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Local candidates setting own identities

Most want to distance themselves from party leaders

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President Donald Trump was a polarizing figure before he got elected and has continued to be a lightning rod since his inauguration. The same can be said for both Bernie Sanders and, of course, Hillary Clinton for the Democrats.

While the president is such a larger-than-life figure and Sanders and Clinton are still trying to have an impact on their party, candidates for local offices are, in some instances, distancing themselves from national party leaders and hoping to find their own identity (according to responses to questionnaires sent out by Hometown Life; not all candidates responded).

Dan Centers of Livonia, a Livonia Public Schools district board trustee who is running for state representative in the 19th District — which covers Livonia — said it's time to “move beyond the Sanders/Clinton infighting of 2016.”

“Neither is on the ballot in 2018. ... Instead, a united party will need to work to stop the Republican attacks on wages and health care,” Centers said. “Michigan has major problems with infrastructure, education and transparency. All Democrats can agree those are the

issues we need to address going forward.”

Laurie Pohutsky of Livonia, also running for the state House 19th District seat, called herself a “progressive who wants to see positive change” in Michigan and in the country.

“I do not subscribe to business-as-usual politics and I do not want to merely maintain the status quo,” said Pohutsky, seeking her first elective office. “I

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Pictured (from left) are longtime friends Andrew Bazzi, Brandon Harris and Hussein Youssef. They have known one another since middle school. SUBMITTED

\$20M retail, apartment plan sought in Plymouth

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A developer is proposing to invest \$20 million to \$25 million in Plymouth by building an apartment and retail complex at 250 N. Main Street, just north of the core downtown area.

But some city officials are questioning whether the proposal may be too big for the site.

Dubbed the Lofts on Main, the plan calls for 75 apartments and 10,666 square feet of retail space on a 2.4-acre site, part of which now includes a small, deteriorating shopping center that once housed a resale store, a bicycle shop, an Amish furniture store and a theater company.

However, architect Ron Jona, president of Jona | Abro Architects, is revising his proposal after it was rejected by the Plymouth Planning Commission amid concerns about one building being too tall, a possible shortage of parking spaces, the high density of apartments and landscaping issues.

Jona said he expects to make another pitch — possibly in October — for a planned unit development approval he needs to move forward. The latest PUD was rejected by planning commissioners in a 5-3 vote in June, two months after he first unveiled his plans to the commission.

Jona said one building at the corner of Main and Union would have retail space on the first floor and loft apartments on the second floor. It would have parking spaces behind it.

He said a second, adjacent building would have one floor of retail space close to Main Street, with three floors of apartments above. One section would have a rooftop terrace. This building stretches deeper onto the site and, farther back, all four floors would be apartments.

Although Jona has eliminated a fifth floor of apartments, Jim Mulhern, who chairs the planning commission, said the overall density of the project remains far beyond what the current business-3 zoning calls for.

“The overall density of the project is still 60 percent over what the site is currently zoned for,” he said.

John Buzuvis, Plymouth communi-

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TOP OF THE CHARTS

Friends reflect on rise of Canton native Bazzi

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Long before his hit single “Mine” surged to the summit of the Billboard Top 40 earlier this summer, Canton singer/songwriter Andrew Bazzi’s silky-smooth voice was moving grown women to tears.

“I’ll never forget the eighth-grade talent show at (Canton’s) Discovery (Middle School),” Brandon Harris said, his voice dancing at the memory. “A lot of the teachers and students knew Andrew could sing because he’d always be rapping and singing in the hallways, but

I don’t think they knew how good he really was.”

They found out quickly.

“Andrew got up on that stage, the room went silent and he performed ‘Talking to the Moon’ by Bruno Mars,” Harris said. “Honestly, Andrew sounded better than Bruno Mars. He blew everybody away.”

“When Andrew finished the song, I looked around the room and there were teachers crying. *Teachers!* I’ll never forget that. It was powerful.”

Bazzi’s good friends and acquaintances describe him as fun-loving, hard-working and outgoing.

“There’d be times we’d ask him to hang out or go to a movie or something and Andrew would say, ‘I’d love to, but I

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Andrew Bazzi performs a song at Connection Church in Canton during his middle school years. AUTUMN THORNSBERRY

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believe in state-funded single-payer health care, making public education a priority and preserving the environment, particularly our Great Lakes."

Jewell Jones of Inkster, the incumbent state representative in the 11th District, took neither Sanders' nor Clinton's side, instead placing him in the center of the spectrum, where he believes "most Democratic Party members fall."

"There is a tendency to think that the majority of Democrats are ultra-liberal, but I believe these are probably the most vocal members of the party," Jones said. "We all want to pursue sensible policies that support workers, seniors and struggling families who seek good-paying jobs, affordable educations/training, health care and lower auto insurance costs."

Jones's challenger, Garden City Mayor Randy Walker, is more succinct about where he stands.

"I hold more traditional Democratic values and beliefs," Walker said.

Jacob Johnson of Wayne, a Democrat running in the state House 16th District — which serves Wayne and Westland — was a "proud" supporter of Sanders in 2016 who interviewed for a position with the Clinton campaign, then turned it down due to family issues.

"I want to be a new kind of leader," Johnson said. "I



Centers



Coleman



Johnson



Jones



Kosowski



Pohutsky



Polehanki



Walker

want to identify the needs of the community and handle the needs before we work on the wants. Donald Trump and I would disagree on a lot, I feel, but I also would be open to talking with all elected officials to find a middle ground for the common good."

Kevin Coleman of Westland called himself a "moderate Democrat." Coleman gave up his seat on the Westland City Council in an unsuccessful effort to unseat Westland Mayor Bill Wild and is now also seeking the 16th District house seat.

"I'm a moderate Democrat with support for some progressive policies, including universal health care, minimum wage increase, criminal-justice reform and expanded voting rights," Coleman said. "I would like to see more inclusive and compassionate leadership at the federal level. We need leaders at the state level, such as myself, who will fight to protect everyday people and help flip other districts to blue, which I have done and will continue to do."

Robert Kosowski, a Democrat seeking the state Senate seat in the 6th District (Westland, Romulus, Belleville, Taylor and Flat Rock), aligned himself with

neither Sanders' nor Clinton's party direction.

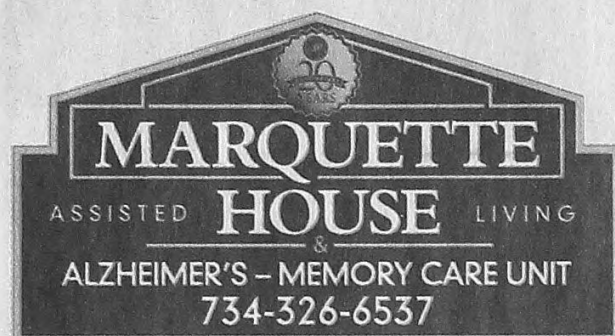
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Dayna Polehanki of Livonia, running for the state Senate seat in the 7th District being vacated by the term-limited Patrick Colbeck, brushed aside comparisons to national party leadership and focused on her own identity.

"I support public education in Michigan by fully funding our K-12 schools, removing the profit motive in education and making college affordable for working families," Polehanki said. "I support fixing our roads and crumbling infrastructure by properly funding existing repairs while finding ways to make innovative road-building materials cost-effective. I support giving our seniors the care and secure retirement they've rightly earned by reversing the pension tax and protecting Medicare and Medicaid."

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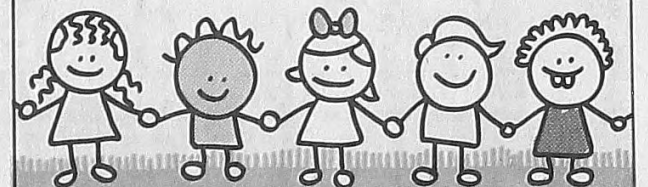
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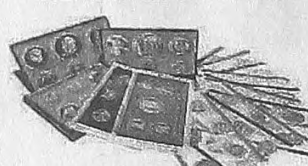


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The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County is offering assistance to those voting Tuesday, Aug. 7, in the primary election.

The league has provided an online voter guide. Go to VOTE411.org to read and compare candidate responses to relevant issues, find your polling place, check voting hours, learn about ballot measures and read tips about voting in Michigan.

The league also hosted candidate forums for the U.S. House 11th District (Republican and Democratic candidates)

and the state House 16th District and state Senate 6th District. The video links for these forums can be found on the League's website: LWVnorthwest-wayne.org.

Voters will need to choose one party's ballot in the primary election and then vote only for candidates in that party. Casting votes in multiple parties will invalidate the ballot.

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Money Matters

Rick Bloom
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Q: I am 60 and a widow. I have been dating someone for the last year or so and we have decided to move in together. The plan is for him to sell his house and move into mine. We currently have no plans to marry, as I would lose my health care insurance if that happens. My kids are very much opposed to this, as they think my boyfriend is just a gold digger. I obviously disagree with them, but I do

want to protect myself. My first question deals with my portfolio. If our relationship does not work, is my portfolio at risk? Also, what happens if I pass away before him; does he get a share of my portfolio? He has been very good to me and I do want to protect him if something does happen to me, but I don't want to do anything irrevocable. Currently, the house is in my name. My children want me to do a quit-claim deed to put their names on the house. I would like to know the legal ramifications of doing a quit-claim deed. I do trust my children, but I'm

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ty development director, said the site, next to Bode's Corned Beef House, is a spot that sits between downtown Plymouth and the city's Old Village area.

"It's right in the sweet spot," he said.

Mulhern said that's a big part of why Plymouth has to get it right.

"That is such an important gateway parcel from the downtown business district to Old Village," he said. "We're just looking for the best design that we can provide to the city."

Mulhern said officials also try to remain cognizant of how any development affects nearby neighbors.

Under a planned unit development, or PUD, officials can allow more leeway to developers if the project brings benefits to the public. Jona said his plan calls for a small park, other outdoor space and the rooftop terrace where some events could benefit the larger community. He also proposed extending streetscape amenities, such as street lights, from the downtown area.

