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Gang probe nabs Canton man, others

Federal authorities conduct raids related to racketeering, drugs

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In the gritty, violent underworld of a Detroit street gang known as Smokecamp, which authorities say sold drugs and carried guns for protection, 28-year-old Jerray Key of Canton went by the names "Chino" and "Dre."

In a federal indictment unsealed Wednesday, Key is among 13 defendants charged in a racketeering probe amid allegations they made money selling cocaine, heroin, marijuana, ecstasy and prescription pills, in a scheme that authorities say reached from Detroit's east side to Kentucky, West Virginia and Ohio.

Acting U.S. Attorney Daniel Lemisch

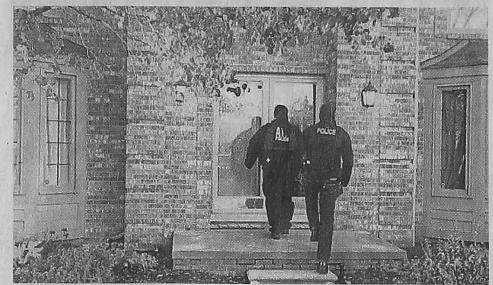
announced the charges against gang members of Smokecamp, also known as Original Paid Bosses, after an investigation by Detroit-area, state and federal law enforcement agencies under the so-called Detroit One program. The latest developments came after

The latest developments came after the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives executed search warrants Wednesday morning across metro Detroit, including at a home in southwest Canton. All but two defendants, both of Detroit, were taken into custody.

into custody.

Lemisch called the indictment "the latest in a string of cases charging violent gang members in the city of Detroit." Key is facing charges of racket-

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Authorities approach a Canton home to execute a search warrant amid a gang racketeering probe. ATF DETROIT



John Kulhavi (center) poses with veterans Maj. Ivan Castro (left), who lost his sight while serving in Iraq; Sgt. Matthew Kinsey U.S. Army; Sgt. Lonnie Gaudet U.S. Army; and Tech. Sgt. Leonard Anderson, U.S. Air Force. VISIONALIST ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTIONS

Hunting ranch caters to veterans, PTSD victims

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Former Detroit Lions quarterback Eric Hipple was out at the Horny Hollow Hunting Haven doing some hunting, which is what the 1,000-some-odd-acre camp was originally intended to be used for.

While he was there with the owner, U.S. Army Brig. Gen. John Kulhavi (ret.), Hipple envisioned an entirely different use for the facility. With its amusement park-style amenities, large and comfortable living quarters and all the outdoor activities one could imagine, Hipple thought, the camp would make a perfect place for a retreat.

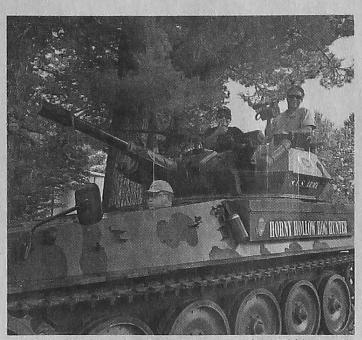
That's what he told colleagues when he went back to the Eisenhower Center, an Ann Arbor-based center dedicated to the treatment of traumatic brain injuries, where Hipple runs a program called After the Impact.

Hipple took a group of people — veterans, former players, first responders — out to the camp for a retreat that included lots of discussion and reflection, plus all the fun the camp's amenities offer.

"(The camp) was perfect for that," Hipple said. "It's got a housing situation that's warm and comfortable and a huge table where we could sit around and eat, come together and

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John Kulhavi, in his tank at Camp Kulhavi in northern Michigan, with Keith Famie and videographer James Saud, during the filming of "ENLISTED." VISIONALIST ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTIONS

Family builds memories thanks to 'Family Feud' appearance

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Larry Wildt didn't want to do it.
When members of his family talked about auditioning for the nationally syndicated game show "Family Feud," Wildt was hesitant about being one of the five participating family members. Funny how taking part in a memora-

ble, bonding experience — not to mention winning more than \$20,000 — can change your perspective.

Wildt and his sisters, Carol Bagdady of South Lyon and Bonnie Goodrich of Livonia, teamed with Wildt's daughter Becky and Goodrich's daughter Allie for the audition at Cobo Center, along with hundreds of other families, in November 2016.

After a second audition that day, the family was notified in December they were an "active" family. Show staffers worked with the family through the spring and the Wildt family flew to Atlanta for the taping during Mother's Day weekend.

"I never thought this would happen, so I agreed to be on the team," said the hesitant Wildt, also a South Lyon resident. "Then we made it through the auditions and I thought, 'Oh my God, we're here."

The siblings — Wildt, Bagdady and Goodrich — were part of the team from the beginning and they added the younger cousins to build their team of five

But there was never much doubt about who would captain the squad: Goodrich.

"It was pretty easy that (Goodrich) was the captain," Bagdady said. "She's the oldest and she's the bubbliest. She's the bossy one."

The family spent an entire day in the Atlanta studio — the show has since moved to Los Angeles — taping their three shows. And although it went pretty well — Goodrich and Bagdady teamed to win the \$20,000 fast-money segment on the first show — it wasn't about any money they won.

It was about the memorable experience they were having

"It was incredibly fun," Bagdady said. "We're a very close-knit family as it is and this bonded us even more. It was really nice to have the younger

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generation there, too." The experience was packed full of memories and the questions provided several examples of what will surely be inside jokes for the family.

For instance, when it was Wildt's turn at the buzzer, the question was, "If I could come back in another life, I would want to be Steve Harvey's (blank)." Wildt got to the buzzer first and said, "wife."

While the answer drew roars from some 60 friends and family on hand Thursday for a family viewing party, Wildt attributed it to a story host Steve Harvey had told some 20 minutes earlier about a lavish trip to which he treated his wife. That part didn't make the airing.

And then there was Goodrich's Fast Money

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Bonnie Goodrich, family and friends watch "Family Feud." BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

experience. Her first question was "Fill in the blank ... 'Pass the

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(blank)." She hesitated and replied, "bacon," drawing chuckles from the host and more roars at the viewing party.

"I'm sure that will be the family joke from now on," Goodrich said. "(But) it's not as easy to come up with something when you're in the moment as it is when you're watching in your living room.

Everyone found the "Family Feud" staff "incredibly gracious" and agreed Harvey is a genuinely nice, funny guy.

"(Harvey) has a real talent for observing something about you and running with it," Bag-dady said. "He's a very talented comedian."

Goodrich and Bagdady breezed through Fast Money on the first show. Goodrich went. first and earned 130 points (it takes 200 points to win the \$20,000), getting 49 of them by answering "apple pie" to



Bonnie Goodrich, Larry Wildt and Carol Bagdady invited a bunch of friends over to watch their debut on "Family Feud." BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

makes the whole house smell good."

Bagdady put the pair over the top by answer-ing "washcloth" to the question, "Name something adults take into the bathtub with them.'

The family also reached Fast Money in their second show, though they couldn't come through with another \$20,000. The Wildts lost in their third show.

"We wanted the family

memory, something special as a time to be together," Goodrich said. "It's a memory of a life-

"It was tremendous fun," Bagdady added. "We're very blessed to have the family we do."

Much of that family gathered at Bagdady's South Lyon home to watch the first show Thursday night. Missing were Becky Wildt (she's a senior at Michigan

State) and Allie Goodrich (Bonnie's daughter, who lives in Chicago). But viewing parties took place all over the country - in Washington, D.C., in Chicago, in the Upper Peninsula. Locally, Goodrich's colleagues at Dodson Elementary, where she teaches, hosted a party of their own.

The success didn't surprise Goodrich's friends.

"I know (Goodrich) is always exciting and animated," said Liz Niessen, a reading intervention teacher at Workman and Bird elementary schools. "I knew she was going to come up with good answers. She's always on top of things."

So with the experience behind them — the shows aired Thursday, Friday and Saturday — would the family's most hesitant team member do it again?

"Not that many families get a chance to do this," Larry Wildt said. "I would totally do it again in a second.'

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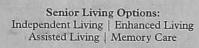


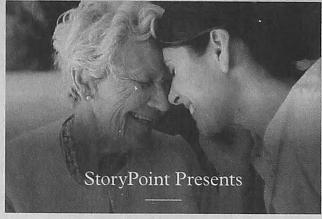
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eering conspiracy and engaging in a firearms business without a license. He could face up to 20 years in prison, if convicted.

Authorities say the gang operated from Detroit's east side, near Albion and Seven Mile, in an area they dubbed "ABlock." Officials say it was within a larger area claimed by the gang Bloods and known as the "Red Zone."

In the U.S. Attorney's Office announcement, authorities said the gang has been known to engage in robberies and extortion, though most of its money allegedly came from selling drugs outside of vacant homes known as "trap houses" and businesses near Seven Mile and Albion.

Authorities say gang members had firearms to protect their narcotics business — activity that ATF Detroit Acting Special Agent Marcus Watson said Detroit One will continue to fight.

"ATF remains relentless in the effort to disrupt violent gangs operating in Detroit neighborhoods so law-abiding citizens can live in peace," Watson said.

"This investigation is another example of how, by working together, the Detroit One initiative is making a difference."

Canton Deputy Police Director Chad Baugh said one of the search warrants was executed Wednesday morning at a home in southwest Canton. He said Canton police were involved only to provide security as the ATF conducted its search.

"We want to make sure when search warrants are executed in our town that they are conducted safely," Baugh said.

He said the presence of Canton police also can provide reassurance to residents that they are safe, despite a flurry of law enforcement activity in their neighborhood.

Gina Balaya, spokes-woman for the U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Michigan, said a detention hearing is set for Tuesday in federal court to determine whether the defendants should remain in custody.

Named Wednesday along with Key in the

federal indictment are: » Korey Sanders, 26, also known as "No Loan Corleon" and "Stax," of Detroit, with RICO, or racketeering, conspiracy and willful engagement in a firearms business without a license.

» Deshawn Langston, 26, also known as "Pook" and "Slips," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy.

» Richard Langston, 27, also known as "Dub," "Rich" and "Blow," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy.

» Hakeen Bunnell, 24, or "LB Dub," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy, assault with a dangerous weapon in aid of racketeering and possession of a firearm during a violent crime.

» Keenan Nielbock, 30, known as "Dolla" and "Keno," of Taylor, with racketeering conspiracy and willful engagement in firearms business without a license.

» Caraun Key, 26, known as "Luch," "Ron" and "Slick," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy.

» Darryl Key, 27, known as "DB" and "Big Baby," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy. Key hadn't been captured as of Wednesday after-

» Tyree Williams, or "Scoop," 24 of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy, assault with a dangerous weapon in aid of racketeering and possession of a firearm involving a violent crime.

» Romale Gibson Jr., 24, also known as "Santana," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy.

» Cary Dailey, 28, known as "Cease," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy.

» Antonio Langston, 29, known as "Tone," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy.

» Carlos Davis, 24, also known as "Los" or "Loso," of Detroit, with racketeering conspiracy, assault with a dangerous weapon in aid of racketeering, possession of a

firearm involving a crime, and willful engagement in a firearms business without a license. Davis remained at large Wednesday afternoon.

Detroit Police Chief James Craig weighed in on the investigation, saying the Detroit One partnership will continue efforts "to target and dismantle gangs as well as other violent offenders that pose a threat to the safety and well-being of our city."

Over the past five years, Detroit One has investigated cases that led to numerous charges against a flurry of gangs that officials say were involved in crimes such as racketeering, shootings, attempted murder and federal narcotics violations.

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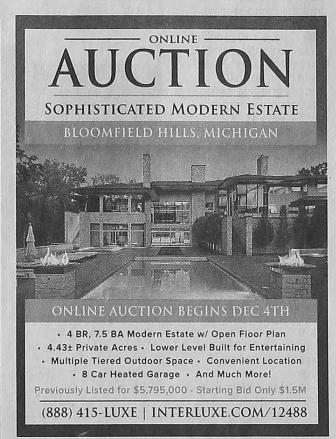


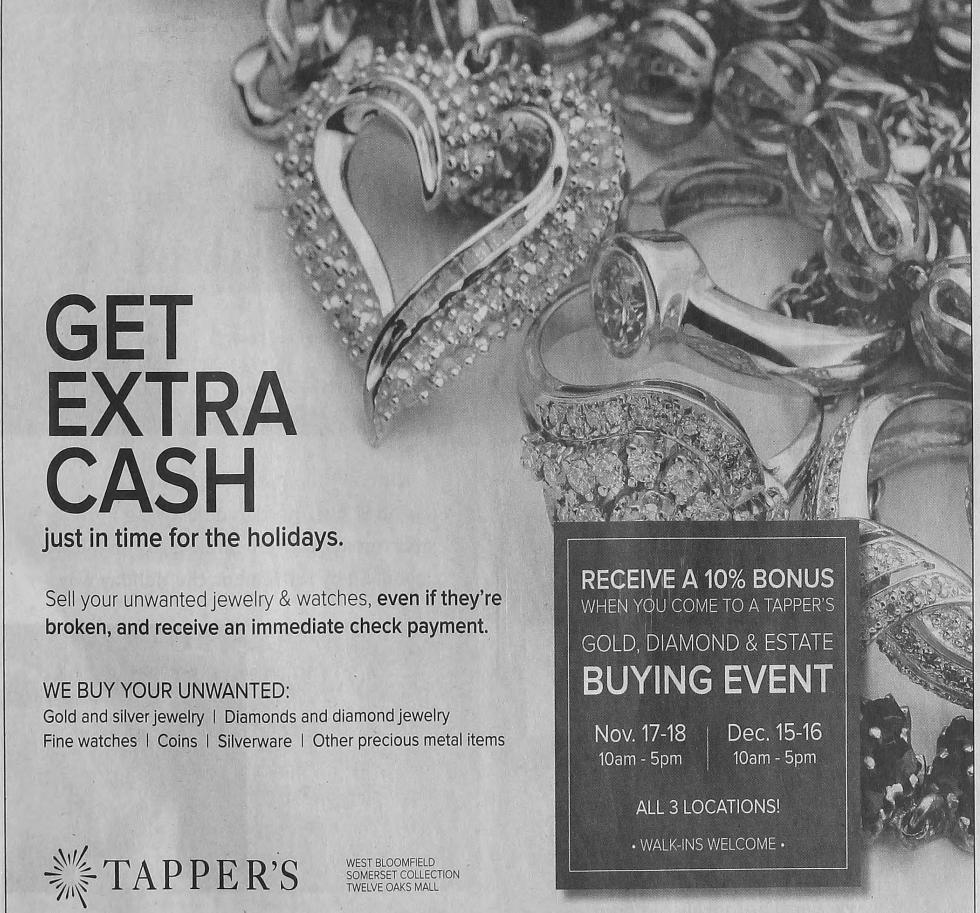
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get to know each other."
That's pretty much what Kulhavi, a White Lake resident, envisioned as he transitioned the camp from its original hunting origins to the recreational camp it has become. Kulhavi and four partners bought the place, located in Mio, from the 77-year-old former owner in 1971.

former owner in 1971.
First they bought 320
acres and then another
320 acres in the
mid-1980s. Another 398
acres were added later.

