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## Wayne-Westland superintendent Holt resigns

**Shelby Tankersley** 

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During a special meeting at 7 a.m. Tuesday, the Wayne-Westland Board of Education voted 7-0 to accept the resignation of Shelley Holt, the district's now former superintendent.

"I wish Dr. Holt nothing but the best as she moves on and thank her for the

positive contributions she made to the School District during her time as Superintendent," said Board President David Cox in a statement.

Along with Holt's resignation, the

lawsuit she had filed against the district has been dissolved as part of the agree-

Holt had filed the \$2 million suit in July stating she felt the district had been retaliating her changes in the district. The lawsuit followed the school board's June decision to investigate claims of abuse of power made against Holt. The investigation won't be con-

Because of Holt's resignation and the dismissal of her suit, the district will conduct a formal search to find a new superintendent.

In the meantime, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Operations Jill Simmons will serve as the interim superintendent. Simmons has worked for the district for the last nine years.

'The Board of Education will now begin the process of identifying a new superintendent to lead our District in what will surely become one of the most exciting rebuilding eras in District history," Cox said in a statement.

Cox continued in the statement to say he feels Wayne-Westland Community Schools has an exciting future ahead of it in which students and employees will be better served.

Anthony Adams, Holt's lawyer, declined to comment for this story.



Holt

# Chocolate paradise

Let these chocolatiers satisfy your cravings to benefit charity

Susan Bromley Hometownlife com

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What's better than chocolate? Chocolate for a cause and you're in-

"A Chocolate Affair," a delectable you can cast aside guilt in the knowledge you are contributing to a greater good, is planned for 2-5 p.m. Friday at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road in Westland.

"Who doesn't like chocolate?" said Barbara Weir, chair of the event hosted by the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, a charitable organization. "It's anything chocolate you can imagine and the restaurants are great because they try to one up each other... They really get into it. Come on an empty stomach."

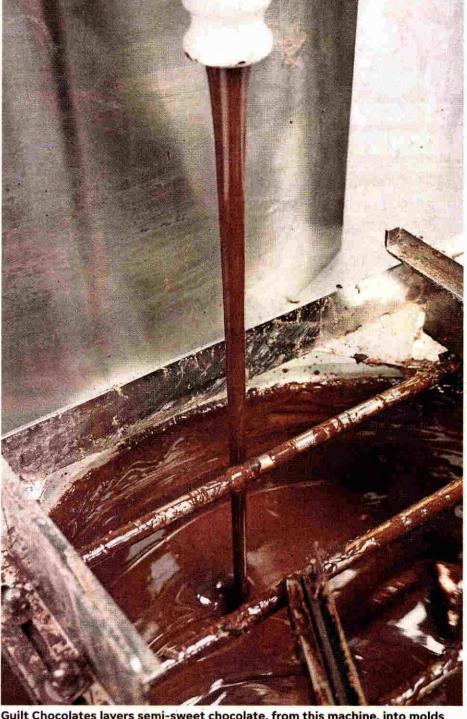
At least 400 guests are expected to sample both sweet and savory concoctions from about 20 different restaurant chefs, bakers, and expert chocolate makers.

All proceeds from the affair benefit First Step, a Wayne County agency that provides counseling and emergency housing to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families. Over the 15 years, LAOH has been conducting "A Chocolate Affair," the organization has donated more than \$100,000 to First Step.

Tickets to the event are \$30 and provides not only about two dozen chocolate confections, but also various other hot and cold hors d'oeuvres so you don't overdose on sugar. Additionally, there is musical entertainment, a cash bar, door prizes and you get to vote on your favorite chocolate specialty.

A Chocolate Affair draws many return chocolate artisans, including Jeff Zak of Jeff Zak Catering of Plymouth, who has been with the event since its inception and believes in good karma

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Guilt Chocolates layers semi-sweet chocolate, from this machine, into molds and lets them set overnight and then fills them with a ganache.

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## **Pulte takes** heat at Canton **Township** meeting

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com

A fired-up contingent of Canton Township neighbors are determined to hold building giant Pulte Group to its promises.

Residents of the Grandview Estates subdivision turned out in force at Tuesday night's Canton Township Board of Trustees meeting, during which the trustees discussed - and ultimately approved (with Clerk Michael Siegrist offering the lone no vote - an amendment to the second phase of the project's planned development district.

"It infuriates me that I was duped (by Pulte)," said Trish Zarik, a resident of the 14-month-old Grandview Estates stand-alone condominium subdivision, located west of Denton Road and south of Geddes. "As one of my neighbors said tonight, we never would have moved here if we would have known what was going to happen. We had a lot of other

Among Trish and Mark Zarik's complaints: Pulte promised them that the road on which their condo sits would remain a short street, capped with a turnaround.

Months after they moved on to what they thought was going to be a low-traffic cul-de-sac, they claim Pulte has altered its plans and will turn the road into a thoroughfare that will connect to the builder's in-the-works Grandview Estates South addition.

"They're (Pulte) not being honest at all," Zarik continued. "They're running their business without any honesty.

"When I asked them about their change of plans (on Bingham), they said

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## Farmington cancels Homecoming game

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The Farmington vs. Pontiac high school football game has been canceled Friday after a shooting in the Pontiac community on Thursday morning, a release from the school said.

"While we are disappointed over not having a homecoming game this evening, our hearts go out to the Pontiac community during this difficult time," Farmington principal Tom Shelton said in the release.

Farmington head coach Kory Cioroch said there will likely be no make-up game, and declined to comment on the cancellation.

Many of Farmington's homecoming activities continued as planned with a parade and tailgate. The school announced the home-

coming king and queen will be announced at a pep assembly Friday afternoon.

Farmington also said that it will re-



The Farmington vs. Pontiac high school football game was canceled after a shooting in the Pontiac community. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

schedule its senior night for football, cheerleading and marching band for a later date.

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## Pulte

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the fire department won't let them (add a turnaround). We're like, 'What!?' There are turnarounds all over the place. They knew what they were going to do from the beginning."

Pulte representative Joe Skore's said that since the low-to-no-maintenance development that features single-story homes was designed "in general" for empty-nesters — "not typical families with two-and-a-half kids where both parents work" — rush-hour traffic in the morning and around 5 p.m. would not be an issue.

That didn't sit well with everyone at the meeting.

"I get up every morning just like everybody else and I return home after 5 p.m., just like everybody else — and I don't plan on retiring any time soon," said Mark Zarik. "I'm somewhat taken aback and also somewhat insulted by Pulte's assumptions that we don't work and that there are no children in the

subdivision. Are they discounting grandchildren?"

A number of residents voiced concerns during the public comments portion of the meeting about the lack of entrances and exits in Grandview Estates, and the probability that the long stretches of roads present once the second phase of the subdivision is complete will create safety issues.

"I'd ask the board not to approve anything until Pulte's plans reflect the traffic calming Pulte agreed to during the planning commission meetings," said Sandra Miller. "Our roads are private with no traffic enforcement. Without some type of calming, some of these roads are going to turn into speedways."

With a limited number of exits and entrances to the development, Grandview residents expressed concerns about the accessibility for emergency vehicles.

Skore countered by stating that Pulte's most recent plans were "reviewed and approved by the fire marshal, so there are no safety issues, to my knowledge."

Canton Township Supervisor Pat

Williams reminded the disgruntled residents that the process of giving the second phase of Grandview Estates the thumbs-up to start building is still in the early stages.

"Tonight's vote was to approve (Pulte) to go ahead and proceed finalizing their site plan," Williams said. "The board has clearly expressed that there needs to be another access point off Barr Road and there needs to be calming and slowing down of traffic inside the subdivision."

Williams encouraged Pulte to organize a meeting with Grandview Estates residents to discuss their issues prior to the next township meeting that focuses on the subdivision.

"They have the idea that they're a big company and they can do what they want because they're going to bring revenue into the township," Trish Zarik said. "Well, there's still revenue to be made if they do it the right way."

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Candice and Brian Hall have lived in Canton's Grandview Estates for about 11 months. They and many of their neighbors are concerned about Pulte developing the field seen behind them and the construction traffic that will go through their neighborhood.

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## Chocolate

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from giving back to a worthy cause such as First Step.

Zak has previously brought delights to the event including "Candy Bar Quesadilla" (see recipe at the end of this ar-

This year, guest at A Chocolate Affair will get two samples from Zak's table: an iced white chocolate mocha and a chocolate chevre panini.

"People say that they hate goat cheese, but I am like, 'No, you're eating that," laughs Zak. "We'll have an interactive table and grill the paninis on site."

Also at the event for her second year will be T'Andra Stewart, owner of Tee' Licious Dessert Creations, who will be making crepes on site for guests, filled with Bavarian custard, and topped with strawberries or bananas, with a chocolate drizzle, powdered sugar and whipped cream.

"I am always trying to give back, I believe in that," Stewart said of the cause to which the event is dedicated. She also said the Hellenic Cultural Center is a beautiful, elegant venue to host "A Chocolate Affair.'

Also in attendance and bringing the goods:

1. Cupcake Station - Plymouth, with Mini Cupcakes

2. Bell Stone Toffee, Livonia, English

Toffee with Chocolate 3. Claddagh Irish Pub & Restaurant, Livonia, Chocolate Walnut Bars & Salted **Caramel Shots** 

4. Petit Gateaux Patisserie, Canton, Mini Chocolate Macaroons & Cupcakes 5. Tee' Licious Dessert Creations, Li-

vonia, Crepes 6. Kilwin's of Plymouth, Fudge & **Chocolate Caramel Apples** 

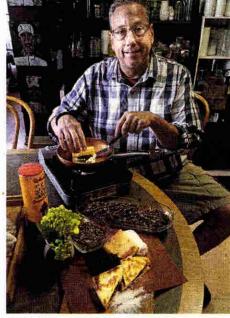
7. Red Robin of Livonia, Chocolate **Brownie Fruffles** 

8. A Serendipity Cakery, Riverview, Cake Balls & Lollywaffles w/chocolate

9. Chocolate Chipped Bakery, Farmington, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Double Chocolate Chip Cookies, Funfetti Cookie, & Pumpkin Spice Cookies

10. Nothing Bundt Cakes, Novi, Chocolate "Bundtinis'

11. Jeff Zak Catering, Plymouth, chocolate chevre panini and iced white chocolate mocha



Jeff Zak, of Jeff Zak Catering in Plymouth, will be creating these chocolate and chevre cheese paninis for the upcoming Chocolate Affair. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

12. On the Border Mexican Cantina -Novi, Chocolate Caramel Brownies

13. Luca's Pastry, Canton, Chocolate Cannoli

14. Tropical Smoothie Cafe, Westland, Strawberry, Banana and Chocolate Smoothies

15. Sorella's Custom Cakes, Livonia, Chocolate Petit Fours

16. Dunkin Donuts, Plymouth, Chocolate Munchkins, Cold Pressed Coffee

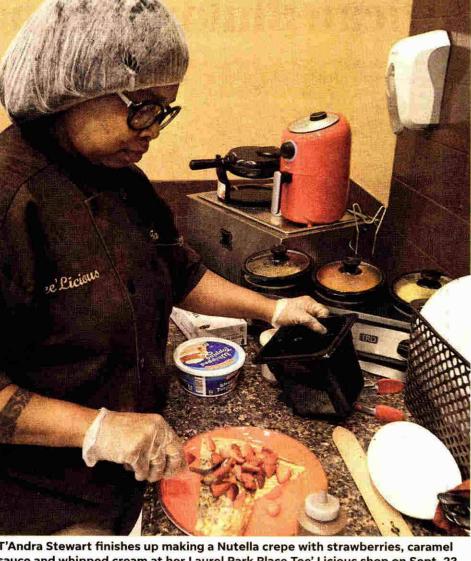
17. Simply Gourmand, Dryden, cheesecake

#### **A Chocolate Affair**

Come cheat on your diet from 2-5 p.m., Oct 6, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, in Westland. Tickets are \$30 for adults/general admission, children 15 and younger, \$15. Tickets are available at the door, at the First Step offices in Plymouth and Wayne, 734-416-1111, or by calling Pat at 734-981-1702, or Barb, 734-453-1459, and are also available on eventbrite.com at http://bit.ly/AChocolateAffair19.

