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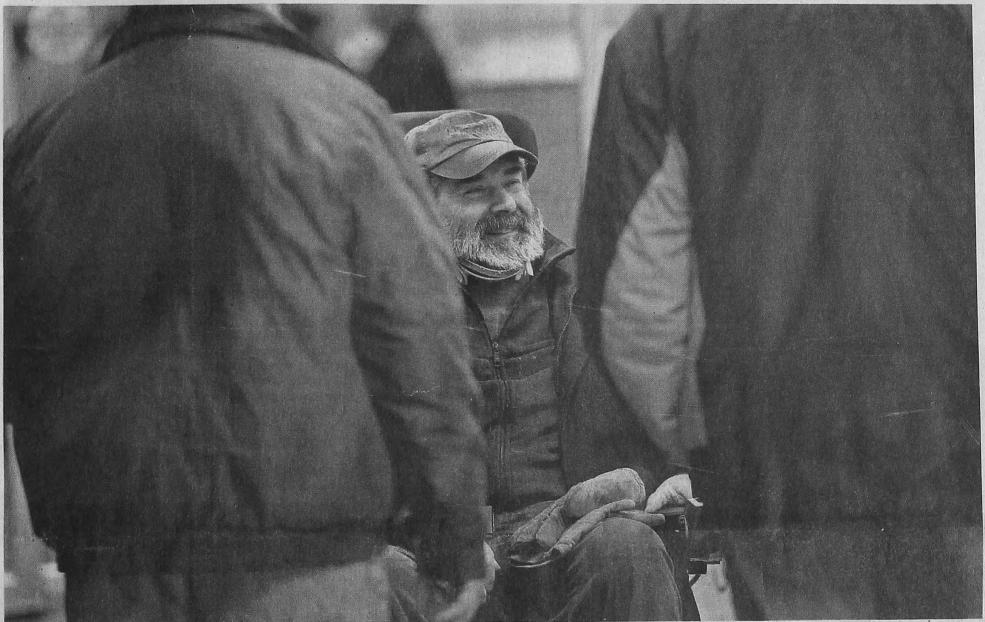


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The Rev. Dimitire Vincent, "Father D," is all smiles while meeting his hockey-playing pals at the Plymouth Cultural Center. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Hockey community rallies to support injured 'Father D' with benefit games

Tim Smith

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Nearly two months ago, "Father D" lost his balance and fell awkwardly into the boards at Redford Ice Arena during an over-60 men's recreational hockey league game. The Rev. Dimitrie Vincent could not get back up.

Vincent - parish priest at St. Thomas Orthodox Church in Farmington Hills suffered a compressed spinal cord in the accident and, during the ensuing weeks and months, has dealt with surgery, an infection, getting shuttled between hospitals and going through countless hours of grueling physical

therapy.

At first the 66-year-old Redford resident could barely move his fingers and

Talk about the power of prayer. On Jan. 15 at Plymouth Cultural Center, with 64 of Vincent's hockey friends taking to the ice for a pair of benefit games, he was able to lift himself out of his powerized wheelchair and make his way along the bench to greet some of the skaters before the second game.

"I'm all fired up," Vincent said, all but promising clinical therapeutic recre-

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Steve Roth, a former teacher in Plymouth-Canton **Community Schools** district, talks with "Father D" between games at the Plymouth Cultural Center. DAN DEAN I HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

. Governor, AG candidates say Dems can win

Darrell Clem

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Two candidates vying to become Michigan's next governor and attorney general, respectively, campaigned Wednesday in Canton, calling for an end to policies they say favor the political establishment and big corporations over the needs of a struggling electorate.

Their message: Make Michigan a Democratic blue state again.

Gubernatorial candi-Michigan native and doctor who helped rebuild the Detroit Health Department after it problems have worsened under Repub-

date Abdul El-Sayed, a El-Sayed



Nessel

was shuttered amid Detroit's bankruptcy, said residents deserve good schools, clean water, better health care and an end to discrimination based on ethnicity, economic status and sexual orientation. He said those

lican rule and President Donald Trump.

"You want to know what a middle finger to Donald Trump looks like? You're looking right at him," El-Sayed said, drawing applause from a crowd of about 200 people attending a Canton Democratic Club forum at the Summit on the Park recreation center.

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Dems

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Attorney general hopeful Dana Nessel, a Plymouth resident and former Wayne County assistant prosecutor who later helped win a Supreme Court ruling against Michigan's ban on samesex adoption and marriage, vowed legal battles to protect immigrants, sanctuary cities, public schools, net neutrality rules and consumer protection laws.

Nessel claimed she was once denied a job by state Attorney General Bill Schuette's office because she was a gay Democrat who had fought on the right side of political causes. Fast forward a few years to the battle on same-sex adoption and marriage, she said, "and we beat his ass at the Supreme Court."

El-Sayed and Nessel both stressed the need for Michigan to protect working and struggling residents and the state's marginalized populations. El-Sayed indicated support for a \$15 an

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Education Betsy DeVos to U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions, over policies that Nessel said hurt the country and its citizens. Nessel, responding to a question from the audience, also said marijuana should be legalized for recreational use.

hour minimum wage, saying workers

deserve to feed and house their chil-

ronmental polluters, unscrupulous companies that prey on consumers and

federal officials, from U.S. Secretary of

Nessel vowed to fight corporate envi-

"It's time to tax marijuana, regulate it and stop throwing people in prison," she said

Though he's only 16 years old and can't yet vote, Canton resident Nash Salami said he intends to work for whomever wins the Democratic nomination for statewide races.

"I'm really energized for 2018," he said.

The Rev. Duke Morrow of Canton said he will vote for Democrats because he believes that Republicans, especially under Trump, have steered the country in the wrong direction.

"I'm very concerned about what's happening in this country," he said. "Since 2016, we've lost sight of who we are as Americans and our core values."

Among the highlights of Wednesday's town hall-style gathering:

Nessel touted her attorney experience battling child rapists and murderers, but said she also worked to defend indigents, the mentally ill and veterans suffering from post traumatic stress disorder, among others in need. She said the state needs more empathy from its elected leaders.

■ If elected, Nessel vowed to make the attorney general's office more inclusive, saying it lacks Muslim Americans and other minority groups.

■ Nessel vowed to file a federal lawsuit to shut down Enbridge Line 5, an oil pipeline she said threatens the environment in Michigan.

Nessel vowed to prosecute hate crimes, which she said have risen since Trump was elected, and to fight the deportation of non-violent immigrants.

■ El-Sayed, a Macomb County resident, Arab American and Muslim whose family immigrated from Egypt, said he is ready to fight "a disease" that "showed itself in 2016," when it became commonplace to discriminate against minorities.

■ El-Sayed called for an end to corrupt politics. "It has been driven by Re-



Plymouth resident Dana Nessel is running for the Michigan attorney general's seat. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Gubernatorial candidate Abdul El-Sayed shows the crowd where some of his family is from in Michigan. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

publicans," he said, "but far too many Democrats have succumbed to it."

■ He touted his experience rebuilding the Detroit Health Department, saying he pushed for eyeglasses for schoolchildren, an end to excessive emissions from some companies and, in the wake of the Flint water crisis, testing of drinking water for 360 Detroit schools.

■ El-Sayed said he supports singlepayer health care amid concerns that some families pay huge chunks of their income for life-sustaining prescriptions and other health care needs.

■ El-Sayed vowed to fight to protect transgender and other marginalized

groups, referring to one transgender man he met who had been consistently bullied.

"He deserves to walk tall for who he is without anybody telling him where he can use the bathroom," El-Sayed said.

■ El-Sayed vowed to fight the opioid crisis by holding the pharmaceutical industry and others accountable for their actions and by restoring critical outpatient services that he said were previously eliminated.

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Canton revs up for self-driving car industry

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As the self-driving vehicle industry races ahead, Canton is shifting into a higher gear as local officials hope to attract autonomous car-related companies, create jobs and lure homebuyers to an already-brisk housing market.

While the public remains deeply divided on the issue, Canton leaders say the rapidly evolving technology is not going away, so they hope to tap into the economic benefits.

A new report unveiled Tuesday reveals the findings of an ad-hoc Canton Technology Committee that met once, last September, drawing a crowd of residents who weighed in as Canton moves to carve a path for-

Township Trustee Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, a Ford Motor Co. engineer who suggested creating the committee, said Canton needs to act quickly or risk falling behind as communities compete for businesses and jobs related to the autonomous vehicle industry.

"We want to keep our young people here. We want to keep the technology here," she said. "We want to keep the jobs here."

Canton Economic Development Manager Kristen Thomas said she expects to attend upcoming Detroitarea conferences where she can promote Canton to hundreds of industry stakeholders.

Those efforts follow developments such as the launching of autonomous vehicle testing at the American Center of Mobility, on the site of the former Willow Run bomber plant in Ypsilanti Township. That site is making an appeal to automakers, high-tech companies and others to use its amenities such as a 2.5-mile highway loop.

Thomas and other local officials say Canton, a neighbor of Ypsilanti Township, could potentially snag its share of companies by promoting Canton as a business friendly community with an educated populace, a strong economic base, top-tier recreation amenities and a strong housing market.

Canton Municipal Services Tim Faas said Canton also is making a pitch to federal and state officials that Michigan Avenue and Ford Road could eventually be used as a launching pad for autonomous vehicle technology.

Long term, the technology committee report even suggested Canton might use a self-driving mini-bus to move people along major corridors, reducing traffic congestion.

Greg Greene, who chairs the Canton Planning Commission, said during Tuesday's meeting that he is "very excited" as he gets older that Canton could potentially benefit from the self-driving vehicle industry. I'm older. I'm ready for this," he said, adding he's ea-

Canton leaders say the technology is not going away, so they hope to tap into the economic benefits of self-driving vehicles. GETTY IMAGES

ger to "relinquish the steering wheel."

Greene compared the fear of self-driving vehicles to years past, when many people were afraid to use their credit cards online to make purchases. Over time, he said, such fears are eased.

Faas said some studies have indicated self-driving vehicles could reduce traffic crashes by as much as 80 percent, though huge numbers of the public remain skeptical of the technology.

Matthew Grisius, a technology committee member, urged Canton to keep residents informed about how they can help the committee steer its way into the self-driving vehicle industry.

"We're ready to help," he said Tuesday. "We just don't know how to do it."

Thomas said Canton still has many questions as it tries to carve a path forward in the industry. And the initiatives come with a cost.

Graham-Hudak said Michigan stands to get \$65 million from Volkswagen over its so-called "Dieselgate," in which the company's vehicles emitted more emissions than it had implied. She said Canton should aggressively pursue its share of money for emerging vehicle technology.

Among some of the findings of the technology committee:

■ Canton could improve lanes, traffic signs and traffic lights to align with upcoming connected and autonomous vehicle technology. Already, Faas said, the state has installed wireless technology, or dedicated shortrange communications (DRSCs), along I-275 to gather information about traffic patterns.

Faas said that same technology is expected along Michigan Avenue in 2020. Eventually, the wireless communications devices will communicate not only among themselves, but with self-driving cars. Ideally,

"We want to keep our young people here. We want to keep the technology here. We want to keep the jobs here."

Anne Marie Graham-Hudak

Faas said, Canton could benefit by having the DRSCs along Ford and Canton Center roads, creating a loop for autonomous vehicle technology.

■ Michigan Avenue is viewed by local officials as a prime location for businesses linked to the self-driving car industry. Officials plan to market it as such.

■ Canton would likely provide tax incentives, like it already has for other businesses, to help lure autonomous vehicle-related businesses.

Involve the Canton Public Safety Department in what role it might play as self-driving cars eventually take to local roads and streets.
 Follow the lead of Oakland County, Ann Arbor and

other communities that have been on the leading edge of the technology. Faas said Canton already is on the forefront in Wayne County by organizing a committee and sharing findings with groups such as the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. "I think insofar as a local community can come to

"I think insofar as a local community can come to grips with what the impacts will be with connected and automated vehicles, we're definitely on that leading edge," he said.

■ Canton should work with other communities so that it does not become an island of automated vehicle technology, because the issue is regional in scope.

Continue efforts to educate the community about the rapidly evolving industry, perhaps following up on the technology committee's first public meeting.