The partners had an agreement: If any of them wanted out, they had to offer to let the others buy their share. That's how Kulhavi eventually ended up owning the whole thing.

He and his wife Carole have 14 grandchildren and the camp started adding things they would like. There's 10 miles of roads for riding, a go-cart track, a bocce ball field, trap and rifle ranges and a miniature golf course, complete with a variety of Disney characters.

"I started converting it from a hunting camp into a recreational camp for men, women and children," Kulhavi said. "I wanted to make it kid-friendly. They love it."

Others who love it include the various groups who come up to use it. Many of them, Kulhavi said, suffer from post traumatic stress disorder — military veterans, police officers, first responders and others.

In addition to all the recreational activities, the camp sports a variety of military vehicles and static displays. There's a Huey helicopter on static display, similar to one



Retired Brig. Gen. John Kulhavi welcomes a variety of groups to the camp in the course of a year. VISIONALIST ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTIONS



Retired Brig. Gen. John Kulhavi originally bought the ranch with four other partners, but has since bought them out. DAN

Kulhavi flew in Vietnam
— "Sometimes I sit in it
and dream of days gone
by," he said — and a
tracked Hawk missile
carrier.

The veterans love those; in fact, a group of four recently visited the camp, a group that included one vet who lost an arm and another who lost an arm and part of a leg. "They've all had something happen to them in the line of duty," Hipple said.

And then there was Maj. Iván Castro, a U.S. Army Special Services Green Beret who continued serving on active duty in the Special Forces despite losing his eyesight. Castro, the author of "Fighting Blind: A Green Beret's Story of Extraordinary Courage," even climbed behind the controls of the tank.

Seeing the joy of those veterans is one of the reasons Kulhavi does what he does.

"The satisfaction I get out of seeing those guys come up and have a good time is worth everything," Kulhavi said. "It provides them a sense of camaraderie, gives them a feeling of independence."

Hipple met Kulhavi at a fundraiser for a movie about enlisted military produced by Keith Famie. He said Kulhavi has dedicated a lot to helping veterans and others who suffer from PTSD.

"He's done a lot to raise funds for veterans in need and one of the things he's done is set up that camp," Hipple said. "It's a place we can go and feel like kids again. That's everything to these guys. It's a place to interact with other veterans in an atmosphere that's warm and welcom-

ing. That's tremendous."

Kulhavi offers the camp free of charge (though he sometimes has groups pay for food). It features a master lodge with five master bedrooms, a smaller lodge with three master bedrooms and a dormer with six beds. The camp generally is open from the first weekend of May through the end of September.

It has gas chargers, wi-fi service and satellite TV. "We have all the amenities," Kulhavi said.

Kulhavi, a Farmington Hills-based financial analyst, takes his team up there once a year. The camp has "become a destination for us," said Pete Nielsen, an assistant vice president with Kulhavi's team.

"For me — someone who didn't go up north often — it's a pretty surreal experience," Nielsen said. "My favorite part is the trails. You can take an ATV out and get lost. I love exploring the place. There are so many things to do up there."

Lt. Col. Robert May, professor of military science at Central Michigan University, has taken the school's cadre of professors and instructors for CMU's ROTC program out to the camp the last few years, just before school resumes in the fall.

The time spent there gives members the chance to do a sort of re-charge before starting the school year. In the summer, they go their own ways — May went to Europe this year — for training.

They reconvene at the camp for a few days of comraderie.

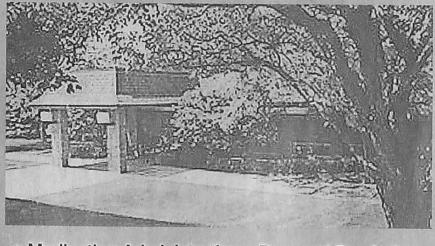
"It's the one time of the year we get to bring our families together," May said. "Our kids are playing with each other's kids and our spouses get to hang out together. It shows (Kulhavi's) commitment to the U.S. Army. He goes back to his own experience in ROTC. He thinks that's really where his success comes from."

He's probably right. Kulhavi spent 35 years in the army — his brother is also a Vietnam vet — and flew 3,600 hours in the Huey. That's why he enjoys seeing people — especially veterans — enjoy his camp.

"I spent the bulk of my adult life in the army," Kulhavi said. "I've got a soft spot in my heart for military and their families."

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Argument over pot vape pen leads to choke hold

Upset that he couldn't find his marijuana vape pen, a Canton man ended up in a choke hold after he argued with his girlfriend of 17 years, a police report

Police were summoned to the 900 block of Canterbury, near Haggerty and Cherry Hill, as the dispute unfolded just before 10 p.m. Sunday. No one was seriously injured.

The 41-year-old man had taken prescription pain pills and consumed alcohol before he became upset that he couldn't find his vape pen, the report said. He confronted his 40-year-old girlfriend about it.

The man told police she found the vape pen, gave it

to him, then jumped onto his back and put him in a choke hold, leaving him unable to breathe.

The couple apparently calmed down after police arrived. There was no indication of criminal charges.

Suicide intervention

A New Jersey woman's call to the Canton Police Department may have saved a suicidal friend who had sent her a text message saying he planned to kill himself and showing a noose hanging from his shower road, a report said.

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The 24-year-old woman notified police about 10:30 p.m. Nov. 2 after she became concerned about a 29year-old friend who lives at The Crossings, an apartment complex on Canton's north side. She told police her friend apparently had taken prescription pills and had placed the noose in his bathroom.

Police went to the apartment and was told by the man that he had taken 15 prescription pills used for depression and anxiety. He was taken to St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia.

Domestic dispute

As she kicked, screamed and accused police officers of assaulting her, a 49-year-old Canton woman was taken into custody after she allegedly assaulted her husband in the 46000 block of Woodside, near Saltz and Beck, a report said.

The woman had called police to say she wanted her husband's firearms removed from their house, where they were locked away, the report said. Her husband told police he was planning to have the guns taken from the home and stored elsewhere.

There was no indication in the report that the woman had been threatened with a gun.

Police had been to the home earlier in the day after the woman was accused of assaulting her husband. She was then taken to a hospital for a psychiatric

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evaluation.

When police arrived the second time, the woman told officers she wanted them to leave. As she was taken into custody for earlier assaulting her husband, she resisted arrest, refused at times to stand, kicked at officers and accused them of assaulting her, the report said.

Harassing texts

Police were investigating after a 32-year-old Wayne man violated a personal protection order by texting his ex-girlfriend and harassing her, a report

The woman, who lives in the 1200 block of Stacy, said she had left her boyfriend and was staying with her mother in Canton. She said the personal protection order specifically states that her ex-boyfriend cannot attack, molest or stalk her, yet she said he had been texting and harassing her.

The two have a child who has been living with the mother. She said he has been demanding to get the

The investigation was continuing.

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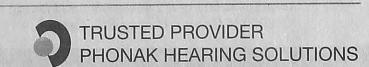
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Library Board Meeting

When: 7:30-9 p.m. third Thursday of each month

Details: CPL is governed by a six-member Library Board of Trustees of community members elected quadrennially on a non-partisan ballot. The public is invited to attend.

On the Spot Tech Help

When: 5-7 p.m. each Wednesday and noon to 2 p.m. each Saturday

Details: A team of tech-savvy volunteers has been assembled at CPL to help you find the answers to those tech issues you can't quite figure out on your own. Whether you need help while working on a project at one of our computers, setting up an email address or downloading an app on your phone, we can help.

ELL Conversation Groups

When: 9:30-11 a.m. each Thursday and Friday

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Family Storytime

Details: Family Storytime provides an opportunity for caregivers to actively engage with their children under age 5. Together with a youth librarian, you can build early literacy skills in a welcoming environment through meaningful stories, songs and play. Encourage a love of language and reading while practicing listening and cooperative tasks. Every Family Storytime is followed by a half-hour of ABC Activity Time. Go to www.cantonpl.org for a full November program schedule.

Preschool Storytime

Details: Preschool storytimes feature longer books, flannel board and rhymes designed for children ages 31/2-55. These activities help develop pre-reading and school-readiness skills. Children must be able to sit independently and be attentive for 30 minutes. Parents may attend, if needed, to help transition their child to this program, and all parents must remain in the children's department. Registration is required and you can pick a Monday or a Friday session. Go to www.cantonpl.org for registration and sched-

Baby Storytime

Details: Baby Storytime is designed for babies 18 months and younger with an adult

and features simple stories, songs and rhymes carefully chosen to build awareness of language and vocabulary, foster a love of books and provide a fun, interactive experience for babies and parents/caregivers. Registration is required. Go to www.cantonpl.org for registration and schedule.

Sylvan Practice Test: ACT

Details: Sylvan Learning Center is back at the library to administer a full length ACT practice test, open to teens ages 14-17. Students should bring their own calculator and pencils and are required to attend the entire session from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11. Registration is required and participants must have a valid library card.

U-M STEM

Details: The Canton Public Library has partnered with the University of Michigan's Technical Communications department to bring a series of fun and exciting

STEM workshops to the library. These workshops will present a wide range of topics in the science, technology, engineering and math disciplines. Each session has been designed and developed for kids aged 11-13 by engineering students at the university. Registration is required for each session. Upcoming U-M STEM sessions are 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 18-19.

American Girl Club

Details: Learn about a different American Girl character each program through crafts, games and activities. The group will explore both the historical characters and the modern day characters. No prior knowledge of the books or characters is needed. If you have an American Girl doll feel free to bring her, and a friend! This program is open to ages 8-12 and registration is required. American Girl Club is 7-8 p.m. Monday,

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The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its regular meeting November 21, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Friends Room on the main level of the Library at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170.

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

Sandra Young, Administrative Assistant Plymouth District Library 223 S. Main Street; Plymouth, MI 734-453-0750 x 217

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Wayne County Parks taking registration for Lightfest events

Sign up now to preview Lightfest 2017. Participants in the 24th annual Wayne County Lightfest 8K Fun Run/Walk at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, will have an opportunity to travel the Lightfest display route on foot. For bike enthusiasts, you will have a chance to Bike through the Lights at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15.

Participants can register online at https://
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podium.com/2017-waynecounty-lightfest-runbike
or in person at the Nan-

kin Mills Interpretive Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, in Westland from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Online registration for both the Lightfest 8K Run/Walk and Bike through the Lights will be accepted until noon on Nov. 12. After noon Nov. 12, participants may register during packet pickup in person at Merriman Hollow Park 4-7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13, or 5:30-6:45 p.m. event day.

The run/walk registration fee through noon

Nov. 12 is \$30. Registration at packet pickup and event day will be \$35. Fees for high school aged children and younger is \$18 for pre-registration and \$20 at packet pickup and event day. Entry fees alk include a long sleeve T-shirt, glow-in-the-dark medal and post-race snacks.

The bike registration fee through noon Nov. 12 is \$25. Registration at packet pickup and event day will be \$30. Fees for high school aged children and younger is \$18 for pre-registration and \$20

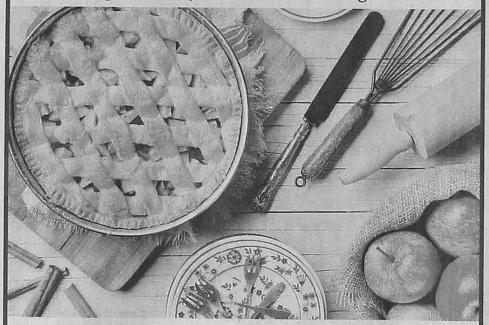
for registration at packet pickup and event day. Entry fees include a long sleeve T-shirt, glow necklace and post-race snacks.

Both events will take place in Hines Park-Merriman Hollow area, at Merriman Road and Hines Drive, in Westland, '2½ miles south of I-96.

For more information about Wayne County Parks, call 734-261-1990 or go to www.parks. waynecounty.com.

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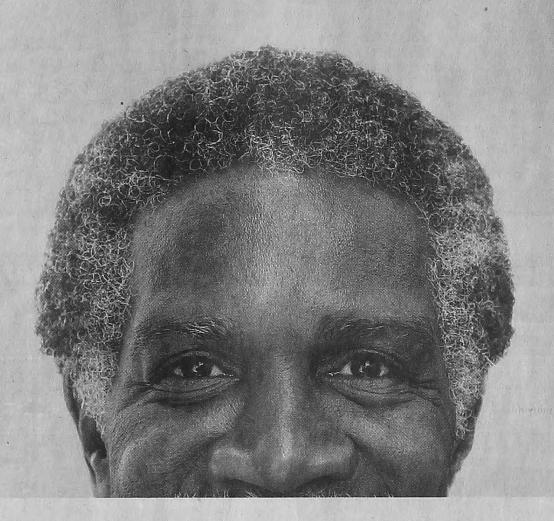
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ARTIST IS BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS

Palm Springs painter and teacher helps students cope, create and connect

KRISTIN SCHARKEY

PALM SPRINGS DESERT SUN USA TODAY NETWORK

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

On a September afternoon, Sofia Enriquez gets down on her hands and knees to draw a stick of cotton candy on a long sheet of white paper, surrounded by markers, pencils and students from Rio Vista Elementary School in Cathedral City, California.

