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## NEF to host pancake breakfast

The Novi Educational Foundation is hosting a welcome back to school pancake breakfast 7:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at Novi High School.

Tickets for the all-you-can-eat breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit, orange drink, coffee and a 50/50 raffle. Tickets, if purchased by Aug. 31, are only \$6 and \$8 after (children 4 and under are free).

Tickets can be purchased on the Novi Educational Foundation's website at [NoviEducationalFoundation.org](http://NoviEducationalFoundation.org).

## Head out to South Lyon Bridge Walk

Join neighbors and friends Monday, Sept. 4, at the 13th annual South Lyon Labor Day Bridge Walk. This free event offers adults and children the chance to walk one of two 2.5-mile loops or the entire five-mile course.

New this year, participants do not need to register for this event. The Parks and Recreation Commission Board of Commissioners will set up its tent by 8:30 a.m. and the walk begins at 9 a.m. Walkers should meet at the tent near the path by the parking lot in McHattie Park. No animals permitted, but strollers and wagons are allowed.

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TOM BEAUDOIN

The Milford community came out to show support at the candlelight vigil for Kenneth Smith.

# Community shows support for mother with candlelight vigil

Sharon Dargay  
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As the search for 10 missing U.S. sailors stretched into its third day and hope of finding survivors waned, the Huron Valley community came together Aug. 23 to uplift U.S. Navy mom April Brandon.

They decorated trees and homes with blue and gold ribbons, presented her a prayer quilt and gathered for a candlelight vigil to pray for her son, Kenneth Smith, who was on board the USS John S. McCain when it collided with an oil tanker Aug. 21 near Singapore.

At that time, navy and marine divers found remains of some of the missing sailors in flooded portions of the damaged ship, the Rev. Doug McMunn, pastor of Milford United Methodist Church, told a crowd of about 75-100 supporters at Central Park that Brandon awaited "official word" of her son's status. A release the next morning made it official.

"Kenneth's mother April has asked me just moments ago to announce that during this vigil, we officially still have 10 sailors missing at sea, despite unofficial announcements to the contrary. We are not announcing their demise," McMunn said that night. "Tonight's candlelight vigil is a way for all of us to show our concern toward a family in our community."

Brandon, surrounded by family, friends, active military, navy moms and area residents, didn't address supporters, but listened as they offered words of comfort, vowing to pray for her and her son.

"As mothers we've all known tragedy, but not like you my friend. We want you to know our hearts and thoughts are with you," said Dolores Salvia of Highland Township. Earlier in the evening, Salvia placed a vase of flowers and a flag at the veterans memorial, where the group began gathering at

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## U.S. Navy confirms former Novi resident died on ship

Sharon Dargay  
[hometownlife.com](http://hometownlife.com)

The U.S. Navy confirmed Aug. 24 the death of Kenneth A. Smith, one of 10 sailors went missing after their ship, the USS John S. McCain, collided with an oil tanker near Singapore.

Smith, the son of April Brandon, a Milford resident, had served in the navy for four years and was an electronics technician who worked with radar aboard the guided-missile destroyer. He grew up in Novi.

The U.S. 7th Fleet released a statement saying that after 80 hours of searching for the 10 missing sailors, rescue efforts had been halted. U.S. Marine and Navy divers found remains of all of the sailors inside flooded compartments in the damaged ship.

It was the second fatal collision involving a navy vessel in the past two months and the commander of the Seventh Fleet was removed Aug. 23.

- Also dead are:
- » Electronics Technician 1st Class Charles Nathan Findley, 31, of Missouri
  - » Interior Communications Electrician 1st Class Abraham Lopez, 39, of Texas
  - » Electronics Technician 2nd Class Kevin Sayer Bushell, 26, of Maryland

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# 8 great things to do at the Michigan State Fair in Novi



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Stuart Benbow of Westland will return to this year's fair in the Superstar Contest.

Matt Jachman  
[hometownlife.com](http://hometownlife.com)

The Michigan State Fair, a celebration of all things Mitten (and U.P., too) with roots that go back to 1849, launches its 2017 edition Thursday at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

The four-day fair is a privately run event with dozens of corporate and community sponsors and the successor to the state-sponsored fair held annually at the State Fairgrounds in Detroit for more than 100 years. More than 150,000 people attend

last year's fair.

Marking its sixth year at the Suburban Collection (it debuted there in 2012 as the Great Lakes State Fair), the fair offers many longtime favorites, plus some newer twists.

We've put together a list of attractions and opportunities that offer a Pure Michigan State Fair smorgasbord.

» **Michigan's got talent:** The Superstar Contest, the fair's musical entertainment anchor, will put 14 semifinalists, representing a variety of genres, on the St. John's Providence main stage beginning Thursday eve-

ning. Five will continue in the judged competition Saturday evening and just two will be left for a Sunday evening concert.

The field includes country-folk guitarist Stuart Benbow and Christian singer-songwriter Rashida Johnson, both of Westland, and Ali McManus of West Bloomfield, who despite a rare bone disorder and multiple surgeries is about to release her first album at age 20.

» **Farm to table:** Farmers markets are everywhere these days, so why not the state fair?

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# VIGIL

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dusk. Her husband Joe is commander of the American Veterans Post 2006.

Another Highland resident, who identified herself only as Lorie and as one of Brandon's long-time friends, publicly thanked all moms of men and women in the military service.

"You, my friend, are the epitome of grace under pressure," she said. "I'm proud of you and your son. You raised a terrific kid."

### 'One of us'

McMunn described Smith, 22, who grew up in Novi, as "an online author, an animal lover and a sci-fi nerd." He said Smith has been in the navy four years and is an electric technician

working with radar. "Kenneth's mother April lives here. His father lives in another state," McMunn said. "He lived in Milford a couple of summers with his mother and so he is one of us."



**April Brandon, mother of Kenneth Smith, gets a hug from one of the many supporters at the candlelight vigil held for her missing son last Aug. 23 in Milford.**

The Rev. Bryant Anderson of Milford Presbyterian and the Rev. Paul Castelli of St. George's Episcopal Church also offered prayers. Ten supporters spoke briefly and McMunn gave Brandon a prayer quilt made by Stitching for Others, a local needlecraft group.

Sharon Peterson-Moshenko, a Milford

resident, suggested the vigil and asked McMunn, her pastor, for help.

"I said, 'Pastor Doug, I've never organized a vigil. All I know is I want to show love to this family. Can we pull this off?' He said yes," Peterson-Moshenko said during an interview before the event. "If you surround yourself with good people, when a tragedy hap-

pens, those people will walk beside you. I went to show April and her family love and support. "Let's let this family know we love and care for them."

Earlier Aug. 23, administrators of the Highland Matters Facebook page suggested tying blue and gold ribbons around trees to show support for Brandon and

her family.

The idea caught on and supporters began posting photos of decorated trees. Both Highland Township Hall and Colasanti's in Highland displayed ribbons.

"We want to support her," said Mary Ann Massard, one of the page administrators. "He's a hero, no matter how you look at it."



**Blue Star Mothers come out in support of April Brandon, the mother of Kenneth Smith, Aug. 23 in Milford.**

TOM BEAUDOIN

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# SAILOR

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- » Electronics Technician 2nd Class Jacob Daniel Drake, 21, of Ohio
- » Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Timothy Thomas Eckels Jr., 23, of Maryland
- » Information Systems Technician 2nd

Class Corey George Ingram, 28, of New York

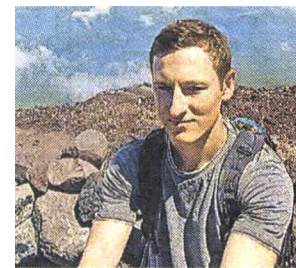
- » Electronics Technician 3rd Class Dustin Louis Doyon, 26, of Connecticut
- » Electronics Technician 3rd Class John Henry Hoagland III, 20, of Texas
- » Interior Communications Electrician 3rd Class Logan Stephen Palmer, 23, of Illinois

The incident is under

investigation to determine the facts and circumstances of the collision.

The announcement came a day after the Huron Valley community gathered in a candlelight prayer vigil with Brandon, her family and friends.

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**The U.S. Navy confirmed Kenneth A. Smith's death aboard the USS John S. McCain.**

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# FAIR

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Homemade and home-grown food products from local farmers and vendors will be featured. The market will also host regular cooking demonstrations, plus Barbecue Boot Camp.

» **Contest Central:** Pie-eating, Oreo-stacking, seed-spitting and more — eighteen different contests over all four days and competitors are still welcome.

» **Home arts:** Displays of fellow citizens' talents in canning, quilting, weaving, decorating and painting, plus contests in baking, decorating and wool garment-making.

» **Michigan melting pot:** The Cultural and Community Stage, open all four days, offers music, storytelling and dance from many of the cultural traditions that contribute to our state. See the likes of Ballet Folklorico de Detroit (Mexican folk dance), Sounds of Imani (contemporary gospel) and Cast Iron Cornbread (rock, country, soul and blues) and many others.

» **Livestock:** For many, the heart of a real state fair. Sheep, goats, rabbits, cows. Baby animals at the Beginning of Life exhibit. Equestrian competitions daily.

» **Give back:** Just attending the fair is a way to give back, as it raises money for a variety of charities and scholarships for those interested in pursuing an education in agriculture. Last year, some \$550,000 was raised.

The fair also offers a chance to give a little more and help save lives, in a partnership with Michigan Blood, a blood bank that serves more than 60 hospitals across the Lower Peninsula.



MICHIGAN STATE FAIR

The Arnold Amusements midway will feature carnival rides, games and food.

Michigan Blood will staff a donation clinic during specific hours all four days as the need for blood products on an emergency basis typically increases around the Labor Day weekend. Go to [donate.miblood.org](http://donate.miblood.org) to sign up to donate (free parking and general

admission, plus \$10 Kroger gift cards, to those who intend to donate).

» **Etc.:** OK, we're cheating here, to fit in a few more features, but the fair offers a grab bag of fun events, from Friday beer-tasting to a Shrine Circus (multiple performances) to the

Arnold Amusements midway with carnival rides, food vendors and games. There's also a parade, appearances by Michigan authors and, yes, pig races.

Fair hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday through Sunday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday,

Sept. 4. General admission tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for children ages 2-11, but do not include the circus or carnival rides. There are a number of ticketing options for the extras, including the \$30 Ultimate Wristband, which offers fair admission,

unlimited rides and unlimited circus performances.

For more information, go to [www.michiganstatefairllc.com/home](http://www.michiganstatefairllc.com/home).

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# Friendship event helps those with special needs

**Brad Kadrich**  
hometownlife.com

Levi and Bassie Shemtov have built Friendship Circle, the West Bloomfield-based charity, into a successful institution caring for and serving special-needs kids and adults all around metro Detroit.

The Shemtovs hope their upcoming fundraiser, the 12th annual Walk4Friendship, will help them to make their organization bigger and better.

The Walk4Friendship is designed to raise money to fund programs for Friendship Circle and its subsidiary, the Farber Center, which includes the Soul Cafe.

"This is a time we gather together as a community to support people with special needs," Bassie Shemtov said. "We're all family, there to support (special-needs people) and grow from them. They inspire us to be better people."

There's good reason to believe the walk will help keep the circle strong: Last year's event drew some 6,000 walkers and raised some \$600,000.

Shemtov hopes this year's walk, set for Sunday, Sept. 3, will draw even more walkers and raise some \$750,000.

"It's our biggest fundraiser," she said.

"Walk4Friendship is an amazing time of year for Friendship Circle. We witness thousands of community members gather together with one common bond: they each love someone with special needs. Together, we

can make Walk4Friendship 2017 our most successful walk yet."

The walk will begin at the West Bloomfield Town Hall and end at Friendship Circle's Farber Center. Parking is available at Temple Israel, with shuttles to the walk's starting point.

Participants will be able to enjoy food, a zip line, micro-reality racing, a sports arena, Michigan Science Center experiments, kids workshop with Home Depot and additional entertainment. Admission is free, but donations are welcome. Radio personality Mike Stone of WXYT-FM (97.1) and longtime news anchor Diana Lewis will both emcee this year's walk.

Skydivers, a group of high-flying acrobats performing death-defying stunts known for keeping crowds on the edge of their seats, perform at 12:45 p.m. The Real McCoy Show entertains the crowd at 1:45 p.m., with his stunt comedy, juggling a giant wrench, safety cone and plunger and more.

Friendship Circle also provides support to individuals and families struggling with isolation, addiction and other family-related crises. It creates friendship in the lives of individuals with special needs and those facing isolation, while providing an opportunity to become a contributing member of the community.

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Some of the 6,000 walkers in the 2016 Walk4Friendship.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

Canton, Huron Valley, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Garden City, Redford and dozens of others, utilize the services of Friendship Circle.

Through its programming, Shemtov said, Friendship Circle aims to promote an inclusive community that values all individuals, regardless of the challenges

they face.

"That's who Friendship Circle is," she said. "The bottom line of who we are is we believe every single person is all the same on the inside. We want the whole community to be a part of Friendship Circle. No matter what challenges you have, there's a place for you in Friendship Circle."

To register for the walk or for more information, go to [www.walk4friendship.com](http://www.walk4friendship.com).



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

Organizers hope to draw more than 6,000 walkers and raise some \$750,000 with this year's Walk4Friendship.

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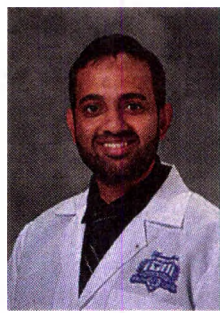
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## Novi to honor fallen U.S. Air Force major with memorial tree, bench

The city of Novi lost a hero earlier this year when U.S. Air Force Maj. Andrew Becker died after his plane crashed during a flight training mission in New Mexico.



Becker

Becker, 33, was a Novi High School graduate who decided a month following the events of Sept. 11, 2001, that, after college, he was going to enlist in the air force and become a pilot. He told his parents, "I'm going to join the air force and do whatever I can to protect my family, my country and our way of life against this new enemy."

As a way to honor Becker, Novi Mayor Bob

Gatt and the Becker family are inviting the community to join as we remember and unveil a memorial in his honor during a ceremony at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, outside the Novi Civic Center.

"Our community will never forget the selfless sacrifice made by Major Becker to protect our freedoms," Gatt said. "This memorial is just a small token of our appreciation and will serve as a remembrance of not just him, but all those who have proudly served our nation."

Becker was a rising star in the air force and was slated to go to a training program as a lead instructor for new air force pilot training prior to the accident. In his almost seven years as a special operations pilot,

Becker was deployed nine times to fly combat missions in Afghanistan, Iraq and two other countries that cannot be named.

He flew 459 combat missions, logging 2,260 combat hours, and rose in rank from second lieutenant to lieutenant and to mission commander. During his time in the air force, Becker received 22 service medals, including a Meritorious Service medal.

Members of the Becker family, friends, local and state dignitaries and some of Becker's brothers in the air force are expected to attend the ceremony.

For more information, go to [cityofnovi.org](http://cityofnovi.org).

### NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

#### Phony caller cons Novi shop out of cash

Charming Charlie, a Novi jewelry and accessory shop, was conned out of \$554 Aug. 19 by someone who claimed to be from corporate headquarters.

The money was sent, via wire transfer through a local drug store, to Houston, Texas, where it had already been picked up by the time police began investigating the scam, according to a Novi Police Department report.

A Charming Charlie employee told police that someone claiming to be from the corporate office had phoned her and

asked questions and knew information that appeared to legitimize the claim of being from headquarters. The caller said that a customer who had been injured Aug. 3 in a fall at the store had agreed to settle a legal claim for cash and instructed the employee to wire the money, in amounts of \$275 and \$279, to Houston, the employee told police.

The employee did so and later informed a Charming Charlie district manager, who contacted the corporate office and found there had been no legitimate call for a money transfer, the police report said.

#### Vandalism

Graffiti was spray-painted on parts of Novi Township Hall the night of Aug. 18 and was discovered the next morning.

A police report said the door to a women's restroom, the restroom sign and a nearby wall, window and picnic table had been spray-painted with white and pink paint. A security video, police said, showed two teenage girls outside between 4:02 a.m. and 4:50 a.m. Aug. 19, but the report did not say the video showed the two committing the vandalism.

—By Matt Jachman

# In Novi, there's a commitment to connect with our students

**M**y high school – Sandia High School in Albuquerque, N.M. – was a three-grade high school, grades 10-12. It had almost 2,400 students. It was a big place.

I walked through the door the first day of class not knowing what I would find.

What I found were three teachers who went out of their way to connect with me. I am fairly certain that it would have been impossible for them to connect with every student who ventured



**Steve Matthews**  
SUPER TALK

into their classrooms, but they might have. What I do know is that they connected with me.

And that made all the difference in the world.

Each day after my first day of high school, I knew that there were three people at that school who cared for me. (I guess there were really four, if you count my

sister, who was two years older and a senior when I was a sophomore. I am fairly certain she cared about me.)

I knew that I could survive Sandia High School because there were three teachers who made me feel important and capable. Those teachers made me feel like I mattered.

School starts Tuesday, Sept. 5, here in Novi. Some of our students will enter school knowing exactly where they fit in. Their experiences with school have been posi-

tive. They have found friends and activities within the walls of the school that make them feel like they belong.

Other students will arrive with much less certainty. They will wonder about their place.

In our district, our commitment is to connect with every student in our schools. Every student will find an adult at their school that will be their advocate, mentor, guide, coach and teacher. Every student will find someone in our schools that makes them

feel important.

As parents send their sons and daughters off to school this fall, I want to assure our community that our staff is committed to reaching every student. We will work hard every day to connect, challenge, guide and lead the students who walk through our school doors. We are committed to ensure that every student connects in a meaningful way with the adults in our schools.

I look forward to having the halls of our schools filled once again

with students and staff. I look forward to watching our staff find ways to connect with our students and help our students know and understand that someone inside that school wants them to excel, have fun and anticipate coming to school every day.

I know it can happen, because it happened for me in 10th grade.

*Steve M. Matthews, Ed.D., is superintendent of the Novi Community School District. He can be reached at steven.matthews@novik12.org.*

## Birmingham House Tour scheduled for Sept. 14

The Community House will host its annual Birmingham House Tour, presented by Hall & Hunter Realtors, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14. Proceeds from the event will support The Community House children and adult programs and services.

This year's tour offers seven spectacular private residential homes, featuring a diversity of extraordinary architecture and interior design. The houses range in character from a historic mid-century modern home, adorned with an impressive art collection,

to a prominent designer's home, which has been ingeniously transformed from a traditional colonial to a treasured contemporary.

Hall & Hunter has a rich history of supporting this very popular event, which is now in its 30th year and serves as a signature fundraiser for The Community House.

"Once again, we are honored to be the presenting sponsor of The Community House's Birmingham Home Tour. We commit to sponsor this event year after year, 12 years running. We look forward to not

only sponsoring the event, but volunteering at the event as well," said Brad Wolf, president, Hall & Hunter Realtors.

Co-chairs for the event are Rose and Brian Bolyard. Sponsors include Hall & Hunter Realtors, Gorman's, Ethan Allen, Bank of Ann Arbor-Birmingham and Detroit Home magazine.

Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$45 the day of the tour. Advance reservations are recommended; tickets are limited and the event does sell out. The Community House is located at 380 S.

Bates Street in Birmingham. For ticket information, contact 248-644-5832 or purchase tickets online at [www.communityhouse.com](http://www.communityhouse.com).

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# Police officer places fifth at World Police & Fire Games

Jay Grossman  
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Casey Pedersen is one tough cop.

The 28-year-old Birmingham police officer finished fifth in the world in the CrossFit competition at the 2017 World Police & Fire Games in Los Angeles. It was Pedersen's first time at the games.

"They call it the Olympics for first responders," Pedersen said about the international event. "There were over 9,000 athletes from 67 different countries competing with each other over 10 days. It was just incredible to be there."

CrossFit athletes compete in three different categories: metabolic conditioning, weightlifting and gymnastics. It's a grueling event that requires competitors to be in tip-top form and Pedersen made sure she was ready. When she wasn't running stairs, Pedersen was pumping iron or training at the gym.

She was the energizer bunny with a badge, dead lifting 55-pound dumbbells while listening to Journey music in the background.

"CrossFit training is super hard," Birmingham Police Chief Mark Clemence said. "It takes a lot of time and dedication. At lunch time, I'll be eating a turkey or chicken sandwich ... and she's eating kale."



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Birmingham Police Officer Casey Pedersen finished fifth in the world in the CrossFit competition at the 2017 World Police & Fire Games.



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"I made friendships that will last forever," said Birmingham Police Officer Casey Pedersen (third from left).

Clemence said Pedersen's fellow officers chipped in to pay for her airfare, in part to reward

her for all the training she put in. Plus, it was a chance for the Birmingham Police Department

to flex its muscles on a world stage.

"She did a great job in representing our department," he said. "She trained hard and deserved to go."

Pedersen, who grew up in Northville and graduated from Mercy High School, played Division I soccer at Valparaiso (Ind.) University. At the World Games, she competed in the women's 18- to 29-year-old division. There were two other athletes from the U.S. in her division; the rest were from other countries.

"I got to trade patches with 12 different officers from other countries," she said. "And that was the best part — color or religion didn't matter. We all wear the same uniform and badge and all of us are proud to protect and serve."

Pedersen, who's engaged, said she wanted to become a police officer so she could serve the community and help people. Her goal is to win the gold at the 2019 World Police & Fire Games in Chengdu, China.

"In some ways, it's more about camaraderie than competition," she said. "I made friendships that will last forever."

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School employees act eerily similar to these zombie-like performance artists after the first day of school.

## Five reasons (non)parents hate the start of the school year

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Tuesday is the first day of school for most students around here. Some, though, are already back in session.

Parents are celebrating and school staffs are groaning.

But whether or not you have school-age kids of your own, the start of school impacts just about everybody. I have no children of my own, so getting thrown into the turmoil of the back-to-school frenzy is enough to make my hairs stand on end.

And while you "know" the school year is about to start, not having a munchkin or four to actually get out the door and onto a school bus, it's pretty easy to forget in the moment what the day actually means ... at least until you've had a few cups of coffee.

Here's some of the worst things about this time of year:

**1. Changing traffic patterns.** There's nothing like timing everything just perfect so you arrive at work just minutes before you're scheduled to start. Then you pull out on to the main road and, a few minutes later, traffic is stopped. What's that? Dagnabbit. School bus. Well, there goes being on time today. And it's

not just school buses. It's remembering the slow-speed hours by those four schools you pass each day. Which one starts at 8:15 a.m.? If I go by at 2 p.m., will I get stuck behind all those high schoolers racing to get out of the school parking?

**2. Back to school pictures.** It's a time-honored tradition to snap a photo of your kids the first day of school. Nothing says "cheers" like forced smiles through still-groggy eyes. But now, everyone gets to see those opening day photos. Thanks, Facebook. My feed is inundated for days with the pics. Great if you're a grandparent, but seeing 207 photos of backpacks, school uniforms and toothy grins is more than enough.

**3. Quick run to the store.** Back to school sales started a month ago. So why are Meijer, Target and Walmart all so busy? Really? School already started. Now you're thinking about folders, colored pencils and lunch boxes? Don't blame the store employee that the only selections left are Teddy Ruxpin and the Hamburglar, Great. Now, I've got to maneuver around some frantic moms and dads so I can stock up on Doritos and LaCroix.

**4. Throngs of the walking dead.** Even if not a parent, most people have family or friends in the education field. So you probably know that no matter how much preparation, how much sleep the night before, your teacher friends won't be ready for what's coming. So by evening, they're stumbling around like a zombie, also known as school drunk. The energy it takes to keep up with hundreds of kids locked up in a single building after months of freedom is massive. And no one's built up their stamina yet.

**5. Where did summer go?** Once the school year starts, our day-to-day lives change. No more trips up north. And it's getting cold. This was going to be the summer of adventure. What? It's over? Where did it go? Why are those leaves looking yellow already?

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## Back to school shopping trip



The Novi Youth Assistance held a back to school shopping event Aug. 22 at Kohl's. Eight children shopped for school outfits, with help from the Novi Police Department, Providence Park Hospital and Dan Wood Heating and Cooling. Kohl's associates were wonderful hosting this program for Novi children in need of school outfits.

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# Every Saturday is 'dog day' at woman's home

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Kato was left alone after his "dad" went to prison. George was locked in a room because his caregiver couldn't cope. And Francis was dumped and left to die when her family moved. Those are the kinds of hard-luck canine rescue stories you may hear any given Saturday at Nicole King's house in Milford Township. King, who runs TLC Animal Sanctuary, hopes to give each sad tale a happy ending by opening her home to homeless dogs and potential adopters from noon to 1:30 p.m. each Saturday.

"We put up a puppy tent in the front yard. Families will come over and sit around and play with puppies," said King, who is fostering a litter of Labrador retriever-Australian shepherd puppies. "It gets young kids interested in rescue. It's great for the dogs. We've met some great people and we're connecting with the community."

"One guy dropped off 40 cases of dog treats. We've divided those among 10 rescues. We have lots of people who just come by and drop off supplies because they want to play with the dogs. We have a local Milford resident who had cancer and she brings her daughter over and they say it's a form of therapy for them."

"Half the town has been to my house."

### Cooperation

King works closely with a handful of other rescues. Last weekend, two of them, Happy Days Dog & Cat Rescue in



The Milford Township home of Kevin and Nicole King welcomes visitors on Aug. 12 as they introduce them to potential puppies for adoption.

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Livonia and Bottle Babies Rescue in Allen Park, brought dogs to "Saturday dog day" at the King residence. Dawn Furie, a Shelby Township resident, also dropped off St. Bernard-English mastiff mix Kato for a few days of TLC from King and her husband Kevin.

I just transported him from Roseville. His owner, unfortunately, was incarcerated and Kato was left alone. I wanted him out of that house because there was no one there with him," Furie said as she watched the gentle giant lap water from a bucket. "Nicole graciously offered to keep him for a couple days. Now he'll at least be able to be around people and he'll be fed and then go to a rescue

on Monday." Jennifer Mitch and Kathy Keith of Happy Days brought Francis, a Maltese mix, and Eloise, a Yorkshire terrier who was left alone after her owner died. Francis's former owners reportedly asked their veterinarian to kill her because they were moving and didn't plan to take her along. The vet contacted Happy Days instead.

"Nicole reaches out to local rescues because she has a prominent name in the community, so she's able to get a lot of supplies and she just shares the wealth with all of us," Mitch said.

Paul and Linda Belleperthe of White Lake are among numerous donors. They and their rescued German shepherd, Diego, stopped by King's

house last Saturday with cat and dog treats and food.

"I want to keep it local and she does a tremendous job," Linda said.

Krista Nealey, whose organization specializes in bottle feeding newborn animals, brought a litter of cattle dog-Australian shepherd puppies and George, a 10-month-old Labrador retriever, to King's home. The energetic young dog had spent most of his pre-rescue days in a room filled with feces after his owner, an elderly man, couldn't handle the dog.

### 90 dogs in a van

Nealey has worked with King for a few months and recently began transporting "death row" dogs from an overcrowded shelter

in Texas to Michigan. Her first out-of-state rescue netted seven adult dogs and 48 puppies, which Nealey shared with King and other dog rescuers. Her new transport van is equipped with a powerful heating-cooling system and kennel cages, and soon will have a sound system to play soothing music for her furry passengers.

She'll bring 90 dogs back to Michigan this week and will distribute them to several different rescue organizations, including TLC.

"If rescues all work together, we save a lot more dogs," Nealey said.

Although TLC works mostly with dogs from Michigan, King said she supports taking on dogs from the southern shelter. A rescuer in Montgomery, Texas, pulls them from the shelter and has them vetted and placed into foster homes before they head north.

"The neat thing is by the time they get here they are ready for adoption," King said. "We don't have to spend so much time on our end. We can move them (to new homes) quicker."

### In the mountains

King, who grew up in South Lyon, has rescued dogs wherever she has lived.

While living in the mountains of Colorado several years ago, she turned her 7,000-square-foot home into a haven for homeless pups. The climate-controlled six-car garage became a kennel and the surrounding seven acres offered plenty of play area.