#### Chocolate at home

Savory Chocolate Sea Salt Crostini 1 French baguette, cut into diagonal 1/2 inch slices



T'Andra Stewart finishes up making a Nutella crepe with strawberries, caramel sauce and whipped cream at her Laurel Park Place Tee' Licious shop on Sept. 23.

extra virgin olive oil

4 ounces high-quality dark chocolate, broken into 1-inch pieces

1 tablespoon flaked sea salt \*\*\*\* try a slice of chevre

1. Preheat the oven's broiler and set the oven rack about 6 inches from the heat source. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone baking

2. Arrange baguette slices in a single layer on the baking sheet. Place under broiler until golden, 2 minutes. Turn each slice over and broil 2 minutes. Turn off broiler.

3. Turn each slice over again; drizzle with olive oil. Push chocolate piece into the center of each slice and return baking sheet to oven for 2 more minutes. Remove from oven and lightly sprinkle each chocolate piece with sea salt.

**Candy Bar Quesadilla** 

6 Old El Paso™ Flour Tortillas for Soft Tacos & Fajitas

2 tablespoons melted butter

3 bars milk chocolate candy, un-

\*\*\*\*additional fillings - marshmallows, nuts, toasted coconut, dried cherries, white chocolate, crushed cookies, gram crackers, raspberry jam, apricot jam ... the list is endless

1. Heat oven to 450°F. Brush both sides of each tortilla with melted butter; place in single layer on ungreased cookie sheet.

2. Place half of a candy bar on half of each tortilla. Fold each tortilla in half to form half-moon shape.

3. Bake at 450°F. for 4 to 6 minutes or until golden brown.

Recipes courtesy of Jeff Zak



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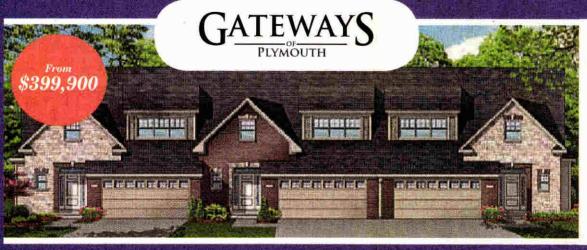


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## African Children's Choir coming to Redford



The African Children's Choir is coming to Redford on Oct. 7. The free concert will take place at Covenant Community Church, SARAH WANYANA

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Every year, a different group of kids ages 7-10 leave their homes in Africa to tour for nine months as part of the African Children's Choir. While they're an ocean away from home, they show off their culture with the aim of raising money for their and their neighbors' educations.

The choir is coming 7 p.m. Oct. 7 to Covenant Community Church, at 25800 Student in Redford. The concert is free.

As Tina Sipp, the choir manager, says, an education means having a future. That's what she and her colleagues have hoped to give the kids they work with. The choir's children are predominately from Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda and South Africa.

"It helps them provide for family members," Sipp said. "Oftentimes, cousins, aunts, uncles will put in money to get one person through school. When you

have been blessed with an education, you're quite proud to be able to provide for your family."

Over the years, the choir has performed for former U.S. President George W. Bush, Queen Elizabeth II and appeared on "American Idol." The kids have collaborated with artists like Paul McCartney, Mariah Carey and Keith Urban, as well.

Attendees to the Redford show can expect to see traditional African dances, hear African music and even hear familiar gospel songs set to African melo-

"It's like bringing Africa to your doorstep," Sipp said. "There's that entertainment portion, it's an adorable performance. Then there's this element that comes off the stage that caused the western audience to rethink poverty. These children come from so little and they're so happy, so resilient."

Sipp said the program depends on the generosity of others. When the choir visits Covenant, Sipp said the church members will host them and the church will

feed the kids a pre-concert dinner. Sipp added that many of the families also take their guests on kidfriendly activities like the pool or the zoo.

Though the program is free, community members are encouraged to support Music For Life's, which raises funds for the choir. Following the performance, a love offering is taken where people can choose to donate as much or as little as they want or sign up to sponsor a child.

Clothing, music and handmade crafts will also be on sale to benefit the program.

Music For Life has used its funds to educate over 52,000 children over the years. When choosing singers and dancers for the choir, Music For Life doesn't consider talent, but the educational need of the kids as well as the emotional ability to go on a tour.

'It's really a beautiful thing," Sipp said. "It's a real

life change to get an education. For more information or to donate online, visit africanchildrenschoir.com.

## Through ups and downs, US economy leads world



My brother and I just celebrated our 35th year in business. It was the summer of 1984 when we opened our business, and if I look back over the last 35 years, it is amazing how much our world has changed. Back in 1984, there was no such thing as cell phones, email, texts, bill pay, and the great majority of Americans didn't have home computers.

Back in 1984, a gallon

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of gas was \$1.10 and a \$2.50, interest rates were 10% percent, and the Dow was around 1200.

Over the last 35 years, investors have experienced just about every type of market there can be. From Black Monday where the Dow dropped 25 percent in one day, to the United States losing its AAA rating, the dot-.com bubble, the 2008 recession, and I can go on and on, but I think you get the point. Over the last 35 years, our economy and our country have had its fair share of crisis. However, there's something that's also true.

Despite all the probticket to a movie was lems and challenges our economy has faced over the last 35 years, some- have changed in our however, basically they thing is also true and that world, it is important that are no different from the is that despite everything, just like it was 35 years ago, the United States continues to be the strongest economy in the world and the envy of the world. Another truth is that despite all the crashes and market downturns, the last 35 years have seen incredible growth in stock markets; not only here but around the world. What Warren Buffet frequently says is true; it's not timing the stock market, rather it's time in the stock market

that will make you suc-

As much as things as investors, we learn the lessons of the past. That doesn't mean I believe that the past is going to repeat itself or that the issues we face today are the same that people faced in the past, because they're

What it does mean is that you need to take the lessons of the past and apply them to today's situation. A scam artist today has all sorts of new technology that they can use to try to scam you out of your money. The Ponzi scammers are certainly more sophisticated than they were in the past; Ponzi scammers 20 years ago, 50 years ago or 100 years ago. If in today's world people learn the lessons of the past, there would be less victims of financial fraud.

One of the lessons that we do have to learn from the past is that we have to change with the times. Whether we like it or not and as difficult as it may be, we have to change. Just because our parents or grandparents invested their money one way doesn't mean that you

should invest your money that way as well. It means that you learn from their failures and successes and apply that to today's world.

For example, when it comes to saving for retirement, your grandparents may have been thinking about a five- or 10-year retirement where every year they would live on less and less. That is not the reality today. In today's world you probably have to plan for a 30year retirement, and as opposed to having a shrinking income on a year-by-year basis, you are going to need a rising income. We all know that 10, 20 and 30 years from now it is going to cost us substantially more to live than it does today.

It is nostalgic when you look back 35 years ago and think how much simpler the world was. I imagine 30 years from now, people will be looking back with nostalgia at 2019 and saying, wasn't life simpler back then.

The challenges and issues we face today are different, and in many ways, more challenging that they were in the past. That doesn't mean that we should forget about the past but rather, use it as a guide for today's times.

Good luck!

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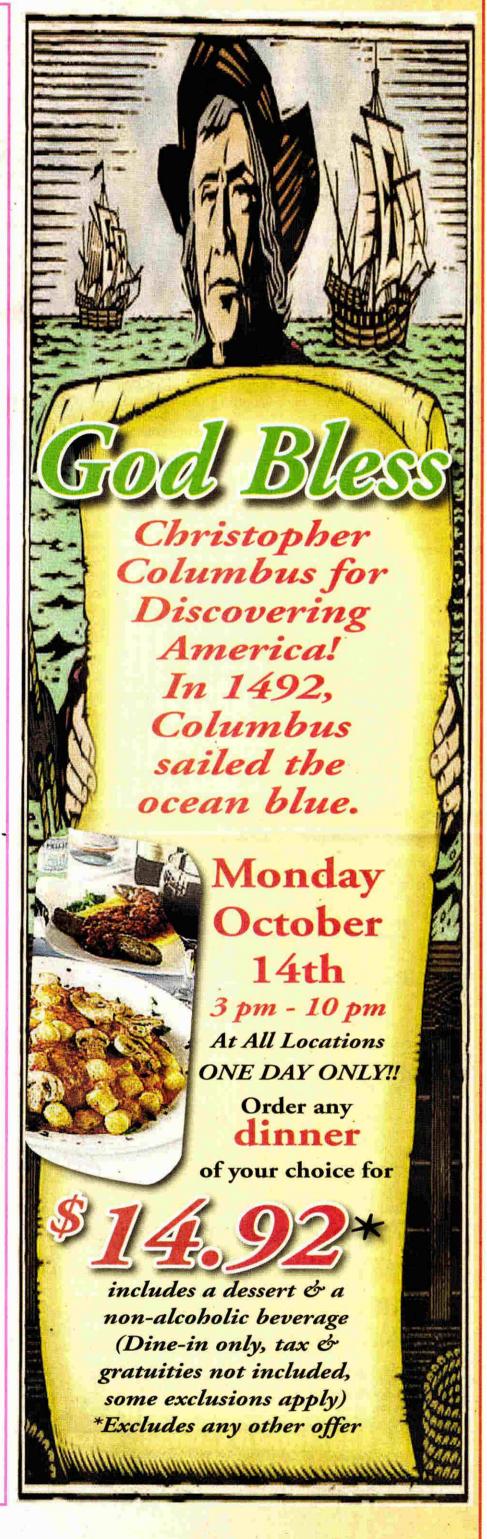
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## Celebrate Polish traditions at farmers market



Walt Gajewski

The farmers market is entering its final month of the season. After I typed this first sentence, my fingers lifted off the keyboard as if of their own accord. l sat back and stared at these opening words for a long minute. "Final month" comes with a certain vocal heaviness... and the finality of it all certainly comes crashing into the now, while my thoughts flit around like minnows in a hurrying stream: "How fast this summer ... seasons changing ... October skies ... falling light, ever into fall ..."

This is a season I do love for its wood smoke, falling leaves, filtered light, long shadows, a favorite sweatshirt and crisp cider. Yet the closing in of it all can cast its own pall and make for a mood of its own as only the deepening of fall can. Makes me think of Edgar Allen Poe. I bet he did his best work in fall and winter.