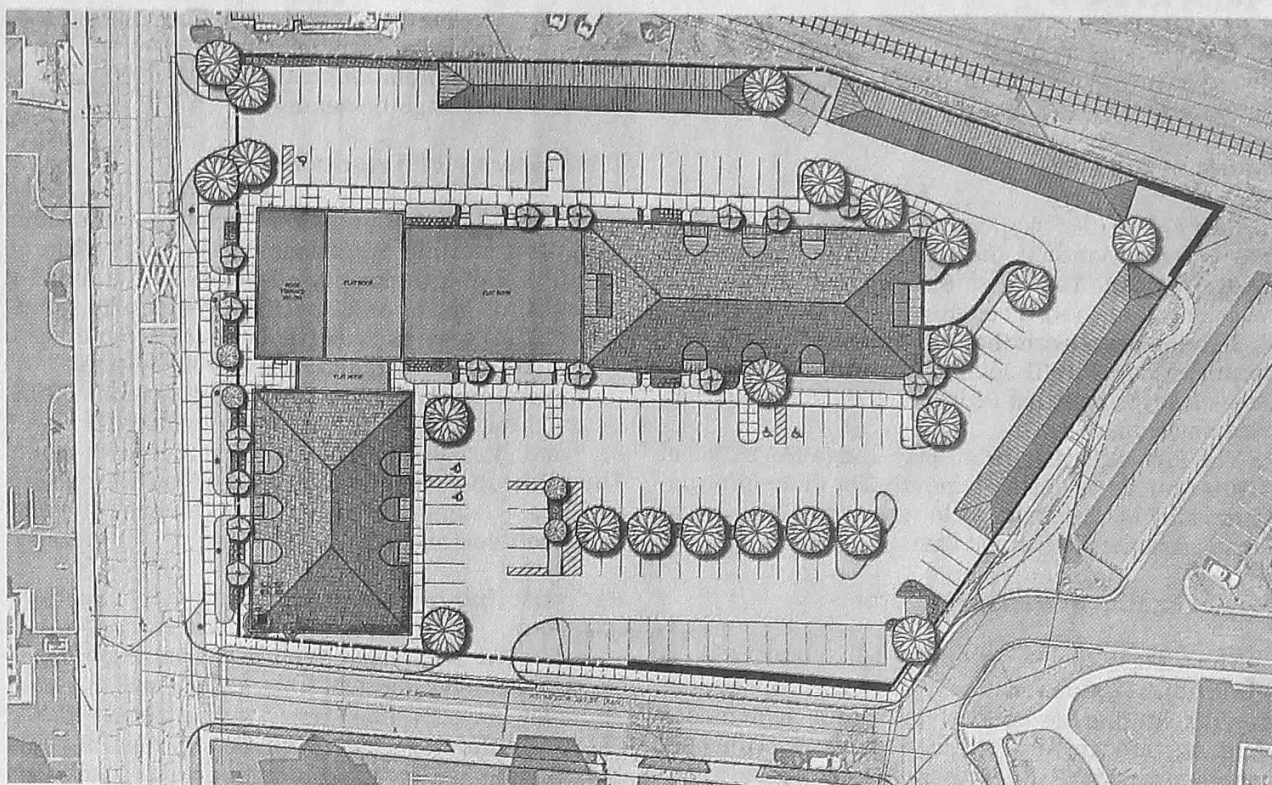
Jona said he believes the 208 parking spaces he has proposed — some underground, some surface spaces near Main and Union and a few along Main Street — would be sufficient, even if the retail space includes a restaurant or two. He also mentioned a fitness center.

He said no tenants have been confirmed because the project is in the early stages.

"We're not even approved for a PUD yet," he said.

Jona said he believes the Lofts on Main project brings a quality development to the site, including a small park and other open space. He said he is planning to address issues cited by the planning commission, though exact revisions aren't yet known.

Buzuvis said local officials weigh the pros and cons of any development and try to envision any potential issues that could arise in the future.



This shows the site plan of the proposed development of apartments and retail space. As shown, the building to the north stretches deeper into the site. JONA | ABRO ARCHITECTS

"We plan for the worst-case scenario somewhere down the road," he said, though officials hope it doesn't happen.

Whether Jona and the city can reach an accord remains to be seen. Even if they do, the Lofts on Main isn't expected to spring up overnight. Jona said it would take two to three years to complete the project.

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This is what the proposed Lofts on Main development would look like facing North Main Street. JONA | ABRO ARCHITECTS

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Barbara Ware with the Cliff Monear Trio will perform Tuesday, July 31. Joining Ware on vocals are Monear on keyboards, Jeff Pedraz on bass and Sean Dobbins on drums.

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

Masini exhibit at Village Theater

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, in Canton will host People See; People Do, an exhibit featuring the works of Kay Masini, a Plymouth resident, through Aug. 31. The exhibit will officially open Wednesday, Aug. 1, with a free reception 7-9 p.m., including a gallery walk with the artist at 7:30 p.m.

This current art exhibit is free and open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, one

hour prior to and during public performances at the theater, as well as by appointment. The Village Theater Gallery is closed each holiday.

For more information, call 734-394-5300 or go to www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

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Redistricting town hall

Voters Not Politicians, is a non-partisan looking to end gerrymandering, will host a town hall 7-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 2, at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road. There will be information about how you can get involved to help amend Michigan's Constitution to create an impartial process for drawing of election maps.

Admission is free and everyone is welcome, but space is limited, so RSVP at <https://www.votersnotpoliticians.com/canton0802>.

Benefit dog wash

The second annual dog wash event to benefit a Wreaths Across America event will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at 520 Blunk, in Plymouth. Baths are by donation. All proceeds go to benefit a ceremony held Dec. 15 at the Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. For more information, go to wreathsacrossamerica.org.

National Night Out in Canton

Residents are invited to the North Pavilion in Can-

ton's Heritage Park to spend a special night out 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7, with community partners the Canton Police Department, the Canton Public Library, Canton Response to Hate Crimes Coalition and Canton Leisure Services, which will present this year's National Night Out, featuring Canton's annual Not In Our Town community program.

National Night Out is an annual campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. The event will feature live music, an interactive Canton Public Safety vehicle display, complimentary refreshments from Kona Ice and Cruisin' Custom Cones and prizes provided by Target, one of this year's event sponsors. Additional activities include a craft project provided by Home Depot; a bounce house provided by Awesome Bounce of Michigan; a K-9 demonstration and more. Participants will also be able to design a Kindness Rock, with support from Amanda Ross-State Farm Insurance Agent. Additional support is being provided by Community Financial Credit Union.

All ages are invited to attend this free event. All activities will take place at Heritage Park's north pavilion, located off of Heritage Drive. For more information, go to www.cantonpublicsafety.org, www.niot.org or call 734-394-5460.

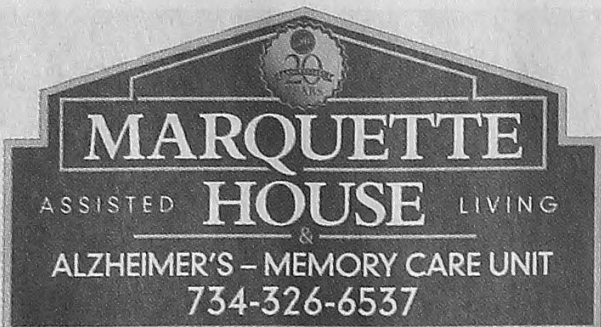
Canton Senior Games

Area seniors are invited to enter the second annual Canton Senior Games, scheduled for Monday through Friday, Aug. 20-24, at various locations in the township. A variety of activities for men and women ages 55 and older will be available during the four days of competition.

Canton Club 55+ will offer a variety of events in which seniors may compete for a nominal fee for a chance to win in age categories 55-64, 65-74 and 75 and older.

Registration is available online at www.cantonfun.org or in person at the Canton Club 55+ front desk, located in the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway. All participants must register by Friday, Aug. 10. An awards ceremony has been scheduled for 12:30-2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24, at the Summit on the Park Maple/Oak Room.

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not sure they have my best interests at heart.

A: The first issue deals with your portfolio. Basically, you are under no obligation, whether you're living together or not, to leave him anything. Even if you die while he's still living in the house, he has no legal right to your portfolio. If you two eventually get married, he would have certain rights. The cure for that is to do a prenuptial agreement before you get married.

If you choose to leave him something if you should predecease him — and at the same time you don't want to do anything irrevocable — you have two options. The first is you can name him as a beneficiary of your portfolio. If you have an account at places like Fidelity, Schwab or Vanguard, you can name him as a beneficiary. It doesn't have to be for 100 percent of the account; you can choose to leave him any percent you want. By naming a beneficiary, it is 100-percent revocable. You are free to change your beneficiary at any time. If, down the road, the relationship sours, all you would have to do is change the beneficiary.

Another option is to do a will or a trust where you can decide how much you want to leave him. Once again, wills and trusts are totally revocable and you can make changes whenever you choose.

As a side note, if you have not had your will and/or trust looked at since you became a widow, it's probably a good idea to do so. Of course, if you have never done any estate planning documents, no matter what you decide to do with your friend, it is important to have an estate plan. As part of that, you should have a medical power of attorney, so that someone can take charge of your medical affairs if you are unable to.

With regards to the house, if you do a quit-claim deed and add your children to your home, you are basically making them a co-owner of your property. As a co-owner, they would have certain rights to your home during your lifetime. Typically, when you do a quit-claim deed, you're transferring all or a portion of your ownership to those people. The

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reason most people do quit-claim deeds is to avoid probate on the property upon death. There are other ways of going that will allow you to avoid probate but, at the same time, not give up any rights during your lifetime.

In your situation, I would probably discourage you from doing a quit-claim deed. You are having issues with your children about your friend and, if you put their names on your home, it could cause you some problems. If your reason to add your kids' names to the property is to avoid probate, but not to currently transfer ownership, I would look at either doing a Lady Bird Deed or a Trust. Both of these documents would allow you to retain control of your property and only give your kids rights upon your death.

One question I get all the time is whether people should put their children's name on their property, such as their home. Although every case is different, I generally want people to retain 100-percent control of their property for as long as possible. After all, we all know of families who've gotten into some nasty fights and that is certainly something you want to avoid. Everyone needs to be cautious when they put others, even children, on their property. Avoiding probate is a good goal, but you can do that without giving up control.

Good luck!

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



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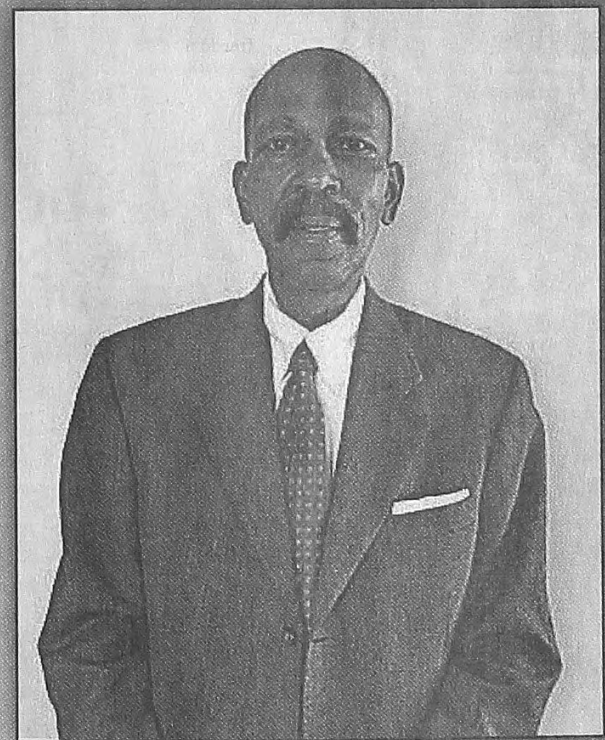
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Bazzi

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can't; I have to work on my music," Harris said.