"My great love in life is animals," she said. "I volunteered at a shelter (in Colorado) and did adoption events all over

the state. It became a full-time thing. I worked with trainers and learned every aspect of rescue, home placement and characteristics of animals. At one point we had 22 fosters. It was crazy, but we saved a lot of dogs."

She founded TLC as a nonprofit community organization, stopping short of applying for 501(c)3 status. She and her husband spend their own money on their rescued dogs and, if they are "lucky and smart about things," can keep the books balanced, King said. They don't take monetary donations, although they accept supplies, like food, treats and toys. King posts about the rescue's needs on Highland Matters Facebook page and maintains a wish list on TLC's web page.

"It's my money and my time. I do it all and I think it's why our animals have been so successful," she said, noting that only four have been returned over the years.

Volunteers tend to "stick around," she said, because unlike many other rescues, they aren't required to attend adoption events throughout southeast Michigan.

"I don't want them at adoption events. Their (foster) dogs won't act the same there as they normally do. And that is why half the town has been to my home," she said, with a laugh.

"We've done over 1,100 animals (adoptions). Every animal has come through my hands and my house. I just love being around them," King said. "I couldn't imagine not having them."

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# Quick-acting physicians help save golfer's life

For a golfer, spending a summer day on a championship golf course is heavenly. On Aug. 4, Christopher Cooley, an emergency medicine resident at Beaumont Hospital, Farmington Hills, had made a birdie in a three-day invitational tournament at Plum Hollow Country Club in Southfield. His tournament partner was his brother Matt, a gastroenterology fellow at St. John Providence. The pair, Royal Oak residents, eventually wound up winning their tournament flight in stroke play. Neither knew that within seconds of Chris's birdie, they'd be working hard to save a man's life on the golf course.

A golfer yelled that they needed a doctor for someone who had collapsed on the hole ahead of Chris and Matt. "I ran as fast as I've ever run and pulled a hamstring muscle," Chris said. "When I got there, the patient was without a pulse, wasn't breathing and had turned blue. I heard the voice of Dr. Frank Schell, one of my instructors, saying 'Better get on that chest, doctor.'"

Chris and Matt know that CPR can help someone who's had an unexpected cardiac arrest. The heart stops beating strongly enough to pump blood around the body, depriving the brain of blood flow. They took turns giving hard and fast CPR to get oxygen into the patient's brain to prevent brain damage.

City of Southfield paramedics arrived and used an automated external defibrillator, or AED, to restart the patient's heart with an electrical shock. The patient, David Wujczyk, 61, a Novi resident, was rushed to the nearest hospital, where he received



Christopher Cooley and Matt Cooley at the Plum Hollow Country Club golf course, two days after they helped to save the life of David Wujczyk.

emergency angioplasty to restore blood flow in his blocked cardiac arteries and two stents to help support the inner wall of these arteries.

Effective "bystander CPR" provided immediately after sudden cardiac arrest can double or triple a victim's chance of survival, but only 32 percent of cardiac arrest victims get CPR from a bystander. Sadly, 70 percent of Americans may feel helpless to act dur-

ing a cardiac emergency because they either do not know how to administer CPR or their training has significantly lapsed.

### Wujczyk was lucky

"This is such a cool story! I am so lucky. My life was saved on a golf course by two young guys I'd never met," said Wujczyk, who owns an insurance agency in Farmington Hills. "My sternum is bruised from the CPR, but I couldn't care

less about it. Chris and Matt saved my life and I will be forever grateful to them."

Each year, more than 350,000 people in the United States — one every 90 seconds — experience cardiac arrest. The vast majority of these do not occur at a hospital and those who receive CPR from a bystander are up to three times more likely to survive than someone who doesn't receive such



An avid golfer, David Wujczyk (right) played the Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia in 2015 with friends Rick Plawecki (left) and Joe Wisne.

assistance.

Wujczyk added, "Chris and his brother really used their talents that day! I never saw it coming; however, I did feel a little weird on the practice range that day."

Wujczyk's friend and golf partner of 25 years, Rick Plawecki, was so happy he cried and gave each of the doctors a kiss of gratitude for saving his best friend. Chris mentioned that people were thanking them and buying them drinks throughout the rest of the tournament. The country club even gave special recognition to the pair during the awards dinner at the end of the tournament.

While Wujczyk considers himself to be phys-

ically fit, when he came home from the hospital, he and his wife committed to changing how they eat and are using the DASH diet, which involves eating lots of fruits, vegetables and dairy products — about twice the average amount consumed by many Americans — and taking a cautious approach to meat and fats. And, when his cardiologist gives him clearance, Wujczyk is eager to begin cardiac rehabilitation to regain his cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength and flexibility.

"I want to get strong and healthy since I've got a lot to live for, including a new grandchild on the way," Wujczyk said.

# Bridge replacement expected to take one year

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Motorists who used a now-closed, historic bridge in Canton can brace for detours that are now expected to last a year or longer.

That's how long it is expected to take the Wayne County Roads Commission to hire a company to design and replace the crumbling bridge on Lilley Road, north of Michigan Avenue, which was abruptly shut down April 20 amid concerns it was unsafe.

Doug and Shelly Byrd, who live just north of the bridge, have mixed feelings about having it replaced at all.

Doug Byrd said it's inconvenient when he has to take a detour to get to Michigan Avenue, but he doesn't miss the traffic noise or the motorists who speed along Lilley Road. He said it's more peaceful now to stum his guitar while sitting in his back yard. "I'll take it as long as the bridge is out," he said.

Shelly Byrd misses the convenience of crossing the Lilley bridge to get to Michigan Avenue, although a detour to Haggerty Road isn't far. She is more concerned about motorists who now take an alternate route through the Woodcreek subdivision, driving at high speeds through a residential neighborhood where children play.

Doug Byrd agreed: "It's like a mini-speedway. People really cruise."

Shelly Byrd also is concerned the increased traffic will cause "a lot

more wear and tear" on subdivision streets.

Township Supervisor Pat Williams said those who frequently used the bridge will simply need to remain patient until the project, estimated at \$1.9 million, is completed.

"If there is any good news in what we're seeing," he said, "it's that the cost of replacing the bridge is expected to be less than anticipated. Unfortunately, we're going to have to wait a long time for it to be completed."

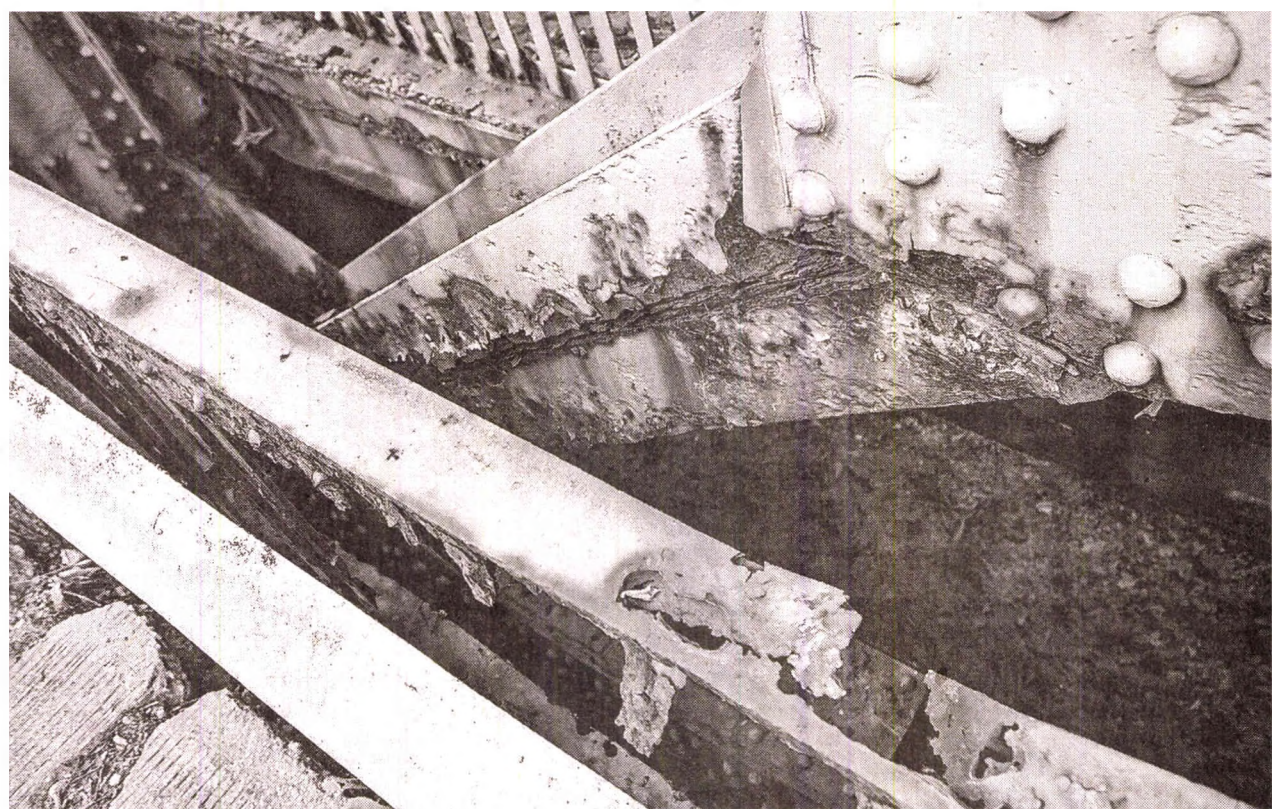
Wayne County has been assessing bridge needs across the 43 communities that make up the county. Still, Williams said it appears the Lilley bridge, which crosses the Lower Rouge River, will be closer to the front end of needed repairs.

Wayne County Roads Commission spokeswoman Kaye Byrd (no relation to Doug and Shelly Byrd) said the county closed the bridge "indefinitely" amid concerns about whether it was structurally safe.

A county-hired firm, Great Lakes Engineering Group, examined the bridge and said it was beyond repair, ushering in plans to replace it.

Canton historians had hoped the bridge, placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1999 for the way it was designed and built, could be repaired, though they have conceded it is in poor condition.

The inspection report pointed to major flaws in the bridge, which Kaye Byrd said "is believed to not be able to hold heavy traffic."



The steel is badly corroded and the bridge is considered unsafe for traffic.

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Why?

» The concrete deck is badly deteriorated.

» The steel parts that support the bridge are too weak to accommodate heavy traffic.

» The bridge's abutment — like a concrete pedestal that supports the steel beams — also has deteriorated.

The bridge, described as a 90-foot-long, camel-back, pony truss bridge made of concrete and steel, earned a spot on the National Register of Historic Places for its design, said Gregg King, Canton facilities supervisor and liaison to the Canton Historic District Commission.

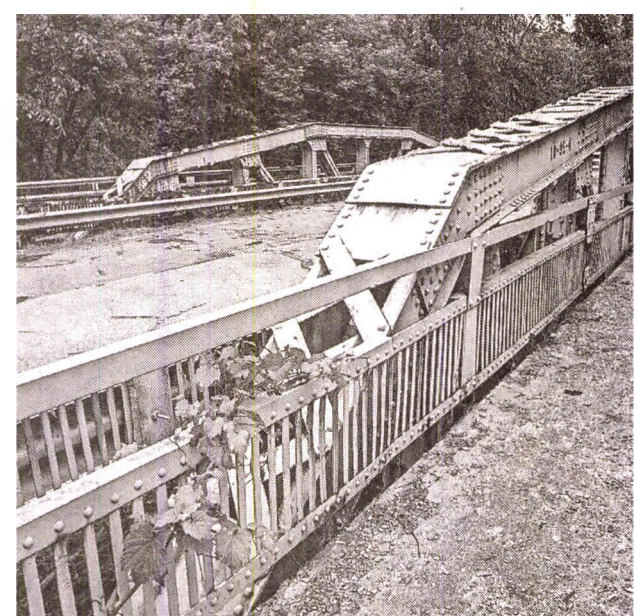
It was originally built in 1923 on Telegraph,

near Warren Road, but was moved after it was ruled unsuitable as Telegraph was being widened. It became the Lilley Road bridge in Canton in 1933.

It cost just under \$21,000 when it was built.

Until the bridge is replaced, Wayne County is recommending that motorists use other north-south roads close to Lilley. Residents who live south of the bridge can access those roads from Michigan Avenue. Residents who live north of the bridge can use Palmer Road.

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It's on a national list of historic bridges, but the Lilley Road bridge cannot be saved, engineers have ruled.



# German company investing \$2 million in Plymouth Township

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A Germany-based company that helps the automotive and other industries reduce noise and vibrations in their products is investing \$2 million in a new Plymouth Township facility.

Polytec, Inc., plans to have a robotic lab and engineering and office space in a two-story, 12,000-square-foot building in the Metro West Technology Park, on Halyard between Ridge and Beck roads.

The company hopes to move quickly on the project and potentially be fully operational on the site as early as next spring, said Arend von der Lieth, Polytec application engineering manager. It is expected to employ 10-12 people and invest \$2 million, he said.

Township Supervisor Kurt Heise said Polytec dovetails with efforts by local officials to attract high-tech jobs.

"These are very high-tech jobs. This is the kind of brand images that we are working to cultivate for Plymouth Township," Heise said. "We want to be seen as a location for

these type of very high-tech, very detailed automotive testing and (research and development) type operations."

Township Clerk Jerry Vorva said Polytec is using the last vacant space in the technology park, but officials also are starting to market other areas, such as property the township owns on Five Mile Road that once housed part of the former Detroit House of Corrections.

Polytec has been given a 12-year, 50-percent tax abatement in return for locating in Plymouth Township. Even so, Vorva said the township is expected to receive \$25,000 to \$30,000 over the 12-year period in new tax revenues. Other taxing jurisdictions, such as the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district, also will benefit, he said.

Von der Lieth said Polytec builds laser-based vibration measurement systems that test vibrations, rattling and noise so those problems can be addressed in industries such as automotive and aerospace, among others including data storage and biomedical ultrasound.

"We're on a pretty good growth path right now," he said.

Polytec's global headquarters is in Germany, but the company has wholly owned subsidiaries or facilities in places such as Japan, China, Singapore, France, England and Sweden. It has North American headquarters in Irvine, Calif., and also has offices in Dexter, Mich., and Hudson, Mass.

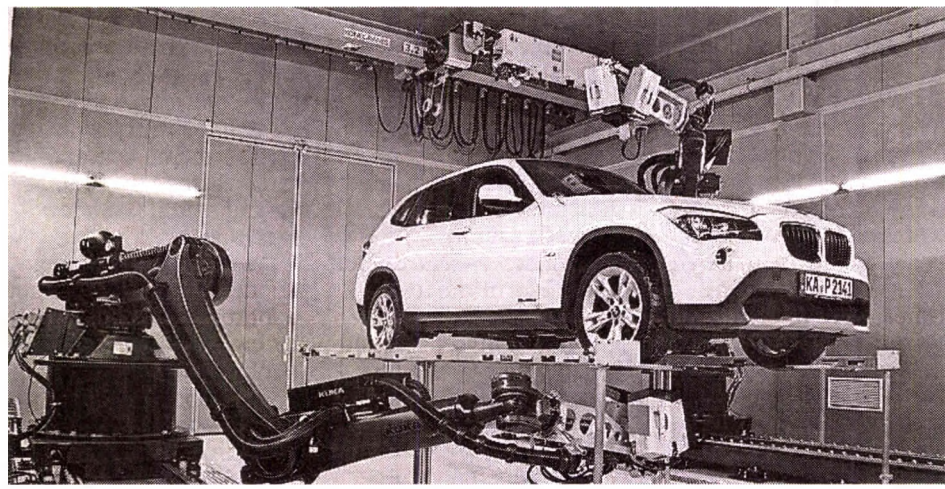
In Plymouth Township, Heise said giving Polytec the tax abatement was worth it.

"It's not like they're moving in tax-free," he said. "We still get 50 percent of the taxes. And we get more jobs."

Heise said the township is a desirable place for companies because of its proximity to freeways, Detroit Metro Airport and research and development that occurs in Ann Arbor.

"These are factors other businesses look for when they want to settle in southeast Michigan," he said.

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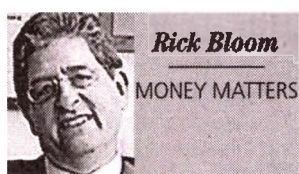
Polytec, Inc., plans to put a robotic lab in its new Plymouth Township facility to test for and help reduce noise and vibrations.

## Keep focus away from taxes in all investments

We all saw the story the other day of the women from Massachusetts who won more than \$700 million in the lottery. I have no doubt that the majority of us fantasized about what it would have been like if we were the winner. That being said, there is a lesson to be learned that could help you be a better investor.

As most of you know, lottery winners are subject to income tax, both federal and state. In addition, we know that lottery winners who take their money in one lump sum — as opposed to spreading it out over 30 years — receive a reduced amount. Therefore, the recent lottery winner will net somewhere in the \$300 million range after taxes. I would venture to say that the great majority of us would be focusing on the \$300 million, not the \$150 million or so that the tax man gets. After all, what ends up in our pocket truly is the most important number. Unfortunately, all too often, investors don't focus on that number, but what they pay in taxes. As far as I'm concerned, that is a mistake.

I cannot tell you how many times I have met with investors and they tell me one of their



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*If you're meeting with a financial person and the first thing they talk about is taxes, their focus is on the wrong area. Taxes are never the issue.*

main goals is to reduce their taxes. Whenever I hear that, I always use the example of a lottery winner.

This same lesson should apply to investors for every investment we make. The main focus should not be on what is paid in taxes, but what ends up in our pocket. I always say that people who focus on reducing their taxes don't want to win a mega-lottery because they would have to pay a lot in taxes.

I don't mean to suggest that taxes aren't important, because they are. However, as investors, they are not the main focus. I see it all the time. Investors will sit down with a financial sales person and be

fooled into getting into an investment because it supposedly lowers their taxes. That makes no sense whatsoever. Why do we want to invest in something that lowers our taxes as opposed to investing in something that will make us more money? The focus should always be on what ends up in our pocket.

If you want to fool an American about an investment, talk taxes. As far as I'm concerned, if you're meeting with a financial person and the first thing they talk about is taxes, you know their focus is on the wrong area. Taxes are never the issue.

There is no doubt that we all want to win the lottery and we would have no problem paying the \$150 million in taxes. We need to follow that same logic when it comes to our investments. Don't focus on what you are paying in taxes, focus on what ends up in your pocket. If you do that, you will be a much more successful investor. Good luck!

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SHAC PAC art instructor S. Kay Young stands before her photograph "Fish," on permanent display at Cobo Center in Detroit.

## Local artist's work part of expanding art installation at Detroit's Cobo Center

Artists and art enthusiasts gathered Aug. 17 at Cobo Center in Detroit to celebrate the latest addition of local and regional art at the convention facility. The private reception showcased newly installed artwork by six local and regional artists. One of the featured artists is S. Kay Young, art instructor for the Peacock Art Club, or PAC, at the Suzanne Haskew Art Center in Milford.

Young's photograph titled "Fish" was purchased by the Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority Art Foundation and is now on permanent display at the convention center. The 60-inch by 40-inch piece shows haunting images of faces and animals that appeared in a photograph of trees and water reflected in a vernal pond. The process for creating the effect came to her in a dream. As a Native American, Young is inspired by the spirit of

her ancestors and their connection to nature.

Young's piece joins more than 80 works that are currently exhibited throughout the more than 700,000-square-foot facility. The exhibit is an initiative of DRCFA and its nonprofit art foundation and is intended to create a gallery feel to the convention center that is visited by more than one million people from around the world every year. Many other major convention centers around the country are also featuring public art, including Chicago, Nashville, Pittsburgh and Washington, D.C.

Young has been the instructor for the Peacock Art Club for about two years. The PAC is an art club for special-needs students that meets 4-6 p.m. each Thursday at the SHAC for creative activities. Young has also worked with special-needs individuals and photography and was highlighted as part of an Emmy-winning docu-

mentary featured on Detroit Performs. The documentary filmed the progression of a class that went from photographing nature in Milford Township to an exhibit at the Scarab Club in Detroit of photographs taken by her special-needs students. <http://video.dptv.org/video/2365135723/>

The other new artists in the Cobo collection are Sergio De Giusti, Hubert Massey Sr., Gilda Snowden, Sister Jane Mary Sorosiak and April Wagner.

"The VFAA/SHAC is very proud to have Kay as a member of our creative team," VFAA executive director Susan Gollon said. "Besides her immense talent, she has shown a special love for her students and works with them weekly. We appreciate her efforts to provide a creative outlet for our PAC members."

Find out more about the SHAC and the PAC at [www.milfordshac.org](http://www.milfordshac.org).

### SYNOPSIS AUGUST 17, 2017 - REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**DATE:** Thursday, August 17, 2017  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 44405 Six Mile Road  
**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
**PRESENT:** Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Richard Allen, Trustee  
Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Symantha Heath, Trustee  
Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Fred Shadko, Trustee

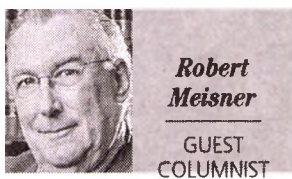
**ABSENT:** Mindy Herrmann, Trustee  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

- Agendas:**
  - Regular Amended Agenda and the Consent Agenda items** - Approved
- Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
  - WTUA Presentation - Proposed Budget** - Approved
  - John Palmer - HDC reappointment** - Approved
  - Resolution for Kent Anderson** - Approved
  - Resolution for Constitution Week** - Approved
- Public Hearing:** None
- Brief Public Comments:** None
- New Business:**
  - Northville Hills Golf Club Intergovernmental Agreement** - Approved w/ Conditions
  - Northville Hills Golf Club HOA/Township Agreement** - Approved w/ Conditions
  - Professional Services for Northville Hills Golf Club** - Approved w/ Conditions
  - Public Safety - Portable Radio Purchase** - Approved
  - Information Technology - Audio/Visual Refresh Project** - Approved
  - Parks & Recreation - Wayne County Park Millage Funds** - Approved
  - Real Estate Purchase Agreement** - Approved
- Unfinished Business:** None
- Ordinances:** None
- Check Registry:**
- In the amount of \$1,837,190.24 for the period of 7/8/17 to 8/4/17** - Approved
- Board Communication & Reports:**
  - Robert R. Nix, II, Sue Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Richard Allen, Symantha Heath, Fred Shadko, Chip Snider
- Any other business for the Board of Trustees:** None
- ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.  
A draft of the minutes will be available August 29, 2017  
**Respectfully submitted:**  
Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

# Strong cooking smells: Get used to it

**Q: My new downstairs neighbors in the condo unit below me are cooking strong-smelling foods every single night and my unit is constantly "perfumed" as a result. The constant odor is driving me crazy and attempts at talking with my neighbors have been fruitless. Can I demand the condominium association do something about it?**

**A:** This is likely not an issue that should involve the association as a whole, as I assume you are the only co-owner experiencing the odors.



**Robert Meisner**  
GUEST COLUMNIST

However, sometimes odors will infiltrate a ventilation system and involve multiple units, which may make it more likely that the association's board of directors may decide to take some action.

That said, it couldn't hurt to contact your board and ask them to help. Maybe there is some common element that could be repaired or

modified to address the issue. They may also offer mediation of the dispute in front of a board member or other mediator, during which process you might be able to convince your neighbor to take measures to minimize the odors. Even if in the end they decide this is purely a neighbor-to-neighbor issue that should not involve the association, the board should seriously examine the matter and provide a response. In any case, however, do not expect the board to pursue a nuisance lawsuit on your behalf.

I would hazard a guess that "driving me crazy" does not mean you are literally experiencing mental health problems in connection with this issue. On the other hand, if the smell really is so pervasive as to keep you from using your unit and you have to leave whenever the neighbors are cooking, you may wish to contact an attorney to discuss your options. But before filing a lawsuit, be honest with yourself about whether an average person of normal sensitivities would also have to leave. If not, you will be facing an uphill

battle. You may have to find a qualified expert to opine on the severity of the odor.

I should note that tobacco or marijuana smoke is, of course, another subject altogether, since the health effects of secondhand smoke are well-documented. Some plaintiffs have prevailed given the specific facts of their cases, but others have had difficulty proving that they have been harmed or that the smoke constitutes a nuisance.

Although it may be cold comfort, studies have shown that where a

constant smell is present, you should become used to it and it should eventually become less intense for you. If you still can't stand it, maybe it's time to look for a new unit on the ground floor or call an attorney.

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## Finish-line leap



DAN DEAN

Mark Somerville of Novi leaps across the finish line of the HAP Crim Festival of Races 10-Mile Run in 1:13:13 on Saturday, Aug. 26, in downtown Flint.

## Help cut pollution with a survey from Friends of the Rouge

Friends of the Rouge is launching new river restoration efforts that focus upstream on residential landscapes. The goal is to improve water quality along two tributaries to the Rouge River — Johnson Creek and Tonquish Creek — which run through Salem Township, Northville (city and township), Plymouth (city and township), Canton and Westland. These efforts begin with a survey for households in the region focusing on home and lawn care activities. Currently at 183 responses, Friends of the Rouge aims to reach 500 responses by Sept 15. Go to [TheRouge.org/survey](http://TheRouge.org/survey) today to participate.

Friends of the Rouge is targeting Johnson Creek and Tonquish Creek because these neighboring tributaries respectively represent the highest quality and one of the most impacted tributaries to the Rouge River. "Johnson Creek is the only cold water tributary to the Rouge, the only creek where we still find the most sensitive species of fish and other wildlife," said Cyndi Ross, river restoration program manager for Friends of the Rouge. "As we continue to see success in our efforts to restore the Rouge River system, Johnson Creek will help repopulate the rest of the Rouge River with sensitive species. Protecting Johnson Creek is among our highest priorities for the whole Rouge River ecosystem."

In contrast with Johnson Creek, Tonquish Creek is among the Rouge's most impacted tributaries. The problem is largely one of impervious surfaces — asphalt, concrete, and rooftops — that do not allow rain water to soak into the ground. Instead, water flows rapidly into local streams, carrying salts, metal pollutants from car brakes and bodies, oils from engines and fertilizers and herbicides from lawns.

"The water itself becomes a pollutant," said Matthew Bertrand, NPS program coordinator. "Nowadays, storm water explodes through our rivers after rainstorms, leaving behind scoured, collapsing banks that see only meager trickles of water in dry times. The Middle Branch of the Rouge, through which Ton-

quish Creek flows, rates at 78 percent impervious cover, lower only than the Main Branch flowing through Detroit. Creeks surrounded by levels of impervious over 60 percent tend to serve as sterile pipes rather than as living systems."

Tonquish was rated poor for habitat quality based on studies in 2005.

To protect Johnson Creek and restore Tonquish Creek, Friends of the Rouge asks residents to consider rain gardens for their homes. "Rain gardens solve problems big and small, from icy sidewalks and flooded basements to rivers too polluted to fish or kayak," Bertrand said. "Imagine your favorite garden — its colors, scents, shade and seating. Rain gardens are the same flipped upside down. Unlike most gardens planted on mounds, rain gardens are shallow saucers that receive water from roofs and driveways, filtering pollution and storing flood waters. Like any well-maintained garden, rain gardens beautify home and community landscapes, adding to property values and improving quality of life."

To help you determine whether a rain garden works for your home, Friends of the Rouge is arranging outreach presentations to civic groups like garden clubs, service organizations and more. In spring 2018, look forward to intensive training opportunities that include hands-on rain garden demonstration installations. They will also offer subsidies through an open application process to help residents install rain gardens at their homes. These efforts are funded by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. To schedule a presentation for a group or gathering, contact Bertrand at 313-792-9621.

All these efforts begin with a simple survey for households in Salem, Northville, Plymouth, Canton and Westland. The survey focuses on home and lawn care activities, targeting residents over the age of 18 who are responsible for home landscape maintenance. It should take no more than 15 minutes to complete. Responses will directly inform upcoming efforts to work with area residents to improve water quality. The survey is available at [TheRouge.org/survey](http://TheRouge.org/survey).

