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Doctor gets 1 day in jail, big fines

Bassel Altantawi sentenced in medical fraud case

Darrell Clem hometownlife.com

A former Canton-based doctor who pleaded guilty in a medical fraud scandal has been sentenced to one day in jail and ordered to pay fines totaling \$278,355, a court clerk confirmed Tuesday.

However, Bassel Altantawi of Farmington Hills also has had his medical license suspended as he faces a hearing before the Michigan Board of Medicine, said Michael Loepp, spokesman for the Michigan Department of Licensing and **Regulatory** Affairs The board could impose

penalties ranging up to permanently stripping Altantawi of his license to practice medicine, Loepp said.

Altantawi was Altantawi

charged last May in a 22count case involving allegations he billed Medicaid and Blue Cross Blue Shield for

services he didn't provide while he worked at Canton Urgent Care on Ford Road, west of Lilley.

The medical facility had closed after his arrest, but is now open with new doctors and under new management.

Averting a jury trial, Altan-tawi pleaded guilty in January to two counts of Medicaid fraud and two counts of health care fraud. His sentencing

came last week by Ingham County Circuit Judge Rosemarie Acquilina.

Altantawi received credit for the day he already had served in jail, the court clerk said. She also said the fines totaling \$278,355 already have been paid to the state of Michigan.

As part of his plea deal,

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Jon Changes of Novi rallies in support of President Donald Trump.

'A very brave man': Rally shows support for president

Matt Jachman hometownlife.com

Right, left and in-between can agree: President Donald Trump isn't a traditional politician.

That's one of the things Barry Gibbs likes about him, that he's an outsider shaking things up in Washington, D.C.

"There are too many career guys in there," said Gibbs, of Northville Township, who was among about 60 people at a rally for Trump on Haggerty, just south of Eight Mile, on Saturday afternoon.

Waving U.S. flags and carrying signs with pro-Trump messages, supporters cheered the new president and urged

passing drivers to honk the horns on their vehicles. Many obliged, but there were some middle fingers, too, Gibbs said.

"I really think that he deeply cares about every Amer-ican in our country," Gibbs said of Trump.

Projects Trump has taken up so far - working to repeal or revise the Affordable Care Act and trying to create jobs and keep U.S. companies in the country -- "are good for the county and need to be done," Gibbs said.

"He's just been speaking out against globalization and he's talking about America

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faculty advisor): Why do we help? Because we can," Jansen said. "When we have families in crisis in our community who need help, and I have the ability to help them through SJ5K, how could I not get involved?'

The SJ5K is organized every year by a new group of seniors, with a little help from some adult volunteers. This year's leadership team, for instance, consists of a dozen students. That first run was to benefit Lindlbauer and his family, but it has since grown into a charitable event that helps local families, as well. While planning is "almost a

never ending process," accord-ing to Jansen, the real nitty-gritty starts in October, when the team finalizes the nomination application, rubric and the plan to promote the next year's event. The team goes through the previous year's nomination materials, edits them as needed and promotes the nomination process.

The promotion team creates press materials and videos, the sponsorship team visits local businesses and organizations to recruit sponsors, set up fundraisers and "create connections," Jansen said. Mostly, though it's about the

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on the Novi side of Eight Mile.

Supporters of President Donald Trump rally March 4 at Eight Mile and

Haggerty in Northville Township. A few counter-demonstrators gathered

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"The event is growing,

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authorities agreed to drop 18 criminal counts, including the more serious charge of running a continuing criminal enterprise, punishable by 20 years in prison.

Charges against Altantawi were announced last May by Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette and came from the Health Care Fraud Division of his office. The case unfolded after Canton police received a tip about potential fraud and the state stepped in to investigate, uncovering multiple allegations.

The Observer has left a message with the attorney general's office to try to determine whether hefty fines and a light jail sentence one day in Altantawi's case — are typical in medical fraud cases.

Altantawi's decision

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to accept a plea agreement could potentially have spared him time in prison.

He did not respond to earlier phone calls seeking comment. Early on, Schuette

had warned that his office wouldn't tolerate medical fraud

We will continue to identify and prosecute unscrupulous health care providers who waste limited health care dollars by fraudulently seeking payment for services they never provided," he said. "Michigan residents should feel confident that when they see a physician, they receive honest, quality care and accurate billing based on the services provided to them by a physician.'

Schuette said Blue Cross Blue Shield fraud investigators assisted in the investigation.

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families.

We begin with the families," Jansen said. Through all of the process, we remain in contact with the families, supporting them along the way however we can."

Savalox knows how consuming planning an event for 3,000-4,000 people can be, and points out how well the students handle it.

"It's a giant undertaking that requires a wellfunctioning team of adults and students," she said. "The adults are committed to cultivating student leadership; the challenge is that it is a different group of students every year, so the learning curve starts anew each year. The student coordinator position requires an extraordinary amount of work, leadership, dedication and ability to run a team. The students dedicate their NHS project to the SJ5K, but they dedicate at least 40 hours each toward this, minimum. This event overtakes our lives, but we know it is worthwhile."

The SJ5K started in 2011 with some 1,800

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first and that's what we need," said Linda Ann Isaacson of Westland, who wore a button that read, "Deplorable and Proud of It," a reference to a remark by Hillary Clinton, whom Trump defeated in an Electoral College victory to win the presidency, that half of Trump's supporters belonged in a "basket of deplorables.'

Several participants said it was important for them to show they back Trump, whose first weeks in office have been contentious. "I admire him. I think

he's a very brave man



The 2017 student leadership team with Jesse Lindlbauer.

registered participants. By 2016, it had grown to 3,000. More than that are expected to participate this year as the race continues to grow. Jansen believes people are responding to the "unique qualities" of the event - the student-led leadership, the idea it helps local families, etc.

"Not only does it help support families in need, but it helps students grow as leaders," Jansen said. "Also, it's entirely local families; people know where the proceeds are going when they sign up. They see their friends, coworkers, teachers, students, classmates, neighbors among the families who are in crisis, and they want to help them. They'll be helping

seven families this year: » Ray Barnes, a soft-

ball coach with children at Canton High School.

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"openly" against Trump.

"These liberals are

trying to undermine this

administration," said Ed

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who speaks the truth," Isaacson said. 'The shadow govern-

» Fin GorgEffen, a 10-year-old boy whose mother is a speech pathologist at Allen and Smith elementary schools.

» Courtney Todd, a 2009 Canton High School graduate who recently received her degree from University of Michigan-Dearborn.

» Lizzy Verdugo, a freshman at Canton with two other sisters in the district.

» Lynn Walkuski, a substitute teacher with a daughter at Plymouth High School.

» Regina Wilburn, a Starkweather teacher and Key Club advisor.

» Michelle Wilson, a mother of three children who attend All Saints Catholic School and Discovery Middle School.

Jansen believes that increase in families may be part of why the event is growing.

do. "He hasn't changed just because he got in the White House," Dively said

On the Novi side of Eight Mile, a half-dozen counter-protesters gathered to show opposition to the president's policies. Conrad Mahr of Northville held up a sign that read, "Drain Trump," a take on Trump's promise to "drain the swamp" in Washington.

"That's part of democ-racy, the right to have your voice heard," Mahr said.

Mahr said he was particularly alarmed by Trump's plan for budget cuts to some federal programs, like the Environmental Protection Agency and to arts pro-

the pride - their character is revealed through this," Savalox said. "Usually, seniors are worried about big issues -- college

acceptance, scholarships, etc. - and their willingness to put this event first is unprecedented. These students are our National Merit Finalists, taking AP classes, working jobs, playing sports, and in dance. They are busy. They care desperately about these families.

To learn more and register to run, visit SJ5K.org and if interested in becoming a sponsor, contact sj5ksponsors@gmail.com soon. The deadline to submit a sponsor logo for the back of the race shirt is March 25.

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grams and National Public Radio.

Nicole Smith of Royal Oak said she's worried about the rhetoric coming from some, but not all, she was careful to say, Trump supporters. "Some of them are using his platform to spread hate," she said.

The pro-Trump rally in Northville Township was one of at least nine across Michigan, which organizers were calling March 4 Trump events, planned for Saturday. The Michigan events were among many Saturday March 4 Trump demonstrations around the country.

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Writer honored as mParks media advocate

Veteran Canton Observer reporter Darrell Clem was honored Tuesday by the Canton Township Board of Trustees after being awarded the mParks 2017 Media Advocate of the Year award.

The award for Clem, a longtime Observer staffer who has covered Canton since 2009, was announced Feb. 3 at the mParks conference in Grand Rapids. Canton Leisure Services Director Greg Hohenberger read the commendation at Tuesday's meeting.

"The Canton Board of Trustees and the Leisure Services Department would like to take this opportunity to officially present this award and

recognize Darrell for his dedicated efforts to promote the importance of Parks and Recreation" in the Canton community, Hohenberger said. "(Clem) embodies what it means to be a media advocate and vocal supporter of Parks and Recreation. Darrell always keeps the best interest of Canton Leisure Services in mind and uses special care in taking the right approach on its behalf. He attends many Leisure Services events and he fully embraces and shares the mission and passion for the Canton community.

Hohenberger pointed out Clem's "contributions to the community'

through his coverage and "strong ability to portray Canton in an incredibly positive light." He cited Clem's coverage when funds were "threatened for local therapeutic recreation programs." Within hours of his story being posted, Hohen-berger said, local authorities had "reached out to assure funding would be supplied."

Clem was humbled by the recognition.

"I'm honored that **Canton Leisure Services** nominated me for this award," Clem said. "If my coverage of their programs has in any way helped the Canton community, I'm happy to have done it.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHE Township Supervisor Pat Williams (right) presents the award to Darrell Clem.

Mom leaves toddler in car while shopping

Darrell Clem hometownlife.com

A 2-year-old boy was left alone in a car while his mother was shopping at a Sprint store in Canton, police say.

The toddler had tears running down his face and was strapped into a car seat in the back seat of a Chevrolet Malibu while the engine was running, a police report said

The incident unfolded about 5:40 p.m. Friday and ended with the 27year-old mother being ticketed for child neglect - a ticket she said could hurt her chances of keeping the child during an ongoing custody dispute with the father, the report said.