Enriquez, clad in jeans spattered with dried paint, has divided third-through fifth-graders into teams, instructing them to trace the "shortest" person in their group and "turn them into a superhero or a villain." (Growing up, the 5-foot-1 artist was picked on for her height.) Students are grouped with others from different grades. "There's no flying solo anywhere in this community," Enriquez explains.

One team creates a half-cat, half-unicorn superhero with rainbow hair. Enriquez's cotton candy completes another with a sweet tooth. As she moves around, the artist never draws her own ideas, instead asking how students need her help. Her classes are "more open and free instead of, 'This is the mission, you're going to get graded,' " Enriquez explains. "It's more of a conversation instead of a step one, step two, step three."

step one, step two, step three."

The activity is part of the YMCA's After School Education and Safety program, one of the ways Enriquez gives back to the community through art. She also hosts lunchtime craft tables at local middle schools through the Palm Springs Unified School District's Lady Lead program.

A painter known for her bold palette and approach, Enriquez says she once had students create patches from scrap fabric for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. She explained how the civil rights leader

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Artist Sofia Enriquez uses art to teach life lessons to elementary school students in California's Coachella Valley. ZOE MEYERS/USA TODAY NETWORK

"stood up" to inequality, then asked the kids, "What do you stand up for?"

Each student put his or her answer on a patch to wear. One wrote "I'm not afraid" in response to being bullied for her small stature. "I was like, 'Girl, I feel you because that's how I was as a kid,' "Enriquez says. "It helps them cope with what they're dealing with, their insecurities.

ties.
"There's some kids that are like, 'Oh, I want to save all the beagle dogs in the world,' "she adds. "Cool! Make a patch."

With Enriquez, students create superheroes. They also can be one themselves.

SOFIA ENRIQUEZ

Location: Palm Springs, California

Age: 25

Profession: Artist

Mission: "Put art everywhere."

What gives you hope or what concerns

Q&A WITH SOFIA

What does it mean to you to be an American?
It means that I have to work really hard.

And try to be, I don't know, try to make myself useful in the community because there's so many people out here that want help and need help and want to have

fun at the same time. So I try to be a part of that circle with everyone. Being

American, it seems very hard to de-

scribe because there is no one descrip-

tion for what an American is. I think it's

What moment touched and motivated

In school, they teach you how to cut and paste, or paint something very simple.

But I try to take what I learned as a kid and bring it and offer it to other kids, (like) drawing something that doesn't

make any sense, or coming up with ugly characters that they only exist in your head. ... Let's experiment with color.

Let's learn about Frida Kahlo. Let's talk about our emotions. I try to open it up

more to just talking about why kids are doing it. ... I always wanted to take art

classes as a kid, but it wasn't offered to

you to launch this effort?

ENRIQUEZ

just working.

Truly being happy with what I'm doing for a living. I get a lot of joy from working and making art with kids. ... I just think that the world needs to have a little more of that freedom to express themselves in art. That's what makes me want to drive all the way out to Desert Hot Springs and Palm Springs and Cathedral City. It's like, well, if I'm not going to show up and bring a bunch of my messy crayons and markers, it's not going to

What do you hope to accomplish through your efforts?

happen.

That (students) cannot have any fear when they're creating something when they're older.

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Estate planning not just important in death

he following was a question that was asked of me at a recent talk I gave. I thought I would share it with you. The man, in his mid-40s, said that he was single with no real family and he wanted to know why I thought it was important for him to do some estate planning. As he said, "Upon my death, I really don't care what happens or who gets my

The first thing I told him was he was making



Rick Bloom MONEY MATTERS

an assumption that estate planning only deals with death; it does not. In today's world, estate planning also deals with when you are living. For example, what happens if you are in an accident and could not handle your financial affairs? In those situations, it is

possible that a court appoints someone to manage your affairs. The court is going to appoint someone who doesn't know you and you have no idea what they will do. It's not as easy as you may think to regain your power once you're healthy enough to do so. Also, who do you think is going to pay to have your affairs managed? You will. As I said, you want to have an estate plan so that, in the unlikely event you cannot handle your

affairs, someone who you want is assigned that task.

Another issue with having an estate plan, deals with medical issues. Having a medical durable power of attorney allows you to not only put down in writing your wishes when it comes to medical care, but also name the individual who you want to make that decision. If you don't have someone that you have appointed, the doctors and the hospital will make medical decisions and those decisions may not be what you would have wanted. Having an estate plan will allow you to take control of your medical situation.

It is important that we stop thinking of estate planning as only planning for one's death. We live in a very complex and everchanging world and it's important that we protect ourselves. One way of doing that - whether you are single, divorced,

married or whatever is to make sure that you have a plan and the legal documents in place to protect yourself, no matter the scenario. Life used to be easier and less complex; those days are gone. You and I must adjust to the times.

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

AREA EVENTS

Send calendar items to LIV-OENewstip@ hometownlife.com.

Plymouth library veteran photo tribute

In what is becoming a fall tradition, the Plymouth District Library is again collecting photos of veterans and active military personnel for its "Honoring Our Veterans" display. Photos can be submitted by emailing them to print@ plymouthlibrary.org The library staff can also scan original photos upon request. No personal information will be displayed with the photographs. For more information, call 734-453-0750, ext 4.

Letters to Santa from Canton

From now through Nov. 30, Canton residents can mail a letter to Santa by dropping it off in the North Pole Express Mailbox in the Summit on the Park lobby, 46000 Summit Parkway.

Santa asks that participants who send him some special mail this holiday season print their names and addresses clearly so that he is able to personally reply to all letters. Each household will receive a return letter and Santa will take care of the postage. Canton residents only.

For more information about this or any Leisure Services activity or event, go to www.cantonfun.org or call 734-394-

Canton Turkey Trot

Canton Leisure Services will conduct the 15th annual Turkey Trot for a Cause starting at 9 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 23. The 5K race or 1-mile fun run will benefit the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan, an organization dedicated to empowering individuals with seizure disorders.

This year's race is set to start at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, and will cover a picturesque, flat course that winds through Pheasant Run Golf course and Heritage Park, ending back at the Summit.

Pre-registration is available online at csc.canton-mi.org until midnight Sunday, Nov. 20. Participants registered by Nov. 9 are guaranteed an event T-shirt. Registration fees are \$25 for the 5K race and \$15 for the 1-mile fun run.

Participants can pick up shirts and bibs starting Friday, Nov. 17, at Gazelle Sports, 39737 Traditions Drive, Northville, during regular store hours. Pickup will reopen 3-6 p.m. Wednes-day, Nov. 22, in the Summit Banquet and Conference Center.

For more information, including course map, go to csc.canton-mi.org or call 734-483-5600

Music at the Elks

Blues @ The Elks happens 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 in



The Boa Constrictors Band will perform Tuesday, Nov. 14, at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge.

partnership with the Detroit Blues Society (www.detroitblues society.org). There is a \$5 donation at the door and bring your dancing

Tuesday, Nov. 14, the Boa Constrictors Band returns. Playing will be Carl Caballero on vocals and harmonica, Steve Allen on vocals and bass, Glenn James on vocals and guitar and Mike Kissick on drums.

Tuesday, Dec. 12, for its debut appearance with the Elks will be The Sax Maniacs Band. Performing will be Terry Burton on vocals, Ray Wise on guitar and vocals, Tom Hunter on bass and vocals, Joe Bruglio on drums and vocals and Dave "Dr. Z" Daniele on keys, sax and vocals.

Jazz @ The Elks happens 7-9:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres.

Tuesday, Nov. 28, returning will be The Terry Lower Trio. Members are Edye Evans Hyde on vocals, Terry Lower on keys, Ray Tini on bass and Jim Ryan on drums.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 is at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. For more information, call 734-453-1780, go to www.plyaa325.com or email

jazzattheelks@gmail.com

Human trafficking benefit

To bring greater awareness to men about the problem of human trafficking in the area, Pearls of Great Price Coalition is hosting a men's night fundraiser Wednesday, Nov. 15, at Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center, 8768 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. A cash bar opens at 5:15 p.m, with dinner beginning at 6 p.m.

The event will highlight the role men can play in the fight against prostitution and sex trafficking. The featured presentation following dinner is by Greg Bristol, former Michigan State Police trooper, retired FBI special agent and founder of the Human Trafficking Investigation and Training Institute.

The cost is \$50 and registration is required at courageousoutrage.eventbrite.com. For more information, email stophtnow@yahoo.com.

Village Potters Guild

The Village Potters Guild will hold its holiday sale Nov. 16-18, featuring original handmade pottery from more than 20 artists all crafted in Plymouth. Hours are 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov,

The Potters Guild is located at 326 N. Main, Plymouth. For more information, call 734-207-8807 or go to www. villagepottersguild.org.

Make a Difference Day

Plymouth Community United Way is looking for volunteers for the annual Make a Difference Day event Saturday, Nov. 18. Volunteers will be helping to provide fall cleanup for low-income and disabled community members in Plymouth and Canton. The event will kick off at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast at Plymouth First United Methodist Church. After breakfast teams, will head out to two homes in the commu-

Volunteers are asked to register with Randi at 734-453-6879, ext. 5. This event is perfect for families, youth groups, local companies or just about anyone. Anyone under 18 years of age must be

accompanied by an adult. Volunteers should be prepared to bring rakes and other yard tools if they have them. PCUW will supply lawn bags secured through grants and donations. For more information, go to www. plymouthunitedway.org.

Thanksgiving bell festival

The combined bell choirs of Plymouth churches will present a Handbell Festival Concert at 4 p.m. Sunday. Nov. 19, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial Road, Plymouth. More than 40 handbell ringers will join in celebrating the Thanksgiving season

with a program featuring music performed by all of the choirs ringing together and by each bell choir individually. The concert will also include audience sing-along of familiar Thanksgiving hymns.

Admission is free; an offering will be received to benefit the Salvation Army. All are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, call 734-453-5280.

Craft and vendor

Abundant Life Church of God, 2100 Hannan Road, in Canton is hosting a craft and vendor Show from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25. There will be many vendors and crafters selling goods, as well as raffles, door prizes, concessions and baked goods available. Contact Jennifer Smitherman at 734-536-9917 for more information.

Christmas concert to benefit human trafficking

"Tidings of Comfort & Joy," a Christmas concert, is set for 7:30 p.m Saturday, Nov. 25, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton. Featuring

classic Christmas music from England and Italy, including favorites such as Handel's "Messiah" and Corelli's "Christmas Concerto," all proceeds will benefit Pearls of Great Price Coalition, a local nonprofit Christian alliance working to fight human trafficking.

There is no ticket required; suggested donation is \$25. For more information, contact Darlene Kuperus at drk210@hotmail.com.

Holiday tea event

The Canton Historical Society will host a holiday tea event 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, at the historic Bartlett-Travis House, 500 N. Ridge Road, at Canton's historic house while it is decorated for Christmas! Ticket price . Tickets are \$25 a person and include tea, sandwiches and small desserts. They are available at the Summit on the Park.

Hats for the Homeless

Plymouth Community United Way is gearing up for the annual Hats for the Homeless drive, scheduled to run through Dec. 29 in an effort keep our homeless community warm during the winter

months. New and handmade items can be dropped at the PCUW office from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Should your company or group like to participate by hosting a drive on-site or like to sponsor items like coats or blankets, contact Randi at 734-453-6879, ext. 5. For more information, go to www.plymouthunited way.org.

Baseline Folk Society

The Baseline Folk Society continues its 13th season at The JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, at 774 N. Sheldon Road.

Tickets are \$5 at the door, including performers. Sign-up for open mic starts at 6:15 p.m. and ends at 6:40 p.m. Performances are the third Saturday of each month, September through May.

AARP TaxAide looking for volunteers

Every year, AARP provides free income tax preparation services for seniors and other moderate income families from February through April. AARP is looking for new volunteers to become tax counselors. You should know how to use a computer and the internet, and be experienced with income tax preparation.

Training will be provided to learn the tax software and tax law, to prepare you for certification. Training classes in early December and in mid-January are being scheduled now. Volunteers are expected to be active about one day per week during the tax sea-

You can apply by completing an application online at aarp foundation.org/taxaide or call 888-227-7669.



Address psych hospital crime

In the Nov. 2 edition there was yet another story about trespassers at the hospital. It is getting to be in the police briefs every week.

I along with the other taxpayers of Northville Township think our tax dollars would be better spent if the PD didn't have to spend a lot of their patrol time at the hospital. So far over 400 tickets have been written this year. Enough is enough.

Our political leaders need to get off their rear ends and finally come to a decision about this place. It's been vacant for 25 plus years. Five years ago they wasted our time filling out surveys on what we'd like to see built there. Let's get

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Craig Knapp Northville

Time for races to come together

The issue of race relations has been in the news lately, mainly due to the national anthem demonstrations, and to a lesser degree, the Confederate statues issue. I think though, most people ignore the fact that there has always existed some alienation between the races. There are white people who're bigots just as there are black people who're bigots, but in general, the races lack an understanding of each other and possess cultural differences, and this sometimes leads to fric-

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blacks had some gripes such as slavery and repression of civil rights, but much of this has been rectified and it seems counterproductive to live in the past. It would be more constructive to work toward racial harmony rather than focusing on the flying of the Confederate flag. The fact is, the slavery industry in Africa was perpetuated by black nations against fellow black nations, with the issue being resolved via the American Civil War, wherein the blood of hundreds of thousands of whites was spilled which is something blacks should be a bit more appreciative of.

