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## Williams delivers upbeat address

First-term supervisor highlights township's strengths

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Supervisor Pat Williams, in his first State of the Township address, tackled issues such as roads, water rates, new development and public safety while touting Canton as a community that continues to improve.

Williams, elected to Canton's top job in November after serving eight years as a township trustee, said Canton has maintained its positive momentum even though a majority of its elected leaders are new to their positions on the

township board. "The great thing is that every one of us is dedicated to making our community the very best it can be for all of our residents," he said, addressing a crowd inside the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Williams, a Republican, cited a "new spirit of collaboration" as he introduced Wayne County Executive Warren Evans, a Democrat, as his guest at the State of the Township. Evans briefly addressed the crowd and mentioned the need for better roads as one issue shared by Canton and his

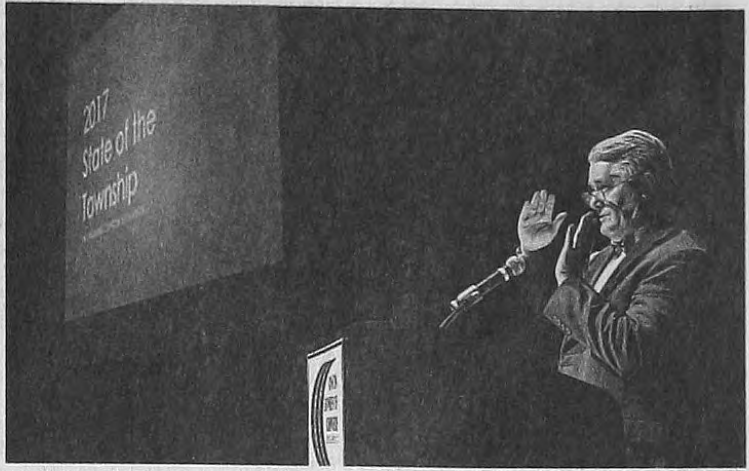
administration. "We're working together on this thing," he said.

Canton resident Bill Springer said he was glad to hear Williams and Evans define roads as a priority.

"It's encouraging," Springer said of Williams' speech, "especially the roads piece between him and Mr. Evans."

Williams' speech came during a luncheon event hosted by the Canton Chamber of Commerce. Among the highlights:

» Canton is expected to cut as much as \$3.5 million from the \$12 million it pays each year to the Great Lakes Water



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Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams talked about roads, water storage and other issues during his State of the Township address.

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## Museum celebrates Plymouth's 150th year

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Fire roars through a wooden hotel in downtown Plymouth and spreads to destroy an entire block on Main Street, between Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail.

In Old Village, ghosts of Plymouth past can be seen standing outside the shops they once owned, beckoning passersby to stop and hear their haunted tales.

In a political first, Plymouth banker E.J. Penniman becomes the town's first politician elected to the U.S. Congress, representing the Whig Party.

Plymouth's past takes center stage as the Plymouth Historical Museum celebrates the city's 150th year by adding special touches to the storefronts that line the museum's Main Street.

"It's always important to celebrate history," said Liz Kelley Kerstens, the museum's executive director.

But it's even more important during this 150th milestone year. The museum exhibit launches what will be a series of efforts throughout the year to honor Plymouth and the people and places that made it.

"I've always found it fascinating to learn about the people and what they used to do," said Ellen Elliott, executive director of Friends of the Penn, named after the famed Plymouth theater. "It helps us kind of bridge yesterday and today."

Historians aren't certain of the exact date Plymouth became a city, only that it happened in February 1867. Ker-



Welcome to the Plymouth Historical Museum, now celebrating 150 years of Plymouth.

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stens said the museum will honor the community's history by rolling out three more phases of historical exhibits by year's end, displaying what she called "vignettes of Plymouth's past."

Museum visitors passing by the Root Hotel will notice red motion lights that give the appearance of fire. The two-story, wooden hotel caught in 1856 and destroyed an entire

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Ebenezer Penniman was named president of the Plymouth United Savings Bank at the age of 67. Probably because Ebenezer Penniman is a perfect name for a banker.

## Canton hockey coach faces sex crimes involving student

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An assistant boys varsity hockey coach at Canton High School is facing criminal charges amid allegations he had a sexual relationship with a high school girl who is now 16.

Eric Christopher Locke, 20, is accused of having an ongoing relationship with the girl

from November to February. Chad Baugh, Canton deputy director of police, said the allegations surfaced after the girl's mother went to a police school resource officer at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.



Locke

Locke was arraigned Thursday in front of 35th District Judge Ron Lowe on three counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct. If convicted, he could face penalties ranging up to 15 years in prison.

Locke was released on a \$500,000 personal bond, but has been placed on a tether. Lowe ordered the coach to stay off school property and to have

no contact with minors, including the victim.

Locke is set for a probable cause conference March 10 in front of 35th District Judge Michael Gerou. His preliminary examination is set for a week later in front of Lowe.

Monica Merritt, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district superintendent, issued a letter Friday saying Locke has been "permanently re-

moved" from the district.

"As always, student safety remains the No. 1 priority of the district," she said.

Baugh said Canton police spoke with witnesses and worked with the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office on the case. He said police also executed a search warrant at Locke's home.

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# MUSEUM

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block on Main Street. Just 37 years later, the same block burned once again after George Vandecar's barbershop caught fire.

Then, there's the story of Rose of Aberlene, a cow who was believed to be unable to give birth. One man who was selling her to a buyer jacked the price up after Rose suddenly was found to be carrying, leading to legal tangles between the two men. Rose is represented by a cow mannequin lying inside the museum.

Special touches have been added along the Main Street exhibits to



**Liz Kerstens is executive director of the Plymouth Historical Museum.**

places such as the Gayde Bros. General Store and an old-fashioned doll and toy shop. Writings explaining the historical significance also have been added to some displays.

Visitors can see a picture from the old



**Over at the library, Ellen Elliott built a display tying Plymouth's past to the present.**

Plymouth High School, which burned in 1916 on the site of what is now the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex, or PARC, and one display recreates Kellogg Park from around 1900, with a man sitting on a bench and his dog close by.

Yet another display recreates the scene of a home where the family of George Anson Starkweather — the first white child born in Plymouth Township — lived. Until then, the area had only been settled by Native Americans.

Beyond the museum's Main Street, numerous other events and activities are planned by what Elliott called a collaborative effort by community groups such as the city of Plymouth, the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority, the Old Village, the Plymouth District Library, Friends of the Penn, PARC, the Plymouth Preservation Network and local businesses and service groups.

Other highlights: » On April 22, the Ghosts of Plymouth occurs in Old Village. Kerstens said eight different characters in period costume will stand on the site of places such as George Starkweather's old general store and talk with visitors about the past. Tours will occur every 15 minutes between 5-7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 in advance at the museum, 155 S. Main St., or \$20 on the day of the event,



In 1856, fire broke out in the tavern of the J.W. Root Hotel.

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The canceled sale of Rose of Aberlene back in 1886 sparked a legal battle over the right to rescind a contract that is still studied by law students.

which starts at the Farmer Street gazebo.

» At the Plymouth District Library, a display case is being used to honor the 150th year. The first centered on four generations of the Draper-Carney family of optometrists. One of them, Brian Carney, still prac-

tices in Plymouth.

» Dearborn Jewelers of Plymouth is designing a special necklace with 150 pieces of diamonds to commemorate the special year, with \$25 raffle tickets being sold in coming months at the museum as a fundraiser. » Local resident Allan

Leonard has donated \$6,000 to pay for Free Summer Saturdays, allowing patrons to visit the museum for free. Admission is typically \$5 for adults, \$2 for children ages 6-17 and free for those under 6.

» Inside the museum gift shop, patrons can find pint glasses decorated with the special Plymouth 150th logo. Cost: \$9.99.

» Special museum exhibits will be centered around Halloween and Christmas, Kerstens said.

Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. For more information, go to [www.plymouthhistory.org](http://www.plymouthhistory.org).

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Authority for water, after a new 2.5-million-gallon water storage facility starts up, possibly by early June, near Joy and Morton Taylor roads. It will allow Canton to draw water overnight from GLWA and release it during peak usage hours.

“Those savings will not eliminate water and sewer rate increases in the future, but should reduce the amount of year-over-year increases that are passed on to residents,” Williams said.

The project faced a delay after a truck hauling pumps to the water storage site crashed in Indiana, damaging the pumps and forcing Canton to work toward a backup plan.

» Canton continues to draw new businesses, including national retailers, to the Ford Road shopping corridor because it has the traffic for a built-in customer base.

“And while that traffic is a frustration for us,” Williams said, “it also helped keep our community vibrant and growing during the economic downturn from which we are still recovering.”

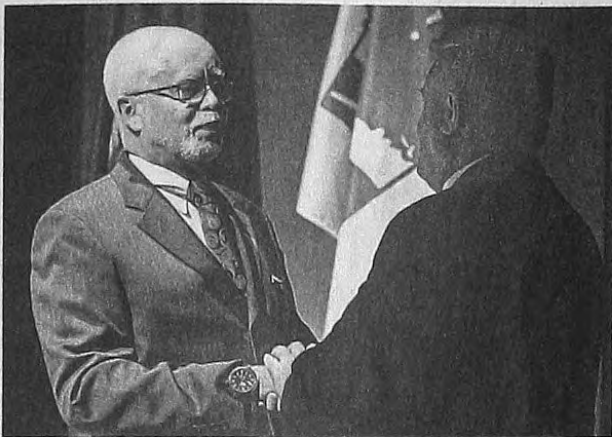
» Canton issued 508 new housing permits in 2016, more than double the number from just two years earlier, which Williams called “a sign of growth and prosperity in our community.”

» Canton Leisure Services has developed a five-year plan to improve local parks and recreation facilities and programs, while the Canton Public Safety Department has had a changing of the guard with new



The crowd listens to Supervisor Pat Williams' State of the Township speech.

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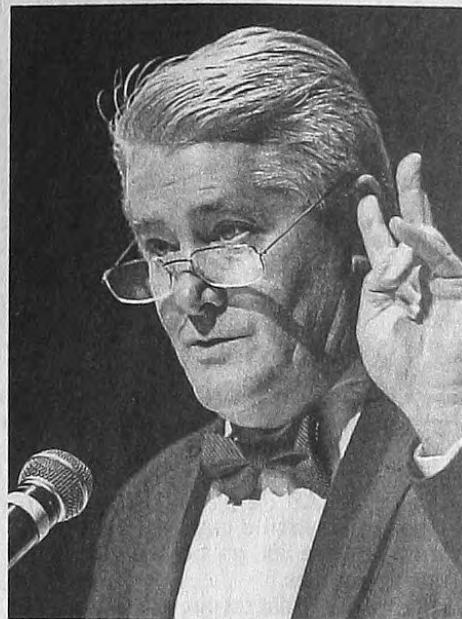


Supervisor Pat Williams thanks County Executive Warren Evans, who made an appearance at the State of the Township address.

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Director Joshua Meier and other high-ranking officials who, Williams said, are leading Canton to “a positive, progressive direction for the

future.”  
» Canton has been named by a national movement, Not in Our Town, as one of five gold-star communities for a



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Supervisor Pat Williams delivers his first State of the Township address.

local commitment to “safety, respect and diversity for all,” Williams

said. Canton hosted events such as a peace rally as a way to build

tolerance, stop hate and promote safe, inclusive communities.

» In a move that saves taxpayer dollars, the Canton Fire Department received a \$280,000 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to buy new self-contained breathing apparatus that firefighters use on the scene.

» Canton has begun to make progress toward addressing legacy costs tied to retiree health care, a priority for years for Williams. He said the township allocated \$1.5 million last year to “pre-fund” healthcare, achieving savings by changing medical insurance from a fully funded plan to one that is self-insured.

» Williams said the offices of new Treasurer Dian Slavens and new Clerk Michael Siegrist have continued to work efficiently after the turnover from the November election, and he said both departments have plans to further improve service.

» Canton continues to make strides in the arts, Williams said, citing continuing efforts to turn an old Henry Ford factory on Canton's west side into the Village Arts Factory with a variety of programs and services.