Police went to the 46000 block of Michigan Avenue when a witness called 9-1-1 after she noticed the child alone in the car. She said the boy had been alone for as long as 30 minutes.

Police found the mother in the Sprint store. She said she had only been in the store for 10 minutes. She said the boy was sleeping, so she left him alone with the heat turned on in the car, the

report said.

Police advised her that it would be easy for someone to break out a window of the vehicle and take the child The mother, a Belle-

ville resident, insisted to police that she is a good mother, the report said. Police ticketed the woman and released her at the scene. Police also reported the incident to Child Protective Services

Gun threats

A man who told police he had been "relieved" of two murder charges in Detroit was taken into custody by Canton police amid allegations he threatened his ex-girlfriend with an Airsoft gun - a replica weapon, a police report said

The 47-year-old suspect also told police he was affiliated with several gangs

The incident happened about 9:10 p.m. Saturday, when the victim, a 23-year-old Taylor woman, called police from the 7200 block of Commerce to report that her ex-boyfriend had threatened her with a handgun, though no shots were fired. They have a

2-year-old child, who was with the mother.

The woman said she had initially called the ex-boyfriend to give her a ride to work. She said he arrived drunk and they argued over relationship problems, the report said.

She said he got the Airsoft pistol out of the trunk and pointed it at her. She said he then got out of the car and fled toward I-275 after she called 9-1-1, but he returned and drove off with her and the child, the report said.

Police spotted the car near Haggerty and Koppernick and took the man into custody as possible charges were pending. Police found the Airsoft pistol in a ditch near the scene of the initial argument.

Brass knuckles

Police arrested a 19year-old Garden City man after searching him and finding brass knuckles in his coat pocket during a search, a police report said.

Police found the weapon after approaching three young men who were jaywalking on Joy Road, near Tavistock

Drive, on Canton's north side. The incident happened about 5:40 p.m. Sunday.

Police learned that one of the other men was wanted for a warrant out of Plymouth Township, so arrangements were made to turn him over to that community's police department. Canton police took the third man into custody after finding he was in possession of MDMA, otherwise known as Molly or ecstasy

Stolen identity

In a case of stolen identity, a 53-year-old man notified police after someone used his personal information to file for unemployment.

The man said learned of the situation after he got an email from his employer, Ford Motor Co., advising him someone had filed the unemployment claim sometime during the last month, a police report

said. The man wanted to document the incident. Local police told him that fraudulent unemployment claims are investigated by the state of Michigan.

Canton cops combat alcohol sales to minors

Darrell Clem hometownlife.com

Canton police have ticketed two stores amid allegations they sold alcohol to an underage girl working as a decoy with local authorities.

Police issued citations to employees at the 7-Eleven at 44285 Ford Road and Maria's Bak-ery, 115. N. Haggerty. The workers who sold the alcohol could face fines of \$100.

However, police Special Services Sgt. Ed Johnson said the business owners will have to appear for a hearing before the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, which can impose sanctions ranging from a warning to revoking a store's liquor license, depending on whether there have been repeat offenses.

The latest effort by the Canton Police Department's Special Enforcement Unit to catch local businesses that sell alcohol to minors occurred in February, Johnson said. Authorities rotate the areas of town

where they conduct their investigations.

Johnson urged business owners to discuss with their employees the need to avoid selling alcohol to minors by checking identification.

"It just needs to be reinforced to the employees because a lot of the business owners themselves might not be aware of how employees are operating," he said.

Police typically use minor decoys from the Canton Police Explorers program or high school students who interact with school resource officers at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Police also issued a list of businesses that followed the rules and didn't sell alcohol to minors. They are Super Fine Wine & Liquor at 1634 N. Haggerty; CVS at 7269 N. Canton Center Road; 7-Eleven at 43340 Warren; and Rite Aid stores at 180 S. Lilley and 4151 N. Canton Center.

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Local author fair comes to Plymouth library

Canton author Brian Webster's book "Black Ice," co-written with Teresa Lee, tells the story of a troubled innercity child who hooks up with a washed-up National Hockey League player and becomes a winner on the ice

Webster's son, Christopher, played on the Detroit Dragons team at the Jack Adams Arena in

Nursing career fair

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Detroit. Webster decided to write "Black Ice,' initially a screenplay, while attending those games, Webster said.

Maurice Dewey, a retired Detroit Fire Department lieutenant and former youth hockey coach, has lauded the book by Webster and Lee, saying it tells firsthand "the adversity a young African-American player can face in a traditionally white sport.'

Webster and Lee are among the authors taking part 1-3 p.m. Saturday, March 11, in a Local Author Fair at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St.

Attendees can meet area authors and see their work. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

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Coffee hours

from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Michigan room at the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood St. Garden City Coffee Hour will be co-hosted with State Senator David Knezek and State Representative Jewell Jones.

Blues, Jazz at the Elks

Blues @ The Elks happens on the second Tues-day of the month from 7-10 p.m. at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge #325 in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society. There is a \$5 donation at the door, and bring your dancing shoes.

On Tuesday, March 14, the Kathleen Murray Band will be featured. Playing are Kathleen on vocals, Mike Ferencz on guitar, Cray Scott on bass, Bob Bowman on drums, and Evan Mercer on keys.

Jazz @ The Elks happens on thelast Tuesday of the month from 7-9:30 p.m. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres. Enjoy jazz in a listening room setting close to the entertainers.

On Tuesday, March 28, the popular The Paul VornHagen Quartet will perform. VornHagen has won several awards for his jazz performances and he is backed by experienced and familiar musicians. Hear the standards and some of him original songs. Playing with him on reeds, Chuck Shermetaro on keyboard, Kurt Krahnke on bass and Scott Kretzer on drums.

The Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is March 18.

An author fair is coming to the Plymouth District Library.

Belle Isle talk

March 11 - Author Fair - 1 to 3 pm

At 2 p.m. Monday, March 20, the Livonia Historical Society will present a program on "Our Island Jewel: Detroit's Belle Isle Park." presented by Brendan Roney of the Detroit Historical Society. Meet at the Alexander Blue House at Greenmead, Livonia's Historical Park, which is off Newburgh Road, just south of Eight Mile Road. The parking lot is to the right as you enter and in front of the House.

For more information, call 734-464-0450. The public is welcome. No charge.

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

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mouth that doesn't heal » Constant pain in

your mouth » Lumps or patches in your mouth

» Pain around your teeth

» Changes in your voice

» Lump in your neck All participants in the screening will be entered to win two tickets for the April 3 Detroit Red Wings vs. Ottawa Senators game. Screenings will be offered inside the hospital's Education Center, located in the hospital, near the visitor parking lot. Appointments are available between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Call 248-858-3952 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.

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.



Kathleen Murray will perform March 14 at the Ann

term "Nursing Career Fair" or the job posting number "00006006".

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.

Auction

Faith Community's Women of Faith will host the auction at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 11, at the church, 14560 Merriman Road. Men and women can bid on purses or bags or totes that are filled



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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 visit www.citizens4peace.com

Kindergarten roundup

St. Michael Lutheran School, 3003 Hannan Road in Wayne, is having kindergarten roundup at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16. A tour of the school and information about the program will be provided. Guests will receive a free hot pizza to take home for dinner. For more information, call 734-728-3315.

P-CEP all night party

In an effort to raise money for the Plymouth-Canton Education park senior all night party, the public is invited to a vendor fair for all things graduation party, tents, caterers, photo booths, and all sorts of other things. It is free to get in and lots of vendors will have deals that day if parties are booked. It is in the Salem Cafeteria at Salem High School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday,

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 ban-ner 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, visit www.post251.org.

Cancer screening

Roughly 50,000 new cases of oral, head and neck cancer are diagnosed in the United States each year, which is why St. Joseph Mercy Oakland is offering a free oral, head and neck cancer screening on March 17. Screenings take about 10 minutes and are performed by St. Joe's den-

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.

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Schoolcraft program points girls to STEM

In a satisfying number, more than 80 girls Saturday pored over literature and examined examples of careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics at Schoolcraft College.

And that's exactly what was supposed to happen.

Schoolcraft hosted a five-hour symposium designed to point girls particularly those in fifth through eighth grade into STEM careers. With their hands-on event, Schoolcraft officials were hoping to encourage girls to get involved in STEM fields.

The event was hosted by Schoolcraft College, the Livonia branch of the American Association of University Women and Livonia Public Schools.

"One of the aims of AAUW nationally is to increase opportunities for girls in the STEM areas," said Carol Strom, an AAUW member and who also happens to be vice chair of the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees. "We have found in the past that, when we

did programs where there were both girls and boys, that the girls tend to sit back and not contribute. (AAUW) felt it was important these activities be for girls only.'

The event included hands-on demonstrations and experiments for the girls, as well as information sessions on STEM careers and college options for parents. Attendees heard from speakers like Dr. Robert Leadley, dean of occupational programs and economic development at Schoolcraft, and Dr. Tonya Matthews, president and CEO of the Michigan Science Center.

Organizers were very pleased with the success of the event, which the college has been hosting the last few years.

"We felt it's important for girls to have the opportunity to see the STEM activities as a real chance for them to develop in these areas as they get older," Strom said.

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Riley Seremet (Johnson Upper Elementary) and Ella McNeece (Warner Upper Elementary) get hands-on instruction on operating a First Robotics vehicle from Northville Hillside Middle School student Ashna Khetan.



Jenna Rivera from Birmingham Covington School learns the art of welding from instructor Coley McLean.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Holmes Middle School student Emily Konopka prepares her "Straw Rocket" for flight as she takes part in the AAUW Girls In STEM event held Saturday in Livonia.



TOM BEAUDOIN Livonia middle school students Noelle Michalski, Leah Haberek and Alexandra Beck learn about DNA in the biology workshop.

TOM BEAUDOIN Livonia students Noelle Divinagracia, Gabriella Wilson and JaiLynn Cruse take part in a technology experiment as they build rockets that they test during the AAUW Girls in STEM event Saturday at Schoolcraft College.