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PLYMOUTH POLICE BRIEFS

Family rescues man, 94, from computer scam

A 94-year-old Plymouth man was on his home computer recently when he received a fraudulent pop-up alert advising he had a problem that could be fixed if he made a \$2,500 charge to his credit card, a police report said

He negotiated the price to \$500, but told the caller he would have to send a check — which he did, until he mentioned the incident to his family and they canceled payment

The recent report by Plymouth Township police points out the need to be wary when such incidents happen on a computer. The 94-year-old man still could face troubles because he gave out his date of birth and Social Security number, the report said.

The victim sent the check to a location in Lakeside, Calif., but his family stopped payment the same day, the report said.

Since then, the man has been getting phone calls saying he owed the money. He called police, who happened to be at his home investigating the incident when one of the calls came in, the report said.

An officer answered the phone and identified himself, prompting the caller to say the 94-year-old man didn't have to make payment, after all. The officer advised the caller to leave the man alone.

Unemployment fraud

Township police have received two more reports from residents saying someone tried to file fraudulent unemployment claims in their name. One 40-year-old woman told police Jan. 3 she got a letter from the state unemployment agency saying someone had made a claim in her name, though she still works for the Livonia Public Schools district, a report said. She filed a fraud report with the state and contacted her job.

Meanwhile, a 51-year-old woman told police Jan. 5 she received a letter from a talent agency claiming someone had filed for unemployment in her name. The incident was reported to the state and the woman appeared in person to prove her identity and ensure the claim was denied.

Porch theft

A 20-year-old man told police two computer graphic cards and three six-feet USB cords were stolen after a company shipped an order to his house and left it on his front porch, a report said. He had received notification that the items were delivered Jan. 5, but when he got home, they were not on his porch.

— By Darrell Clem

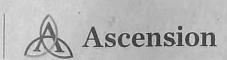


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Plymouth house fire blamed on unattended gas fireplace

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A fire that damaged a Plymouth Township home Tuesday night appears to have started in a gas fireplace, Fire Chief Dan Phillips said.

No one was inside the home at the

The homeowner found his house on fire in the 4000 block of Ivywood Lane when he came home at 11:39 p.m. Tues-

The family room sustained fire damage and other parts of the quad-level house had smoke damage, Phillips said.

Firefighters from the newly reopened Fire Station No. 2 responded in just over six minutes to the fire in the Lake Pointe subdivision.

"It appears to have started in the gas

fireplace," Phillips said.

He warned homeowners to never leave a gas fireplace turned on while away. He also urged residents to make sure their smoke detectors are working.

Smoke detectors, which possibly could have alerted a neighbor, weren't working in the Ivywood Lane home, Phillips said.

"Smoke detectors would have alerted the occupant before he walked in," Phil-

Firefighters from Plymouth Township and Northville Township responded to the fire from the station they share near the Lake Pointe subdivision.

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CANTON POLICE BRIEFS

Death threat alleged over rent money dispute

A dispute between roommates over past-due rent money and a stolen iPad led to allegations of a death threat, according to a police report.

A 21-year-old Canton man told police his roommate, 22, had brass knuckles and threatened to kill him during a dispute that erupted about 9:30 p.m. Jan. 11 at Stoneybrooke Apartments, on Joy Road near I-275.

But the 22-year-old fired back, telling police it was the younger roommate who had the brass knuckles and accusing him of stealing his iPad, the report

The younger roommate said he confronted his roommate over unpaid rent money and accused him of stealing food and marijuana that wasn't his, the report said. He said that's when the death threats were made.

But the older roommate, who ran to a neighbor's residence to call 9-1-1, said the younger man ripped an iPad from his hands, had brass knuckles and took a swing at him, the report said.

A preliminary investigation by police ended with the younger roommate being taken into custody for felonious assault. The report indicated the brass knuckles and iPad couldn't be immediately found by police.

The older roommate, who wasn't arrested, said the younger man may have disposed of the items.

Hit and run

A 15-year-old Canton boy told police that a car intentionally hit him before speeding off.

According to a report, he was crossing Armitage, near Iveraray, about 2:45 p.m. Jan. 11 when a 2017 Ford Fusion began driving toward him, with the driver making an obscene gesture toward him. yelling at him and speeding up:

The victim told police he tried to move, but the car struck his right foot as he ran, knocking him down. He was not seriously injured and was able to walk home.

Unruly suspect

A 26-year-old man became combative during an arrest, slamming his own head against the plastic divider in a police car, refusing to cooperate and kicking over trash cans near a jail cell, a report said.

The incident unfolded about 10:30 p.m. Jan. 15 after Canton police went to the Ford-Haggerty area to pick up a drunken man - wanted on a domestic violence warrant - who had been caught by Plymouth Township police.

After police got him in the patrol car, he began hitting his head against the plastic divider that separates officers from suspects, ignoring warnings to stop. And when arriving at the police station, he allegedly fell to his knees and refused to walk, then later became combative as he was taken to a jail cell.

The suspect, who police say already was bleeding from his nose when he was picked up, told authorities he wanted to go to a hospital for treatment. He was taken to Beaumont Canton, treated and then released back to police.

The suspect then engaged in a repeat performance by hitting his head against the plastic divider in the police car and becoming unruly at the police station.

Brass knuckles found

A man whose vehicle had its hazard warning lights flashing in a motel parking lot ended up being taken into custody after police found he had brass knuckles and prescription pills that weren't his, a report said.

Police were patrolling about 12:30 a.m. Monday when they saw a 2004 Dodge Grand Caravan with its emergency flashers on. The vehicle's 47-year-old owner, an Ypsilanti man, told police the lights went on every time he started the

He agreed to let police pat him down and an officer found brass knuckles in his back pocket. He told police he knew it was illegal to carry them, according to the report.

Police also found prescription pain pills not prescribed for him. His mother, who showed up at the scene as police investigated, said the pills came from the suspect's grandfather.

The suspect was taken into custody for possession of a dangerous weapon and illegal possession of the pills.

According to the report, the man began threatening suicide at the police station and was taken to a hospital for an evaluation.

- By Darrell Clem



Michigan Humanities Council announces grant funding opportunity

The Michigan Humanities Council has announced that it is now accepting applications for the Third Coast Conversations: Dialogues about Water in Michigan program, an initiative made possible by funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Third Coast Conversation grants will support a series of statewide public conversations taking place in 20 communities over two years that focus on the cultural, social, historical and environmental factors that connect Michigan's people to their water. The project will be led by the Michigan Humanities Council in collaboration with its network of partner organizations across the state. Grant awards may range up to \$5,000 and no cost share is required.

The state of Michigan is often referred to as the nation's "third coast" because it boasts the most miles of shoreline in the contiguous United States, bordering four of the five Great Lakes. This abundance of water has allowed Michigan to be a lucrative place to do



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business and develop industry, including a booming tourism economy. At the same time, access to safe, clean water has also been a scarcity. The goal of the

project is to help more people across the state learn about issues related to water that affect their communities in the 21st century.

"The Third Coast Conversations program is an excellent example of humanities work," said Shelly Kasprzycki, executive director of Michigan Humanities Council. "The MHC mission seeks to deepen our understanding of ourselves and enrich our communities. Third Coast Conversations features a topic so critical to our state."

Organizations are encouraged to contact program officer Jennifer Rupp by email (jrupp@mihumanities.org) or phone (517-372-7770) with questions concerning grant applications. Organizations may submit proposals through the Michigan Humanities' online grant portal.

The final grant application deadline is 5 p.m. March 16.

To learn more, go to http://www.michiganhumanities.org/third-coast-conversations/

For more information on future programs or how you can support these efforts, go to www.michigan humanities.org or call 517-372-7770.





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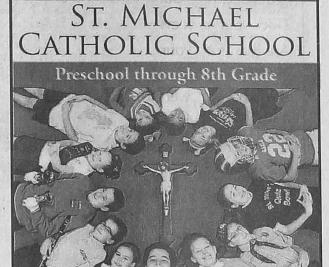
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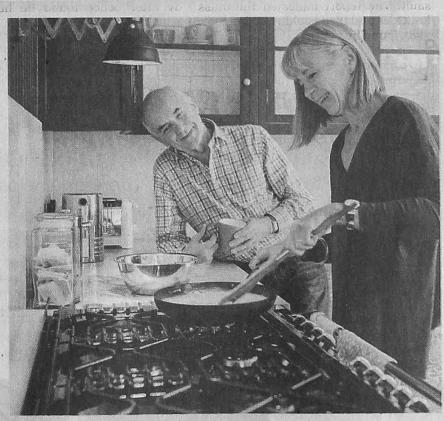
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Money Matters
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Q: I'm in my early 40s and the only thing I have ever done with my money is to leave it in the bank. I know the bank doesn't pay that much, but I would rather do that than risk losing it in an investment. My homeowner's insurance agent has been trying to convince me that I should invest in the stock market and he gave me some stocks that I should buy. Some of the stocks he mentioned were Apple and Google. He told me that it would be virtually impossible to lose money on those stocks. I have read your columns for years, so I do know that you favor investing in the stock market using mutual funds. My question to you is, if I do decide to invest some money in the stock market, what mutual funds would you recommend? Currently, I have about \$250,000 in the bank and, of that, I'm willing to take about \$5,000 to invest in the stock market. Knowing that I am a conservative investor and I plan to work for at least another 20 years, my question to you is, what investment would you recommend?

A: You are right, I do recommend you invest in the stock market. Your time frame for needing this money is 20 years down the road and, when an investor has a time frame of 20 years, it definitely lends itself to investing in the stock market. Furthermore, I would tell you that for a 20-year time frame, the conservative investment is the stock market, not CDs or bank accounts.

It is important for investors to understand that risk comes in different forms. The stock market has risk in the fact it goes up and down. If you look at any 20-year period in the stock market, it has never lost money. On the other hand, money in the bank also has a risk — purchasing power risk. Purchasing power

risk deals with the reality that money today doesn't buy as much it did 20 years ago; 20 years from now, it will buy a lot less than it does today. With purchasing power risk, you may have more money, but it doesn't buy as much as it used to. If you don't take purchasing power risk into consideration, you will find that, down the road, you may have more money, but that it doesn't go as far. Purchasing power risk is a real risk and it is something that investors need to take into consideration.

The mutual fund I would recommend would be the Vanguard Total Stock Market Index (VTSMX) (vanguard.com 877-662-7447). This fund invests in a wide variety of stocks of U.S.-based companies, including large, mid- and small companies. This fund would provide a great base to forming a balanced and diversified portfolio.

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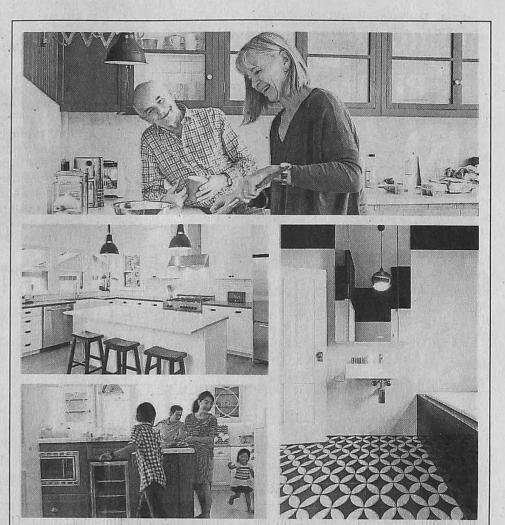
about Vanguard is there funds are noload, which means commission-free. I believe all investors need to do whatever they can to keep their cost of investing low and investing commission-free is one way of accomplishing this.

You should also spend some time on Vanguard's website to learn about investing. Vanguard has a wealth of information on its website and you should take advantage of it. After all, the more you know about investing, the better investor you will be. As a result, you will have more money in your pocked — exactly where it belongs.

Good luck!