The Civil Rights movement of the 1960s corrected some of the problems inherited during the South's reconstruction era. However, you can't legislate morality into people nor can you force them to love one another, and some of the things imposed by government have only further divided the races such as busing/integration and affirmative action. Furthermore, blacks have often done things that have hurt their cause of racial equality, including the nationwide riots during the 1960s (such as the

1967 Detroit riot), and publicly cheering the not guilty verdict in the O.J.

Simpson murder trial. By focusing on things like Blacks Lives Matter and public statues, we're losing focus of the bigger picture — that all human beings have a soul and that God doesn't look on the outward appearance. We saw this dynamic on display recently during disasters like the Texas floods wherein people of all backgrounds helped out their fellow man with no regard to physical exteriors, viewing them only as a brother in need. Does America need to be submerged beneath 20 feet of water before people of different backgrounds can get along and even perhaps show love and concern to each other? Heed the advice of The Youngbloods in 1967: "Come on people now, smile on your brother, everybody get together, try to love one another right now!"

Leo Weber Livonia

Fix school funding

One of the biggest problems with the public education system here in Michigan is the way we fund schools. Funding mechanisms for public schools in Michigan, like Proposal A, have left large gaps between individual districts when it comes to per-pupil spending. For our students, our teachers and our future, we must close this funding gap and ensure every child has the best available resources to work with

Locally, the Wayne-Westland Community Schools get less than \$10,000 in-terms of perpupil funding for students and teachers in the classroom. Meanwhile, driving just a half hour north of us into Oakland County, we see public school districts like Birmingham and Bloomfield taking in over \$13,000 per-pupil. A student's zip code should never determine the amount of resources available nor the quality of education they receive.

Stating the obvious, less revenue coming into Wayne-Westland schools means less available resources in the classroom for students and teachers. It means fewer pre-K educational programs and less opportunities for students to continue learning after the school day is over. Classrooms won't be filled with the latest technology or the most up-todate text books as quickly as they are in districts with greater funding.

Attracting the best and brightest teachers to the district is often a more significant challenge for districts like ours. Districts with more perpupil resources have a greater ability to offer more extra-curricular activities like arts, music programs and sports teams.

To drive greater achievement in the class-room, expand pre-K and after-school learning, attract the best talent and support more extracurricular activities, I believe that we must close this funding gap between school districts.

Our next group of elected state representatives and senators, along with our next governor, are going to have to take responsibility of this problem and present bold legislative solutions. The solutions from Lansing need to focus not on bringing down the districts that receive the most funding now. Rather, legislative solutions need to focus on reforming the Proposal A funding mechanism and leveling the playing field by increasing funding and resources for districts

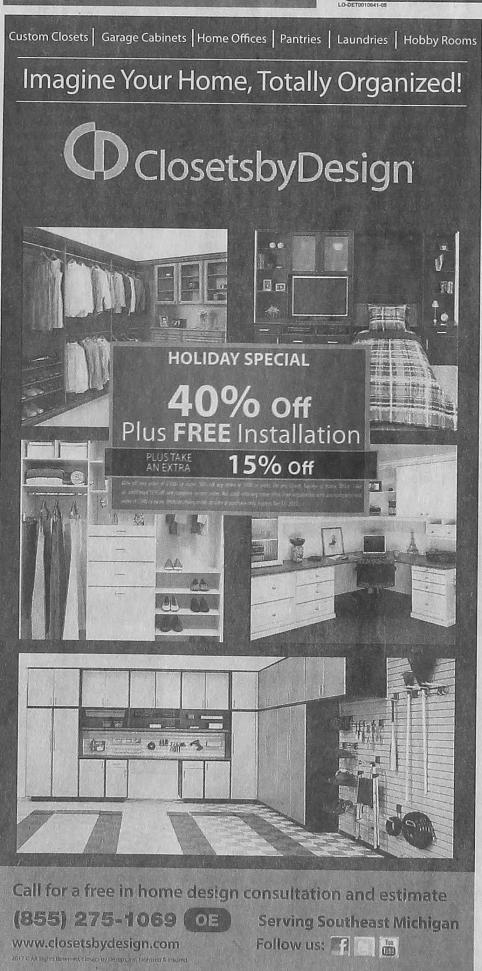
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Local airman graduates from USAF training

U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Liam F. Howell graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, air force core values, physical fitness and basic



Howell

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also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Howell is the son of Sean F. Howell of Westland and Lisa M. Howell of Canton.

He graduated from Washtenaw Technical Middle College in Ann Arbor and earned an associate's degree from Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor.

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with supporting our students and teachers today. As citizens, parents and voters, we must demand change from our elected leaders in Lansing. We must ensure that every child, in every school district across Michigan, has the resources they need for achieving a world-class education.

Mike McDermott Westland

Tax plan reform a farce

During Paul Ryan's pep rally to announce the GOP tax plan, he kept referring to the \$1,182 cut we would receive. Nowhere in his speech did he mention that the richest of our people would be able to add two or three zeroes to the end of that \$1,182. Further, by abolishing the alternative minimum tax and the estate tax, President Donald Trump and his peers will save billions.

Now, we who are low on the financial totem pole had best look at the deductions we lose before counting on that \$1,182. \$4,050 personal exemption for each family member, gone; Hope scholarship and lifetime learning credits, out; no deducting interest paid on student loans and no

deduction for state and local income taxes. These are just some of changes that have been discovered, no telling what's in the fine print.

This monstrosity turns out to be exactly what the Democrats have warned us about. By the way, the Republicans own this plan, nobody from the other side was invited to the table. This is the same old trickle down BS, pennies to the peons and millions to the rich. Watch how Representatives of Michigan's GOP in D.C. vote on this matter, they will follow Trump, like sheep to slaughter.

James Huddleston Canton

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Tax reform plan

concerns The U.S. House tax reform bill, done in secret by the GOP only and with no public hearings is simply a reverse Robin Hood of stealing from the poor and giving to the

rich. The scheme is designed to help President, Donald Trump at the expense of the middle class.

By reducing the corporate tax rate from 35% to 20% directly benefits Trump as does elimination of the estate tax. This was designed to benefit Trump at the expense of the middle class. Corporate tax are currently about 17% as a direct result of lobbyist

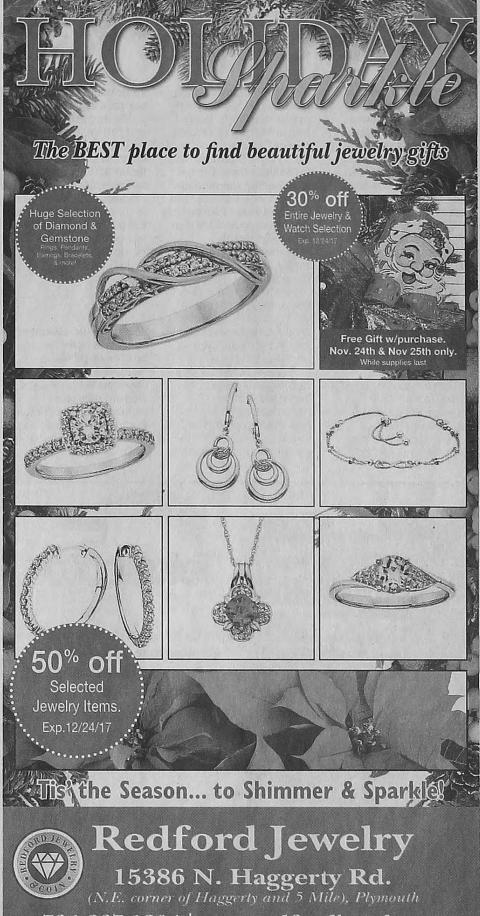
paid for loopholes.
If reduction of corporate tax rates would increase job and put \$4,000 dollars in the pockets of consumers, as claimed by Trump, why has this not already happened with record corporate profits.

The elimination of state and local taxes directly will raise the taxes on the middle class as will eliminate mortgage deductions and medical costs. Student loan interact would no longer be deductible.

As usually, this Trump "cut-cut-cut" only benefits those already wealthy and increases corporate wealth to the estimated of over 70%. The deficit will balloon \$1.5 trillion.

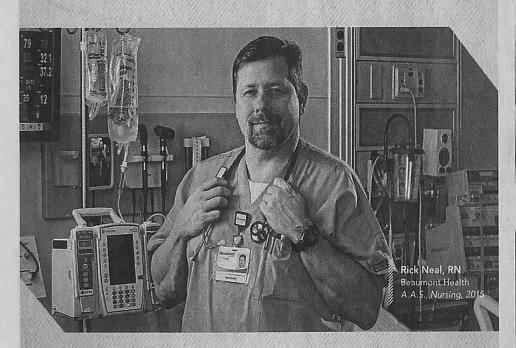
The middle class will directly subsidize the tax cuts for the wealthy as well as bankrupt future generations.

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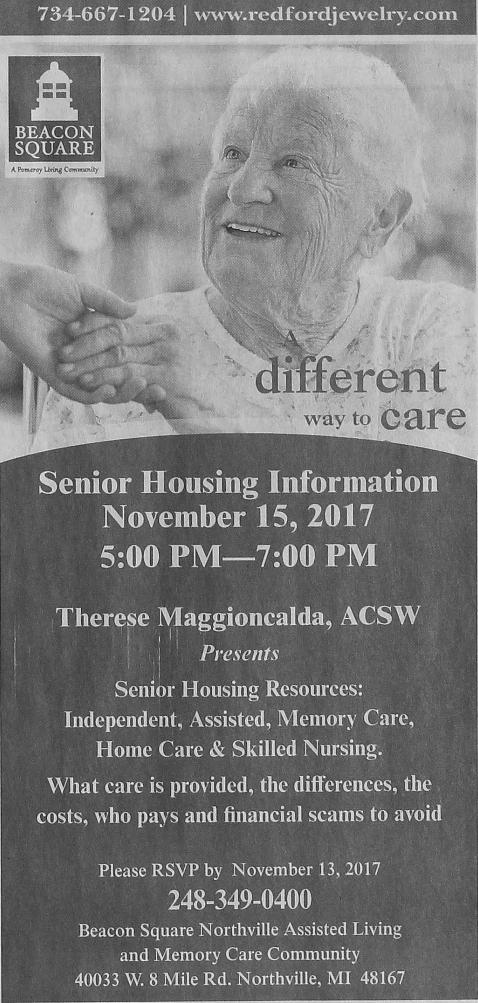


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Detroit Mercy joined forces for the third year with the Michigan Veterans Foundation.

"Michigan Veterans Foundation is pleased to be invited again to participate in the Military Appreciation Night hosted by University of Detroit Mercy," executive director Tyrone Chatman said. "We thank them for remembering the men and women who have served and continue to serve this great nation and for that we are grateful."

Robert Vowels, UDM director of athletics, said the school was "fortunate to be able to honor the brave men and women" who make the ultimate sacrifice to protect the country through acts of heroism.

"The veterans of our military services are heroes and have put their lives on the line to protect the freedoms that we enjoy," Vowels said. "We should be honoring our veterans every day. To our men and women in uniform, past, present and future, thank you."

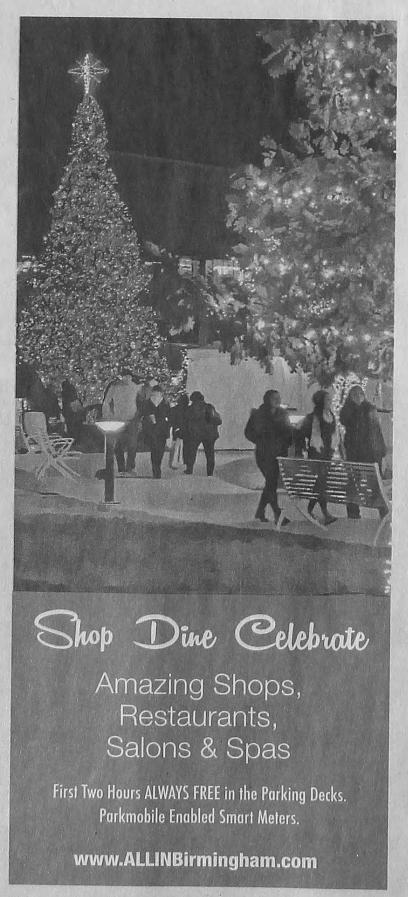
To purchase tickets, visit the Calihan Hall ticket office (open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday), call 313-993-1700 or go to detroittians.com/tix. Calihan Hall is located on the campus of University of Detroit Mercy at 3001 W. McNichols.

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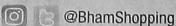
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PREP FOOTBALL

Defense also sizzles for red-hot Chiefs

Canton's offensive show superbly augmented by hard-nosed 'D'

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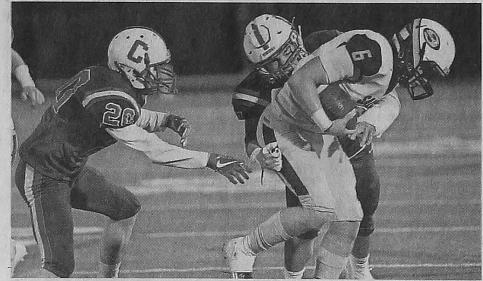
The Canton Chiefs rack up insane offensive numbers — both yards and points — not to mention victories on an annual basis during the highly successful 20-year regime of head coach Tim

Peel back the onion and you'll find another potent ingredient to the ongoing success of the program. It's a defense that plays at a dialed-to-the-max level, breaking up passes, throwing quarterbacks and running backs for losses and coming up with key takeaways, too. Consider the Division 1 pre-district game Oct. 27 against nemesis Saline, a 42-14 conquest. The Chiefs slowed the Hornets' running game to a halt (57 yards) and spiced things up with timely defensive gems such as a fumble recovery by junior nose guard James Deese early in the third quarter.