CALENDAR

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Seeking volunteers

Compassionate Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volun-

734-956-0548 or livoniajaycees@gmail.com or at 37699 Six Mile, Suite 250, Livonia.

'Calling them Home'

St. Michael the Archangel Parish will offer a new Lenten series, "Calling Them Home," for all

ful weight management programs, where to find reliable resources and healthy activities in the community and what is needed to develop a healthy lifestyle. Participants will learn how to read food labels, write SMART goals and deter-

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teers with big hearts to help with patient care and companionship, office support, group activities and more.

Volunteer training sessions will cover mission and values, confidentially, 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 communitybased 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 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

parents, grandparents, siblings and others who are interested in helping their special loved ones find their way home to the church. The fourweek series, which will meet on consecutive Mondays from March 6-27 in the St. Michael's School cafeteria, will be led by well-known Catholic author, apologist and award-winning "Michi-gan Catholic" columnist Gary Michuta, who has extensive teaching experience with teens and young adults.

There is no charge or reservation required for this series. All area Catholics who are interested in this subject are welcome. St. Michael's is at 11441 Hubbard Road, just south of Plymouth Road, in Livonia. For more information, call the parish at 734-261-1455, ext. 200, or visit livoniastmichael.org

Weight management program

On March 14, St. Mary Mercy Livonia will host a weight management program titled Weigh Your Options. Registered dietitians will provide information to help individuals begin a weight loss program. Attendees will learn about successmine their healthiest weight. The class will take place from 6-7:30 p.m. in St. Mary Mercy's Classroom 2, 36475 Five Mile Road, in Livonia (accessed from the south entrance).

There is a \$5 fee for this class and registration is required. Register at stmarymercy.org and click on "Classes and Events."

Slice for Life

Buddy's Pizza will team up with the Capuchin Soup Kitchen to host the 41st annual Slice for Life fundraiser. From 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. April 24, patrons who purchase a ticket can visit any Buddy's Pizza full-service location to enjoy an allyou-can-eat two-topping pizza and salad meal. A carry-out option is also available for purchase at all 11 Buddy's Pizza loca-tions and includes either a four-square two-topping pizza or a mediumsized antipasto, Greek or house salad.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children. Advance tickets can be purchased at www.cskdetroit.org or by calling 313-579-2100, ext. 170. Tickets will also be available at the door. All ticket holders may also register to win one 8square Buddy's Pizza every month for one year.

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OPINION

Beaumont CEO urges Trump cautious steps with ACA

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Deficient and extraordinary healthcare to all requires full access to care. Health insurance, either private or government, is essential to that access, which is why Beaumont Health is urging President Donald Trump and members of Congress to tread carefully as they consider changes to the Affordable Care Act.

As of February 2017, about 12 million Americans have gained access to care through ACA plans on federal or state exchanges. Nearly one million people in Beaumont's home state of Michigan have health coverage through the ACA or the Healthy Michigan Medicaid expansion plan. Some 61,000 people are now getting treatment at our facilities as a result of the coverage through the Healthy Michigan Plan. Some of these individuals



have very serious health conditions, such as cancer, heart disease and diabetes.

Greater access to care strengthens our ability to improve the health and wellness of the patients, families and communities we and other health systems serve.

Any disruption to access and coverage would be devastating to the health of those who are now insured and receiving treatment for acute or chronic conditions. Keeping patients healthy begins with health insurance coverage, so they can have access to physicians and primary care sooner rather than later. Preventive screenings, immuni-

LETTERS

Hills council lauded

I've been a homeowner in Farmington Hills for over 45 years. I've attended subdivision meetings, city hall meetings, city council meetings, and I've volunteered at the public schools and worked on political campaigns here in Farmington Hills.

Recently I attended our Farmington Hills Mayor Massey's Town Hall meeting at our fire station on Nine Mile. Councilman Dr. Randy Bruce, and Councilwoman Valerie Knol, also attended and offered valuable comments about activities within our city. I wanted to personally commend Massey for arranging these informal settings and spending time with homeowners who voiced concerns about topics ranging

care is provided earlier at lower cost, a medical condition can be stopped from advancing to a more serious state and unnecessary medical risk and cost can be avoided. Repeal of the ACA without an adequate

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replacement plan could well wreak havoc on both the health and economic stability of our patients, clinicians, hospitals and communities.

In a letter sent on behalf of the hundreds of thousands of people we care for annually, the leadership of Beaumont Health asked President Trump and lawmakers to carefully consider the most essential elements of the ACA in discussion of a future healthcare system.

Keeping the ACA's "10 essential benefits," such as maternity and new-

pays 20 percent of the total costs, and the remainder of the expense is divided among the homeowners for these new roads.

As I saw and listened to the few homeowners, from the 80 who are complaining, I think it's important to view the facts and not focus on the minority involved in this project. A majority of the homeowners, 250 of them, who did not join this complaint with the city, were not at this meeting, thus, we can only assume that they are accepting our and enjoying their new roads, and the home value that they now have for the future.

Our city has a grading scale to determine the worse road requiring repair to the least in need. Our city then has to budget for the 20 percent that they have to allocate to fund each project. If your roads are determined to be in the worst condition, then it's important to repair them as recommended by the city.

I live in a subdivision that is in need of road repair, as well, but we understand that other areas have a priority because of a deteriorating condition and safety issues involved. Because our city does not have sidewalks, we depend on our roads to be safe, and free of potholes, as we use them for not only driving our cars, but also for walking, walking our dogs, etc.

Massey also commented that many of our existing subdivisions have gone over 30 years on their current paved roads, and although the homeowners paid their as telehealth and electronic health records, should continue because they enhance access to care and improve quality and safety. Technology can also help avoid duplicative care.

Support for research to eradicate diseases such as cancer, and to identify best treatments for chronic conditions, should not only continue, but increase. To combat physician and nurse shortages, support for training of healthcare professionals must also increase.

Healthcare bureaucracy can impede our ability to offer patient and family centered care. So any new healthcare proposal needs to streamline regulations and protocols that limit clinicians' time with patients.

Decisive action is needed to address the sharp rise in pharmaceutical prices that is straining hospital budgets and

assessments many years

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The purpose of my

letter today is to remind

each of us that we need

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Ken Massey, who are

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preventing people from getting the lifesaving drugs they need.

We implore our elected leaders to work with those of us in healthcare in determining what's best for the future of the system as they consider new policy directions.

Mapping the best way forward for the health of our nation is an important, laborious task. Caregivers and those who support patient care at hospitals and health systems nationwide work collaboratively every day to improve the health and wellness of the patients and families we serve. We urge our federal and state officials to also work together in a bipartisan manner to ensure the best possible healthcare for all Americans.

John T. Fox is president and CEO of Beaumont Health based in Southfield.

city that we're all proud to call our own. Diane Holcomb Farmington Hills

Say no to Nestle

My name is Ashley Kasper, and I am a senior at Livonia Stevenson High School. I was assigned to read an article for my AP Biology class, and came upon one regarding Nestle's approval for pumping additional water from a Michigan well.

I do not think Nestle should be allowed to pump more water from the Evart, Mich., well. To start off, the economic gain for Michigan is practically none. One cannot consider \$200, a permit fee, and 20 jobs to have a significant impact on the Michigan economy. Over-pumping water

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from dead deer found in various subdivisions, to the recent road repaving project completed in the Independence Commons subdivision near Drake Road and Grand River Avenue.

Massey was very knowledgeable about the laws governing our road repairs, and his explanation "of the facts" surrounding this project was very helpful. There were 330 homes involved in this road repair project, and 80 of these homeowners are suing the city so they will not have to pay the total assessment that our city expects for reimbursement. Our city

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Photographer heads March art show at Livonia library

Van Nazarian is about to get his days in the art limelight.

Nazarian, a Livonia resident, is the March featured artist in the Livonia Fine Arts Gallery, located on the second floor of the Livonia Public Library.

Nazarian, who grew up in Detroit the son of a tailor and a seamstress, was influenced by a favorite uncle. The uncle, whom Nazarian called "a serious car lover," worked for Ford Motor Co. for 49 years and got him "hooked on

cars." While studying industrial design and photography at Wayne State, Nazarian worked in the automotive department of Montgomery Ward. At the same time, he studied transportation design

Nazarian spent the next 35 years in graphic arts and photography, shooting everything from major appliances



Van Nazarian's photography often focuses on cars. He's the featured artist for March at the Livonia Public Library.

to classic cars.

His show runs, which runs through March 31, includes images from a private tour of Jay Leno's garage in Burbank, images from various Concours d'Elegance

shows, a lost Chevrolet concept car of the '50s, commissioned tribute art and images from around the Detroit area. An artist's reception takes place 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 11. The library is located at 32777 Five Mile (at Farmington Road) in Livonia. The show is sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission. For more information, call 734-432-5976.

UPS drivers recognized for safe driving

Four local UPS drivers are among 53 elite Michigan drivers who are among 1,575 newly inducted worldwide into the Circle of Honor, an honorary organization for the company's drivers who have achieved 25 or more years of accident-free driving.

Michigan boasts 308 active Circle of Honor drivers with a combined 8,631 years of accidentfree driving. Thomas Camp of Livonia is the state's senior-most safe

driver, with 54 years of accident-free driving under his belt, ranking him the safest driver among UPS's 102,000 drivers. There are 2,463 total full-time UPS drivers in Michigan.

Those honored include: Michael Miencier and Gerard Beaubien of Livonia, Sean Day of Canton and Jeffrey Leonhard of Westland.

Globally, 9,349 active UPS drivers are members of the Circle of Honor. Collectively,

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they've racked up 266,554 years and nearly 14 billion safe miles during their careers. That's enough miles to travel to the moon and back almost 29,000 times

"My thanks go to all of them for their dedication and focus and for the countless lives they've saved," said Derick Craft, president, UPS Great Lakes District. "Their attention to detail has kept them safe and has helped improve public safety.

Globally, the most seasoned UPS Circle of Honor driver is Camp. Ronald McKnight of Bronx, N.Y., is next in line with 48 years of safe driving. Ninety-one others have logged at least 40 years without an accident.