"Andrew saved up all the money he earned so that, when he moved to Los Angeles, he could pay for the studio time he needed. He had a plan and he carried it out."

"I have never met a more outgoing person," longtime friend Noah Saad added. "He was always laughing, smiling, telling jokes ... trying to make everyone around him feel good."

Autumn Thornsberry became fast friends with Bazzi at Connection Church in Canton. With a passion for photography, Thornsberry — who now owns her own photography business — would snap off photos of Bazzi while he'd sing and play guitar with the church's band.

It didn't take long before Thornsberry realized she was watching something special blossoming.

"Andrew was always playing guitar and singing at church, for as long as I have known him," Thornsberry said. "I also remember him being much younger than everybody else, but always hanging out with the older kids."

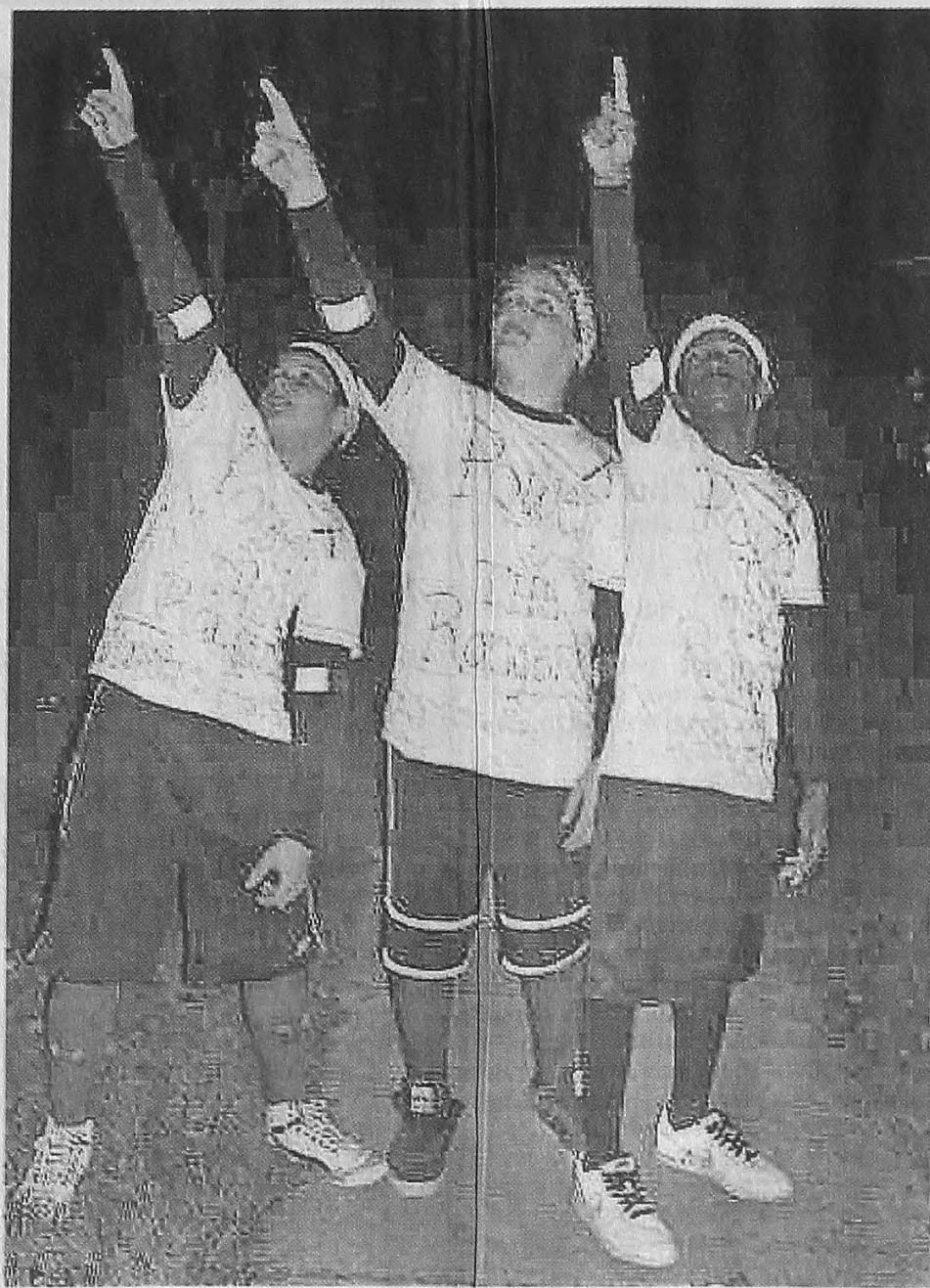
"I think that his talent was so beyond his years that he was able to fit in and perform with people a lot older than him. Our church had a lot of talented kids, but I remember a lot of people would joke that Andrew stood out, that he was going to do something big with this one day."

It was no secret which of the three Plymouth-Canton Educational Park high schools Bazzi yearned to attend.

"Most of his friends drew Plymouth, so when he drew Canton, he was bumming out a little bit," Harris said. "A lot of his friends were athletes — he would have been, if not for his commitment to music — so when he hung out with us, we'd give him our letter jackets to wear."

"Mine" debuted Feb. 3 at No. 56 on the Billboard Hot 100 with an astronomical 11.4 million streams in the United States.

According to an article on Billboard.com, the streaming success of "Mine" is partially the result of editorial support from Apple Music, which helped the track hit No. 1 on the service's Pop Streaming chart.



The sky proved to be the limit for (from left) Hussein Youssef, Andrew Bazzi and Brandon Harris.

Earlier this month, "Mine" was No. 1 on the Billboard Top 40 chart. The song has also been nominated for an MTV Video Music Award in the category Song of the Year.

"The moment we heard (Bazzi's) music, we knew that his fresh sound would have a massive appeal that would connect with fans around the world," Arjan Timmermans, Apple Music's head of pop programming, told Billboard.com. "Bazzi is solid proof that the state of pop is strong."

Harris said he and Bazzi were attending a Detroit Pistons game when the elements of "Mine" started coming together.

"When the Pistons were warming up before the game, there was this background beat playing in the arena," Harris said. "Andrew was, like, 'I love this beat, it's beautiful' and he ended up using it on a stretch of drums beating on 'Mine.'"

"Andrew said he came up with the melody for 'Mine' while he was at a par-

ty in L.A."

Bazzi moved to Los Angeles with his father during his junior year at Canton to record at big-time studios in southern California.

"When I talk to him now, he's changed a little, but only because he's more driven than before," Saad said. "He not only wants to be successful, he wants to sustain it."

Youssef and Harris have visited Bazzi in Los Angeles — and their old friend's hosting skills were off the charts.

"We had a great time," Harris said with a smile.

Not surprisingly, Bazzi's mode of transportation has been elevated during the course of his ascending fame.

"Andrew didn't even have a (driver's) license until just before he moved to L.A., so Hussein and I would give him rides when he needed it," Harris said. "We didn't mind at all, because we love him and we'd have done anything for him."

"So Andrew went from not owning a car in Canton to driving a McLaren in Los Angeles. He's worked for every bit of his success, though."

A short time after "Mine" started getting regular airplay on the radio, Bazzi made his television debut on the "Ellen" show.

Harris described how, during a Camila Cabello concert at The Fillmore Detroit, with Bazzi serving as the opening act, people throughout the crowd were singing the lyrics from "Mine."

"And it wasn't just people from around Detroit, there were people from all over Michigan and the Midwest," Harris said. "I think that's the moment I realized my good friend had arrived."

Thornsberry's "wow!" moment came a few months back while driving in her car.

"I heard 'Mine' for the first time on the radio and I immediately got chills," Thornsberry said. "The photo I took of him was one of my very first photos and probably one of his first shows. To think now he is famous and I run my own photo business ... life really comes full-circle."

"It's really cool to see somebody grow up to do something so big and stick with their dreams."

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Ellison of Redford performs during auditions for the Michigan State Fair Superstars competition. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Ria Ellendula, 15, a sophomore at Northville High School, performs for judges at NextWave Media Labs in Troy during the Superstars auditions. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

34 musicians vie for state Superstar status

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The scene earlier this month at 950 Stephenson Highway may have raised a few eyebrows. Like clockwork, every 25 minutes or so, a new musician would make their way across the vast wind-swept and at times rainy sea of asphalt toting guitars, drums, amps, turntables and more to NextWave Media Labs in hopes of scoring a coveted spot in the Michigan State Fair Superstars competition semifinal round.

Including Christian contemporary, country, rock, rap and folk, the music was as diverse as the performers bringing it to stage.

Bands seem to have a leg up on the competition — from the hard-driving rock of Zotz from Sterling Heights to the cool rhythm of Ellison from Redford to the funky metal of IS Evolution from Detroit.

"It's going to be tough," judge and Michigan State Fair artistic director Elisa Fixler said, referring to the talent of performers. A panel of four judges, which also included longtime industry professional Terri Koggenhop, state fair executive director Steve Masters and state fair entertainment committee member Mike Balon, has the task of whittling the group down to 12-14 semifinalists, all of whom will perform at the state fair during Labor Day weekend.

The semifinalists will be invited to a workshop at Pearl Sound Studios in Canton prior to the state fair to help prepare for the long weekend of performing. All semifinalists will perform a three-song set Thursday and Friday

Aug. 30-31, at Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. All contestants will be required to play "Robin Redbreast," a song written by last year's winners, the Gasoline Gypsies, as well as a ballad and an uptempo song. Original songs will carry more weight with the judges.

From there, the field will be narrowed to five, with each playing a 30-minute set Saturday of fair weekend, with the Gasoline Gypsies also headlining the evening.

That Sunday, the honorable mention performer will receive \$100 and play a 30-minute set. The runner-up will receive \$500 and play a 60-minute set, warming up for the grand prize winner, who will perform two 45-minute sets.

In addition, the grand prize winner will receive a prize package valued at approximately \$20,000, including a \$2,000 cash prize; songwriting coaching, artist and repertoire song selection; publishing consultation and vocal performance instruction, all from Nadir Omowale; independent music artist business development and coaching from Jill Jack; studio production consultation and direction from Chuck Alkazian; along with recording and mastering of a three-song EP at Pearl Sound Studios in Canton and booking consultation with 2 Stones Events.

Previous Superstars winners include:

- 2017: The Gasoline Gypsies
- 2016: Redi Choi
- 2015: Carly Bins
- 2014: Alison Albrecht

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Obituaries

Linda K. Comer

SAN ANTONIO, TX. — After a lengthy battle with Parkinson's disease, Linda K. Comer passed away on Friday, June 22nd, 2018 in San Antonio, Texas just shy of her 73rd birthday. Linda was born in Connellsville, PA on June 25th, 1945, a daughter of the late John Orbin and Edna Meeks Orbin. Linda grew up in Ypsilanti, MI and graduated with honors from Willow Run High School. Afterward she attended Schoolcraft College in Livonia, MI where she obtained an Associate's Degree in Accounting Applied Science. She also had a deep interest in music and was the lead singer in a country band.