Williams' speech was well-received by the crowd. Penny Crider, district manager for state Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, welcomed what she heard.

“I'm very impressed, very encouraged,” she said, citing “a nice job” by Canton leaders and saying she looks forward to future progress.

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# COACH

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Deputy Police Chief Craig Wilsher said officials couldn't yet reveal any details about the search because the investigation is ongoing.

Locke is employed by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district through a third party, CoachEZ, LLC, which issued a statement Friday morning.

“CoachEZ, LLC, is dedicated to providing its school partners with quality athletic coaches,”

the statement read. “The safety of our partner's students is of extreme importance to us.”

CoachEZ, after learning earlier this week of the allegations, followed procedures and Locke “was removed from all access to assignments in the schools we serve,”

the statement read. CoachEZ and the school district have agreed that, until the case is resolved, Locke will not be allowed to provide services.

“In unusual cases such as this, our first priority is to follow policies and procedures that ensure

the safety and support of the students,” the CoachEZ statement read. “Like the local district, our commitment and focus is on providing quality services to the families and children.

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The statement read CoachEZ “will cooperate fully our school partner and the Canton Township Police Department.”

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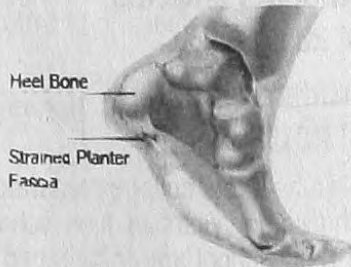
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Casa Azafran, adorned with a multi-colored mural atop five arabesque porticos, shines as a beacon on Nolensville Pike, the gateway to the international district in Nashville, Tennessee.

The building houses several nonprofits, which mainly focus on integrating immigrants into American society. Signs are in English, Spanish and Arabic.

Nashville's foreign-born population is about 12 percent, and the Southern city has developed a reputation as a welcoming community.

The rhetoric of the recent election, however, created fear among immigrant families that think that they might be targeted for deportation or discrimination.

Renata Soto — the co-founder and executive director of Conexión Americas, one of Casa Azafran's nonprofits — called on Nashville to respond through love and civic participation.

"We at Conexión Americas have launched a campaign called #Indivisible, which ... tries to remind everyone of all the dreams and aspirations that we share as a people and the inspiration that we draw either as a fifth-generation American or as an immigrant that came yesterday," said Soto, 44, a Costa Rican native who came to the United States to finish college and met her future husband.

"We all are inspired by the ... notion of an indivisible nation where everyone can belong and where everyone's roots and possibilities are celebrated," she added.

People, have been flowing into Casa Azafran to make the symbol of a heart with their hands and appear in photos that are being shared on social media and added to a growing wall mural.

They are also being encouraged to write post cards to members of Congress, advocating for policies that value



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Renata Soto, executive director and co-founder of Conexión Americas, says, "We all are inspired by the ... notion of an indivisible nation where everyone can belong ..."

Americans of all backgrounds.

Recently, U.S. Rep. Congressman Jim Cooper of Nashville came to Casa Azafran to receive 300 post cards and hear students' stories.

"So we hope that through the #Indivisible campaign that people raise their hearts but also raise their voices," Soto said. "I am hopeful that a lot of people will find their voice — will raise their voice — that have not before."

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## Q&A WITH RENATA SOTO

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

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### What moment motivated you to become part of this effort?

So, for now 15 years since we founded Conexión Americas, we have been dedicated to making sure that Latino families have the supports that they need to achieve the dreams that they brought with them, whether becoming a homeowner, starting a business and becoming an entrepreneur, and most importantly seeing that dream of children graduating from high school and being the first in their families to go to college.

### What gives you hope?

I think that out of difficult times, trying times, testing times, beautiful things can come from that, and I do hope that as vulnerable as we feel right now, as fearful as we feel right now, as uncertain as we feel, I do feel a sense of energy from people who have not been engaged in the community.

### What concerns you?

What we're trying to do through #Indivisible is to make sure that people have a way to connect to that sense of urgency to do something because we are concerned about the tone of the conversation in the country. We are concerned about the policies that might take us back 50 years.

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

Through that campaign, we really hope that it is a way for people to show to each other in very visible ways, through making your sign of a heart in your hands, and showing it to each other, and showing the love to the Muslim Nashvillian, the Latino, the LGBT neighbor. It is also about remembering that if we don't use our voice every day ... we are also accountable and we are also responsible for what happens.

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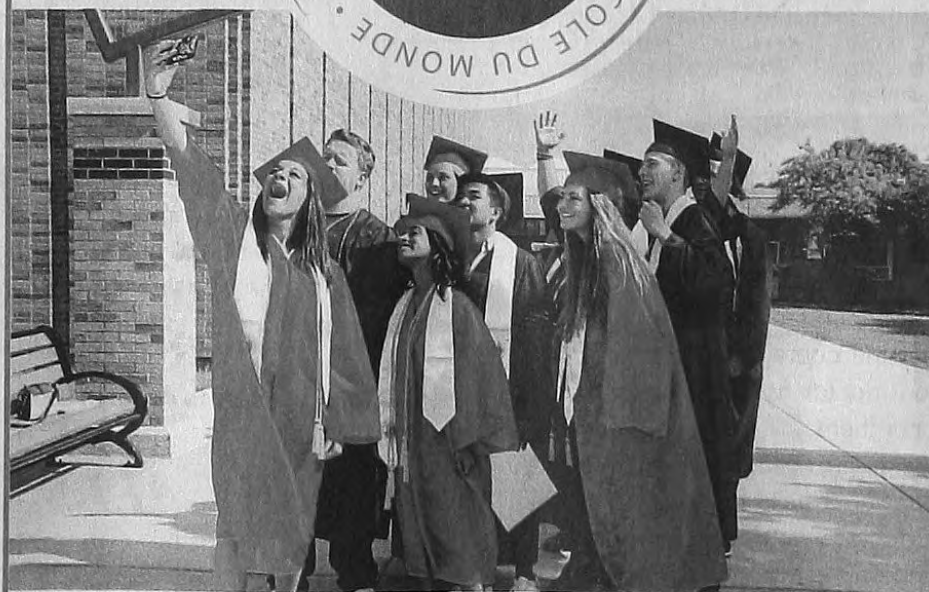
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Republican U.S. Rep. Dave Trott is planning to hold a live town hall meeting in March to talk about health insurance and other related issues.

"We're still looking for a venue," Trott said in a phone interview Wednesday. "Part of what's not being reported is that we're in session so much. I'm looking at the legislative calendar for March ... out of 23 working days, we're in session for a total of 20 days. So I'm probably going to have to hold the meeting on a Saturday."

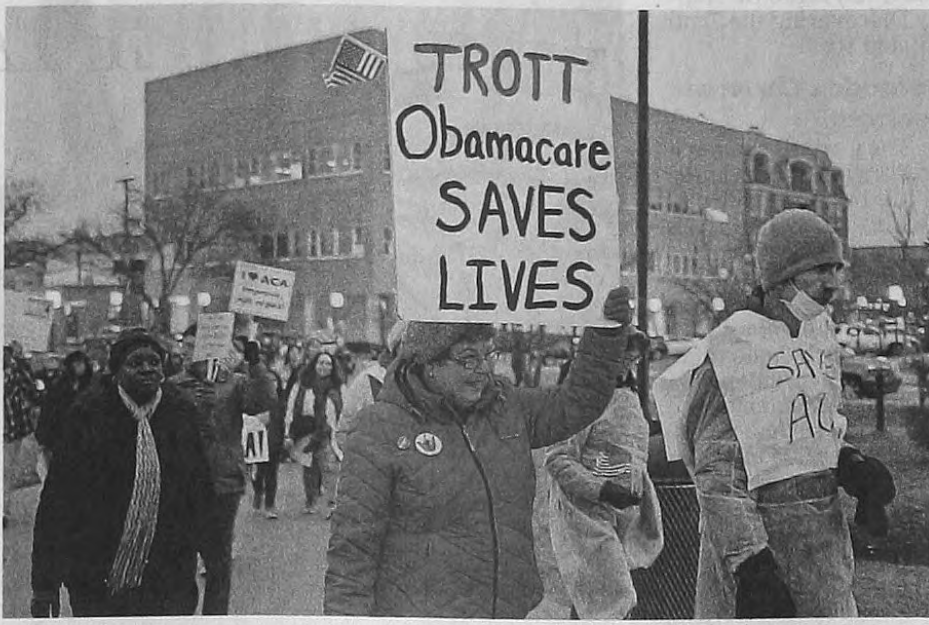


Trott

A state-wide political group called the Michigan People's Campaign has organized several rallies in recent weeks, targeting Trott and other local Republicans who support the possible repeal of the Affordable Care Act. The most recent one was held Tuesday at Shain Park in Birmingham.

"I've heard loud and clear from constituents that pre-existing conditions is a critical part of health care," Trott said. "Our hope is that any replacement we put in place will address some of the cost issues in terms of escalating premiums and deductibles. It's one thing to have access to health care, but what good does it do if it's not affordable?"

Trott is one of several legislators co-sponsoring the Pre-Existing Conditions Protection Act of 2017 (H.R. 1121). The proposed bill aims to "guarantee access to coverage, prohibit pre-existing condition exclusions and ban premium rating based off of health status."



Barb Spiece of Waterford shows her support of the ACA during a rally.



Annis Pratt of Birmingham rallies to support the ACA.



Event organizer Bobbi Ebsen (left) signs up people at a protest by health care professionals who do not want the Affordable Care Act repealed.

Trott said the intent of the bill is to preserve parts of the Affordable Care Act that guarantee coverage for people with pre-existing conditions. He also noted that any health care solution will require bipartisan support in Congress.

"The message I hear is often the same," he said. "Michigan families are experiencing skyrocketing costs and dwindling coverage. We need to make health care work for everyone."

As for the rallies, Trott believes some of the ac-

tivity is being staged. He said he personally met with eight different groups from his district in recent weeks, each one lobbying for a different cause.

"I just met with some residents from Novi who are advocating to make sure the NIH (National Institute of Health) has money to address rare diseases," he said. "I truly think this is a better use of my time."

### Trump talk

Asked about President Donald Trump's first few weeks in office, Trott said, "I think it's been a busy month ... it's been a little chaotic, but he's also accomplished a lot."

Trott thinks the business community and stock market are responding favorably to regulatory rollbacks initiated by Trump. He also praised the president's speech Tuesday before the joint session of Congress.

"Hopefully, his kinder tone will help ease some of the acrimony," Trott said.

On Trump's proposal to build up the military, Trott said there's prob-

ably not a single country in the world that can claim to be better off today than eight years ago, resulting in a lot of global tension.

"People need to understand we're a strong country that will support our friends and defend our interests," Trott said. "But whether Congress goes along is a different story. We have plenty of debt in our country. If we see 3- to 4-percent growth in the next year, we'll have plenty of money for the military, health care, the infrastructure and other issues. But if we have 1.8-percent growth, like we did last year, it's going to be a question of where do we find the money."

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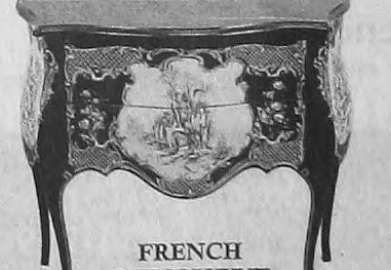
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**LENTEN CALENDAR**

**'Turn to Jesus'**

Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford, will have special midweek Lenten worship services on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. through April 5. This year's theme is "Turn to Jesus!" There will be free treats after the services. For more information, call 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523.

**Holy Week services**

Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford, announces its schedule for Holy Week. Maundy Thursday service is at 7 p.m. April 13. Good Friday services will be held at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. April 14. Easter Sunday service will be held at 9:30 a.m. April 16. A free Easter breakfast will be held from 8-9:15 a.m. All visitors will receive a free DVD "My Son, My Savior." For more information, call

313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523.

**Fish Fry**

St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne is hosting its Lenten Fish Frys. The weekly Fish Frys are 4-7 p.m. and run for seven weeks through Good Friday, April 14. Dinners are \$7 or \$10. Choose from fried or baked fish, shrimp dinner or mac and cheese. Each meal comes with french fries or baked potato, cole slaw, roll and lemonade, water or coffee. For an additional small charge, desserts and pop are available.