"Take thy beak from out my heart, and take thy form from off my door!" Quoth the Raven, "Nevermore."

Great stuff! It suggests I will be looking for a good book or two. And I'm not alone. Several people over the past weeks have grabbed me by the elbow and with a mix of mirth and melancholy have said, "What am I going to do with myself on Saturdays after the market

What a great season It has been, and what a great season it is that continues to unfold...

#### Your market this week

The market steps into October in a fully festive, cultural excursion into fall that begins this Saturday, Oct. 5, with the fourth annual Polish American Day. We will gather around the market bell at 9 a.m. for a cultural expression praising good food and offering thanks to our local farmers for bringing freshness to Farmington.

Spend the first part of the morning enjoying more than 40 local vendors, including 16 or so local farmers, foragers, fisherman and producers. Meanwhile, up on the north side of the market on the



The Gwiazda Dancers will express Polish folk traditions through song and dance at the farmers market in downtown Farmington this Saturday. The first of two performances will take place near the noon hour. PHOTOS COURTESY WALT GAJEWSKI

fringe of Riley Park, the People's Pierogi Collective will be setting up with many grills and cart stoves for delicious pierogi made hot to order along with grilled sausage, piping hot sauerkraut and new for this year - potato pancakes!

Make yourself a plate and head over to the market's Strawbale Inn for a glass of Piwo, a seasonal polish light beer made from smoked wheat and handcrafted for by the Farmington Brewing Company. Or perhaps you'd prefer a glass of wine.

At 11 a.m., please welcome the one, the only, the fabulous Kielbasa Kings performing traditional polkas with a little Johnny Cash thrown in for added

Approaching the noon hour, the PRCUA Gwiazda Dancers will perform the first of two performances, appearing in full costume. Established in 1960, the group boasts more than 50 dancers whose purpose is to teach and promote Polish folk traditions through song, dance and customs. From Boyne Falls to



Polish American Day brings the return of the Strawbale Inn at the farmers market this weekend.

Minneapolis the group makes upwards of 30 appearances while also performing acts of goodness and charity in concert with local food banks, Veterans Hospitals, Beaumont Health and more.

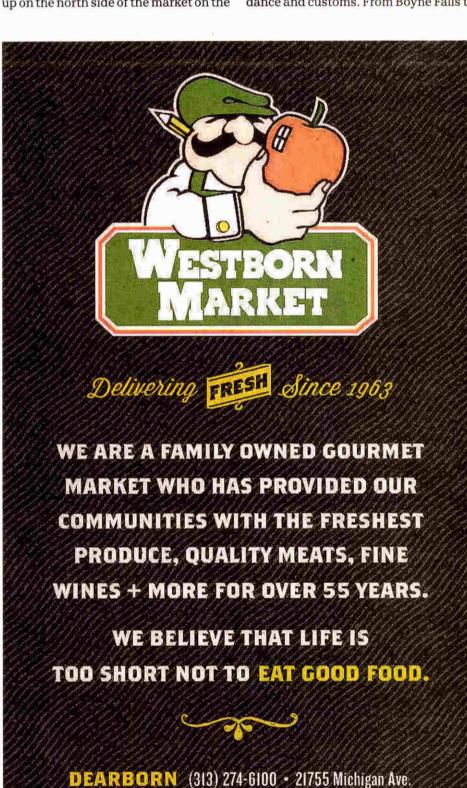
At 1 p.m. the fabric artistry of Alexendra Lisiecki 's "Recultured Designs" will be on full display with a brief fun fashion show amongst the vendors in the Walter E. Sundquist Pavilion.

Children's activities at our Little Sprouts Corner, a Polish craft and gifts

tent and special guests from the Detroit Polish Historical Society and Polish American Congress will round out what promises to be a culturally delicious day in downtown Farmington.

Well, with all that I have to do and a busy Saturday on the way, here's saying until next time and as always: "See you at the market!"

Walt Gajewski is the Farmington farm market manager. The market runs Saturdays in downtown Farmington.



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Pint-sized piano prodigy Avett Ray Maness will be the special guest at an open house Oct. 14 at Seedlings Braille Books for Children. COURTESY OF SEEDLINGS

## 7-year-old piano player helps raise funds for Seedlings

Avett Ray Maness, the 7-year-old piano prodigy of American Idol fame, will be the special guest at an Open House 4-7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14, at Seedlings Braille Books for Children in Livonia.

Avett, who is blind, taught himself how to play the piano by ear as a toddler. He will attend the open house with his mother, Sara Moore, who wrote a children's book for and about him called Cotton Candy Clouds.

Avett is the little rabbit in the story wearing round glasses. Moore wrote the book to describe clouds to Avett, who cannot see them. The book is available in braille from Seedlings.

Avett will perform at the open house, and Moore will sign copies of her book at this special open house event cele-

brating Seedlings' 35th anniversary. Avett became a viral sensation this spring when millions of people watched and listened to him play "Bohemian Rhapsody" on YouTube. He has per-

formed on Good Morning America, the Today show and in GAP's back-toschool commercial. His repertoire includes songs by Queen, Adele and the Beatles. Avett and his mom are donating their time to come to Seedlings from Dayton,

Ohio, because they believe in the importance of braille literacy for children with

vision loss. Avett reads books produced

by Seedlings.

"Having a child who reads and writes braille has shown me how imperative it is to have braille literacy resources." Moore said. "Partnering with Seedlings Braille Books for Children expands the possibilities for blind and visually impaired children like Avett to have access to vibrant reading options that stimulate their imaginations!

"After publishing my first book, written specifically to enable the visually impaired to imagine the clouds, I was on a mission to make my book accessible in braille. It's an honor to be a part of this event. I look forward to lots of hugs, laughter and making new friends with the good people of Michigan."

Seedlings was founded in 1984 by Debra Bonde of Livonia after she met a little girl who owned only two braille books because they cost over \$100 each! Since then, Seedlings has produced and distributed more than 565,000 free and low-cost braille books to children with vision loss all over the world.

Guests are invited to enjoy 35th anniversary treats and tour Seedlings' facility to learn how the staff and volunteers make the books.

Seedlings is located in the MetroPlex Office Complex, 14151 Farmington Road, Livonia. For more information, call 734-427-8552.

## High school sweethearts look back at Churchill

Shelby Tankersley

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During their senior year at Churchill High School, Paul Mercier and Kelly Burnett met through a mutual friend at the Canton vs. Churchill football game. After graduating as members of the class of 2000, the high school sweethearts continued to date through college and eventually married and had two kids.

This year, their high school is celebrating its 50th birthday.

The half-century birthday doesn't really have them reflecting on those days gone by as Chargers, though. That's because Paul's job is student activities director for the school; they both do that all the time.

"I am in a position where kids are always interested in what the high school was like when I went there once I tell them I went there," Paul said. "I'm kind of constantly in a state of reflection."

Kelly works as a nephrologist, or kidney doctor. She said chatting with her husband about what's going on at Churchill often makes her think about her teenage years.

"I'm kind of always reflecting because he tells me about stuff going on at the school and I'm like, 'Wait, you do that?' or 'You don't do that?'" she said.

When they were students, Paul and Kelly both feel like they pretty involved. He played sports including football, baseball, wrestling and cross country. She was on the state championship pom team. They were both representatives on student council.

But they didn't actually cross paths until that final year of high school.

After talking for a few weeks, the two got together at the homecoming dance in 1999. But they weren't each other's dates

"I actually went to homecoming with a different girl," Paul said.

"And I went with a different guy," Kelly added.

Kelly remembers a lot of N'SYNC and Backstreet Boys playing during the dance, and Britney Spears was in her heyday. Throughout the event, they stayed with their respective dates.

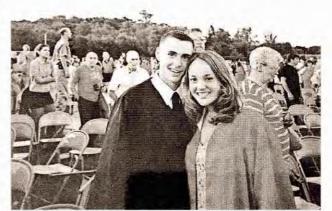
But it all worked out.

"After the dance, when everybody kind of goes off to their own after party or wherever you're sleeping, we ended up going to the same after party and were just hanging out," Paul said.

Throughout the rest of that year, the couple enjoyed events like prom and Friday night football games. One thing they both remember as a high point of senior year is the pom team's state championship win.



Paul and Kelly Mercier along with their kids, Watson and Whitney. PHOTOS COURTESY OF PAUL MERCIER



Paul and Kelly Mercier on their high school graduation day in 2000.

"They all came to support us, which was great," Kelly said. "It was so much fun. We had a huge group."

Paul recalls some of his friends also having girlfriends on the pom team, and they all had a good time cheering the team on.

"Back then, we weren't good at football," he said.
"We weren't good at many of the other sports. So to

win a state championship in anything was pretty exciting and a big deal for us. It was pretty cool."

Since that time, though, the school has changed. Floats and hallway decorating aren't as common, the Backstreet Boys probably won't be played at prom and the interior of the building has changed a great deal. Kelly said as far as school spirit goes, she thinks change is good.

"They do the organized chanting and they have a student section," she said. "It's just very cool. It made me think of the old times because some of my favorite times were Friday nights when we'd go to a football game."

One thing that's remained somewhat the same is their friend group. Both said they still talk with the same group of people they went to dances and football games with.

"It was a great high school to go to," Kelly said. "We have such comradery in our class. We're still friends with people from high school 20 years ago. It's not like we just talk to them once in a while, they're still some of our best friends. I don't think you always get that."

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The roundabout at 10 Mile and Napier in Lyon during construction two years ago. A new roundabout is being planned for the intersection of Pontiac Trail and Seven Mile Road in Salem Township.

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# Meeting on planned roundabout in Salem scheduled

Susan Bromley Hometownlife.com

The road commission plans to construct a new roundabout at the intersection of 7 Mile and Pontiac Trail in Salem Township next year.

The Washtenaw County Road Commission will host an informational meeting on the project from 6:30-7:30 p.m., Oct. 9, at the Salem Township Hall, 9600 Six Mile Road.

The Road Commission announced in April its plans to build the roundabout at the intersection, describing it as "the ideal solution because it can move traffic through an intersection more efficiently and with less congestion than a traditional intersection.. Roundabouts are also one of the safest options available and they are typically more cost-effective than a traditional signal."

This particular intersection was chosen for the roundabout due to it being one of the most congested in the county. The roundabout is expected to alleviate congestion during peak hours.

Construction is planned for next year, and is estimated that it will take up to two months to complete. During that time, the intersection will be completely closed to traffic and a detour will be posted.

For specific questions on this project, contact Mark McCulloch, senior project manager, at 734-327-6679 or mcullochm@wcroads.org.

Contact Susan Bromley at sbromley@hometownlife.com. Follow her on Twitter @SusanBromley10.

## **Obituaries**

### **Stanley Markoff Kovacheff**

**PLYMOUTH** - Stanley Markoff Kovacheff, 93, passed peacefully on August 3, 2019 in Plymouth, Michigan.

He will be sadly missed by his four sons from his first marriage to his extraordinary wife Anne (Wiwcharuk) who sadly passed in 1975; Gregory (Margot), Jonathon (Allison), George (Lara) and Steven (Lori) as well as 7 grandchildren Nichelle, Alexis, James, Chloe, Maya, Melina and Nicolas all of whom gave him great joy.