Linda married her childhood sweetheart, Jack Comer just days before her 18th birthday on June 22nd, 1963 in Ypsilanti MI. They resided in Westland, MI for 5 years and gave birth to two children. Later they moved to Plymouth, MI where they remained for 41 years until migrating to Texas in their later years.

Linda was a dedicated wife and mother who worked part time while bringing up young children. Later she worked for Michael T. Fant and Associates in Plymouth, MI. She was an accountant and tax preparer for 10 years until she retired in 2005.

Linda was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2005. She bravely underwent deep brain stem surgery in the fall of 2009 which significantly improved her quality of life.

Linda is survived by her husband, Jack Comer; two children, Robin Comer Efron and husband James A. Efron of Pompano Beach, FL and Brian Comer, wife Kim Hedtke Comer of Texas, grandson Brady Comer, sister Nancy Anderson and brother Calvin Orbin, as well as several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a brother, Bob Orbin.

Linda requested cremation. Her ashes will be interred at Parkview Memorial Cemetery (www.parkviewmemorialcemetery.com) in Livonia, MI. A memorial is planned for August 11th at 12 p.m. at Summit On The Park, Canton, MI <https://www.canton-mi.org/158/Summit-on-the-Park>

In lieu of flowers, kindly consider a donation to The Parkinson's Foundation (<http://www.parkinson.org/>) tribute page in her name.

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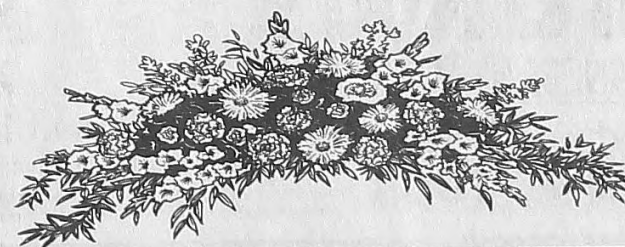
NORTH OAKS, MN — Age, 91, of North Oaks, MN formerly of Plymouth, MI. Passed away July 15, 2018.

Predeceased by loving husband of 63 years Edmond, son Curtis, her brothers and parents. Survived by daughter Polly (Robb) LaChapelle; grandsons Curtis, Jackson and Joel; nieces, nephews and many friends. Born and raised in Bristol, CT. Graduate of Bristol High School 1945. Graduate of Tufts University 1949, receiving a BA in Economics. At Tufts, she became a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority. Upon graduation she worked at Aetna Life Insurance Company at the home office in Hartford, CT for 2 years as a Group Insurance underwriter. She married Edmond in 1951. They lived in CT, IL, OH and MI where she was an active member of each community. They lived in Plymouth 40 years raising their family, being involved members of their community and church and making countless cherished friendships. They moved to MN ten years ago to be closer to family. Ruth enjoyed many activities including volunteering in several clubs and committees, traveling, entertaining, opera, performance theater and study groups. Memorial Service held in North Oaks, MN along with a Memorial Service and Interment for Ruth and Edmond will be in Bristol, CT. Memorials preferred to First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church St., Plymouth, MI, 48170 or donor's choice.



Karl Schober

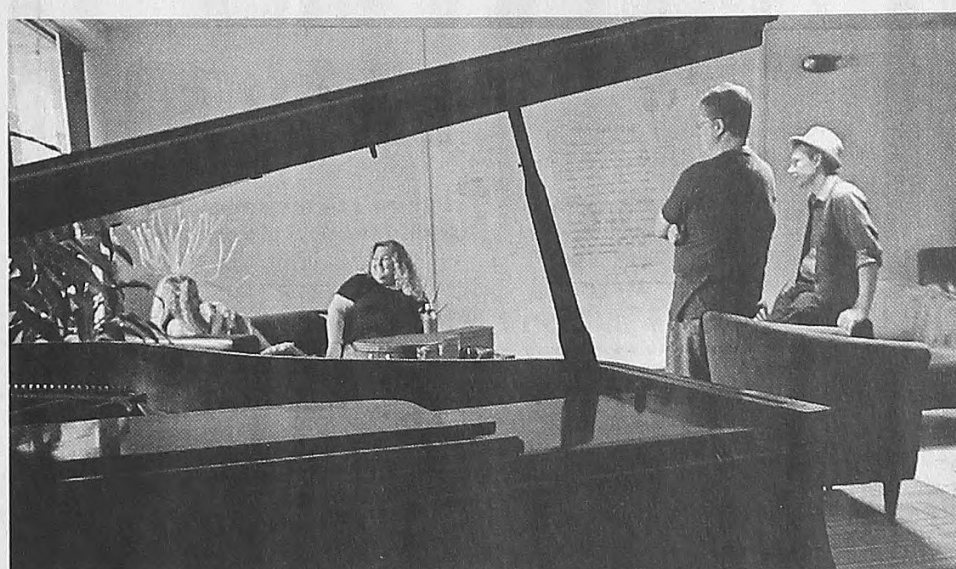
PLYMOUTH — Age 81 of Plymouth born October 1936, passed on July 15, 2018 with his family by his side. A kind, supportive and loving husband to his wife Caryle. Cherished father to Audrey and her husband Dave Starr, and Alan. Proud "Opa" to Jennifer and her husband Jay Teegardin, and Joshua. Dear brother to Alfred. Loved by those he encountered for his sense of humor, kindness, and helpfulness. A former employee of Ford Motor for 43+ years. Join us for a gathering of family and friends to celebrate the Life of Karl at the Memorial Service Saturday, August 4th 11 AM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Rd. West (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Friday, August 3rd 2-9 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to the Martin Edward Galvin Fund for IPF Research. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneral-home.com



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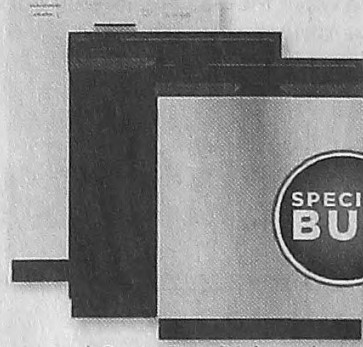
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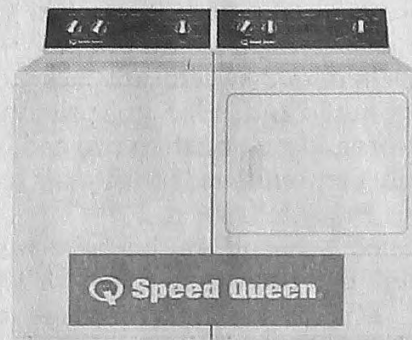


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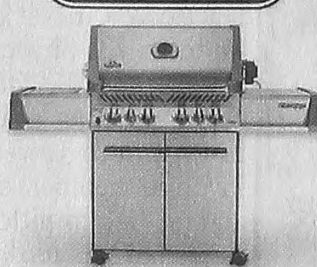
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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Players eager to make history

LTU resurrects program for first time in 70 years

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Robert Florence and Devin Visnaw can't wait to play organized football for the first time in two years. The fact they'll be making history makes it even more special.

Florence, a Canton resident who played high school football at Plymouth, and Visnaw, a Livonian who played at Franklin, are members of Lawrence Tech University's 2018 football team. They will be representing the Southfield-based university, which resurrected its football program after 70 years, when it was known as Lawrence Institute of Technology.

Neither has played football since their senior season in fall 2016 and are ecstatic to put on the helmet and pads again. Their emotions range from the thrill of resuming smash-mouth contact to pride in re-establishing a program that had been dormant since 1946.

"I'm really anxious. I've been getting butterflies in my stomach every time I think about playing that first game," said Florence, who played offensive tackle and defensive end during his prep days at Plymouth. "It's going to be my first time playing a college game and



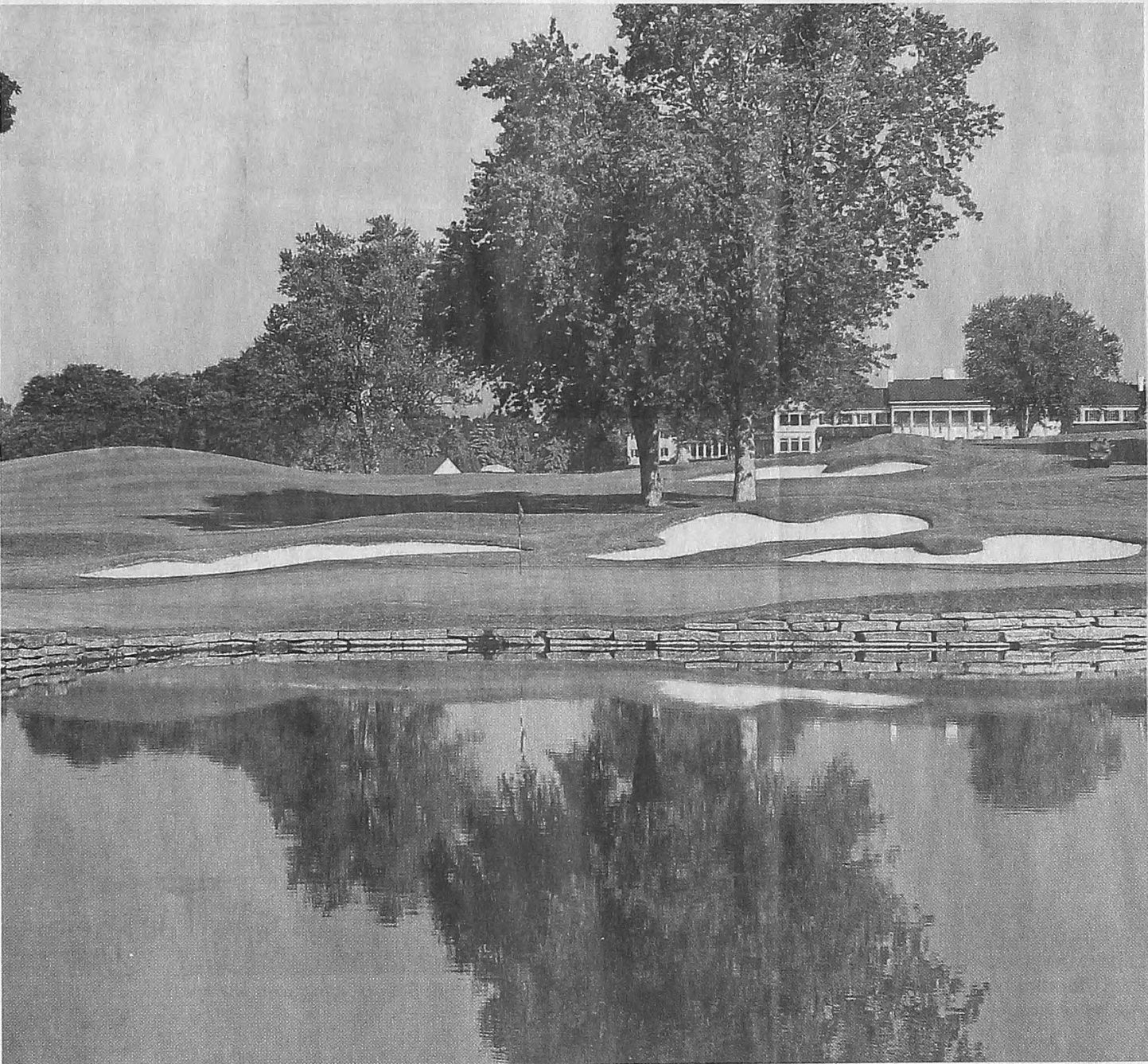
Florence



Devin Visnaw wears his Lawrence Tech University football jersey with his mom Carrie Gava and sister Avery Visnaw by his side. VISNAW FAMILY PHOTO

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CLUB GOLF



The famed 16th hole at Oakland Hills South Course. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

‘Monster’ gets a makeover

Oakland Hills’ South Course will close for renovation

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"The Monster" is going to be caged for a while.