**Resurrection Parish**

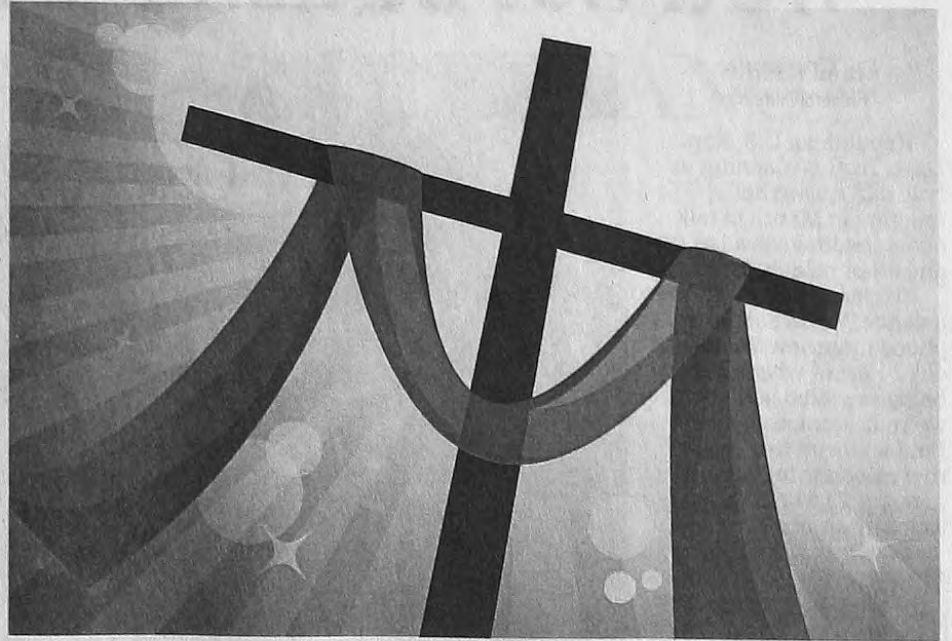
If you knew you were going to die today, what would you do? How would that reality change you? Would you be more forgiving? More merciful? Attend a Lenten presentation at 7:30 p.m. March 16 by author Chris Stepien as he shares the

inspiration for his latest book, "Dying to Be Happy Discovering the Truth About Life."

**Orthodox Christian services**

The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit (COCC) will hold the first in its annual series of Vespers services on the five Sundays of Orthodox Great Lent on March 5, Sunday of Orthodoxy, at 6 p.m. at St. Clement Ohridski Macedono-Bulgarian Orthodox Church, 19600 Ford Road, Dearborn.

Members of the St. John Chrysostom Clergy Brotherhood and clergy from the host parish will conduct the service. The homilist will be the Rev. Gabriel Bilas of St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church, Fenton. The Orthodox Lenten Vespers Chorus, directed by Victoria Kopistiansky, will sing the responses.



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Many area churches have scheduled special services for Lent.

Youngsters age 7 through high school from parish church schools are encouraged to bring an icon of their choice and participate in the Procession of Icons.

The remaining four services in the series will be held on:

» March 12, Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter Road, St. Clair Shores;

» March 19, Sunday of the Holy Cross, at St. George Romanian Orthodox Cathedral, 18405 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield;

» March 26, Sunday of St. John Climacus, at Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 20500 Anglin St., Detroit.

» April 2, Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt, at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia.

Members of the public are invited to attend the services.

**Praise and worship**

St. Edith Church will have a Praise and Worship Concert from 4-5 p.m. Sunday, March 12. Come and sing to your

favorite Christian rock hits. The music will be provided by In Praise and a small fellowship will follow in the Gathering Area. For more information, visit [www.stedith.org](http://www.stedith.org)

**Lenten Fish Fry**

American Legion Post 32, 9318 Newburgh Road, Livonia, will host its annual Lenten fish fry from 5-8 p.m. every Friday through April 29. Cod dinners are \$10 and perch will return. Baked items will be sold for \$1 each. The meals are open to the public.

**St. Bellarmine Fish Fry**

St. Robert Bellarmine Men's Club will host fish frys every Friday during Lent with drive-thru service available. The dinners are available from 4-7 p.m. every Friday. St. Robert's is at the corner of West Chicago and Inkster roads in Redford.

**Prince of Peace Lutheran**

Midweek Lenten services with a soup supper will be offered at Prince of Peace Lutheran on Wednesdays with supper

at 6 p.m. followed by service at 7:30 p.m. Join on Wednesdays through April 5. Contact the church at 248-553-3380.

**'Calling them Home'**

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# Kindergartner has Google's top doodle

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When Marcus Zheng, an energetic kindergartner prospect with an artistic bent, sat in his admissions appointment with Detroit Country Day Schools Lower School director Jennifer Bullock last summer, he whipped up what Bullock called a "beautiful" picture of a dragon on her white board.

Who would have thought that, a scant few months later, that precocious 5-year-old would beat out much older competition to win the popular "Doodle4Google" competition the Internet giant has sponsored the last 10 years?

Marcus, the son of Yi Zheng and Cathy Guo, learned Monday his doodle has been chosen to represent Michigan in the national contest. The announcement came at a surprise assembly Monday that included his parents, teachers and fellow students.

"It's such an honor ... I knew he had amazing talent," Bullock said. "I was very surprised when I got the call, because he's at the younger end of the contest."

Google sponsors the competition every year in an effort to come up with new doodles, pieces of art the company uses on its website to mark occasions or accomplishments. Examples included in Google's pres-



Marcus Zheng, 5, and his parents, Yi Zheng and Cathy Guo, with his winning Google doodle.

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**JENNIFER BULLOCK**  
Detroit Country Day Schools Lower School director

entation at the assembly include Martin Luther King Jr., the Wright Brothers' birthday, Women's Day and others.

His parents watch Marcus draw nearly every day, but the news of him winning the contest still caught them by

surprise. "He loves drawing. ... If we don't stop him, he'll draw all day long," Cathy Guo said of her son. "I was shocked when I heard the news. We didn't expect it ... we're very proud."

The contest follows a

theme each year; this year's was "What I See For The Future." The only real requirement is the doodles must incorporate the company name: Google. Doodle entries are judged by a celebrity panel that this year included Sia, Pikachu and Jimmy Kimmel.

While kids of all ages have won before, having a kindergartner top an entire state full of older artists is a little unusual, Google folks said.

"We have all ages win," said Justin Yang, a marketing manager for Google who made Mon-



Kindergartner Marcus Zheng with his mom, Cathy Guo, and his dad, Yi Zheng, following the reveal.

day's presentation along with account manager Aashka Soni. "But it's definitely a challenge for a 5-year-old to win."

Now the fate of Marcus's entry is up to friends, schoolmates, family and anyone else who wants to get involved. Winners will be determined in an online vote that closes at 5 p.m., Monday, March 6.

The winner gets a \$30,000 scholarship and

earns a \$50,000 technology grant for his or her school.

Bullock said it might not necessarily surprise her all that much if Marcus's doodle wins the whole contest.

"I've admired his art work," Bullock said. "If I was going to pick anyone to (win), it would be Marcus."

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## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FRANKLIN COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: CASE NO. 16FVM1  
PETITION OF JONATHAN ADAM SIDES TO ADOPT CECELIA ALLMOND, A MINOR CHILD.

### NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: NATHAN ALLMOND

By order of the Court for Service by Publication dated February 6, 2017, you are hereby notified that on October 13, 2016, Jonathan Adam Sides filed suit against you for adoption. You are required to file with the Clerk of Superior Court and to serve upon Plaintiff's attorney, Justin Berelc, an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the Order of Publication.

Witness the Honorable Jeffery S. Malcom, of the Superior Court of Franklin County.

This the 10th day of February, 2017.

*Melissa B. Holmbeck*

Clerk, Franklin County Superior Court  
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### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### Metro Detroit Ostomy

The Ostomy support group meets at 1:30 p.m. March 12 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. For more information, call 866-678-6698.

#### A touch of the Irish

The Michigan Philharmonic will present "A Touch of the Irish," at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 5, at the First United Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth.

The concert will feature the toe-tapping music from "Lord of the Dance" as well as Concertmaster Joseph Deller on Daniel Kingman's "The Fiddler in all of Us." Deller, Concertmaster of the Michigan Philharmonic, also performs with the Flint and Dearborn Symphonies as well as Michigan Opera Theater. He is the conductor of the Dearborn Youth Symphony and is active with educational outreach programs of the Flint Institute of Music. As a passionate soloist and chamber music performer, Deller plays with the New Verse Chamber Ensemble and the True North String Quartet.

Another highlight of this concert celebrates the 150th anniversary of composer Amy Beach with a performance of her monumental "Gaelic" Symphony in E-Minor—the first symphony composed and published by a female American composer. The Gaelic Symphony debuted to great enthusiasm in Boston in 1896 and features simple old English, Irish, and Scottish melodies throughout the piece.

#### Noble coffee hour

State Rep. Jeff Noble of Plymouth will host a coffee hour 5-6 p.m. Monday, March 6, at Biggy Coffee, 400 Ann Arbor Road W., in Plymouth.

No appointment is necessary. Those unable to attend may contact Noble at 517-373-3816 or JeffNoble@house.mi.gov.

#### Hearing Loss

The local Hearing Loss Association of America offers a rap session from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, at the Westland Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. This event will allow guests to share questions, concerns, successes and disappointments in an open session that focuses on individual needs.



Michigan Philharmonic Concertmaster Joseph Deller will perform "The Fiddler in all of Us."

There is no cost and is open to all. Contact Tony 734-664-3297, aferack@comcast.net

#### Corned beef and cabbage

The Garden City Women of the Moose are holding a corned beef and cabbage dinner 5-7 p.m. March 7-8, or until they run out.

Dinners are \$6 and include corned beef, cabbage, mashed potatoes, bread and dessert. Early bird dinner special runs 4:30-5 p.m. sharp for \$5/dinner. Pre-orders and takeout dinners available. Contact Donna at 734-545-7777. The Garden City Moose Lodge No. 538 is at 29137 Ford Road, Garden City. Call 734-422-1750.

#### Meet with the supervisor

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise will hold his monthly "Coffee with Kurt" 9-10 a.m. Monday, March 6, at the Grand Traverse Pie Co., 41640 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth Township. Coffee and breakfast snacks will be provided.

#### Mystery Purse Auction

Faith Community's Women of Faith will host the auction at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 11, at the church, 14560 Merriam Road. Men and women can bid on purses or bags or totes that are filled with mystery items. Light refreshments will be provided. Contact Melissa at 734-765-1827.

#### Freedom House Detroit presentation

Deborah Drennan, executive director of Freedom House Detroit, will be the speaker at the 7 p.m. March 14, Citizens

for Peace meeting at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road. She will share her experiences and insights on the residents of Freedom House Detroit, people who are survivors of persecution from around the world who are seeking asylum in the United States and Canada. For more information, call 734-425-0079 or go to www.citizens4peace.com

#### Livonia Towne Club

The Livonia Towne Club, a nonprofit women's organization bringing together women for social interaction, meets the fourth Thursday of each month from September through May (except in November and December when it's held the second Thursday).

The group meets for lunch and a program at different restaurants in Livonia and surrounding areas. Program could include an informative speaker, bingo, fashion show, music, entertainment and more.

The next luncheon is March 23. The program will be the third annual fashion show. For more information, call Vicki at 734-591-3254.

#### Eat better

Plymouth Seventh-Day Adventist Church will host Dr. Arthur Weaver to speak on diet and cancer prevention. Attendees will complete a meal, watch a demonstration and provide recipes. The event is at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 19, at the church fellowship hall, 4295 Napier Road, Plymouth. Call 989-965-4861 to register by March 16. Admission is free; donations are welcome.

#### Westland American Legion Post 251

Post meetings are the first Wednesday of each month. Anyone with an honorable discharge and meets service requirements is eligible to join the American Legion.