With sadness, he will also be missed by his wife of 32 years, Christine, her son Dennis (LeAnn) and granddaughter Allysa. Stan was blessed to have found Christine and built

a happy life in which they enjoyed traveling, stage shows and social events. Stan created many memories and stories over his long life, related to associations both in the Detroit and Windsor area. He was actively involved in the Detroit Bulgarian/Macedonian community; spent 37 years in the automotive industry as a highly creative mechanical handling engineer where he was credited with numerous innovative designs; was a member of several local musical groups including the Windsor Light Opera, St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Choir, Ukrainian Capella Chorus, and the Plymouth Community Choir. He was a devoted Detroit Tiger's fan.

Born in Niagara Falls NY to Raina and Nicola Kovacheff and raised in Detroit with his twin brother Leonard (d. 2013), where he attended Cass Tech High School, University of Detroit (B.Eng.) and Wayne State University (M.Eng.) during which he won a number of awards.

In his early years, Stanley and parents endured the Great Depression, WWII and from these difficult beginnings he built a successful career, friendships and family. He attributed much of his success to his Bulgarian heritage, his scholastic aptitude, and the good fortune of marrying Anne. Having lived in Windsor for 37 years and came to appreciate the benefits of Canadian life as well as those that came from being American. Of his many accomplishments, Stan was most proud of his sons and their respective families. Always one to learn, he took more than 170 general interest courses during his years of retirement.

Until his last days Stanley and Christine had a passion for living together with a love for social engagements and the theater. He loved telling entertaining stories, staying active and spending time with family. He will be gravely missed.

Stan is buried at Parkview Cemetery, 34205 Five Mile Rd, Livonia, MI 48154. If you would like to make a donation, please do so to the charity of your choice in Stan's name.

A loving tribute

### **Shirley Johnson**

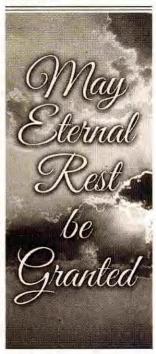
WESTLAND - Shirley Johnson of Westland, Michigan, born February 10,1931, passed away on September 26, 2019.

She was preceded in death by her husband Raymond Johnson, parents Lawrence and Louise Stine, and brother Howard Stine.

She will be greatly missed by her daughters; Linda Thompson, Susan (Mike) Dankert, and Nancy Johnson.

She is also survived by four grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, by brother Kenneth (Jean) Stine, sister Sandra Lorenz and many beloved nieces and nephews.

No service is planned. Donations in Shirley's memory may be made to the charity of your choice.



## **Police: Charges** pending in Plymouth hit-and-run

Susan Vela Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Charges are pending against a male driver involved in a Sept. 13 hitand-run incident in downtown Plymouth, said Plymouth Police Lt. Jamie Grabowski.

According to the department's report, which was gained by filing a Freedom of Information Act request, a white Ford F-150 truck struck a pedestrian shortly before 11 p.m. near West Ann Arbor Trail and South

Upon arrival, an officer saw a group of people standing and kneeling around the bleeding pedestrian lying in the street. He was suffering from pains in his head and chest.

He apparently was walking across the street in the crosswalk region when the Ford F-150 turned from West Ann Arbor Trail, hit him and dragged him approximately 50 feet before continuing southbound on South Main Street.

The pedestrian was transported to a hospital, where Grabowski said he was treated and released. Police were able to stop the driver and arrest him for operating a vehicle while intoxicated. The man arrested was given a breathalyzer test at about 3 a.m. the next day and he scored a .06% bloodalcohol content.

He told police he was leaving Bigalora Wood Fired Cucina, 777 W. Ann Arbor Trail, when he turned onto South Main Street.

According to the report, he apparently thought the traffic signal was advising pedestrians to not walk. He didn't remember seeing anyone walking in the road.

He heard something hit his truck. He thought he struck a pothole or someone threw something at his truck.

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Maureen Miller Brosnan speaks during the Livonia Chamber of Commerce mayoral forum. SHELBY TANKERSLEY/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Brosnan is lone candidate for mayor at Chamber forum

Toy not present because of family emergency

**Shelby Tankersley** 

USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Maureen Miller Brosnan got the crowd all to herself at the Livonia Chamber of Commerce mayoral forum on

Her opponent in the race, current City Council President Laura Toy, wasn't present at the event due to a family emergency.

"I was out on the east side at a family friend's funeral and my 92-year-old father was with me," Toy said. "He fell and he started throwing up, and I felt it was very important to get him somewhere. We got him (to) a doctor and we took care of it as best we could... That's where I was.'

Dan West, the president and CEO of the Livonia Chamber, said he was told of the situation at 8:15 p.m. that night as the mayoral forum was scheduled to begin. West simply told the audience that Toy would not be in attendance.

"I was told she was tending to a family emergency," he said.

West said candidates for mayor and city council were informed of the forum the first week of June and that only candidates in attendance can participate.

"The only fact that I knew was that she wasn't there," he said. "I talked to some of my board members and they said, 'You can only speak to what you know.' The only thing we knew was that she wasn't there."

Toy did not attend a primary election candidate forum organized by the chamber, either. That event was held at the same time as a Livonia City Council meeting, which she attended instead.

Because of the solo stage, Brosnan spoke on a wide variety of issues. Here's what she had to say about some of the city's biggest issues:

### On the cost of curbside recycling

"The opportunity has not been utilized to promote the use of those larger bins," Brosnan said. "I talk to people all the time, as I'm knocking on over 20,000 doors, who talk about wanting to engage more in recycling... We are really going to have to take a step back and look at what the market has to ofOn the Livonia 2021 master plan

"It's about creating a place, marketing Livonia and and marketing our strengths so that we're able to attract the types of businesses that are going to be necessary to help us redevelop property," Brosnan said. "So, actually, one of the first things that has to be done is take that plan off the shelf, dust off a little bit, dance it around (and) get people familiar with it, engaged with it."

#### On bringing skilled and technical talent to Livonia

"I think if we have a mayor who takes a leadership role in putting together a stronger workforce development program here in Livonia, we're going to find that we're avail ourselves those kinds of opportunities," Brosnan said. "You layer that on top of the fact that I've had huge support across the board from just about every labor union."

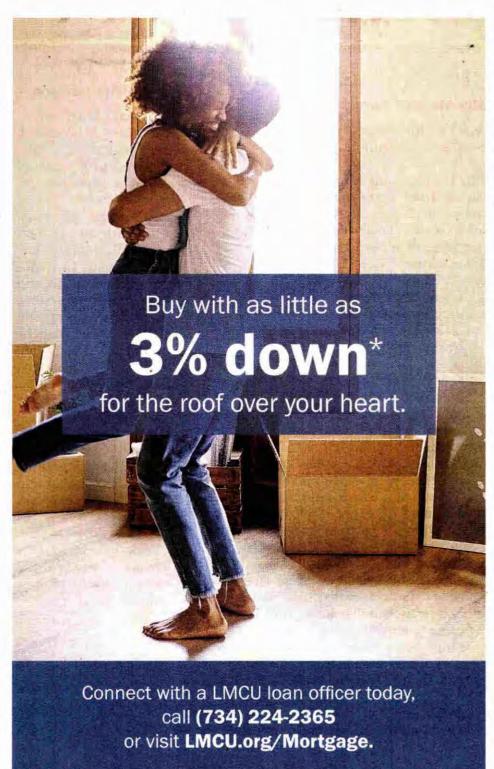
#### On improvements potentially bringing higher taxes

"I don't know yet," Brosnan said. "I do know that the size of the problem is a \$36.5 million problem in terms of our infrastructure, water and sewer. I know we all have serious concerns about making sure we have a good, safe, sound water system. That \$36.5 million price tag is a price tag that will carry us through the next five years."

Brosnan and Toy will both appear on the Nov. 5 ballot. In the primary elections, Brosnan received 6,124 votes and Toy received 7,400. Either candidate would make Livonia history as the city's first female mayor.

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## **Farmington chiropractor** celebrates 25 years in business

in Lansing, Michigan, Dr. Jonathan D. Cromwell and his wife, Donna, established his solo practice in downtown Farmington.

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Most of that time Cromwell spent along Grand River near Farmington Road, moving in 2012 to its current location at 23280 Farmington Road, south of Grand River.

The move provided greater visibility and growth, Cromwell said. The practice

combined with other doctors and now

In 1994, after 3 years of group practice features six massage therapists and offers spinal decompression therapy, PEMF therapy, and nutritional counsel-

> The number of new patients we are able to take care of has increased dramatically since adding three doctors to our practice," Cromwell stated.

> All services at Cromwell Family Chiropractic have one thing in common; they all promote healing from within.

> Over the past 25 years, Cromwell Family Chiropractic has supported many organizations including the Farmington Police Benevolent Fund, Farmington Families in Action, Farmington Neighborhood House, Farmington Public Schools, the Salvation Army, and the Farmington High School Choir.

> Cromwell Family Chiropractic welcomes everyone to their 25th anniversary celebration 4-7:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 4. Look for the Rolling Stoves food truck and bounce house in the parking lot.



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# Sports





Kicker William Stoyanovich practies on Sept. 25 at South Lyon High. JOHN HEIDER/HOMERTOWNLIFE.COM

# Stoyanovich continues family kicking tradition

Colin Gay

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Bill Stoyanovich raised his family in a house in Northville with a big back yard.

It was big enough to hit golf balls, kick soccer balls and perfect any athletic activity that was on the mind of his kids that given day.

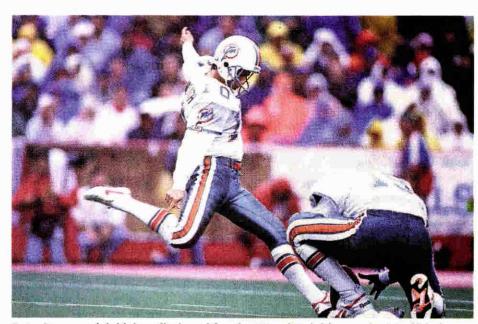
Stoyanovich had a mainstay in the backyard: a goalpost. It was an ode to his kicking days at Michigan State and in the Arena Football League. It was an ode to the Stoyanovich brand — his brother Pete was regarded statistically as one of the best kickers in NFL history.

But the goalpost represented a level of hope, a hope that the Stoyanovich name would live on on the football field through one of Bill's four boys growing up in that house.

If one of the Stoyanovich boys were to catch the kicking bug, it was going to happen in that back yard. That's what happened for William Stoyanovich.

In his first season as the varsity kicker for the South Lyon football team, William Stoyanovich is the next in line for a family that many consider to be the first family of kickers in Michigan. But with that brings a target on William's back, a target he won't be able to shake.

A target, much like the pressure of



Pete Stoyanovich kicks a fied goal for the Mlami Dolphins against Buffalo in this Sept. 26, 1993 photo. RICK STEWART/ALLSPORT-GETTY IMAGES

hitting a field goal in high leverage situations, he will have to get used to.

"That's the pressure where they feel like 'You are a Stoyanovich. You have to make this," Bill Stoyanovich said.