"If you're going to play an odd-front defense, your nose guard better be a great player," Canton defensive line coach Craig "Bubbs" Hnatuk said. "And James (Deese) is a great nose guard. He's just relentless, he understands pad level. It helps that he was a wrestler at one time. He's tough, he's nasty and he gets after it.

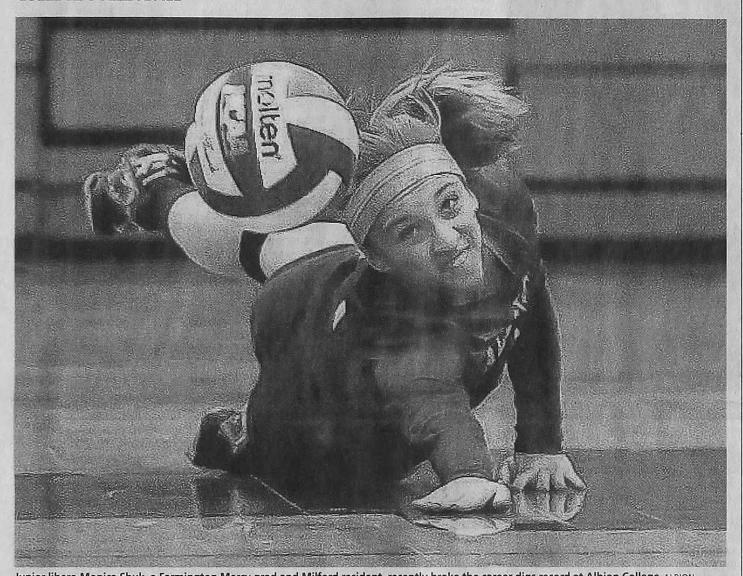
"So you have to double team him. If

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Canton's Lou Baechler (back) and Robert Laird stop Saline ball carrier Andrew Diuble during the recent Division 1 pre-district game. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL



Junior libero Monica Shuk, a Farmington Mercy grad and Milford resident, recently broke the career digs record at Albion College. ALBION ATHLETICS

Mercy grad breaks defensive record for Albion College

Marty Budner hometownlife.com

Albion College junior volleyball

standout Monica Shuk is into numbers.
An accounting major from Milford who admits she's always loved math, Shuk plans to intern this summer at Ernst & Young accounting firm in Detroit. It's an opportunity she's really excited about.

While accounting appears to be in her future, Shuk is sure to have a few numbers from her past that she'll always be able to detail.

One number is 1,334. That's number of career digs that former Albion College player Haley Gitre had, the record until Shuk passed her last month.

The Farmington Hills Mercy graduate became Albion's all-time digs leader in a Sept. 15 non-league match against Hiram (Ohio) College. Shuk, a libero, finished with 14 digs that night

to surpass Gitre's four-year total It is a number she aspired to reach one day for the Britons.

"My teammates were very supportive and they went crazy once it happened and it was great to get that encouragement from the team," Shuk said about her record-setting performance. "I even had parents and supporters who were there that made a banner that said 'career digs' and had the numbers and stats for that. And

that was really cool.

"I'm very proud of it," she added. "I have a of lot support with family members and teammates."

Adding to the record

Shuk will ultimately shatter that record as she's adding to that total with

each match. Shuk has 1,640 career digs as Albion

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SHUK IS NAMED TOP DEFENSIVE PLAYER

Farmington Mercy graduate and Albion College junior Monica Shuk was named the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association's 2017 Defensive Player of the Year.

The Milford resident, who set an Albion school record for career digs earlier this year, collected 289 digs and 4.45 digs per set in 16 matches against MIAA rivals, fourth best in the conference. The standout libero also had 45 assists and 22 aces in

MIAA matches.

"Monica was a defensive rock for us,"

Albion head coach Kristin de St. Aubin said.

"She grew so much over the course of the year. We were a great defensive team."

Shuk was named first team all-MIAA, one of three Albion players to earn all-league honors. It marks the the first time Albion had three players land on the all-MIAA postseason volleyball team.

BOYS HOCKEY

New coach at Canton eyes resurgence

Bartle determined to build winning culture from scratch

Tim Smith

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High school hockey never left Canton, but in some respects it is back in full force thanks to new varsity coach John Bartle.

The Chiefs will open the 2017-18 season at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday against Brighton at the Kensington Ice House with the longtime AAA travel hockey coach behind the bench.

"I'm not focusing on what was," said the Canton resident, who last season coached a men's club team at Eastern Michigan University. "We just talked about goals today. Not to divulge too much, I think the kids think if we're over .500, we're successful at this point. That's an attainable goal."

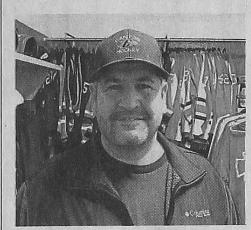
Bartle is taking the reins of an unsteady ship. In recent seasons, the Chiefs struggled in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association standings and some athletes opted to suit up for area travel teams instead of their high school team. Last year, Canton went 7-17-1 overall, 1-12-0 in the KLAA.

According to Bartle, that trend might be changing.

"Actually, I know a few of the parents of kids that were not playing on the team that were going to be seniors this year," Bartle said following a practice last week at Arctic Edge Arena. "And they happened to give me a call and asked me if I would be interested in

applying if there was an opening.
"I waited and, finally, an opening came. I applied and got it. Fortunately, a lot of these seniors are coming back

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John Bartle



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Lady Ocelots win Region XII championship

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Throughout the NJCAA Region XII women's soccer championship game Oct. 29 at Schoolcraft College, the Lady Ocelots shrugged off the fact they were shivering and kept thinking about the prize for prevailing.

"Florida, oh yeah," freshman defender and Livonia Stevenson alum Emma Werthman said following Schoolcraft's 3-0 victory over Muskegon Community College.

"Everyone wanted to go to Florida, that was our big motivation. And we hadn't ever lost on this field since we got this facility."

Melbourne, Fla., is where the NJCAA Division I nationals will take place, beginning Nov. 13.



Putting a good kick on the ball Oct. 29 is Schoolcraft College's Jenna Smith (front). The Milford alum was named MVP of the NJCAA Region XII tourney. JOHN KEMSKI J EXPRESS PHOTO

This year marks the third straight regional title for the Lady Ocelots and their second trip to nationals in Florida.

Also with a particularly warm feeling was freshman midfielder Tara Arlin, a Farmington High grad.

"Just being able to make it to the championship in Florida, it's the best feeling in the world," Arlin said. "We had been preparing this whole week for this weekend and being able to make it through with two wins, straight to

Florida, we're not going to stop there. We're going to keep going.

After closing out the victory, which upped Schoolcraft's record to 13-0-1 (the Lady Ocelots are ranked seventh in the NJCAA Division I poll), first-year head coach Joe Carver spoke about the winning culture that began when his brother Dave Carver coached in 2015-16.

"He kind of changed the culture to the way we want it to be, back to a winning school," said Joe Carver, an assistant coach at Schoolcraft in the previous two seasons. "Definitely the last three years, we've been able to do that. This is the third time winning the region in a row, so getting us back on those winning ways and getting our trip to nationals was key for me coming in this year."

Scoring for Schoolcraft on Sunday were freshman forward Megan Swirczek (Milford), sophomore forward Lauren Wynns (Livonia Churchill) and sophomore defender Olivia Borgdorff (Belleville). Setting up the first goal was tournament MVP and Milford alum Jenna Smith, a sophomore midfielder.

"Back-to-back is very good for both of my years and I think this time we have a really good shot to win it," Smith said. "We're really confident going in. It's just a better team culture. We have a good group of sophomores this year and our freshmen stepped up at the end of the season.

Wynns said a dynasty is in the making at Schoolcraft "and we're hoping to go far in the

national tournament this year.'

Her goal was set up by the hard work of sophomore forward Jamila Thombs (Toronto, Ontario), who was named to the all-tourney team (as were Smith, Swirczek and freshman defender Nicole Cataldo of Walled Lake).

Schoolcraft might be without Wynns for the first game in Florida, however, as she was assessed a red card against Muskegon (9-7-1).

The Lady Ocelots who also blanked Ancilla College 6-0 on Saturday in the regional opener will play three games in their pool at nationals and would then need to win semifinal and final games for a championship.

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CHIEFS

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you think you're going to single block our nose guard, you're going to have a long night."

Part of the plan

Deese actually stripped the ball from Saline's quarterback and Canton's offense took over, going on to score



Hnatuk

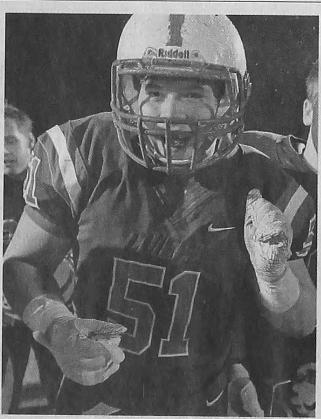
the first of two quick TDs to turn a 20-7 halftime game into a 34-7 blowout. "It was

definitely a big momentum swing for us," said Deese, who is soft-spoken off the field, but a force to be reckoned with on it. "As he was coming up, I saw the quarterback coming and he was kind of carrying the ball a little loose, so I went for it. And it came out. I tried to hold the

ball for the team. Talking about that play still brought a huge smile to Hnatuk's face because Deese is just a spoke in a wheel that flattens anything in its

"We held Saline to 57 yards rushing, which made them one-dimensional," Hnatuk said. "And at that point in time, we can start stunting or we're not worried about the run. So our kids are playing well together. They understand the team concept.

"Our motto on defense is play your one through 11, do your job, trust your teammates. It's a great group of young men, just



Canton's James Deese is all smiles as he runs back to the sidelines after forcing and recovering a fumble against Saline. His play was a catalyst in the Chiefs' pre-district victory. BILL BRESLER I HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

a fabulous group of

Canton's defensive mojo continued on Nov. 3 in a grueling 28-25 win over top-ranked Belleville. The Chiefs were scheduled Friday to face Novi Detroit Catholic Central in a regional final.

The Chiefs employ three interior linemen (Deese, left tackle Ronald Fenderston, right tackle Darius Robinson), with outside linebackers Noah Brown and Chase Meredith up on the line.

Stationed behind them are middle linebacker and defensive captain Lou Baechler and linebacker Aaron Garbarino

to comprise what Hnatuk labels a 5-2 defense.

Baechler is middle linebacker, he calls everything, he's quarterback of the (defense)," Hnatuk said. "And Noah Brown makes a lot of plays for us, but we all play together. It's a great front seven, one of the best front sevens I've been around.'

And that group of defenders can be downright scary for other teams simply because of how determined, strong and smart they are.

"It's everyone playing together, knowing what their gap responsibilities are and trusting their teammates that they're

going to be there," Hnatuk said. "My guys, at defensive line, depending on what we're playing, either we're reading the (offensive) guard or we're reading the offensive tackle. It's more simplistic for us. Linebackers have a lot more on their plate."

Pulling the rope

If there is, bring it on, said Lou Baechler — a hard-hitting performer who also comes up with clutch plays on offense when needed.

'My role is kind of like the leader on defense," Baechler said. "I make all the pre-snap checks and calls when they motion. And then I

just play my position. "It's easy being the leader on the defense when you got such smart kids in front of you and teammates around you and they do their job."

Nothing seems to get Baechler down, or at least keep him down, for too long. Midway through the season, he suffered a fractured arm.

Baechler missed a couple of games, but hasn't missed a beat since returning. He hasn't missed too many tackles, either, having busted through several casts along the way.

"He's a great leader," said Hnatuk, in his eighth season on the Canton staff. "I've been coaching football for 34 years and he's one of the smartest, toughest football players I've come around.

"The kid gets it. I've known him since he was a little kid and it's a joy to just be around him. His football IQ is off the charts."

Insider information

Another under-theradar plus for Canton's defense is the fact Baechler is a regular contributor on offense as a tight end, making clutch runs and catches and helping provide blocking protection for senior quarterback Connor Engel.

"On offense, we come off and pound kids, I block linebackers a lot," Baechler said, "I know what they don't like, so when I'm on defense, I try not to put myself in that situation and try to get lower than them and use my hands a lot."

It's not a secret how tireless the Canton coaches are when getting their players ready for every single practice, every single game. Year after year.

'The head coach is brilliant, son of a gun, Hnatuk said. "I've gotten texts at two or three in the morning. He's back up because he couldn't sleep, so he's watching another offensive formation to make sure that this is the right defense we want to play.
"There'll be changes

once in a while that he makes that he feels a lot better about.'

Players not onl pound the rock, they pound the playbooks to get it right.

"It carries over to our kids," Hnatuk said. "Because every day at football class (Tim Baechler) goes over that with them so they are spot on, to know exactly where we line up and what we're doing for every formation that we're going to

Deese and his team-

mates see that level of commitment and want to follow the blueprint.

Knowing their stuff

There isn't one Canton Chief who wants to be the one that blew an assignment, let teammates and coaches down.

What makes it tick is just how much we work at everything," Deese said. "We drill everything, coaches work so hard for our schemes. (If we're) in our spots, the defense is going to keep rolling.

"Communication is really big for our defense. Our linebackers do a really great job of making our calls really early for us, so we know exactly what we need to be doing every play."

More often than not, the Canton defense is getting it done. Sometimes in as few as three plays by the opposition.

The Chiefs' vaunted offense usually takes it from there. But it all goes together into one package, more times than not with a capital 'W' on the wrapping pa-

"Everyone knows Canton, about their offense," Lou Baechler said. "They call it Little League offense. We produce 44 points a game, so they can call it what they

"But I think our defense is starting to get more known, too, and usually we're only letting up 14-15 points a game and I think we're successful because of that."