Created in 1917 Blue Star Service Banners were a common sight during World War I and World War II. Resurrected by the American Legion in 2001, the banner is displayed to show that a family member is currently serving in the Armed Forces. Gold Star Service Banners are displayed to show that a family member has died while serving. Each star represents one family member.

Any family who would like a Blue or Gold Banner to display can call Adjunct Ron Nickels at 734-455-3415 or the Post Commander Bill Acton at 734-776-5491. There is no cost to the family. For more information, go to www.post251.org.

#### 3D Photography Club meeting

The club meets from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, just south of Five Mile Road. The meeting will feature a presentation of the annual Stereo Sequence Competition entries. These are short programs using up to 20 stereo images by 3D photographers from around the world. After a refreshment break, there will be the final "Freebie" drawing of the season for free 3D items, and conclude with our monthly club 3D image competition. The meetings are free to attend, and visitors are always welcome. Stereo cameras, 3D movies and educational videos are available for members to borrow or rent.

#### Be a Miracle League volunteer

The Miracle League in Plymouth needs two coaches for the 2017 season. Teams will consist of players ages 5-11. If interested, contact Shari Bilkie, shari@miracleleagueplymouth.org. Miracle League player registration ends at 4 p.m. Friday, March 10.

#### Caregiver support

The Dorothy & Peter Brown Adult Day Program holds free monthly family caregiver support group meetings at two locations. Respite care may be available during

the day meetings; if interested, inquire when you RSVP.

» JVS, 29699 Southfield Road, Southfield: 1:30-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, Alzheimer's Association meeting for family caregivers of older adults with memory loss

5:30-7 p.m. Monday, March 20, for family caregivers of all older adults

For information or to RSVP for either meeting, contact Dorothy Moon at 248-233-4392 or dmoon@jvsdet.org.

» Jewish Senior Life, Brown Center, 6720 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield:

1:30-3 p.m. Thursday, March 9, Alzheimer's Association meeting for family caregivers of older adults with memory loss

Call for information about the evening support group meeting for family caregivers of all older adults

For more information or to RSVP for meeting, contact Joely Lyons at 248-592-5032 or jlyons@jslmi.org.

#### Garden City Lions Breakfast

For the 26th consecutive year, the Garden City Lions will host its annual pancake breakfast. This year's event is set for 8-11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 19, at the Garden City Moose Lodge No. 538, 29137 Ford Road. Breakfast includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice, milk and coffee. Guest chefs are members of the Garden City Fire Department. Cost is adults \$5, children 12 and younger \$2. For more information, call Bob at 734-612-1775 or Vicki at 734-524-1330.

#### Seeking volunteers

Compassionate Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to help with patient care and companionship, office support, group activities and more.

Volunteer training sessions will cover mission and values, confidentiality, communication and listening skills, grief, loss, the dying process and information pertinent to serving the needs of the patients. Interested volunteers may also choose to receive additional training and serve as specialized spiritual or bereavement volunteer. Compassionate Care

Hospice is a community-based hospice organization committed to the highest quality of hospice care for patients, their families and other loved ones. Interested volunteers must complete the online application process prior to training. Early registration is encouraged because several steps must be completed prior to the training sessions.

The next new volunteer orientation is March 11 and will be at the office, 5730 N. Lilley Road, Canton. Contact the volunteer coordinator at 888-983-9050 with questions or to apply for a brief interview.

#### Red Wings suite raffle

The Livonia Jaycees will hold a raffle to win a suite package of 20 tickets and a \$300 food voucher for the Friday, March 24, Red Wings game against the Tampa Bay Lightning. The raffle is \$20 or three tickets for \$50. The drawing will be March 7 and the winner does not need to be present. Proceeds will go to the Jaycees to use to improve the community.

To purchase tickets, contact the Jaycees at 734-956-0548 or livonia-jaycees@gmail.com or at 37699 Six Mile, Suite 250, Livonia.

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# Police: Maserati driver was out of control just before fatal crash

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It was the evening of Jan. 24 and Bloomfield Township Police Officer Scott Schuknecht just happened to be in the area of Square Lake Road and Woodward Avenue.

Traffic on Square Lake Road was slowing down in front of him and a large cloud of dust filled the air in the distance.

He drove a little farther and discovered a black Maserati, stalled in the median with its front end smashed and flames shooting out from under the hood. Schuknecht checked the vehicle and found no one inside.



Belkin

He then saw a second car crashed into a white barrier fence, approximately 30 yards from the Maserati. Schuknecht ran to the blue Subaru and found the driver unresponsive and badly injured.

In his report, the officer also noted there was a man, later identified as Gregory Allen Belkin, running around the vehicle and laughing.

"Gregory said he was the driver of the Maserati several times," Schuknecht wrote in his report. "Gregory said he looked down and looked up while driving and the vehicle he hit was stopped on the road. I reminded him the other driver was seriously injured and laughing was not appropriate."

## A broken day

In extensive interviews with friends, acquaintances and eyewitnesses, Bloomfield Township police officers were able to map out Belkin's activities leading up to the moments right before the crash.

From the information they gathered, investigators believe Belkin possibly stopped at two places for drinks the night of the crash. He drove to his ex-girlfriend's house to present her with an engagement ring, but was turned down, investigators say. He left the woman's house and quickly made a call to her while driving away, investigators say.

They believe Belkin dropped his cellphone right before the crash occurred on eastbound Square Lake Road. Police say excessive speeds and alcohol were factors in the crash.

According to the data downloaded from the Maserati's event data recorder, Belkin was traveling at approximately 144 mph seconds before impact. Crash investigators at the scene calculated the Subaru's speed at approximately 54 mph.

Rhonda T. Williams, 53, the driver of the 2009 Subaru Legacy, was transported to St. Joseph Hospital and pronounced dead. The mother of three was driving from work to her home in Oakland Township when the crash occurred.

Belkin, 43, was arraigned three days after the crash on felony charges of second-degree murder and operating under the influence of alcohol, causing death. He pleaded not guilty and was denied bond.

He's currently undergoing a competency evaluation to determine if he's mentally fit to stand trial.

## Tanning salon

On Jan. 25, Bloomfield Township officers Steve



When police came upon this Maserati near Square Lake Road and Woodward, it was stalled in the median with its front end smashed and flames shooting out from under the hood.

Sherwood and Jason Murphy met with Belkin's roommate, Allen Kakoz, at his job in Birmingham. Kakoz stated he went to a tanning salon with Belkin at about 1 p.m. After returning home, Belkin reportedly turned around right away and left to tan a second time at a different place. Belkin then returned home at about 4 p.m.

According to police reports, Kakoz said he "passed out" in his bedroom at around 5:30 p.m. When he awoke a few hours later, he discovered that Belkin had left the house. Kakoz told police Belkin did not return home that night.

Kakoz also told investigators he received a call the next morning from Madison Aleck, an employee at the Parkway Grill who saw a story on the news about a 43-year-old man in a Maserati being involved in a fatal car crash.

Police talked with Aleck later that afternoon. The Parkway Grill is located in the Marriott Hotel in Pontiac and Aleck told police that Belkin sat at the restaurant bar and ordered two glasses of wine between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

According to Aleck, Belkin drank one glass of wine, but only half of the second, before taking a call on his cellphone. He then asked Aleck to have the bartender quickly run the drinks and a bottle of wine on his tab.

## 'I'm going 100 ...'

Belkin's ex-girlfriend, Kimberly Glazer, met Jan. 25 with Murphy and Sherwood at the Bloomfield Township Police Department. According to police reports, Glazer told the two officers she had recently ended her relationship with Belkin, but that he was not taking it well.

On the day of the crash, Glazer said Belkin had been texting her non-stop in an effort to get her back. One text indicates he drove by her house earlier in the day.

Glazer said Belkin called her from the Marriott and insisted on coming over. He arrived at her house at about 8:15 p.m. and presented her with an engagement ring. She told him no and asked him to leave. It was shortly before 9 p.m. when Belkin got back into his Maserati.

She told police that she kept her distance

from Belkin during the conversation and couldn't tell if he had been drinking.

Glazer's cellphone records indicate she received a call from Belkin at 9:02 p.m. The crash itself was first reported to dispatch at 9:04 p.m. She told police that at the end of the phone call, Belkin began reading off odometer speeds.

"We'll see how the night goes," Belkin reportedly told Glazer. "I'm going 100, I'm going 120. I'm going 150 ..."

At that point, the call disconnected.

The Maserati and Subaru were traveling in the same direction on eastbound Square Lake Road, near Emerson Drive. Numerous witnesses on the road reported seeing the Maserati driving at a high rate of speed.

One witness told police he heard the collision and then saw the car spin. Another driver said the Maserati passed him on the right and was traveling at least 80 mph. A third witness said he heard a booming sound and saw police lights.

Schuknecht, the first officer on the scene, detected alcohol on Belkin and asked him to perform several field sobriety tests. After Belkin failed each of the tests, he was handcuffed and arrested for drunken driving, police said.

The two were in an ambulance, heading to St. Joseph's hospital so that Belkin could be examined, when Schuknecht updated him on the crash.

"I informed Gregory the other driver died due to the accident," Schuknecht wrote in his report. "Gregory began to cry, but would later ask me about the condition of his Maserati and the location of his cellphone."

## Belkin interview

On Jan. 26, one day prior to his arraignment, Belkin agreed to talk to investigators without an attorney present. He signed a Miranda Rights form and the conversation was recorded.

The interview was held at the Bloomfield Township Police Station. Belkin said on the morning of the crash, he went to a tanning salon in Waterford with his roommate. He didn't like the tanning salon, so he decided to try another one at Square Lake and Tele-

graph. Belkin reportedly said his memory of that day was "foggy." He reportedly wasn't sure how much he had to drink that day, but was surprised at how high his PBT results were. He reportedly remembered going to Glazer's house and presenting her with the engagement ring. He reportedly did remember stopping at a few places for drinks.

He told investigators the crash occurred when he dropped his cellphone in the car and leaned over to pick it up. He did not think he was speeding at the time of the crash, police said.

Asked how fast he was driving, Belkin reportedly said sometimes he'll go 80 mph, but will quickly slow down. As far as his conversation with Glazer, Belkin reportedly said he told her that he was going over 100 mph "to get a rise out of her." When investigators told him that he was likely traveling over 100 mph, he had no response.

According to the police reports, Belkin then raised concerns over how high his bond was going to be and how he would get home because of his damaged Maserati.

One of the detectives asked Belkin if he wanted to write a letter to the family of Rhonda Williams. Belkin stated he wanted to and proceeded to write the letter. He then was placed back in his cell to await arraignment.

## 'I am screwed'

At the arraignment before 48th District Judge Diane D'Agostini, Oakland County Assistant Prosecutor Ken Frazee said Belkin is a 17-year employee of the U.S. Coast Guard and that his main task is painting buoys.

Belkin has been renting a house in Bloomfield Hills since April 2016 and Frazee noted that some of the neighbors around Belkin have complained about him speeding through the neighborhood. The assistant prosecutor noted Belkin actually got into an argument with two of his neighbors over speeding the night before the accident.

Frazee told the court that Belkin was previously arrested for drunken driving in Virginia. He also said the Coast Guard is investigating an incident in which Belkin

appeared to be intoxicated when he showed up for work in December 2016.

"This is a defendant who displayed a depraved indifference to the life and safety of all the people on the road that day," Frazee told the court. "He drank an excessive amount of alcohol ... this is someone who is a danger to the

public." In his report, Murphy said Belkin walked out from the arraignment and said to the escorting officers, "I am screwed." Belkin's attorney, Deanna Kelley, did not return phone calls about the case.