Early on, William Stoyanovich said he wouldn't feel the pressure as much. He would walk through the basement, seeing the game balls and jerseys his dad and his uncle wore on display.

He said he wanted to live up to the expectations his father and his uncle

had for him. He wanted to be next. That's when the pressure came.

"My dad, he always says he wants me to be better," William Stoyanovich said. "He wants me to be better than what he was."

And William has all the help in the world to make that happen.

In the past four summers, William has been out on the football field with

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## Franklin secures overtime win at Churchill

**Colin Gay** 

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The Livonia Franklin offense had struggled on third down all night against Livonia Churchill, failing to convert a third down in regulation on 10 tries.

Head coach Chris Kelbert called it uncharacteristic mistakes. Senior offensive/defensive lineman Jake Swirple called it a lack of execution. All in all, Franklin was not Franklin.

But after blocking a field goal attempt to end regulation tied 28-28, the offense came back to life.

After Churchill had scored its third touchdown in overtime, the Chargers missed the extra point, something Franklin took advantage of.

Senior quarterback Jake Kelbert rushed into the endzone, beating the defensive backs to tie the game at 48, and Franklin secured the win by hitting the extra point, allowing the Patriots (5-0) to remain undefeated and beat Churchill (1-4) 49-48 in triple overtime.

"I just hoped that our team could stay focused, they could not worry about the things that were going on and the bad things that were happening, our mistakes, and just focus on what we needed to do to be successful," Kelbert said.

Here are three takeaways from Friday's win for Franklin

## Franklin shows new life in overtime

With a young group — playing five sophomore starters — Churchill had shown signs of being a challenging defense for Franklin. The Chargers allowed Westland John Glenn to score only five points in the Chargers' only win of the season and allowed 21 points in a loss to Brighton in the season opener.

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# Plymouth spoils Novi's homecoming

Tom Morelli

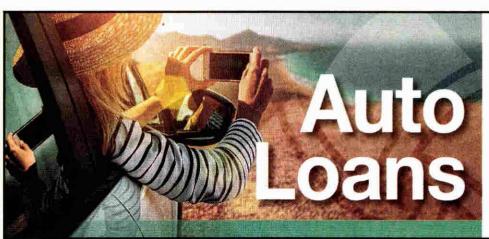
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Trying to stop Plymouth running back Mike Mathias is like Wile E. Coyote thinking that he can outsmart the Road Runner.

Sure, it may look good on paper, but once you realize what you're in for, there's just no turning back.

Mathias played a key role in Plymouth's 42-21 victory over Novi, as the senior scored four touchdowns on 20 carries for 251 yards, adding a 68-yard scoop and score on defense.

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## Farmington's Keion Shaw wins Athlete of the Week

Andrew Vailliencourt
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Farmington senior running back Keion Shaw is the Hometown Life Athlete of the Week (for the week of voting that began on September 16) after he received 13,099 votes in our poll. Shaw was dominant on the ground for the Falcons as they beat Ypsilanti Lincoln in a key game, 35-14. He rushed 18 times for 133 yards and two touchdowns.

Farmington is off to a huge 4-0 start and is a team that will be a force to reckon with come playoff time — especially with a top tier running back like Shaw.

He earned 44.99 percent of the 29,118 votes that were cast. He beat out second-place finisher Nick Lema, a soccer player for Livonia Stevenson, who received 9,925 votes (34.09 percent). South Lyon football's Brenden Lach placed third with 3,436 votes (11.8 percent), South Lyon East swimmer Lindsay Boals came in fourth and Canton football's Caden Domzalski finished fifth



We caught up with Shaw and asked him some questions:

Your team is off to a very strong start, how good can this team be and why should people be taking notice of Farmington football?

"My team is off to a great start and I believe it's because our chemistry is through the roof and with that I think we are a team to watch for to make a deep run in the state playoffs. Last year, we showed a glimpse of how talented we were, but unfortunately lost in regionals to Dewitt. This year with the addition of Harrison football players and our re-

turning seniors, we have a full head of steam and have one common goal — a state championship. People should take notice that the Farmington football team means business and won't stop until we reach our goal."

What are your personal and team goals for this season?

"My personal goal is to be an all-state running back, rushing for 1,300 yards combined for the season. The goal for myself and the team is to make a name for ourselves and win the states."

Who's your favorite athlete to watch or is your role model and why?

"My favorite athlete to watch is (Baltimore Ravens quarterback) Lamar Jackson because he doesn't have to try hard to be good, he is just naturally great. My role model is my mom because she doesn't make excuses, she just makes stuff happen."

What's your favorite TV show or movie and why?

"My favorite movie of all time is 'Next Friday' because it's still funny no matter how many times I watch it."

What are your favorite hobbies outside of football and why?

"My favorite hobby outside of football is playing video games."

What are your plans after high school? Will you be playing college

"My plan after high school is to go to college, where I will major in Engineering. As of right now, I don't currently have any offers to play college football, but I'm hopeful a coach will be willing to give me a chance to play the game I love for another four years while I work to obtain my degree."

# Hometown Life Staff Football Picks: Week 6

Sports reporters Andrew Vailliencourt and Colin Gay, news reporters Ed Wright and David Veselenak, and editor Phil Allmen make their weekly picks.

| Games<br>(home team<br>listed first):            | Andrew<br>Vailliencourt    | Colin Gay                     | Ed<br>Wright                  | David<br>Veselenak  | Phil<br>Allmen<br>(coin<br>flip) |
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| Seaholm vs.<br>Oak Park                          | Oak Park                   | Oak Park                      | Seaholm                       | Oak Park            | Seaholm                          |
| Avondale vs.<br>Farmington                       | Farmington                 | Farmington                    | Avondale                      | Farmington          | Avondale                         |
| Milford vs.<br>South Lyon<br>East                | South Lyon<br>East         | South Lyon<br>East            | Milford                       | Milford             | Milford                          |
| South Lyon vs.<br>Waterford Mott                 | South Lyon                 | South Lyon                    | South<br>Lyon                 | South Lyon          | South<br>Lyon                    |
| Divine Child vs.<br>Lakeland                     | Divine Child               | Lakeland                      | Divine<br>Child               | Divine Child        | Lakeland                         |
| Warren De La<br>Salle vs.<br>Catholic<br>Central | Catholic<br>Central        | Catholic<br>Central           | De La<br>Salle                | Catholic<br>Central | Catholic<br>Central              |
| Orchard Lake<br>St. Mary's vs.<br>Brother Rice   | Orchard Lake<br>St. Mary's | Orchard<br>Lake St.<br>Mary's | Orchard<br>Lake St.<br>Mary's | Brother<br>Rice     | Brother<br>Rice                  |
| Dearborn vs.<br>Churchill                        | Dearborn                   | Dearborn                      | Dearborn                      | Dearborn            | Dearborn                         |
| Wayne<br>Memorial vs.<br>Stevenson               | Stevenson                  | Stevenson                     | Wayne<br>Memorial             | Stevenson           | Wayne<br>Memoria                 |
| Franklin vs.<br>John Glenn                       | Franklin                   | Franklin                      | Franklin                      | Franklin            | John<br>Glenn                    |
| Brighton vs.<br>Northville                       | Brighton                   | Brighton                      | Brighton                      | Brighton            | Brighton                         |
| Canton vs.<br>Novi                               | Canton                     | Canton                        | Canton                        | Novi                | Novi                             |
| Plymouth vs.<br>Hartland                         | Plymouth                   | Plymouth                      | Plymouth                      | Plymouth            | Plymouti                         |
| Howell vs.<br>Salem                              | Howell                     | Howell                        | Howell                        | Howell              | Howell                           |
| Michigan vs.<br>Iowa                             | Michigan                   | Michigan                      | Michigan                      | Michigan            | Michigan                         |
| Central<br>Michigan vs.<br>Eastern<br>Michigan   | Eastern<br>Michigan        | Eastern<br>Michigan           | Central<br>Michigan           | Central<br>Michigan | Eastern<br>Michigar              |
| Ohio State vs.<br>Michigan State                 | Ohio State                 | Ohio State                    | Ohio<br>State                 | Ohio State          | Michigar<br>State                |
| Florida vs.<br>Auburn                            | Florida                    | Auburn                        | Florida                       | Auburn              | Florida                          |
| Nebraska vs.<br>Northwestern                     | Northwestern               | Nebraska                      | Nebraska                      | Nebraska            | Nebraska                         |
| Toledo vs.<br>Western<br>Michigan                | Toledo                     | Toledo                        | Toledo                        | Toledo              | Western<br>Michigar              |
| Last Week's<br>Record:                           | 17-3                       | 15-5                          | 15-5                          | 15-5                | 9-11                             |
| Season<br>Record:                                | 75-24-1                    | 78-21-1                       | 74-25-1                       | 74-25-1             | 50-49-1                          |
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We're back for another round of picks after an exciting fifth week of games. Four of our staff reporters and our editor will be making picks on 20 games each week throughout the season. Games will be a mix of high school, college and pro, with a focus on local contests. Picks can be found below. (If the chart doesn't show up, wait a few minutes for it to download or try again on a desktop) If you have trouble viewing on Twitter mobile, copy the link and open in your internet browser, then delete the amp at the beginning of the URL.

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## HTL Game of the Week: Seaholm vs. Oak Park

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The Michigan high school football season rolls into Week 6 after an event-ful fifth week of the season. Here are six games to watch this week, including Hometown Life's Game of the Week: Birmingham Seaholm vs. Oak Park.

#### Birmingham Seaholm vs. Oak Park, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.

Oak Park has already played the role of spoiler this season. The Knights ended Birmingham Groves' perfect season in Week 4, running over the Falcons for the 26-14 win.

However in Birmingham Seaholm, Oak Park faces a team that is out for revenge.

The Maples suffered its first loss of the season this past week against Rochester Adams, losing 17-6, the least amount of points Seaholm had scored all season and the most points the team had allowed all season.

Even though the Knights come into the game with a 4-1 record, holding a four-game win streak, Oak Park has shown an ability to allow a large amount of points before this season. The Knights allowed 41 points in a 64-41 win against Clarkston in Week 3.

If Seaholm quarterback Caleb Knoer and running back Chaz Strecker want a chance to win this game and get back on track, the Maples' offense will have to return to the offense that showed up against Rochester, Troy and Ferndale instead of the one that fell flat against Rochester Adams.

Here are five other games to watch this week:

## Detroit Catholic Central at De La Salle, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.

After Detroit Catholic Central beat Brother Rice 7-3 in the 75th edition of the Boys' Bowl, senior running back/ linebacker Brendin Yatooma wanted to make sure that the Shamrocks' latest win did not make the team think it was set to win the state title.

Instead, he wanted the focus to remain on the next game, returning to that game-by-game mentality.

The Shamrocks will see if they can continue its momentum into its second Catholic High School League Central division game, when Catholic Central takes on De La Salle on Friday.

Catholic Central sophomore quarterback Declan Byle will head into his second game as the varsity starter after beating out junior Jack Beno for the starting spot a week before the Brother Rice game.

The Shamrocks will face a defense that has allowed 32 points in its past two games, both losses to Brother Rice and Orchard Lake St. Mary's respective-

## Farmington at Avondale, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.

While rival North Farmington has exceeded expectations in its first season in its first season with coach Jon Herstein, Farmington has remained consistent, winning its first four games of the season.