For more information, go to [www.therouge.org](http://www.therouge.org).

## Cedar Point to feature the tallest roller coaster of its kind

Detroit Free Press

Things are getting wild at Cedar Point.

New for the 2018 season is Steel Vengeance, a record-breaking roller coaster that will be the tallest of its kind.

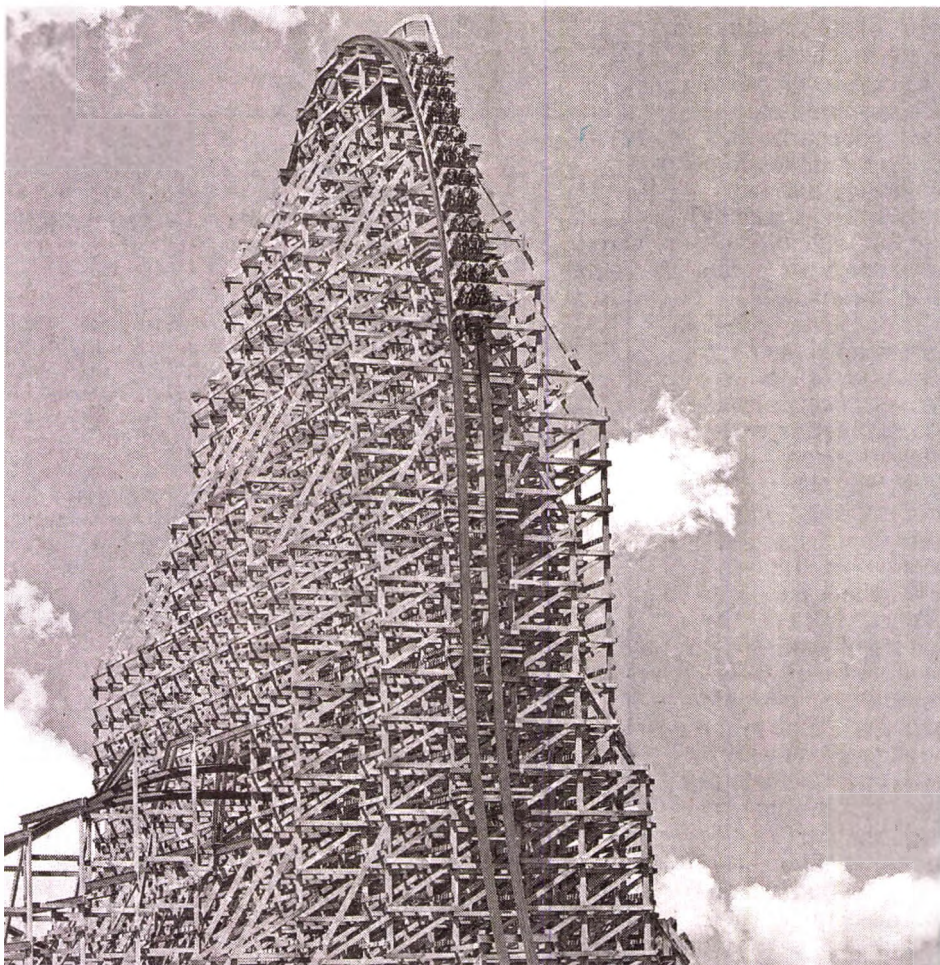
It will be the first wood-steel hybrid coaster in the world to feature a first drop taller at heights higher than 200 feet. Standing at 205 feet tall, riders will plummet at a 90-degree vertical angle at speeds up to 74 mph with upside-down maneuvers.

Overall, Steel Vengeance is 5,740 feet long, including a 73 mph airtime hill. There are 27.2 seconds of total airtime throughout the entire ride, which is the most airtime on any roller coaster ever constructed.

Cedar Point officials announced the details Aug. 16 during a Hootenanny celebration in the FrontierTown section of the park.

The ride, which takes over the former Mean Streak wooden roller coaster, is currently being pieced together by Rocky Mountain Construction. The company is known for overhauling old wooden coasters into wood-steel hybrids, offering a much smoother experience.

The ride will debut



CEDAR POINT

Rendering of the Steel Vengeance, the newest roller coaster at Cedar Point's FrontierTown in Sandusky, Ohio, opening in spring 2018.

during Cedar Point's opening day next season in May 2018.

Steel Vengeance features a 116-foot-tall outer-banked hill placing riders on an outward tilt

while moving forward. The coaster will also debut the first-of-its-kind "Twisted Snake Dive." In this new maneuver, the coaster's train will enter a half-barrel roll, hang

upside-down for a brief moment and then turn back in the direction of travel, not completing a full roll. The coaster's is configured in a figure-eight layout.

# Four metro Detroiters busted in drug, human trafficking ring

**Darrell Clem**  
hometownlife.com

A 27-year-old Canton woman is among four defendants charged in an opioid drugs and human trafficking ring that officials say was being run in Oakland and Macomb counties.

Authorities say the arrests, announced Aug. 15 by the state Attorney General's Office, underscore how victims of drug addiction can become pawns in human trafficking schemes.

Jasmin McGinnis of Canton could face up to 20 years in prison if she is convicted of three counts of prostitution/accepted earnings and one count of human trafficking involving allegations she provided forced labor involving commercial sex. She also faces



Cooper McGinnis Niblett Rushton

one count each of conducting a criminal enterprise, possession of intent to deliver less than 50 grams of cocaine and possession of intent to deliver less than 50 grams of heroin.

She faces charges alongside 38-year-old Melvin Niblett of Southfield, who is considered the ringleader, and two other defendants, Corey Cooper, 45, and Maurice Rushton, 57, whose places of residence weren't listed.

The charges followed an investigation that

began last September into allegations of human trafficking and illegal opioid drugs.

"Human traffickers will use anything to continue to hold their victims hostage in their dark world," Schuette said in a statement.

Authorities say the case unfolded after the FBI and Oakland County Gang and Violent Crimes task force received a tip of a drug and prostitution operation in Madison Heights. Officials say Niblett and Cooper were subsequently caught

selling drugs in Warren and charged in a separate, but related, case, but they were released on bond.

But one month after the investigation began, authorities say they received in October information that Niblett was using rooms at an unnamed Southfield hotel to conduct a drug and human trafficking operation. Officials say it involved dozens of people and led to a flurry of felony charges against Niblett and the other three defendants:

» Niblett could face up to life in prison if convicted of conducting a criminal enterprise; one count each of conspiracy to deliver 1,000 or more grams of cocaine, heroin or other narcotic, possession with intent to deliver less than

50 grams of cocaine and possession with intent to deliver less than 50 grams of heroin; three counts of forced labor or forced services involving commercial sex; and three counts of prostitution with earnings.

» Cooper could face penalties ranging up to life in prison if convicted of one count each of conspiracy to deliver 1,000 or more grams of cocaine, heroin or other narcotic, and conducting a criminal enterprise.

» Rushton could face up to 20 years in prison if convicted of conducting a criminal enterprise; human trafficking and financially benefiting from commercial sex; and three counts of transporting a person for prostitution.

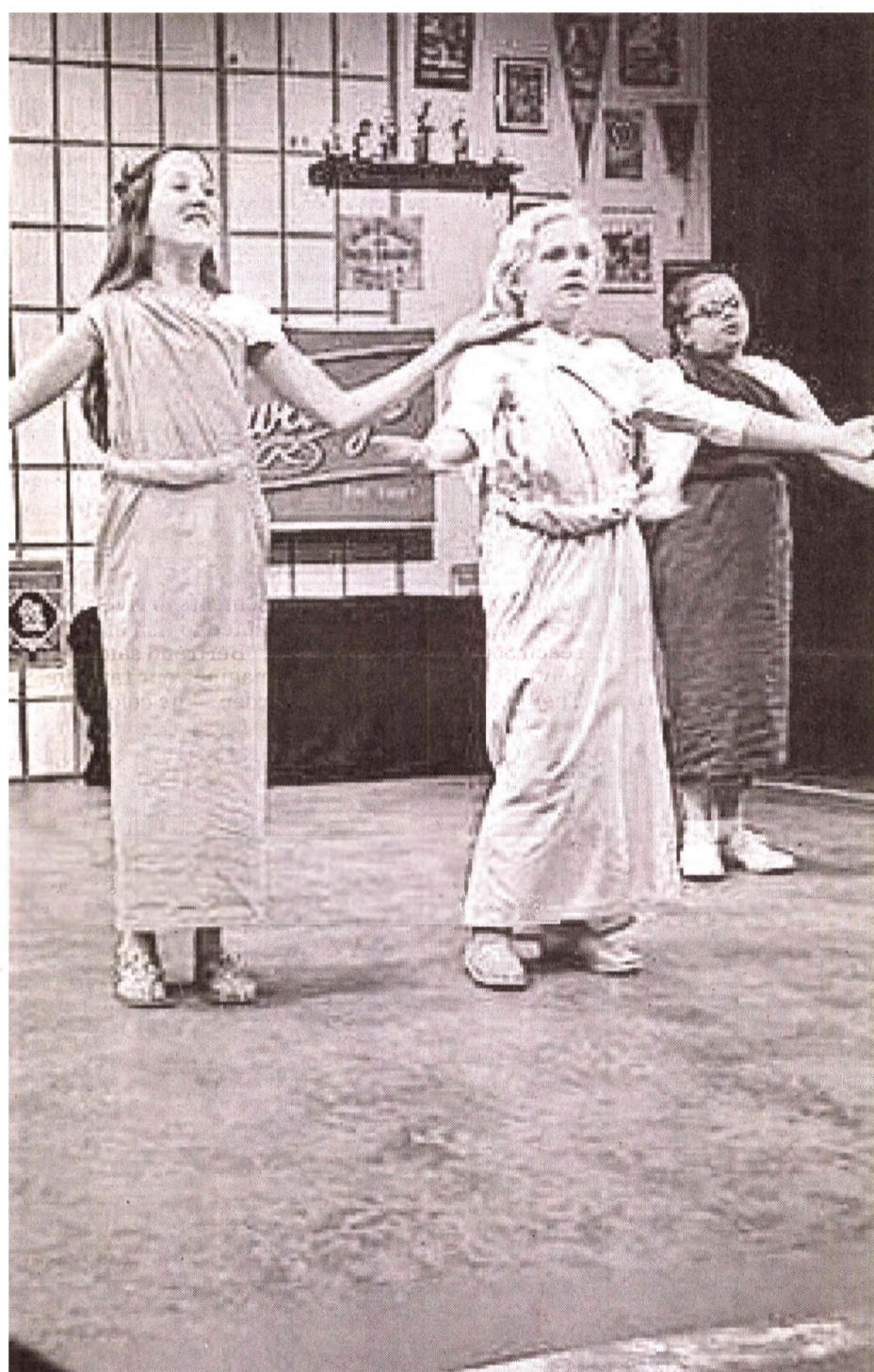
Schuette said such cases involve human

traffickers who "prey upon those suffering from addiction, especially to opioids ... to maintain control of their victims."

Niblett, Cooper and McGinnis are in custody awaiting an Aug. 21 preliminary examination to determine whether there's enough evidence to send them to trial. Rushton, who was captured in Ohio, is awaiting extradition proceedings.

FBI Special Agent David P. Gelios said drug and human trafficking continue to plague area communities and urged anyone with information about human trafficking to contact the nearest FBI field office or local police department.

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Plymouth Uptown Players Youth Theater is holding auditions for ages 6-15 (grades 2-9).

## PCAC to hold fall theater auditions

Fall 2017 theater season auditions will be held at the Plymouth Community Arts Council 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

Plymouth Uptown Players Youth Theater is a cooperative program hosted by the Plymouth Community Arts Council featuring directors from Tipping Point Theatre in Northville. Fall program is for ages 6-15 (grades 2-9).

Families may register online from the homepage of the website or in person or by phone during PCAC business hours, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Actors will meet in small groups for 20-25 minutes with the director, Sonja Marquis.

Call the office 734-416-4278 or email [lisa@plymoutharts.com](mailto:lisa@plymoutharts.com) to reserve a time slot. Actors should be prepared to interact with

others who are auditioning and have a short audition piece prepared. Audition material can be a monologue, joke or poem. It may be memorized or read, but it should be a piece you are comfortable with that shows off your strengths! All actors will be cast.

Rehearsals will be on 5-7:30 p.m. each Sunday at the PCAC. Final performances will be 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8, and 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9. There is also an option to add a third matinee show if necessary Sunday, Dec. 10. Actors must commit to being at all performances, as well as dress rehearsals at TPT theater after school (typically 4:30-6 p.m.) during Tech Week (the week before the show) Dec. 4-7. Exact dates and times within this range will be provided on a full schedule during the first weeks of

rehearsal.

PUPS is an experimental theater program that is actor-centered. All actors will have a role in final production to be held at Northville's Tipping Point Theatre. Weekly Sunday rehearsals are at The Plymouth Community Arts Council and will include theater workshop-style instruction, team building and acting exercises, improv, etc. as well as specific character role practice.

Cost is \$215, with current PCAC student membership (\$30), good for a year. Tuition includes two tickets per actor for final performance. Parent participation is welcome during tech week and final performances, but always optional and not a requirement for this program.

## Community Reads events scheduled

The Neighborhood Library Association is pleased to announce the eighth annual Community Reads book selection: "Underground Airlines" by Ben H. Winters. This chilling mystery-thriller is a powerful look at what might have been if the Civil War had never happened and illuminates the many ways life today is more like Winters's alternative world than we may want to admit.

Six neighboring libraries are hosting book discussions and programs related to the book, culminating in a visit by the author at Novi Public Library at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10. New this year is the addition of a wine reception at 8 p.m. immediately following the author presentation. The event is for those 21 and over. Register at the Novi library for the event.

"Underground Airlines" tackles the thorny subject of racial injustice in America. It takes place in contemporary United States, however slavery remains legal in four states. Narrated by a former slave who now tracks fugitives for the U.S. Marshals Service, Victor's mission is complicated as he infiltrates an abolitionist movement called the Underground

Airlines but, in doing so, is forced to confront his own complicity.

Winters is the author of nine novels, including the award-winning "The Last Policeman" trilogy. His other books include a book of scary poems for kids; the New York Times bestselling "Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters" and a novel for young readers, "The Secret Life of Ms. Finkleman." He has also written extensively for the theater.

"This year's choice should lend itself to fascinating book discussions. This is the first time we've chosen an alternate history novel and it is especially topical in today's world," said Julie Farkas, Novi Public Library director. "Librarians from our six participating libraries meet to discuss many book choices in order to select one that will appeal to our diverse audiences and we think we've made a great choice with "Underground Airlines."

The NLA is composed of Lyon Township Public Library, Northville District Library, Novi Public Library, Salem-South Lyon District Library, Walled Lake City Library and Wixom Public Library. Copies of the book are available at each library. Book discussions

and related programs begin in September.

Everyone is welcome to attend these Community Reads events: African American Genealogy Research at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, at Lyon Township Public Library; The Underground Railroad in Michigan at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 4, at Walled Lake City Library; Detroit in Crisis: The History of the 1967 Rebellion at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 11, at Salem-South Lyon District Library; The Underground Railroad in Northville at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 11, at Northville District Library; The Underground Railroad in Detroit at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Wixom Public Library; and 13th (Documentary Screening) at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, at Walled Lake City Library. Contact each library to register for events.

The NLA thanks its Friends of the Library groups and The Baronette Renaissance Hotel in Novi for their sponsorship of the annual Community Reads program. To learn more about the book and for a complete schedule of 2017 Community Reads events, dates and times, go to <http://nlacommunityreads.weebly.com>.

**NOTICE**  
**CITY OF NOVI**  
**REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT**  
PTSLU17-0008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the representative for **NOVI ENERGY** is requesting a **Temporary Special Land Use Permit** in accordance with 7.6.2 of the Novi Zoning Ordinance for temporary on ground mounted solar panels at parcel **50-22-27-226-003** south of Ten Mile Road and west of Novi Road from **SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 through SEPTEMBER 28, 2018**. The property is zoned **OS-1 (office service one)** and the use is contrary to 3.14.1.A of the Novi Zoning Ordinance.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner whose property is located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for a temporary special land use permit.

A public hearing will be held at **2:00pm on September 28, 2017** at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road in the **MAYORS CONFERENCE ROOM**. All written comments should be directed to Monica Dreshinski and must be received prior to **Wednesday September 27, 2017 at 3PM**.

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**SYNOPSIS**  
**August 17, 2017 - SPECIAL MEETING**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**DATE:** Thursday, August 17, 2017  
**TIME:** 6:30 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 44405 Six Mile Road

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Richard Allen, Trustee  
Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Symantha Heath, Trustee  
Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Fred Shadko, Trustee  
Mindy Herrmann, Trustee

**ABSENT:**

- Social Media:**
  - Presentation - Social Media - Presented
  - Public and Internal Policy and Guidelines for Social Media - Presented
- Brief Public Comments:** None
- ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.  
A draft of the minutes will be available August 29, 2017.

**Respectfully submitted:**  
**Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.**

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I am an American We are One Nation

# FIGHTING THE SUMMER LEARNING GAP

California high school student's program keeps kids from falling behind

CHARLES VENTURA  
USA TODAY

Each week, this series will introduce you to an exceptional American who unites, rather than divides, our communities. To read more about the American profiled here and more average Americans doing exceptional things, visit [onenation.usatoday.com](http://onenation.usatoday.com).

ANAHEIM, Calif. - Farooq Ansari understands how fast kids can fall behind during school breaks. He's a high school senior himself.

Ansari, 18, founded a program called Solving the Summer Learning Gap during his freshman year at Sage Hill School, a prep school south of Newport Beach.

The program provides tutoring primarily through the Boys and Girls Club in Anaheim. Ansari started it to help students reach their academic potential.

He oversees the program while maintaining a rigorous academic and extracurricular schedule himself.

"I want all parents to be aware that if they do not help their children learn over the summer, they will fall behind and can never make up the lost ground," he says.

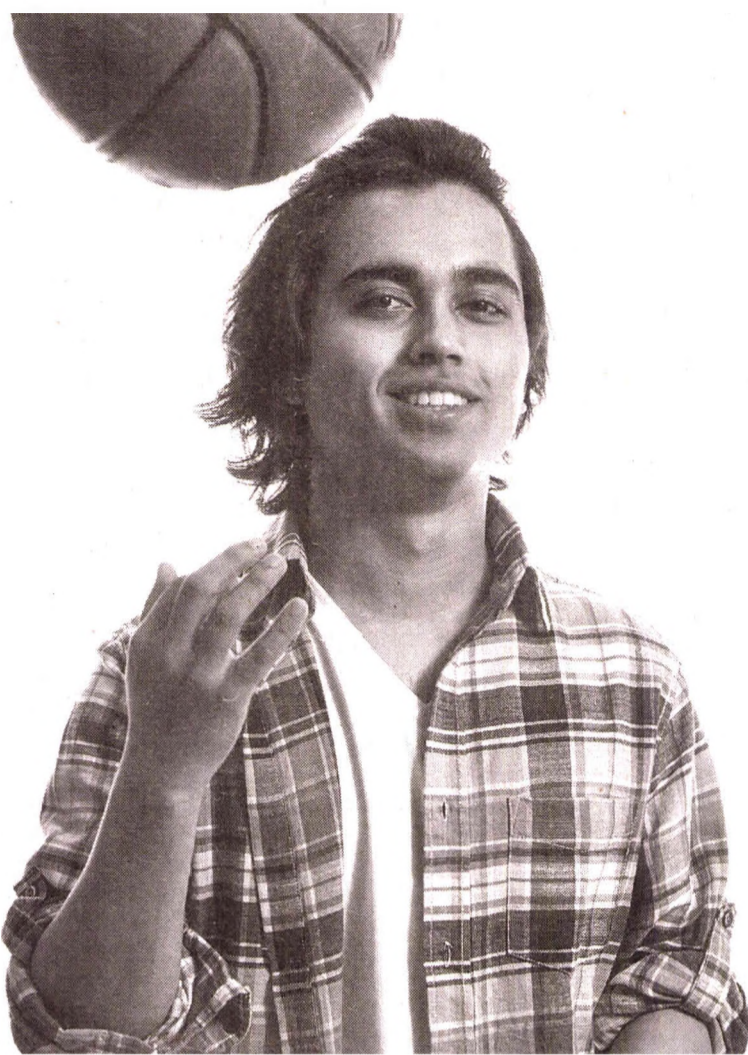
Ansari has spoken to local community and government leaders about the issue, which hits students of certain socioeconomic backgrounds hardest. His program focuses on fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade students from low-income households in Orange County.

He tries to make learning fun. In one activity, called "Math and Basketball," students review math lessons. Then they spend time on the basketball court so tutors can interact with them on a more personal level. Students are awarded prizes at the end of each six-hour tutoring session.

"Students come up to me and ask, 'When are you going to do this again? I really liked learning with you,'" Ansari says.

Mayra Martin, assistant executive director of the Boys and Girls Club of Anaheim, has seen the benefits.

"Many of our members in our club struggle with math," Martin says. "Be-



Farooq Ansari is a California high school student whose desire to help younger students avoid falling behind led him to create a program called Solving the Summer Learning Gap.

cause of the great partnership we have with Farooq, kids are more interested in the subject matter."

Ansari's commitment to helping others earned him praise from administrators at his own school.

"Farooq is taking our school's mission of helping members of the community above and beyond," says Frank Smith, director of college counseling at Sage Hill School.

## ONE NATION

### Nominate an American

Who are your American heroes? Share stories and nominees at [onenation.usatoday.com](http://onenation.usatoday.com) or via email to [onenation@usatoday.com](mailto:onenation@usatoday.com) or post a video submission to Twitter, Facebook or Instagram (no longer than 2 minutes, please) with the hashtags #IAmAnAmerican #WeAreOneNation.

### Farooq Ansari

**Location:** Coto de Caza, Calif.

**Age:** 18

**Profession:** High school student and education advocate

**Mission:** Creating educational opportunities for students so that they can reach their American dreams

## Q&A WITH FAROOQ ANSARI

### What does it mean to you to be an American?

America is the land of opportunity for all. We are a special nation that encourages our people to pursue their passions and achieve their dreams. The only path to attaining the American Dream is through a strong education. We have a responsibility ... to ensure that all our youth, especially those from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, have equal opportunities and access to education.

### What moment touched and motivated you to launch this effort?

The summer before I started high school, I came across the book "Outliers" by Malcolm Gladwell. ... Gladwell mentioned the academic summer learning gap that exists between children of lower and upper socioeconomic backgrounds. ... After doing more research, I discovered a deeply concerning statistic: Each summer, a child from an underprivileged family loses at least two months in math and reading, while a student from upper-income family gains over one month. I knew that something had to be done ... so I founded the Solving the Summer Learning Gap club at my high school, Sage Hill.

### What gives you hope or what concerns you?

I am concerned by how we are not focused on the most important issue that faces our K to 12 education system. We continuously hear news about funding and class sizes. Rarely do we pay attention to how the short school year and long stretch of summer disproportionately impact children from lower-income families. I feel a strong sense of hope knowing that we as a nation possess the resources to solve this problem. I have been focused on the summer learning lag for over three years now, and I am now noticing that more policy-makers and institutions are starting to focus their efforts on the summer learning gap. But we still have a long way to go.

### What do you hope to accomplish through your efforts?

Our club at Sage Hill School has a three-pronged strategy to solve the summer learning gap; raise awareness of the issue, advocate for change, and take direct action through developing and delivering programs.

# Old Village Restaurant Crawl crowd increases by 100

Darrell Clem  
hometownlife.com

They came hungry and left full.

In all, 240 people paid \$15 to sample food Aug. 21 from seven restaurants in Plymouth's Old Village.

That's up 100 people from last year's Old Village Restaurant Crawl, said Wes Graff, president of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce.

Graff attributed the uptick in attendance to more chamber members buying tickets and increased sales online and through the chamber's website. He also said the event was promoted on Facebook, with a direct link to buy tickets on the chamber site.

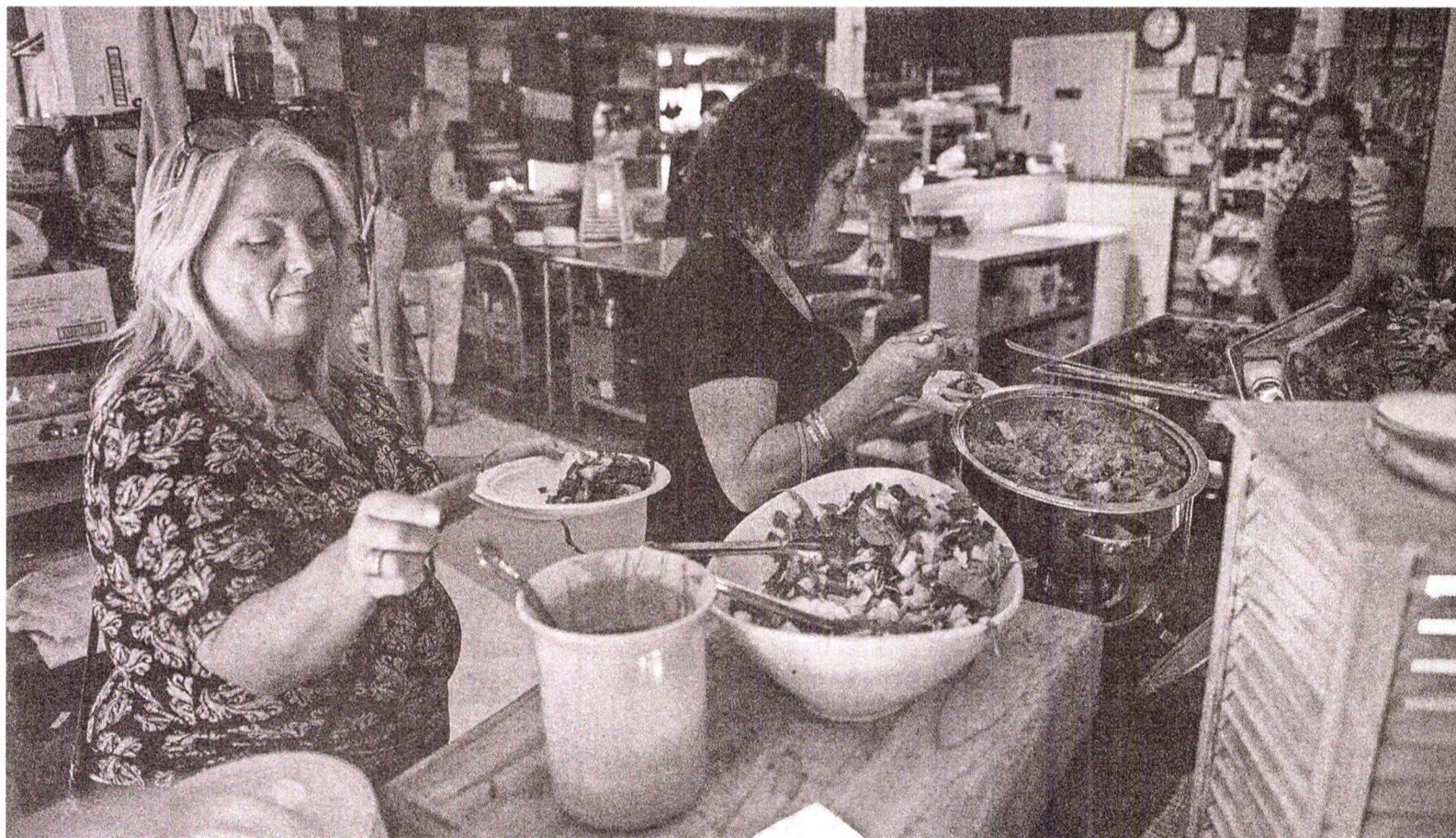
"We saw significant spikes in sales when the postings were active," Graff said, adding that half of all tickets were sold online.

The three-hour event marked the 18th year for the Old Village Restaurant Crawl.