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## BRADY



TIMOTHY L. passed away suddenly in Chicago, Illinois. He was 37 years old. Tim was born on July 8, 1979, in Plymouth, MI, to Frank J. and Pamela Brady. He attended Plymouth Salem High School and the University of Michigan. He graduated with a degree in bio-psychology. Tim worked for York Insurance in Chicago, Illinois. He lived in Chicago for 14 years, and loved the city. During this time, he developed a network of friends and associates. He was an enthusiastic Cubs fan. He was a proud University of Michigan alumnus and valued his friendships from U of M. He leaves his parents Pam and Frank; brother Patrick (Amelia) Brady, niece Audrey, and nephew James, uncle Michael Brady, Colorado; aunt Kathy (Marcus) Oswald, Ohio; and uncle Lee Simkins, Maryland; cousins Christy, Kate, Michael, Christina, Monica, and Scott. Tim was an excellent pianist and enjoyed music from the age of three. He liked swimming, traveling, and always the arts. He enjoyed boating with friends on Lake Michigan. He loved to laugh. He was a caring, kind, wonderful young man who will be dearly loved forever. The service is private and interment is at Mt. Elliott Cemetery. Contributions can be made to the Old Newsboys Goodfellows Fund of Detroit, P.O. Box 44444, Detroit, MI, 48244-0444. Tim enjoyed marching in the Detroit Thanksgiving Day Parade with his family and The Old Newsboys Goodfellows. Our family is blessed and grateful for the love, prayers, and support from friends. Arrangements are handled by Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth. Condolences may be made at [www.schrader-howell.com](http://www.schrader-howell.com)

## MOORE



HARRIET JANE (ROBBE) age 91, of Beverly Hills, MI, passed away Friday, February 24, 2017 at Nannies Inn, West Bloomfield, MI. She was born November 29, 1925 in Wayne County, MI, daughter of Samuel Henry and Eleanor Harriet (Rose) Robbe. Harriet was a 1943 graduate of Belleville High School and was class Valedictorian. She still loved her class motto into her 90s "If we rest, we rust." Harriet was a member of the Thomas Wolfe Society in Chapel Hill, North Carolina and D.A.R. Daughter's of the American Revolution. She attended the University of Michigan and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She was honored to receive the Hopwood award for poetry her freshman year. Harriet received her undergraduate degree in English, and completed her Master's in English Literature at the U of M as well. She was a member of the English Speaking Union and was a tutor for English as a second language. She even translated a book from French to English. Harriet loved to read and enjoyed baking. She made the best pies ever. She also enjoyed collecting antique glass and was a member of the Glass Club. Mrs. Moore is survived by two daughters Catherine (William) Wegert of Beverly Hills, MI, and Emily (Jeffrey Lapides) Moore of Naperville, Illinois, three grandsons Alexander & Benjamin Lapides, and Andrew Wegert. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Jasper Lewis Moore on April 27, 2012, also son Robbe Jasper Moore May 26, 2008. Visitation will be Sunday 2-7 PM and Monday 10-11 AM at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. Funeral Services will be Monday, February 27, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Suzanne Walls officiating. Interment will be in Tyler Street Cemetery, Van Buren Township, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to Belleville Historical Society or Thomas Wolfe Society-Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

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# Bonds an important part of a diversified portfolio

**Q: I've been reading on the Internet and in financial publications that when interest rates start to climb, investors should dump their mutual funds that own bonds because the funds will decline in value. On the other hand, I heard it made more sense to own individual bonds, because they never lose money and you'll always get your money back at maturity. Which advice should I follow?**

**A:** This is such a great question! Given that U.S. stock markets have performed so well since the financial crisis, someone asking about bonds is very exciting. In actuality, bonds are about as boring as they get, but a long-term, diversified portfolio would have a difficult time existing without them. That's because bonds are important diversifiers to



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stocks. Think of them as "bread and butter." Butter always tastes better on bread. Translation: stocks and bonds are a great combination!

I tend to view bonds as the anchor of a portfolio. When stocks are zigging and zagging, bonds tend to hold up reasonably well, even during periods when interest rates are going up. Their volatility reduction is such a huge benefit to owning them and this often gets lost when the financial media jump into a topic that confuses investors. Diversification is an important part of investing and, even if you have identified individual bonds you want to own, you still have to own

more than one to be diversified. And just because you can own a bond until maturity (say, 10 years) you can still experience fluctuation and decline either due to rising interest rates or credit-related problems.

So while owning individual bonds can help take some of the pressure off of rising rates, they become more difficult to manage in a portfolio. As an example, let's say you have a stated allocation of 60 percent stocks and 40 percent bonds in your investment portfolio. If stocks dropped significantly, it could result in the allocation of bonds becoming 50 percent of the portfolio. As a result, you would have to sell some of your individual bonds to get the portfolio balance back to 60/40.

Unfortunately, it is more challenging to sell partial shares of bonds

due to how they trade.

That's why I recommend bond mutual funds that invest in more than one particular bond vs. owning individual bonds. With the mutual funds, a seasoned fund manager can buy and sell shares of the variety of individual bonds in the fund as needed. Doing that yourself for individual bonds you own can be difficult and you may make bad decisions on which ones to sell, which could ultimately hurt your overall portfolio.

Lastly, a key characteristic of bond mutual funds is the reinvestment of interest income, which is used to purchase more shares and helps offset some of the volatility associated with rising interest rates. If you own or invest in individual bonds, then the interest paid does not get automatically reinvested, it merely sits in cash until

you do something with it. Depending on the type of bond fund, reinvesting interest income plays an important role in the fund's total return over time.

If one was concerned about rising rates, then they could invest in bond funds with shorter average maturities, which are less impacted by rising interest rates than bond funds with longer average maturities. Bond funds do not have definitive maturity dates like individual bonds do, but as you can see, investors can take comfort in the advantages bond mutual funds offer no matter what interest rates do going forward.

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D2 BOYS HOCKEY REGIONALS

## Division rivals on collision course

Chargers, Wildcats take care of business in Division 2 regional semifinals

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Arctic Edge Arena in Canton will be buzzing at 7 p.m. Saturday when two familiar rivals from the Kensington Lakes Activities Association South Division will face off for the Division 2 boys hockey regional championship.

Thanks to each posting two victories over the past four days, Livonia Churchill and Plymouth will vie for a spot in the D2 quarterfinals. It figures to be a

tussle to the finish line.

Heading into the postseason, both the Chargers and Wildcats were ranked among the top teams by Sean Baligian of "State Champs." Churchill was listed at No. 11 in the rankings (which includes all divisions), while Plymouth was at No. 21.

Plymouth (16-10-1) then defeated No. 18-ranked Salem 5-3 in the Feb. 27 pre-regional and subsequently bounced Canton 6-1 two nights later to earn a spot in the regional final.

The Wildcats were sparked by Jack Chumley and Colton Borke, who both scored two goals.

"We got off to a bit of a slow start," Plymouth head coach Gerry Vento said. "Part of that may have been because we were coming off the emotions of our win Monday (against Salem), but it was all because Canton had us on our heels to start the game."

"That first goal was big for us, be-

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MICHAEL VASILNEK

Livonia Churchill and Plymouth will renew acquaintances in Saturday's Division 2 regional final.

BOYS BASKETBALL

## Teams play final tuneups

Postseason looms for squads after Thursday games ended regular season

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Four players reached double figures Thursday as Lutheran Westland's varsity boys basketball team defeated Livingston Christian, 72-39, in the Warriors' final game before beginning the postseason.

Leading the Warriors, who finished 15-5, were Zack Burk (16 points, six rebounds), Luke Smith (14 points, 11 rebounds, six assists), Ben Brown (12 points, 10 rebounds) and Kyle Farley (10 points).

Others helping the cause were Kory Barikmo (five points, six rebounds, six assists) and Kobe Holmes (five points, four steals).

"We never were able to get into a flow in the first half," Lutheran Westland interim coach Kevin Wade said. "Play was choppy and we struggled with it."

Even so, the Warriors still enjoyed leads of 17-10 after one quarter and 29-21 at halftime.

Wade's team stepped on the gas after intermission, however.

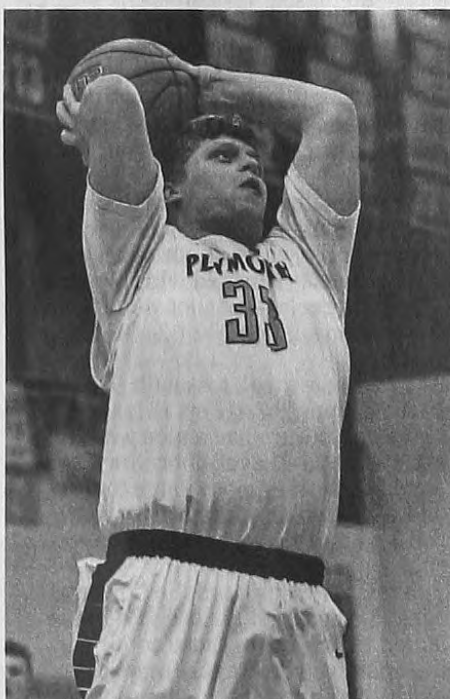
"The second half was much different and it was the reason we were able to pull away," Wade said. "We finish a very tumultuous regular season (the head coach at the start of the season, Jim Hoeft, stepped down for personal reasons) at 15-5 and we have a few days to prepare for districts."

The Warriors' win total was the third highest in school history.

Lutheran Westland will face Detroit Westside Christian at 6 p.m. Wednesday in a Class D district semifinal at Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

In other Class D districts, Plymouth Christian hosts one of the brackets,

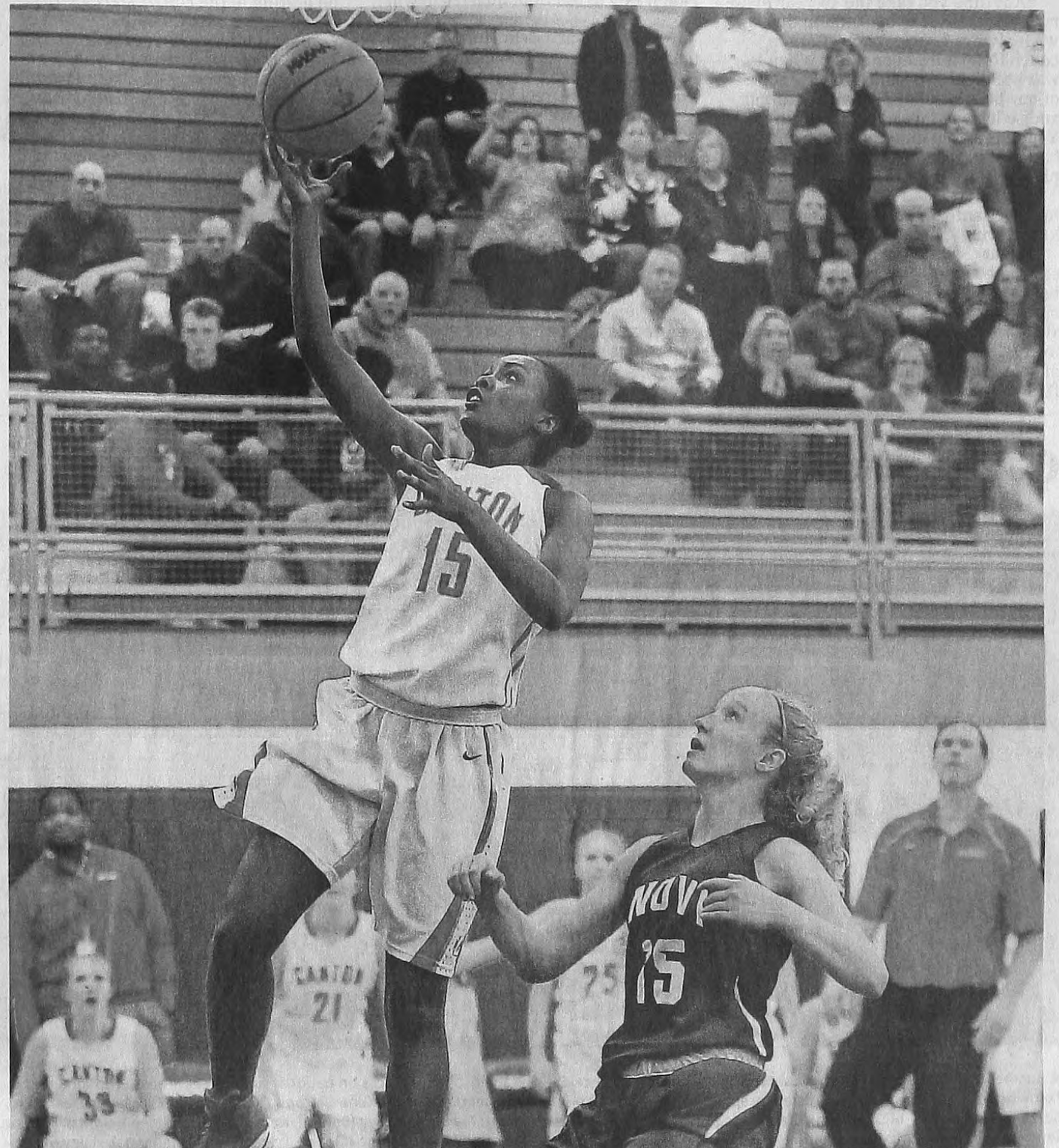
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Plymouth's Robert Florence (left) and his teammates hope to make a winning push in districts.