However, the Falcons come into Fri-



Catholic Central defensive end Jack Birks sacks Brother Rice quarterback Greg Piscopink.

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day's game without playing a game since Sept. 20, after Pontiac had to cancel its game against Farmington due to a shooting near the school.

The Falcons will have to get back to its high-powered offense, an offense that has scored more than 30 points in each of its four official wins, and its stout defense that has not allowed more than two touchdowns in a single game this season, against an Avondale team that did not put up a fight against North Farmington a week ago.

#### Livonia Franklin vs. Westland John Glenn, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.

One of Livonia Franklin's season goals is already accomplished: to secure a city championship, its second in the past 10 years.

Now, before head coach Chris Kelbert head into a difficult stretch of games against Dearborn Fordson and Belleville to end the season, the Patriots have an opportunity to show what it can do after a close three-overtime win against Livonia Churchill.

Franklin will take on a Westland John Glenn team that has struggled all season, being outscored by opponents 149-5 in five games, scoring five points in one game against Churchill.

## Plymouth vs. Hartland, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.

After close wins over Canton and Brighton, Plymouth returned to its dominant wins this past weekend, defeating Novi 42-21 with a standout performance by running back Mike Mathias and the Wildcat running game.

While Plymouth stands alone at the top of the KLAA West, Hartland is not too far behind.

The Eagles have scored 30 points in each of their past two games, and will try and move up into second place with a win against the Wildcats.

## Brother Rice at Orchard Lake St. Mary's, Oct. 5 at 7 p.m.

Brother Rice head coach Adam Korzeniewski said he gave his team 24 hours to "sulk" after the Warriors' fourpoint loss to Detroit Catholic Central. Then it's on to another rivalry game.

The Warriors will take on Orchard Lake St. Mary's, a team that is 5-0, beating De La Salle 16-14 in its only division

game of the season so far.

Each of the Eaglets' past two losses have been by three points or less, and with the way the Brother Rice defense is playing, it could be an opportunity for the Warrior offense to push them over the top and get a rebound win.

#### HOMETOWN LIFE FOOTBALL WEEK 5 SCOREBOARD

Here is a look at what the scores looks like for Hometown Life area high school teams in the fifth week of the football sea-

#### Friday, Sept. 27

OAA

Birmingham Groves (4-1) 43, Troy Athens (2-3) 10 Rochester Adams (4-1) 17, Birmingham Seaholm (4-1)6

Southfield Arts & Technology (3-2) 60, Bloomfield Hills (0-5) 12 Farmington (4-0) vs. Pontiac (0-4): Cancelled North Farmington (5-0) 56, Auburn Hills Avondale (3-2)20

**Lakes Valley Conference** Waterford Kettering (2-3) 49, Milford (1-4) 20 South Lyon (5-0) 30, Walled Lake Northern (2-3)0

White Lake Lakeland (3-2) 24, South Lyon East (1-4)9

Catholic High School League

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingwood (3-2) 10, Walled Lake Central (0-5)

Independent Detroit Country Day (5-0)

36, Detroit Loyola (2-3) 0 Western Wayne Athletic Conference

Garden City (3-2) 21, Dearborn Heights Crestwood (2-3) 14 Redford Thurston (3-1) 52, Dearborn Heights Annapolis (1-4) 0 Redford Union (3-2) 33 Romulus (1-4) 14

MIAC Livonia Clarenceville (4-1) 42, Lutheran Westland (0-5)6

Brighton (4-1) 24, Canton

KLAA

(2-4)7Livonia Franklin (5-0) 49, Livonia Churchill (1-4) 48,

Dearborn (3-2) 21, Livonia Stevenson (2-3) 7 Northville (2-3) 20, Salem (0-5)7Plymouth (5-0) 42, Novi

(1-4)21Dearborn Fordson (5-0) 28, Westland John Glenn (0-5)0

### Sunday, Sept. 29

**Catholic High School** League

**Detroit Catholic Central** (3-2) 7, Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (4-1) 3 Reach Colin Gay at cgay@hometownlife.com, Follow him on Twitter @ColinGay17. Send game results and stats to Liv-Sports@hometownlife.com.

## **Plymouth**

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"I have to give it to our linemen because they made my job look so easy," Mathias said. "We really started to kick it off after that first [rain] delay."

Even in the slickest conditions, Mathias refused to go down, leaving defenders face first in the turf as the former wide receiver demonstrated more quick cuts than a barber shop.

Plymouth head coach Brian Lewis credits Mathias' split-second decision making and leadership as a big part on why his team is 5-0 overall (4-0 KLAA West).

"Mike's just unbelievable and that's just the truth," Lewis said. "The thing about Mike is that he has an unbelievable will and an unbelievable toughness. That's what makes Mike special, and obviously he can run it, but his determination, his will and his toughness are the things that we hang our hat on."

And just like the longlegged, blue bird of Looney Tunes lore, you can bet that Mathias would have ran right on through a painted tunnel had the opportunity presented itself and been just as successful.

Here are three other takeaways from Friday's KLAA West Clash:

#### Let me sweep on it

In terms of offensive production, both teams matched up fairly close with Plymouth, finishing with 371 yards of total offense to Novi's 342, although Novi had a slight edge in rushing yards by a 332-329 margin.

Given the amount of speed on both sides, Novi and Plymouth played to their strengths by executing jet sweeps and end arounds to the opposite sides of the field throughout the contest.

Never was this more prevalent than in the third quarter, where Plymouth and Novi saw three consecutive drives result in touchdowns via sweeps.

Novi

three-and-out, Plymouth's series lasted just one play as Mathias took a handoff from quarterback Nick Downs and burst up the ride side for a

Following

63-yard score to make it 28-7 at the 6:05 mark.

Novi (1-4 overall, 1-3 KLAA West) went tit-fortat shortly thereafter, thanks to senior wide receiver Ein Mack going in motion before the snap and taking it to the house on a 47-yard sprint to cut Plymouth's lead in half.

"We had a lot of great contributions tonight from Ein Mack, who had a great night," Novi head coach Jeff Burnside said. "Isiah Washington had a great night, Gavin Parenti had a couple of nice runs, and Josh Erno continues to lead us. We had some good things on offense and we just have to take care of the football."

After recovering a failed Novi onside kick, Plymouth added one last score with 14 seconds remaining in the frame on a 15-yard score by Mathias.

Plymouth would record their last score of the contest by executing a sweep play with 9:45 left in the fourth quarter, as senior wide receiver Preston Long reached the end zone from 26 yards out.

'We came out OK in the beginning and really hit our stride after the first delay," Lewis said. "We had four quick scores in a row, thank to this guy right here, No. 1 [Mike Mathias]"

#### **Hot Potato**

While the bulk of Friday's contest featured a ground heavy attack, it didn't exclude either team from their share of turnovers.

Novi lost all four fumbles and had an interception, which allowed Plymouth to score 14 points off of turnovers.

"It comes down to turnovers and it has been our Achilles heel all season long," Lewis said. "Every game we've lost, we've been well behind in the turnover margin. We preached it this week and we preached it during the pre-game... the team that wins the turnover battle is the team that's going to win."

For Plymouth, they lost only one of their two fumbles, and tossed a pick with two minutes left until halftime.

#### **Lightning strikes** twice

The traditional homecoming festivities at halftime weren't the only lengthy part of the game, as two lightning delays added an hour of game

time.

The first lighting delay occurred at around 8:30 pm, shortly after Mathias made it a 21-7 contest off his 68-yard fumble recovery in the third. Both teams would take another break an hour later, as Novi had just crossed midfield with 7:24 of the ensuing frame.

The delay however worked to Novi's favor, as Mack (3 rushes for 161 yards) turned on the jets once play resumed to the tune of 44 yards. Although Mack would be brought down at the goal line, quarterback Josh Erno (56 rushing yards) would sneak it in on the very next play to make it a 42-21 affair.

"The competitor in me and these kids will not allow us to not come back out [after the second rain delay]," Burnside said. "I had told them that we have a good football team in here and unfortunately, the team in green continues to beat the team in green. It's not so much that everybody else is beating us, but that we beat ourselves."

Novi will travel to Canton to take on the Chiefs in Week 6, while Plymouth will try and continue its win streak at home against Hartland on Oct. 4.

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## Brighton beats Canton after weather delays

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Heading into Friday night, the weather looked like it would play a large role in the outcome of high school football games across the area.

That proved to be the case as KLAA West foes Brighton and Canton battled at Canton High School. The teams waited out two separate weather delays in the second half.

Brighton took down the Chiefs 24-7 in the sloppy, rain-filled night to take control of second-place in the division.

The Bulldogs improve to 4-1 overall, while the Chiefs drop to 2-3, putting their playoff hopes in serious jeopardy with four games remaining. Both teams trail Plymouth in the division standings, which sits at 5-0 after beating Novi.

"It definitely relieves some pressure, for sure," Brighton coach Brian Lemons said. "Canton is a great program, well-coached group of guys. Their players played so hard. I'm really proud of our team for the way we responded tonight. We didn't play our best last week, and the question was, were we going to come out and feel sorry for ourselves, or were we going to put our foot forward and get back on track. They did just that."

Here are three takeaways from tonight's game:

#### Trading punts early

In the first half, the weather actually cooperated, yet neither team was able to do much on offense. Both teams punted on their first drives before Canton moved the ball down the field and got into the red zone.

Canton senior quarterback Ben Stesiak dropped back to pass and found senior Caden Domzalski for a 17-yard touchdown in the right corner of the end zone with 5:26 to play in the first quarter.

After trading punts for the rest of the first quarter and nearly all of the second quarter, Brighton's defense stepped up and forced a Canton fumble to set the Bulldogs up at the Chiefs 37-yard line. A couple plays later, a 19-yard run by junior Sheldon Riley set up Brighton at the

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Canton's Caden Domzalski is brought down by Brighton's Paul Skoczylas. TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

one-yard line. Following a penalty, Brighton senior quarterback Colby Newburg faked a hand-off and sprinted around the left side for the touchdown.

Newburg wasn't even sure if he'd be able to play in the game after sustaining a mild concussion last week. He was cleared Thursday, though, and was solid in the victory.

"I think he did great," Lemons said.
"He wasn't shy at all to get out there and stick his nose into it. ... The greatest thing was that he didn't feel sorry for himself because he wasn't executing, he stuck with it and came back after half-time and make some really nice throws and nice runs."

Newburg's touchdown made it a 7-7 ballgame at halftime.

"We were more physical up front," Brighton senior offensive lineman Nate Hoffman (committed to Air Force) said. "We just had to get settled in and and figuring out what they were doing and how they were adjusting. Once we figured that out, we settled in a hammered the ball down the field."

Dogs surge after delay

Brighton's Paul Skoczylas kicked a 37-yard field goal early in the third quarter to give Brighton a 10-7 lead. The team's continued to struggle moving the ball until lightning was spotted at the JV field, located behind the PCEP Varsity field, which forced the game into a 30-minute weather delay with 2:46 to go in the third quarter.

"I don't think rain delays help anyone out," Lemons said. "You have momentum, you have things going and then all of a sudden you have to take a 30-minute break. the good thing was we came back from it, put points on the board and I think the momentum kept rolling from there."