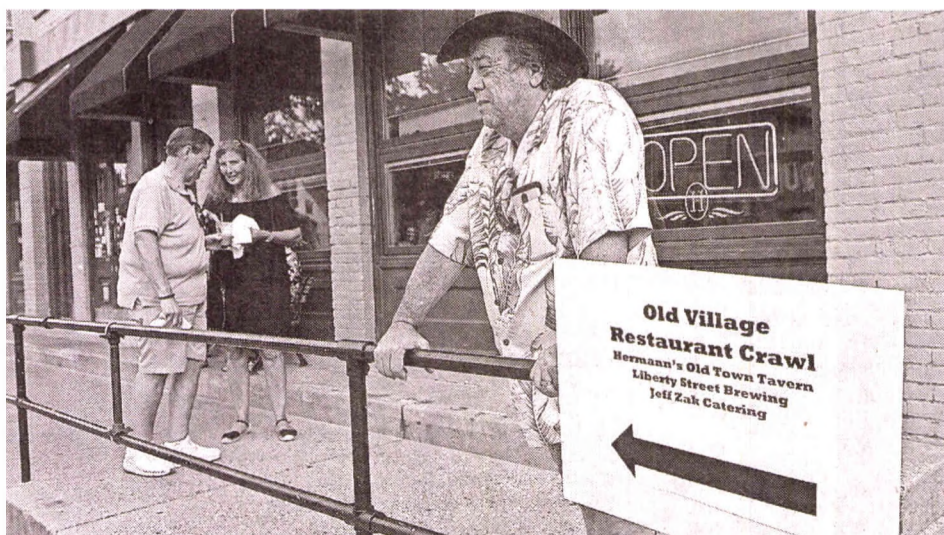
Just as attendance was up, this year's restaurant lineup also was bigger than in most years. It included Hermann's Olde Town Grill, Liberty Street Brewing Co., Station 885, Jeff Zak Catering, Beyond Borders Latin Street Food, Northville's Wok Asian Bistro and the yet-to-open Honey Hole Market, which was planning to set up shop in front of its storefront on Starkweather.

Graff said the event provides a fun night out and also helps "to expose these restaurants to new customers."

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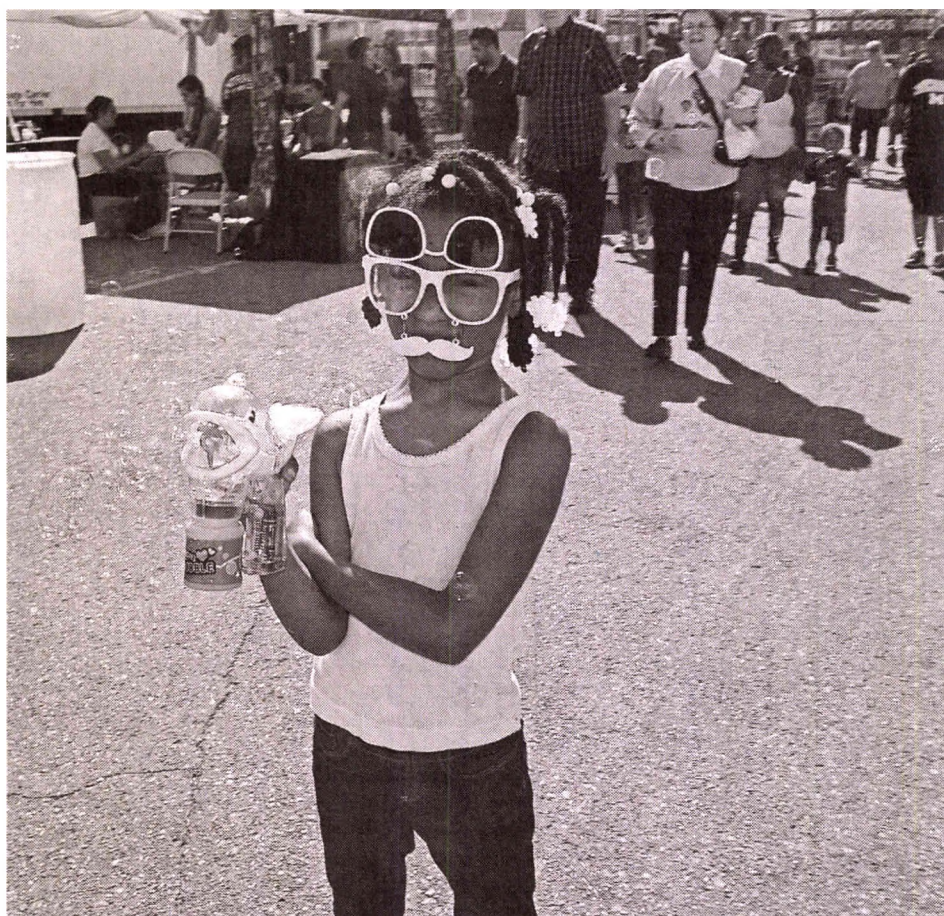
Kim Engelhardt and Gina Sloan try out scalloped garden vegetables and Pavarotti's Picnic, a combination of sausage, chicken, garlic, onions, basil, bell peppers in a tomato basil sauce, at Jeff Zak Catering.



Dominic Maltese takes a break in front of Hermann's Grill during the Old Village Restaurant Crawl.



Greg Richards hands a plate to Deb Richards. At right is Alexandra Ridley. They are serving triyaki chicken, cucumber salad, broccoli BBQ and edamame hummus. Wok Asian Bistro is in Northville.



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A young lady tries to entice passers-by to purchase a bubble machine during the state fair in Novi.

## Jousting, food, fun: Three things to do Labor Day weekend

David Veselenak  
hometownlife.com

Staying at home this Labor Day weekend? Here are just a few of the events taking place in the region you can check out over the long weekend:

### State Fair launches its fifth year in Novi

It's been five years since the Michigan State Fair rebooted, going from the traditional fairgrounds in Detroit to the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

The event, which features livestock exhibits, rides for all ages and a parade, will run from Thursday to Monday at the convention center at 46100 Grand River. The Shrine Circus will hold performances throughout the weekend at noon, 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., with the final show taking place at 5 p.m. Monday.

New this year is the Friday Night Flights beer-tasting event, which will begin at 5 p.m. and will include tastings from breweries such as Roak Brewing Co., Short's Brewing Co., Oddside Ales and Jolly Pumpkin Artisan Ales. Tickets for the event cost \$50 and can be purchased on the event's website at michiganstatefairllc.com. The beer garden will remain open throughout the weekend.

The Monday Michigan Mega Jam will showcase more than 10 local artists Monday on the St. John Providence Stage. Those performing include: Stewart Francke, Liz Larin, Melvin Davis, The Whiskey Charmers, Pierre Anthony, Twyla Birdsong, Mike Leslie, Alison Albrecht, as well as Redi Choi backed by the amazing Mighty Fun-house band featuring Skeeto Valdez, Paul Randolph, Phil Hale and Kris Kurzawa, among others.

The Michigan State Fair runs from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday through Sunday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday. Tickets for the fair and the carnival are available for varying price points on the fair's website. Ultimate wristbands, which includes access to rides, the fair and circus performances, cost \$30. Fair-only admission is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children. On-site parking is \$10, with grass surface parking costing \$5.



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R.J. Nehr, 9, of Roseville rides a merry-go-round during the Michigan State Fair.

### Arts, Beats and Eats returns

Arguably one of the biggest events in Oakland County over Labor Day weekend is the annual Arts, Beats and Eats festival, which runs from Friday to Monday in downtown Royal Oak.

The festival, now in its 20th year, will feature artists and groups such as 311, the B-52s, George Clinton and the P-Funk All-Stars and The Wallflowers, among others. More than 40 restaurants will offer food at the event, including Bonefish Grill, Lockhart's BBQ, Union Jacks and Andiamo.

And finally, the Ford Arts, Beats and Eats Juried Fine Art Show will take place on the southern portion of the festival grounds all weekend, featuring the work of artists from across the country.

Admission to the event is free before 5 p.m. Friday and \$7 after 5 p.m. Friday. The rest of the weekend will see admission at \$3 before 3 p.m., \$5 after 3 p.m. and \$7 after 5 p.m. Parking is available at some downtown Royal Oak parking structures and a shuttle service will run Saturday through Monday from Royal Oak High School, 15000 Lexington Blvd. Parking at the high school is free, though taking the shuttle will cost festival-goers \$10.

More information on the festival can be found at artsbeatseats.com.

### Renaissance Festival continues

Those looking to take a step back to the Middle Ages can do so this weekend at the Michigan Renaissance Festival, which takes place at 12600 Dixie Highway in Holly.

The festival, which opened Aug. 19 and runs each weekend through Oct. 1, will be open all weekend, as well as Monday. Patrons can take in the sights and sounds of the 16th century, including jousting, comedy shows, music and replications of shops, taverns and a castle.

This weekend's theme is High Seas Adventure and will feature several activities, including a beard competition at 3 p.m. on the Wlydewood Stage. Those interested in competing just need to show up at the stage to be judged and considered for longest beard, grizzliest beard, most unique beard and best trimmed beard.

Similarly, a tattoo competition takes place at 1:30 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. on the Igor's Roost stage. Come and get your tattoo's judged for best color, best black and gray as well as the best overall.

Tickets for the festival can be purchased at michrenfest.com/tickets. Adults are \$22.95, seniors are \$20.95, students with an ID are \$20.95, children ages 5-12 are \$13.95 and children under 5 are free. More information on activities can be found at michrenfest.com.

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TOM BEAUDOIN

Previous winners of Miss Wayne County do a "crowning pose" with the new winner, Hannah Dell (far right).

## Pageant prowess: Miss Wayne County crowned

A half-dozen local women took part in the 2017 Miss Wayne County pageant recently in Redford and a St. Clair Shores woman took home the crown.

Hannah Dell was named Miss Wayne County, edging girls from Northville and Farmington Hills in the process.

The Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program is a local affiliate of the Miss Michigan and Miss America Organizations. The Miss America Organization is one of the nation's leading achievement programs and the world's largest provider of scholarship assistance for young women.

Grace Murphy of Northville was the pageant's first runner-up, while Grace Newlin of Farmington Hills was the second runner-up.

Jaymie Ziegler of Novi earned the title Miss Congeniality.

The Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program has been represented by 26 accomplished young women. According to information on the organization's website, the pageant's legacy includes:

- » Seven Miss Michigans
- » Back-to-back Miss Michigans, twice (1999 and 2000 and 2008-09)
- » Four Miss Wayne Counties who became Miss Michigan while holding another local title



TOM BEAUDOIN

Hannah Dell is crowned Miss Wayne County at St. Valentine Church in Redford.

The Miss America Organization is a not-for-profit organization that has maintained a tradition for many decades of empowering American women to achieve their personal and professional goals, while providing a forum in which to express their opinions, talent and intelligence. Last year, the Miss America Organization

and its state and local organizations made available more than \$45 million in cash and scholarship assistance. This assistance is not just for the handful of young women who become Miss America, but is available to the more than 12,000 young women who compete in the state and local competitions as well.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The City of Northville Historic District Commission (HDC) will hold a public hearing to receive public input on the proposed demolition of the existing building located at 341 E. Main St., Northville, Michigan, 48167, parcel number 48 001 04 0718 015. The property owner is seeking HDC approval for demolition of the existing building on site, to allow redevelopment of the site and construction of a new building. Section 42-27 of the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance and the Guidelines for the Consideration of Applications for the Demolition or Moving of Structures within the Northville Historic District call for holding a public hearing that permits members of the public to make comments before considering demolition of a resource in the district.

The public hearing will be held on September 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comment on the demolition request. The application is available for review at the City of Northville Building Department during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, local prevailing time. Written comments pertaining to the request will also be received at the above address.

JAMES C. ALLEN, CHAIRPERSON  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - PUBLIC HEARING September 20, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. The ZBA will consider the following variance requests to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance:

- Article 25, Use Specific Standards, Golf Driving Range (netting & pole height), for a commercial recreation facility at 39500 Five Mile Road.
- Article 18, Schedule of Regulations (Setbacks) for a residence at 43600 Six Mile Road.
- Article 18, Schedule of Regulations (Setbacks) for a residence at 45821 Bloomcrest Drive.

Written comments regarding these requests will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair  
Zoning Board of Appeals

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Donald Patton of Canton crosses the finish line during the Crim 10-Mile Run Saturday, Aug. 26.

DAN DEAN

# HAP Crim Festival of Races 10 Mile Run

Perfect weather greeted runners Saturday morning during one of the state's most popular runs. The 2017 HAP Crim Festival of Races took place in downtown Flint drawing thousands from all over the metro and out state areas.

For more photos, see the gallery at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).



Thousands of runners took part in the Crim 10-Mile Run.

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Bobby Crim acknowledges a large applause as he crosses the finish line during the 41st HAP Crim Festival of Races 10-Mile Run.



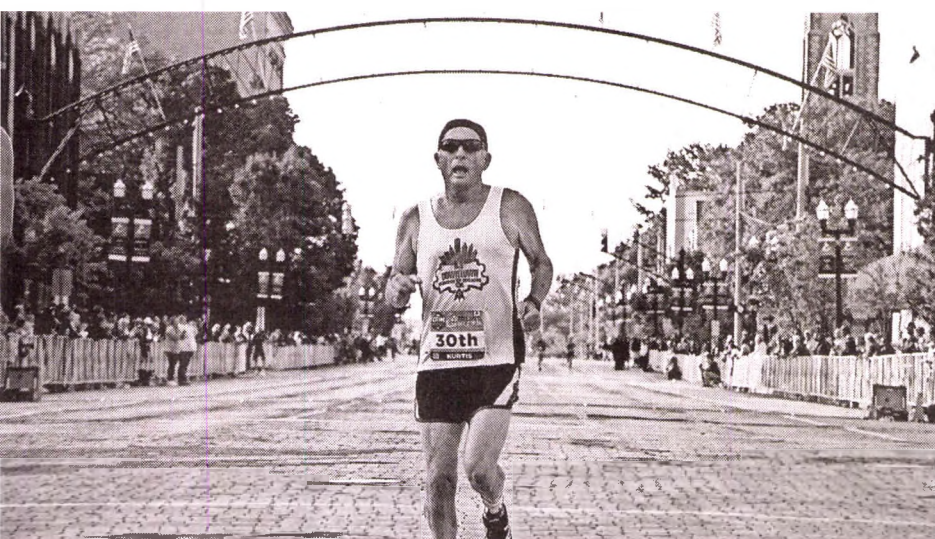
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Two people kiss after finishing the 41st HAP Crim Festival of Races 10-Mile Run Saturday, Aug. 26.



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Medals await finishers of the 41st HAP Crim Festival of Races 10-Mile Run.

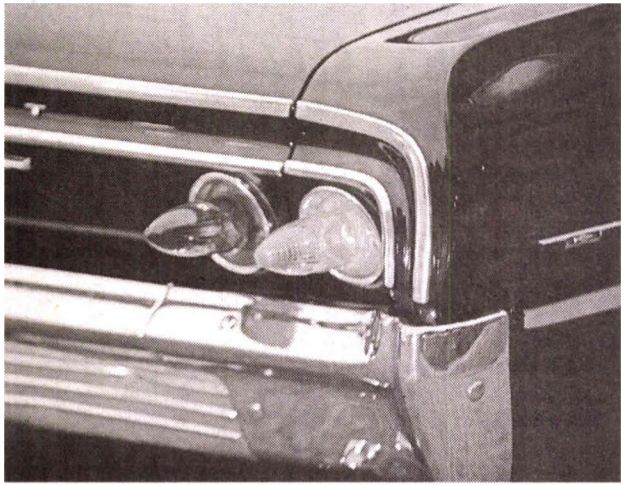


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Livonia's Doug Kurtis finished second in the 65-69 age group for the 41st HAP Crim Festival of Races 10-Mile Run Saturday, Aug. 26.



Brian Collins of Commerce Township.



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They just don't make 'em like they used to.



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Cal and Phyllis Blum of White Lake stand along Woodward in Birmingham watching the action.



DAN DEAN

Tyler Mankewicz of Novi watches the action along Woodward.



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Folks take in the action from the roof of the T-Mobile building on Woodward.

# Woodward Dream Cruise: Why I would go back

**Dan Dean**  
hometownlife.com

It has taken me 23 years to finally join the estimated 1.5 million other folks who annually show up at the Woodward Dream Cruise.

I was coming back from a meeting driving up Woodward and even then noticed all the preambles when I decided it was time to come back and finally check out this event. While I did not attend Saturday's official Dream Cruise, I headed out Friday night to finally witness the action under the lights.

Here are my top reasons for avoiding it all these years and five reasons why I would go again.

## I never went to Dream Cruise because:

- » I have never attended an auto show either. Cars are just not my thing. They get me from point A to point B because I have no other way to do so living in metro Detroit.

- » I do not like traffic jams.

- » Not a fan of huge crowds.

- » I always felt I had better things to do.

- » I really do not like trying to find a place to park when there are few.

## Top five reasons why I would return:

- » In just 90 minutes I talked with people from Texas, Iowa, Chicago, Ohio, San Diego and Germany, not to mention locals from Birmingham, Westland, Milford, Novi, Harrison Township, White Lake and Clarkston. And I don't know a thing about automobiles.

- » The aroma of sliders was the perfect complement to the wafting smell of gasoline and exhaust.

- » OK, I admit there were some cool vehicles to watch. I could name but maybe a few. But I guess part of the attraction was that I did not feel as though I had to pretend to be a gearhead. I could enjoy it in all my naivety.

- » The atmosphere was exciting. Live bands, the constant revving of engines and the cheers from onlookers made for an exciting time.

- » The parking was simple. It was Friday night, but I was able to park within a block of Woodward and Maple with no trouble.

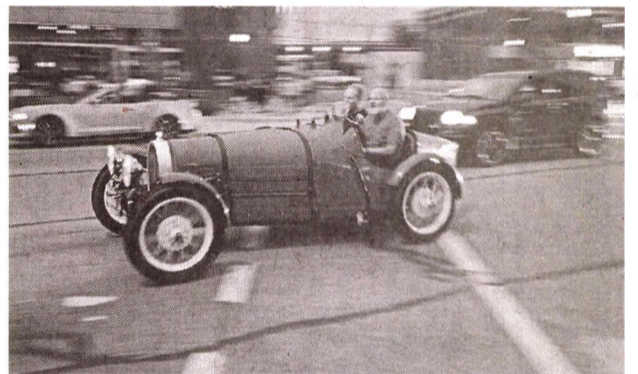
- » Bonus reason why I would come back ... the third constant aroma ... cigars. I love the smell of a good cigar.

*Dan Dean is managing editor of Hometown Life. Follow him on Twitter and Instagram @htleditor.*



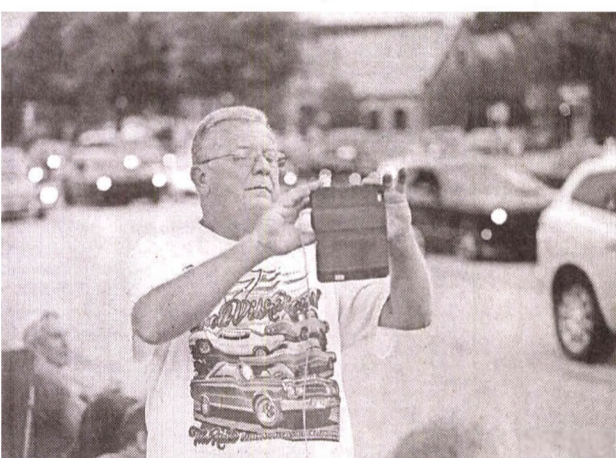
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Classics came in all shapes and sizes.



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A classic travels northbound on Woodward.



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Steve Monroe of Iowa City takes photos along Woodward.



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Stefan Hiebl of Chicago has been coming to the Woodward Dream Cruise since 2010. Encouraging cruisers to rev their engines, he hopes to catch the action on video.



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Elvis gives cruisers the thumbs up along Woodward.

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PREP FOOTBALL

## Moody's 57-yard FG spurs Northville win

Mustangs' ground game chews up Dearborn in opener

Brad Emons  
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There's a reason why it's called *foot-ball*. Northville senior Jake Moody, one of the nation's top kickers, continued to validate his talents Friday night as he opened the scoring with a school-record 57-yard field goal while propelling the Mustangs' to a convincing 44-14 win over Dearborn at Tom Holzer Field. Moody eclipsed his own school-record of 52 yards, but proved he was human as he missed a "chip shot" 47-yarder late in the game. "It was a good night, but got to be perfect next time," said Moody, who is now tied for third all-time for the longest field goal in state history. Moody, however, also im-

pressed with a high hang-time 44-yard punt down to the Dearborn 1, to go along with several kickoffs that sailed through the end zone. Which was better?

"I'd say the 57-yarder, because it was a school record, so that was a big kick," Moody said. "Right before that kick, I had the coaches asking me what they thought I was good from inside of ... so I said inside of 40 yards (spotting it). It

was 39-and-a-half yards, so we decided to go for it." And it was a no-doubter. "I knew right away it went

in, I just didn't know it was 57 yards," Northville quarterback

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Northville's Jake Moody boots a school-record 57-yard field goal with Jon Michalak holding.

### #HTLSports GAME OF THE WEEK 2

Our high school football coverage continues with Week 2. remember to follow us on Twitter @HTLSports or follow individual reporters covering games listed below. A live scoreboard at [www.hometownlife.com/sports](http://www.hometownlife.com/sports) will feature live tweets throughout the night Thursday starting at 5 p.m. Updates on coverage is posted on our Facebook page @hometownlivesports.

**Game of the Week**  
Friday, Sept. 31, 7 p.m.: Plymouth at Canton. Follow Tim Smith @TimSmith\_Sports

#### Other games

Thursday, Aug. 31, 7 p.m.: Livonia Churchill at Northville. Follow Brad Emons @BradEmons1

Thursday, Aug. 31, 7 p.m.: Livonia Stevenson at Novi. Follow Marty Budner @BhmEccentric

Friday, Sept. 1, 7 p.m.: Mishawaka (Ind.) Penn at Brother Rice. Follow Marty Budner @BhmEccentric

**Predictions**  
Smith: Canton, Churchill. Stevenson, Penn  
Emons: Canton, Northville, Stevenson, Rice  
Budner: Canton, Northville, Stevenson, Rice

CLARENCEVILLE HONORS TIM SHAW

## 'I LOVE THIS PLACE'



Tim Shaw reacts to the unveiling of the new sign Saturday night at Clarenceville.

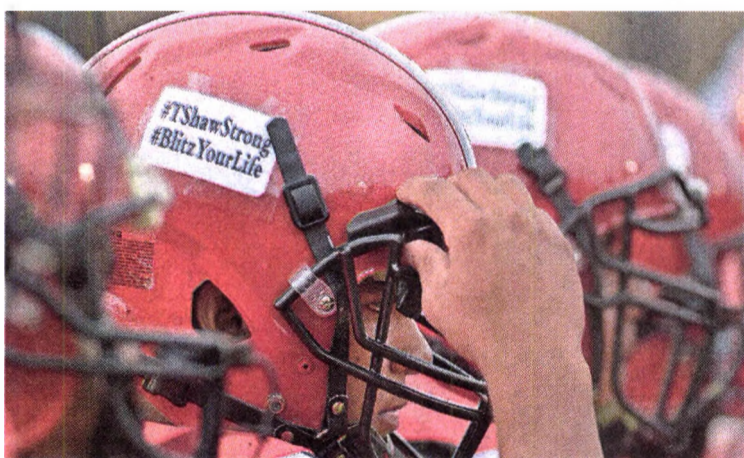
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### Ceremony unveiling Shaw Stadium packs an emotional wallop

Tim Smith  
hometownlife.com

It's Tim Shaw's house now and Clarenceville loves it. Amid standing ovations and chants of "Shaw, Shaw, Shaw!" the love fest between Clarenceville's favorite son and the small community he took by storm as a football player grew to epic proportions Saturday night. An emotion-packed halftime ceremony began with athletic director Kevin Murphy calling it "a great day to be a Clarenceville Trojan" and ended with the Shaw Stadium sign officially unveiled. The stadium now is David B. McDowell Field at Shaw Stadium.

In between, the man of the hour — visibly slowed by ALS



Clarenceville players' helmets offer inspiration: #TShawStrong, #BlitzYourLife

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— had to be helped to the podium by his dad John. But once there, although struggling to enunciate his words, he still

delivered a powerful, undeniable love letter to the community.

"It's never been about me. I can't believe this is happening," Shaw said. "Probably the biggest honor I've ever received. I love this place. I've given my heart here, my sweat, my tears."

"This is about Clarenceville, it's about keeping this community as a place that really matters, where kids can come and get a great education, be involved in great after-school programs and become impactful citizens of this community."

#### It's connected

Shaw said what his time at Clarenceville taught him was the connectivity be-

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

## Milford's Heiligenthal ready to take next step

Lakeland returns seven, including two all-staters

Brad Emons  
hometownlife.com

Victoria Heiligenthal is no longer considered the co-star or the understudy.

The Milford junior is the one ready to carry the torch now for the defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion girls cross country team.

Heiligenthal takes center stage for the Mavericks, who lost three-sport all-stater Mallory Barrett (Michigan) to graduation after she placed ninth in last year's state finals at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Coming off a 14th-place finish of her own with a 5,000-meter time of 18:26.6, Heiligenthal is trying to adjust to life without Barrett.

"For me personally, it's really hard because I ran with her all the time in races and in practice," said Heiligenthal, who was the KLAA Lakes Conference champion from a year

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Milford junior Victoria Heiligenthal assumes the lead role now for the defending state champions.

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PREP FOOTBALL

# Stevenson rallies to edge Franklin, 14-13

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Friday night's football opener between Livonia Franklin and Livonia Stevenson was a tale of two halves.

When it was over, the Spartans came back from a 13-0 halftime deficit and earned a 14-13 victory.

The Spartans rallied behind the lethal combination of quarterback Parker Graham to wide receiver George Ferguson (three receptions, 145 yards and two TDs).

On the winning touchdown, from the Franklin 22, Graham found Ferguson in the back-right corner of the end zone. The PAT by Griffin Matick provided the winning margin.

"Coach said, 'Fergie, post corner,'" Ferguson said. "I ran a good route and Parker threw a perfect pass. I just had to do the rest. It felt great."

Stevenson might not have had the chance if not for a costly face-mask penalty against Franklin, after it appeared the Patriots recovered a fumble.

"There was a face-mask call and then we had another penalty that gave them a first down which, ultimately, led to their game-winning



Livonia Franklin defenders close in on Livonia Stevenson's George Ferguson (middle) during Friday's crosstown rivalry contest. Ferguson scored both of the Spartans' TDs in a 14-13 win.

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touchdown," Franklin head coach Chris Kelbert said. "It was uncharacteristic of some of the guys ... you give (Stevenson) extra opportunities and they cashed in."

A blocked field goal by the Spartans' Devin Poster early in the fourth quarter also helped turn the momentum back in their favor. Also keeping the Patriots down and out was an interception in the fourth quarter by Scott Rushlow.

A last-minute bid by Franklin to answer was

foiled by a Devin Dunn interception.

"We talked about it all week long. There's five or six big plays in a game that really determine the outcome," Stevenson head coach Randy Micallef said. "The fumbles, some of the penalties, touchdowns called back. Those all add into that equation. The football gods were shining on us tonight."

Here are several takeaways from the contest:

**TAKING ADVANTAGE**

In the third quarter, Franklin was stopped short on fourth down and the Spartans scored on the next play.

Graham threw a strike to Ferguson, who caught the ball around midfield and took it home for an 80-yard score. That gave Franklin a 13-7 lead.

The Spartans then took their first and only lead before the end of the game on a drive aided by penalties against Franklin, including one that cost the Patriots a fumble

recovery.

**WELCOME BACK**

After missing the 2016 regular season due to injury, Franklin senior Brad Gibson made quite an impact against the Spartans.

Gibson picked off a Graham pass late in the first half, setting up a 51-yard scoring drive in eight plays. He also chipped in a point-after touchdown kick.

"It was a hard-fought game. We should have pulled through," Gibson said. "We had a couple mistakes as a team."