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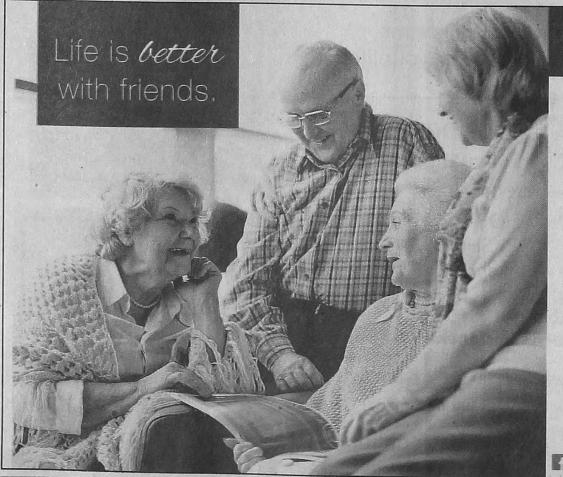
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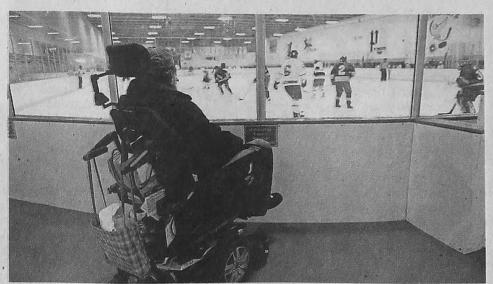
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The Rev. Dimitrie Vincent, pastor at St. Thomas Orthodox Church in Farmington Hills, watches the action during a charity hockey game put on by his hockey-playing friends to raise funds to help in his recovery after he injured his spine playing in an over-60 rec league game in November. DAN DEAN I HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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ational therapist Kerrie Macudzinski that he would really take on that day's session with an extra bit of juice.

Encouraging

There was no reason to doubt him in the least. Buoying Vincent was the chance to spend a couple of hours soaking in words of encouragement and watching his friends in the R&G Hockey League (code for the Russ & Guy adult rec league, launched in 2003 by Russ Schram and Guy Moise, who are both now retired from the circuit).

"It kind of inspires me," Vincent said.
"I have therapy this afternoon. I'm going to go back with a little more vigor, because I want to get out there. But the fact is, that's a long way away. And that's a dream that may or may not come true."

Seeing Vincent back at the rink was inspirational for the Rev. Andrew Yavornitzky of St. Mark Orthodox Church in Rochester Hills and a classmate of Vincent's in the 1980s at St. Vladimir Seminary in New York. Yavornitzky said the blessing before each of the two games.

"I think it's great for him to get out," Yavornitzky said. "We've been visiting him the last month or so in the hospital and in the rehab place. He's excited about getting out, he's happy to see these guys. I don't know if he's dreaming about being on the ice yet, but he's thinking that way. And it's good to get out of the rehab center."

According to Macudzinski, the trip to the arena was important for Vincent from a quality of life perspective.

"You want to make sure you're doing those things that make you happy and get back to the quality of life you had before your injury," she said. "I'm sure it makes him want to work even harder and looking forward to the next stage of rehab, which is getting discharged and getting closer to independence."

Incremental progress

Progress in physical therapy is slow, but steady. Because Vincent has what is termed an incomplete spinal cord injury, Macudzinski said he can walk with

It continues to be a difficult journey back to health.

"When I got hurt, I was totally paralyzed from my neck down. Well, the only thing I could feel was the bottom of my feet," Vincent said. "I couldn't move anything. I'm grateful that through time, the great skill of the surgeons and the great staff of rehabilitation and a lot of prayer, I've been able to recover slowly but surely the use of my hands and feet. But I still don't have enough dexterity to do many things. I can't write yet. I walk in a limited capacity. There's still a lot of work to be done."

With a twinkle in his eye, though, "Father D" talked in hopeful tones about joining his buddies out on the ice.

"Well, I'm thinking about it," he said. "In fact, I asked the girls if maybe I could go out on the ice with the power chair and they said, 'No, no, no, Father, you can't do that."

Showing support

Vincent then summed up what the other side of rehab might look like,

"My goal would be to be good enough to serve those that I love and God put before me, my family, my parish," he said. "I'm a parish priest for 35 years. That's the first and foremost thing. If I'm capable of physically being able to skate, then I'm going to encounter a lot of resistance from family and friends in the church. They don't want me getting

hurt again." R&G players and those from Plymouth Puckmasters chipped in \$15 (and much more, in almost in every case) to play the late morning rec contests in front of Vincent, who was at the rink as part of a supervised "field trip" from the

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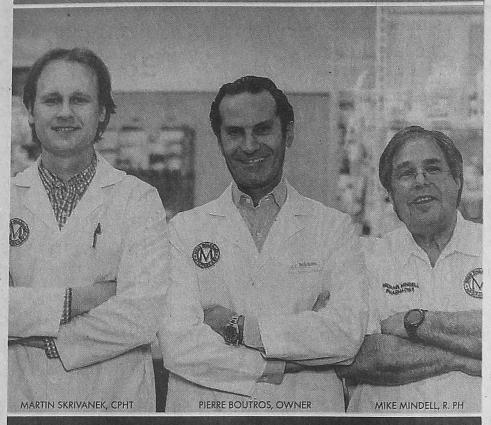
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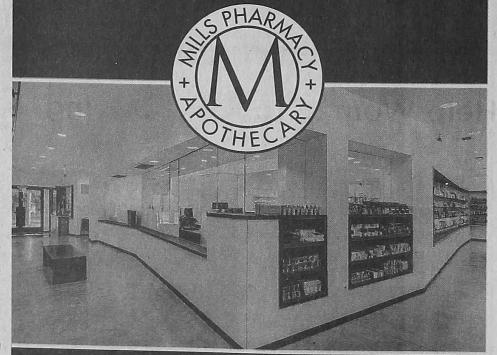
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The Rev. Dimitrie Vincent was able to get out of his wheelchair and walk onto the bench to greet players involved in charity hockey games to help raise funds for his recovery from a hockey injury suffered in November. DAN DEAN I HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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DMC Rehab Institute of Michigan in downtown Detroit.

Among those doing so was 70-yearold Jack Johnston of Monroe, who was playing in the Saturday morning game Nov. 25 during which Vincent was seriously injured. During the first game Jan. 15, Johnston said hello to Vincent watching the action from a handicap access ramp in the corner of the rink - by slapping his hockey glove against the Plexiglass.

"He was on our team and everybody felt so bad when he got hurt, so we wanted to do everything we can," Johnston said. "I was at the game. I was coming off the ice, I didn't see it happen. But it could happen to anybody. It's everybody's worst nightmare. So I'm hoping Dimitrie will be OK and come back.

"If he can come back, I don't know if he'll have second thoughts about coming back on the ice or not. But he's a very spiritual guy, so I'm sure he'll draw some very good lessons from it."

A 'real good guy'

Former Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district teacher Steve Roth played goaltender for R&G in the opener and displayed some remarkable dexterity for a 65-year-old. But stopping three penalty shots during a 3-1 win paled in comparison to showing friendship and support for Vincent.

"I've known Dimitrie for six years and he's just a real good guy," said Roth, the starting goaltender for Western Michigan University during the mid-1970s. "He's an artist, he paints and does sculpture. He's just a real good guy. He's a kind of guy you're glad to be around. I don't think I could say a bad thing about him if I had to.

"It's a fundraiser, so that's good. But what it really does is, it shows respect for the man. He's a guy worthy of respect ... not enough in this world."

Skating in the second game Jan. 15 was 82-year-old Russ Baumann Sr. of Livonia. His son, Russ Jr., is an assistant athletic trainer with the Detroit Red Wings.

"Father, he's got connections upstairs and I think he's going to help us all, I think," Baumann said about making sure he played in the benefit games (which raised about \$3,600 from players). The nonprofit organization Hockey Has Heart, also on hand at the fundrais-

How to help

Who: The Rev. Dimitrie Vincent, 66, a.k.a. "Father D," is recovering from a serious spinal cord injury sustained Nov. 25 while playing in an over-60 men's recreational hockey game. He has what is described as an "incomplete" spinal cord injury, which means he retains some motor and sensory function. He gets around via wheelchair, but he is able to walk in very limited fashion with

What: R&G Hockey League and the Plymouth Puckmasters teamed up to host an adult league doubleheader/ fundraiser Jan. 15 at Plymouth Cultural Center. The Hockey has Heart nonprofit organization donated \$10,000 and has set up an account to raise additional funds; chipping in with \$3,600 for Vincent's medical care were players from the leagues.

Donate: Those interested in helping defray medical costs for the Vincent as he recovers may do so by going to the Hockey has Heart website and clicking the link www.hockeyhasheart.org/donate-now/.

On tap: A dinner and auction for Vincent is scheduled to take place Saturday, March 24, at St. George Romanian Orthodox Cathedral of Greater Detroit in Southfield. Go to the Hockey has Heart website for more information.

er, previously donated \$10,000 to Vincent and will be holding a March 24 dinner to raise even more for the cause.

"I can see him, each time I go down (to the rehab center) to visit him, a little more perkiness and enthusiasm," Baumann said, sporting facial bruise only a hockey player could appreciate, sustained when he slipped on icy steps after shoveling snow. "He's got a lot of faith in God, so that will help him."

Therapy for them, too

Baumann, along with every other person at the arena, said being at the benefit event was therapeutic for them, too. Hockey has a way of doing that, as men in their 60s, 70s and 80s happily go through the same rink routine they've enjoyed for decades.

That means plenty of socializing and bad jokes, not to mention an incredible workout followed by (in this case, at least) pizza, pop, cookies and coffee.

"I talked with him after he showed up

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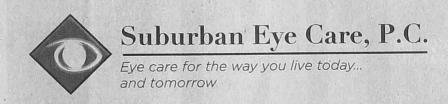
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today," said Mike Norgren, 61, of Carleton, who grew up in Plymouth. The Salem High School graduate is a member of the Plymouth Puckmasters, but could not play Jan. 15 due to a hip injury. "When I saw everyone who came up and approached him, he was happy for them. Showing no pity for himself. That's why I wanted to come out."

"Anytime you hear about a hockey player who gets injured like this, your heart drops," said Kenji Fujita of Dearborn Heights. "You want to help out as much as you can. That's why I'm here."

Describing Vincent as a hard-nosed player who perhaps doesn't mind throwing (or receiving) the odd elbow was Livonia resident Mike Butka, 63, of the Plymouth Puckmasters.

"When you're on the ice, it's a little different, still competitive," Butka said. "But when you're out here (in the arena hallway), it's everybody supports everybody else. And especially with Dimitrie, he's a great guy. I've known him for at least 10 years now. We started off at Compuware (Arena) playing together. I'd do anything for him.

"Playing against him, he could be a little rough. He has a great shot in close and (is) a good skater. ... He wants to get that puck. He's not afraid to get that puck."

Sight to behold

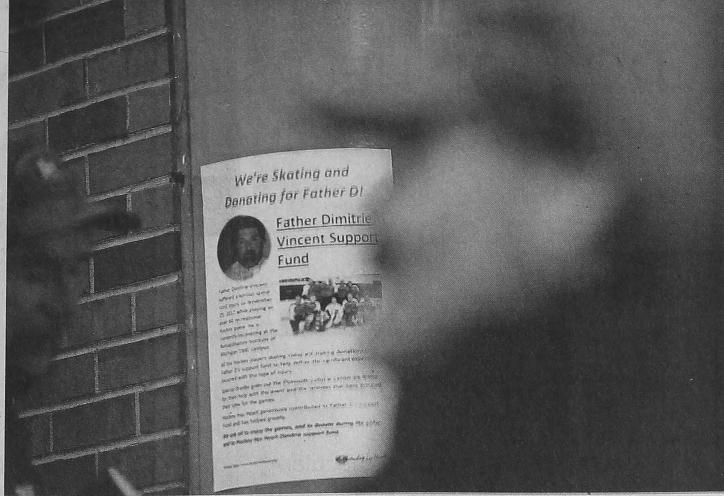
Could that bulldog mentality during games transfer over to Vincent's arduous recovery period that undoubtedly will require many months and thousands of dollars?

"Yes, he won't give up," Butka said.
"He'll continue to work on that therapy which is the best thing for him."

The catalyst for the Jan. 15 hockey doubleheader was Gary Swain of the Plymouth Puckmasters. All the time and money the organization devoted to the event proved to be almost as cathartic for the assembled players as it was for Vincent.