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BARTLE

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now that didn't play last year. That's why I think we're going to be pretty strong this year. We'll be competitive."

Time for change

Defensemen Jack Rumohr, Chase Olson and Elias Fonobic and forward Sam Reinders are at the top of the list of players who are returning after missing the Chiefs' 2016-17 season.

"The change, everyone wants change," Bartle said. "I think that change helped them make their mind up. I did make some phone calls."

Bartle, a forward and captain at Livonia Churchill during the 1980s, also is optimistic about the team's leadership group and its impact on the program's new outlook. That includes cocaptains Daniel Bourgeois and Paul Maurer and assistant captains Reinders and Luke Da-



Daniel Bourgeois (left) and Paul Maurer are new co-captains for the Canton Chiefs. TIM SMITH

"Right now, I think as far as the players we have and the coaching staff we have, that the future is looking good," Bartle said. "My goal is to build this program to compete with the other two Park schools (Plymouth, Salem) and compete in our league, too."

Bourgeois, a center who will be an important part of the offense (he scored nine goals last season, according to Michigan Hockey Hub), said players also are enthusiastic about turning the page from recent disappointments.

'Absolutely, we have some more talent out

here this year," Bourgeois said. "I really think we're going to be on the upside this year and, hopefully, continue to keep going up as the years go on.'

"At the end of the season, I hope people are going to start respecting the name and respecting who we are as players and as an organization."

Concurring was Maurer, a winger slated to play on one of the top forward lines. "We're definitely trying to make a new name for ourselves this year and, hopefully, get a couple big wins this season," he said.

Getting players to return is one ingredient to a long-term blueprint for success, Bartle stressed. Another is to have a program in place that will attract younger players before they opt to skate for travel teams.

"The goal is to be able to pick players instead of just taking who comes (through the door)," Bartle said. "I think from conversations I've had with parents who are

younger, who have kids in eighth and ninth grade, that will start happening shortly."

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Once those players choose to play at Canton, the hope is for them to get a consistent message.

Bartle said he is working with Canton Prep coaches Mike O'Brien and Ron Simons to forge one inclusive hockey program with the same philosophy throughout. Canton Prep is essentially a junior varsity program. Varsity assistant coaches are Kory Sosnowski and Michael

"The problem with high school hockey in general is kids have other opportunities to play other places, unlike football, where it's pretty much you play high school or you don't play football," Bartle said. "So yeah, the prep team is either going to get lucky and have some of those kids come from travel and play for them or they're not.

"That's part of my job, to build that prep team up to the point where kids want to come there and play because they're getting taught what we're going to be teaching up in the (varsity) level."

An example of a younger player opting to play high school instead of travel is sophomore goalie Jaxon Taylor, an import from Ohio, where he played AA.

'He's an excellent goalie, works hard, so far he's been very good for us," Bartle said. "He pretty much does everything, he's a butterflystyle goalie, he does everything the way you're supposed to. He cuts his angles down perfectly. He's a good goalie and I'm real excited to have him for three more years.'

Also looking for minutes between the pipes are senior returnee Donald Jardine and freshman Michael Renzi.

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Mercy, Stevenson make quick work of regional opponents

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With a lethal and varied attack that rarely takes a break, Farmington Hills Mercy blew past Grosse Pointe South during Tuesday's Class A volleyball regional semifinal at Farmington High

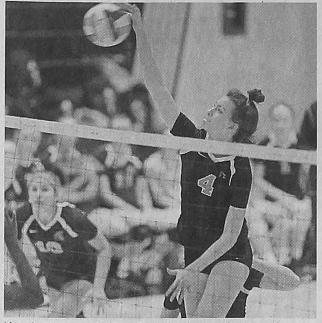
The Catholic League champion Marlins might be sneaking a peek at what nemesis Bloomfield Hills Marian might be doing during the state tournament - the teams could meet in a state semifinal Nov. 16 at Kellogg Arena in Battle

Veteran coach Loretta Vogel would like to stop what she said is a recent trend of opponents going on to the championship after knocking her team out of the tournament. That happened last year, when Novi ousted Mercy and then won it all.

'Seems like every year, whoever bumps us ends up winning," said Vogel, whose team routed South 25-5, 25-7 and 25-20 to improve to 48-

Mercy had several players who took turns pelting hard shots over the net for points, sometimes in strings of five, six or seven.

One of several heavy hitters at the net was sophomore Jess Mruzik, with nine kills and three blocks.



Livonia Stevenson's Libby Cleaveland rips a shot over the net during the Spartans' regional semifinal win against Detroit

"Credit to my setter, too. Julie Bishop's doing a great job running the offense," Mruzik said. "It's tough for a bunch of us to have a freshman setter come in, but we've really put our trust in her and she hasn't let us down so far this season."

Others who were hard to stop Tuesday were junior Logan Beyer (11 kills) and freshman Charli Atiemo (seven kills).

But no matter how tough the Marlins looked Tuesday, they know another big test awaited them — the regional title match against pesky Livonia Stevenson, which was scheduled for Thurs-

The Spartans, in their first regional since 2011, earned a 25-11, 25-15, 25-10 victory over Detroit Renaissance earlier Tuesday at Farmington.

'This is our first time going to regionals in probably five years, so it was really exciting," said Stevenson senior Claire Beaudoin, who hammered home the clinching point in the third set. "We were pumped all day. Getting the point was exciting, too.

The Spartans (26-19) know they will have their work cut out for them against the Marlins, but head coach Julian Wargo is confident his group can make the champi-



Mercy's Jess Mruzik hits during a regional game against Grosse Pointe South. DAN DEAN

onship match a very competitive one. (Go to hometownlife.com for Thursday's results.)

"Last year, we only had eight wins and 24 losses," Wargo said.
"This year, we've seemed to turn it around. And I give a lot of the credit to my seniors, the leadership they bring to the court.

"And just the athleticism of my juniors and the high emotion of my sophomores. It's a really nice blend and we've come together at the right time of the year."

Beaudoin (three blocks) and sophomore Libby Cleaveland (four blocks) concurred that the Spartans have some intangibles that shouldn't be discounted.

"We're very scrappy, we go for everything, Beaudoin noted. "We

aren't always the biggest team, but we're always the fastest, I think.'

According to Cleaveland, "we've been working all season to come together and find our chemistry. I think our chemistry has really helped us improve as a team.

Sparking Stevenson to Tuesday's win were sophomore Erin Pietruszka (14 assists, four aces), senior Audrey Lackey (six kills, four aces), Abby Cleaveland (Libby's twin sister) with seven kills and sophomore libero Eliza Alushi (six digs). Chipping in with five digs was sophomore Koryn Parmenter.

CHURCHILL 3, TREN-TON 1: Another Observerland team is in line for a Class A regional championship. Livonia Churchill defeated Trenton in four sets Tuesday in

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Marian turns back Stoney Creek after dropping first set

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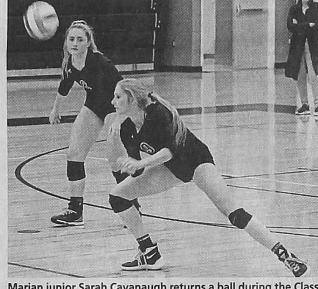
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Marian spotted OAA Red Division co-champion Stoney Creek a oneset lead in their Class A regional match Nov. 7.

The Mustangs, however, quickly corrected their play to the tune of three straight wins and registered a semifinal victory over the Cougars by the scores of 23-25, 25-20, 25-20, 25-19. The win lifted Marian into the regional championship

"You know, apparently we like to make it in-teresting," first-year Marian head coach Lauren Duquette. "I think we came out flat and, in my opinion, we didn't respect our opponent. (Stoney Creek) came out hungry.

"They wanted to beat us. We had beaten them once this season already," she added. "We knew that was going to happen, but we just



Marian junior Sarah Cavanaugh returns a ball during the Class A regional win over Stoney Creek. MARTY BUDNER

didn't do our job the entire first set.

Getting back to defense

ity, but it

Duquette indicated getting back to a defensive style of play is what turned the match around for the No. 9-ranked Mustangs.

"We had to play defense. They literally had probably 10-15 kills on us (in the first set), I just stopped counting. I was tired of writing it down," she said. "We've been know for our ball control, our serve-receive and our defense and that's sort of what I'm known

for as a coach

'So to see us not dig more than five balls in that first set, that to me was the immediate thing that had to change," she added. "We also flipped our outsides, because I thought maybe that would alter some of the match-ups."

The first three sets featured numerous ties, with neither team owning more than a four-point advantage until Marian pulled away in each. In the final set, Marian went ahead early with leads of 12-7, 14-9 and 19-10 en route to the eventual six-point victory.

We were very inconsistent and we knew we'd have to play strong tonight if we were to beat them," said Stoney Creek head coach Ross Talbott, whose team won its first district title the previous week. "We didn't play very well tonight. It happens and we've been talking about it.

"In this postseason, you get no breaks. It's

Class A volleyball, it's here and do-or-die, just like the NCAA tournament," he added. "Hats off to Marian. Their setter played out of her

Clarkston next

Senior middle hitter Lauren Wenzel had an excellent match for the Mustangs, who placed second in the Catholic League tournament to Farmington Mercy. She registered a .385 hitting percentage en route to 14 kills and added four

Sophomore outside hitter Christine Audette also was a vicious net presence with a teamhigh 18 kills, along with three aces. Junior outside hitter Sarah Cavanaugh nearly had a rare double-double with 15 digs, eight kills and four

Junior setter Maddie Dowd finished with 16 digs.

Marian posted 11 aces as a team.

"I thought Lauren Wenzel played the best match that I've ever seen her play all year," Duquette said. "I think it was really the first time that we were struggling in a match that she took it into her own hands and was, like, you know what, 'I've got this.' We've been waiting to see that a long

"I think that Maddie Dowd did a great job in the third and fourth sets of reversing the flow and making better set choices," she added. "They were clearly starting to front our middles and we had to move the ball around better so we got our right side active."

Marian (42-12-1) was scheduled to play the regional championship game against Clarkston, which shared the OAA Red title this year with Stoney Creek. The No. 7-ranked Wolves eliminated Troy in the other regional semifinal Nov. 7 with a win in three sets.

SHUK

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nears the end of its 2017 season with a winning overall record while battling to remain among the top four teams in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association. She is fourth in the MIAA in digs (186 for a 4.43 perset average) and her 16 service aces rank among the league's top 10.

The daughter of Gary and Jacqueline Shuk also has a number of other school defensive records as well — season digs (613 in 2015), digs in a three-set match (28) and digs in a four-set match

Those are some pretty awesome numbers for the two-time all-MIAA star who still has one more season of eligibil-

"I didn't know if (breaking the digs record) would be a possibilwas definitely a goal I had when I started in the position Shuk ever since I was a freshman and I've been in every single game," Shuk said. ""I didn't really focus on that goal every game. I just wanted to get as many digs as I could to keep the ball off the ground and keep my team in the game. I didn't think it would be coming as a junior, since it normally

Prepared at Mercy

up to that status.'

takes four years to work

Shuk learned the game as a youngster playing for Heritage Elementary and Muir Middle schools in Milford and with the Next Generation club team. She attended Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, where she earned all-Catholic League hon-

Shuk helped lead the Marlins to a pair of Catholic League titles, four straight district titles, two regional crowns and two trips to the Class A state quarterfinals in her four varsity seasons playing for head coach Loretta Vogel.

Mercy really prepared me (for college volleyball). Loretta made sure she was hard on us, in a good way, to really push us to our full potential," Shuk said. "I think that really paid off, because they expect the same things here at Albion. If you're not going to work to your full potential, then they're going to make sure that's known and they are going to make sure you are going to continue it the next day and further down the

"I think the Catholic school system that we were in with all the competition really accelerated how I could quickly

adjust to college," she added. "And I really think, honestly, that helped get me out on the court as a freshman Being athletically ready really helped, too.'

Vogel, in her ninth season as Mercy's coach, believed all along that Albion would be a perfect fit for Shuk. She couldn't have been happier to be in attendance at the game when Albion administrators honored Shuk for breaking the

record "You have to know it was important for me to be there (the night they honored Shuk), because I left early from my practice to go see that. That was of high importance," said Vogel, who also coached Shuk at Next Generation. "I'm not surprised at what she's done. Albion wanted her and we knew it was going to be successful for Mon-

"Monica was a great athlete for us at Mercy

and she has just flourished at Albion," Vogel added. "She has changed their program. When you get someone who plays defense and passes like Monica, it changes the outcome of that program and that's exactly what she has done."

Learning to play libero

The 5-foot-2 Shuk realized early that she would have to excel at the defensive end if she wanted to make an impact in volleyball. She has accepted her role as a libero and enjoys that part of the game im-

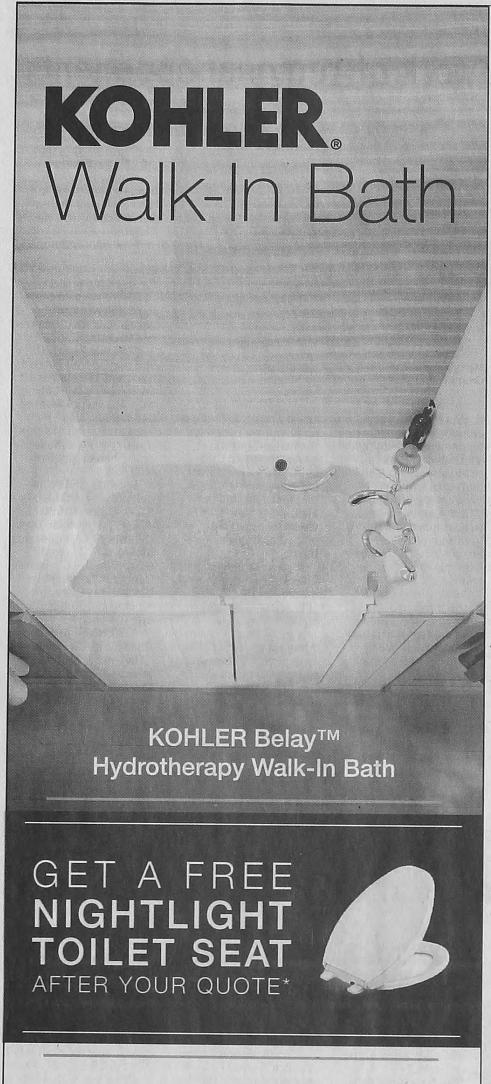
mensely. 'Growing up, I was just really short and you can't really go into the front row if you're not tall," Shuk said. "At first, I wanted to be a setter, because I just really enjoyed the sport. Then, when I was younger, I learned how you could be this thing called a 'libero.' I really enjoyed

"I liked rolling on the ground a lot and I liked the aspect of having to be ready when someone just throws a ball at you. I think you have to learn to be consistent, always expect the ball to come to you. That way, you're always ready to make a move for it and to make that play.