GIRLS BASKETBALL



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Canton's Shamyia Butler (left) goes in for a layup Friday against Novi in a Class A girls basketball district final at Salem.

## CHIEFS UPENDED

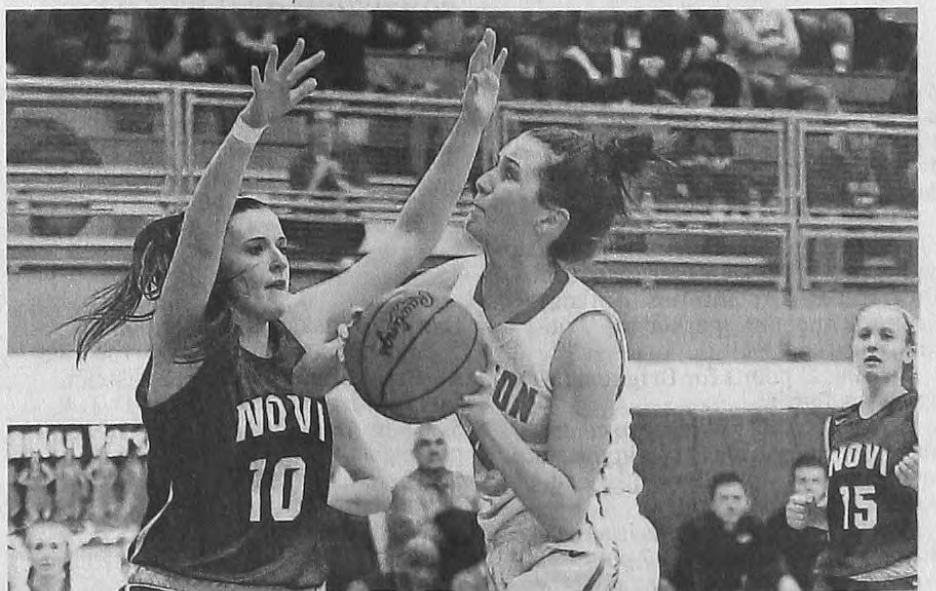
Novi Wildcats defeat Canton for first district crown since 2006 season

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The last time Novi captured a Class A district title was when the Michigan High School Athletic Association still had girls basketball as a fall sport.

Bill Kelp was the Wildcats' coach in 2006 and, 11 years later, his girls hoisted the trophy once again with a 46-40 victory Friday over Canton in the final at Salem.

"This is one of the toughest districts to get out of," said Kelp, who is in his 14th season. "And just to get to the final game is an accomplishment in this district. You've got Canton going to final fours three of those years. Salem making a deep run and North-



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Canton's Erin Hult (right) looks to shoot over Novi defender Cara Ninkovich.

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CHARITY HOCKEY GAME



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Schoolcraft's Andrew Lindsay (left) gains a step on older brother Robert Lindsay of the Michigan State Police hockey team. The teams played a charity game Feb. 24 at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth.

# SKATING FOR A CAUSE

## Schoolcraft hockey team falls in shootout to MSP squad

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Andrew Lindsay called it a "once-in-a-lifetime opportunity" to play in a hockey game against his older brother Robert.

But if all goes as planned, the Feb. 24 charity hockey contest at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth — between Schoolcraft College and the Michigan State Police — is only the first of many to come. The troopers won in a shootout, 5-4.

Schoolcraft sophomore Andrew Lindsay, who in January stepped down from the active roster to become an assistant coach while working toward his dream of becoming a state trooper, came out of "retirement" to skate in the afternoon game.

And he finally faced Robert Lindsay, 25, who is a Michigan State Police trooper.

"He had the whole idea of doing it," Robert said. "And our team, we're trying to get more charities to help. ... It was just a fun game to play in, especially against my brother."

More than \$4,250 was raised for the Michigan State Police Fallen Trooper Memorial Fund, with Schoolcraft players selling tickets in advance.

### Getting involved

Ocelots head coach Rob Lindsay, whose sons are Andrew and Robert, said the team did a great job raising that amount — even though it came up short of the original \$5,000 goal.

"We'll come up with it (the other \$750) somehow," he said with a grin, adding that he "wanted it to be a close game, like it was. I told my boys no checking and hitting, because these guys all got to go to work the next day."

"I was real happy about the president of our school getting involved in it. And I'm glad the MSP got involved with the puck drop."

Schoolcraft College President Dr. Conway Jeffress participated with Andrew Lindsay and Trooper Jon Tibaudo in the ceremonial puck drop. Tibaudo went on to score two goals during regulation and the clincher in the shootout.

"It was a lot faster than anyone on my team has played in a long time," Tibaudo said. "It took us a little bit to get acclimated to it, but it was fun. It was a fun game, fast-paced, just good all-around hockey."

Before the ceremonial puck drop, Jeffress gave kudos to the Schoolcraft hockey program for initiating the event.

"This is great. I love to see them do



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Taking part in the pregame ceremonial puck drop is Schoolcraft College President Dr. Conway Jeffress. He drops the puck between MSP Trooper Jon Tibaudo (left) and Schoolcraft's Andrew Lindsay.

public service kind of work," Jeffress said. "When they can get out and contribute beyond themselves, I think that's a great thing."

### Chance to remember

Tibaudo, 29, of Warren said Andrew Lindsay and Schoolcraft student activities director Todd Stowell were instrumental in the charity game coming to fruition.

"Schoolcraft reached out to me, Lindsay reached out to me and Todd did a lot of work for it," Tibaudo said. "We really appreciate it. They were the brains behind it, they just came to us with the idea. Obviously, we thought it was a great idea."

According to First Lt. Mike Shaw, with the state police for more than two decades, the charity game against the Ocelots was good for the MSP for several reasons.

"It's always a good thing for us to get out there," Shaw said. "For one, it's for a cause like this, the Fallen Trooper Memorial. Not only does it take care of the trooper memorial that's up in Lansing, it also allows us to raise funds for the 51 troopers that have been killed in the line of duty."

"A lot of their grave sites, back from the very first trooper that was killed — Harold Anderson was shot and killed in Novi, that was way back in 1920 — so in 1920, that grave site kind of falls apart a little bit. This gives us an opportunity to go back there and remember our fallen."

Another plus is getting the troopers out into the community.

"This is one of the things we show people," Shaw said. "That, 'Hey, yep, we

drive around in that awesome blue car with the light on there. We're the premier law enforcement in the state, if not the country. But also we do things like this, we play hockey, we raise funds.' It's always a good thing for us to get out here and do stuff like this."

### Back and forth

As for the game itself, the teams played to a 1-1 tie after one 15-minute period and the MSP outscored the Ocelots 3-1 in the second to go up 4-2 entering the final period of regulation.

Tibaudo scored two of the MSP goals in the second, including one where he stickhandled and waited for the goalie to commit before going shelf.

Schoolcraft rallied in the third to send the game to overtime. First, forward Owen Hund (Garden City) scored an unassisted goal to make it 4-3, his second of the game. Scoring the equalizer was Nick Oliveri.

After two scoreless five-minute OT sessions (the second in a 3-vs.-3 format), the teams went to the shootout to decide matters. The lone goals were scored by David Tasker and Tibaudo.

The other Schoolcraft goal was scored by Livonia Stevenson alum Vinnie Glenn, midway through the second period, to make it a 2-2 game. Assisting were Westland's Jacob Stanley and Andrew Nowak (Stevenson).

Each of the Ocelots' three goalies got to play a period, with Matt Monendo (Livonia Franklin) followed by Bryan Donaldson and Brett Kates (Garden City).

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# HOCKEY

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cause we weren't playing our best hockey and it allowed us to exhale."

Scoring the important goal for the Wildcats was Nick Yankee.

"After that, I thought we slowly started to take over the game and managed things well from that point," Vento said. "It wasn't our best game of the year, but at this point in the season, it is all about winning this game so you have an opportunity to play the next game."

"We know we have to be better when we face Churchill on Saturday and I am confident the boys will be better."

### Close call

As for the Chargers (19-8-0), the going was a little more precarious. After Tuesday's 7-3 rout of Woodhaven in a pre-regional match-up at Kennedy Ice Center in Trenton, it took overtime Thursday for Churchill to prevail in the regional semifinal against the host Trojans, 4-3.

Trenton scored twice in the final 6:11

*"We know we have to be better when we face Churchill on Saturday and I am confident the boys will be better."*

GERRY VENTO  
Plymouth head coach

of the third period to tie the game at 3-3 and send it into overtime.

That's when John Doyle scored an unassisted goal for the winner. It was Doyle's second goal of the night to go along with two assists.

Venegoni (one goal, one assist), Tyler Haydu (two assists), Danny Carey (one goal), Joe Wozniak (one assist) and goalie Drew Broyles (28 saves) also were key contributors.

Churchill and Plymouth met only once this season, Jan. 11 at Eddie Edgar Arena. That night, the Chargers rolled to a 4-1 victory.

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MICHAEL VASILNEK

Plymouth senior Joe Fontana, shown from earlier this season, will be pumped up to help his team get past Livonia Churchill.

BOYS HOCKEY REGIONALS

# SPARTANS HANG ON

Livonia Stevenson survives scare from Novi to post 3-2 win in D2 regional semifinal

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With a loaded field of teams, the road to an MHSAA Division 2 boys hockey state championship is going to be a gauntlet.

Livonia Stevenson, which has been to three of the last four state finals, found that out Thursday and survived a stiff challenge from upset-minded Novi to earn a 3-2 regional semifinal win at Novi Ice Arena.

"I just don't want my last game to be this one," said Stevenson senior Alex Walkuski, who scored the game-winning goal on a power play late in the second period. "I want to win the last game of the season, the state championship."

Stevenson (16-10-1), D2 state runner-up the last two years, spotted the Wildcats (10-14-2) a two-goal lead in the opening period, only to respond with three unanswered goals and advance to regional final against White Lake Lakeland (14-12).

Walkuski's game-winner came with only 6.5 seconds left in the second period to break a 2-2 deadlock after the Wildcats' David DeNova was sent off for a roughing penalty just 24 seconds earlier.

"Julian Decina came around the net and I figured I should probably go in front," Walkuski said. "He tossed it in front and I just happened to whack it in the right place and it just went in."

Walkuski, who has 21 points on the year with five goals and 15 assists, also had a game-winning goal just eight days earlier in a 4-2 win over Warren De La Salle.

"Alex Walkuski has been through a lot for us and been in these moments and we're just very happy for him to get a goal like that," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said.

Meanwhile, the game-tying goal by senior Ryan McCamant came just 50 seconds into the second period on a shot from the right point that Novi goaltender Manny Legace Jr. (29 saves) got screened on. Sam Judd and Justin Alton drew the assists.

### What a first

It was McCamant's first career goal as a Spartan and he couldn't have timed it any better.

"To have a goal and a moment like that ... it's nice to see them rewarded and have moments like this," Mitchell said.

Novi senior Zach Perpich scored the game's first two goals, with the first at the 58-second mark of the first after he pounced on a Stevenson turnover and went top shelf to beat Stevenson goalie Will Tragge (21 saves).

Perpich followed up his unassisted goal with a perfectly timed tip-in on a power play at 4:41 of the same period, with Derek DuBois and Cam Czapski drawing the assists.