**WORKHORSE MOORE**

The Patriots' offense in the first half was largely Isaac Moore, as the senior running back carried the ball 15 times for 85 yards and a 1-yard scoring plunge, which made it 13-0. In the second half, however, Stevenson's defense stiffened and pitched a shut-out.

"He's a tough kid, a very good competitor who wants to win," Kelbert said. "They all put a lot of time and effort into this and it just didn't come in our favor today."

"We put ourselves in bad situations. We were in a lot of second-and-longs, third-and-longs. We fumbled the snap a couple times, had a cou-

ple penalties. Those things, when you're behind the chains, you got to throw the football. We want to run the ball and be able to throw off our run. It just didn't go that way."

Franklin's opening score was on a zig-zagging 47-yard run by junior Julius Simmons.

**OH, THOSE PENALTIES**

Stevenson missed out on a couple of chances to get on the scoreboard in the first half due to penalties.

With the game still scoreless early in the second quarter, Ferguson's apparent 55-yard punt return was snuffed out by an illegal block penalty.

Ferguson lost another TD in the closing seconds of the half. He reeled in a desperation toss by Graham — but officials nullified that score due to a holding infraction.

**GETTING THEIR KICKS**

Robert Cavin, besides being a two-way lineman for Stevenson, proved to be a big threat with his foot. He drove two punts that pinned the Patriots inside their own 5-yard line.

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PREP FOOTBALL



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Novi's Deshaun Clayton picked up this fumble and ran 23 yards to the Groves 2-yard line to set up a score.

# Game of the Week: Groves' big plays sink Novi, 42-21

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Last year's Division 2 state semifinalist Birmingham Groves proved once again it could be a football team to be reckoned with in 2017.

The Falcons used their big-play capability and took advantage of a key second-quarter turnover

Aug. 24 to take down Novi, 42-21, in the 2017 football season opener for both teams.

Here are five quick takeaways:

**FORD HAS A BETTER IDEA**

Chaise Ford, a 5-foot-11, 195-pound senior running back scored on touchdown runs of 16, 42

and 56 yards, finishing with a net of 121 yards on the night on just 10 carries.

"I just saw grass," Ford said. "Those O-linemen, those big guys ... I just got behind them. That brick wall, they just paved the way for me. Those weren't even my touchdowns. Those three touchdowns were the

whole O-line. I didn't have to make them miss. It was just straight up the field. I'm blessed to have an O-line play that well."

**SHORT-TERM MEMORY**

Novi scored the game's first TD on Sean Gilliam's 57-yard TD

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PREP FOOTBALL

# Big-play Sailors upend Chiefs at Big House, 41-23

Tim Smith  
hometownlife.com

The Canton Chiefs have played plenty of big games in recent seasons, but not at the University of Michigan's stadium, a.k.a. the Big House, which they did Saturday afternoon against Muskegon Mona Shores in their season opener.

Canton had flashes of excellence throughout the Battle at the Big House, but fell short, 41-23.

Sparking Mona Shores to victory were Damari Roberson (92-yard kickoff return TD), D'Anthony Davis (13 carries, 104 yards, two TDs) and quarterback Tristan Robbins (219 combined yards).

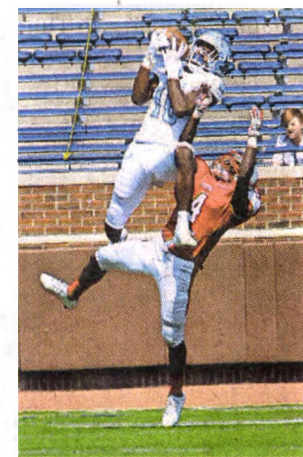
Playing a strong two-way game for the Chiefs was senior Nick Polydoros, who scored two rushing touchdowns and was a defensive force all day.

Junior running back Steven Walker was another bright spot for Canton, with 20 carries for 158 yards. Senior quarterback Conner Engel connected on 5-of-13 passes for 92 yards.

Canton coach Tim Baechler said the Sailors were a formidable opponent, mixing up formations and showing they will be a team to be reckoned with this season.

"They run a tricky mid-line option and an outside veer option," Baechler said. "Scrimmages were all we had to go on. But we saw four or five different formations and it really took a lot to adjust. A couple of our kids just weren't doing what we wanted to do. Plus, when we did, they were just good."

"They were big, strong, fast, they broke tackles. We got too



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Despite a strong defensive effort from Canton's Steven Walker (right), Muskegon Mona Shores wide receiver Damari Roberson makes a spectacular catch.

many kids going both ways and it kind of caught up to us at the end."

Following are five takeaways from the game:

**UNANSWERED**

After the Chiefs went up 7-0 on a Colin Troup touchdown run, the Sailors roared back with three unanswered scores to go up 21-7 with about three minutes to go in the half.

**BACK AND FORTH**

The teams then traded touchdowns in the next two minutes, with Canton's 12-yard TD run by Polydoros, immediately answered by Roberson, who raced down the field for a 92-yard kickoff return TD.

Canton then added a 30-yard field goal by Chase Meredith with two seconds remaining to get to within 28-17 at halftime.

**BIG OPENERS**

Last year, the Chiefs opened the season at the Prep Kickoff Classic at Wayne State University. This year's appearance at the Big House was the

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PREP FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

# Week 1 scores and highlights

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Saturday, Aug. 26

**Macomb Lutheran North 42, Livonia Clarenceville 13**

Clarenceville QB Terrence Ealy connected with receiver Kyle Nolan twice for touchdowns, but it was not nearly enough against a tough Macomb opponent.

**Muskegon Mona Shores 41, Canton 23 Greenville 47, North**

**Farmington 7**

North Farmington held an early 7-0 lead but it was host Greenville which controlled the rest of the game. Dylan Gordon put the Raiders up with a sizzling 95-yard touchdown run. The defensive caused two turnovers, including an interception by junior Matt Coroiran Coleman. The

special teams also had a blocked punt. "We were up 7-0 then the wheels came off," reported first-year head coach Bob Chiesa. "Our offense had a few turnovers, including two interceptions ran back for touchdowns. Our offense struggled, but showed glimpses."

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# SHAW

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tween “family, team and community. Those are the three things that I’ve learned the most about while running up and down this football field.

“Family is where it all starts ... team is where it goes. Without my teammates, I never score. Without my team, we never make it to the state championship. And community, I learned that when a community is behind their team, it’s an immovable force.”

Although the 2017 team lost its season opener, 42-13, to Macomb Lutheran North (both of Clarenceville’s touchdowns were scored via the passing game, with quarterback Terrence Ealy connecting with receiver Kyle Nolan), Shaw made sure to remind the community to stay behind current and future teams.

“Those players on today’s field, they represent everything that I represent when I played,” Shaw said. “And the ones next year and the ones the year after that will do the same. People change, but this community will remain.

“I can’t say thank you enough. There’s too many people I have to thank. So I will just thank you all. From the bottom of my heart, I love you.”

## Just kidding

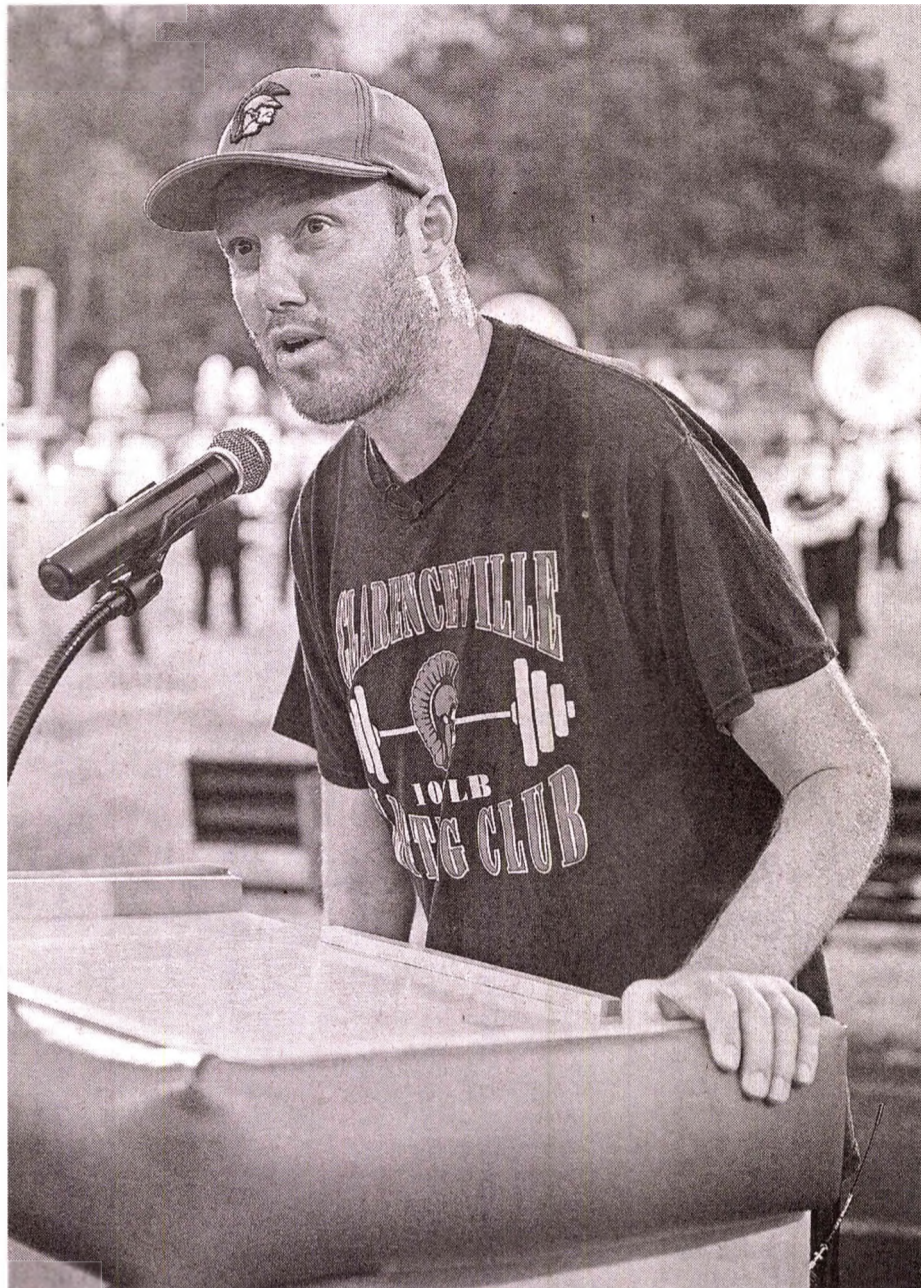
Shaw showed a quick wit, too.

“I would trade every single touchdown if I could have that state championship,” he said, referencing Clarenceville’s march to the 2001 state finals. “But for now, I’ll keep the touchdowns.”

During the 2001 season, wearing his now-retired jersey No. 8, Shaw rushed for some 2,600 yards and scored 51 times to earn the nickname “Touchdown Tim.” From there it was on to Penn State and the National Football League.

But he never forgot about his hometown, where buses would drive through welcoming banners after road games during that memorable playoff stretch, recalled Shaw’s former coach, Greg Hudkins.

“You know, it’s funny,” Hudkins said following the ceremony. “I’ve only been back here once since 2003, when I left. And as much as things change, when he talks about the community and how strong they were, it’s still the same. You can feel it.



Tim Shaw speaks to Trojan Nation during the emotional halftime ceremony.

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“I can remember us coming back from play-off games in our bus and the whole community meet us back here. The bus breaks through a banner as we come home. The support is just phenomenal.”

Murphy said the tributes would continue for the rest of this season, with the 8-yard line painted red (Clarenceville’s colors) to honor Shaw’s uniform number and legacy. The Shaw Stadium sign itself will be placed on the back of the press box over the next week.

## Tim Shaw Day

And Livonia Mayor Dennis Wright presented a proclamation announcing Aug. 26, 2017, as Tim Shaw Day in the Clarenceville district.

Superintendent Paul Shepich also made some remarks about honoring “a wonderful human being. I got to know him when he came back and used the weight room.

“We did some traveling to some football games together. What struck me then and strikes me even more so today, it is how gracious and giving and caring he

is. He has never forgotten where he came from and that means a lot.”

Sharon Shaw, Tim’s mother, said the display of emotion for her son and the renaming itself were “absolutely amazing. Our boys were very involved here.

“We were involved here as parents and we had an opportunity to be involved with a lot of these people. And it’s great that they’re supporting us now in what we’re dealing with.”

She agreed that Tim’s speech was something to behold.

“He keeps very positive; he uses his words wisely,” Sharon said. “He says what he means and he doesn’t say anything if he doesn’t have anything to say.”

Saturday night, Tim Shaw had plenty to say and Trojan Nation couldn’t get enough of it.

“It’s awesome. It’s such a good tribute, he’s such a good guy,” district employee Rob Monaghan said about the ceremony. “Oh my gosh. Tim is still so well-spoken.”

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## SOUND BITES

**TIM SHAW** (saying hello to well wishers during the first half: “(I hope) that they (athletes) see the only limitation you have is time. Other than that, nothing can stop you from whatever it is you want to do. I hope they see that pushing to be the best you can be is the only way to go. Everything else doesn’t really matter.”

**SHARON SHAW** (Tim’s mom): “To have all these people come, people we haven’t seen in years, and getting hugs and stuff has been wonderful.”

**GREG HUDKINS** (former Clarenceville football coach): “For Tim’s name to be up here forever, and he wanted it just ‘Shaw’ for his whole family, not a more deserving family out there. It’s an incredible moment for them and, I think, everybody who’s ever been a part of it.”

**JOE SANCHEZ** (Clarenceville parent, athletic booster volunteer): “It’s kind of, when there’s an event like this, to see so many people come and the memories they have and they share them with you. ‘Oh yeah, I went to school here, I did this or that.’ Everyone remembers.”

fired up, believe me.”

According to senior Noah Brown, “It was a good experience for the team. I wish we could have come out with a win, but I feel we just made a lot of mental mistakes; a lot of people didn’t do their jobs today. I messed up a couple times. I just feel like it was on us, it wasn’t on them.”

Polydoras said playing at Michigan Stadium “was really exciting, a once-in-a-lifetime oppor-

tunity for us. I thought it was really cool that they put this together for us. We have a lot of things to improve on and we’ll just improve upon them and get better throughout the season.”

## PERSISTENCE PAYS OFF

A penalty against Mona Shores cost the Sailors a touchdown in the second quarter, but only briefly. After being pushed back to the Canton 39, a straight-ahead running attack sparked a

2-yard rushing TD by Davis.

## GOOD RESPONSE

Canton came out strong in the third quarter, in an attempt to get back into the game. The defense stopped the Sailors and then the Chiefs marched 89 yards in 13 plays, with Polydoras punching it in from the 3. That made it 28-23.

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# CHIEFS

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team’s first.

Baechler and players said it still was a positive learning experience, despite the loss.

“Our starters got to play four tough quarters and we’re going to get hardened up from this,” Baechler said. “We’re going to improve an awful lot from now until next Friday. We’ll be

and more than held his own in the first half against Maddox, who finished with nine catches for 55 yards and a TD, all coming in the second half.

“I knew going in it was going to be a big match-up,” Dawsey said. “I had to prepare and watch a lot of film, read my scouting report. I felt I was prepared going in.”

## GAME-CHANGER

Leading only 21-14 late in the first half, Groves’ Antulio Erickson-Suzuki blocked a Blake King punt and teammate Tyler Newitt scooped it up and ran 2 yards for a TD to

give the Falcons a 28-14 halftime advantage.

“I think that momentum was great,” Groves coach Brendan Flaherty said. “I kind of shared with the fellas we beat ourselves up. We had a pretty good game, but we kept shooting ourselves in the foot with the (three) fumbles and miscues. But the blocked punt definitely helped. We try and work on that stuff. He think (King) bobbled the snap, too. I think it was a little bit of luck more than anything. It was a good job by the guys.”

## LEARNING CURVE

New starting Novi quarterback Sean Gilliam, a transfer from West Bloomfield, threw for two touchdowns and ran for another (3 yards), but was 19-of-37 passing for 153 yards.

The Wildcats were outrushed 207-53 on the night as Groves also got a 1-yard TD run from QB Colton Tinsley, along with a 68-yard TD run from sophomore Ralph Donaldson (in third quarter to make it 35-14).

“We just got to put together some offensive drives,” Novi coach Jeff Burnside said. “We seemed like we had a lot

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Our youth showed, but I’m proud of the team as the did not quit.”

## Friday, Aug. 25

Livonia Stevenson 14, Livonia Franklin 13, Northville 44, Dearborn 14

Birmingham Brother Rice 26, Detroit U-D Jesuit 7

Detroit Country Day 20, Grand Rapids Catholic Central 7

Livonia Churchill 53, Monroe 13, Dearborn Fordson 28, Plymouth 14

Fordson controlled the offensive game with 337 total yards, split evenly between rushing (169) and passing (168). Quarterback Hussein Ajami figured in three of four Fordson touchdowns, completing 13-of-24 passes and two touchdowns. He also rushed for the game’s first touchdown on a 1-yard run. Mike Mathias scored on a 1-yard run in the first quarter and QB Zach Beadle hooked up with received Bradley Tyszkiewicz for a 25-yd TD in the third quarter. Plymouth finished with 131 total yards in offense.

New Boston Huron 28, Salem 27

Detroit Catholic Central 36, Sterling Heights Stevenson 0

Marco Genrich threw TD passes to Nate Anderson and Parker Bohland as Detroit Catholic Central (1-0) downed Sterling Heights Stevenson (0-1) in the season opener.

CC, which led 14-0 at halftime, also got a 57-yard run from Cameron Ryan, Sam Beydoun had a TD run, while Nazem Beydoun had a strip and score on defense. Jack Downs help preserve the shutout with an interception.

## Thursday, Aug. 24

Birmingham Groves 42, Novi 21

Bloomfield Hills 21, Birmingham Seaholm 19

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood 35, Redford Union 0

After a scoreless first quarter, Cranbrook scored 35 unanswered points. Cranbrook QB Trevor McConnell threw for 153 yards and two touchdowns. Tariq Muhamed, Jack Fairman and Aaron Wiggins each

contributed TD runs for the Cranes. The RU offense was limited to 147 yards. Isaac Grant had 57 yards on 14 carries and Thorton Cain had 46 yards on 18 tries.

East Grand Rapids 33, Farmington Hills Harrison 8

Berkley 28, Farmington 23

Farmington trailed host Berkley 28-0 before rallying to make a game of it. “We fought back real hard, but turned the ball over six times to their zero,” said Farmington’s first-year head coach Kory Cioroch.

Flat Rock 35, Garden City 10

Walled Lake Central 20, White Lake Lakeland 13

Walled Lake Northern 35, South Lyon 15

Waterford Kettering 34, South Lyon East 18

South Lyon East committed five turnovers leading to 21 Kettering points. Score was 14-12 Kettering at the half. Kettering rushed for 245 yards and passed for 26 yards. East QB Chris Kaminski completed 18-of-28 passes for 173 yards with two interceptions. He connected with John Carter for two TDs. Carter finished with 10 catches and 69 yards. Jake Waranauckas had 18 carries for 131 yards and a TD; Donovan Wright carried three times for 39 yards.

Waterford Mott 34, Milford 0

Wayne Memorial 19, Ecorse 15

Hartland 17, Westland John Glenn 16 (OT)

Flint Powers Catholic 7, Redford Thurston 6

Thurston lost its opener at home against Flint Powers Catholic in a defensive struggle. Powers scored on a 1-yard run, capping a 45-yard drive early in the fourth quarter to take a 7-0 lead. The Eagles fought back late in the game and scored on a 2-yard run by Leonard Funches with 3:10 to play. But the Eagles failed to convert on the two-point conversion.

Thurston QB Zack Crofford was 6-of-11 passing for 105 yards. Leonard Funches led the rushing attack with 16 carries for 102 yards and scored the Eagles’ lone TD. Demetrius Dowd carried the ball six times for 60 yards. Standouts on defense were Daron Totten with 10 tackles; Trejon Purry with eight and Xavier Coleman-Patillo with seven.



Catholic Central’s Cameron Ryan (left) breaks a tackle during Friday’s 36-0 win over Sterling Heights Stevenson.

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# GROVES

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pass to a wide-open Tyler VanKirk, who got behind the Groves secondary.

“I blew my coverage, I was thinking too much,” said 5-9, 165-pound Groves defensive back Khalil Dawsey, who had the task of covering Novi’s talented 6-5 wide receiver Traveon Maddox Jr. all night. “It was my first time as a starter. I wasn’t paying attention and it was totally on me. I knew I had to rise up if we were going to win.” Dawsey made amends

of self-inflicted wounds tonight. We had bad snaps, overthrows at times, just missed reads and we didn’t do the basic things that we worked to prep for to beat this team. We’re inexperienced and it kind of came through tonight. Coming into this game, we had six kids that had experience on a Friday night. Unfortunately, we got a lot of young kids that got to play.”

## UNDER THE RADAR

Groves’ Damonte McCurdy finished with seven solo tackles and one assist and a 45-yard kickoff return to set up

the Falcons’ first TD. Ford added seven tackles and a sack, while Griffen Best racked up five solo tackles.

Drew O’Connor led Novi with four solo tackles and one assist, while Deshaun Clayton had a 23-yard fumble recovery return and a sack. Noah Grier and Jason Jennings both forced a fumble, while Landon Green and Ryland Bennett also recovered a fumble.

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## BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

# Grzymkowski's return gives Lakeland a leg up

Milford, sixth a year ago, should also contend again

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Lakeland junior cross country standout Harrison Grzymkowski can be categorized as the perfect blend of fierce competitor, scholar and sportsman.

Grzymkowski will be the lead runner once again as he returns for his third varsity season for the Eagles, who are coming off an MHSAA Division 1 state championship as well as regional and KLAAs Lakes Conference titles.

Grzymkowski placed third individually at last year's finals, clocking an impressive 15:51.4 for 5,000 meters. He also took runner-up honors in both the regional and conference meets.

"I think the thing that makes Harrison special is that he's got this tremendous desire to beat everyone in anything," Lakeland coach Joe Verellen said. "It's kind of like those UFC fighters that sit there bludgeoning themselves, hitting each other, then there's one passed out or the official calls the match, then they get up and hug one another. That's the type of guy he is."

Grzymkowski puts the team first above anything else entering the 2017 season.

"I would love to repeat and go back-to-back state champs," he said. "That's on my list. And next, maybe going for the individual title. That would be, obviously, a dream."

Grzymkowski is shooting for a 5K time somewhere in the low 15-minute range this season.

"Maybe 15:20," he said. "I think that's realistic. I have a really good training partner in Drew Wenger. He'll definitely push me to that pace."

Wenger, a senior, finished 45th individually last year in 16:23.8, while fellow senior Angelo Savich was the team's fifth scorer in 79th (16:43.0).

The Eagles lost four state meet starters to graduation: Zack Werth, Joel Woody, Luke Moore and Karl Stroup.

"There's definitely a chance of winning it again this year," Verellen said. "A lot of people don't realize, but we've got George Drallos (senior), who was part of our state meet team two years ago, that actually as a sophomore was a 16:34 guy. He was unable to be in our lineup late last year due to injury, but he should have been in that lineup had he had



Lakeland junior Harrison Grzymkowski will be the lead runner again for the defending Division 1 state champs.

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been healthy."

C.J. Davis, another senior, could contribute as well after running 4:31 in the 1,600 during the spring track season. Tyler Leick, another senior, should slide into this year's fifth spot.

"With those five guys, we definitely have a shot," Verellen said. "We going to be very upper-classmen, very experience-loaded."

Grzymkowski, meanwhile, likes the direction the Eagles are headed going into the 2017 season as they will vie for a title in the new nine-school Lakes Valley Conference.

"I feel like we've upped our mileage quite a bit," he said. "Verellen is a genius when it comes to running. Whatever he does, I listen to. We do have those recovery weeks, but overall, we've upped our mileage quite a bit."

Grzymkowski, who played soccer for nearly 11 years before concentrating on running, is following in the footsteps of his older brother Jackson, a former all-stater in cross country and track now competing as a scholarship athlete at NCAA Division I school Belmont (Tenn.) University.

"He's more of a runner that kind of waits to the end of the race and really out-sprints his opponent," said Harrison, one of four children. "He's a got a lot more

foot speed than I do, so I kind of use some of his tactics at times. I do use his advice, as much as I don't like to admit that," he added with a laugh.

Grzymkowski, who carries a 3.6 grade-point average, is also a pleasure to coach.

"He's very easy-going," Verellen said. "He's willing to listen to people and he's will to accept people for who they are. He's not out there looking for drama or looking for conflict at all."

## Milford takes aim

The Mavericks, who took sixth in last year D1 state finals, lost four runners to graduation: Dakota Giles, Jack Aman, Elliot Seymour and Jared Shupe.

But coach Brian Salyers has a solid corps returning, led by junior Evan White (49th, 16:27.1), senior Nick Martin (16:39.7) and senior Nolan Bailey (134th, 17:03.1).

Senior Luke Caddell and sophomore Carson Kettle also bring experience to the lineup from last year's Linden regional runners-up.

"We've got five guys that are pretty solid," Salyers said. "We're going to be running with more of a pack mentality."

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## MILFORD

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ago. "We did workouts all the time. And it's really hard for us as a team, because we're losing our No. 1 runner, an amazing leader and somebody to look up to."

Milford coach Brian Salyers also returns four others who ran in last year's state finals: senior Nicole Grindling (45th, 19:21.3), junior Natalie Black (64th, 19:32.1), senior Regan Lobodzinski (84th, 19:47.5) and junior Paige Saiz (209th, 21:10.7).

Meanwhile, seniors Rebecca Bradsher and Emilie Kennedy are also state meet veterans who have finished in the top 103 during their careers as well.

"We have 10 top 100 finishers returning and that's a wealth of experience," Salyers said. "Last year's experience was beyond their dreams when they achieved their goal. I think right now they have a great desire and humility. They respect what it takes to do that. It's a respect for the competition, the love for cross country in the state of Michigan and what it takes to accomplish that. But certainly, they'd like to experience it again."

Heiligenthal has all the credentials to take the next step after placing fourth at the Oakland County meet and fifth at the regional. Her personal best in the 5K is 18:04.9, when she took 10th as a freshman at the 2015 state finals.

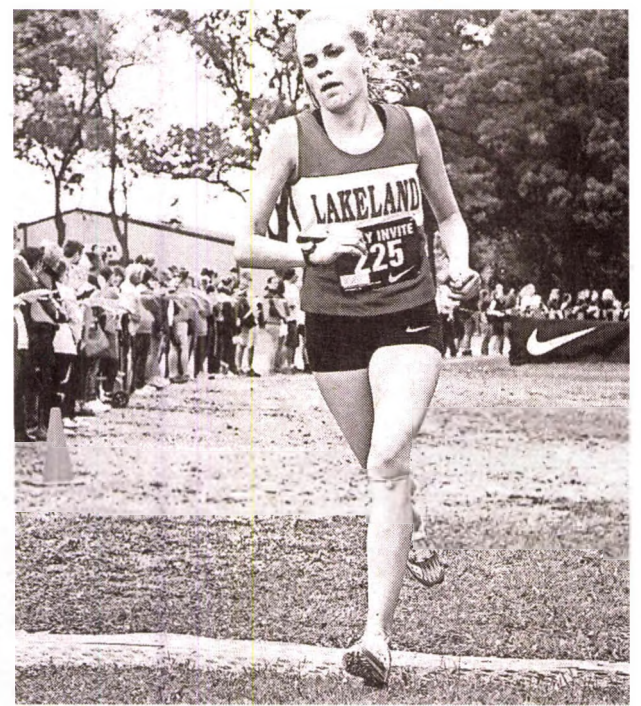
Breaking the 18-minute barrier is one of her main goals entering this fall.