"To see Dimitrie actually get up and walk onto the bench I thought was just fantastic," Swain said. "He came out of his chair and walked right up on to the bench by himself. That's so encouraging to see.

"He had the choice of going to a Red



A poster sums up the day's activities Jan. 15 when two hockey games were played to help raise funds for the recovery of the Rev. Dimitire Vincent, who injured his spine playing hockey in November. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Wing game or here and he chose this. I think he made the wise choice, because of all the outpouring. Everybody wanting to talk to him and shake his hand. I think he's had a blast. ... It's just a good group of guys."

Heart-felt help

Also on hand at Plymouth Cultural Center was Lucy Oakleaf, president of Farmington Hills-based Hockey has Heart.

"The hockey community is so close-knit," Oakleaf said. "He was injured Nov. 25 and we didn't hear about it until the middle of December. As soon as that happened, I got together with his brother Mark and he and I have been communicating. We started a campaign for him.

"We donated \$10,000 for Father's care and we've raised more than \$10,000 already just on our web. People

are donating from across the country for him. ... The fact of the matter is, all of these guys that have skated with 'Father D' — and I understand he's played on three leagues — that's who's here to support him, which I think is phenomenal. And that's just how it is.

"The hockey community will rally around him and, hopefully, with his congregation helping us, we're going to do well for him."

Many people are calling up Vincent and wishing him the best, from all over North America. Because he served in a parish in St. Louis, Mo., before moving to Michigan in 2005, members of the St. Louis Blues have called him.

So did NHL Hall of Fame player Darryl Sittler.

"I got a call from Darryl Sittler maybe three or four weeks ago, out of the blue," Vincent said. "He wished me well. He's an NHL, a Hall of Famer. I was really honored and humbled that he took time out of his busy schedule to offer good words of support and told me if I needed anything to call him."

Sittler has plenty of company.

"When (Swain) gave me a call and said he was thinking of doing something, all of our guys jumped in whole-heartedly," said Canton's Mike Dunn, commissioner of the Plymouth Puckmasters. "We miss him out there. Hopefully, he can get back. You never can tell"

With plenty of TLC, medical care and many people across the United States praying for Vincent, the time might come sooner than later for a bearded guy to battle for a puck and snap one into the twine.

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11th District town hall

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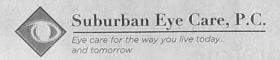


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CHEVY CHASE, MD - September 18, 1920 -December 19, 2017. Resided in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Passed peacefully on December 19, 2017. She was born in Pontiac, Michigan on September 18, 1929. She graduated from Pontiac High School in 1947, and from the University of Michigan in 1951 with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the School of Education. While at the University of Michigan, she was a proud member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority. After graduation, she taught at the high school level briefly, and also worked in her father's sporting goods store, Welden Sporting Goods. She married Edwin J. Eustice on December 27, 1957, who predeceased her in March 2005. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Katherine, and her grandsons, Scott and Michael. Per her wishes, she will rest in peace in the White Chapel Memorial Cemetery in Troy, Michigan, near her parents, Charles Dexter Welden and Elizabeth Monroe Welden. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made payable to the Tri Delta Foundation, 14951 North Dallas Parkway, Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75254. Please note on the check or on a separate note that the donation should be earmarked "In memory of Turryann Welden Eustice for the Virginia Stewart Nicklas Scholarship," which provides scholarship monies for deserving Tri Delta undergraduates attending the University of Michigan. Please view and sign the family guest book at: www.PumphreyFuneralHome.com



Charles Frank "Jack" Payton, M.D.

TUCSON, AZ - formerly of Bloomfield Hills, MI, age 101, passed away on January 16, 2018. He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Ruth/Penny (nee Pennanen)Payton, parents and two older sisters. Jack is survived by six daughters: Ruth Ann (Michael) Hopp, Mary Lee (Craig) McFarland, Martha Jean (King) Smith, Cathy Sue (Ronald) Klintworth, Evie Jane (Barry) Kennedy, and Carol (Robert) Falls; 11 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, one great-step-granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews.

Jack was a 1942 graduate of the University of Michigan medical school and practiced pediatrics in Oakland County for 40 years prior to his retirement to Arizona. He served as a medical officer in the U.S. Army during WWII from October 1943 to January 1946. His service included 11 months in the European theater where he was a POW for four months, receiving many medals, including a Purple Heart. Jack enjoyed all aspects of nature and relished time at his summer home in northern Michigan,

His greatest joy was his family for whom he provided an example of integrity, service, faith, love and a life well-lived.

Following cremation, inurnment at Arlington National Cemetery will be scheduled for a future



Alberta A. Thomas

WEIDMAN - Alberta Anna Thomas, age 98, of Weidman formerly of Plymouth, Michigan died on Monday, January 15, 2018. Arrangements by Maier Family Funeral Home, 5483 W. Weidman Road, Weidman, MI 48893. 989-644-5000.



Orville R. "Sonny" Rowles

DEARBORN - age 85, January 12, 2018. Beloved husband of Nancy for 54 years. Loving brother of Richard (Cora) Kidd and the late Thomas (Dorothy), Russell Kidd and Frances Dove. He also leaves behind many nieces and nephews as well as Freddy the Freeloader and Gracie Allen, his feline friends. He will miss his Card Club friends and wonderful caregivers who helped him daily. Orville worked with some wonderful people in his career as a printer for the Detroit News. Services were held at John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials suggested to the Dearborn Animal Shelter and Guardian Lutheran Church, www.santeiu funeralhome.com

Dean G. Shipman

TRAVERSE CITY - age 75, passed away Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at the Munson Hospice House in the loving care of his family.

Visitation for Dean will take place at the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home on Friday, January 26, 2018 beginning at 9:00 AM until the time of the prayer service at 12:00 PM. Deacon Rene Hoenscheid will officiate. A Luncheon will be held at the Elks Lodge immediately following the prayer service.

A full obituary will be published at a later date.

Please share a memory with Dean's family by visiting his tribute page found at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com. The Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services is serving the family.

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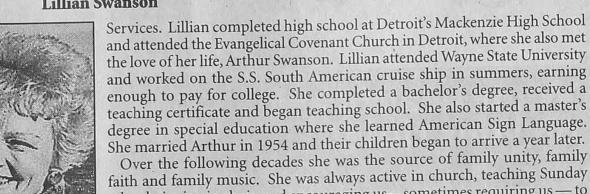
Lillian Swanson

CONCORD, NC - Lillian Rohland Swanson, 85 years of age, of Concord, NC, passed away Saturday, January 13, 2018 at Hospice & Palliative Care of

Cabarrus County, NC. Lillian was born to the late Richard Rohland and Mildred Youngberg Rohland on July 15, 1932 in Chicago. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Arthur Swanson of Detroit, and her brother Richard Rohland of La Plata, MD. Survivors include her brother and sister, Robert Rohland and Arlene Rohland Morrow, and Lillian's 4 children, Diane, Daniel, Steven, and Robert Swanson, and their spouses, children and grandchildren.

Educator, wife, and mother, Lillian was also a good cook, singer, square dancer, and friend. She sparkled wherever she went. She was beautiful, gracious, loving, selfless, dutiful, and like so many of her generation, valueconscious. Her brother remembers on family trips west that Lillian had the the Inter-Coastal Waterway to Florida in the 80s and 90s, where they made duty of checking out restaurants and hotels for the family and determining whether the comfort/cleanliness were worth the price. The family visited the places Lillian approved.

After Chicago, Lillian moved with her family to Wilcox, Nebraska, where she lived until she was 12, near her grandparents Elim and Tillie Youngberg. Her father, a minister at the Evangelical Free Church in Wilcox, transferred to Ludington, MI, in 1944, and in 1948 they moved to Detroit where he Lake Worth, FL, in the Spring of 2018, where she will be buried alongside founded and directed Protestant Youth Organization, now Christian Family her husband of over 60 years.



Over the following decades she was the source of family unity, family faith and family music. She was always active in church, teaching Sunday school, singing in choir, and encouraging us—sometimes requiring us—to do the same. She had a lovely alto voice which she shared both in choirs and smaller select ensembles, starting as a high schooler in the "PYO Trio" and later in "The Fifth Season" at Ward Church in Michigan and "The Bocatones" in Florida.

Lillian was also an adventurer, and she and Art sailed the Great Lakes and a new home. But no matter how much they travelled, Lillian was still focused on family. She remained active and outward in her approach to life until recently when she began to slow down and struggle with mobility. But even in her final days, she managed a kind and gentle smile for every person entering the room. Her gifts to others were many, her wants were few.

A graveside service will be held at the South Florida National Cemetery in

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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

Details: Practice speaking English in an informal setting with Community Literacy Council volunteers. See the English Language Learner Program FAQ at www.cantonpl.org for more informa-

Digital Drop-In Help

When: 10-11 a.m. each Friday Details: Stop in to get one-on-one help with your e-readers from the friendly experts at the Information desk. Just bring your device and your desire to learn. Kindle users must bring Amazon log-in information as well.

Computer Skills Lab for Beginners

When: 9-11 a.m. second Saturday of each month

Details: If you are looking to build a foundation of strong computer skills, including Internet use and setting up an email account, stop in to CPL's Internet Lab. We will have guided activities for practice with mouse skills, copying/

pasting and more, with trusted experts on hand to answer any questions you may have or connect you to additional resources.

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 halfhour of ABC Activity Time. January schedule is 10-10:30 a.m. each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Preschool Storytime

Details: Preschool storytimes feature longer books, flannel board and rhymes designed for children ages 3½-55. 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 schedule.

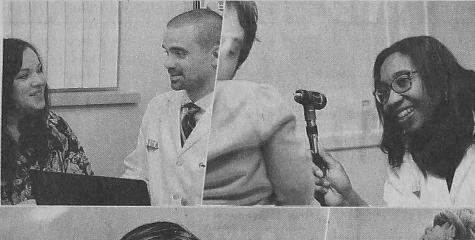
Baby Storytime

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. January schedule is 10-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23 and 30.

NHS Tutoring

Details: NHS students from P-CCS's The Park are here to provide students in

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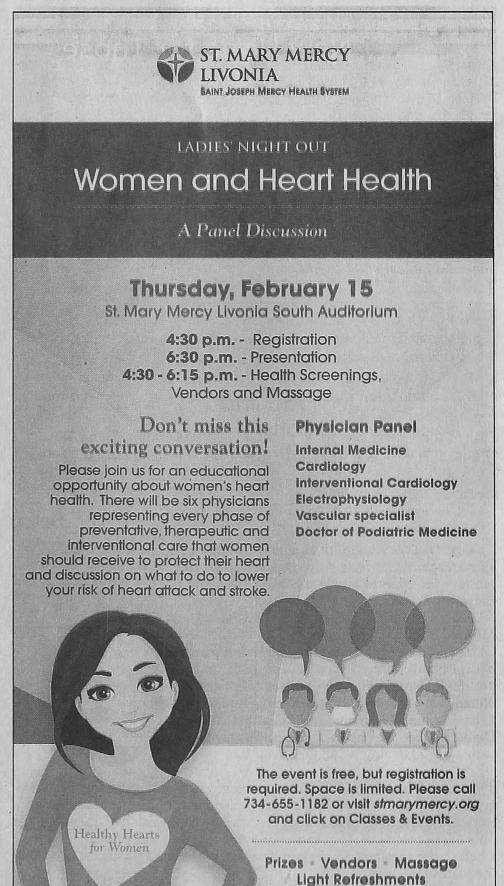


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Library

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grades 3-12 free homework help. If you're interested in getting tutored, if you're under 12, your parent must remain in the library and you must bring the assignment and any other needed materials. Tutoring is available 6-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday in the Children's Library. There will be no tutoring during breaks or school closures/ snow days. Those seeking tutoring will be helped on a first-come, first-served basis. They will be allowed a 30-minute maximum if there is a line. Check www.cantonpl.org for ongoing sched-

STEM Curiosity

Details: Children ages 7-10 interested in science, technology, engineering and math will learn something new each month in a STEM topic. Get introduced to concepts through presentations, active exploration, and creative projects. Registration required. Upcoming schedule: 7-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, TBD. Registration begins Jan. 23. Go to www.cantonpl.org for registration and more information.