Oakland Hills Country Club members voted overwhelmingly to allow for a major renovation of its championship

South Course.

The famed layout, dubbed "The Monster" by Ben Hogan following the 1951 U.S. Open, will shut down starting in fall 2019 and reopen in spring 2021. It will be closed for the entire 2020 golf season — a total of some 19 months overall.

The renovation is essentially a greens overhaul. The course routing will not be

affected.

"First and foremost, the substructure of our greens need better drainage. Those greens themselves are 100 years old," said club president Bill Royce, an Oakland Hills Country Club member for 25 years. "We're expanding the greens. A lot of the greens over the years have gotten smaller. That

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RUNNING

Sowa reaps Northville Road Runner Classic title

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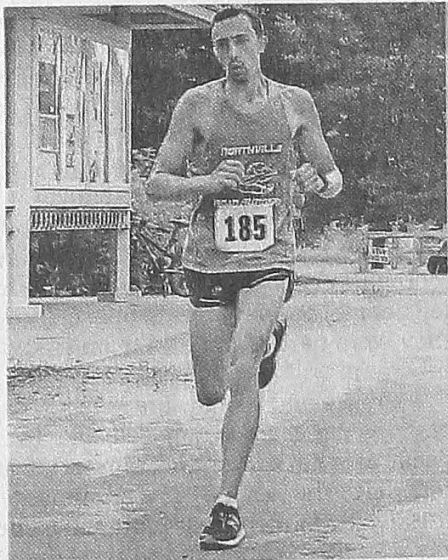
Dan Sowa proved July 21 he was up to the challenge for the newly designed Northville Road Runner Classic 8-kilometer course.

The 24-year-old from Farmington Hills, who placed second a year ago, gradually pulled away from runner-up Adam Lawrence of Royal Oak to earn the 8K title in 30 minutes, 14.23 seconds, in the 13th annual event held at historic Maybury State Park in Northville.

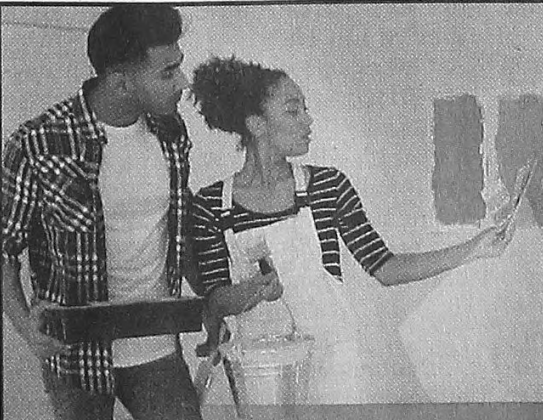
Sowa, a Pittsburgh native who ran middle distance in track and cross country at Ohio Northern University from 2012-16, averaged 6:05 per mile, while Lawrence finished in 31:41 (6:23 pace). Plymouth's Kevin Pline was third in 32:55.

"It was definitely humid and hilly, but I just pushed through it and ran a

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Dan Sowa of Farmington Hills was the overall winner in the 8K at the Northville Road Runner Classic. E. MARIA FOX



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AMATEUR GOLF

Winners crowned in MWGA's annual state tourney

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It was a good day on the links for Debra Horning.

The Bloomfield Hill resident captured Flight 2 low gross honors at the Michigan Women's Golf Association State Championship tournament, held July 14-15 at Timber Ridge Golf Course in East Lansing. Horning shot a two-round total of 170 (87-83).

Plymouth resident Jane Kersjes was second with 179.

The Flight 2 low net winner was Yvette Johnson of Farmington Hills at 134, followed by Detroit's Suzanne Madej at 139.

"Timber Ridge certainly presented the challenge and our games (skins, closest to the flag and chip-ins) gave all players a chance to win a little extra," said Cynthia Pickard, technology director, webmaster and member of the competition and events committee.

In Flight 1, Windsor resident Audrey Akins was the overall champion as she carded 155 (83-72) to capture low gross honors. Ada's Joan Garety, a seven-time champion, was second, just a shot behind at 156.

Southfield's Shelly Weiss was first low net (160) and Ypsilanti's Cindy Hill was second (178).

In other results, the top two Flight 3 low gross players were Royal Oak's The-



The top Flight 2 performers in the recent MWGA state championship tournament were (from left) Yvette Johnson (Farmington Hills), Sue Madej (Detroit), Jane Kersjes (Plymouth) and Debra Horning (Bloomfield Hills). MWGA

resa MacPherson (193) and Dearborn's Carol Rudder (203). The best low net scorers were Rochester's Linda Birmingham (140) and Susan Merrick (147).

A pair of Plymouth residents — Kathleen Brennan and Barbara Coury — were Flight 4's top two low gross scorers at 202 and 208, respectively. Waterford's Joan Cleland (145) and Hartland's Faye Basette (146) took low net honors.

The competition's lone eagle came from Helga Toriello, who posted a 2 on the 279-yard, par-4 No. 2 hole. That particular hole yielded only 12 pars during the competition.

First-time participants included Kim Smith, Ann Busby and Jane Schnoor, all from the Grand Rapids area, and Waterford's Katie Boyd, a member of the Saginaw Valley State University golf team.

MWGA membership is available to amateur female golfers of all ages and skill levels.

The MWGA's next three scheduled

events are the 4-Woman Cha Cha Cha on July 30 at Northville Hills; the 2-Woman Four-Ball on Aug. 12 at the Links of Novi; and the 2-Woman Four Ball on Sept. 8 at Kensington Metropark in Brighton.

For more information, go to www.mwgolf.org.

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LTU

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that's going to be awesome. I'm just itching to get back out on the field.

"And the fact that we are going to be part of a class building a new program really appealed to me and it was really a cool opportunity that not a lot of people get to do. There's already a team atmosphere and a culture at other schools and even in high school.

"But when you start a program from the ground up, you get to build that culture and you set the standard for what that school's going to be like five or 10 years down the road with their football program. If we start off and bring a good mentality to that school, it will pay off for many teams down the line, I believe.

"(LTU head) coach (Jeff Duvendeck) stresses all the time about culture, culture, culture," he added. "He wants us to be the best role models we can be for the classes coming in after us and he wants us to set a good precedent for everybody else coming through the program."

Part of a new program

Visnaw, like Florence an offensive lineman, agrees that getting a new program off the ground provides a great sense of accomplishment.

"I think it's the coolest thing that could happen, because I can forever say I was part of team one at Lawrence Tech," said Visnaw, who is learning new zone blocking schemes as a guard. "I've always wanted to play college football since my youth football days with the Livonia Blue Jays. I barely played with the Blue Jays, because I had a hard time making weight. So to go from that to starting on both sides of the football at Franklin to college football is amazing.

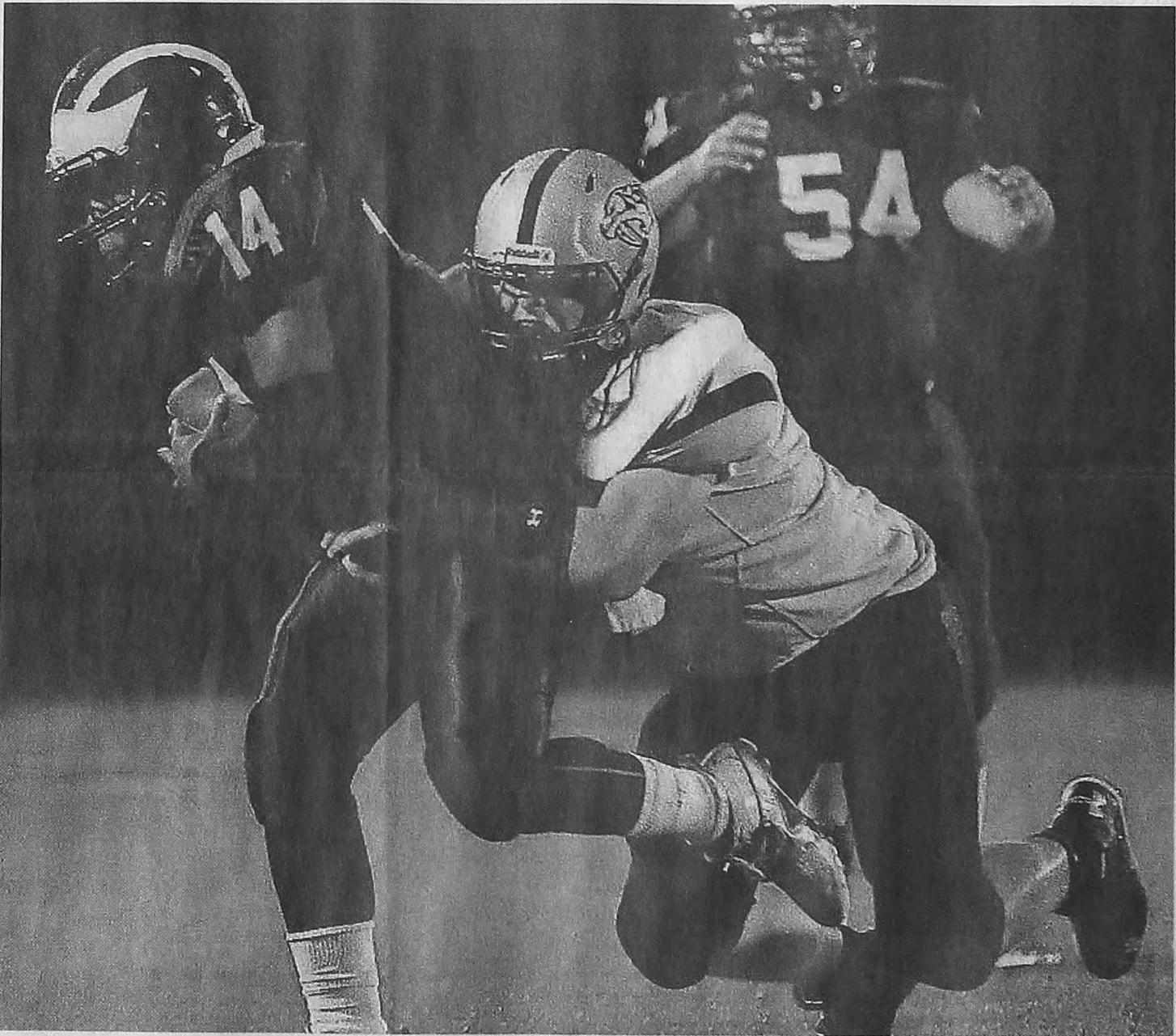
"Just the hype and excitement of playing my first game of college football is already there," he added. "If you play football in college, it's a great thing to tell people, but very few people can say they were part of the first team in that program."