UPS's 102,000 drivers are among the safest on the roads, logging more than three billion miles a year and delivering nearly five billion packages annually.

resemble salamanders is not a fair method. I admit I am a Democrat who wants this nonsense to end in Michigan but I want the same for Maryland. All states should aim for fair representation. I encourage you to contact the organizations I mentioned (LWV, ME-RA, ACLU, and CountMI-Vote) to explore this topic.

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Dr. Brian Dougherty (left), school superintendent of the Archdiocese of Detroit, receives a donation of \$10,000 from Peter Bagazinski, president and CEO of Catholic Vantage Financial. The funds will be used to help provide scholarships for children of archdiocese employees.

Catholic Vantage Financial expands service reach

Catholic Vantage Financial has announced approval by the National Credit Union Administration the credit union's governing agency to offer its services to more than 1.3 million Catholics in the Archdiocese of Detroit, which includes the counties of Wayne, Oakland, Lapeer, St. Clair, Macomb and Monroe.

"Since 1953, we've had a strong commitment to serving the best interests of the Catholic community with shared values of integrity, respect, com-passion and care." said Peter Bagazinski, president and CEO of Catholic Vantage Financial. "We welcome the opportunity to serve the employees and members of the Archdiocese of Detroit and its parishes, schools and organizations."

Along with providing a wide range of on-site and electronic banking services, CVF offers financial literacy workshops, student credit unions, tuition payment programs, tuition loans and scholarships to help cov-er tuition for Catholic schools and colleges.

CVF is also engaged in community outreach through sponsorship of

> decision to educate and inform your readership instead of contributing to the sound bite rhetoric which fills social media.

I wouldn't mind seeing issues devoted to campaign financing/election reform in Michigan and charter schools/vouchers.

Nancy Czech Highland

LETTERS

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increases the influence a well has on the aquifer, to which everything, including contaminants, is drawn. The result can be the spreading of contamination or even land subsidence. Subsidence is the settling of ground and may be caused by a number of natural occurrences, but, more than 80 percent of the subsidence in the United States is related to the withdrawal of ground water (http://pubs.usgs.gov /circ/circ1182/) When land subsides, it compacts, The spaces in the ground are closing and therefore the ground lowers or subsides. If you look at the definition of an aquifer, you see that it is the spaces that contain the water. Once those spaces disappear, the aquifer's ability to store water is reduced forever. These risks associated with additional gallons pumped is not worth the measly economic gains. Secondly, the company does not even notify the public when they are pumping additional gallons or any other changes that they may be doing. According to the Guardian article Jim Olson, the lawyer representing the plaintiffs in this case, even "criticized regulators for not giving the public more notice of the new proposal". He states: "We've seen an erosion of public notices and more internal official decisions. That's at the heart of the Flint water crisis, and now we have the same kind of institutionalized expediency here." How can we trust a company that barely notifies the public of changes as significant as a proposal to greatly increase the amount of gallons pumped to notify us when something bigger changes or is proposed, good or bad? Doing further research and reading on savemiwater.org, two main issues are at hand: "1.) immediate environmental harm to rivers, streams, lakes, wetlands, and habitat in the zone of influence where the

threat to the public trust doctrine (see the Michigan Constitution, Art. IV, Section 52) namely that the natural resources (including groundwater) of the state belong to the people of the state, because the bottling of Michigan spring water is the privatization of water for profit and diversion outside the Great Lakes

make decisions for the future not only ruins the ecosystem of Michigan but our children's futures, changing the Michigan they know, love, and live in.

I ask you to please keep in mind the future generations of Michigan, the public opinion, and the Michigan Constitution when the decision is made for Nestle. I appreciate you taking the time to read this and I truly hope this made an impact on your decision or at least showed you how much a young Michigander cares about the beauty and natural being of the wonderful state she calls home

religions with us - going back to the Pilgrims. Morally, all Christians are guests of the Native American Indians, who have been on this continent thousands of years prior to the arrival of Christianity. **Daniel Sabo** Taylor

Immigration stories hit the mark Thank you for your recent issue featuring immigration. I found the facts regarding refugees especially helpful. I was not familiar with the regulations regarding refugee immigration. I appreciate the balance in the supporting articles and the attempt to cover the issue from differing perspectives. Even though my parents were immigrants, I sometimes forget the challenges people face when relocating to a foreign country and was unaware of the refugee process. I would love to see the same level of coverage given to gerrymandering, a topic which is frequently misunderstood. Two weeks ago I attended a forum in East Lansing regarding gerrymandering. Four groups presented at the event: The League of Women Voters (LWV), Michigan Election Reform Alliance (MERA), American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), and CountMIVote. Gerrymandering is a non-partisan issue. Republicans and Democrats are guilty of carving out districts to guarantee their party's dominance. Politicians are said to pick their voters instead of voters picking their politicians. In Maryland, Democrats manipulated districts in their favor much like Republicans altered the maps in Michigan for their gain. Politicians from opposing parties are often hesitant to voice their objection; instead, they lie in wait for the chance to rewrite the boundaries in their favor. Fair representation may be achieved through various methods, including appointing independent commissions or developing a proportional representation system. Carving up districts to

basin. Looking at the Michi-

gan Constitution article IV section 52, (www.legislature.mi.gov) it states: "The conservation and development of the natural resources of the state are hereby declared to be of paramount public concern in the interest of the health, safety and general welfare of the people. The legislature shall provide for the protection of the air, water and other natural resources of the state from pollution, impairment and destruction. [Eff. Jan. 1, 1964]'

If the state wishes to obey its own constitution and listen to the disapproving cries of the Michigan people, they will "provide for the protection of the air, water and other natural resources of the state from pollution, impairment and destruction" "make the "conservation and development of the natural resources of the state" their defense, and make the" public concern in the interest of the health, safety and general welfare of the people" paramount to the arguments of Nestle, having their sole purpose of the extra water to be for personal economic gain. We as Michiganders who love our beautiful pure Michigan beauty must protect it from companies that wish to harm or disrupt it for economic gain.

I think the most common mistakes regarding natural resources is the failure to foresee the long-run impact. Long run is not two or three years. Long-run is 10, 30, or 50 years from now, when my generation is in positions of government and other jobs once held by our parents' generation. The lack of ability to Ashley Kasper Livonia

We're all immigrants

For purpose of interchanging the readers' own religion and an object lesson, here is the offensive post cited or referenced by Brad Kadrich's recent Observer article, and the Free Press, Detroit News, WXYZ and WDIV TV news: "Of course they (Muslims) don't tell the whole truth, part of their culture.

She is nothing but trouble and needs to be sent back (to Bangladesh) so she can profess her love to the Koran there where it is appreciated, not here!!"

Whether or not the Plymouth City Clerk wrote and posted it someone did. I suggest to any Presbyterian, to change in the above post the word Muslim to Presbyterian, the word Bangladesh to the word Scotland (or a country of origin on your family tree), and the word Koran to Holy Bible Then read that updated phrase to yourself, while looking in the mirror. Or interchange any Christian religion.

More to the point - the person who wrote this post, please insert your own religion and country of familial or religious sect origin into the quote, and self reflect how it feels saying it to yourself in the mirror.

We are all immigrants, and our families and ancestors brought our

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KATHRYN G. "KAY" Livonia, Michigan Age 94, peacefully passed away Friday, March 3, 2017 following a short illness She was born February 12, 1923 in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Elmer D. and Elsa J. (Teuscher) Boldt. She was a 1940 graduate of Rock Island High School, Rock Island, IL. Kay served honorably in the U.S. Navy as a Wave from March 1943-February 1946. On October 3, 1947, she married Frank J. Salogga and he preceded her in death April 2, 1996. Kay was an executive secretary most of her life, retiring from Scans International. She loved northern Michigan and staying at her Petosky home. Kay was a big supporter of the Leader Dogs for the Blind and the Humane Society. She is survived by her niece Terry (Tim) Morrow, her nephew David Boldt, great nephews, Ted and Travis (Frances) Morrow and sister-in-law Margaret Boldt. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and one brother Robert D. Boldt. Cremation has taken place. Her ashes will be interred next to her husband Jack in Rock Island National Cemetery, Rock Island, IL. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Leader Dogs for the Blind of Michigan, 1039 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48307 www.leaderdog.org. Please sign her guest book at www.starkfuneral.com.



WATSON

JANET of Garden City, and proud native of Edinburgh, Scotland, passed away in the loving care of her family on March 4, 2017 at the age of 89. Janet was preceded in death by her brother, Alexander (Margaret) Watson and sister, Cecelia (Peter) Houston. She is survived by her many nieces and nephews, great-nieces and nephews and great-great-nieces and nephew: Sheila (Ernie); George (Moira), Scott (Kim), Caden; Lesley (Jim); Keith; Ruth (Mark); Leslie (Barb); Calum (Laura); Blair, Thomas, Brittany, Ashleigh Chris (Sung), Alexandria and Isabell. Services will be held privately. Memorials may be made in her name to the Michigan Humane Society. Condolences may be left at www.LynchFuneralDirectors. com or phone Lynch & Sons Milford, 248-684-6645.

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BOYS HOCKEY

Wildcats stymied in regional final

Early goals, Broyles' netminding propel Chargers to 4-1 victory

> Tim Smith Hometownlife.com

It wasn't a state championship celebration Saturday night for Livonia Churchill, but it was pretty close.

The Chargers jumped out to an early lead against Plymouth and earned a 4-1 win in the Division 2 boys hockey regional final at Arctic Edge Arena in Canton.

And after the regional trophy was handed off from head coach Jason Reynolds, players held it aloft and moved in unison from center ice to the cha

boards along the bleachers. On the other side of the glass were screaming, ecstatic Churchill fans sharing the team's first regional title in

five years. "We had to dedicate it (the win) to our fans for showing up to our games and motivating us to keep going," said senior goalie Drew Broyles, one of the stars of the game with 32 saves — including 15 in the frantic third period.

Reynolds, who is in his fifth season at the Churchill helm, said the players' including fans in the happy scene was something that made all the sense in the world because "our mantra all season long has been one team, one vision, one united

charge."

The regional title was the first one for Churchill since 2012, during Pete Mazzoni's last season.

