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## Historic mills still in process of being sold

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The weather is warmer and Hines Park is seeing more and more visitors taking in the sights, enjoying nature and maybe riding their bicycles in the park through Northville, Plymouth, Livonia and Westland.

Wayne County officials hope there will be a bit more for park visitors to do soon as they continue to push forward with the sale of three historic mills.

It's been nearly six months since Wayne County announced it would look at selling three mills in Hines Park to developers to better use them and provide additional public spaces. Those mills,

the Phoenix Mill in Plymouth Township, the Wilcox Mill in Plymouth, and the Newburgh Mill in Livonia, were put up for sale late last year.

Assistant Wayne County Executive Khalil Rahal said the county continues to market the Wilcox and Newburgh mills and has received some interest from developers. He said the county

hopes to host a public meeting sometime this summer regarding proposals for the Wilcox Mill.

"Those negotiations are at a place where we feel comfortable, where we can show some of the details with the public," he said.

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## New cigar bar opens in downtown Farmington



Monique Henderson sits at the bar of the Loft Cigar Lounge at 33419 Grand River on June 3. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Donovan Singleton discovered a passion for fine tobacco while he was stationed down south while in the Army. Stationed in places like Virginia and North Carolina, he channeled his great-grandfather, who smoked a pipe, and picked one up himself. It was then cigars

entered the mix.

"It's the culture really. It's purely the culture," he said. "It's so diverse, but yet there are so many common threads with people who smoke cigars."

The Detroit native and current Farmington Hills resident is now hoping to share that passion with plenty of close friends at the new cigar lounge in downtown Farmington opened by him and his

business partner, Monique Henderson.

Loft Cigar Lounge, 33419 Grand River, opened last month and becomes the city's first cigar lounge, a place where patrons can smoke cigars indoors and enjoy a drink on the rocks. It joins just a handful of places in the

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## Athletic fields in area to get makeovers

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The new turf field that is currently being installed at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's "JV Stadium" will actually be safer for athletes than the previous grass surface, revealed H & S Excavating's Scott Hayes, who is overseeing the project.

The same holds true for the new replacement turf fields being installed at the three Livonia Public Schools and Birmingham Groves and Seaholm high schools.

The reason? State-of-the-art, safety-first products, including a revolutionary three-quarter-inch padding that is placed on the underside of the artificial-grass fibers and rubber pellets that make up the playing surface.

"A lot of the grass fields we see are old and hard," said Hayes, whose company played a role in the recent upgrading of the playing surface at downtown Detroit's Ford Field. "The new fields we're putting in are soft and bouncy. And once we put the padding in under the surface, you're reducing the number of concussions probably 50 percent compared to the grass fields."

There is a steep price to pay for the upgrades, said Hayes, who estimated that the cost for replacing an existing turf field is in the neighborhood of \$350,000 to \$400,000, while the price of replacing a grass field with a turf field is close to \$1 million.

"It's expensive going from grass to turf, but there are a lot of advantages, the safety of the athletes being No. 1," he said. "Grass fields can be expensive to maintain, too. Someone has to mow it, fertilize it, mark it ... the costs add up. Plus, with the turf fields, you're not going to lose any games due to wet weather. One school where we're replacing grass with turf lost half their schedule to (unplayable conditions) last year."

The lifespan of turf fields can stretch as long as 15 years, said Hayes.

"There is an architectural firm located in Berkley, Foresite Design, that monitors the fields in the this area," Hayes said. "Most of the turf fields in this region were put in 12 to 15 years

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At left, Plymouth-Canton's grass field is getting a new layer of turf installed. At right, athletes practice on Churchill's recently-upgraded turf field.  
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# Fields

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ago, so this is a busy time for replacements. The new products we're using now are a lot better and safer." Depending on each school district's budget, different kinds of rubber pellets can be used for the playing surfaces.

"When these fields were first put in, the rubber pellets were made out of old tires," Hayes said. "Now, a lot of schools are choosing to use what they call virgin rubber for the fields." "Nike has even come out with a 'Nike Grind' product that is made out of old tennis shoes. It's a little safer, a little bouncier and the color is better (than tire rubber), but it costs more money. There's the Chevrolet stuff and there's

the Cadillac stuff." Hayes said there is a growing trend where schools are choosing to install turf surfaces on baseball and softball fields to prevent loss of games due to weather. The installation-project timelines can range from six weeks for re-dos to 10 weeks for grass-to-turf make-overs, Hayes said. "One of the biggest differences now

compared to when the original turf fields were installed 12 to 15 years ago is that they are getting a lot more use," Hayes said. "There are six to seven sports being played on the fields now. "Plus, there's the marching bands, classes are held out here, graduations ... it adds up." Contact Ed Wright at [edwright@hometownlife.com](mailto:edwright@hometownlife.com) or 517-375-1113.

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# Mills

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The county and developer Critical Mass LLC closed on the sale of the Phoenix Mill in Plymouth Township earlier this spring, Rahal said. The \$615,000 the county received for the sale went to fix several bridges in the park. The project, entitled the Mill Run Project, seeks to redevelop the three mills in Hines Park, which have gone with little use over the years. The project has seen some opposition from community groups, including Save Hines Park, which opposes the sale of the mills and continues to organize signed protests against the sale of the mills. In addition, the county plans to purchase several acres from the Wayne County Land Bank to add parkspace in Westland near the Hawthorne Valley redevelopment project. Wayne County Executive Warren Evans, in his State of the County address



Newburgh Mill, located on Hines Drive at Newburgh Road, is one of three historic mills in Hines Park up for sale.  
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earlier this year, said the project is crucial in keeping them mills, once ran by Henry Ford, relevant. "A historic site is important, but it can't be our financial priority. And so those mills either die a slow death or they become a part of a turn around which is a public-private partnership," he said. "And hopefully you all will agree that that's an important thing to do."