Florence and Visnaw are mechanical engineering majors and selected LTU because of its outstanding reputation in that field. The fact that LTU administrators decided to bring back football made the school even more appealing to them.

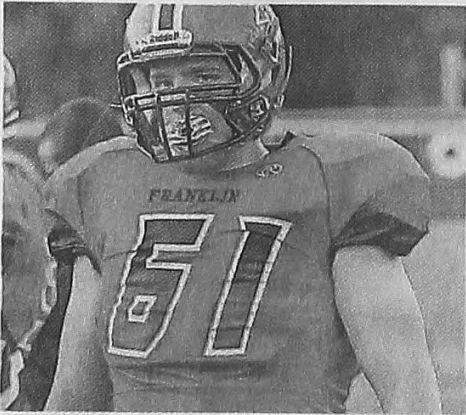
Florence originally planned to attend Michigan Tech University and try out for the school's football team as a walk-on. However, Duvendeck met with the 6-foot-3, 260-pound lineman and swayed him to the Blue Devils.

"I really wanted to play sports in college, but I didn't go to LTU just to play sports. I was really looking for a good engineering college," Florence said. "I could have walked on at Michigan Tech, which is known as an engineering school, and I was planning on going there.

"But then coach Duvendeck reached out to me and let me know that they were having a football program starting up. I knew they also had a good engineering school and I had considered it, but found it too expensive. But with the little football scholarship I got from there, I found it in my price range.



Robert Florence (right), making a tackle during his prep days at Plymouth High School, can't wait to play his first college game for Lawrence Tech University. FLORENCE FAMILY PHOTO



Devin Visnaw, a three-year varsity lineman at Livonia Franklin, transferred to play football at Lawrence Tech after one semester at Wayne State University. VISNAW FAMILY PHOTO

"I was really excited to go there. I didn't have the means to go there until I had the opportunity from coach Duvendeck," he added. "It is really a good environment (at LTU) and I think I'll do a lot better at a small school than I would have at a huge school. It all sort of came together and fell on my lap and I was really blessed by that."

A Blue Devils transfer

Visnaw's story is somewhat different.

Visnaw headed to Wayne State University after graduating from Franklin in 2017. After spending one semester at WSU, he decided to transfer to LTU to finish his freshman year of college.

"I was going to Wayne State and that was my four-year plan until Lawrence Tech came around," said Visnaw, who played two years of varsity football at Franklin. "(LTU) said they were interested in me and I was looking into their school further and found out it was a great engineering school, which is what I want to get into. It was very much a win-win situation for me."

Florence went through fall practice sessions with LTU in 2017, but Visnaw did not. Both participated in the program's inaugural spring game, held in April at Farmington Harrison High School, where the defense forced a late turnover to defeat the offense.

LTU resumes practice this week, with team meetings Monday and two-a-days picking up at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

"I believe we have a really strong team," said Florence, who will play tackle or guard. "I don't quite have an idea of how other teams are, since there is no film out there. But I do know we have formed quite a good bond over this past year and we're all really hard-working. We'll get in the weight room and get after it and I have a feeling we're going to do pretty good this year. That's my prediction."

The program's first football game was played in 1933 and LIT went 0-2 that year. LIT had nine more seasons of football before the program was dissolved in 1946, when it went 4-3-2 under then head coach Don Ridler.

In its rebooted season this year, Lawrence Tech will play a nine-game schedule, with the first game set for Sept. 1 at home at the LTU Athletic Field (Northwestern Highway and 10 Mile Road) against Oakland University's club team. The Blue Devils will play three other home games — Sept. 15 against the University of Pittsburgh club team, Oct. 13 vs. Indiana Wesleyan University (another first-year team) and Oct. 27 against Trinity Bible College.

LTU will play an independent schedule this year and is slated to compete in the Mid-States Football Association of the NAIA in 2019.

"We're a new team with all new players. I don't expect us to be the best team right away," Visnaw said. "But we have a corps. It's all there. We have weapons. We're already making progress and we're like brothers already. We're there for each other, we have each other's back and we hang out with each other. I like where we're at."

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Course

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was one of the reasons why we wanted to do it.

"The second reason is we want to make sure we keep the South Course as a championship venue for championship golf. And three, just the member enjoyment of the golf course itself. The first two being the main ones.

"We're not going to lose any of the golf season in '19 because we're closing in October and you can still move dirt around," he added. "We'll be closed all of 2020 and we'll open it up in the spring, like we normally do, in April of 2021. So we're going to lose one golf season."

North Course stays open

Although the final decision was made at a board meeting July 12, renovation discussions actually started in late 2015.

Club members voted down the original redesign plan in 2016 because of financial concerns. They went back to the drawing board, eliminated some costs and presented the revised plan to membership in June. Board members easily passed the new proposal earlier this month.

During the lengthy renovation, the club's underrated and unheralded North Course will remain open for play. The North Course most recently hosted the 2016 U.S. Amateur and the 2012 Michigan Amateur. It will host the 2019 Michigan Amateur.

"The North Course, I think, is beautiful and extremely playable, meaning the members can go out and enjoy it," OHCC professional Steve Brady said. "It's all you can handle. Every time we have a championship there — like the Michigan Amateur, which we're hosting next year — none of the players ever really beat it up.

"It's always in great shape and the greens are always firm and fast," he added. "This year, both courses are firm and fast. So Oakland Hills is in the best shape I've seen it in a long time."

It marks the third renovation of the South Course, originally designed by Donald Ross and opened for play July 13, 1918.

Robert Trent Jones was responsible for the first makeover, prior to the 1951 U.S. Open. His son Reese Jones oversaw



Oakland Hills member Joe Michelotti putts on the first hole of the South Course. DAN DEAN | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

the second enhancement, prior to the 2008 PGA Championship.

Hanse leads big project

The newest renovation project, led by renowned golf architect Gil Hanse, will address both course and technology-related areas, including:

- Replacing various areas with linear and penal bunkering with risk- and reward-oriented features
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- Rebuilding the infamous green complexes while retaining the traditional challenging undulations
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■ Extending peak playing conditions on each side of the season.

Gearing for another major

"We'll increase the yardage to just over 7,500 yards. It's only, like, 150-ish yards of length that we're adding," said Royce, a Bloomfield Township resident. "It will stay a par 70 for the pros and par 72 for the members, because we're not changing the routing or anything.

"The interesting thing is largely it takes the course back to close to the original Donald Ross design. Of course, there were very few trees out on the property at that time and there are still plenty of trees out there.

"It kind of takes the best of what Trent Jones and Reese Jones did and Donald Ross and combines it all togeth-

er," he added. "It's pretty exciting."

Oakland Hills, founded in 1916, has hosted six U.S. Open Championships, three PGA Championships, one Ryder Cup, two U.S. Senior Open Championships, two U.S. Amateur Championships and a U.S. Women's Amateur Championship.

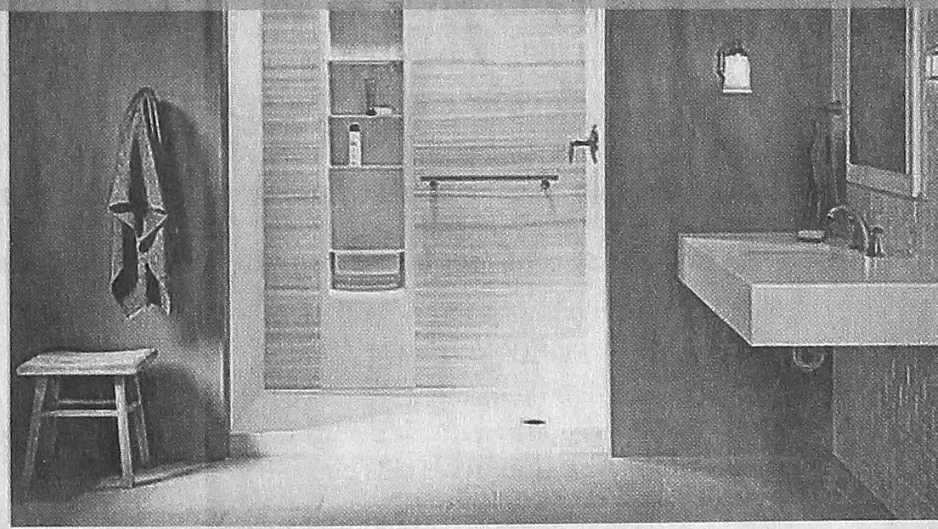
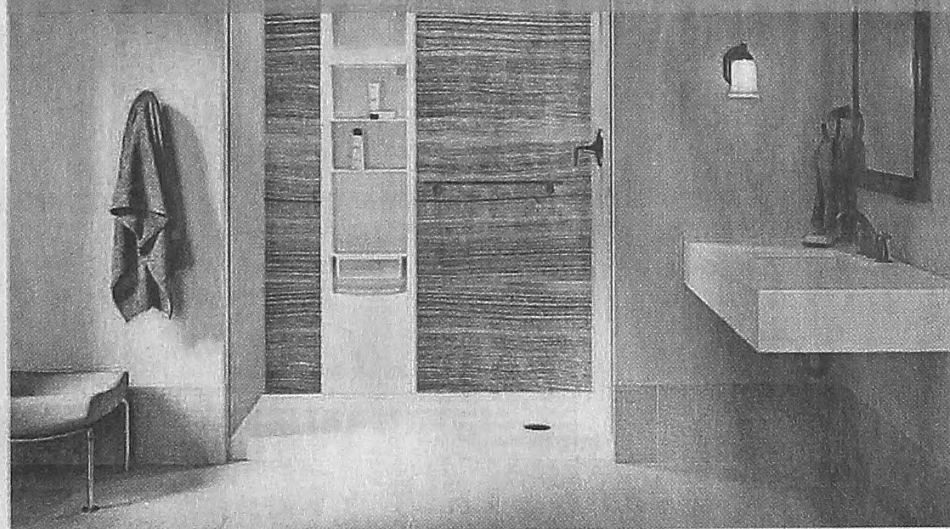
The last major at Oakland Hills was the 2008 PGA Championship. The last signature event was the 2016 U.S. Amateur.