"This is sort of the culmination of a five-year process for me," Reynolds said. "It's never easy to follow such a successful coach like Pete Mazzoni was, to take something that belonged to him and make it your own.

"This was a process to bring the right players together, guys who had the passion to put in the work. These guys have had a vision all season long and I'm really proud that these guys have seen it through thus far."

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As dejected Plymouth players skate away, Livonia Churchill boys hockey players mob each other after winning 4-1.



Canton's varsity girls gymnastics team celebrates after winning the MHSAA team regional championship Saturday at Plymouth High School.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Austin's death shocks Churchill community

Chargers' popular boys track and field coach was 'heart and soul' guy

> Brad Emons hometownlife.com

Whether it was coaching his own team or managing track and field meets, Livonia Churchill's Rick Austin was always right in the middle of things willing to lend a helping hand.

But on Monday morning, the Churchill High athletic family lost a dedicated coach and teacher when the 57-year-old Austin passed away from complications following surgery for a heart ailment.

"It's tough, it's a big loss for us obviously," Churchill athlet-ic director Marc Hage said. "He was a Livonia guy, that's where he came up through the system, and it was near and dear I remember him telling me. When he started his career here he came over from Dearborn and ne always walled to be here. It was his dream to come back here, work in a place where he went to school at. It meant so much to him and it was so special to him. He just wanted to be back here where he got such a good start. He put his heart and soul into every thing that he did, especially his coaching. It was such a pas-sion." Austin, who taught business education at Churchill as well as at the Livonia Public Schools Career Center, will be remem-bered not only for his one regional, three conference and six division boys track titles, but also for his passion and the interaction with his studentathletes. "He was a heck of a coach," said Churchill head boys cross country John McGreevy, who had served as Austin's track assistant since 1996. "He coached track, football, basketball. He was a gym rat. As much as he loved the sports, he loved the kids he coached. He was very loyal to Churchill and he was very loyal to his fellow coaches. It's a great loss to Churchill and the Livonia community. He can't be replaced."

REPEAT

REGIONAL

Canton Chiefs top field of four state qualifying girls gymnastics teams; Plymouth places third

Tim Smith Hometownlife.com

Catapulted by six gymnasts' all-around excellence, Canton captured another MHSAA regional championship Saturday at Plymouth High School.

The Chiefs tallied 143.425 points to edge runner-up Northville (142.45), with Plymouth third at 141.05. All three of those teams qualified for Friday's team finals, set for 2 p.m. Friday at Plymouth, as will a fourth team from Region 3 — Livonia Blue, which tabulated a 140.4 score and got in as the state's 13th team as a wild card.

The top three teams from four regions automatically qualify. Each team will bring five girls per event to try and bring home the state championship trophy.

onship trophy. "Canton started on floor exercise and essentially put the meet away with a 37.3 team start," said John Cunningham, veteran coach for the Chiefs. "Not that it was easy, since bars was the only other event that they won." Cunningham pointed to

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JOHN KEMSKI EXPRESS PHOTO Canton's Katie Dickson performs her routine on floor exercise during regionals.

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Austin graduated from Churchill in 1978 where he was a standout hurdler. As a senior

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PREP BOWLING

Salem boys win Division 1 state championship



SALEM BOWLING

Salem's varsity boys bowling team celebrates Friday after winning the Division 1 state championship. From left are Noah Samuels, Ryan Gonyea, Brendan Kwapis, Shane Rusinek, Joshua Hall, Alex Mattson, Mitchell Rusinek, co-coaches Kathie Hahn and Glenn Clark.

Rocks prevail against Hudsonville, 1,285-1,232

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There was nothing "phenomenal" about how Salem's varsity boys bowling team competed at Friday's Division 1 team finals in Sterling Heights.

But the Rocks had energy, camaraderie and clutch performances going for them, according to co-coach Kathie Hahn — and those things were enough for Salem to top Hudsonville 1,285 to 1,232 in the championship game. "Some of the key things from our team today was just their consistency, they picked up spares," Hahn said. "But the main thing was the high energy they had, staying focused as a team, and encouraging each other and supporting each other. That was key today."

"Because there weren't any major, phenomenal scores. The strikes were not coming easy. So they picked up some really key splits today, and just stayed all-around consistent."

The matchup with Hudsonville was nip and tuck. In the Baker games, Salem only won by 33 pins (385-to-352)

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ANDREW WOOD | LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS The late Rick Austin ran track and coached track for 21 years at Churchill.

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MID AMERICAN POMPON CHAMPIONSHIP



Salem's junior varsity pompon team celebrates after winning the championship in its first season. The Rocks won the JV division at the Mid American Pompon Championship held Feb. 19 at the Breslin Center.

New kids on the block: Salem JV Pom wins states





Salem performs to the music of Brittney Spears at the Mid American Pompon Championships.

First-year team wins at Mid American finals

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Salem's first foray into starting a pom pon program is off to a championship start.

The first-year junior varsity program won in its division at the Mid American Pompon State Championship held Feb. 19 at the Breslin Center in East Lansing, and head coach Kristy Adams envisions nothing but smooth sailing ahead as she looks to start a varsity team in 2017-2018.

"I'm hoping so," said Adams, formerly head coach of the Garden City High School varsity team, which also won this year in Class A/ Division 1. "I'm hoping that the win really drags in a lot of attention and we end up with a big turnout for tryouts next season, so that we can have two teams (varsity and JV) and have a successful program."

In describing the difference between competitive cheer and pom pon, Adams noted that cheer "is more gymnastics and pom is more dance. But you still need a lot of stamina to get through a three-minute routine."

Adams credited camaraderie and choreography for the victory, which Mid American officials told her was the first time a brand new JV program won on the first go around. "I think it's amazing,

we really didn't even have expectations for it to take off this way," Adams said. "I think it takes the choreography of the routines and I kind of knew from the beginning when the team got the Team Unity Award at camp we were off to a good start, because without that you can't have a successful team."

About competing under the Breslin Center spotlight, Adams added that "it was really exciting, just because it's a huge college campus and a huge stadium. so you really got a feel for like a big crowd instead of being in a high school gym. It really helps get their adrenaline running."

Parent Beth Pranschke agreed that the atmosphere at Breslin Center was "wonderful" for the girls on the squad, including her daughter Morgan Rochowiak (a junior and team captain).

"I didn't even think this was possible," Pranschke said. "We have girls who have never done pom before."

According to Adams, her connection to the Garden City program provided an assist as the Rocks performed to a Brittney Spears remix of music from the 1990s and early 2000s.

"I coached at Garden City before, which I think that also was a big help because the varsity team at Garden City is pretty successful," Ad-

Salem High School's junior varsity pompon team performs on the Breslin Center floor Feb. 19. The Rocks won the championship in their division.



Placing third at the Mid American Pompon Championships Feb. 19 was the Plymouth-Canton Middle School team.

ams said. "They acted like big sisters to them, so they were able to look up to another varsity even though we have no active one at our own school."

In addition to Rochowiak, the team's only other junior is Elena Serafimovski.

Seven sophomores and 10 freshmen comprise the rest of the roster.

Sophomores include Alexis Alva, Brianne Fuller, Olivia Hoeschele, Ashley Janik, Kendall Paz, Olivia Quesada and Giorgia Walkonis.

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The ninth-graders are Gurasees Dhingra, Morgan Homann, Cordelia Householder, Alexa Krejcar, Hannah Kulp, Zion Rankin, Emily Riley, Paige Stanecki, Alexia Vance and Breanna Winters.

Adams is helped by assistant coaches Nikki Foster, Courtney Bryden and Becky DeWater.

Livonia prevails

Also finishing first Feb. 19 was Livonia Pompon, a competitive squad comprised of girls in grades 5-8 in Livonia Public Schools. The team competed against 12 other squads at the Breslin Center. It is coached by Andrea Shook, Brittany Rees, Kari Barden, Jillian Henderson, Aiden Shook and Rachel Parrelly.

Team members include Isabella Abate, Avrey Black, Abigail Boettcher, Sydney Castillenti, Ava Collyer, Allison Garpow, Rylee Guidash, Alison Gwizdz, Ainsley Johnston, Meghan Kelly, Ruby Klingensmith, Sarah Lamb, Mackenzie Latham, Isabel Longoria, Brianna Martin, Morgan Matick, Izzy Migora, Emily Mitchell, Sophie Nomides, Madison Norton, Madison Prowse, Rachel Salutes, Sophia Schlatterbeck, Claire Sierota, Jenna Walters, Zoe Zagar and Emily Zimmerman.

Third for PC middles

The Plymouth-Canton Middle School Pompon team finished third Feb. 19 at the Mid American Pompon state finals.

Fifth-, sixth-, seventhand eighth-grade girls from Plymouth and Canton comprise the team, which also recently won the MPA State Championship (at Saginaw Valley State University) for the second year in a row.

Coaches are Chelsea Schroeder, Ari Bologna and Joslyn Covault.

Team members, listed alphabetically are: Ade-lyn Bhavsar, Bridgette Bowser, Lacey Courtney, Cassidy Craggs, Kassidy Davis, Alana Deckov. Lydia Donnelly, Maria Hall, Taylor Hendershot, Olivia Henry, Ella Linton, Natalie Lorenz, Au-tumn Matt, Nicole Miller, Katie Montroy, Natalie Nissen, Andrea Pike, Rachel Provenzano, Sabrina Saveski, Gracie Stirrett, Grace Teichman, Brooke Tyszkiewicz, Riley Walker and Erin Zoli.

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PREP WRESTLING Five Shamrocks repeat at Division 1 state finals

Novi Detroit Catholic Central wrestling machine keeps rolling

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It was icing on the cake with a cherry on top for five Novi Detroit Catholic Central wrestlers Saturday at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

The Shamrocks' quintet of Cameron Amine (145 pounds), Ty Morland (171), Nick Jenkins (285), Ben Kamali (112) and Kevon Davenport (130) all repeated as individual state champions at the MHSAA Division 1 state finals.

They were among a total of 14 CC grapplers who qualified for the state finals, with teammates Jackson Ross (215) and Rhett Newton (112) both taking third. Derek Gilcher (119) was fourth, while Devon Johnsen (103) took seventh.