"Last year, I wasn't able to make my P.R., especially at the state meet," Heiligenthal said. "I also have a couple of other goals. I just want to be all-state again and, hopefully, come back and be a conference champ. That would also be cool. At the (Oakland) County meet, I have goals to get an even better P.R. at Kensington (Metropark course) and, hopefully, get into the 18:30s there or lower."

Heiligenthal played several sports as a youth, including travel softball, as well as soccer and basketball as a ninth-grader at Milford before electing to concentrate on cross country and track.

"It was kind of hard balancing everything," she said. "I really had to look into whether I was seriously really committed to running or just wanted to do something I love with friends. I'm definitely happy that I decided to just focus on running. It's easier for me to stay focused throughout the whole season rather than focus on other sports during the season or later on."

Salyers said he has seen Heiligenthal make incremental improve-



Lakeland all-stater Olivia Clymer was 29th at last year's Division 1 state finals.



Lakeland's Madeline Rehm earned all-state cross country honors last year.

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ments following her first two years.

"We've watched that continue and grow with each passing season," he said. "We see more of that in her future. We're very excited where she's at in her preparations for this fall."

Running with Barrett for two years also proved to be beneficial in more ways than one.

"She can take the knowledge she's gained from that and she's ready to be on her own," Salyers said. "It was never a co-dependency, it was a union. They kind of shared a lot of what we did. You're ready to say she's our leader on the course. She's comfortable with that."

And what are Milford's chances of repeating?

"If our top seven girls are in form, we're a contender, just like three or four other schools," Salyers said. "We approach it the same, whether we're ranked one, two or three or nine, 10 or 11."

## Lakeland optimistic

Looking for a dark horse to win the Division 1 state title?

Look no further than White Lake Lakeland as coach John Kababik enters his 41st season.

The Eagles return seven of their top nine

runners from a year ago after placing 15th in the state finals, while falling short to state champion Milford for the regional title at Linden by one point.

"I'd think we're going to have one of our best, if not our best year at Lakeland," Kababik said.

Two all-staters lead the way for Lakeland: junior Madeline Rehm, who placed 23rd overall (18:43.4), and senior Olivia Clymer, who took 29th (18:48.2).

Rehm holds Lakeland's 1,600-meter record in track. Her mother Amanda is one of Lakeland's assistant coaches.

"Madeline probably is one of our most outstanding runners we've ever had at Lakeland," Kababik said. "She's getting better each year. She's putting in more mileage. Madeline is just everything that a coach would want in a runner. Very dedicated, hard worker, just everything you want."

Clymer, meanwhile, has been to the state finals the last two seasons.

"Olivia has really made herself into the runner that she is," Kababik said. "She's just very dedicated like Madeline. The two of them ... they just run together all the time. They just work, work, work."

Meanwhile, sophomore Rylee Lukes (55th, 19:25.5) gives the Eagles another front-runner.

"Those three are just a step above of my other runners," Kababik said. "They just seem to go out and work a little bit harder."

Other state meet veterans for Lakeland include sophomore Lauren Garbovits (159th, 20:29.1) and junior Lilly Clymer (206th, 21:09.7), while sophomores Emily Broman and Clare Bridgewater finished 18th and 25th at the Linden regional.

"The only thing that could stop us is injuries," Kababik said. "You never know who is going to go down with this or that. But I'll be very honest, I expect good things from this team."

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## NORTHVILLE

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and holder Jon Michalak said. "I just put the tee down, held it and I got to the sidelines and I was, like, 'That was 57 yards? Geez.'"

Here are four other takeaways:

### GROUND ATTACK

Michalak, a 5-foot-10, 170-pound senior, figured on four touchdowns, on runs of 8, 9 and 2 yards while also connecting on a 35-yard TD pass to Daniel McLaughlin to make it 23-7 with 8:02 left in the first half.

"We ran the ball well," said Michalak, who rushed for 112 yards on

13 carries. "Last season, we didn't run the ball too well. We were more pass-emphasized. I like that the way we could run the ball wherever and however we wanted ... I like that."

The only downside was the two interceptions.

"We were all making little mistakes and we all knew what we needed to fix," said Michalak, who was 5-of-14 passing for 53 yards. "But we'll clean it up on film."

### HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

Northville coach Matt Ladach couldn't complain much about the victory, but there's always room for improvement heading into next Friday's match-up at home

against Livonia Churchill.

"We didn't play our best," he said. "At half-time, we talked to our team and said, 'Guys, we're up 30-7, but we're far from playing our best.' We made a ton of mistakes and we made a ton of mistakes in the second half as well. It's great to get a win. We're very happy to be 1-0, but we have a long way to go to where we want to be."

But Ladach was pleased with the overall play of his senior QB.

"Jon's a competitor," Ladach said. "I'm always proud of Jon's fire, I'm always proud of his energy and he definitely brought that to the game tonight. We always know we're going to get great

competition from No. 19."

Northville's defense also stood out, holding Dearborn to 196 total yards.

"They played well and they were well-prepared," Ladach said. "Our defensive staff always does tremendous job getting them ready and they buy in. It's been really good. I'm proud of those guys."

### SPREADING THE WEALTH

Northville senior running back Abe Khoury added 83 yards on 10 carries, all coming in the first half.

Junior Enzo Rodriguez chipped in 62 yards, while speedy 5-foot-6, 160-pound junior Nicholas Prystash contributed

a nifty 28-yard TD run in third quarter to make it 37-7.

Of Northville's 398 total yards, 314 came on the ground.

"The offensive line was getting great pushes all day, we were able to run the ball up the middle," Prystash said. "Receivers were getting blocks outside. The quarterback did a great job running the ball. We made a couple of mistakes, but got the win and that's all that matters."

### DEARBORN STRUGGLES

The Pioneers returned only one starter off last year's 9-2 playoff team.

After spotting Northville a 16-0 lead, Dearborn got a 9-yard first-quarter TD pass from

Jack Mannarino to wide receiver Ali Makled. Youseph Saad also stood out with two interceptions and a 2-yard TD run.

"We probably made 50 mistakes today and they made 20," Dearborn coach John Powell said.

Last year's game was much closer, as the Pioneers were edged 25-20 by the Mustangs.

"We didn't play well, offense, defense, special teams and coaching," Powell said. "(Moody) was the difference in last year's game. Their whole team was the difference in this year's game. This year, they just beat us."

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## KLAAS ROUNDUP

## Stevenson earns first-place tie at Livonia city tennis meet

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Livonia Stevenson's boys tennis team tied Woodhaven for the championship of the Livonia City Meet on Aug. 24.

Spartans head coach Don McCathney cited the play of singles players Tom Dunne and Caleb Williamson for helping the team gain some important points. Doubles teams gained 13 of 18 possible points, losing just two matches, he added.

Also performing well were Churchill's 1-2-3 singles players and Franklin.

Earning gold medals for the Spartans were Kevin Dunne-Josh Maj (No. 1 doubles), Brian Stremen-Abe Alrabady (No. 2 doubles) and Alec Said-Anthony Akel (No. 3 doubles). Silver med-



STEVENS TENNIS

Livonia Stevenson celebrates after finishing in a first-place tie at the Livonia city meet. Team members include (back row, from left) coach Rob Williamson, Erik Schmidt, Anthony Akel, Matt Ruiter, Brian Nettie and coach Don McCathney; (middle row, from left) Kenny Fuher, Nick Samaan, J.P. Marvin, Steve Dunne, Josh Maj, Abe Alrabady, Tom Andrews and Dillan Pribak and (front row, from left) Bryant Chua, Caleb Williamson, Tom Dunne, Alec Said, Brian Stemen and Kevin Dunne.

alists for placing second included Tom Dunne (No. 2 singles) and Williamson (No. 4 singles).

#### Girls cross country

**END OF SUMMER CLASSIC:** Three Northville freshman - Yasmine Mansi (18:59), Emily

Gordon (19:23) and Kiera Courney (19:30) - garnered the top three individual places Friday at the Ann Arbor Running Company's End of the Summer Classic. Olivia Harp (sixth, 20:03) and Olivia Masse (ninth, 21:00) also garnered top

10 finishes for the Mustangs.

#### Boys soccer

**NORTHVILLE 0, SKYLINE 0:** Sophomore Robert Damron got the start in goal and pitched a shutout Aug. 24 as the host Mustangs (2-0-1) tied

Ann Arbor Skyline (1-0-2) in a non-conference encounter.

**STEVENS 2, U-D JESUIT 1:** On Aug. 23, Livonia Stevenson's Jake Kaupp scored with about 12 minutes left to snap a 1-1 tie. Setting up the winning goal for the Spartans (2-0) was Lucas Rea - who scored the game's opening goal in the first half, with Evan Campau assisting.

**DEARBORN 3, SALEM 2:** The Rocks fell short Aug. 24 in this non-conference match-up.

**PLYMOUTH 3, HARTLAND 0:** On Aug. 23, the Wildcats led all the way, scoring once in the first half and twice in the second. Benny Tetlow, Alex Schafer and Nicholas Yoshioka scored for Plymouth, while Tommy Sullivan, Alex Bowser, Bennett Brooks and Justin Wojcik all had strong games.

**NORTHVILLE 4, DEARBORN 2:** On Aug. 22, senior captain Owen Marshall notched a hat trick and senior captain Andrew Mitchell had the other goal as the Mustangs (2-0) defeated the

host Pioneers (1-1) in a non-conference game. Tyler Schneider also added two assists for Northville.

**CANTON 1, SKYLINE 1:** On Aug. 22, the Chiefs opened the season with this tie against Ann Arbor Skyline. Scoring for Canton was Jordan Fourney, with the assist going to Justin Gottschalk. Making 17 saves in goal for the Chiefs was Sean O'Meara.

#### Girls golf

**PLYMOUTH 187, CHURCHILL 188:** On Aug. 24 at Warwick Hills, the Wildcats held off the Chargers to improve to 3-1 overall. Scoring 42 for Plymouth were Erin Johnson and Shae Zydeck. For Churchill (1-1), Halana Harris shot 43, while Ashley Harlock and Paige Peterson both had 45.

**SALEM 180, HOWELL 245:** On Aug. 24 at Chemung Hills, the Rocks prevailed behind match medalist Julianne Small, who tallied 43. Also strong for Salem were Nicole Hahn and Megan Kozlowski, each with 45.

## GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

## Northville puts best foot forward with Barrott

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After being a club swimmer for 10 years, Ana Barrott went out for the Northville girls track team during the spring of her freshman year on a whim and hit the ground running.

"I went the first day, then I came back the second day, came back the third, the fourth and the fifth and then I never ended up stopping," said Barrott, now a senior and the Mustangs' top returning cross country runner. "When it came time in the summer to decide whether I was going to swim or cross country ... it was hard, but I knew at that point I liked track so much and I liked running so much more than swimming, so I decided to switch."

Barrott, an all-stater who was both the regional and Kensington Conference individual champion during her junior year, is one of the big reasons Northville should contend again for an MHSAA Division 1 state title.

The Mustangs, who return four starters from last year's lineup, have recorded five top five team finishes during the past five years, including a state crown in 2013 and a third-place finish in 2016.

Barrott, who has a personal best 18 minutes flat at 5,000 meters, finished 25th overall in last year's state meet at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn with a time of 18:44.1.

In last June's state track finals, Barrott placed ninth in the 3,200 (10:49.54) and 11th in the 1,600 (4:59.9).

"First of all, she's an amazing leader," Northville coach Nancy Smith said of Barrott. "She's hard-working, no matter if she has an injury. She works 110 percent in cross training to be in the top shape that she can be in."

Barrott, who is recovering from a stress reaction in her heel bone suffered in summer conditioning workouts in mid-July, will be limited to running four miles



BRAD EMONS

Northville senior Ana Barrott leads a talented cross country team entering the 2017 season.

every other day during the next two weeks.

But she has stayed connected with the pool while working as a life-guard three or four shifts a week at the Kings Mill Condominium complex. She also competed for the Meadowbrook Country Club summer swim team, where she swam her final race earlier this month.

Smith is confident Barrott will be able to gain her legs back quickly once she's nursed back to full strength.

"It helps a lot because she can do a ton of work in the pool for recovery, to cross train, to keep her in top shape and aerobically fit," she said.

Ana's older sister Lexa, now a sophomore on the Indiana University team, was a former all-state track and cross country runner at Northville as well.

Ana would like to follow in her sister's footsteps and run for a Big Ten school, while staying close to home.

"She's helped me so much," Barrott said of her big sister. "I just feel I have a more clear picture of what I'm getting myself into. I know what the expectations are with the training, so that helps a lot. I did not not run most of the summer. She

had an intense schedule, but on the recovery runs we'd still run together."

Among Barrott's personal goals are to run a 17:45 5K this season and put her name in the Northville record book.

"Lexa has the school record at our (Cass Benton Park) home course, which is 18:24, so I want to beat that," she said.

In addition to Barrott, Northville returns three others from its starting lineup: junior Nicole Cybul, who was 33rd at the state final, sophomore Emily Assemany (98th) and junior Olivia Harp (131st).

The Mustangs also have three talented freshmen waiting in the wings: Yasmine Mansi, Emily Gordon and Kiera Courney.

"Honestly, I think this could be one of our better teams in the years past," Smith said. "We have three talented freshmen and we bring back a good core of the top three with Olivia, Ana and Nicole. And we have some returning girls that are going to fight for the top seven spots. I think we have the possibility of being in the top three or better at the state finals, if we remain healthy."

Barrott, who swam for Northville during her freshman year, tried a

variety of sports as a youth, including basketball, tennis, golf and soccer.

And even though her sister Lexa was already an accomplished high school distance runner, running wasn't in the picture until she was coaxed into it.

"My locker backs up to coach (Tim) Dalton's room and he was the track coach," Barrott said, "so every day he'd come out to my locker and he'd be, like, 'Hey, are you going to run track this year?' And I was, like, 'No, I don't have enough time.' And then he kept nagging and nagging me and I was, like, finally, 'Fine, OK, I'll guess I'll just try it.' I was, like, 'It's really not going to work very well with my swimming schedule.' He said, 'You only have to come to two practices a week and then just run the meets.'"

To this day, Barrott still has some reservations about switching sports.

"I don't know if I miss all the early mornings," she said. "But, yeah, I miss the team a lot."

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## LVC ROUNDUP

## South Lyon girls golfers rule LVC pre-tournament

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(23:35).

Coaches and team representatives are invited to send game information and story tips to LIV-sports@hometownlife.com.

It went to the fifth player tiebreaker as South Lyon edged rival South Lyon East for the inaugural Lakes Valley Conference pre-tourney girls golf title Aug. 24 at Hartland Glen G.C.

East and South Lyon both shot four-player totals of 333 followed by White Lake Lakeland (368), Milford (375), Walled Lake Central (388), Walled Lake Northern (409 on tiebreaker), Waterford Kettering (409), Walled Lake Western (445) and Waterford Mott (610).

South Lyon's Elizabeth Harding took individual medalist honors with a 73 followed by teammates Kendall Skore (82), Julia Vess (89) and Molly Mackey (89).

But it was Sophie Yergin's 90 which proved to be the difference.

East scorers included Kiersten VanNorden (school record 76), Emily O'Brien (77), Natalie Aulicino (81) and Alyssa Strong (99).

#### More girls golf

**SOUTH LYON 160, LAKELAND 189:** On Aug. 23, Elizabeth Harding was medalist with 36 as the Lions (2-0) rolled to a Lakes Valley Conference dual match win over host White Lake Lakeland (0-1) at Hartland Glen.

Other South Lyon scorers included Sophie Yergin (41), Julia Vess (41) and Kendall Skore (42). Alexis Gurke (44) led the Eagles followed by Madison Kotsonas (47), Hannah Brown (48) and Kristen Scalpone (50).

#### Girls cross country

Lauren Clark led the way with a 15th-place finish in 21:32 as the 18-member South Lyon East squad, which included eight making their high school debuts, participated Aug. 25 in the End of the Summer Classic at Hudson Hills Metropark.

Other top finishers for the Cougars included Sara Hartman, 20th (21:49); Morgan Aittama, 24th (22:06); Jillian Pompo, 44th (23:34); and Emi-

#### Girls swimming

**Ann Arbor Huron Relays:** On Aug. 24, South Lyon Unified placed fourth in the 16th annual event, which featured seven of the top 20-ranked Division 1 teams and the third-ranked team in Division 2.

South Lyon got a second place from Lindsay Boals, Anna Smith, Abigail O'Reilly and Libby Silverson in the 200-yard butterfly relay (1:32.19).

**Lakeland quad:** South Lyon Unified captured a pair of relays and emerged the winner Aug. 23 in the White Lake Lakeland quad meet scoring dual meet wins over the host Eagles (213-98), Hartland (213-101) and Canton (208-101).

SLU's Anna Smith, Avery Covert, Lindsay Boals and Emerson Ramey captured the 200 freestyle relay (1:59.40), while Boals, Emily Kurt, Smith and Taylor Sciborski took the 400 freestyle relay (3:51.71). Covert also took the 100 breaststroke (1:10.55).

Riley Faulkner was a double winner for Lakeland taking the 100 and 200 freestyle in 55.25 and 1:59.48, respectively. Other wins came from Isabel Fairbanks, 200 IM (2:15.52), Stella Fairbanks, 1-meter diving (221.50 points) and Kate Doyle, 500 freestyle (5:18.49).

Lakeland (0-3) also fell to Hartland (183-125) and Canton (173-128).

#### Boys soccer

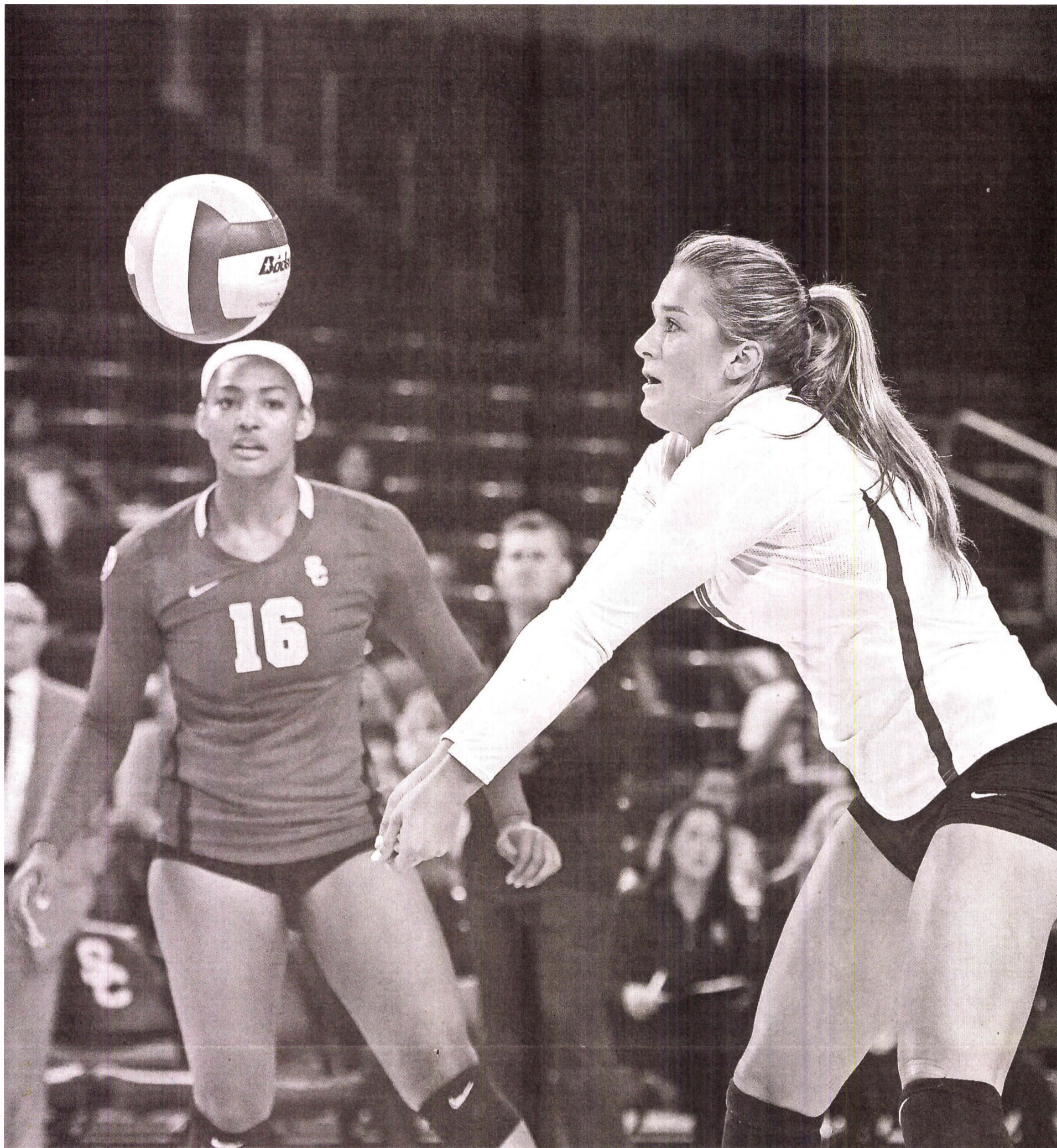
**SOUTH LYON EAST 2, KETTERING 1:** Junior Grayson Davies assisted on both goals as South Lyon East (1-2, 1-2) downed host Waterford Kettering (0-2, 0-2) Aug. 25 in a Lakes Valley Conference match.

After trailing 1-0 at halftime, East sophomore Isaac Shiner scored in the 44th minute to tie it and senior Josh Ohland tallied the game winner in the 52nd minute.

#### Boys tennis

White Lake Lakeland opened its season Aug. 23 with a 8-1 non-conference dual match win at Penton.

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USC volleyball player Victoria Garrick, right, says she is close to "feeling like myself."

# STUDENT ATHLETES FIGHT SPIKE IN DEPRESSION

## Competitors note stigma in coping with mental issues

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Victoria Garrick's smiling Instagram photos of herself and friends at parties didn't show what the University of Southern California junior was truly feeling: depression.

"When it comes to college athletes, there's a fear of admitting a weakness because you don't want to be viewed as weak," Garrick, an indoor women's volleyball player, tells USA TODAY College. "People feel stigmatized. They don't want to come forward because they feel they're not allowed to show weakness."

Fighting that stigma, Garrick, a journalism major, presented a talk at a TEDx event in June.

College campuses around the nation have generally seen an uptick in students experiencing mental health issues. And some students have been taking it upon themselves to help change the way campuses view and talk about mental illness, including among student-athletes, with a particular focus on ending the associated stigmas.

One way student-athletes such as Garrick are getting help is via on-campus support groups, including Hope Happens Here, which formed to promote mental health awareness among athletes.

Justin McKenzie and Danny Divis founded Hope Happens Here in 2015 as students at Saint Michael's College in Vermont, where both played ice hockey.

The two were inspired to start the organization on a drive from Boston to New Jersey. In the car, McKenzie told Divis that a friend named Timothy Hamlett, a track athlete at the University of Pennsylvania, had committed suicide in December 2014. And Divis confided in McKenzie, revealing his own high school experience with depression and anxiety.

"If you're in a locker room and you're in pain, you want to seem tough," Divis tells USA TODAY College. "You feel like you might be shunned and looked at differently ... there was a fear of being looked upon as weak," Divis says.

But after seeking the help of a counselor, Divis realized that the feelings he says had been "bottled up" were set free. Divis describes his experience as "eye-opening" because it allowed him to see that "it's OK to not be OK."

By selling T-shirts, bracelets and stickers at sports games, Hope Happens Here has raised more than \$8,000, which it donates to the non-profit To Write Love on Her Arms, a group dedicated to helping people struggling with depression, addiction, self-injury and suicide. McKenzie and Divis plan to create chapters at other campuses.

There seems to be a need for more awareness and support. Across the USA, approximately 31% of men and 40% of women in college reported feeling so depressed it was difficult to function during the past 12 months, according to a 2016 American College Health Association National College Health Assessment.

Robin Scholefield, the associate director of clinical and sport psychology services in the athletics department at the University of Southern California, says that the way college athletes experience mental health issues is different

## DEPRESSION ON CAMPUS

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2016 American College Health Association National College Health Assessment

**"Talking about (mental illness) doesn't make you any less of an athlete or competitor, and it's great to see people reach out and see a therapist."**

Victoria Garrick,  
University of Southern California junior

than how non-athletes do.

Scholefield says it's "because student athletes are from a culture that's stoic," one in which she categorizes as "not addressing how they feel" and "repressing their feelings."

And athletes' networks can create enormous pressure to keep hiding their feelings.

The regular players in student athletes' lives include: academic counselors, assistant coaches, an NCAA compliance officer, athletic medicine (an athletic trainer who helps with rehab), strength and conditioning trainer and administrators.

"A lot of times it feels very supportive and sometimes it feels like, 'Wow I've got a lot of people in my pie,'" Scholefield says.

A survey of nearly 21,000 Division I, II and III college athletes at nearly 600 schools indicated mental health issues were not uncommon. Approximately 30% of students self-reported feeling overwhelmed a month before the survey was conducted.

And according to a study surveying 465 athletes at Division I colleges, 28% of female athletes reported "clinically relevant" levels of depression compared with 18% of male athletes.

In March 2016, the NCAA made a Best Practices guide available on its website. The list is endorsed by 24 mental health and higher education groups such as American Medical Society for Sports Medicine, Association of Black Psychologists and the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

Complicating matters is that mental health issues can sometimes be subtle. Oregon State University women's indoor volleyball player Laneshia Reagan says that for her, it began as a feeling of numbness.

"I would compare it to (being) stuck. You can see everything around you, but you can't get up and you feel like you can't be pulled under, and you're just floating," Reagan says.

Today, she and Garrick see therapists and are glad they reached out for help.

"I would say I am very close to being back to feeling like myself," Garrick wrote in an email. "After spending my summer meditating, reading, relaxing and working on my mindfulness, I now feel like I have the tools capable to endure this lifestyle in a way that won't take a drastic effect on my mental health."

# HELP YOUR CHILD GRADUATE FROM THE PIGGY BANK

## How to pick a good savings account

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Just as you wouldn't send your kids to school without the right supplies, you wouldn't expect them to learn about smart money management without a few helpful tools. Enter savings accounts. Although they might seem like mere parking spots for money, opening a joint savings account for a child can teach him or her about interest, fees and other important banking concepts. The joint ownership setup means parents manage the cash in that account until the child turns 18. The first step, though, is finding a good account. Your best bet likely is a credit union or online bank, which tend to charge fewer fees and offer higher interest rates than big banks.

### Savings Tips

#### Ignore marketing gimmicks

A good kids' savings account looks a lot like one you might open for yourself, with relatively high rates — think 1% and up — and no monthly fees. Some banks offer accounts explicitly marketed as savings accounts for kids. Most are mediocre, featuring monthly fees and low rates while providing few educational tools. And if you decide to hold off on opening your child's first savings account until they are 15 or 16, a standard account would be a better fit.

#### Look for tools to track saving and spending

You'll want to see funds grow, not be eaten away by recurring fees. You'll also want your child to maintain an overview of those funds and learn how to manage money. Many online banks let you create savings goals and offer calculators to help you track the interest you earn, which can serve as a good introduction to the benefits of compound interest.