"If you can get to those balls, it can create a lot of momentum. I just enjoy it a lot," she added. "It's sacrificing your body, but you do what you got to do. I love it."

Shuk also loves accounting. After working on her numbers next summer in Detroit, Shuk will return to Albion, where she may pad her volleyball stats to the next level.

"The goal is to keep setting up the team, provide positive energy and get as many digs as I can," Shuk said. "I'm hoping to keep that record for a while."





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PREP ROUNDUP

Churchill, Clarenceville, Ladywood, PCA advance

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

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Churchill will play for the regional title 6 p.m. Thursday against Temperance Bedford.

CLARENCEVILLE 3, UNIVERSITY PREP 1: Audrey Owens and Michelle Marzolo finished with 16 and 13 kills, respectively, leading Livonia Clarenceville (12-14-2) to a 33-31, 26-28, 26-24, 25-20 Class B Regional 12 semifinal victory on Nov. 7 at home against Detroit Univer-

sity Prep.
Setter Erica Bertera
finished with 20 assist-tokills and was 23-for-23
serving as the Trojans
advance to the regional
final beginning at 7 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 9 at home
against Detroit Voyageur,
which also advanced with
a four-set semifinal win
over St. Clair Shores
South Lyon.

Clarenceville's Maddison Jabber added six assists and eight digs, while other contributions came from Londen Green (six kills), Krystal Jones (four kills), Cassidy Galvin (18-for-18 serving, two aces); Mia Daniels (11 digs, four aces) and Allie Snage (10 digs). LADYWOOD 3, ONST-

LADYWOOD 3, ONST-ED 0: In the Class B Regional 11 regional semifinal Nov. 7 at Jonesville, Livonia Ladywood (21-5-1) remained alive with a three-set victory over the Wildcats.

The victory puts the Blazers into the regional final beginning at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9 when they face Carleton Airport at Jonesville.

On Nov. 3, Ladywood reached the regional semifinal with a three-set win in the District 44 final over Catholic League rival Dearborn Divine Child.

PLYMOUTH CHRIS-TIAN 3, CAMDEN-FRON-TIER 0: On Nov. 7 in a Class D regional semifinal at Lansing Christian, Plymouth Christian Academy swept to a three-set victory (25-16, 25-19, 25-20). The Eagles advanced to the Nov. 9 regional final against North Adams-Jerome.

Top performers for PCA included Grace Kellogg (11 kills, 24 digs), Abigail Pray (16 assists), Isabella Racho (13 assists), Gabriella Kellogg (six kills, seven digs), Robin Albert (eight digs, three aces) and Madison Raymond (16 digs, three aces). Helping the cause were Caitlin Warshuis (seven kills) and Elise Miera (eight kills).

"We hadn't seen them prior to last night (and) we didn't know what to expect," Eagles head coach D.J. Kellogg said. "They were a well-coached team and got progressively better offensively and defensively each game we played them.

"We struggled with service and hitting errors all night, but managed to fight through it."

Other regional semifinal scores Bloomfield Hills N

Bloomfield Hills Marian 3, Rochester Hills

Stoney Creek 1 Farmington Hills Mercy 3, Grosse Pointe South

Livonia Stevenson 3,
Detroit Renaissance 0
North Branch 3, Detroit Country Day 0:
Country Day's season
ended in the Class B
regional semifinal Tuesday with this loss to number-two ranked North
Branch by the scores of

25-7, 25-17 and 25-15. The Yellowjackets were led by Kennedy Bearden (12 digs, 10 kills), Kathleen MacLean (15 assists) and Calihan Bearden (eight digs).
Country Day finished
with an overall 29-18-2
record which included
the program's first ever
district championship. In
the district, which it
hosted, the Yellowjackets
defeated Center Line,
Ferndale University and

Madison Heights Lamphere without dropping a

"We had a great group of girls who worked extremely hard and had a significant amount of camaraderie," said DCD head coach Kimberly Lockhart. "It was the true meaning of team. We took games from some very solid teams this year. I was very proud of the girls."

Novi 3, Walled Lake Central 0

South Lyon 3, Ann Arbor Huron 0

Earlier games CLARENCEVILLE 3,

CORNERSTONE 0: On Nov. 3, senior Erica Bertera finished with 16 assist-to-kills to set up Londen Green's six kills as host Livonia Clarenceville (11-14) captured the Class B-District 47 tournament with a 25-6, 25-19, 25-16 victory over Detroit Cornerstone Health & Technology.

Michelle Marzolo served six aces and recorded four kills along with Cassidy Galvin for the victorious Trojans.

Ciera Galvin, Allison
Lay and Shelby Smith
were all perfect from the
service line, while Allie
Snage paced defense
with six digs. Maddison
Jaber was also solid on
serve receive.

SOUTHFIELD CHRISTIAN 3, FRANKLIN ROAD
0: In the Class D District
103 final on Nov. 3, Southfield Christian (26-5-2)
advanced to the regional
with a three-set triumph
over host Novi Franklin
Road Christian (4-16).

FRANKLIN ROAD 3, MACOMB CHRISTIAN: Senior setter Katherine Robinson had 25 assist-to-kills and seven service aces as Novi Franklin Road Christian (4-15) reached the Class D District 103 final with a 25-20, 25-9, 25-10 win Nov. 2 at home against Center Line Macomb Christian.

Other contributors for the victorious Warriors included junior outside hitter Allison Broadright (12 kills), senior middle blocker Megan Jones (seven kills) and senior libero Kayla Nannoshi (18 digs).

The Warriors will face Southfield Christian (25-5-2) for the district championship beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 3 at Franklin Road.

PREP FOOTBALL

Cranbrook moves on to regional title game with 7-0 triumph over Mumford

Marty Budner

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It was a ceremony never seen before at the Thompson Oval.

Cranbrook Kingswood's football team raised its first district championship trophy Nov. 4 on its home field. The Cranes earned that emotional celebration by defeating a talented and physical Detroit Mumford squad, 7-0, to register its sixth shutout of the season.

"With this program, this team and the community behind us, this is the biggest win for us ever," senior quarterback Trevor McConnell said. "And to be the first team to ever win a district here is crazy, with the history that we have ... Pete Dawkins and everything. This just means so much to us.

"This is a team that we knew had the ability to do something," he added. "Thanks to all these guys. I just lead them and it's been a lot of fun for us."

The Cranes had twice played in a district title game, but lost both times on the road. In 2015, neighboring Detroit Country Day handed Cranbrook Kingswood a 42-7 defeat. In 2003, the Cranes dropped a 47-12 outcome to Clintondale.

So to win the Division 4 district championship

trophy at home in Cranbrook Kingswood's ninth time in the playoffs was a special treat for everyone.

"This means a lot to us," sophomore running back and linebacker Jack Fairman said. "We wanted to win this game and then move on and get better and keep going. We've been working hard all year.

all year.
"We just played hard today and we played as a team," he added. "It all happens and that's why we win, because we play as a team. It's not just one individual effort."

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Seaholm finally headed to state tournament

Marty Budner hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK -MICHIGAN

Birmingham Seaholm's boys water polo team has demonstrated season-long improvement and its reward was a trip to states.

The Michigan high school boys water polo championship was scheduled for Nov. 10-11 at Ann Arbor Huron. The eightteam tournament included the top four teams from both the state's East and West regions and Seaholm is among that

elite group. "I'm thrilled to be going to states and I couldn't be prouder of the effort and the growth that these guys have put themselves through over the course of this year,' second-year Seaholm head coach Josh Ste-phens said. "It really is a testament to setting a goal and working really hard to achieve it

"This was a goal of mine from the very beginning. We didn't achieve it last year, but they knew if they continued to work hard, it was something that was attainable.

"This team, especially



Seaholm senior captain James McLeod had a strong game against Dexter in the regional

our senior group, has really come along tremendously," he added. "We started off with good players and ended up with a couple of all-East selections in Cam Mabley and Jack Wischmeyer."

Top-seeded Rockford on deck

Rockford, the West regional champion, and Okemos, the East titlist, entered as the state's two top-seeded teams. Rockford was undefeated and has won four of the past five state titles, including last year, when the Rams took care of Okemos.

Seaholm did not make an appearance in the state rankings until midway through the season.

The Maples headed to states as the sixth-ranked team and had the honor of opening against heavi-

ly-favored Rockford. "It will be fun," Stephens said. "I honestly wish we could have played more teams from the western end of the state. The only way you get better is by playing better teams and Rockford is a perennial powerhouse in the state. I think we are going to learn a lot by going against

"I think we can have a couple of tricks up our sleeves and give them a run for their money in this game," he added. "I'm cautiously optimistic in this game against

Rockford."

Seaholm qualified for the state finals with a strong regional showing Oct. 27-28 at East Lansing. The Maples opened with a tough 10-7 triumph over Dexter.

The Maples were led in that important victory by Wischmeyer, a senior, who registered four goals, three assists and six steals. James McLeod added two goals and four steals.

Mabley, a senior captain, senior Nolan Grout, junior Nate Reckker and sophomore Jack Fletcher also a scored goal apiece. Sophomore defender Joseph Ciemniecki and sophomore goalie Zach Kozlowski turned in solid

Seaholm later dropped matches to Okemos (11-6) in the semifinal and then fell to the combined Holt-East Lansing (7-6) in the consolation game.

"It absolutely was a good regional for us,' Stephens said. "We didn't end up winning our sec-ond two games, but I will say the first team we lost to is either the first- or second-best team in the state and I am not disappointed at all by the effort we put in in that

"And against Holt-East Lansing, they're a team that had beaten us by five or six goals the last time we played them. This time, it was a game that could have gone either way. It just showed the improvement that we made from one

week to the next. "It was a disappointment to lose, but I certainly wasn't disappointed with the level of effort and the heart these guys have," he added. "It's been a great year so far. We've had a lot of guys step up for us.'

First trip since 2013

The trip to Ann Arbor marked Seaholm's first appearance in the state

ment since 2013 under then-head coach Chalmers McGillivary. The team captain that year was Tommy McLeod, whose younger brother James is a senior captain

this year. Seaholm finished with a 21-14 record, including a solid 6-1 mark in local district play, which included a win over Okemos and its lone loss to neighborhood rival Groves. The last 20-win season for the Maples was in 2004.

Whatever happened at states, Stephens is confident this team has set a new standard of excellence

"The nice part about getting to states this year is that now we can start re-evaluating things," Stephens said. "We can say, OK, if getting to states was our original goal, now let's take it up a notch, let's look at placing at a certain level at states.

"Hopefully, at some point down the line, we are going to win states," he added. "But we definitely made our goal this year and, really, anything that comes out of it is gravy from our perspec-

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takeaways:

THE ONLY TOUCHDOWN

Cranbrook Kingswood and Mumford played a physical, scoreless first

The Cranes finally broke through midway through the third quarter. Following an intercep-

tion by CK sophomore linebacker Tariq Muhammad, the Cranes took over at the Mumford 43-yard line. They drove to the 8-yard line, but lost 3 yards on a second-down run.

On the next play, McConnell somehow found receiver Kobi Russell in the far left corner of the end zone for an 11-yard touchdown pass. McConnell was forced out of the pocket and

used his elusiveness to hit Russell, who made a great catch and stayed inbounds for what proved the game's only score.

"We initially called for something to the right," McConnell said. "But they have some seriously talented DBs and linebackers, so I kind of rolled left and I was, like, 'Oh, look at that.' I was able to get it to (Russell) in the corner and he came down with it. But that's

what he's been doing all

CLUTCH DEFENSIVE PLAY Mumford came into

the game with seven wins, averaging 24 points with speed and a large offensive line. The Mustangs had scored 30 or more points in four games.

They could not, however, break through the bend-but-don't-break Cranbrook defense,

which allowed just 76 points all season with five shutouts. In fact, the Cranes still have not given up a postseason point; they blanked Madison Heights Lamphere in their pre-district game.

Mumford did manage to outgain Cranbrook Kingswood in total yards, 301-167. Quick-hitting running back Cerell Lewis finished with 125 yards on 20 carries.

The Cranes' defense

simply came up with timely plays to stall the Mustangs' offense.

SCHOOL RECORD FOR WINS

The victory was Cranbrook Kingswood's 10th this season, marking the first time the Cranes have ever had doubledigit single-season wins.

D'Angelo's 2015 team and the 2003-04 squads coached by Gary Gerson each had nine wins.



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Ryan Pierson is still riding on Cloud Nine and may never come

The senior forward from Novi Detroit Catholic Central was named Hometown Life Prep Athlete of the Week after leading the Shamrocks to their first state soccer title in school history on Nov. 4 with the game-winning penalty kick with just under seven minutes left to beat Walled Lake Central, 1-0.