After the break, it was all Bulldogs.

With 6:04 remaining in the fourth quarter, Brighton's passing game finally broke through with a 34-yard touchdown catch by senior Mark Pecaj. On the ensuing kickoff, Canton failed to pick up the ball on the short kick and Brighton pounced on it, retaining possession in Chiefs territory. It was a huge play that boosted the Brighton momentum even further.

"In a game like this between two programs that are pretty tough, any turnover is going to swing the momentum, and to score so quickly after that I think really was the key piece of the night," Lemons said.

Moments later, the Bulldogs added another touchdown, again following a big passing play. Junior Nicholas Nemecek ran in the score from one-yard out, making the score 24-7.

Lemons said he felt his team showed maturity and that his coaching staff showed its experience with the way the Bulldogs responded after the delay.

Officials on the field spotted a second round of lightning with 5:37 left in the fourth quarter, but Brighton had done enough damage to secure the win by that point. When the game restarted after 10 p.m., Canton drove down the field but was unable to score and let the clock run out.

"It feels amazing to be able to come back, have a good week of practice and show up for a game and execute, especially when we face difficulties like rain delays," Hoffman said. "Being able to come out and show who we are and what we can do is amazing."

Looking ahead

The win is a significant boost to Brighton's division chances after it suffered a tough loss to Plymouth last week. The Bulldogs (4-1) hold a solid lead for second-place in the division, with Hartland in third. The Eagles had their game suspended due to weather, but are in line to pick up a win and improve to 3-2 overall. Canton and Howell both are 2-3.

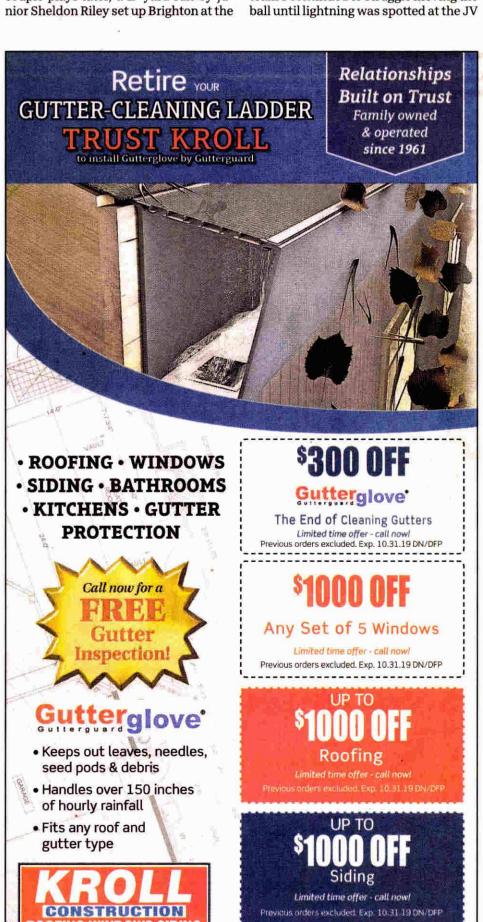
Brighton has a clear path to win its next three games, which are against Northville, Salem and Howell. It will then face one of the big three from the KLAA East: Belleville, Fordson or Livonia Franklin, in the crossover.

"All we can do is hope that Plymouth gets beat," Newburg said. "We're in a good spot, we'll play a good team in the crossover, we'll be ready for them."

Things look a bit tougher for Canton, which now faces an uphill battle to make the playoffs, even with the new strength of schedule based format. It will face Novi, Howell and Hartland in its next three games before its crossover matchup, which could be against one of several teams.

"The ceiling is as high as we want it to be," Hoffman said. "The sky is the limit for us."

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## Stoyanovich

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his brothers, Alexander and Nicholas, training with the help of Bill and Pete: doing leg workouts, practicing kickoffs and field goals and running, doing anything to increase their leg strength.

Pete Stoyanovich knows how to coach. He is the South Lyon East boys soccer coach, which limits his opportunities to be with William and his brothers at points. He also knows what it is like to be where William is, in what he describes as the isolated position of a kicker. But he said his primary job is to keep his nephew focused, and let him do his own thing, let him figure it out on his own.

"He's got good focus, he's got good willingness he's willing to listen," Pete Stoyanovich said. "Is it because of who I am as an uncle and as a former player? But he's willing to learn."

Through the first five games of the season, South Lyon has not let William Stoyanovich perfect his craft all that much.

In his first season on the varsity team, William Stoyanovich has connected on 10-of-13 extra-point attempts, while failing to miss his only field-goal attempt wide right. The Lions, with its high-octane offense, has attempted nine 2-point conversions in those five games, converting on eight of them.

South Lyon head coach Jeff Henson was not shy about hiding the fact that William Stoyanovich still has work to do, that there has been a learning curve in his transition from junior varsity to varsity football.

But none of those expectations of his kicker revolve around which family he comes from.

"Our focus is on him and not on what his family did in the past," Henson said. "Obviously, we have expectations of him. We expect him to perform."

William Stoyonovich is living for the opportunity to show that on the field in a game, reaching consistency in every motion he takes; doing the same thing every

As a pitcher on South Lyon's baseball team, he does the same thing on the mound, playing with a specific target in mind: the catcher's mitt.

It's the same thing when kicking.

"I visualize it going through the goal posts every time," Stovanovich said.

Bill Stoyanovich thinks that when his son gets the opportunity to do that in the game, the weights of the "Stoyanovich expectation" with be off his shoulders.

But even when the weight is off the junior kicker's shoulders, the same name remains on the back of his jersey, the name representing an extremely high level

To Pete Stoyanovich, the former NFL kicker, the one who brought the Stoyanovich name to prevalence, his nephew William will always have a big "X" on his back.

'The expectation, I mean, people familiar with kicking in the NFL know the name is synonymous." Pete Stoyanovich said. "The name Stoyanovich is not a difficult name to remember."

## Championship

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In the first half, the Chargers showed that level of defensive prowess.

Other than two scoring drives of 14 and 10 plays respectively, Churchill forced four four-and-outs for the Franklin offense, three of which came consecutively to end the first half.

However, after the missed field goal to end regulation by the Chargers, senior quarterback Jake Kelbert and the rest of the Franklin offense found new life

After allowing touchdown on a sweep by Churchill sophomore quarterback Taj Williams, Kelbert answered with a 10-yard read option to his left to tie the game at 35. The quarterback took the lead, scrambling to the left side of the endzone after looking for an open

However, Churchill could not be stopped offensively either. Quarterback Gavin Brooks found Shane Morelli to tie the game at 42, taking the six-point lead after a touchdown run by back Mitchell Regan.

"We're a group that can compete with everybody no matter who we are playing," Brooks said. "We are going to keep fighting until the last whistle."

When the opportunity came for Kelbert to secure the win, he did what he had done all throughout the overtime period: he followed his offensive line, allowing the Franklin offense to have the momentum it had shown all season long.

"Once we got it, it clicked. Jake followed our blocks, we blocked our hearts out as an o-line," Swirple said. We just blocked our hearts out, Jake followed us and he trusted us to that final whistle. And he took us to the promised land.

#### Churchill offense shows up

After putting up 28 points against Dearborn Fordson this past weekend, the Churchill offense faced a Franklin defense with a streak to uphold.

This season, the Patriots had not allowed more than 25 points in a game, allowing 25 points in its last game against Livonia Stevenson.

From the very start Brooks and the Charger offense showed up, using the running game primarily. Only one of Churchill's six touchdowns were threw the air. including a 63-yard dash by wide receiver Brandon Lowry in the second quarter to tie the game at 14.

Overall, the Chargers recorded 347 yards of offense on 61 plays, converting 5-of-9 attempts on third down, something Franklin was not able to do: converting 1of-12 attempts

Brooks said head coach Bill DeFilippo did not really have much to say to his team after this game, a team that had fought back and matched Franklin poundfor-pound in that overtime period.

"Pretty much at a loss for words," Brooks said. "It sucks, but we have to bounce back, and we have to win out, try and get a Week 10."

#### City championship secured

After blocking the field goal and securing overtime, Jake Kelbert was confident.

"We knew if we got this game into overtime, we would come out champs," Kelbert said.

With a drive the quarterback described as secondto-none, Franklin secured its second city championship in the past decade in front of a Churchill crowd that was celebrating homecoming.

This continued many streaks for Frankin. The Patriots are now 5-0, recording at least 40 points in each

of those wins - after coming into overtime tied at 28. While the offense made its mistakes, the numbers look like the Patriot offense, recording 381 yards, in-

cluding 258 on the ground, on 76 plays. That's the characteristic of this team: it does not

"We will not stop. We will always go, 100 percent, the whole entire time," Swirple said. We play strong, Franklin football until the final whistle.'

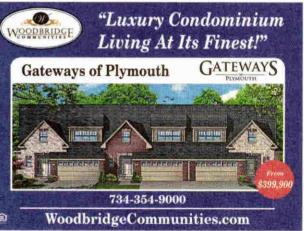
Head coach Chris Kelbert said he hopes this win propels his team forward, but he hopes it scares them too, allowing Franklin to really focus and move on without a big head.

But Franklin already secured one of its goals: to win a city championship. To Jake Kelbert, it's just the start.

'This is a big stepping stone for us, first of many goals we have," Kelbert said.

Franklin will try and make it 6-0 when the Patriots take on Westland John Glenn at home on Oct. 4, while Churchill will take on Dearborn on Oct. 4 on the road.

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#### LIVONIA HOUSING COMMISSION PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER WAITING LIST

The Livonia Housing Commission (LHC) hereby notifies the general public that the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) waiting list will open for applications on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 9:00 am and will close at 4:00 pm Monday, November 4, 2019. Applications for the waiting list are available ON-LINE ONLY at https://www.waitlistcheck.com/MI2628 Only one application per family will be accepted. Duplicate applications will be rejected. Paper applications WILL NOT be distributed or accepted. An email address will be required to submit an application. If you do not have one, the application process will allow you to create one. Applications can be submitted ON-LINE with the use of a personal computer, laptop, tablet and smart phone. Submission of an application does not guarantee placement on the waiting list, eligibility or an offer of a Housing Choice Voucher. Applications received on-line will be entered into a selection lottery. The Livonia Housing Commission will randomly select 1,300 applications to be placed on the Voucher waiting list.

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Livonia Housing Commission

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City of Livonia - 09/09/19 1,880th Regular Meeting Synopsis Present: McIntyre, Meakin, Jolly, Kritzman, Bahr, White, and Toy. Absent: N #298-19 Approved minutes of the 1,879th Regular Meeting of the Council held 08/26/19. Absent: None. Several items were received and filed for the information of the Council.

Audience Communication Rob Donovic, Community Development-Livonia Jaycees, invited residents to "Kindness Rally" on 09/21/19; Glenn Moon addressed concern re: music and his band instruments at Senior Center.

#299-19 Approved noise ordinance waiver for Oktoberfest event at SuperNatural Brewing & Spirits for weekend of 09/20-09/22/19.

#300-19 Approved route and road closures for Clarenceville High School Homecoming Parade on Friday, 10/4/19 from 6:15-8:00 p.m.

