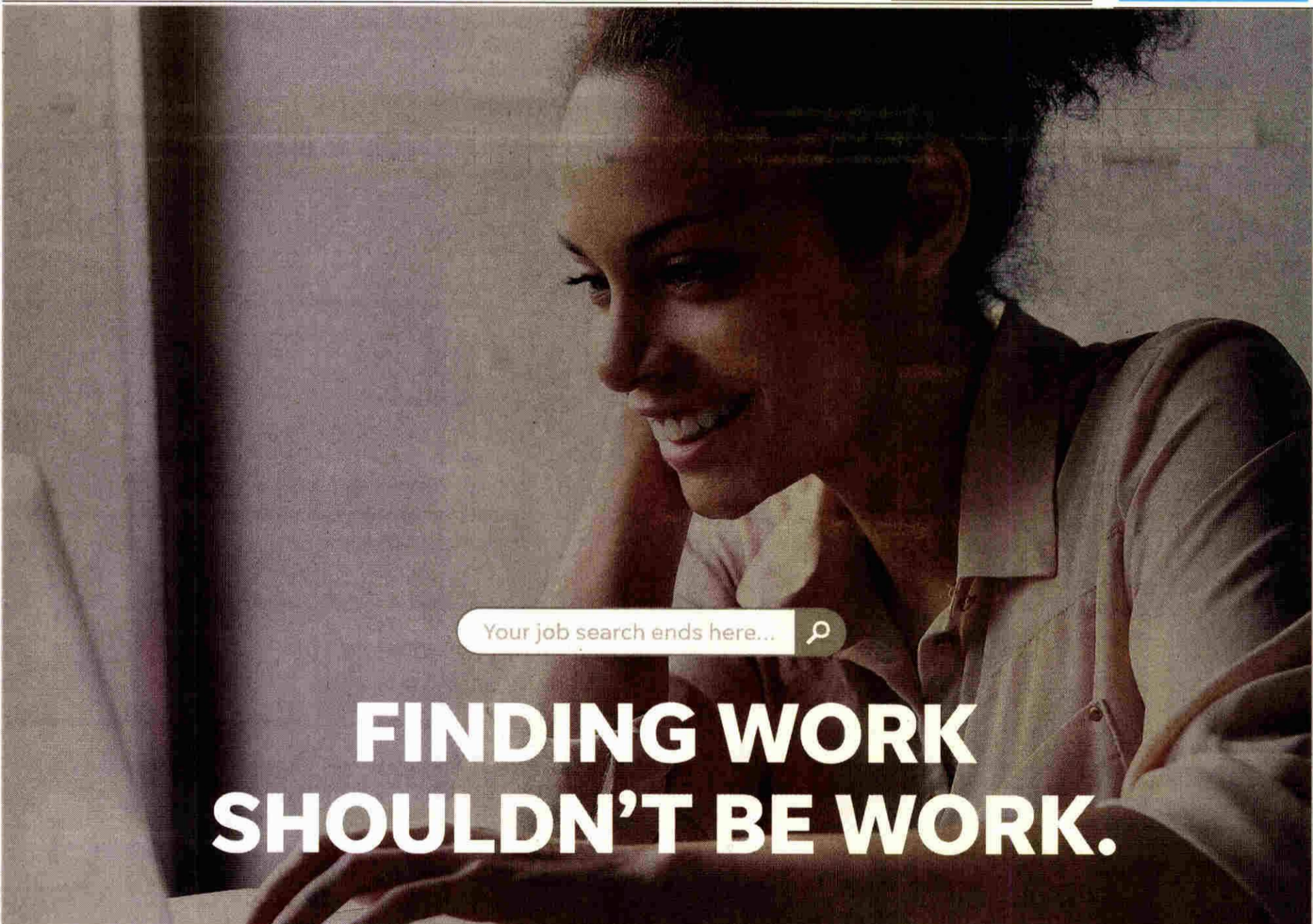
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CROSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS

- 1 Much of the Western Hemisphere, with "the"
- 9 Accuse of misconduct in office
- 16 Aloe —
- 20 Base for some dressings
- 21 Tiny sand bit
- 22 Kiln, for one
- 23 Group of shorthand pros throwing dice?
- 25 "— all been there"
- 26 Remember
- 27 Fork out
- 28 Russian news agency
- 30 Lip
- 31 Monet works
- 32 Besides that
- 34 Take a hammer to one's Mexican coin?
- 38 — Cola
- 40 Part of LED
- 41 '60s protest
- 42 Study every method of seizing defaulters' property?
- 47 Small knapsack
- 49 — Island (immigrants' gateway, once)
- 50 Pull back (in)
- 51 Liveliness
- 52 Andrew Lloyd —
- 54 Command to list a team's players?
- 61 "Last Stand" general
- 63 Watergate senator Sam
- 64 In want
- 65 \$\$\$ source
- 66 Particular style of rounded roof?
- 71 Rail support
- 72 Crackly
- 75 Implied wordlessly
- 76 Sticky — (tough spot)
- 79 Jazz instrument that tightens your face when you play it?
- 84 C.S. Lewis' land
- 86 Tropical kin of a raccoon
- 87 Rumble (up)

DOWN

- 1 "Ad — per aspera"
- 2 HBO host Bill
- 3 Pick by ballot
- 4 — avis
- 5 Shrine figure
- 6 Amass
- 7 Feel malaise
- 8 Missteps
- 9 Rapper — Azalea
- 10 Wife's title
- 11 Butter slice
- 12 Suffix with benz-
- 13 Mommy or Daddy's sis
- 14 Loose coat
- 15 Novelist Hermann
- 16 Promise
- 17 Actor Sloane
- 18 Drop in again
- 19 Flowerlike sea polyp
- 24 Scot's denial
- 29 Vidal of hair care
- 33 Bert who played a lion
- 34 Drink a bit of
- 35 Besides that
- 36 Ave. crossers
- 37 Trudeau of Canada
- 38 Baby beds
- 39 Beginning
- 40 Lairs

DOWN

- 42 Ayres of "Holiday"
- 43 Prefix with acoustics
- 44 74-Down in egg whites
- 45 Poetic "always"
- 46 — de Janeiro
- 47 Small, silver fish
- 48 Sheepskin boot brand
- 51 X minus two
- 53 Like blood
- 55 Choppers
- 56 Go wrong
- 57 Campers, for short
- 58 Warming in hostilities
- 59 Particular issue
- 60 Bagel variety
- 62 Go in circles
- 65 Perform
- 67 Long skirt
- 68 "Green" prefix
- 69 CEO or prez
- 70 Diary author Anais
- 73 Part of ESL
- 74 Product of amino acids
- 77 Freightage
- 78 Word before Kat or Glue
- 80 Coll. entry exam
- 81 Baseball's Vizquel
- 82 Preceders of xis
- 83 Preceder of tee
- 85 Year, in 46-Down
- 88 Brothers, e.g.
- 90 Donating
- 91 Jennifer of "Friends"
- 92 Redgrave of "Atonement"
- 93 Cpl., for one
- 94 Resistance unit
- 95 —wee Herman
- 96 More wacky
- 98 GM security system
- 101 Cosmic bursts
- 102 Party invitee
- 103 To and —
- 104 "No kidding!"
- 105 Smarts
- 106 Carpet nails
- 107 Paper printer
- 110 Cold treats
- 112 Inactive
- 113 Musician Tennant
- 115 Hedge shrub
- 117 "... boy — girl?"
- 118 Umpire's cry
- 119 Winter worry
- 120 DOJ division

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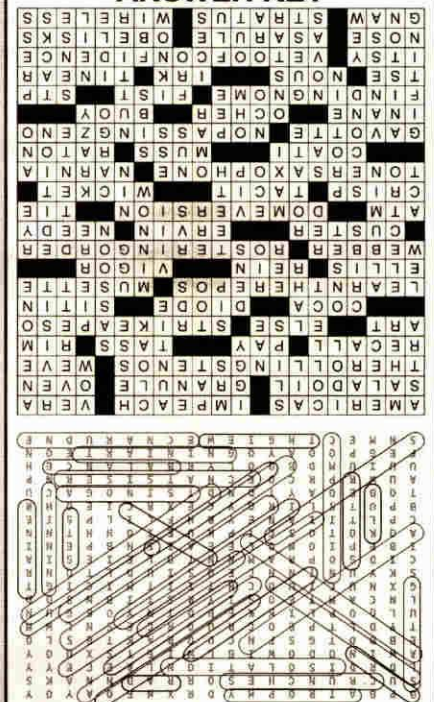
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JANUARY 15, 2019**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. PRESENTATIONS: to former State Rep. Bob Kosowski; from City Att. on Recreational Marijuana Law; from K. Sample on City Audit; from Plante Moran on Financial State of the City. APPROVED: agenda; minutes of rescheduled meeting of Jan, 8; Declare Feb. as Black History Month; Second Reading and publication of Ordinance #2019-01; re-app't. of W. Coleman, A. Damitio and D. Waas to the Bd. of Review; re-app't. of L. VanStipdonk to the Lib. Bd.; of Revenue and Expenditure Report; Chg. Order #1 w/ Altech Doors; Chg. Order #1 w/ Great Lakes Contracting; app't of Giamarco, Mullins & Horton for Legal services; proposal from EMPKO Inc. for Police Chief Assessment & Eval.; res. for Wayne Poverty Exemption; to direct Mayor to app't. a cmte. on Policies & Procedures of Wayne City Council; and to table discussion on the Workplace Assessment Rep't. Received and filed other Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