"Our goal is definitely to get another major down the line," Royce said. "That's exactly what we want to do. The membership is on board with the plan.

"All of the majors are already scheduled pretty far out," he added. "We're in discussions with the governing bodies of golf and have been on a continuous basis, but we don't have anything on the docket though."

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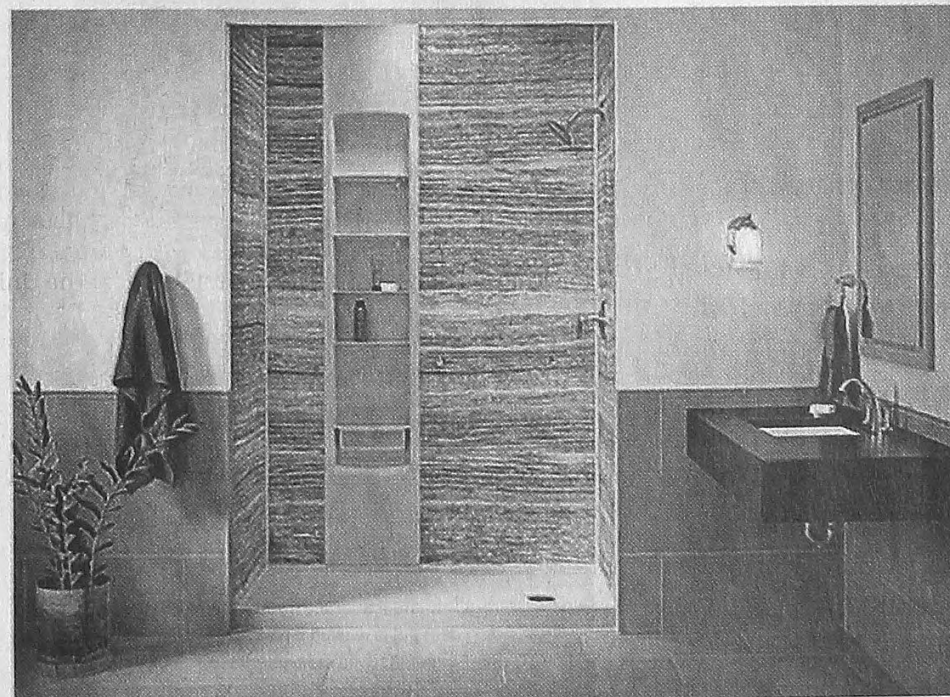
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good race," said Sowa, a mechanical engineer for Design Systems, Inc. "The second-place runner (Lawrence) was with me for a little bit in the trails at the start, then I felt myself pull away."

The toughest stretch on the newly designed 8K course was a steep climb on a gravel road just prior to the three-mile mark.

"What made it difficult was running by myself and the hills, for sure," said Sowa, who joined the Northville Road Runners as a club member in 2016. "I thought it was a great course, definitely improved over last year. I think it's a good run for anybody to run."

South Lyon's Amy Hartman was the overall female winner in the 8K, leading 40 entrants with a first-place clocking of 42:17.59 (8:31 pace). Northville's Jasmine Beltrame was runner-up in 43:46, while Redford's Sarah Romanik was third in 45:58.

The 8K masters (40-and-over) male and female champions, respectively, were Canton's Tomochiro Muramatsu (33:23.24) and Northville's Elizabeth San-karan (45:46.09).

In the 5K race, Jeff Novak (Plymouth) came away with the title with a time of 19:35.26. Novak, a U.S. Coast Guard Detroit Sector captain, averaged 6:19 per mile and finished almost a minute ahead of Ann Ar-



The 8K runners get off to a fast start in the Northville Road Runners Classic at Maybury State Park. E. MARIA FOX

bor's Ryan Moore (20:34) and Northville's Benjamin Hartigan (20:51) to lead the men's field.

Northville's Katie Johnston averaged 6:44 per mile to win the female 5K in 20:54, while Plymouth's Amy Masternak was runner-up in 21:49. Hartland's Megan Moore placed third (25:40).

Masternak, a Detroit school teacher and breast cancer survivor, was the female masters champion, while Farmington Hills' Takeshi Chikagawa was the masters male winner in 21:03 (6:47 per mile).

The 5K race drew a total of 87 competitors, while the 8K had 97. The event also included one-mile fun run-walk. All participants received finisher medals and tech shirts.

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Northville's Kathy Johnston was the overall female winner in the Northville Road Runner Classic 5K. E. MARIA FOX



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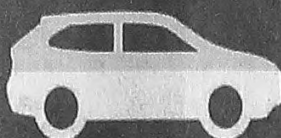
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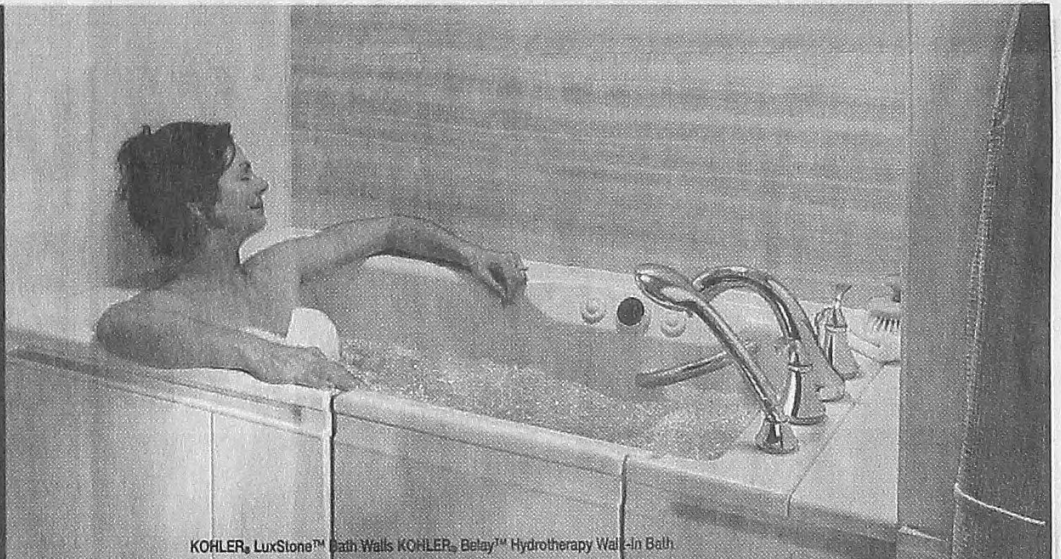
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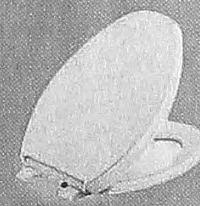
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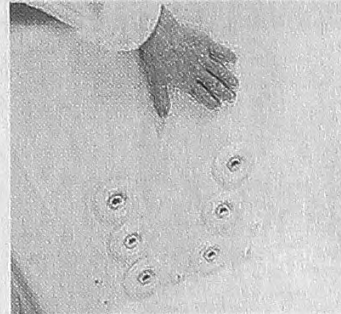
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PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN CITY HALL, 201 S. MAIN WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2018 7:00 PM (734) 453-1234

1. PUBLIC HEARING: Review Finalized Draft Master Plan

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF ELECTION AUGUST 7, 2018

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018. THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Plymouth will be voting on the following:

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STATE REPRESENTATIVE
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
COUNTY COMMISSIONER
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All electors who are registered with the Plymouth City Clerk in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election. If there are any questions, please direct them to the City Clerk's office at 734-453-1234, ext. 234 or 225.

All Polling Locations are accessible for voters with disabilities and are as follows:

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Absentee ballots are available for all elections; registered voters may contact the local clerk to obtain an application for an absent voter ballot. The Clerk's office will also be open the Saturday prior to the election, August 4, 2018, from 8:00am until 2:00pm. You may vote by absentee ballot if you:

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- Are 60 years of age older.
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- Have been assigned to work as a precinct inspector in a precinct other than where you are registered; or
- Are unable to attend the polls because of religious beliefs.

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What to do when your new raise isn't enough

 BY ERIC TITNER
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For many of us, there's nothing quite as exhilarating in our professional careers as the day we get a raise. In addition to having some extra money coming our way on a regular basis, it's a nice acknowledgment that our hard work and effort is appreciated. However, sometimes these moments don't go exactly as we envisioned. What do you do when you get a raise, but it's not quite as much as you were hoping for?

The "insufficient raise" can be a very tricky situation to handle. On the one hand, you don't want to show a lack of appreciation for the gesture, which hopefully came with good intentions. You also likely don't want to adopt an adversarial or hostile position with your boss. On the other hand, you don't want the powers that be at your job to think that you're a complete pushover with no ambition who can be bought off cheaply. You want to make sure that you're being fairly compensated for all of your hard work and effort. So, how do you proceed when you find yourself in this unfortunate position?

Don't react emotionally

Take a deep breath, relax and realize that you won't be



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doing yourself any favors by acting on your emotions.

Logic and reason are your best tools to convince your managers that you deserve a larger raise, so don't let them see you at your less-than-professional best.

If you can get ahold of your emotions and let reason lead you, you can calmly discuss the situation with your boss and try and reach a mutually beneficial arrangement. But if

you're feeling overly emotional and need some time to collect yourself, then by all means take it.

Negotiate

Keep in mind that most salary discussions, from the time you're hired through every raise, are open to some level of negotiation.

You won't be the first employee looking to make a better deal and you certainly

won't be the last. In fact, your boss will not likely be shocked by a "counter-suggestion" regarding your raise, so don't approach the moment full of fear or the belief that you're entering hostile territory. If handled well, a conversation regarding your raise can be a polite and effective exchange of thoughts that may benefit both sides.

Consider the negotiation process an opportunity to

reassert your value as an employee, and possibly even redefine or clarify your position and responsibilities moving forward — which can be really beneficial for all involved.

Make your case

When you enter into a discussion regarding your raise, it's in your best interest to be prepared to back up your belief that you deserve more with some strong evidence.

When stating your case, highlight what you've done on the job to merit a larger paycheck. Discuss your accomplishments as well as any cost saving measures you've been involved with and demonstrate your value to the team moving forward.

The stronger your case, the more likely you are to get the raise you're looking for.

Have you just gotten a raise but aren't thrilled with the amount? Fear not — all is not lost. Use the strategies and advice presented here to try and salvage a challenging situation and turn the tables to your monetary advantage. Good luck!

Eric Titner has been an editor and content creator for more than a decade. His primary professional focus has been on education- and career-related topics. He currently lives in New York City.