#301-19 Approved sale of City-owned property located at 9823 Merriman for price of \$173,600 #302-19 Approved noise ordinance waiver for MDOT re: I-275 Rehabilitation Project.

#303-19 Approved payment to Detroit Edison for (6) streetlights on Five Mile. #304-19 Approved establishment of public improvement bonds for work at Capri Street

Condos on west side of Farmington, between Norfolk and Eight Mile. #305-19 Approved necessity to establish Special Assessment Street Lighting Project for

Adams Court Condos.

#306-19 Approved application for Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate for expansion and rehabilitation of property at 31501 Schoolcraft for seven years.

First Reading given to Ordinance amending Section 35 of Zoning Map. (Pet. 2019-06-01-04)

First Reading given to Ordinance amending Section 28 of Zoning Map. (Pet. 2019-06-01-05)

#307-19 Approved acceptance of Grant of Easement for 12' public utility easement for water

main constructed within Capri Street Site Condominium. #308-19 Denied original request to refer Council meeting schedule to Administration and Law Department.

#309-19 Suspended rules of procedure to allow item not already on Agenda.

#310-19 Directed closed Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss litigation matters. Audience Communication None.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Full text of the official minutes is available in the Office of the City Clerk.

Susan M. Nash, Livonia City Clerk

Publish: October 3, 2019

#### NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

For the City General Election to be held on November 5, 2019 City of Westland, County of Wayne

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Westland:

Please take Notice that any qualified elector of the City of Westland who is not already registered, may register to vote at the office of the City Clerk; the office of the County Clerk; a Secretary of State branch office, or other designated state agency. Registration forms can be obtained at mi.gov/vote and mailed to the City Clerk. Voters who are already registered may update their registration at www.expressSOS.com

The last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk is Monday,

After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in-person with proof of residency (MCL 168.492) at the City of Westland - City Clerk's office, located at 36300 Warren Road; Westland, MI 48185 at the following times:

Regular business hours: Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 2nd from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Election Day, Tuesday, August 6th from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

On the ballot for the City General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 will be the following offices:

> City Clerk (vote for 1) City Council (vote for 4)

The following proposal will be voted upon in the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

GARDEN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SINKING FUND MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL 1.9395 MILLS (\$1.9395 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) FOR 5 YEARS

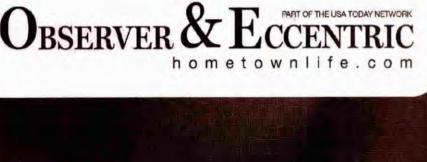
Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Garden City Public Schools, 1333 Radcliff Street, Garden City, Michigan 48135-1126, telephone: 734-762-8300. A sample ballot may be viewed at www.mi.gov/vote.

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Richard LeBlanc Westland City Clerk

Publish: October 3, 2019







#### CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR GENERAL ELECTION **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019**

To the Qualified Electors of the CITY OF GARDEN CITY - WAYNE COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Monday, October 21, 2019 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the above stated election in any manner other than in-person with the Local Clerk.

Non-partisan candidates for the following offices will be voted upon in the County of Wayne, City of Garden City:

Candidates for the following offices will be voted upon: Garden City City Council – vote for no more than four Garden City Public Library Board – voter for no more than two

PROPOSALS: GARDEN CITY

PROPOSAL #1

A PUBLIC SAFETY RENEWAL MILLAGE - 3.5 MILLS FOR 5 YEARS

PROPOSAL #2

A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO SEPARATE THE CLERK/TREASURER POSITION

GARDEN CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind.

At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

By Mail:

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> CITY OF GARDEN CITY CITY CLERK'S OFFICE 6000 MIDDLEBELT ROAD GARDEN CITY, MI 48135

Telephone number: 734.793.1620

Qualifications for Registration

1. Applicant is at least 18 years of age 2. Resident of City of Garden City for at least 30 days.

3. Citizens of the United States.

Note: A Person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote once in person unless they have previously voted in person or are at least 60 years of age or are physically unable.

Applications for Absentee Voter Ballots are available at the Clerk's Office. The deadline for filing an application to receive an Absentee Ballot for the November 5, 2019 Election is Saturday, November 2, 2019 until 3:00 p.m. at the Clerk's office.

> Matthew K. Miller City Clerk

Item #19-09-171 - Moved by Jacobs; supported by Lynch:

To approve an Amendment to Section 154.022, Accessory Buildings and Structures, as presented during the City Council Meeting of September 23, 2019.

Unanimous ABSENT: Councilmember McKarge

Item #19-09-172 - Moved by Kerwin; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve an Amendment to Section 154,037, Fences, as presented during the

City Council Meeting of September 23, 2019.

AYES: Unanimous Councilmember McKarge ABSENT:

<u>Item #19-09-173</u> – Moved by Earle; supported by Lynch:

RESOLVED: To approve an Amendment to Section 154.606, Signs Permitted With a Permit

(7) Portable Signs (b) as discussed during City Council Meeting of September 23, 2019.

Unanimous ABSENT: Councilmember McKarge

Item #19-09-175 - Moved by Lynch; supported by Squires: To approve an Amendment to Section 154.352 (A), Permitted Uses and

Structures, allowing for permitted uses to be determined by the Zoning Administrator.

Walker, Jacobs, Lynch, Squires, Kerwin NAYS: Councilmember Earle ABSENT: Councilmember McKarge

Item #19-09-177 - Moved by Lynch; supported by Kerwin: RESOLVED: To approve an Amendment to Section 154.354 (B), Site Design Regulations, (1) Off-street Parking and Loading, in reference to parking on the block, as presented during the City Council Meeting of September 23, 2019.

Unanimous ABSENT: Councilmember McKarge

> CITY OF GARDEN CITY PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 19-011

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARDEN

THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:

Section I.

THAT THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY BE AMENDED PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 154.002 - ACCESSORY BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES INCREASING THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED SQUARE FOOTAGE OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES; SECTION 154.037 – FENCES ALLOWING SIX FOOT TALL PRIVACY FENCES IN SIDE YARDS, EITHER TWO FEET BEYOND AN EXISTING SIDE DOOR OR NO CLOSER THAN TEN FEET FROM THE FRONT LINE OF THE HOUSE; SECTION 154.606 – SIGNS PERMITTED WITH A PERMIT ADDING LANGUAGE TO BE IN COMPLICANCE WITH ADA STANDARDS; SECTION 154.352(A) – PERMITTED USES AND STRUCTURES ALLOWING PERMITTED USES IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR; AND SECTION 154.354 - SITE DESIGN REGULATIONS ALLOWING THE LOCATION OF OFF-STREET PARKING TO BE LOCATED ON THE SAME BLOCK AS THE FACILITY ON THE SAME SIDE OF FORD ROAD OR MIDDLEBELT ROAD.

Section II.

That this Ordinance and the various parts, sentences, paragraphs, sections and clauses it contains are hereby declared to be severable. Should any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause be adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by any court for any reason such judgement shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance in whole or in part thereof, other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

Section III.

That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and

Section IV.

That the Clerk for the City of Garden City shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. That this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon

Section V. publication as required by law.

September 23, 2019 Adopted: Published: October 3, 2019 October 3, 2019 Effective:

Matthew Miller City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: October 3, 2019

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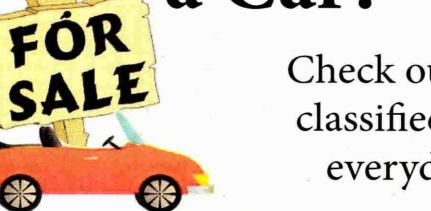
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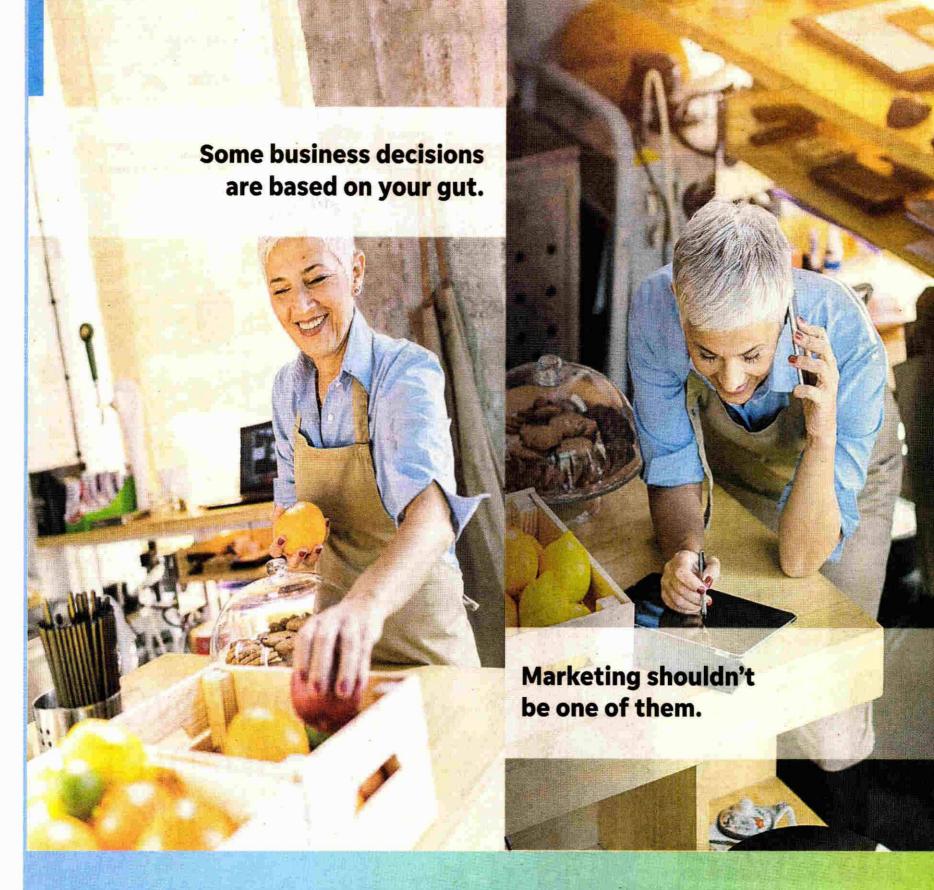
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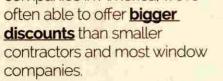
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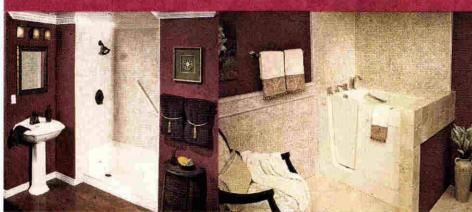
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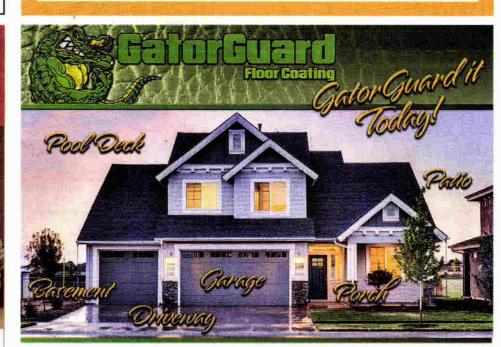
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