Morland, who is headed to wrestle at Northwestern University, capped his senior year with a perfect 37-0 record by defeating Portage Northern's Matthew Heaps in the final on a technical fall, 17-2

En route to the title, Morland scored wins over Danny Smyk (Utica), a pin in 0:50; Sam Greco, a 7-0 decision; and Austin Malczewski (Romeo), an 18-3 technical fall.

Jenkins, a fellow senior who will wrestle next year at Central Michigan, won all of his matches by close decisions, defeating Austin Emerson (Temperance Bedford) in the final, 3-2, after beating Rahmi Khalil (Macomb Dakota), 2-0; Nic Lloyd (Grandville), 2-0; and Aaron Gilmore (Davison), 4-1

Jenkins finished the year 46-1 overall.

"Just remarkable poise, leadership and commitment." CC coach Mitch Hancock said of his two outgoing senior state champs. "They do all the little things right. Great kids, great individuals. I've never met two more humble state champions in my life.

Not to be outdone was Amine, a sophomore who racked up a 45-3 record this season, capped by a 9-3 decision in the final over Danny Pheffer of Fraser. Other wins came against Brian Case (Davison), 1-0 in the semifinals; Nick Bleise (Brighton), 20-5 technical fall; and Braxton Gabold (Flushing), 7-5.

'Cam is our leader in the room, even though he's a sophomore," Hancock said. "Just a workaholic. He has all the respect of his teammates. He's very vocal, very loud and he controls the tempo in that room, he really does.

Kamali, a junior, went 41-3 on the year, finishing with a pin in 3:31 against Battle Creek Lakeview's Bryce Brust in the final. Kamali also earned victo-ries over Jack Samuels (Hudsonville), a 11-3 major decision; Corey Cavanaugh (Hartland), a pin in 2:34; and Michael Thackthay (Holt), a pin in 54 seconds.

"Kamali is just a scorer. He reminds me of Ken Bade,' Hancock said. "He just a kid who likes to put points on the board. He's got the highestpitched voice you'll ever want to meet. He's just a fantastic young man, he really is. He's a scorer and likes a fast-paced match.'

Davenport, also a sopho-

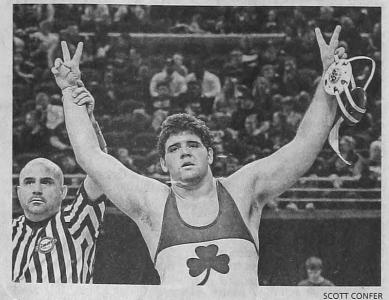
loss to Woodhaven's Xavier Graham by posting a 4-3 vic-tory in the final. Davenport, who went 43-3 overall, also defeated Conor Donahue (Clarkston), a 9-0 major decision; Jack Snauko (Grandville), a 10-1 major decision; and Garrett Tyrrell (Oxford), a 9-3 decision.

"Davenport is a winner, he's a champion," Hancock said. "He just has all the right attributes. Extremely confident, yet not arrogant. He works hard and understands the sport very well. He's a very smart wrestler and I think that showed in the finals, when he was able to get some revenge on that kid who beat us two weeks ago."

Ross, meanwhile, lost in the semifinals to eventual champion Ben Cushman of Flushing, 5-3, but rebounded to beat Monroe's Zack Kramer in the third-place match, 7-6. Ross, who went 5-1 over the threeday tourney, finished 29-10 overall.

Newton, a sophomore who competed in the same weight class as Kamali, lost to Brust in the semifinals, 7-4, but rebounded to win his final four matches, defeating Dakota's Justin Tiburcio for third, 8-2. Newton finished the year at 36-9 overall.

"What resiliency those two guys showed," Hancock said of Ross and Newton. "Rhett beat a kid who beat us earlier in the year and just wrestled an extremely great tournament. The kid he lost to (Brust) ended up taking second, then got stuck (by Kamali) in the finals. For Rhett to do that as a sopho-



Shamrocks senior Nick Jenkins captured the 285-pound state crown for the second year in a row.

more showed that type of composure and was pretty awesome

'And Jack Ross, what a way to go out as a senior. He's just come such a long way in the last two or three years. He's just a great athlete who understood the sport and really, really works hard."

Gilcher, a freshman, won four of six matches, suffering a 6-4 semifinal loss to eventual champ Rayvon Foley of Ann Arbor Pioneer. Gilcher, who was pinned in the consolation final by Anchor Bay's Jack Medley (1:24), finished the year 32-10 overall.

'We were one situation away from being in the finals as a freshman," Hancock said. "He lost to Foley in a close match. He's got a great career wearing the CC singlet." Also placing was Johnsen, a junior, who wound up going 3-2 in the tourney, defeating Har-tland's Wyatt Nault, 6-1, for seventh place, while finishing the year at 35-12.

"He had a good outing," Hancock said. "It's obviously not what he wanted or what we wanted, but he got to finish with his hand on top and his hand raised in his last match of the day. That's important and he did that to a kid (Nault) who beat him earlier in the team state tournament. He got a little revenge win there."

CC individual state qualifiers who did not place were Stone Moscovic (125), 29-13 overall; Dane Flynn (189), 30-11; Easton Turner (171), 25-11; Aiden Wagh (152), 30-14; and Joe Urso (140), 35-15.

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more, avenged a 6-4 regional

WRESTLING INDIVIDUAL FINALS **BACK-TO-BACK CHAMP**

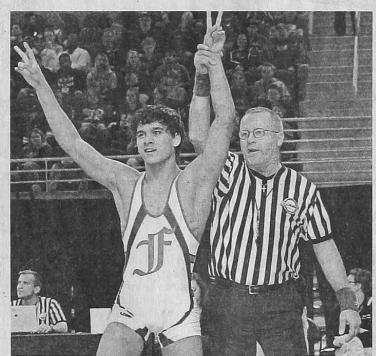
Franklin's Atienza avoids jinx, wins second title

Tom Lang Detroit Free Press

At risk of jinxing his shot at a second individual wrestling state championship, Livonia Franklin's Nathan Atienza planned his celebration in advance.

Nothing fancy. Just two fingers on each hand raised to the rafters of the Palace at Auburn Hills.

Atienza defeated defending



BOYS BASKETBALL Novi rallies late to oust Canton

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Survive and advance. That was Novi's motto in the opening round of the Class A district tournament Monday night as the Wildcats came on late to beat Canton, 57-54, at Northville.

The Wildcats, who erased a seven-point deficit midway through the final quarter, improved to 15-6 and advanced to the district semifinals against Salem (9-11).

Novi won despite making only 22-of-36 free throws (61.1 percent), including 10-of-18 in



152-pound champion Kameron Bush of Grandville, 4-3, in the Division I state finals on Saturday to become the first two-time champion in school history

"It's very exciting," Atienza said. "I was trying to plan out what I was going to do for a celebration, but nothing came to me more than that."

"I'd rather prepare myself than not being prepared," he added about a possible curse. "If you don't have that mindset that you're going to win you've already lost.

The marquee event of the individual wrestling state finals was less bruising and more methodical than fans might have expected

Atienza and Grandville both were reigning champions, with Atienza winning the title at 145 last season. Neither wanted to make a mistake, but a one-point escape with the score tied 3-3 in the third period gave Atienza his second state title.

'I think we were both a little more tentative, just because we knew what the other was capable of," Atienza said. "Take our moves accordingly and cautiously and doing them right rather than just going out and doing everything wrong.

"I knew I had a tough match, a tough opponent but I knew deep down inside my head I had him. I worked for this my entire life and nobody was going to take it away from me-my moment."

What an era

Franklin head coach David Chiola said Atienza's state title was the culmination of a three-month quest that began with his only loss of the past two seasons combined - at the Wayne County Championships.

"Nate was really focused," noted Chiola, in an email to the Observer. "He took a loss in December after going undefeated last year. he used that to motivate himself and work hard towards his goal.

TOM LANG

Livonia Franklin's Nathan Atienza lifts his hands to victory, signaling two state titles after winning the 152-pound Division 1 title.

"Our biggest concern was getting him enough competition in practice. He was so dominant all year we were worried how he would be in a close match — he was fine though.

"He took an early lead and then just controlled the pace of the match. As good as he is physically, he is even better mentally. He always knows the situation, and doesn't panic.'

With the title, the school's Atienza era comes to a close. Jordan Atienza was a runnerup in 2013 and state champion in 2014, followed by Nathan (who was Franklin's first fourtime all-stater).

'They have set a legacy here at Franklin that will never be forgotten," Chiola said.

CC encores

Cameron Amine (145 pounds) and Tyler Moreland (171) each won their second state championship for Novi Detroit Catholic Central

Amine was going up against Fraser's Danny Pfeffer, who didn't place at state last year but ran the table this season to come into the Saturday's final undefeated with 57 wins.

"I look at (my opponents) all the same," Amine said. "Doesn't matter if they're a state champ, or didn't place. Don't change the way you look at kids, just go out there and wrestle how you're supposed to wrestle.'

For Moreland, a senior headed to Northwestern, he said a great weight was lifted after winning the title.

"This is a lot of fun and I'm excited to just sit back and watch wrestling now," More-land said. "I'm glad I'm done and can be a fan. I'm excited to watch my teammates. We go through a lot together in the practice room and it's exciting to see the guys get what they deserve, what they work so hard for every day.

NOTEBOOK: Novi Detroit Catholic Central's five defending champions reached the title round once again: Cameron Amine (145), Tyler Moreland (171), Nick Jenkins (285), Benyamin Kamali (112) and Kevon Davenport (130)

Three Walled Lake Central wrestlers reached the finals: Ben Freeman, Nick Freeman and TJ Daugherty. Three others from the Kensington Lakes Conference were Atienza, and Mikey Mars and Anthony Gibson of Westland John Glenn.

The four Michigan Wrestling Association Mr. Wrestler finalists were announced, including Freeman, Dominic Lajoie of Gaylord, Trent Hillger of Lake Fenton and Nick Cooper of Springport.