Dungeons & Dragons Gaming Club

When: 7-8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22 Details: Roll up some fun with kidfriendly Dungeons & Dragons gaming. Have fun using your imagination and problem-solving skills while meeting and socializing with others who enjoy role-playing games. All playing materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own dice and/or D&D 5th Edition Character Sheet. This program is suggested for ages 9-12.

CPL Finals Study Hall

When: Noon to 9 p.m. Wednesday

and Thursday, Jan. 24-25 Details: Calling all high school students. Do you need a place to study for finals? Come to the library to study or work with a group. We will have tables set up in our meeting rooms for all your studying needs. Make sure to bring your own studying supplies.

Adult Writers' Group

Details: Interested in writing? Join other adults to share your work, get feedback and discuss the craft of writing. Upcoming schedule: 2-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27.

Special Needs Storytime

When: 4-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 Details: Join us for Special Needs Storytime: Count Me In. This is a sensory-friendly storytime filled with stories, songs and sign language especially designed for young children with developmental delays and disabilities.

Meditation in Motion

When: 4:45-5:45 p.m. Saturday, Jan.

Details: Raja Yoga Meditation helps you reach a deeper understanding of yourself, your intrinsic positive qualities and your innate value. There is beauty in all of us and through meditation the inner beauty not only is revealed to the self, but also to the people around us. Join practitioners from the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual Organization to explore these concepts and encourage your inner spiritual development toward a fresh perspective on values such as justice, freedom, respect and love. This program is designed for ages 8 through adult.

Teen Boredom Busters

When: 3:30-5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 29 Details: Bored after school? Need a study break? No worries, we've got fun activities in our Teen Space that are just right for your busy schedule. Stop by for five or 50 minutes, whatever works for you. Learn something new, meet a new friend or just relieve some stress.

Reading Buddies

When: 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31 Details: Make a new friend at our Reading Buddies program. You will be paired up with a Tween Volunteer Buddy and get the chance to practice your reading in a fun and cozy atmosphere. Readers need to be in grades Kindergarten through third grade and are welcome to bring a book of their own to read aloud or read one of ours.

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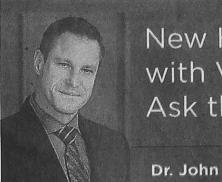
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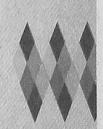
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Sports

USA HOCKEY

U.S. splits pair of games

Sixteen U-18 players record a point in lopsided victory over Sioux City

Tim Smith

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For back-to-back nights at USA Hockey Arena, the fast and relentless playing style of the U.S. National Team Development Program's U-18 team sparked a wide edge in shots and scoring chances against Sioux City.

In the opening game Jan. 12, the Musketeers escaped with a 5-4 shootout win despite being outshot, 42-23. They couldn't repeat that recipe Jan. 13, falling 9-2 to the U18 squad before 1,154 fans

A five-goal second period for the U.S.

snapped a 2-2 tie and propelled it to the lopsided United States Hockey League victory.

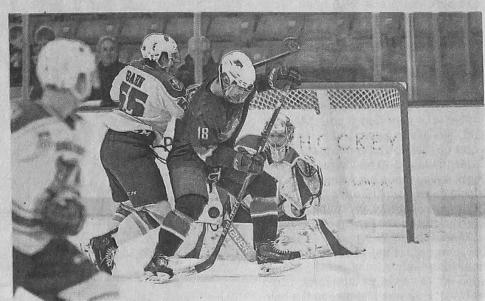
"We got rewarded tonight," U.S. head coach Seth Appert said. "You don't always play the same team back-to-back nights, but tonight I thought we got rewarded for how hard we played last night — even though that only got us one point.

"They had trouble keeping the pace of the game up for two nights in a row, the way we were playing."

Two U.S. lines were pushing the issue, contributing to a 45-19 edge in shots. The top line of Joel Farabee-Jack Hughes-Oliver Wahlstrom combined for three goals and two assists.

"The Hughes-Wahlstrom-Farabee line had to score ugly tonight," Appert

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Battling in front of Sioux City goalie Ben Kraws are Musketeers defenseman Lucas Bahn (left5) and U.S. forward Oliver Wahlstrom. RENA LAVERTY

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL



Scott MacDonald has a passion for baseball and is eagerly looking forward to his new job as the USBPL's vice president of marketing and public relations. MARTY BUDNER

'WHAT I WAS BORN TO DO'

MacDonald is a natural for new marketing role with the USPBL

Marty Budner

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Snow is currently covering Jimmy John's Field like a tarp during a rainstorm. The area's been in a deep freeze lately and the nearly three-year-old state-of-the-art ballpark will soon host an ice festival.

But Scott MacDonald's new job with the United Shore Professional Baseball League is definitely heating up.

MacDonald, who was reared in Bloomfield Hills and is 1994 Lahser graduate, started duties Jan. 2 as the league's vice president of marketing and public relations. His assignment is to keep the USPBL in the limelight as a viable family option during the busy summer months.

MacDonald is currently developing aggressive marketing plans to promote

"This is a new challenge for me and I'm excited about it."

Scott MacDonaldUSPBL vice president of marketing

the league through its vast array of social and video media networks. He is in the process of finalizing the league's promotions calendar.

MacDonald, who most recently worked as associate athletics director for public relations at Oakland University, is looking forward to his new responsibilities.

"This is a new challenge for me and I'm excited about it. The biggest thing I want to do early on is give effort and attitude every day," MacDonald said. "I think the first year will be about seeing what works and what doesn't work and

talking with the staff and getting their input.

"I just want to do a good job of getting the word out there and promoting this organization and the baseball. I've seen a lot of testimonials from people who have been here and they absolutely love it

"I think there is still more room for it to grow, because a lot of people I talk to are, like, 'Yeah, I heard about it. I got to get down there," he added. "Well, it's my job now to get them down there."

A passion for baseball

The 42-year-old MacDonald is a

USPBL natural.

Not only is he a solid public relations veteran after having served in that ca-

pacity at Oakland University, Georgia

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BOYS HOCKEY

Catholic Central rallies past Rice

Shamrocks score in OT to keep win streak alive

Marty Budner

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Top-ranked Catholic Central had been playing well, but found itself down 2-0 after two periods to arch rival Brother Rice despite owning a 25-12

edge in shots.

Shamrocks head coach Brandon Kaleniecki was not discouraged and simply urged his team to keep playing its game. The message worked wonders as CC rallied for two third-period goals to tie the game and then win 3-2 in overtime Wednesday night at the Oak Park Ice Arena on senior alternate captain Dylan Montie's clutch tip-in.

The victory hiked Catholic Central's winning streak to 13 straight games. It has not lost to a Michigan-based team this season. Its only two losses were in the season-opening games to Culver

(Ind.) Military Academy.

"We were, obviously, a little bit frustrated going into that third period, down 2-0 when you're outshooting them pretty heavily," said Kaleniecki, whose team finished as Division1state runner-up last year. "But they stuck with it. As a whole, I was happy with the way they were playing.

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Catholic Central senior Dylan Montie scored the game-winning goal in overtime Wednesday against Brother Rice. MARTY BUDNER

Unbeaten Canton speeds past Wayne

Brad Emons hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

It's getting close to mid-term exams and the Canton boys basketball team is already posting high grades.

The lightning-quick Chiefs aced yet another test Jan. 12, running their overall record to 8-0 and 5-0 in the KLAA Black Division with a convincing 71-44 at Wayne Memorial.

The Zebras went into the game with a six-game winning streak, with their only loss in the season opener to defending Class A stae champion Clarkston, 65-55, but Canton was superior in every phase of the game.

Chase Meredith, a fundamentally sound 6-foot-6 senior forward, provided some efficient early scoring, notching 15 of his 19 points in the first half as Canton raced out to a 34-25 advantage.

"We're a very fast team," Meredith said. "We like to get up and down. I love to get up and down. Running is fun."

Meanwhile, 5-10 junior guard Vinson Sigmon also made his presence known during the second half as he poured in 18 of his game-high 24, including 14 in the final quarter as Canton pulled away.

Canton made Wayne (6-2, 4-1) look like it was standing in cement as Sigmon, Eian Barker (nine points) and B. Artis White (eight points) took turns beating the Zebras' defense to the basket.

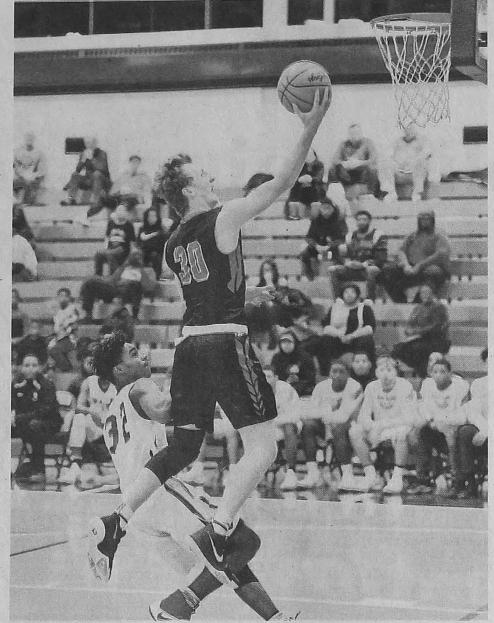
"We've got great guard play, there's no question," Canton coach Jimmy Reddy said. "In 2018, guards win. B. Artis is the fastest guard I've had with the ball in his hand I've ever coached or maybe I've ever seen. There's been some fast guys, but he definitely is the fastest I've ever coached with the ball in his hands. And Vinson Sigmon is the fastest straight line guy we've ever had. And even Eian Barker ... they're hard to guard. All three of those guys are tough covers."

Meredith connected on 9-of-11 shots from the field, including a nifty post move in the third quarter that wowed the crowd.

"They all love to block shots, so one move ... easy layup," Meredith said. "Show the ball a little bit, so (the defender) jumps and go right under him. I like to incorporate my own stuff. I was feeling it I'd say today and I wanted to score the ball. And when I got it, I was putting it up and making it."

After outscoring Wayne 16-6 in the third, Canton put it away with a 21-13 fourth-quarter run as Vinson continually got to the rim at will, hitting 7-of-8 shots

"The third quarter, coming out of the locker room, we talked about playing strong, playing fast and not rushing," Sigmon said. "So it really was, see what you can do, try and take it when you can take it, try and get a lot to the rim be-



Canton's Chase Meredith goes in for the layup over Wayne's Elijah Epps. THOMAS



Canton's B.
Artis White
goes in for a
shot against
Wayne
defender
VaShawn
Ward (right).
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cause we shot a lot of threes in the first half. There was a lot more going to the rim and attacking the basket, try and get fouls and try and get into their body, because they were more athletic."

And, of course, speed rules. Here are four other takeaways:

STELLAR DEFENSE

Despite going 1-of-10 at the start, Canton made a total of 29-of-57 shots from the floor (50.8 percent), while Wayne was limited to 18-of-53 shooting (33.9 percent).

Wayne senior guard Rashad Williams was the only player in double figures with 15 points, but shot 5-of-23. Terrence Williams was next with eight

points

"We made it hard on those guys all night," Reddy said. "They had very few open looks and, luckily, when they were open, they didn't make many of them tonight. The Williams kid is a great shooter, (Isaiah) Lewis is a great shooter. We made it hard on them and that's been or M.O. We've defended and rebounded, for the most part, this year."

VETERAN CAST

After going 13-8 a year ago, Canton has become the odds-on favorite to win the KLAA title this season.

"They're good self-starters," Reddy said of his team. "We rely on them every day and we're trying to get better every day, but this is a long journey. It's only Jan. 12, there's a couple of months to go. Our goal is to keep getting better right now."

Of the Chiefs' 12-player roster this season, only three lacked varsity experience.

"We have a lot of tenacity. We have nine returners from last year, so we've got a lot of veterans on the team," Meredith said. "We're working off what we did last year and building it up."

TOUGH SLEDDING

The Zebras turned over the ball 17 times and the Chiefs made them pay, converting layups on the other end.