"They came out with a really good game plan, changed up some things in their defensive zone and started sending pucks and flying their wingers a bit and we didn't adjust and it put us in our heels a little bit," Mitchell said. "They scored a really nice goal and Perpich is a really good player. They got a bounce on another one and, low and behold, we're down 2-0. I thought we came out a bit nervous and on our heels a little bit, but then again Novi put us there, so give them all the credit in the world."

The Spartans, however, did get on the board at the 11:17 mark of the first on Vincent Decina's goal from brother Julian and Kevin Stefanick to trim the deficit to 2-1.

### Momentum switch

But after Novi outshot Stevenson 11-7 in the first period, the tables turned for the Spartans during the second.

"I think we made some adjustments between the first and second period, but a coach's adjustments are only as good if their players actually go out and execute and our players executed our adjustments," Mitchell said. "We just talked about calming down and doing things to combat what they were doing. It was nice to get the period done and have a break and have a talk and reset. We use the word reset quite often in our vocabulary. We reset and went back after it and flipped the ice a little bit."

Stevenson outshot Novi 16-3 in the second period and put plenty of pucks in the Wildcats' defensive end.

"We knew they were going to come back in the second and they took it to us," Novi coach Mark Velucci said. "I thought that penalty (on DeNova) was a questionable call, but that's the way the game goes sometimes and you got overcome it. Yeah, it was a tough goal to give up late in the period. But we pushed back in the third and it was one-goal game that could have gone either way."

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Double-OT thriller goes Churchill's way

Chargers' Yost, Smith come up huge in clutch in district win over Livonia Stevenson

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It remains to be seen what kind of basketball will be played later this month when the final teams square off at the Breslin Center.

But those fans who attended Wednesday's Class A girls basketball district semifinal at Westland John Glenn between Livonia Churchill and Livonia Stevenson might have witnessed one of the most thrilling and suspenseful contests to be played throughout the 2017 state tournament.

Led by senior forward Annie Yost's 20 points and 21 rebounds — and a 24-point night by guard Shae Smith, who came back for OT after injuring an ankle late in the fourth quarter — the Chargers won 63-61 in double overtime to advance to face Westland John Glenn in the district final.

The Rockets defeated Garden City 39-27 in Wednesday's second game.

"If you're looking for a good game, it doesn't get much better than that," said Churchill head coach K'Len Morris, whose team improved to 8-14. "Cross-town rivals, semis in districts and double overtime. I feel bad for Stevenson, because they played their butts off, especially Grace (Lamerson). She played a hell of a game."

"Our girls, it was a back and forth, back and forth and they just toughed it out. It was good to see."

A strong force in the paint for the Chargers was Yost.

"Our strong play is getting it into the post, no matter whether I'm shooting or I'm getting it and kicking it back out," Yost said. "When we get the ball in the post, good things happen and we did a good job of that."

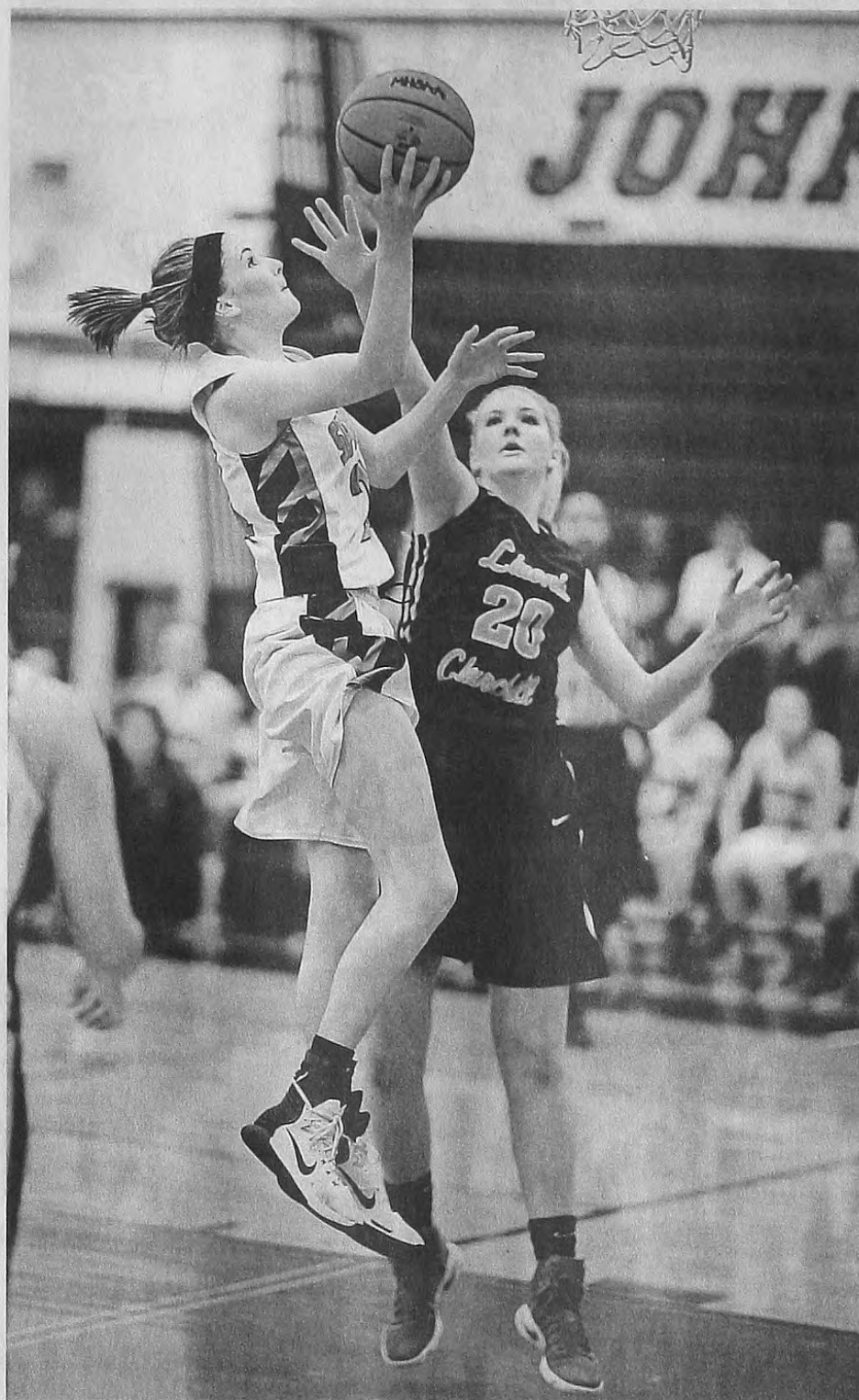
**Rivalry game**

Lamerson, Stevenson's senior forward, was everywhere it seemed, coming up with big plays when they were most needed by her team. She wound up with 21 points, six steals, five blocks and five rebounds.

"That's what you want, the rival game, that's what everyone comes out to watch," Lamerson said, choking back emotions knowing her Stevenson career ended with the final buzzer. "I like giving the crowd a good game, too, and for our team. I just wish we came out on top."

It was close all night long, but the fourth quarter was a real heart-stopper for fans of either team.

Lamerson muscled in for a layup to put the Spartans up 48-47 midway through the quarter and Kimmy Freed knocked down a jumper from the cor-



Going in for a layup Wednesday is Stevenson's Grace Lamerson. Defending for Churchill is Annie Yost (right).

ner to make it 50-47.

But Smith answered with a trey from beyond the top of the arc, off an inside-out dish by Yost, to tie things up at 50-50.

Stevenson junior guard Sarah Tanderers (13 points) then confidently bounced the ball once before launching a deep triple to again put the Spartans in front by three.

Both teams missed chances over the next 90 seconds and then it was Ronnie Severin's turn to do long-gun damage. Her 3-pointer evened the see-saw affair at 53-53 with 1:04 to play.

**Untimely miscue**

Trading layups were Lamerson and Smith, then the Spartans had the ball and a chance to get a winning shot or be

sent to the foul line in the closing seconds.

The Spartans, who finished 10-11, never got the chance because they could not inbound the ball from the sidelines following a timeout.

"I just think the girls panicked a little bit, they didn't run what they were supposed to," first-year Stevenson coach Karen Anger said. "They were supposed to set some screens and everybody just kind of went their own way and that hurt us right there, because we would have had some time to work with to get our last shot off."

"Our plan was to milk the clock down to about 10 or eight seconds and then do the play we had drawn. But we couldn't get it in."

Churchill then had to worry about losing Smith for overtime; she fell hard and injured an ankle with 2.1 seconds remaining and had to be helped off the floor.

**Wouldn't be denied**

But Smith was out there again when the overtime began.

"She came back in and you could tell it was still bothering her a little bit," Morris said. "But she was not going to let our team lose tonight and that's what you want out of your point guard."

"You want somebody who's going to lead. And she led our team to the win tonight. Very, very proud of Shae."

Stevenson only managed to lead once during extra time, going up 57-55 thanks to a layup by Tanderers.

Churchill responded on a bucket by Yost to extend the game yet again. In the second extra session, Yost's put-back put the Chargers in front 61-59 and the lead was four with 22 seconds left after Smith hit a pair of foul shots.

Stevenson subsequently ran out of chances and the presence of Yost had much to do with that.

"Annie can be the most dominant player on the floor in any game," Morris said. "She just has the physical tools to be dominant. She had 21 rebounds tonight. It's amazing."

"She's been our leader through her actions. Between her and Shae tonight, they both led our team to that victory."

Lamerson wasn't the only senior who Anger said "gave it everything they had there at the end."

Collecting nine points and six rebounds was Diane Senkowski.

Lamerson said the sting from the loss will take a while to go away, but she won't forget her high school career.

"I think all the coaches and all my (teammates) really pushed me to do my best," said Lamerson, who will attend Michigan State University, but not play basketball there. "I wouldn't change it for the world."

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## No. 10-ranked Schoolcraft College men's team shoots for MCCA crown

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The Schoolcraft College men's basketball team is looking at a three-peat.

The No. 10-ranked Ocelots, who won the Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference with a 14-2 record (22-5 overall), will host No. 16 Muskegon at 3 p.m. Sat-

urday in the MCCA championship game.

Schoolcraft won the conference and league titles each of the last two seasons and head coach Abe Mashhour's third championship bid in as many years would be commendable because most of the players on the 2016-17 roster are new to the program.

There are eight freshmen on the

Ocelots' roster, led by guards Delo Hansbro and Armani Tinsley. Other freshmen are guards Joan Andoni (Livonia Churchill), Walt Kelser, Richard Talley and Kendrick Harris, forward Donovan Williams and wing DeYuan Heard.



Mashhour

Rounding out the squad are six sophomores. Those are wings Charles Penn, Tariq Jones, Kevin Hayes and Carlos Taylor, guard Esa Abduljami and forward Daniel Dwyer.

Muskegon won the Western Conference with a 16-2 record (22-5 overall).

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ville ... it's a tough, tough district. We've had some battles and this little team played their hearts out. We beat three very good teams this week. I'm just happy."

The Wildcats, who improved to 17-6, used the same recipe that upended district favorite Northville on Wednesday in the semifinals — stingy defense, holding their own on the boards and making timely free throws.

And despite the team's leading scorer Ellie Mackay picking up two early fouls and sitting on the bench most of the first half, the Wildcats were able to keep their distance from the Chiefs (16-6).

Mackay, a junior point guard who scored a school-record 40 points in Novi's 66-44 win Feb. 22 over Canton, finished with a game-high 20 after scoring just two in the opening half.

Picking up the offensive slack was senior guard Cara Ninkovich, who scored 10 of her 13 in the first half as the Wildcats held a 22-20 lead.

"She picked up two fouls; it happens," Ninkovich said of Mackay. "I'm pretty comfortable at the point guard, so I knew I had my team to rely on and everyone did a really great job helping out when she had to go off."

Ninkovich was able to shake free around the basket as Chiefs senior forward Shanya Butler (10 points) stuck to Mackay throughout the game like flypaper.

"I knew that they were going to face-guard Ellie, so I knew I had to get to the basket more, attack more and score," Ninkovich said. "I think we did a good job attacking and picking up fouls. We converted on our free throws, which was huge."