With what Hartland coach Todd Cheney described as wrestling with one arm due to an AC joint separation in his left shoulder, defending champion Reese Hughes was able to fight back and earn fourth place at 145 pounds. He will wrestle at Michigan in college.

Observer staff writer Tim Smith contributed to this report.

the final quarter, but it was still enough.

"We talked about how we've got to make free throws to win games in the playoffs," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said. "And (that) was completely disproved with us winning tonight and us shooting as poorly as we did from line. Again, we'll learn from it and our guys get tougher from it and we'll get back (and) hopefully shoot better from the line on Wednesday.'

Canton (13-8) let one slip away after leading by as many as nine in the third quarter and holding a 50-43 advantage with 4:24 to go in the fourth following a basket by sophomore guard B. Artis White, who led all scorers with 19 points.

After shooting a sizzling 60 percent (14-of-23) in the opening half, the Chiefs cooled down considerably over the final two quarters, going 7of-31 (22.5 percent).

"I think maybe we took some rushed shots," Canton coach Jim Reddy said. "I can think of a few in the lane, especially. You're not always going to shoot it that great. I think we were stuck on 50 (points) forever. You've just got to find a way to get more stops when you can't score.'

Novi took the lead for keeps, 51-50, when Trendon Hankerson split a pair of free throws with only 50.7 seconds left

The Wildcats' Jiovanni Miles then made 6-of-8 free throws during the final 38 seconds to pull out the victory, while a 3-point attempt at the buzzer by Canton's Vinson Sigmon (10 points) from the corner just missed the mark.

Junior guard Traveon Maddox Jr., who got fouled making a triple but didn't convert the free throw in the final quarter, led the Wildcats with 15 points, while senior center Jonny Davis and Hankerson both added 11.

Junior Blake King also connected on a 3-pointer and made the subsequent foul shot for a four-point play in the final



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER A Novi player sinks a free throw at the end of the game against Canton to preserve the win.

minute of the first half.

"We talked about guarding the three-line and keeping them off the free-throw line and we just didn't do that,' Reddy said. "But 36 (free throws) in a high school game is an absolute joke.'

Junior forward Danny Lanava gave Canton a spark with 13 points, including eight in the first half as the Chiefs led, 33-30. He was a perfect 5-of-5 from the field and 3-of-3 from the foul stripe.

"It's out the ordinary, but he's been coming around,' Reddy said of Lanava. "He's pretty hard-nosed and that's the best he's finished around the rim all year. He's done a pretty good job that last month. He gave us a big lift off the bench.

It was a struggle for Novi for three quarters, but the Wildcats were able to come away with the victory

"Our kids responded, especially in that fourth quarter with their defense," Sinaw said. "We learned a lot from this game. Normally, you learn a lot from losses. We learned a lot from this win tonight. We're going to come back better and ready to go Wednesday against Salem.'

Canton's demise was a 2:54 scoring drought late in the final quarter before White made two free throws with 16 seconds remaining, followed by a basket from Chase Meredith with only 6.4 seconds left to play.

'Those little things hurt us, but we didn't get enough stops and we couldn't get a score, Reddy said. "It was 50-43 (lead) and we just couldn't get over the hump and extend the lead there."

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he finished fifth in the 120-yard high hurdles in the Class A finals with a time of 14.5.

"He was our best hurdler and held our record for a very, very long time," former Churchill coach Fred Price said. "He came to us from Ford Middle School and at the very beginning he had some very good coaching at the middle school. And he just continued at our place and became a varsity member as a sophomore all the way through."

Austin went on to compete at Central Michigan University. After graduating from CMU he took a teaching and coaching position with the Dearborn Public Schools. He served as Price's assistant before becoming Churchill's head boys track coach in 1996.

"He was a great guy," Churchill interim principal and longtime MHSAA track official Jim Gibbons said. "He always offered help to the younger coaches. And as an official, regardless of whether you had to make a tough call or not, he would come to you after the meet and thank you for your time. He was just a first-class guy that way, always made sure when you left a competition it was always in a positive fashion. Just a good man. He was passionate about helping kids."

Austin was also the Chur-chill varsity boys basketball coach for five seasons. He also coached football and girls basketball in the Livonia Public Schools, but track and field was his sanctuary. He was a fixture at the Observerland Relays for years.

"He was one of the gurus in track and field in the area," Hage said. "That was started by his mentoring from Fred Price. He was Fred Price Part II and that's the best compliment I can give him because Fred was unbelievably success-ful in track and field and Rick picked up that baton and ran with it after Fred handed it off to him."

The Churchill athletic family not only lost a colleague, but also a close friend who spent 30

years in education. "Just very pleasant, really a good competitor and very dedicated to whatever he was do-ing," Price said. "It will be very, very tough to lose his memories because I'll always remember him in many, many ways.'

Austin is survived by his wife Annette and two children, Travis and Kaylin.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL RU comeback try stalls, 46-39

LOCAL SPORTS

Mercy upsets Hartland in Class A regional

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It proved to be a mountain just too tall to climb Tuesday night for the Redford Union girls basketball team.

The Panthers found themselves down 28-10 at halftime and when Center Line scored the first five points to open the third quarter, the deficit mounted to 19.

But RU went on a 17-0 run to close the third and pulled within five in the fourth before falling 46-39 in the Class B regional semifinal at Detroit Mumford.

"We dug a hole," RU coach Scott Purdy said. "We came out nervous, had major turnovers and there was a little bit of a panic. But once we had a little talk at halftime we were able to execute better offensively.'

The Panthers had a chance to make it a one-possession game in the fourth quarter, but couldn't convert a layup as Center Line (17-7) went on to earn the victory.

Junaud Brook scored 10 of her 14 points in the opening half to propel Center Line into Thursday's regional final against host Mumford (17-7)

which advanced with a 76-31 semifinal win over Detroit Collegiate Prep. (Game time is 5 p.m.)

Sophomore guard Johnnae Steele paced Redford Union's scoring attack with 17 points, while junior forward Haley Hebner chipped in with 10. "We had a great season, I'm

proud of the girls," said Purdy, whose team finished the year 14-7 overall. "They had this no-quit attitude no matter what the score was most of the time. During the season, if we were down, they always battled right to the last minute. By far the best team I've coached in my third year at RU

The future looks bright as the Panthers lose only two seniors to graduation.

We're still young," Purdy said. "We're returning everybody except Angelica Wellons and Bre'Anna Blount. I'm looking forward to next year."

Bauer leads Marlins

Farmington Hills Mercy's Jackie Bauer proved Tuesday night she has the Midas

Everything the 5-foot-6 senior guard threw up at the rim seemed to turn to gold as she led the Marlins to a comefrom-behind 47-42 win over favorite Hartland in the Class A regional girls basketball semifinal at North Farmington

Bauer poured in a gamehigh 20 points, including 11 in the final period as the Marlins fought back from a nine-point third quarter deficit to advance to the regional final Thursday, March 9, against Walled Lake Northern (19-4), which ousted Novi 48-42. (Game time is 7 p.m. at North Farmington.)

"When you're a senior you never know when it's your last game, you really got to come out hard, give it your all no matter the outcome," Bauer said. "And I was really glad our team really got together, we played together and we really got it together at the end.

Mercy outscored the Kensington Lakes Activities Association champion Eagles (22-2) by a 21-9 margin in the fourth thanks to four triples, including three by Bauer.

Eight of Mercy's 13 made field goals came from beyond the three-point arc.

Stars, stripes, pucks



It was Military Appreciation Weekend at USA Hockey Arena and the U.S. NTDP Under-18 team wore themed jerseys for games against Waterloo. Shown from Saturday's game is defenseman Phil Kemp. The U.S. won 4-3 Friday and 8-3 Saturday.

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Division 1 performers Victoria Faber, Katie Dickson Kelsey Kernosek, Jana Hil-ditch and D2's Katherine Najduk and Rachel Socha for coming up big in the clutch. All six qualified for the individual finals set for Saturday.

"Victoria led the way with firsts on bars (9.475) and all around (36.6), plus 8.75 on vault (sixth), 9.125 on beam (sixth), and 9.25 on floor (fifth)," Cunningham said. "Rachel led the D2s taking first on beam(9.15), third on floor (9.275), and third all around (35.1).

Kernosek placed in the top 10 in every event (the top eight per event qualified for Saturday's individual final with the top six in the all-around making the cut). She tallied ninth on vault (8.65), seventh on uneven parallel bars (8.626), eighth on balance beam (9.025), third in floor exercise (9.3) and fifth in the all-around (35.6).

"Jana had a great floor (second, 9.425) and missed qualifying in all-around by .025," said Cunningham, referring to her 35.525 score, which was good for seventh.

Hilditch also qualified on beam with a seventh-place score of 9.1.

'Katherine made it on vault (fifth, 8.75) and Katie's 9.3 floor qualified and tied Kelsey for third," Cunning-ham added. "So three allarounders and three specialists will represent Canton

on Saturday." Other Division 1 champions included Aniessa Conway (Livonia Blue, who tied with Northville's Erin McCallum on vault with a 9.125 and Saydee Viau (Livonia Red), floor (9.45).

Livonia Blue's Jessica Weak was the Division 2 champion in the all-around (35.65) and vault (9.15). while Livonia Red's Mikaela Hille won floor exercise (9.35).

Individual qualifiers » Individual qualifiers in

D1 included the following:

Vault: Livonia Blue's Conway (tied for first, 9.125); Allison MacMartin (third, 9.075) Plymouth's Emily Caragay (fourth, 8.850); Canton's Faber (sixth, 8.750), Livonia Red's Viau (seventh, 8.7) and Plymouth's Paige Sanders (eighth, 8.675)

Bars: Faber (first, 9.475), Caragay (second, 9.450), lue's l nway (fourth, 8.750), Canton's Kernosek (seventh, 8.625), Viau (eighth, 8.6) Beam: Sanders (second, 9.475), Caragay (fifth, 9.375), Faber (sixth, 9.125), Canton's Hilditch (seventh, 9.1), Kernosek (eighth, 9.025). Floor: Viau (first, 9.450), Hilditch (second, 9.425), Canton's Dickson and Kernosek (tied for third, 9.3), Salem's Camryn Moyers (tied for fifth, 9.250); Livonia Red's Olivia Dillon (tied for seventh, 9.2). Faber, Caragay, Conway, Kernosek and Viau all qualified for individual state finals in the Division 1 allaround

"Credit to them, they answered with a three (pointer)," Purdy said. Touch.