#### Consider the benefits of branches

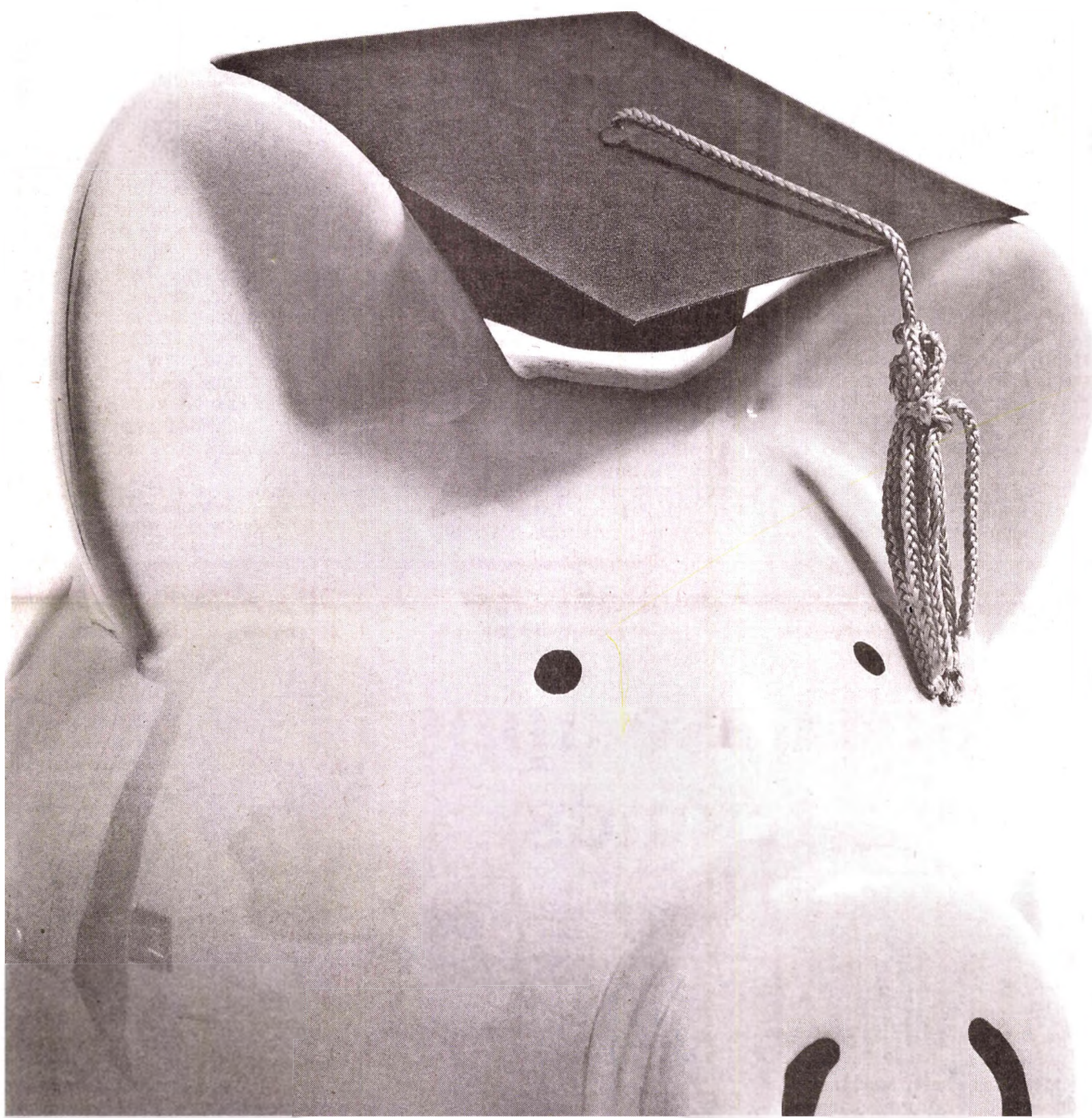
Credit unions have their own strengths. Some offer high rates on standard savings accounts, and visiting a physical branch can make the process of setting aside money more tangible. Depositing cash into a savings account in person and then withdrawing it for a fun purchase later underscores the value of delayed gratification. The earlier children can understand that concept, the better.

#### Other savings options

Although savings accounts can be a good introduction to finances, these products shouldn't be the main vehicle used to save for important expenses, such as college.

For that, you'll be better served by a 529 plan. These products are tax-free investment vehicles you can use to pay for certain higher education expenses, such as tuition, textbooks and more.

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## 'Adulting': how to not break the bank at college

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Shawn Sullivan is taking it relatively easy this summer. The fourth-year architecture student is only working three jobs, unlike last year when he juggled five part-time gigs.

He worked 60-80 hours a week to help cover the costs of attending Northeastern University. "Five jobs was too many," he said, laughing.

His parents help cover tuition, but books, supplies and the cost of living in Boston fall on him. "It's definitely a source of stress to make sure I'm monetarily afloat," he said.

Sullivan makes it work, but many students don't have the information to avoid the financial pitfalls while at college.

About 1 in 5 U.S. students failed to meet the baseline level of proficiency in financial literacy, according to a 2015 study from the Program for International Student Assessment.

Lynnette Khalfani-Cox, personal finance expert and CEO of AskTheMoneyCoach.com, said "In terms of budgeting, I think a lot of students just aren't prepared."

### HOUSING

Khalfani-Cox urges freshmen to live on campus for their first year to help them get acclimated. After that, they can look for cheaper options off-campus.

"Colleges are charging you a premi-

um for that access to everything that's right there on campus," she said.

Students moving off-campus, however, must factor in costs, like transportation and furniture.

This was an unexpected challenge for Mary Dell Harrington, co-founder of Grown and Flown, a parenting website. Her daughter, a senior at the University of Virginia, lived off-campus during her freshman year.

### TRANSPORTATION

For students traveling out of state and living off-campus, transportation is a "hidden cost."

Harrington said some travel companies have student discounts, but the best thing you can do plan ahead when booking plane or train tickets home.

On campus, it can be tempting to call an Uber when you need a ride. Splitting a ride is an easy option, but there are other ways to get around. Some schools offer free passes for mass transit, according to Khalfani-Cox.

### MEAL PLANS

Millennials have long been ridiculed for their love of Starbucks and avocado toast. A recent study found that they are eating up their savings by dining out five times per week.

Meal plans can range from \$3,500 to \$7,000, and if you live on campus you might be required to have one, Khalfani-Cox said. She said while they can be worth it, students should avoid the "all you can eat" options. "That's just over-



kill," Khalfani-Cox said.

She added that if you have apartment-style housing with a kitchen, making your own meals is better for you and your wallet.

### BUDGETING THE 'EXTRAS'

Whether you're funding a ramen noodle habit or buying clothes for an internship, students spend thousands on extras.

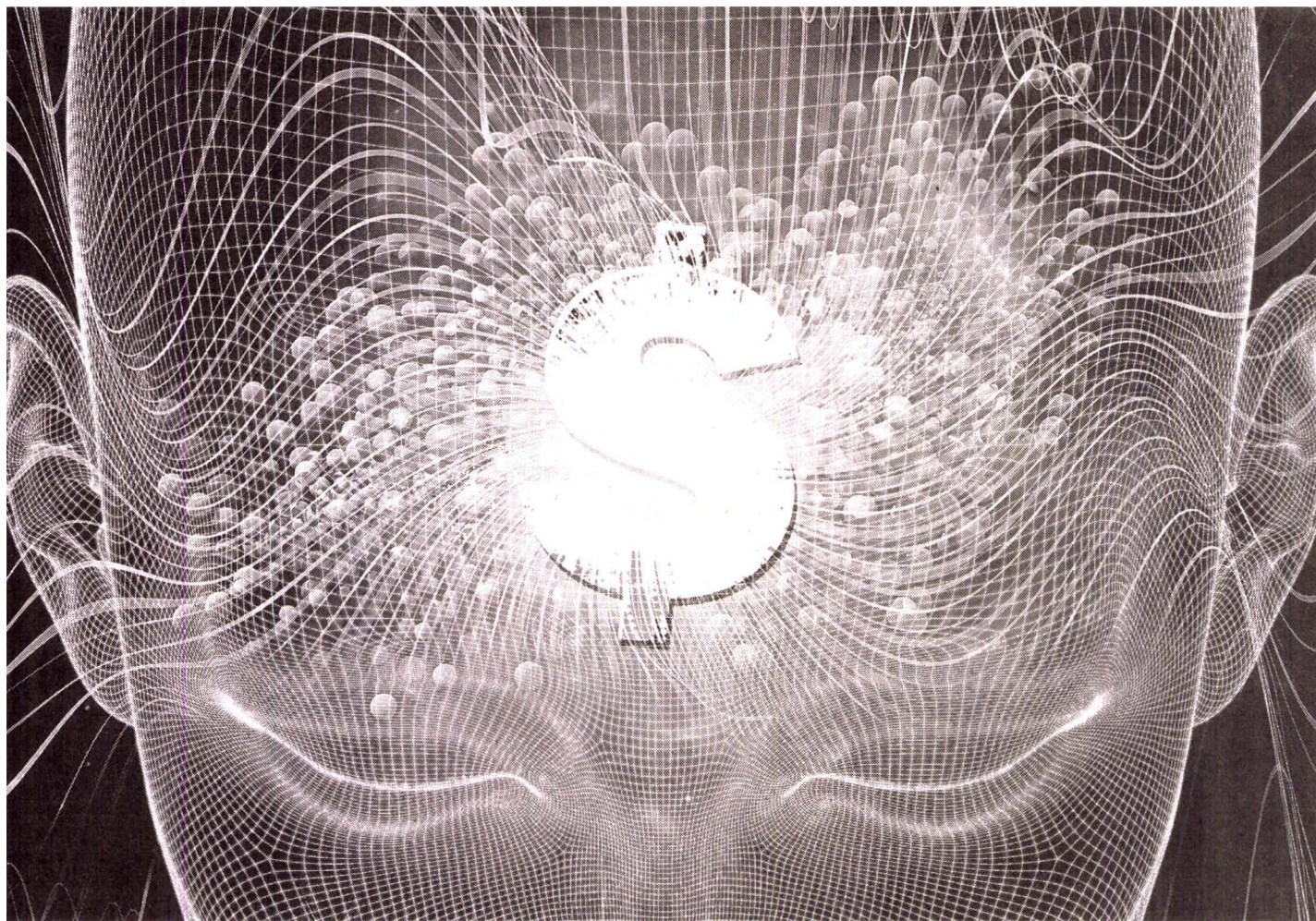
Khalfani-Cox pointed out that extracurricular activities aren't always free.

"The average fraternity or sorority will cost today's college student anywhere from \$1,000 to as much as \$4,000 per year," she said.

Budgeting "entertainment costs" can be one of the biggest challenges, Khalfani-Cox said.

"If you get into the habit of being financially responsible right now that's such a great trait to have," she said. "It's a positive habit that can follow you and aid you economically for the rest of your life."

## PERSONAL FINANCE



## MENTAL HEALTH OFTEN IMPACTS FINANCIAL HEALTH

One challenge leads to another in never-ending cycle that can have real, lasting consequences

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The nation's mental health crisis continues to negatively impact our communities as very few sufferers are seeking or receiving proper treatment.

The World Health Organization notes that one in four people will experience a mental or neurological disorder at some point in their life, yet according to Men-

tal Health America, only 44% of adults suffering from a mental health condition currently are receiving treatment.

Whether a person is receiving treatment or not, our mental health challenges aren't experienced in a controlled environment. They affect our relationships. They affect our jobs. And they affect our finances.

A person's mental health challenges can create financial challenges, which

can create more mental health challenges, and the cycle rarely ever stops. Assets are spent, debt is acquired, and then financial hardships nearly surpass the mental hardships that seemed to set the whole thing off in the first place.

Sometimes the negative financial consequences of mental health concerns are directly related to the condition itself, and sometimes the financial struggles are simply the byproduct of a life greatly affected by a mental health condition.

It's not uncommon for people to feel better after spending money. It's natural. You can credit dopamine. Dopamine is a neurotransmitter which helps control the brain's pleasure and reward centers. In this case, the reward is the rush of acquiring something new via a purchase. There's a more common phrase for this — retail therapy. If you've ever gone shopping to feel better about a bad day or a bad week, you're actually on a quest to get dopamine flowing into your brain and experience its rush of pleasure. Believe it or not, the relationship between your money and your mental health actually is

physical.

What I've just described is a very healthy and normal process. But sometimes our relationship with money can cross over to compulsive. Compulsive buying disorder (CBD) is a serious medical condition characterized by an obsession with spending money and shopping, despite adverse financial, social and personal consequences. If you've ever witnessed it, you might describe it as a frenzy or a mania of poor spending decisions. CBD can arrive alone into a person's life, but it often presents itself alongside other mood and anxiety disorders, making it difficult to treat. It's a chronic condition that can ruin the financial life of both the person directly suffering from it and the person's family.

Like many other mental health conditions, CBD is often stigmatized and trivialized. You see people every day celebrating their status as a "shopaholic" with a sense of playfulness. But there's really nothing fun about it.

To make matters worse, the advent of online shopping and easy access to credit, paired with predatory lending, have stoked the fires of spending addiction. The *American Journal of Psychiatry* notes that roughly 5.8% of the population suffers from CBD, yet there are numerous types of spending addictions and compulsions which are either isolated issues or symptoms of deeper mental health concerns.

Suffering financially as a byproduct of a mental health condition is a bit more nuanced. Understanding stress and its impact on a person's life is a great place to start. Prolonged stress can lead to increased occurrences of heart disease, depression, anxiety, diabetes, obesity and Alzheimer's disease. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau reports 71% of Americans cite finances as the key source of stress.

Not only do these health conditions cause even more stress, but they're expensive to treat. Stress can also create problems in a person's ability to earn income. Well-being experts know the impact stress and other mental health conditions have on productivity at work. These issues can lead to job insecurity and eventually job loss.

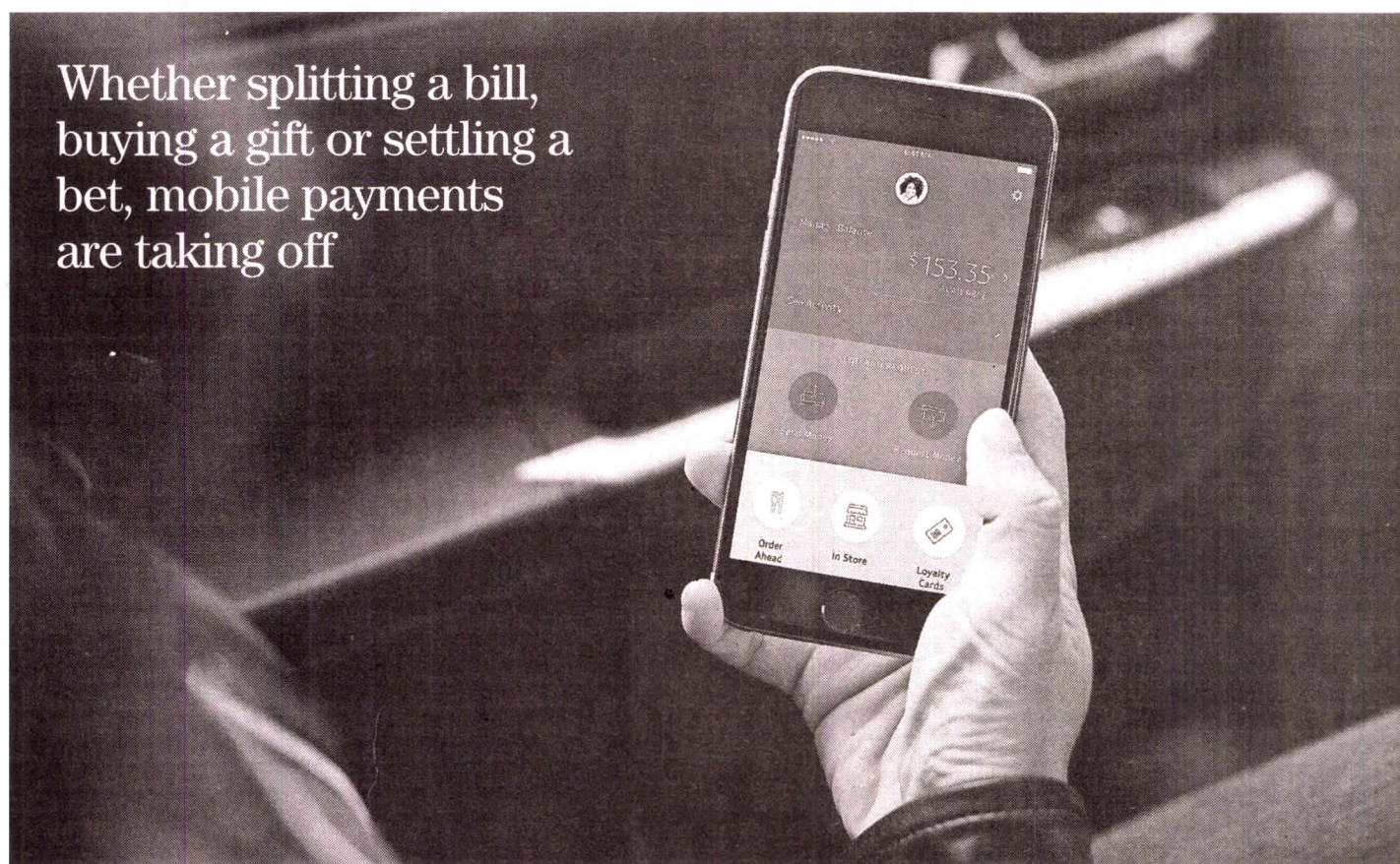
The fact is, neither the employer nor the employee wants the employee to suffer from mental health issues, financially related or otherwise. But if mental health conditions aren't treated, there will be financial consequences.

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## DIGITAL DOLLARS

## No more IOUs: These apps let you pay your friends

Whether splitting a bill, buying a gift or settling a bet, mobile payments are taking off



A screenshot of the PayPal app.

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Thanks to our smartphones, there no longer is a need to put that drink purchase from a friend on an imaginary tab or give them an IOU.

Mobile payment apps are making it a lot easier to give our friends or family cash, whether it's to split a restaurant bill, offer a gift or settle a bet.

In July, research firm eMarketer projected more than 91 million people will use these services by 2019, up from 31.4 million in 2015. Meanwhile, the value of transactions processed via mobile payment apps will surge from more than \$46 billion in 2015 to

more than \$187 billion in two years.

The apps work in a similar fashion: You connect the service to your bank account, and it will deduct or add money as you pay friends or receive payments. You can send payments using the recipient's name, phone number, email or username.

Here's a look at some of the more popular payment apps, all available on iOS and Android:

### VENMO

Launched in 2009, Venmo is one of the pioneers in the peer-to-peer payment market. And it's become popular enough people use the term like a verb ("I need to Venmo some money"). You

can either set up a Venmo balance on the app, or connect your credit or debit account. A big reason it's so popular is it's more social, allowing users to check out friends' activities or send fun messages or emojis with their payments.

**Are there any fees?** It's free if you pay with your balance, bank account, debit card or a prepaid card. If you use a credit card, there's a 3% fee.

### PAYPAL

PayPal acquired Venmo in 2013 as part of its \$800 million deal for parent company Braintree. PayPal, spun off from eBay in 2015, works similarly to Venmo but offers a less social experience. It al-



Businesses love Square, which now has person-to-person payments.

SQUARE

lows users to transfer cash by email or phone number. Users can also track activity within the app. One major plus for PayPal: You can send or receive money in 25 different currencies.

**Are there any fees?** Sending money through a linked bank account or PayPal balance is free. Using a PayPal credit, debit card or credit card nets a 2.9% fee.

### ZELLE

The service run by risk management firm Early Warning partners with several leading banks including Bank of America, Capital One and Wells Fargo to offer the option to directly pay friends or family. All users need is their bank's app to send and receive money. Zelle will launch a standalone app later this year. Debit cards or checking and savings accounts can be used, but not credit cards. For those users reluctant to offer their banking info to a third-party app, Zelle is a solid alternative.

**Are there any fees?** Banks associated with Zelle say there are no fees.

### SQUARE CASH

Most users know Square as the service businesses use to process transactions. But they have their own person-to-person payments app that includes an interesting perk: a Visa debit card containing your Square Cash balance used for physical purchases. There's also the option to instantly deposit money from your Cash account to your bank.

**Are there any fees?** Payments sent by credit card incur a 3% fee. Also, instant deposits include a 1% fee. A standard deposit is free.

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### Free movie at Finnish Center

The award-winning Finnish film "Man Without a Past" will be shown at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 3, the Finnish Center, 35200 W. Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills. The movie is a comedy-drama, rated PG 13, for which director Ari Kaurismaki was awarded the Grand Prix in Cannes and received the highest accolades from film critics. For more information, call 248-478-6949.

### Carrabba's to host blood drive

Please join in Sept. 5 at Carrabba's Restaurant, 43455 W. Oaks, in Novi as Carrabba's partners with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive to help save lives. The American Red Cross has a critical blood shortage this summer and has issued an emergency call for blood donors to give now and help save patient lives. Right now, donations are being distributed to hospitals faster than donations are coming in and more donations are needed now to replenish the supply.

The Red Cross will be bringing out its mobile bus for the blood drive and the restaurant will be offering a \$10 gift card to all presenting donors and everyone will be entered into a raffle for dinner and movies for two.

The blood drive hours are from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and donors can sign up at redcrossblood.org (sponsor code is Carrabba's) or call 800-RED-CROSS.

### Milford SANP raffle

The Milford High School Class of 2018 Senior All Night Party Committee is selling tickets for two different fundraisers to help defray the cost of the annual celebration.

The first is a raffle, with the prize being a custom-built golf cart. Tickets are limited to only 375, which means great odds for winning. The cost is \$20 per ticket. The golf cart will be showcased at the MHS home football games. Drawing takes place Friday, Oct. 13. Tickets are available to purchase through committee chairperson Rhonda Glazer or at the games (upon availability).

The second is an adult road rally, a scavenger hunt by car, scheduled for 6-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, and starting at the Milford High School parking lot. Tickets are \$25 per car and can be purchased from any committee member or at the varsity football games.

For more information, contact Glazer at 248-877-0477 or rhonda.glazer@comcast.net.

### Spaghetti dinner

The Milford Senior Center, 1050 Atlantic St., will host a spaghetti dinner 4:30-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8. The menu will feature homemade meat or marinara spaghetti sauce, garlic bread, salad, beverage and dessert. Cost is \$7. Proceeds benefit the Milford Senior Center. For more information, call Nancy Hinzmann, Milford Senior Center director, at 248-685-9008.

### NMS dance team car wash

Is your car dirty and in need of a car wash? Come and support the girls on the Northville Middle School dance team for its second annual car wash from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, at the Hines Park Crossfit Parking lot at Seven Mile and Northville roads.

### Join the Kensington Valley Civitan Club

Looking to make a difference in your community? Come to the Kensington Valley Civitan Club meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, in the Community Room at the Lyon Township Fire Station, 58800 Grand River, New Hudson. Learn how you can get involved. Members enjoy personal and professional development while helping others.

For more information, contact Cheryl Van Vliet at 313.460.3194 or email vanvliet.cheryl@att.net. Check out the Kensington Valley Civitan Club Facebook page, www.civitan.org, and www.northcentralcivitan.org.

### SL Rec Authority

South Lyon Area Recreation Authority board meetings are held at 2 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month. Call the South Lyon Area Recreation office at 248-437-8105 for directions and confirmation of meeting location. To register for upcoming classes, call or go to www.slrec.net.

### Friday and Saturday Night Hangouts

The Living and Learning Center in downtown Northville is a center that specializes in helping teens and adults that are on the autism spectrum learn job and social skills. This center provides a program 6-9 p.m. each Friday and Saturday night that allows their clients to partake in games, art, and creating friendships with their fellow peers and mentors.

Each week, teens and adults learn essential social skills (introducing themselves, carrying a conversation, etc.) while also having a fun night out of the house.

To learn more about this program or to reserve your spot in the program, call 248-308-3592 or go to www.livingandlearningllc@gmail.com.

### Wooden window repair workshop

Do you own an older house with original windows? Learn how to repair this valuable asset while maintaining the historic character of your home. Find out how to save money, improve window operation and increase energy efficiency with historic window specialist James Turner of Turner Restoration at a workshop from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Heritage Park Nature Center, 24915 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills.

If you love DIY projects, this workshop is for you! Attendees will learn how to remove old sashes; safely remove old paint or finishes; make needed repairs; add energy-efficient upgrades; eplace glass the proper way; and more.

The admission fee is \$25. Space is limited to 16 attendees.

Register online at <https://farmingtonhills.windowworkshop.eventbrite.com/>. Contact Ellen Thackery, Michigan Historic Preservation Network, at [info@mhpnp.org](mailto:info@mhpnp.org) or call 313-575-5215. Please bring a bag lunch.

### Art House exhibition

The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street, will host a juried multi-media exhibition titled West of Center. An opening reception is scheduled for 6-9 p.m. Sept. 1, with an award presentation at 7 p.m. First Friday reception is set for 6-9 p.m. Oct. 6. The exhibit continues through Oct. 28 during gallery hours of noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through

Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free.

For more information, call 248-344-0497 or go to [www.northvilleart.com](http://www.northvilleart.com).

### Evenings in the Garden

MSU Tollgate Farm and Education Center in Novi is offering a great late-summer class for gardeners of all levels to enjoy, as part of its Evenings in the Garden series.

Sept. 14, Nick Zimmer will be at Tollgate to demonstrate how to plant successful and beautiful fall containers. Zimmer is an MSU alumnus and founder/owner of Willow Greenhouse. At the end of this class, attendees will have the opportunity to purchase finished pots, along with plants for their own containers.

Classes are 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday. Advance registration is required. The cost of classes is \$20 and supports further adult education programming at MSU Tollgate.

To find out more and to register, go to <https://events.anr.msu.edu/evenings17sum/>.

### Tee off for autism

The Autism Society of Oakland County will host its premiere fundraiser, the 23rd annual Golf for Autism event, Sunday, Sept. 10, at Pine Knob Golf Course in Clarkston.

The event will begin with an 8 a.m. registration that includes breakfast and a bloody Mary/mimosa bar. Shotgun start is at 10 a.m., followed by a buffet lunch, raffle drawings and an award presentation. There is a wide array of sponsorship opportunities available to highlight your business, honor a loved one with autism or support the organization and all that it does. It is also looking for donations to be included in the raffle drawing.

Since the 1980s, the Autism Society of Oakland County, has been advocating and supporting meaningful participation in all aspects of life, for individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families. By working with community partners, ASOC creates, cultivates and supports programs and events that impact the daily and future life of people with autism of all ages. This year alone, ASOC has been responsible for programs and services benefiting more than 2,000 with autism.

To register, sponsor or donate, go to [www.autism.societyoaklandcounty.org](http://www.autism.societyoaklandcounty.org) or call Rosemary Rangi, golf co-chair, at 586-419-0371.

### Novi to host senior sock hop

Area older adults are once again joining forces for a Throwback Thursday '50s sock hop 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road.

The evening includes dancing, refreshments and fun. Music will be provided by The Motor City Syndicate DJs. Tickets are \$8 each. A dinner meal will be served along with dessert.

Guests are encouraged to come dressed as Elvis or polish up a pair of saddle shoes. Prizes will be awarded. Tickets will not be sold at the event and are available in-person at the senior center. Previous dances have been smash hits with tickets sold out well in advance.

For more information about other older adult social programs, contact Judy Klein, recreation programmer, at 248-347-0414 or [jklein@cityof-novi.org](mailto:jklein@cityof-novi.org) or go to [cityof-novi.org](http://cityof-novi.org).

### Artist and crafters gallery

The Novi Civic Center Atrium Gallery features rotating exhibits from artists and crafters and provides the opportunity for the community to explore and support local arts. Upcoming shows include:

Hobbies and Crafts of Novi's Older Adults, through Aug. 31: The exhibit will feature several craft groups from the Novi area including, All Things Yarn, In Stitches and Novi Needlers. Also included is rug-hook artist, Darcell Brown. On hand will be specially-designed handmade quilts, colorful and fun, knitted/crocheted crafts, and innovative, cross stitched/embroidered projects.

Photographer Daniel Sidoli, Sept. 5-29: Sidoli is a former Michigan resident who has since relocated to Las Vegas. His main focus for this show will be landscape photography, especially unique land and rock formations. A free public opening takes place 7-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8.

Palette and Brush Club, Oct. 3-30: This metro Detroit-based group's beginnings date back to the mid-1930s. Their mission is to provide opportunities to their members to enhance

their lives and artistic careers. A free public opening takes place 7-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6.

The exhibit is available for viewing during regular business hours, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with some exceptions. The exhibit is also open many evenings and weekends. Call the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department at 248-347-0400 for details.