"Coach Reddy does a good job with his team," Wayne coach Nkwane Young said. "I just thought they out-punked us today, they out-manned us. (Meredith) did a hell of a job on both ends. (Sigmon), I just thought he got in our kids' jockstrap. All the credit goes to them. They were the better team tonight."

The Chiefs zeroed in defensively on Rashad, the Cleveland State signee.

"The key was trying to lock down their key players, like Rashad," Sigmon said. "We tried to lock them down as much as possible, 94 feet, try and wear them down and tire them out. What we really tried to do is keep our mind in the game, try to stay strong the whole game and not give up anything easy."

POSTGAME ANALYSIS

Young had a 20-minute talk with his team in the locker room afterward and he couldn't hide his disappointment after suffering the 27-point defeat.

"We didn't play like seniors tonight," he said. "(Reddy) has got junior guards and I've got senior guards and I just thought they got the best of our guards today. I thought they dictated tempo and we didn't play together as a team. I thought we went too much one-on-one. We didn't move the ball and I thought the out-scrapped us. You're not going to beat a good coached team one-on-one. That's not going to work."

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said. "They weren't as crisp and clean with the puck as they normally are. I think they were getting a little frustrated.

"But it was nice to see them get two ugly ones, two goals in the blue paint. That's how you have to score."

Setting the tone

Just as dangerous was the so-called second line, with Rochester resident Jonathan Gruden (goal, two assists), Jake Wise (goal, three assists) and Trevor Janicke (goal) all making life tough for Musketeers goaltender Ben Kraws.

"A lot of guys were great tonight," Appert said. "But I thought Gruden, Wise and Janicke from a forward perspective, that line set the tone for the way we were going to play tonight."

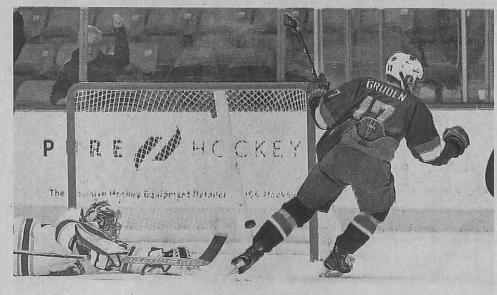
The power play was also crisp, with defenseman Bode Wilde (Birmingham) ripping a number of shots from the blue

"Just something coach talked to me about yesterday," Wilde said. "Just walking the line a little more and getting the shots through. It was a focus of mine tonight.

"We were zipping the puck around really well, we were playing fast and we made it hard for the other team to keep up with us."

Wilde finished with four shots on goal, although it seemed as though he launched at least twice as many. He also chipped in an assist.

"The power play moved the puck around," Appert said. "We got a powerplay goal last night and we got a powerplay goal tonight. That's a good move in



Scoring in the final minute of the first period to tie the game 2-2 is U.S. forward Jonathan Gruden of Rochester. RENA LAVERTY

the right direction."

According to Gruden, he and his linemates just stuck to the game plan of "getting pucks deep, grinding them out and moving pucks, creating chaos in front of the net."

There wasn't much chaos at the other end of the ice. U.S. goalie Drew DeRidder (Fenton) made 17 saves and kept the Musketeers off the scoreboard the final 40 minutes.

Here are several other takeaways:

POSTING UP

With more than seven minutes left in the second period and the U.S. up 4-2, Farabee was pulled down from behind and awarded a penalty shot. He floated from the left wall into the slot and deked Kraws (36 saves), only to hit the post.

NICE EQUALIZER

On a night when the U.S. scored several goals in scrums, one of the niftier

ones was scored by Gruden with 14.3 seconds left in the first period to make it a 2-2 game.

Defenseman Adam Samuelsson fed a pass from the left circle over to Gruden on the right wing for a one-timer past

Kraws.

"The results weren't there last night. I thought we did the little things right," Gruden said. "But tonight it was nice to see the puck go in a little bit more and execute on plays like that. Pound pucks to the net with good traffic and good things will happen."

OPENING THE FLOODGATES

Sioux City had a power-play chance early in the second period, with the game still deadlocked. Instead, the Musketeers gave up a shorthanded goal that triggered a five goal barrage for the U.S.

A diving poke check by U.S. defense-

man Spencer Stastney broke up a Sioux City play and led to a rush the other way.

Almost like the Gruden goal, forwards Jake Pivonka and Gavin Hain connected on a perfect crossing pass—with Hain drilling home the Pivonka pass, scoring on a one-timer from the right face-off circle.

SWEET SIXTEEN

The U.S. had plenty of players contributing to the win. Sixteen players recorded at least one point.

Wise (four points) and Gruden (three points) were at the top of the list. Right behind them were Wahlstrom (two goals), Hain (goal, assist), Pivonka (goal, assist) and Farabee (goal, assist). Janicke and forward Jack DeBoer each scored single goals, with Hughes, Stastney, Wilde, Samuelsson, Patrick Giles, defenseman K'Andre Miller, forward Erik Middendorf and forward Tyler Weiss each picking up one assist.

HITTING THE ROAD

Appert's team embarks on a sevengame road trip, with the its next appearance at USA Hockey Arena to come during the 2018 Five Nations Tournament (Feb. 13-17).

"We want to start our peaking process, towards April, and certainly the Five Nations Tournament here in February will be a big part of that," Appert said.

Wilde said the team is up to the challenge of such a lengthy absence.

"Our two-year goal is to win the gold medal in April at U18 Worlds," Wilde said. "Every game, every practice leads into that and we just got to take everything day by day and make sure we're doing what we need to do to win."

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Bloomfield Hills boys skiers win tri-meet

Boys skiing

BLOOMFIELD HILLS DEF. NOTRE DAME PREP AND COUNTRY DAY: Bloomfield Hills opened the ski season Jan. 10 with nice wins over both Notre Dame Prep and Country Day at Pine Knob to go to 2-0 on the season. Senior co-captains Colin Stewart and Dominic Shoha paced the Black Hawks by placing first and second, respectively. The other Bloomfield Hills racers were Hunter Halstead (14th), Nate Busch (17th) and Lennert Krueger (23rd). Nathan van Duijvenboode had a hot first run but ran into trouble on the second.

Girls skiing

BLOOMFIELD HILLS DEF. COUNTRY DAY; NOTRE DAME PREP DEF. BLOOMFIELD HILLS: The Bloomfield Hills girls split their season-opening races Jan. 10 at Pine Knob. Senior cocaptain Grace Dillon was second overall. The other Black Hawks finishers were Ashley DiMarzo (14th), senior co-captain Catherine Catherine Coates (15th) and Erin DeMarzo (18th). Hannah Goby and Maria Yankelvich both posted top-25 finishes.

Boys hockey

FARMINGTON 6, BERKLEY 4: On Jan. 12 at Oak Park Ice Arena, Farmington rallied from a 3-2 deficit after two periods to win with four third-period goals. Tannier Neill and Danny Heffron each scored twice while Collin Rea and Nate Arnold accounted for the other Falcon goals. Tony Eaton and Kris Kozoro were each credited with two assists, while Arnold, Kyle Lawson, Neill and Carter Wells each had one. Goalie Nick Rogers made 24 saves to earn the victory.

BROTHER RICE 7, GROSSE POINTE SOUTH 2: Brother Rice showed a balanced offensive attack in this five-goal victory over Grosse Pointe South Jan. 12 at the Grosse Pointe Community Ice Arena. Luke Kafati scored once while single goals were scored by Clayton Kramm, Joe Serra (game winner), Dylan McNulty, Chris Andoni and Keaton Vogel. Nick Marone and Alex Andoni each finished with a par of assists.

Girls basketball

MERCY 37, DIVINE CHILD 35: Mercy took a fourth-quarter lead and held off a late charge by host Divine Child Jan. 12 in Dearborn. The Marlins were up 20-11 at halftime and the Falcons had



Bloomfield Hills senior co-captain Colin Stewart has had a tremendous start to the season at Pine Knob. DAN TEETOR



Senior
co-captain
Catherine
Coates was
11th for
Bloomfield
Hills in a
recent slalom
race at Pine
Knob. DAN
TEETOR

a strong third quarter, trailing by just two points heading into the final quarter. Mercy managed to go up by eight points before Divine Child rallied in the final minutes and made it close. Freshman forward Julia Bishop had one of two free throws in the final two seconds to account for the final score. "I thought we played a real good first half. To their credit, Divine Child came out and his some shots in the third quarter and we were a little tentative offensively," Mercy head coach Garry Morris said. "We managed to get an eight point lead before they came back to make it close. It was a nice win and it's always tough to win on the road." Senior captain Bella Dugas led the Marlins with 10 points while Bishop finished with nine. Senior captain Jenna Schluter had six and freshman Jillian Smith netted five

points. Mercy raised its record to 9-1

overall, 6-1 in the Catholic League Central Division. Divine Child fell to 5-5 and

COUNTRY DAY 77, ROMULUS 32: Country Day was in control of this game all the way Jan II. The Yellowjackets led 25-10 after the opening quarter and held a commanding 47-14 halftime lead. Senior guard Kaela Webb led DCD with 18 points. Adrian Folks (16 points) and Jasmine Powell (13 points) also reached double figures. DCD is now 8-1.

Boys basketball

FARMINGTON 67, HARRISON 56: Farmington pulled away late to register this 11-point victory over district rival Harrison Tuesday night. "Just like any other rivalry game, it was tight until the last minute-and-a-half when one team pulled away and the other team didn't,"

first-year Harrison head coach Jarrell Hogan said. "It is a heck of a rivalry and it was a great game." Sophomore Eddie Lenton led the Hawks with a double-double that included 23 points and 14 rebounds. He also had two steals. Senior Sean Neslon contributed 10 points, five assists and three steals.

five assists and three steals.

ALLEN PARK INTER-CITY BAPTIST 53, BIRMINGHAM ROEPER 48:
Roeper fell to 4-4 overall and 1-1 in the
Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division Tuesday with this
close loss to Inter-City Baptist. Evan
Akasian and Josiah Smith led the
Roughrider offense with 22 and 13
points, respectively. Baptist's Cameron
Hunter led all scorers with 24 points.

BIRMINGHAM ROEPER 45, NOVI FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN 36: Josiah Smith registered a team-high 22 points to lift Roeper past Franklin Road Jan. 12 in this MIAC Blue Division battle. Mackenzy Blackwell had 10 points for the Roughriders.

FARMINGTON HARRISON 59, ROY-AL OAK 55: Harrison took to the road Jan. 11 and registered a nice four-point OAA Blue Division victory over host Royal Oak. "It was a hard-fought game," first-year Harrison head coach Jarrell Hogan said. "I'm proud of my team because we showed a lot of growth at the end of the game at the free-throw line." The Hawks were led by sophomore Eddie Lenton (15 points, six rebounds, four steals) and senior guard Tre Walker (13 points, four rebounds, four assists).

Hockey

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"Our message to them was you just have to be hungry and be ready for a loose puck around the net and that's all it took," he added. "Obviously, it's a fun hockey game with the outcome that way. You're going to feel pretty good walking out of the arena on a night like that. It's a real nice win for the guys. They deserved it."

Rice takes early lead

Second-year Brother Rice head coach Ken Chaput figured his Warriors would face a huge push by the Shamrocks in the final period.

CC outshot Rice 23-10 in the third and overtime sessions and finished the game with a whopping 48-22 advantage. Rice goalie Pierce Cadieux had a whale of a game with 45 saves.

"It's a good team out there. They have depth and they keep coming at you," said Chaput, whose team captured the Division 2 state crown last year. "I thought our boys played well. They fought hard. Sometimes you get a bounce, sometimes you don't. That last one was a tip.

"We knew (the third period) would be 17 long minutes," he added. "I think we showed up and played, it's just that it didn't go our way today. Pierce played phenomenal in net."

After a scoreless opening period, Brother Rice scored a pair of goals just 70 seconds apart in the second period to grab its 2-0 lead.

Senior forward Dominick DiPonio, one of three team captains, shot the puck in behind CC goalie Zach Allen from a tough angle at the side of the net at the 6:12 mark. Senior defender Will McLellan, another captain, shot from the blue line and the puck hit a stick and took a funny bounce past Allen.