Just three days earlier in the MHSAA Division 1 semifinals, Pierson also tallied both goals in a 2-1 victory over defending champion East Kentwood. Pierson garnered 9,142 votes (65.49 percent) for the Athlete of the Week honor, while Livonia Churchill volleyball player Annabelle Dunn was runner-up with

4,631 (33.17 percent). "It means my school is pretty happy with not only how I did for the year, but our program and how our team as a whole did throughout the year," said Pierson, who notched a teambest 32 goals this season. "They announced at the school I was up for the voting and I think that helped out a lot. They were real happy with how we did and real pumped up for how soccer is

coming along here at the school, so I think it's a really good sign." Pierson, who earned Division 1 All-State honors, was a close runner-up in the voting for Michigan's Mr. Soccer to Michael Melaragni of Rochester Stoney

Pierson, who plays club soccer for the Michigan Jaguars, carries a 3.2 grade-point average and will continue his soccer career at Saginaw Valley State.

As a sophomore in 2015, Pierson was a member of a CC varsity squad that reached the Division



1 state semifinals before falling to Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central, 3-1.

Last season, the Shamrocks suffered a crushing 1-0 first-round defeat to rival Novi in the opening round of the state tourney. That seemed to fueled their fire as the Shamrocks went on to post 21-2-4 overall record this fall, while earning the program's first state championship in 39

Ironically, against the same Novi team in this year's district championship final, Pierson scored the game-winner in a 1-0 overtime win.

"I think this year it really meant a lot, especially being my last year playing for CC," Pierson said. "After that win, I came over to my dad and said, 'It's awesome to finally know I have achieved my ultimate goal to win the state for my school, first-ever for the program.' But then again it's kind of a sad day knowing it's my last time ever getting to play for CC again.' Kids are just still talking about it, talking about how this could be one of the best teams overall out of all sports to ever come out of Catholic Central. It really does mean a lot to us."

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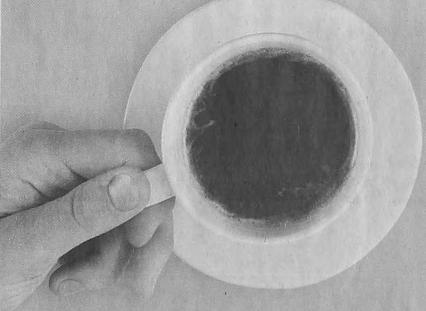
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How to describe yourself in a job interview

BY PETER JONES **THEJOBNETWORK**

ou know you're going to be asked about yourself in a job interview, so don't get caught tongue-tied. It's smart to have a small collection of adjectives that describe you well and show you off in your best light - bonus points if they aren't the same old tired words everybody else

Often the best strategy here is to think of action verbs, then modify them into adjective form. Think about how you would sincerely describe yourself, both personally and at the office, then put together a list and memorize it for ultimate interview success.

Here are eight powerful examples interviewers are sure to love:

1. Communicative

Communication is one of the skills most highly valued by employers, so this is a shrewd word to use. It suggests that you're a people person, you are effective at disseminating information, you care about connecting with your clients and coworkers and you are intelligent enough to do so clearly and professionally. Plus, you can segue this into concrete examples of how you used your communication skills to problem solve.



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2. Reliable

"Consistent" or "accountable" are also good ones. You're in it for the team — you don't just show up for you. You realize that your work is part of an ecosystem of other people's projects and you don't let anybody down. You're not late

for work or meetings. You can be relied upon to do your job, do it well and deliver whatever needs to be done.

3. Driven

If you'd rather, "ambitious" works here, as well - any adjective that shows you are not just showing up for the paycheck and free coffee is great. These words prove that you are in it to win it - both to advance yourself in your career and, in the meantime, to advance the company and its most important goals. Subtext: no one is going to need to hound or micromanage you to keep you motivated. You're "self-motivating."

4. Meticulous

This word hints at your attention to detail, your precision, your organizational skills, your ability to prioritize and the fact that you hate letting anything slip through any cracks. If you're meticulous, you're thorough and self-managing and trustworthy. See how much work this kind of word can do?

5. Impactful

Go ahead and say what a difference you made at your last gig. Go ahead and gloat. You come on the job and get things done. You can totally brag here at this point, and throw in a mention of any accomplishments or awards you may have earned along the way. This word shows you don't just make promises, you get results.

6. Persistent You don't quit until the job is done (and done well). What's

more, you'll get the project done on time. You'll put in the extra work until the solution is found. This conveys that you're "results-oriented," as well.

7. Flexible

You're not rigid. You think outside the box. You're able to adapt to challenging circumstances and find the workaround that no one else can see. You adapt on the go and keep adapting. You're the kind of employee everybody wants because you're willing to do things outside the purview of your job description - provided it makes sense for the company and for the goals of your team.

8. Team player

It's always good to round off a list of descriptors of yourself with something that conveys a bit of humility - your willingness to sacrifice your own time and ambitions now and then for the good of the group. "Team player" transitions easily enough to a description of how you're also a "leader" ... for those of you who want to score that last bonus point.

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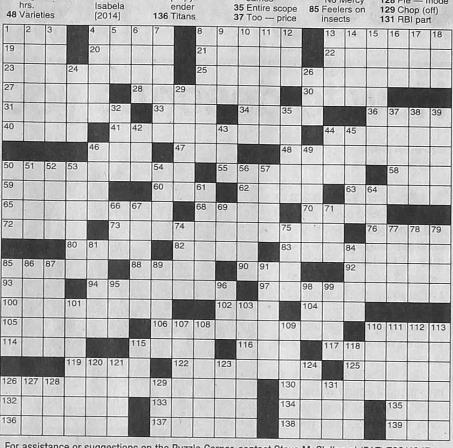
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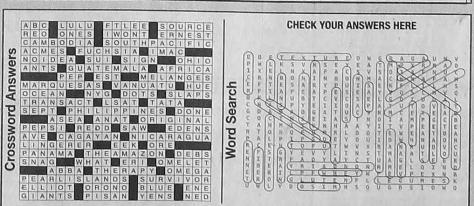
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And while providing a great new ride for the talented and ebullient outfielder. the awarding of that Silverado is just one of the puzzle pieces in Chevrolet's new campaign to promote the 100th anniversary of its pickup trucks.

The Chevrolet Silverado Centennial edition was created to celebrate a century of durability and of fulfilling the many needs and wants of America's growing truck-buying public. Chevrolet Chevy Trucks 100th anniversary Silverado centennial and Colorado feature a distinctive blue paint color, exclusive heritage-bowtie emblems of the Chevy logo and 100-year badges inspired by colors and design cues found on early Chevy trucks.

On the heels of another monthly sales report showing gangbuster sales of its Silverado in October, Chevrolet customers in a meaningful way." is putting some marketing muscle to engage consumers in the General trucks, whose modern workhorses are care? the full-size Silverado and mid-size



Chevrolet Marketing US Vice President Paul Edwards

the U.S.-wide rollout of a new loyalty platform called the Truck Legends program. True brand loyalists can even show their pride with merchandise including a \$1250 limited edition watch, which is made in the USA (of course).

"We see the centennial as a significant opportunity for us in the marketplace," Paul Edwards, GM's vice president of U.S. marketing for Chevrolet, told me. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to celebrate 100 years and certainly the anniversary of a rich, storied legacy of Chevy trucks throughout the ages. It's an opportunity to connect with

Edwards shares more with me:

Motors-owned brand's century of deal to brands—but do customers really

Edwards: We know our truck people customers in the centennial? care. We've sold more than 85 million

three nostalgia-tinged TV ads and that customers have built with their trucks over the years, and with the Chevy brand.

> In the [new TV] spot called "Names," you'll see that come to life. That was customers? shot using real people, and through their own words they bring to life their relationships with their trucks. There's no segment where they care more than trucks and here's why. They buy trucks for dependability. They need them to last and work hard every day.

And the fact that we have such a rich legacy of dependable trucks on the road makes our owners proud. And it's true what we've been saying over the hundred years in the "Then/Now" spot: Our owners want to be seen as Q: Paul, centennials are always a big dependable as the trucks that they drive, and that comes through in "Names."

Q: How else are you engaging

Edwards: It kicked off in late

editions, for Silverado and Colorado, the Chevy club. Since late September, from the product standpoint. The next with no paid media and little effort was rolling out our Truck Legends behind it, we've gotten 30,000 owners program, which we'd been incubating in signed up to be part of the club. the state of Texas over the last year and building the program so it'd be ready for from Chevrolet and getting an inside this moment in time to extend it from look at news from Chevrolet. There's

one state to the whole country. built for a deeper relationship with our and getting their feedback. We want to customers. A significant part of our use them to help build this program. customer base have 400,000 to 500,000 trucks. We used that year to learn what resonates most.

Q: What are you learning about your

The first step was the two Centennial among our truck owners to be part of

They appreciate hearing directly also merchandise we make available to Truck Legends is a platform we've them, perks for being part of the club

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Its customer-wooing effort includes trucks and we know the relationships September at the state fair in Texas. World Series MVP George Springer with his Chevrolet Silverado Centennial edition

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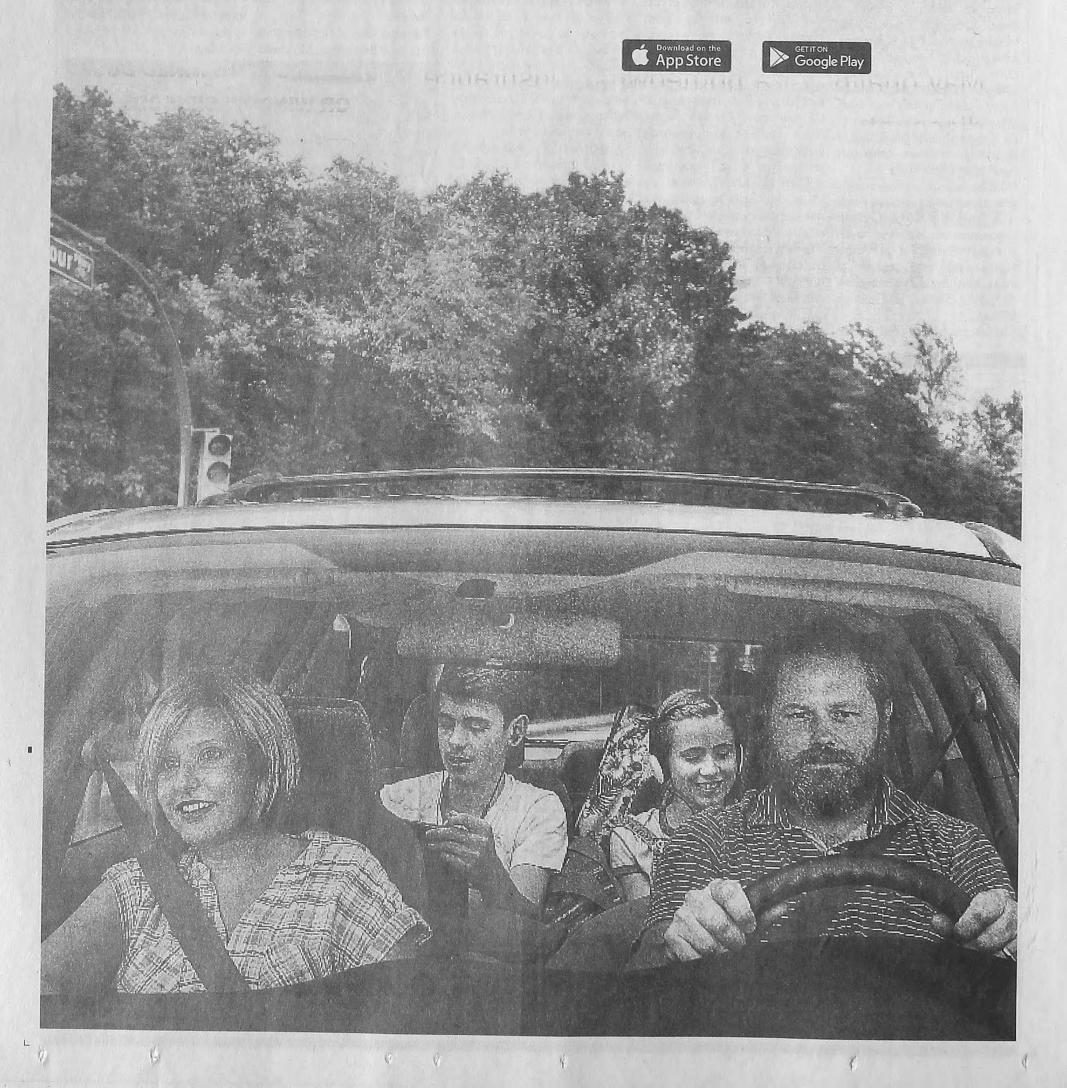
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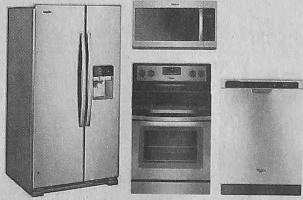
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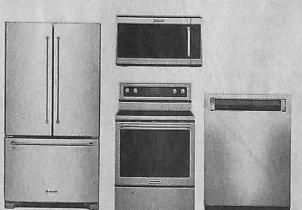
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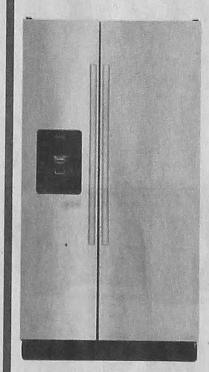


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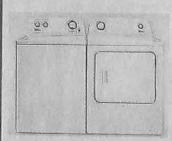
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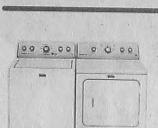
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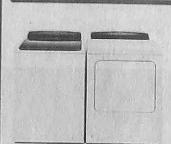
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