### Veterans benefit show

Come enjoy "Dean Martin," a.k.a. John Morrello, straight from a 1960s Vegas show, during two benefit shows 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30. The shows, sponsored by The Marine Corps League Northwest Detachment 162, go to support the mission of the Detachment. They will be at the VFW Post 4012, 438 N. Main St. Northville.

Tickets are \$20 per show, with a cash bar. RSVP to Mark Sutton at 248-390-5481, go to [www.semperfi162.org](http://www.semperfi162.org) or email [mcldet162@gmail.com](mailto:mcldet162@gmail.com). The MCL will accept Visa, MC, cash or checks. All reservations must be prepaid.

### Lakeland 2007 reunion

The Lakeland High School Class of 2007 will

hold its 10-year reunion 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, at Lucky Strike in Novi. The event will include door prizes, bowling, pool, food and drinks, with a cash bar. Tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite at <https://goo.gl/SaiGeS>. More information is available on the class Facebook page, "Lakeland High School Class of 2007 Reunion."

### Schoolhouse celebration

The Salem Area Historical Society will be holding a celebration 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10. It has been 50 years since the end of the 110 years of continuous school years at the South Salem Stone School. All are invited, especially all students of all classes who have attended the one-room schoolhouse, located at 7991 North Territorial Road (corner of North Territorial and Curtis roads in Salem Township). The celebration will be held at the old school, which is now part of the Jarvis Stone School Local Historic District.

If you were a student or can help the SAHS locate previous students, contact Terry Cwik at [Salem\\_Area\\_HS@yahoo.com](mailto:Salem_Area_HS@yahoo.com) or go to the Salem Area Historical Society's Facebook page.

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### Bongiovanni



Esther I. age 93, a longtime resident of Northville passed away August 22, 2017. She was born October 9, 1923 in Northfield Township, Michigan; daughter of Grover and Claribel (nee Glass) Colby. Esther was a graduate of Lincoln Consolidated School in Ypsilanti; Class of 1941. She was united in marriage to Frank J. Bongiovanni on July 10, 1943; they spent 66 loving years together until his death in 2009. Esther was a secretary for many years working in the public school system and for the State of Michigan; she retired in the 1980's. She was a devoted member of the First United Methodist Church of Northville for 67 years. She enjoyed volunteering in the church office and liked helping with luncheons. Esther also assisted with communion at Allen Terrace. She loved to read, liked to play golf with her husband, and made beautiful crocheted pieces. Esther enjoyed exercising and walking with friends.

She made delicious cookies and pies for her family, GG, as she was called by her great grandchildren, was an amazing, generous, and loving mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Esther is survived by her children Danny (Patty) Bongiovanni and Sandy (Bob) Feeley; her sister Bessie Bongiovanni; her grandchildren, Nicole Bongiovanni, Ryan (Emily) Bongiovanni, Kelly (Nathan) Hoard, and Rob Feeley; and her great grandchildren, Paige, Max, Jack, Claire, Jade, Trenton, Kyra, Olive, and Ettah. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sisters, Lucille Nelson, Orvilla Somers, and Doris Throne; and her brother Grover Colby, Jr. Visitation will be held Friday, August 25, 2017 from 4pm until 8pm. A memorial service will be held Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 11am, with visitation beginning at 10am at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville. Rev. Monica William will officiate the service. Esther will be laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the First United Methodist Church - The ASP Fund, 777 West Eight Mile, Northville, MI 48167.

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### Krumb



Josephine M. 91, of Marietta, GA, passed away on Wednesday, August 23, 2017. A Funeral Mass was held Monday at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Marietta. Interment took place at Kennesaw Memorial Park in Marietta. Josephine grew up in Detroit, MI and moved to Milford, MI where she raised her seven children with her husband, Charles Krumb who she was married to for 53 years. In 1983, she moved with the family to Marietta, GA where she resided until her passing. She is best described as a giver, kind and loving, always putting herself last. Survivors include six of her seven children (Anne Ziem, Margaret Nichols, Phillip Krumb, Paul Krumb, Barbara Cantrell, Patrick Krumb, and Susan Baxter), 28 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren; and her last remaining sibling of 13, Vera Zuccarini of Southfield, MI. The family received friends Sunday from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. at Mayes Ward-Dobbins Funeral Home in Marietta. A Prayer Service was held Sunday at 4:30 p.m. [www.mayeswarddobbins.com](http://www.mayeswarddobbins.com) 770-428-1511

### Fallot Sr.

Henry D. age 87, passed away August 22, 2017. He was born January 21, 1930 in Detroit, son of the late Peter and Edna Fallot. Henry was a dedicated driver with the Washtenaw County Road Commission for 20 years before he retired to his farm on 8 Mile road in South Lyon. He is survived by his beloved wife of 67 years, Irene; his loving children: Henry Jr. (Sharon), Lyle (Aneita), Mark, Denise Addy, and Eric (Sharon); 12 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren. Henry is also survived by his siblings: Edna (Jerry) Alexander, Flora (Gary) Evans, Tom Clinansmith, Mike Clinansmith, Phyllis, Nancy Joysey and Pat Visger. Henry was preceded in death by his grandson, Timothy. Visitation was held on Tuesday, August 29 and a funeral service was held on Wednesday, August 30 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. He was laid to rest in Glen Eden Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Fallot family, payable to Mark Fallot. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

### Schwanger



Martha Mae a longtime resident of White Lake Township, longtime librarian at Oxbow Elementary School, and eldest member of the Highland United Methodist Church, died on August 22, 2017 at the age of 91. She is survived by her sons, Peter (Odina) Schwanger, Chuck (Michele) Schwanger, and David (Joan) Schwanger; grandchildren, Alexander (Kelly) Schwanger, Molly (Jerrad) Fletcher, Amanda Schwanger, Joe (Kate) Valentine, Margaret (Leif) Cole, Jim Valentine; great grandchildren, Ethan and Katelyn Schwanger, Freya, Kieran, and Myles Cole; her brother, Charles Warren Larcom and many dear friends. A Memorial Service was held at the Highland United Methodist Church in Highland, on Sunday, August 27, 2017. Memorials may be made in her name to the church. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchandSonsMilford.com](http://www.LynchandSonsMilford.com)

### Tymensky

Ann Louise (Skeltis) 91, former Novi, MI, Indiantown, FL and Dallas, TX resident, died June 3, 2017 in Dallas, Texas. She was born June 6, 1925 in Martindale, Pennsylvania. On December 27, 1945 she married her childhood sweetheart, John Tymensky. Louise retired from Ford Motor Company. She is survived by her son John (Diann) Tymensky; two daughters Donna Harsh and Brenda (Ron) Cain; and seven grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, John Tymensky, grandson J. Michael Tymensky, great granddaughter Parker Lee Reynolds and son-in-law Daniel Harsh. A graveside memorial service will be held at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi, MI on September 2, 2017 at 11AM.

### Avery Sweet

Vera "Curly" of South Lyon, age 75, passed away August 21, 2017. Vera is a life long resident of South Lyon. She is survived by her children: Mark Sweet, Debbie Trapp and Kirk Sweet; 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren and her sister Noreen Shelden. Services were held at Phillips Funeral Home. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

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## Northville

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Northville, Michigan  
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[www.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.org)

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10:30 am Fellowship/Coffee  
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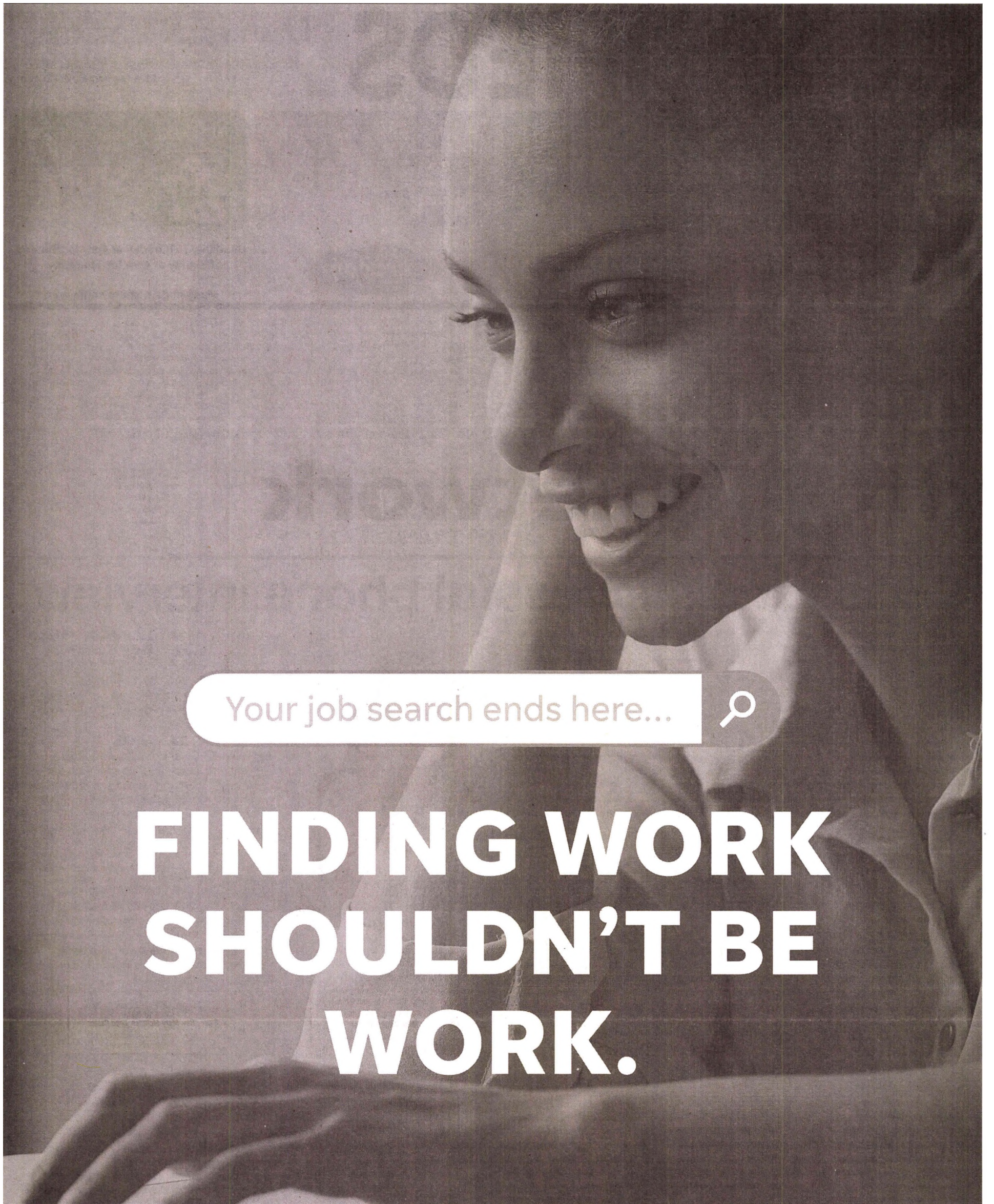
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## 9 tips for a successful phone interview

BY PETER JONES  
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**S**o you have followed all the best resume tips and land yourself a job interview. You're prepared to interview, you're just not prepared to do it on the phone. Here are nine ways to adapt your interviewing strategy to the phone format, without losing your cool.

### 1. Be ready

Sometimes you'll be notified to schedule. Sometimes the call will come straight out of the blue. If you're not somewhere where it would be convenient or possible for you to chat, ask the interviewer if it would be possible to find a mutually suitable time. If not, don't panic: You can do it. Once you've applied for a job — any job, make sure you start mentally preparing for the interview in case you find yourself thrown into one just by picking up the phone.

### 2. Be organized

Have a copy of the job description and whatever information you've gathered about the company at your fingertips before the call begins. While you're at it, make sure to also have a copy of your resume and your application materials as well. Otherwise, the interviewer will be able to hear that



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frantic stalling and rustling around.

### 3. Be prepared

The phone interview is just like any other interview. You should be well versed in your answers to common interview questions, or questions you think will be likely to come up for that particular position.

The only difference is you'll have to be charming without your knockout smile and friendly face. Try compensating with more vivid answers. And cut the rambling and

verbal fillers like "um," which will stand out more over the phone.

### 4. Smile

Seriously. Not only can people hear the difference when someone is smiling over the phone, smiling will have a massive effect on your demeanor. You'll sound much more upbeat and confident. Keep a mirror by the phone if you need reminding.

### 5. Use the Internet

If it would be too compli-

cated to explain something, or you want to be able to provide a visual, try directing your interviewer to your website, portfolio or LinkedIn page. That way, you can talk them through it during your actual interview, narrating each accomplishment for them.

### 6. Be easygoing

Initial interviews, particularly over the phone, are not the time to start making demands or asking very particular questions about personal time off, benefits packages or job

duties. Make them want to talk to you again; hopefully that will score you a proper face-to-face interview where you can proceed with your usual interview protocol.

### 7. Be smooth

Just like in any other conversation, try and match the tone and speed and volume of your interviewer. Ask a friend to assess your telephone voice for you in advance and give you feedback.

### 8. Be firm

Don't let your interviewer off the phone without scheduling another interview. Or the name and contact information of someone you can be in touch with at the company to follow up.

### 9. Say thank you

Even though it's a phone interview, the normal rules apply. That means a written thank-you, emailed or handwritten. Don't be too pushy, but it's always OK to subtly remind them of your strengths in your thank-you note.

*Peter Jones is a career advice journalist for TheJobNetwork.com, where this article was originally published. He investigates and writes about current strategies, tips and trending topics related to all stages of one's career.*

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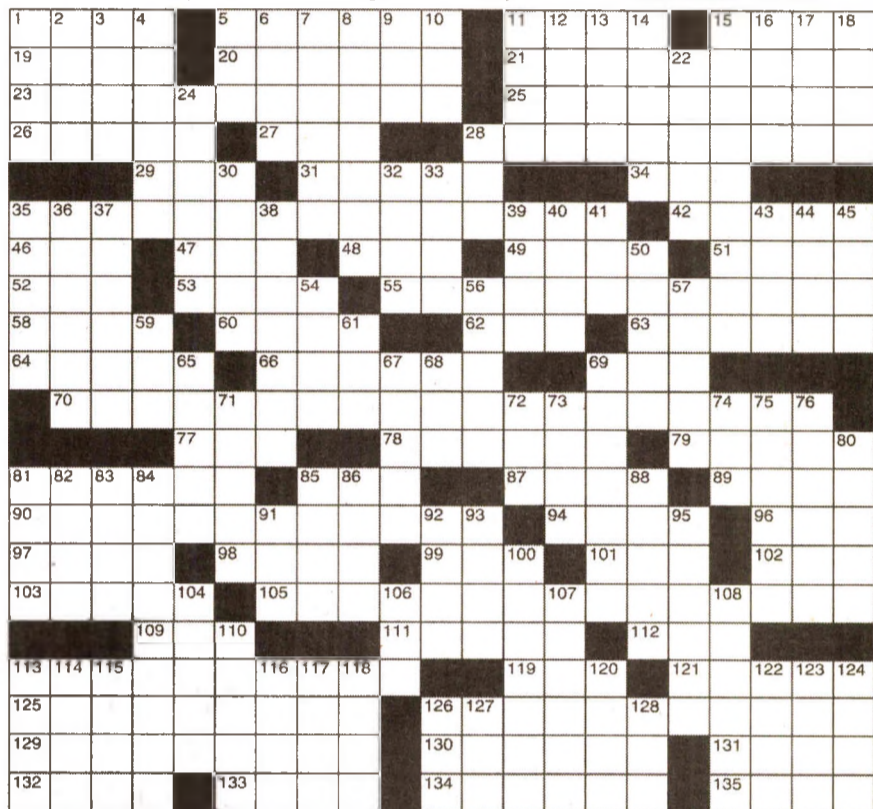

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  - 69 Fleur-de- —
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  - 77 Arctic seabird
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  - 81 "The King of Queens" actor Patton
  - 85 Mother of Cain and Abel
  - 87 Greek love god
  - 89 — Le Pew (skunk toon)
  - 90 Areas where certain salad greens are grown?
  - 94 Pet dog of Sgt. Snorkel
  - 96 Mailroom container
  - 97 Scented powder
  - 98 Brain tests, in brief
  - 99 "Well, how about that!"
  - 101 "Say what?"
  - 102 Walk- — (brief roles)
  - 103 Fervency
  - 105 Map showing southern U.S. states?
  - 109 Bit of A/V equipment
  - 111 Arrange
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  - 113 Let some printed, glazed fabric fall to the floor?
  - 119 Clandestine U.S. org.
  - 121 Ghana's capital
  - 125 Device used to store an electric charge
  - 126 Totally wild about grain husks?
  - 129 Lifeless
  - 130 Sitting room
  - 131 Kemo — (the Lone Ranger)
  - 132 How doodles are drawn
  - 133 Flies, to spiders
  - 134 Not alluring
  - 135 Special periods
  - 30 Street cart sandwiches
  - 32 Vostok 1's Gagarin
  - 33 Impair
  - 35 Be at odds
  - 36 Warn with a toot
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  - 39 Apple's Air, e.g.
  - 40 Part of REO
  - 41 3 P's org.
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  - 45 Tubular snack cake
  - 50 Molded jelly
  - 54 Wishes one could undo
  - 56 — Gras
  - 57 Like a really easy job
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  - 69 African country
  - 71 Very unusual
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  - 76 Broccoli-like vegetable
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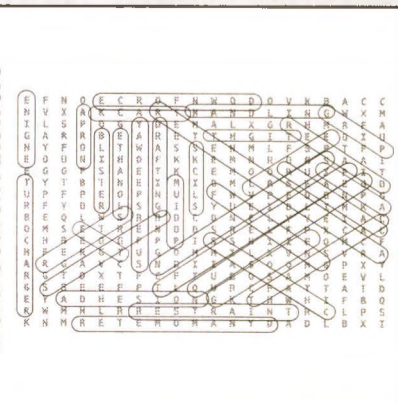
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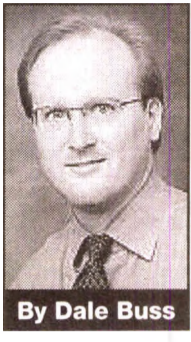
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# Car Report

## MERCEDES-AMG E43 SEDAN IS ULTIMATE EXPRESSION OF BRAND'S PARTNERSHIP WITH PERFORMANCE DIVISION



By Dale Buss

Driving a Mercedes-AMG E43 performance sedan is a sublime experience, sort of like taking off in a Gulfstream while the rest of the air traffic leaves the ground in prop planes.

The E43 I drove pushes \$90,000 for the sticker price, but the performance division of Mercedes-Benz has outfitted and tuned this car to provide the kind of ride that any discriminating luxury buyer could expect for that kind of coin.

The car rides like a dream and responds handsomely, providing the driver with supreme confidence on any roadway. Its state-of-the-art assisted-driving technology layers on another huge reason for the E43 driver to feel cosseted behind the wheel.

And the exterior design – trailing behind that big, bold Mercedes-Benz

logo on the grille – ranks among the best and most sophisticated expressions of the AMG design language that has evolved since Mercedes-Benz acquired the independent engineering firm in 2005.

Actually, 2017 marks the 50th anniversary of the founding of AMG Motorenbau und Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH, or AMG. AMG originally specialized in performance improvements for Mercedes-Benz vehicles. Daimler-Benz AG took a controlling interest in AMG in 1999, then became sole owner of AMG in 2005. Mercedes-AMG GmbH now is a wholly owned subsidiary of Daimler AG.

Which is why Mercedes-AMG now can come up with completely integrated gems such as the E43. Mercedes-AMG typically produces the top-line version of each Mercedes-Benz product line, in this case the brand's bread-and-butter E-Class sedans.

Because performance is what AMG is all about, consider first its chops

in this area. For E43, Mercedes-AMG came up with a "biturbo" engine featuring two exhaust-driven turbochargers feeding a six-cylinder, 3.0-liter engine that generates 396 horsepower and 384 pound-feet of torque.

And while E43 isn't exactly a lightweight vehicle, this engine hurtles the car down the road briskly, with the car's big tires and state-of-the-art air suspension adding smartly to the figure that it cut through Michigan's summer air. Another AMG-exclusive refinement that optimize performance is software that manages the 9-speed automatic transmission to execute gear changes more rapidly than in a standard E-Class, so that accelerating initiates a multiple ratio downshift that gets the power train to just the right spot on its torque curve.

While the E43 employs a standard Mercedes-Benz 4Matic all-wheel-drive system, the nominal torque split pushes 69 percent of the torque to the rear wheels, which allows the front tires to be more devoted to steering.

The Mercedes-AMG E43 runs from zero to 60 mph in 4.5 seconds, which isn't blisteringly fast by today's performance standards, but which fits this car's personality just fine.

Oh, and very coincidentally, the 3.0-liter engine yields a combined 21 mpg, posting 18 mpg in the city and 25 mpg on the highway.

And while you're enjoying the ride, E43's interior amenities represent one of Mercedes-Benz's best executions.



The sliding sunroof enhances the E43 driving experience.

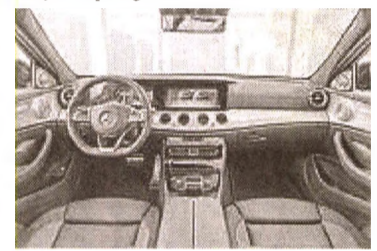
There's a tall belt line that makes you feel you're sitting low in the car, but the multiple seat adjustments provide enough range for any driver to feel in command and various positions for lumbar and thigh supports for that same driver to feel extremely comfortable while piloting.

Other comfort and convenience features of E43 include ambient lighting, a sliding sunroof, dual-zone automatic climate control, rain-sensing intermittent wipers, power-folding mirrors, dual 12.3-inch high-resolution displays, auto-dimming mirrors, a rearview camera, a Burmester Surround Sound System, heated front seats and Nappa leather.

But the most important thing going on inside E43 is the complex interplay of assisted-driving features that gives the driver utmost confidence in the safety and protection provided by the vehicle.

Mercedes-AMG's system, called Drive Pilot, includes a number of functions that can be turned off individually so that the driver feels completely in command. They include adaptive cruise control and blind spot monitors as well as lane centering and a speed-limit pilot.

The feature of Drive Pilot that I liked most was the showing of the speed limit for the current stretch of highway in the head's up display, next to your actual speed. It flashes when you exceed the limit – which is always very tempting in an E43.



Refinement is the byword inside E43.



A high belt line and shoulder crease characterize the sublime styling of Mercedes-AMG E43

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**Welcome Home!**

- \* This home features, four bedrooms and three and a half bathrooms
- \* This unique Colonial features a fully finished basement with kitchen, bedroom and fireplace
- \* Hardwood flooring throughout and stainless steel appliances
- \* Stamped concrete patio

MLS 217068811 248.684.1065 \$354,000



**Beautiful Family Home!**

- \* This home features four spacious bedrooms, and two and half bathrooms
- \* Large master suite with walk in closet
- \* Home has been meticulously maintained with updates
- \* Just move in and relax, a must see

MLS 217065454 248.684.1065 \$385,000



**Custom Home!**

- \* This gorgeous Colonial features four bedrooms and three and half bathrooms
- \* Solid oak wood floors and staircase, dining rooms with custom wood built ins
- \* Oversized master bedroom with cathedral ceilings and master bath with porcelain/marble Jacuzzi tub \* Finished basement with tons of storage

MLS 217073157 248.684.1065 \$299,900



**Beautiful Colonial!**

- \* This home features four bedrooms, two and half bathrooms, located in a sought after subdivision
- \* Open floor plan, with vaulted ceilings, hardwood floors, kitchen with island and plenty of storage
- \* Finished basement with full kitchen and living room area
- \* Extensive landscaping and private wooded backyard for entertainment or relaxation

MLS 217071356 248.684.1065 \$289,999



**Beautiful Contemporary with Lake Views!**

- \* This three bedroom, two and half bathroom home is a must see
- \* This fabulous home has a unique floor plan with high ceilings and many upgrades
- \* Kitchen includes a greenhouse window over the sink, Jenn Air stove and 3 corner lazy Susan cupboards
- \* Master bedroom has a door wall and balcony overlooking the lake

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**Charming Colonial!**

- \* This home features three bedrooms and two and half bathrooms
- \* Gorgeous landscaping, large lot and neighborhood sidewalks
- \* Completely updated kitchen with granite counter tops, porcelain country sink and center island
- \* Open floor plan with vaulted ceiling in family room, fire place, large loft sitting, study area with built in shelves

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**Your Search Is Over!**

- \* This three bedroom, two and half bathroom Ranch is a must see
- \* Master bedroom has a walk in closet with an Ensuite
- \* First floor laundry
- \* Heated two car garage

MLS 217067908 248.684.1065 \$250,000



**Beautiful Lake Front Home!**

- \* This five bedroom, three bath, Colonial features incredible views of Lake Sherwood
- \* Open floor plan with lots of space for entertaining
- \* Walkout lower level with family room and fireplace, separate bedroom and full bathroom
- \* Choose to keep this existing home or build the home of your dreams on this amazing waterfront lot

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**Gorgeous Home in Desirable Forest Ridge!**

- \* Stone and brick home features four bedrooms and three and half bathrooms
- \* Tumbled marble, stone and Brazilian cherry wood flooring throughout
- \* Gourmet kitchen perfect for entertaining
- \* Laundry room with pet bath, three car garage

MLS 217053264 248.684.1065 \$999,999



**Gorgeous Colonial!**

- \* This home features three bedrooms and two and half bathrooms
- \* Beautiful kitchen with granite counters and island, stainless steel appliances
- \* Master suite has a huge walk in closet and spacious master bath
- \* First floor laundry, half bath off the back hall

MLS 217074715 248.684.1065 \$260,000



**Gorgeous Custom Built Colonial!**

- \* This home features five bedrooms, four and half bathrooms located on a quiet cul de sac
- \* Beautiful gourmet kitchen with granite countertops and hardwood floors
- \* Great room equipped with temperature controlled wine cellar & cozy bar
- \* Full finished basement with kitchen, bedroom, full bath and living room

MLS 217057350 248.684.1065 \$539,900



**Gorgeous Cape Cod in Desirable Lake Oaks!**

- \* This home features four bedrooms, three and half bathrooms on 1.86 acres
- \* Gourmet kitchen with granite counters, hardwood flooring and desk area
- \* Master bedroom has private deck, 2 walk in closets, cathedral ceilings and bath with jetted tub
- \* Full finished basement with kitchenette, full bath, rec room and laundry

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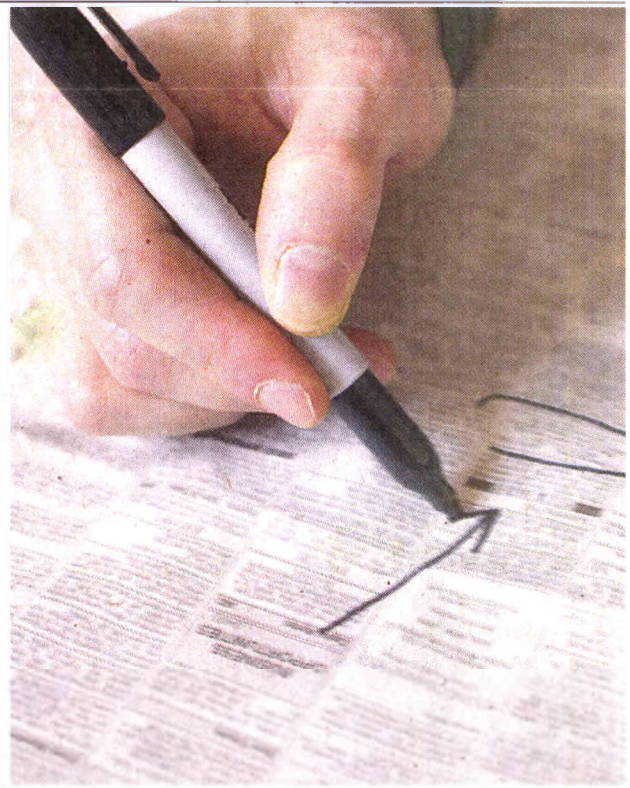
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