The Warriors were assessed a fiveminute major for boarding late in the



Brother Rice junior defender Ethan Nystrom races up the ice ahead of a pair of Catholic Central players. MARTY BUDNER

second period, 3:50 of which carried over into the third. Rice killed off the entire penalty.

West's three-point night

However, three seconds after the penalty expired, CC's Brendan West found the back of the net on a long wrist shot that went far post at the 13:07 mark. Then, with a little over five minutes remaining in regulation, with CC throwing all kinds of shots at Cadieux, West struck again on a juicy rebound to make it 2-2.

The teams played out the final five minutes of regulation and the first six minutes of the eight-minute overtime before Montie capped the rally with his game-winner, assisted by junior defender Joe Borthwick and West.

"I don't think there was a let-up (after Rice killed the major penalty)," Chaput



Catholic Central senior defender Austen Gawronski surveys the action during Wednesday's victory over Brother Rice. MARTY BUDNER

said. "We were coming back with a line and going. It was just the timing of it. When you get an advantage for that amount of time, you get that momentum established and it just kind of carried through."

CC's victory overshadowed a superb performance by Cadieux. The senior made a great OT save on CC's Borthwick just a minute before the game-winner. He also made a terrific third-period save on CC junior Mitch Morris, who came speeding down the right side on a 2-1 break, but failed to beat Cadieux from in close.

"We would get a first shot and the goalie would make a save and there would be a loose puck there and we couldn't come up with it," Kaleniecki said. "When a goalie is on his game the way (Cadieux) was, that was the message. The first shot probably isn't going to beat him: It's either going to be a screen or a tip in front of the net and that's what the overtime winner was."

Kaleniecki knows every game from here on out will be a challenge for the Shamrocks, who are close to wrapping up the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League North Division championship with a 10-0 record. Brother Rice fell to 6-4 in the North, while Orchard Lake St. Mary's is 4-2, but faces an uphill climb.

"We try not to think about that side of things and we just want to prepare," Keleniecki said. "We know the competition is strong. We look at our schedule and we have to be ready every game.

"We like that schedule. We like knowing that we have to come to the rink ready to play or we are going to be on the wrong side of these type of games," he added. "That's the whole league, the MIHL. That's just a real testament to how strong the league is."

Catholic Central and Brother Rice will head to Munn Arena this weekend to play games against Lake Forest (Ill.) Academy and St. Michael's (Toronto,

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Plymouth rolls past Howell; Franklin falls

Coaches and team representatives are invited to send game information and story tips to LIV-sports@hometownlife.com. Game information will be accepted up to 24 hours after the game ends.

Boys hockey

PLYMOUTH 7, HOWELL 1: Tim Baldwin's six-point game (three goals, three assists) paced the host Wildcats on Jan. 17. Chipping in a goal and three assists was Adam Rebecca, while C.J. Mullenax tallied two goals and an assist. Contributing four assists was Jack Chumley. Adding a single marker for Plymouth was Andrew Garby. Goalie Brendan Olepa stopped 11 shots for the win.

NORTHVILLE 2, FRANKLIN 1: Joe Tobon scored the game-winning goal assisted by Jack Sargent and Noah Eckerle with only 4:42 remaining to give the state-ranked Mustangs (10-4, 5-2 KLAA Gold) a crossover win Jan. 17 over host Livonia Franklin (7-8-1, 2-6 KLAA Black) at Edgar Arena.

CHURCHILL 3, HARTLAND 3: Michael Mancina, Conor Burnette and Seth Kucharczyk scored goals in the first period Jan. 17 but Livonia Churchill could not hold the lead, ultimately earning this tie. Josh Friend (two assists) and goalie Bryant Riley (29 saves) helped the Churchill cause.

Boys basketball

WAYNE 62, SALEM 42: Rashad Williams scored 33 points Jan. 16 to lift Wayne Memorial to this KLAA Black

Division victory. The Rocks (4-6) were led by senior Thomas Noble, who tallied 16 points.

PLYMOUTH 71, FRANKLIN 47: An 18-point game by senior Anthony Crump spearheaded the Wildcats (6-3, 4-1 in the KLAA Black). For Livonia Franklin (3-5, 2-3), Mark Mettie and Roger Carpenter registered 19 and nine points, respectively.

JOHN GLENN 86, CHURCHILL 52: Westland John Glenn led from wire to wire Jan. 16, jumping out to a 19-4 advantage after one quarter. For John Glenn, Joe Moon IV had a stellar game with 23 points, eight rebounds and six assists. Helping the cause were Renel Thrasher (17 points) and sophomore Tre Robinson (16 points).

PLYMOUTH 63, SALEM 61: Balanced scoring helped Plymouth (5-3, 3-1), with A.J. Neal (12 points), Justin Reynolds (11 points) and Anthony Crump (10 points) all reaching double figures. For Salem (4-5, 0-4) top performers included Jordan Ingram (14 points), Amit Tiwari (10 points), Ben Dierker and Shawn Srivastava (nine points each).

Girls basketball

NOVI 41, STEVENSON 29: On Jan. 16, senior point-guard Ellie Mackay had 24 points and 10 rebounds as the visiting Wildcats (7-2, 4-1) led from start-to-finish to defeat Livonia Stevenson (2-7, 0-5) in a KLAA Gold Division game. Sarah Tanderys led Stevenson with 20 points, while Elisa Lebron grabbed six rebounds.



Before catching on with the USBPL, Scott MacDonald worked in public relations at Oakland University, Georgia Tech and North Carolina. MARTY BUDNER

MacDonald

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Tech and North Carolina, but he is also a baseball junkie at heart. He was an all-state player at Lahser who went on to play at Henry Ford Community College and St. Andrews (N.C.) University.

MacDonald still plays in the Men's Senior Baseball League, which conducts its games across the metro area. He will proudly tell you he was the MVP of the 2012 MSBL World Series, when he hit better than .700 with five home runs as a designated hitter and pitcher.

He even played in the 2017 MSBL All-Star Game which, ironically, was held at Jimmy John's Field last Septemeber.

"I had fun playing in that all-star game and that kind of introduced me to the ballpark," said MacDonald, who lives in West Bloomfield with his wife Tara and their three children. "Then, when this came about, to work baseball every day, something I've been passionate about my whole life, was great.

"This is what I was born to do," he added. "I grew up playing baseball. I played college baseball and this just made sense. I talked about it with my wife. Then I kind of took a month off (after leaving OU) and started here."

MacDonald is enthused about the 2018 USPBL season, which begins its third year of play in May.

The independent minor league circuit, founded by Bloomfield Township resident Andy Appleby, had its first opening day in 2016 and featured three teams — the Birmingham Bloomfield Beavers, the Utica Unicorns and the Eastside Diamond Hoppers.

Last year, USPBL administrators added a fourth team, the Westside Wooly Mammoths.

Continuing the mission

The league's primary mission is to develop young players and send them on to major league organizations. It has enjoyed unqualified success in that department, as 20 players have already moved to the next level.

In addition, Appleby wanted to bring an exciting brand of minor league baseball to the Detroit area. The product is finding a niche as 60 of last year's 75 games were sold out.

Fans seem to be enjoying themselves at the Utica-based \$17 million park, which offers a fan-friendly atmosphere. The facility provides an affordable family experience with private suites, party and picnic areas, hill-side outfield seating, a children's playground and Wiffle ball area.

MacDonald is quickly learning that Jimmy John's Field is not just a baseball facility.

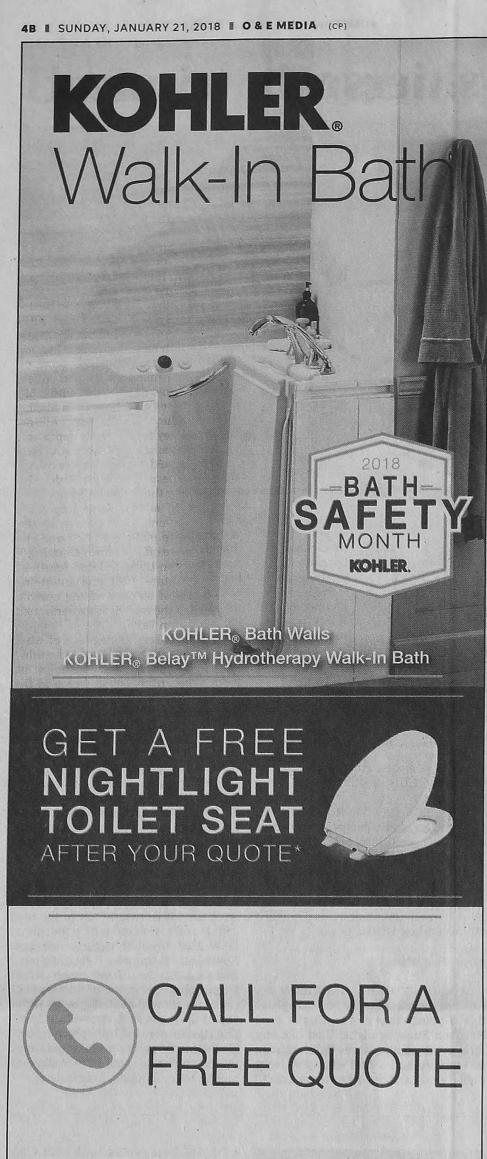
"We have a lot of events that take place out there," he said. "There is a camp night out there. We are going to have this ice festival out there. There are movie nights out there, which have been a great success."

MacDonald's job is to continue marketing the USPBL and all the momentum it has gained its first two years. He is grateful for that opportunity.

"There is great baseball being played out here right in our own back yard," MacDonald said. "I just want to thank Andy and Dana (Schmitt, the USPBL chief operating officer) for the opportunity. I appreciate their confidence in me and I look forward to building this with them and everyone else on the staff. I'm thankful and I'm going to reward them for it."

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Bills leads Farmington to big victory

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Elisa Bills appears to determined to defend her Division 2 all-around state championship.

The senior veteran helped lead Farmington United gymnastics to a 145.775-136.875 victory Jan. 12 over Huron Valley with an impressive allaround performance. Bills topped the field with a score of 37.625, averaging 9.4 in winning all four disciplines.

Bills scored a high of 9.65 on the balance beam and 9.5 in floor exercise. Her other two scores were 9.45 off the vault and 9.025 on the uneven bars.

"That's a very difficult average to accomplish," said Farmington coach Jeff Dwyer, whose team posted its highest score of the season. "Her difficulty level and her form are the main reasons for such high scores, so when she hits her routines like that, she has the chance to place quite high and help carry the team."

Bills was not Farmington United's lone standout as Kacey Noseworthy, Emily Stecevic and Ava Farquhar took the next three all-around spots.

Noseworthy, a junior rounding back into shape after last year's season-ending injury, placed second with a score of 36.5, with highs of 9.4 on floor exercise and 9.35 off the vault.

"Kacey continues to rebound and her scores were a big reason for the team score improvement," Dwyer said. "It is a different thing to be strong than to be in shape for all four events in gymnastics, as it is a very demanding sport.

"She was able to hit some of the more difficult tricks in which she had been struggling in prior meets," he added. "This should give Kasey more confidence as we head into the main part of the season."

Depth provides high score

Stecevic averaged 8.9 en route to a third-place all-around score of 35.625. The senior co-captain had high scores of 9.375 (floor exercise) and 8.8 (balance beam and bars).

"What I liked about Emily's meet was



Junior Kacey Noseworthy was second all-around at the recent meet against Huron Valley with a score of 36.5. KATHY BURNS

the ability to stay the course despite some minor mishaps along the way," Dwyer said. "A strong athlete is able to keep their competitiveness and focus throughout the meet and that's what she brings to the table."

Farquhar, a junior, demonstrated consistency en route to a fourth-place all-around score of 35.025, including highs of 9.45 (for second place on balance beam) and 8.85 (vault).

Junior Shelby Smith (33.7) and freshman twins Sydney (34.65) and Allie Schultz (33.275) rounded out the team scoring. Smith had a high of 8.9 in floor exercise. Syndey had a high score of 8.825 on the uneven bars and Allie's high score came off the vault with 8.55.