Eileen DeHart, CMC, CMMC
City Clerk

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01-19-0012 Motion by Porter, seconded by Webster and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance #2019-01, an ordinance to amend the codified ordinances of the City of Wayne, as follows:

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Section 3. That this Ordinance shall become effective ten days after enactment and upon publication thereof.

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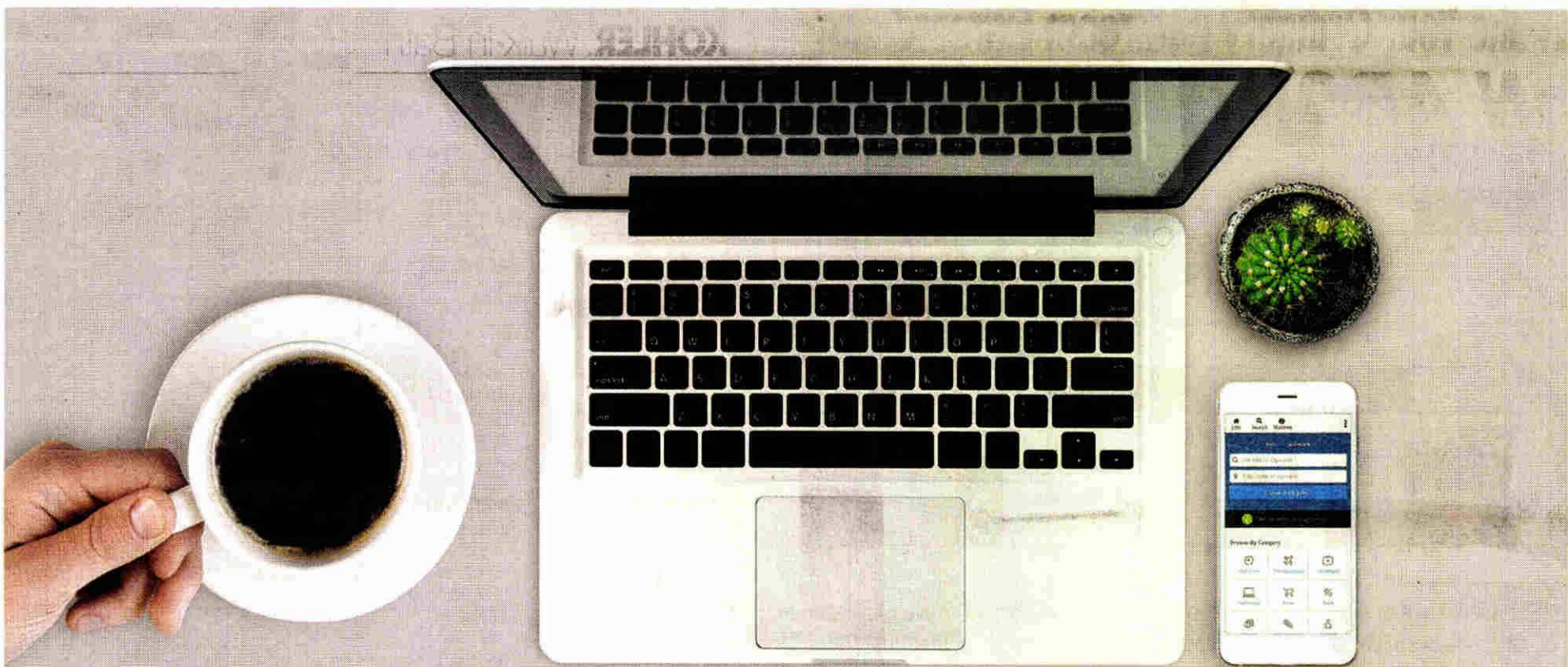
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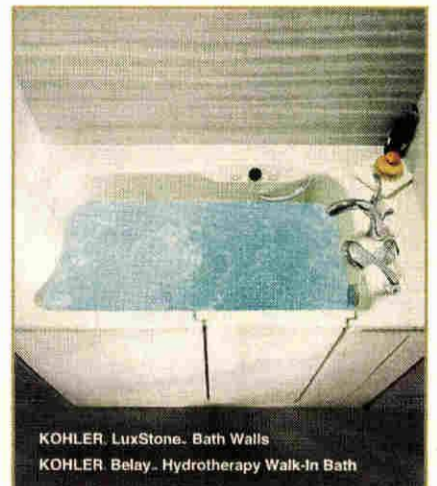
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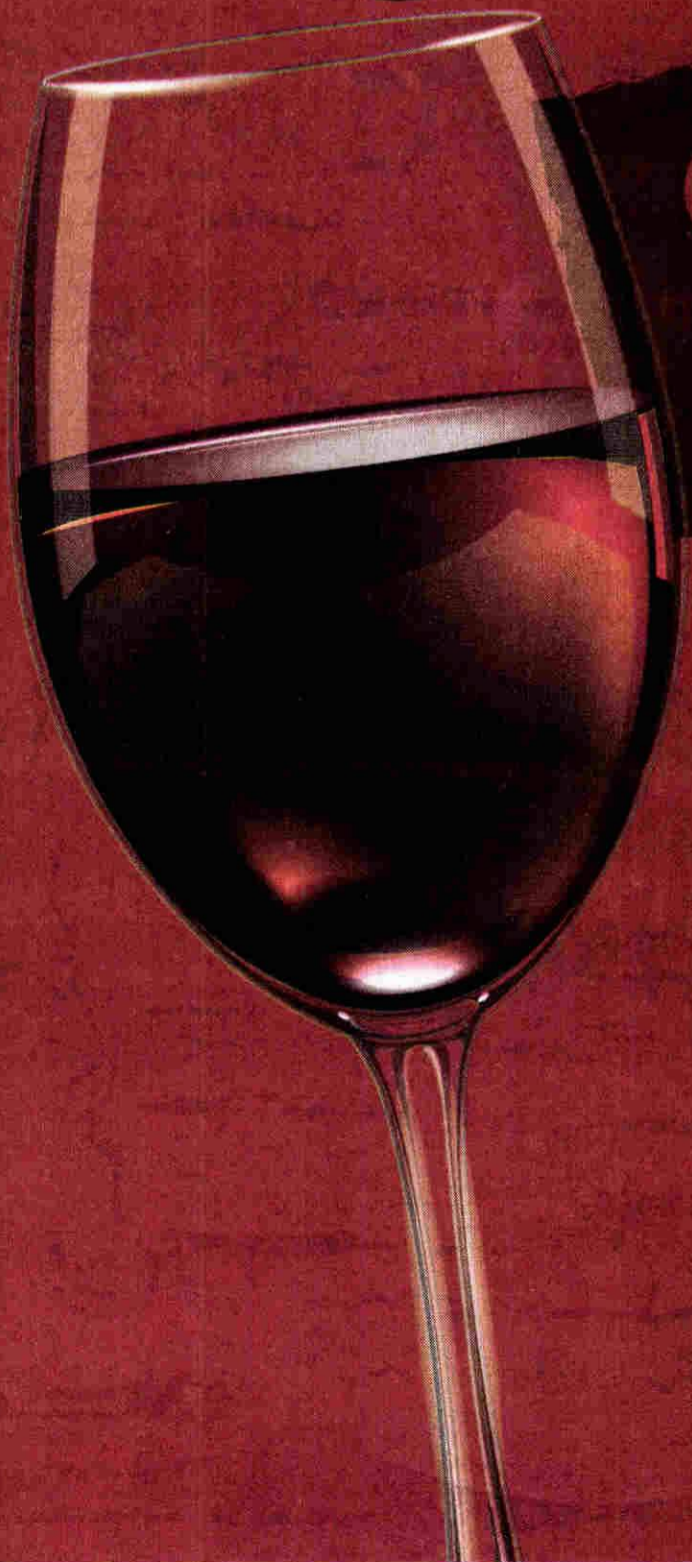
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