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before moving on to the regular game.

Not one Salem bowler reached the 200 mark in that game, with Alex Mattson and

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Making it happen

From the opening puck drop, Churchill's group of fast, skilled forwards - spearheaded by seniors Tyler Haydu and John Doyle - were pushing the pace and putting pressure on Plymouth's defense and junior goalie Brendan Olepa.

And the Chargers got on the board at 11:18 on a 5-on-3 power play when Haydu's cross-ice pass found Doyle in stride for a wicked one-timer from the right circle. Olepa had no chance on the play, which was started by forward Danny Carey.

Then came a sequence that cost the Wildcats just before the end of the period. With a minute to go, and Plymouth in possession with a chance to clear the zone, it was Doyle who kept it inside the blueline.

Doyle then sent a feed to Haydu between the circles and the subsequent blast made it 2-0 with just 35 seconds left.

Drawing the second assist was another Churchill standout, junior forward Jordan Venegoni.

"Doyle kept it in the (zone), chipped it past the guy and I picked it up and just shot it — post and in," said Haydu, out on the ice following the customary group photo. "It really sparked us for the next period, really gave us a boost of energy

Lamenting that goal was Plymouth head coach Gerry Vento.

'We knew we were going to

Mitchell Rusinek registering scores of 193 and 190, respectively.

Other Salem scores included Shane Rusinek (175), Ryan Gonyea (173) and Joshua Hall (169). But Hahn emphasized that the quintet pulled together to provide the Rocks with just enough to come out on top.

have our hands full," Vento

said. "That second one was

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Reynolds said the late goal

"was an important shot in the

arm for our team, it was a shot

of energy. It was right time,

right place. They have a tre-

game they play."

Coming up big

mendous goaltender, and hats

off to Plymouth for the style of

The two-goal spread carried

With about 15 minutes left in

over into the third period,

largely due to the strong play

between the pipes by Broyles.

the second, Broyles snagged a

A couple minutes later, the

hard slapper taken by Colton

Wildcats won a faceoff and

Nathan Stoneburg snapped a

In the closing seconds,

and made a bid only to be

Borke rushed up the left wing

stopped yet again by Broyles.

the night was Churchill's abil-

ity to withstand heavy pres-sure from Plymouth during a

power play early in the third

Broyles foiled chances by

Adam Rebecca, senior captain

And then it suddenly was

Churchill's Josh Friend

stepped around a defenseman

and launched a high drive over

Olepa's trapper with 8:27 left.

Drawing the lone helper was

Zach Gallaher (on a screen

shot) and Tim Baldwin.

Perhaps the tide-turner of

shot from the bottom of the left

circle that Broyles hung tough

"There weren't any major, phenomenal scores," said Hahn, who coaches the team

along with Glenn Clark. "The strikes were not coming easy. So they picked up some really key splits today, and just stayed all-around consistent."

Hudsonville's top scorer was Brendan Bentley, with a

"You can't fault Olepa on

their high-end guys that made

The Wildcats, who outshot

Churchill 16-6 in the third peri-

finally spoiled Broyles' shutout

C. J. Mullenax delivered a

shot home from above the right

"It was late in the game,"

Gallaher said. "Just trying to

get anything going, just trying

to give our team a little spark

to get back in it. Just got a shot

on net and it happened to go

Plymouth pressed some

more. Joe Fontana slid the

od (and 34-19 for the contest),

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pass to Gallaher, who rifled a

any of those goals and it was

great plays," Vento said

That's the way it is.'

Conor Burnette.

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Earlier during the day at Sterling Lanes, No. 3-seeded Salem defeated No. 6 St. Clair Shores Lakeview (1,293to-1,132) and No. 7 Grand Haven (1,312-to-1,149).

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the losing coach was Vento, who actually coached Reynolds when he was in his teens.

"Gerry Vento has been a personal friend and a mentor to me throughout my life," Rey-nolds said. "It's actually kind of bittersweet that it came down to he and I.'

Meanwhile, Vento tipped his cap to Reynolds and the Chargers

"If I had to lose I couldn't be happier losing to Jason," Vento said. "I coached him when he was 15 years old, he was my assistant for two years (at Livonia Stevenson), he's like a little brother to me.

"As disappointed as I was I was very happy that Jason was the one receiving the trophy.'

The defeat also marked the end of the Plymouth careers of a solid, hard-working group of senior players. Those included Gallaher, forwards Borke, Nick Yankee, Johnathan Balch, Scott Deal, Alex Chartrand and defensemen Keaton Courtney and Fontana.

"One of my favorite teams I've ever played on," Gallaher said. "I've known some of these guys for 7-8 years, I'm going to miss all of them.

"The underclassmen, I hope they come ready next year and just build on what we've started this year."

Churchill now advances to play Saline in the D2 quarterfinal set for 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Dearborn Ice Skating Center.

With the top forwards clicking and Broyles in the zone at the other end, the Chargers move on with plenty of confidence.

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» In Division 2, individual qualifiers included the following:

Vault: Livonia Blue's Weak (first, 9.15), Livonia Red's Hille (fourth, 8.850), Canton's Najduk (fifth, 8.75), Plymouth's Jaya Dhande (sixth, 8.725) and Salem's Kaleigh Sibel (eighth, 8.65)

Bars: Weak (second, 8.950), Salem's Cloe Longeway (third, 8.575) and Sibel (tied for sixth, 8.275); Livonia Blue's Haden Florn and Hille (tied for eighth, 8.250).

Beam: Canton's Socha (first, 9.15), Plymouth's Adrian Hartford (second, 9.075) and Sarah Hosmer (tied for fourth, 8.775), Livonia Red's Mackenzie Borrman (tied for fourth, 8.775), Livonia Blue's Katie Grover and Livonia Red's Hille (tied for sixth, 8.725), Salem's Julia Devine (eighth, 8.675).

Floor: Hille (first, 9.35) Weak (second, 9.325), Socha (tied for third, 9.275), Salem's Riley Fisher (fifth, 9.225), Plymouth's Victoria Silvester (sixth, 9.2) and Adriana Tao (eighth, 9.1).

Weak, Hille, Socha and Longeway all qualified for individual state finals in the Division 2 all-around.

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puck to Stoneburg for a riser from the left circle that Broyles blocked.

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circle.

Borke and Mullenax had chances to get the game within a goal. But Broyles wouldn't let that happen.

'He (Broyles) was playing out of his mind, just making big saves, sliding across the crease everywhere," Gallaher said. "We just couldn't get a bounce into the net.'

With Olepa pulled for an extra attacker, Willis Wuebben scored into the empty net at 15:59. Assisting was Friend.

"We came into their house," Doyle said. "Our coach said they're going to be comfortable, we're going to be uncomfortable, so come out hot and we did.'

Mutual respect

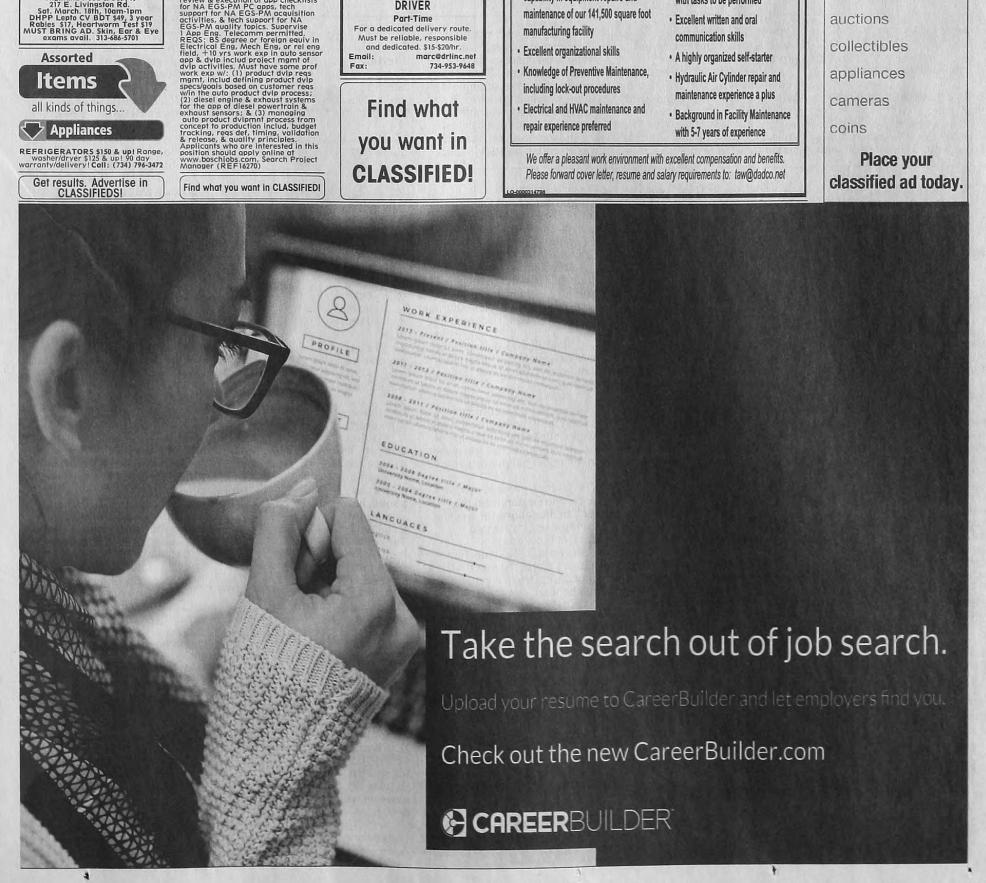
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The only bittersweet moment for Reynolds was the fact



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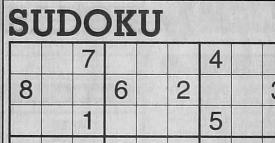
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