"Ava's scores and those from Shelby Smith, Sydney Schultz and Allison Schultz are key to the team's depth and are very necessary for a successful season," Dwyer said. "Shelby's score counted on floor despite a fall on a trick she was trying for the first time. Shelby is on the verge of adding some important tricks on several other events, so she needs to keep pushing herself and she will find more off her scores counting."

Farmington United placed fourth at last year's state meet and entertains high hopes of another strong season. Dwyer liked the way his team performed against Huron Valley.

"If we just keep taking care of what we can do by staying focused during meets and not letting mistakes get us down, we can hit a team score in the 145s again," said Dwyer, whose squad is a perfect 5-0 on the season. "Probably the biggest thing we can do is stay focused in practice and maintain the desire to get better as the season wears on.

"I have had teams with potential not reach their full potential because life can get in the way. However, when a team dreams of big goals and digs deep each day to reach those goals, good things usually happen.

"I like this team and I hope they become the team I know they are capable of," he added. "Only the members of the team can make this happen, not the coaches."

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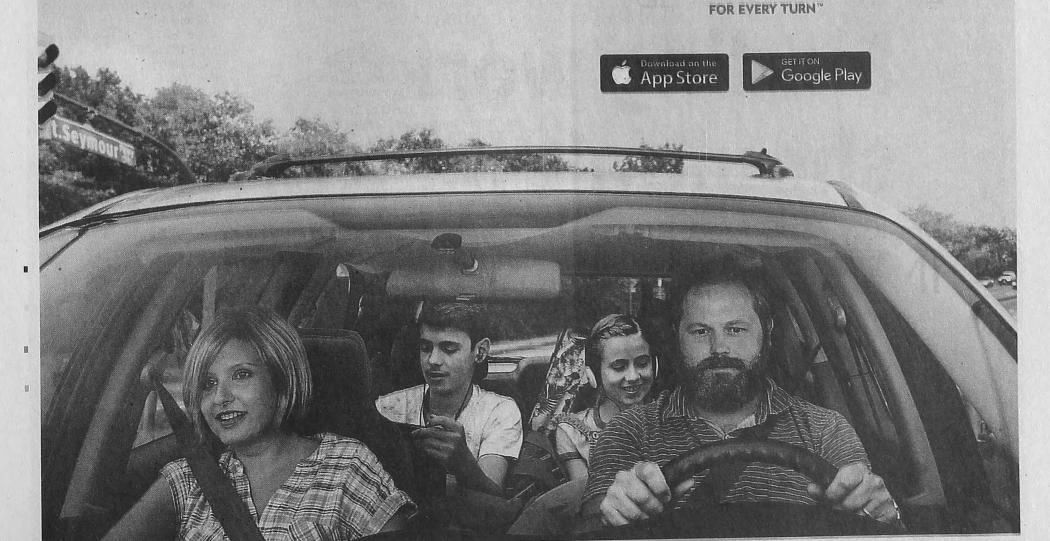
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ence, not your social media activities. In fact, it's much more likely that there are things on your social media pages that could dissuade potential employers from hiring you than convince them that you're the perfect person for the job.

"Creative" fonts and images

Sure, it makes sense that you want to stand out from the job-hunting crowd and make a lasting impression on prospective employers, but using a magenta-colored font or embedding photos of you and your dog won't bring you

Hiring managers are busy people with limited time, and won't sift through a maze of creative flourishes to get to the heart of your resume and figure out whether you have what it takes to handle the job. Help them by making your resume as professional and easy-to-follow as possible.

A boilerplate objective statement

A generic, objective statement is typically a waste of space on your resume, as it likely just repeats the messaging you have in your cover letter, and often is full of tired clichés (more on that later). Besides, hiring personnel

know that your primary objective is to get this particular job, or you wouldn't be applying for it.

Outdated skills

Are you proud of your Word-Perfect wizardry or your ability to operate a fax machine?

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Resume clichés

Are you a "team player," your office's "go-to person," or a "passionate self-starter"?

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This one seems obvious, right? Well, you'd be surprised by how many people think that too, and then send out resumes with glaring typos on them. A nationwide survey released by CareerBuilder found that 58 percent of resumes received by those polled had typos. Sloppiness is not a good way to introduce yourself to prospective employers!

After crafting your resume until it's just right, be sure to check it carefully for errors — and then check it again. Better still, have someone you trust review it as well. Only when you're absolutely, positively sure that your resume is free from typos and mistakes should you even think about sending it out.

Along with your cover letter, your resume is going to serve as your first impression, so there's simply no room for error. Make sure that the things mentioned here are as far from your resume as possible, and you'll be sure to make a better impression on hiring managers and prospective employers.

Eric Titner is a career advice journalist for The Job Network.com where this article was originally published. He investigates and writes about current strategies, tips, and trending topics related to all stages of one's career.

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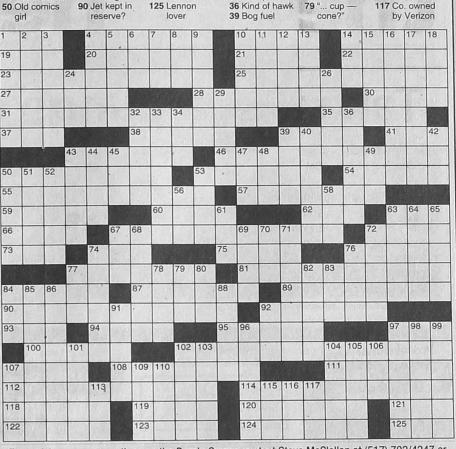
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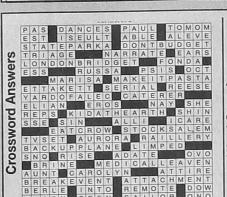
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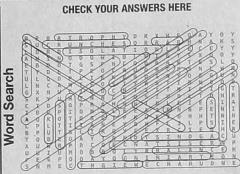
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle

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Car Report

AFTER A GREAT 2017, SUBARU ADDS TO U.S.-MARKET MOME



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a roll, posting in the U.S. and anticipating the 2018 launch of its largest vehicle yet, the new eight-seater Ascent

The brand has doubled sales in the American market in just five years, to nearly 650,000 units a year, putting its market share on a par with Hyundai's One reason for the brand's growing success is that it largely has stuck with the core of the Subaru brand: an emphasis on safety, universal all-wheel drive and favoring utility vehicles over sedans, in keeping with its "Confidence in Motion" tagline.

and media interest in Ascent, whichrecord 2017 sales already famously—is offering 19 cupholders and nearly twice as much towing capacity as Subaru's popular Outback crossover wagon. Subaru dealers say many of their customers have been looking to move up to a large SUV, and its first such model, called Tribeca, flopped upon introduction in 2006 and was discontinued in 2014.

> But first, Subaru is kicking off the new year with a campaign that celebrates the naming of 2018 Forester SUV as a Top Safety Pick by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, yet another safety laurel for the brand. It also begins planting seeds for the launch later this year of a new Forester

> The first TV spot in the campaign, titled "Life Story On the Line," is

Nowadays, there's a lot of consumer narrated in the first person as viewers follow a woman's life from birth to meeting her future husband, having kids, getting in a car accident-and living to tell about it. The family ends up enjoying a ride in their new Forester.

"That line in the middle of the road is looking back on your life through the rear window of a car," Brian Cavalluci, national advertising manager for Subaru of America, told me. "You see these little vignettes-and as you see them, the camera pans back to being inside the car with the mom and dad and boys, and everyone is OK."

Forester campaign and the Subaru

Brian, why run a campaign highlighting safety, now?

Safety is really important to the brand and we focus on it from an engineering standpoint and a brand standpoint. And it's important to customers as well. So having good creative that speaks to that in an emotional way has served Subaru well.

We try to tell emotional stories in different ways as it relates to safety.

Is the woman in the campaign based on a true story?

Not per se. Any time we do commercials like this we get a lot of letters from owners. They'll send us pictures of their cars that are completely mangled, for example, and "we came out of it with only bumps and bruises." We get a lot of letters from owners.

Forester is the subject of a new advertising campaign by Subaru.

I talked with Cavallucci about the Facebook wall or send them into our who are shopping. It's important to call center. [The ads are] representative a segment of people buying small or of stories that we've heard from our

> Some of your recent TV commercials ["Take the Subaru" and "Tm Sorry"] featured parents having peace of mind because their kids were driving their Subarus. Does this new safetyoriented ad represent an evolution or a departure?

> It's an evolution. We're approaching the spot differently with the camera moving backward through your life. There is a really old Subaru and an old Outback at the wedding scene and then the crash, a Forester, and then the ad puts you inside a new one. It's a similar storytelling approach, about someone's life, but an evolution in the approach.

> How important is safety today for the Subaru brand?

Sometimes we post them on our owner base or people in general too.

mid-size SUVs, and it's something that as a brand we can deliver on. Our products deliver safety. We prioritize it from an engineering standpoint and highlighting it in our advertising lets people know it's important. They recognize Subaru for safety.

How are you planning to launch the new Forester later this year?

This [ad] will be tough to beat. We're working on that now. That car will be great. We did like using this spot to kind of lead-in to that next one, and that's another reason why the timing was right. Safety will be a key factor in that launch. But the people who buy that car are active singles, couples and young families, and we're going to try to portray that as well. Safety is important—but not the only thing It ranks very high for people in that's important—and space for dogs,



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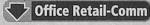
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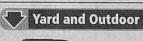
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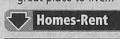


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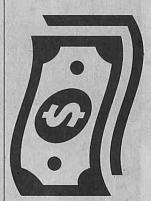


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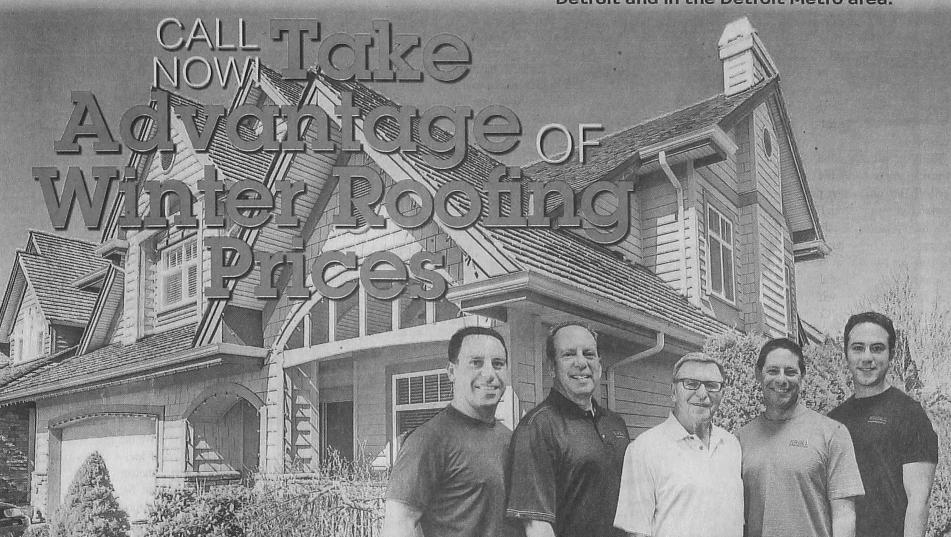


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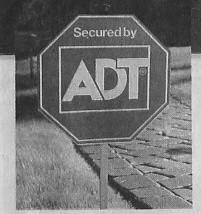




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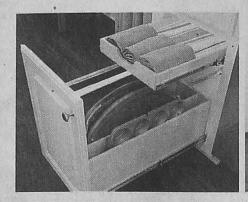
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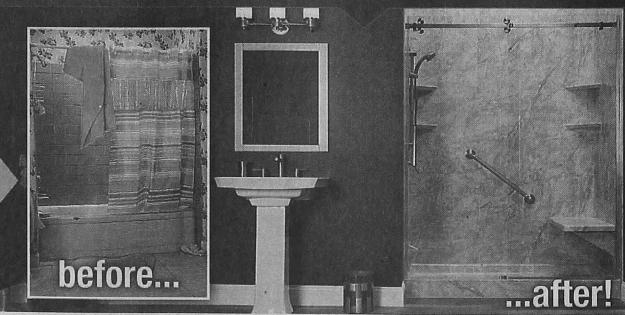
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