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Summary of Duties:
 Under the direction of the Director of Public Safety, law enforcement work involving the protection of life and property, and the enforcement of laws and ordinances on all property owned and operated by Wayne County Community College District. Employees may be designated to represent the police department in various uniform and non-uniform capacities. MCOLES sworn police officer will perform all related duties including, but not limited to, patrolling on foot or by vehicle, college property and on the public way adjacent to all college owned or controlled property to prevent and discover the commission of crimes, enforce State and Federal laws, enforce traffic regulations, conduct investigations on criminal offenses and traffic accidents to gather evidence, obtain witnesses and make arrests; provide documentation and testimony to Judicial Board and courts; and provide general security for college properties and citizens on campus to insure a safe environment for all.

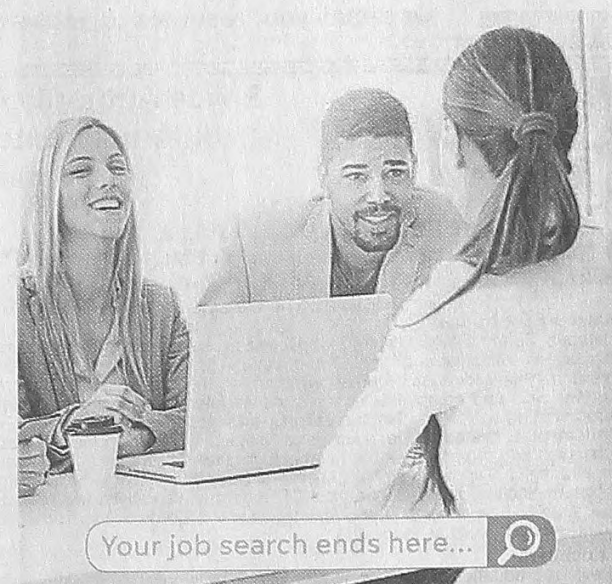
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- Experience with multi-cultural students and staff preferred.
- Each applicant must meet the minimum employment standards for Police Officers as established by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES): <http://www.michigan.gov/mcoles/0,4607,7-229-150169--,00.html>

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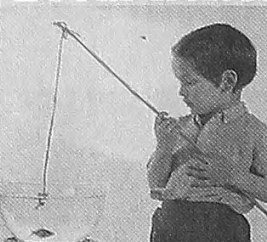
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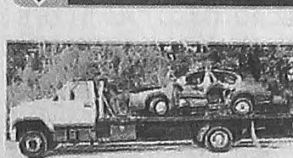
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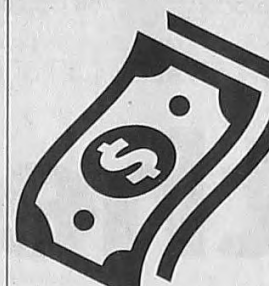
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Summary of Duties:
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Experience:
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Additional Requirements:
Demonstrate ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. Possess and maintain a valid Michigan Driver's license. Applicants are subject to a background check for criminal convictions and a drug/ alcohol dependency test, (medical) will be conducted as a condition of employment.

Please reference this staffing number on all documents: E014-18

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Internal / External
Part Time (E014-18)

Posting Date: **July 2, 2018**
Reports To: **District Director, Public Safety**
Grade / Level: **Non Union (\$15.00 per hour)**
Applications will be accepted until positions are filled.

Summary of Duties:
Campus Safety Officers perform specialized safety/ security activities including enforcement of college regulations, vehicular and foot patrol of college property. Under the direction of the shift supervisor, conducts preliminary investigations (gather evidence and obtain witnesses information, and submit written reports), answer calls and complaints and provide assistance to students, faculty and staff, including assisting with jump starting vehicles. Personal escorts, provides directions/ information, lock/unlock classroom doors, and perform other related duties as assigned. Issue parking violations and enforce the college's parking procedures. Observes and reports unsafe equipment or areas on the campus. Assist in communication/ control center, monitoring CCTV, alarm system, access control, taking students ID cards, and assist with all other dispatch / communication duties as needed. Officers may also assist law enforcement officers in the performance of their legal duties, including the investigation and apprehension of suspects in criminal matters. Performs other work-related duties as requested.

Education:
Previous graduation from an accredited Police Training or a P.A. 330 accredited academy, and received a Police Officer training program, including receiving instruction on Use of Force policy. Bachelor Degree in criminal justice or related field preferred.

Experience:
Previous Law Enforcement experience with an MCOLES Police agency or equivalent experience with P.A. 330 certified Police Agency. Ten (10) years of previous corporate security experience and an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice may be considered.

Additional Requirements:
Successful candidate must demonstrate ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. Applicants are subject to a background check for criminal convictions; a drug/alcohol dependency test (medical) will be conducted as a condition of employment; a drug/alcohol dependency test (medical) will be conducted as a condition of employment. Possession or ability to obtain a CPL license and must be currently P.A. 330 certified or eligible for P.A. 330 certification. Please reference this staffing number on all documents: E014-18

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SUNDAY PUZZLE CORNER

CROSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS

- 1 Really hurt
5 Sauce brand
9 A Nixon daughter
15 Hacking it
19 Alan of film
20 "... hear — drop"
21 Showing on television
22 Move heavily
23 Krispy Kreme treats
25 Campbell's product
27 — vincit amor
28 Left dreamland
30 Ireland's — Lingus
31 China's Mao — -tung
32 Aficionado
33 Sorrow
36 Longtime "Family Circus" cartoonist
38 Entertainer Merman
40 Kellogg's cereal
42 "Pep O Mint" brand
44 Whoop
45 Tall buildings
47 Bowl stats
- 48 Times to remember
51 HP or Acer products
53 With 72-Down, purring pet that doesn't go outside
55 River of Aragon
59 Stadium snacks
63 Attach, as a sequin
65 Bull battler
66 Objectivist
67 Back of a 45
69 Course: Abbr.
70 "Ran" director
71 It's baked in a tube pan
73 Marine milieu
75 Advent mo.
76 Hoity- —
78 Mata — (Garbo role)
79 Run, as an art exhibit
80 New Jersey borough east of Paramus
82 They're often pimiento-stuffed
84 End of a 1/1 song
- 85 Strip, in a way, as shrimp
88 Some drops on crops
89 Untidy state
90 Extra charge
92 Generational disparity
95 Church part
97 Deep-fried side
101 Trattoria entree
106 "You got it!"
107 Orthodox beginning?
108 19-season Yankee
109 Succor
110 TGIF's "I"
111 Fond du —, Wisconsin
113 Big name in drug indexes
114 Chose (to)
116 Ingredient in a Cuban sandwich
120 Supermarket chain only selling items like the 10 featured in this puzzle?
123 Leaning Tower locale
124 Banish
125 Liveliness
126 Ballet wear
- 127 Director Preminger
128 Potato chips, in London
129 Cuts, as logs
130 "Hold it!"
- DOWN**
1 Fraud figure
2 Slugger
3 "Search me"
4 Wise trio
5 Oversaw
6 Kwik-E-Mart operator
7 1980s brand of jeans
8 Like dirty floors
9 To-do list
10 Fully mature
11 Writer Levin
12 Camel, e.g., for short
13 Gulp down quickly
14 "Permit Me Voyage" author
15 Relevant
16 Joyous
17 Less binding
18 Ford flops
24 Hurry
26 Walk along
29 — buco (Italian dish)
34 NFL luminary
35 "La — Vita"
- 36 Emu or owl
37 In the event that it's true
39 RCA product
41 Pearl producer
42 SLR's "L"
43 Treasured violin, in brief
46 #1 hit for the Troggs
48 Spanish political units
49 Breeding colony of penguins
50 Eritrean, e.g.
52 Proud walk
54 Sheriff Taylor's son
56 Rob (of)
57 Spins
58 Fusing result
60 Ramble on
61 Madcap
62 Get finished
64 Capital of South Korea
67 NFL's Starr
68 Did slaloms, say
71 Digestion aid
72 See 53-Across
74 Yalta's peninsula
77 Less young
79 It may hold Holsteins
81 Clear up, as a mirror
- 82 Slapstick fight missiles
83 "Strawberry Wine" singer
86 Windmill part
87 Kellogg's cereal
91 Hydroxyl compounds
93 On — with
94 Settles (on)
96 Parody
97 San Luis —
98 Dodo
99 Demand
100 Six- — (sub shop sandwich)
102 Inventor Tesla
103 Didn't play in the game
104 Linked with
105 Tallies
108 Bumps into
112 "T.N.T." rock band
113 No. on a new car's sticker
115 Paunches
117 — Tomé and Principe
118 Commercial start for Pen
119 Series of Canon cameras
121 Trial concern
122 Jr. officer

SUDOKU

		9		6		2		
	2				3		7	
5			9					8
3				1		9		
		7			2			6
	9		7				4	
6					4		9	
		4	8			6		
	1			7				5

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

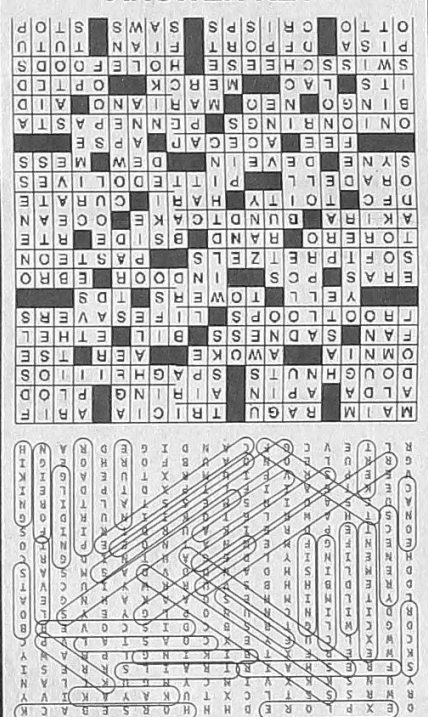
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K W E E R F X T B I K I N G L P M A W Y
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WORDS

ADVENTURE
BIKING
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CLIMBING
COASTAL
DISCOVER
EXCITEMENT
EXPLORE
FISHING
FOREIGN
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GLIDING
HIKING
HORSEBACK
KAYAK
MOUNTAINS
NATURE
OUTSIDE
PARK
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SKATEBOARD
SNORKELING
SURF
TRAILS
TRAVEL
TREK
UNDERWATER
VISTA
WILDLIFE

ANSWER KEY



5	8	7	6	2	9	3	1	2
2	3	9	1	5	8	7	2	6
1	6	2	7	3	2	9	8	9
3	7	9	9	8	2	2	6	1
9	1	8	2	6	3	2	9	7
2	2	6	9	1	7	8	9	3
8	9	3	2	2	6	1	7	9
6	2	1	3	7	9	9	2	8
7	9	2	8	9	1	6	3	2

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