Novi finished the night making 20-



The Novi girls basketball team hoists its first Class A district trophy since 2006.

of-25 from the foul line, with Mackay going 13-of-15.

"When when you've got guards like ours that can make free throws, it's an advantage," Kelp said. "There's no question about it. You've got a guard (Mackay) who has shot over 200 free throws and a guard (Ninkovich) who's got over 100 free throws this year. That's unheard of."

Mackay scored eight third-quarter points as Novi led by as many as nine while taking a 35-28 advantage into the fourth.

The Chiefs tried to make a late run, getting a 3-pointer from senior forward Erin Hult (nine points) with just under a minute left, but Mackay canned 3-of-4 foul shots in the final 40 seconds to seal the win.

"Although this team might be as talented, I think this team works harder than other teams I've played with in any sport," Ninkovich said. "And I think this is a really well-deserved win and a well-deserved trophy we got."

Canton shot 34.6 percent from the floor (18-of-52) compared to Novi's 12-of-30 (40 percent), but the Chiefs went only 1-of-5 from the foul stripe.

"We did have shots," Canton coach Rob Heitmeyer said. "The first 14 games of the season, we were actually shooting a percentage of about 44 percent in games. In the last eight games, we kind of lost a little bit that moxie that we had early in the year. We work hard to get the kids open. Again, it's district playoff time. It's a lot like hockey. Anytime you're in the playoffs, it's a little more physical, a little more fast, refs let a little more go and so we expected that. Our girls did the best they could to battle through it."

And although the Chiefs limited Mackay to 20 fewer points than the previous outing, they couldn't quite corral the junior point guard down the stretch.

"Of course, they made an adjustment the first half," Heitmeyer said of Novi. "Ellie was going to come out. She shot two threes on their first two possessions. She made one and missed one, but the idea was definitely to get the ball back in Ellie's hands more and we did our level best to deny her whenever we could."

Ninkovich's play the first half was especially key after Mackay got into early foul trouble.

The Wildcats now advance to the regional semifinals at 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, at North Farmington, where they will face Walled Lake Western (19-4).

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## 5 job search hacks to help break into a new role

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**J**ob hunting is a pain. Filling out countless applications, writing cover letters and revising résumés only to wait weeks for a response is laborious and stressful. And it's not always effective.

Try these five hacks – or shortcuts – to break out of the job seeker rut and into a great new job.

### 1. Schedule mock interviews.

It may sound counterintuitive, but when looking for a new job it helps to seek out managers who don't currently have a position available, says Ted Hessing, owner of Six Sigma Study Guide, a framework to make organizations more competitive.

"When targeting a position, seek out three to five managers who typically hire the position you aspire to," Hessing says. "Express that you'd like help base-lining your résumé and competencies to ensure you are a good fit for the position. Ask if it would be possible to do a mock interview where they ask the same questions they would of a 'real' candidate. Afterward, review your performance and ask for one to three things that you could work on over the next few months."



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This approach achieves three goals, says Hessing. First, it develops industry contacts who are aware of your aspirations. Next, it allows you to practice interviewing, and finally, it provides insight about other top candidates who previously interviewed for the position.

### 2. Build a relationship with select recruitment companies.

Recruiters are the gate-

keepers to many jobs. Karla Jobling, director at London-based recruiting firm Beecher-Madden, recommends reaching out and making a personal connection.

"Build relationships with one or two select recruitment companies that specialize in the area you work in," Jobling says. "Take the time to meet with them. They will approach you with suitable roles when they come up. Many of these aren't even advertised, and

you don't have to do anything – just wait for the calls to come in."

### 3. Use alternate keywords.

Many job seekers are thwarted from the start by searching for the wrong titles. "How you think a job might be described may vary company by company," says Alissa Carpenter, a career discovery and personal development coach. "Check out LinkedIn profiles for how people describe their position and then use their language."

Keywords are also important on a candidate's résumé, says Linda Kurloff, a career specialist at East Village Access, a recovery program for adults with mental health challenges. She suggests adding a mission statement to your résumé to show how your values align with a specific company's.

### 4. Rethink networking.

Networking is important, but some approaches are more effective than others. In today's competitive market, it helps to get creative, says John Paul Engel, lecturer of entrepreneurship at the University of Iowa.

"My best hack is to find the former chair of the association in your industry," Engel says. "They are known and liked

by everyone... They are great door openers."

Tiffani Murray, HR expert and career consultant at PersonalityOnaPage.com, suggests joining Twitter chats that are relevant to job seekers, including #CareerChat, #JobHuntChat and #HFChat.

### 5. Market yourself.

"Winners don't 'apply' for jobs, they market themselves as the next Mark Zuckerberg," says Mark Stevens, CEO of marketing and management firm MSCO. Stevens encourages job seekers to market themselves with creativity and break the rules.

"Instead of placing a résumé on the interviewer's desk, present her with an idea for winning at your job," Stevens suggests. "Silence wins etiquette awards but always loses jobs. No one gets upset if you call... if you have something powerful to say. [For example,] 'I spent the weekend researching your company and your competition, and I have a plan for how you can gain market share. Where can I send it?'"

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# Car Report

## LUXURY EXPERIENCE FOR A NON-PREMIUM PRICE: KIA CADENZA PROVIDES A LOT TO LIKE



By Dale Buss

The only thing worse than the result of my major Michigan pothole incident of 2017 was that I was driving a car that didn't deserve I was happily piloting

the new, 2017 Kia Cadenza when – not a quarter-mile from my front door – I caught a deep seasonal pothole on the edge of the road. Quickly, the huge and elegant, 19-inch alloy wheel on the right front of the car, with the gorgeous low-profile tire, was swallowed up and spit out by the merciless and indiscriminate feature of the state's winter roadways.

A flat tire quickly ensued, partly because thin tires don't have as much give as traditional ones. In fact, the unfortunate intersection with a pothole also broke the rim and screwed up the car's suspension.



Alas, this tire couldn't handle a big Michigan pothole.



Cadenza's spacious interior provides a luxury feel.

And so began my short(ened) stint with a vehicle that quickly I had grown to love, during a test period cut short but not forgotten.

Cadenza hasn't been a huge volume seller for Kia, sandwiched as it is between the flagship K900, an important vehicle as the Korean brand moves upscale, and the mid-sized Optima, a staple of Kia's recent rise in the U.S. market. In fact, on average, Kia has sold only about 7,500 Cadenzas on average since its introduction four years ago.

But actually, extending into early this year, Kia has had trouble overall in the U.S., with sales sliding from a year earlier and not even its SUV lineup outselling 2016 figures, an unusual occurrence at a time when American buyers are swinging heavily into utility vehicles and away

from sedans.

Nevertheless, Cadenza deserves serious considerations by consumers who want a good-sized, sumptuous, highly capable sedan without having to pay Lexus or Mercedes-Benz prices.

Or, as U.S. News & World Report evaluators put it, "Cadenza holds its own in a competitive class. With an upscale, spacious interior, a long list of ... features, and the latest technology, the Cadenza has plenty to like."

Start with the sculpted design of the second-generation Kia as expressed in the 2017 version. It looks more luxurious than the previous model, starting the new "tiger nose" grille, featuring either vertical bars or a mesh insert depending on trim level.

And it's a joy to drive – assuming



The 2017 Kia Cadenza has been impressively restyled.

you can avoid potholes. Kia's 3.3-liter, naturally aspirated V6 engine feeds the front wheels only. And with its new, eight-speed automatic transmission – with two extra gears compared with the first generation – Cadenza accelerates more quickly than the old version even with 3 fewer horsepower.

Its handling is mid-range, about what you'd want and expect from a luxury sedan even though its pricing – beginning at just \$31,990 – is anything but premium.

Inside Cadenza is where Kia's efforts to move upscale really pay off. The cabin is very quiet. Soft-touch materials on the door panels, arm rests, seat and dash are well complemented by stylish faux wood and chrome, presenting a front that's comparable to many true luxury

brands.

Cadenza's list of available safety and automated-driving features is impressive for a large car that can be had for under \$40,000. It includes a standard rear-vision camera and extends to available smart blind-spot detection, rear-park assists, rear cross-traffic alert, autonomous emergency braking, adaptive cruise control, a forward-collision warning system, lane-change assist, lane-departure warning, and a 360-degree camera system.

I could only ask for one more feature: a pothole detector that would smoothly and automatically veer away from these monstrosities. Cadenza was taken away from me way too soon!

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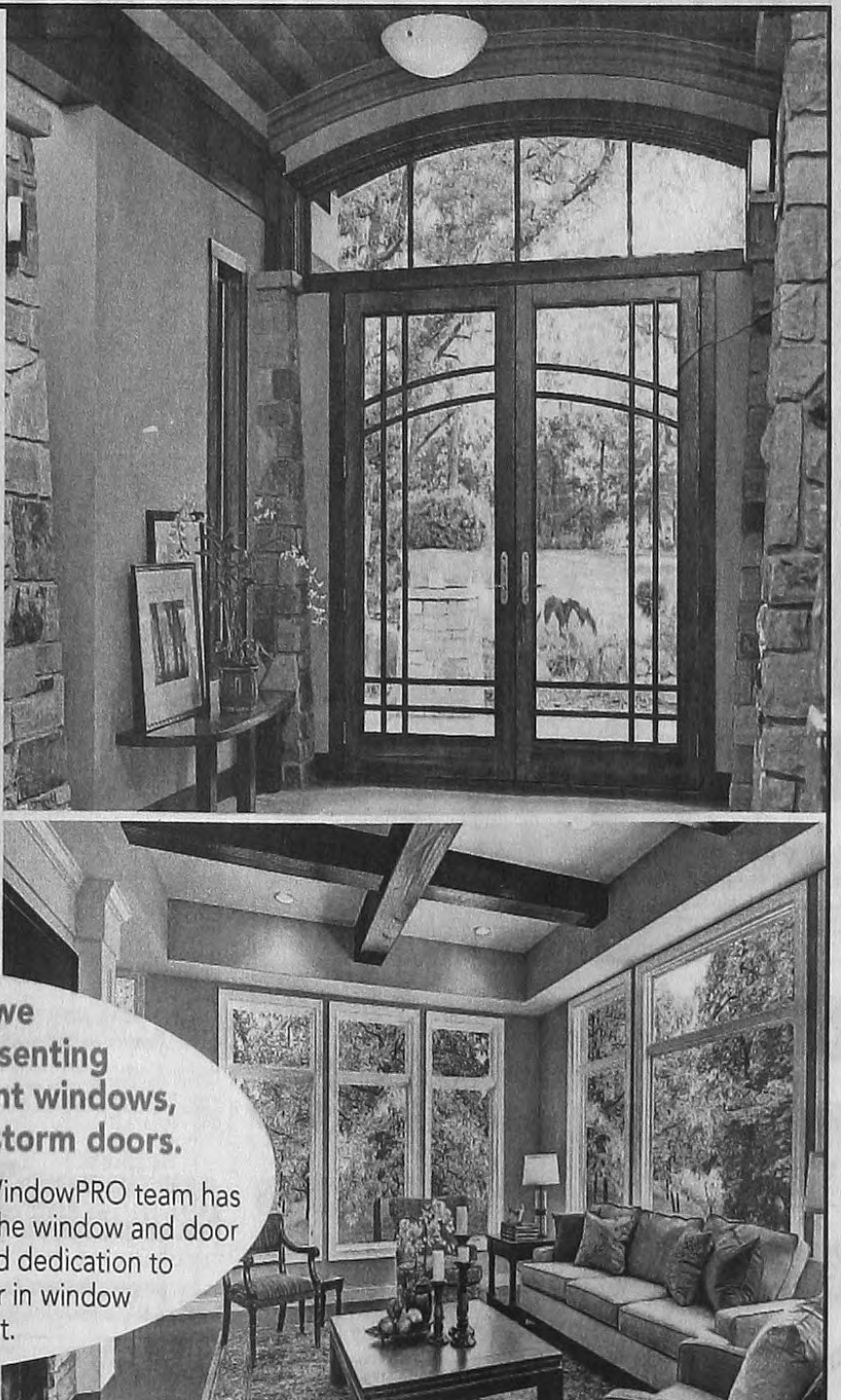
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