## Connecting to eastern Wayne County

The county hopes a grant it was awarded earlier this year will also lead to better communication from residents and better connections to the eastern part of Wayne County. The county received a \$2 million grant to better connect the Downriver area to the rest of the county, including Hines Park. A portion of that grant, \$400,000, will be used to study the best ways to make those connections. That grant will hopefully enhance the plans for developing the mills into more public spaces, said Beverly Watts, the county's director of public services. While the county will look for more feedback with the plan, it already has some info on what residents are looking for in the parks: it's required to do a five-year master plan that includes some of that data. "We kind of already have some data," Watts said. "One of the things and many things is connectivity." Contact David Veselenak at [dveselenak@hometownlife.com](mailto:dveselenak@hometownlife.com).



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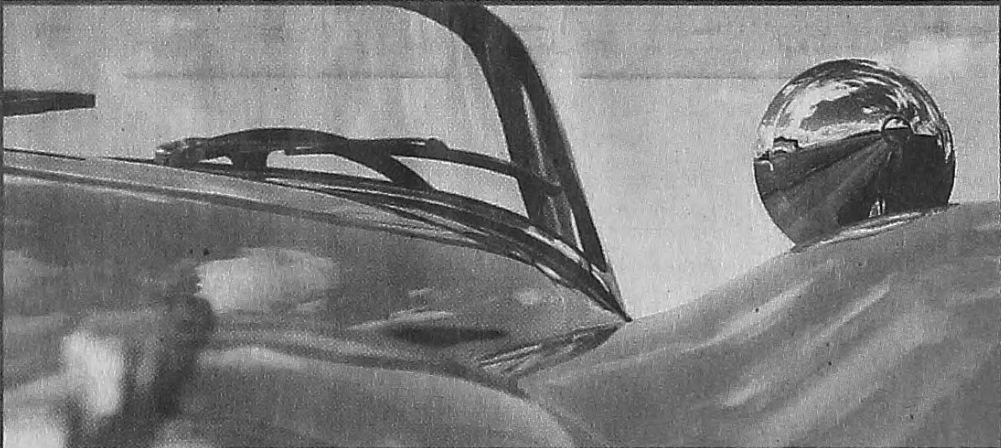
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# Three shoplifters receive probation, not jail time

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The last of the three surviving members of an alleged shoplifting ring was sentenced recently, and, like the others,

received probation instead of jail time.

Deon Davey, 20, was sentenced May 23 to three years of probation in Third Circuit Court in Detroit.

The sentence for Nafez Mohammed, 60, was four years of probation and

three years of probation for Valencia Davey, 25, according to court records.

Court authorities said Victoria Henderson, the fourth alleged member, died after she was arraigned in August.

All Detroit residents, they were ac-

cused of shoplifting at various stores.

Their arrests came after Canton police and Michigan State Police searched several Dearborn and Detroit locations and recovered more than \$500,000 worth of stolen merchandise.

## Cigar bar

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area that allow for the smoking of cigars indoors. Other cigar bars operate in communities including Birmingham, Livonia, Plymouth and Northville.

He's talked about opening such an establishment for about three years, and settled on the downtown Farmington location more than a year ago.

"I've probably visited most cigar lounges around, and I thought it would be a cool idea to do something different with a cigar lounge," he said. "A somewhat more modern space."

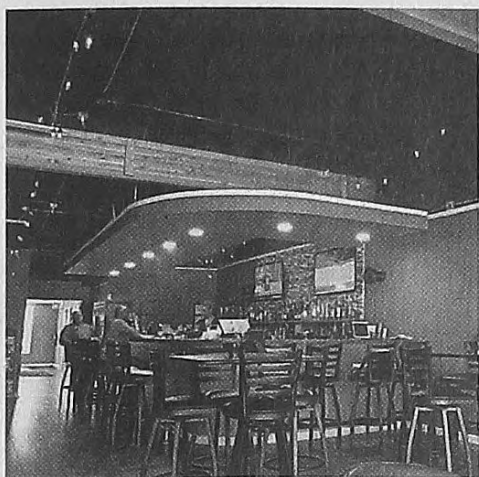
He's done that by making the interior look modern and clean, as well as modern furniture throughout the bar. The establishment features a full bar, though food won't be offered inside. Singleton said he encourages his visitors to patronize surrounding local restaurants and bring food into the bar. Patrons are invited to bring their own cigars — Singleton said there's no cut fee — though are asked to patronize the bar if they do so.

Singleton said he really enjoyed the ability for customers to just walk through downtown and stop in to have a cigar and a drink. Locating in a walkable community, he said, was a major appeal to him.

"Really, the small town feel of Farmington as opposed to the larger municipalities," he said.

### Everyone can enjoy a cigar

It's one of the few places to enjoy a smoke indoors, with Michigan banning smoking indoors back in 2010 with the exception of the casinos in downtown Detroit and cigar bars whose revenue from cigars is 10% or more.



The Loft Cigar Lounge in downtown Farmington opened May 9.

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More than 115 cigars are available to purchase from the bar's humidor from a variety of countries.

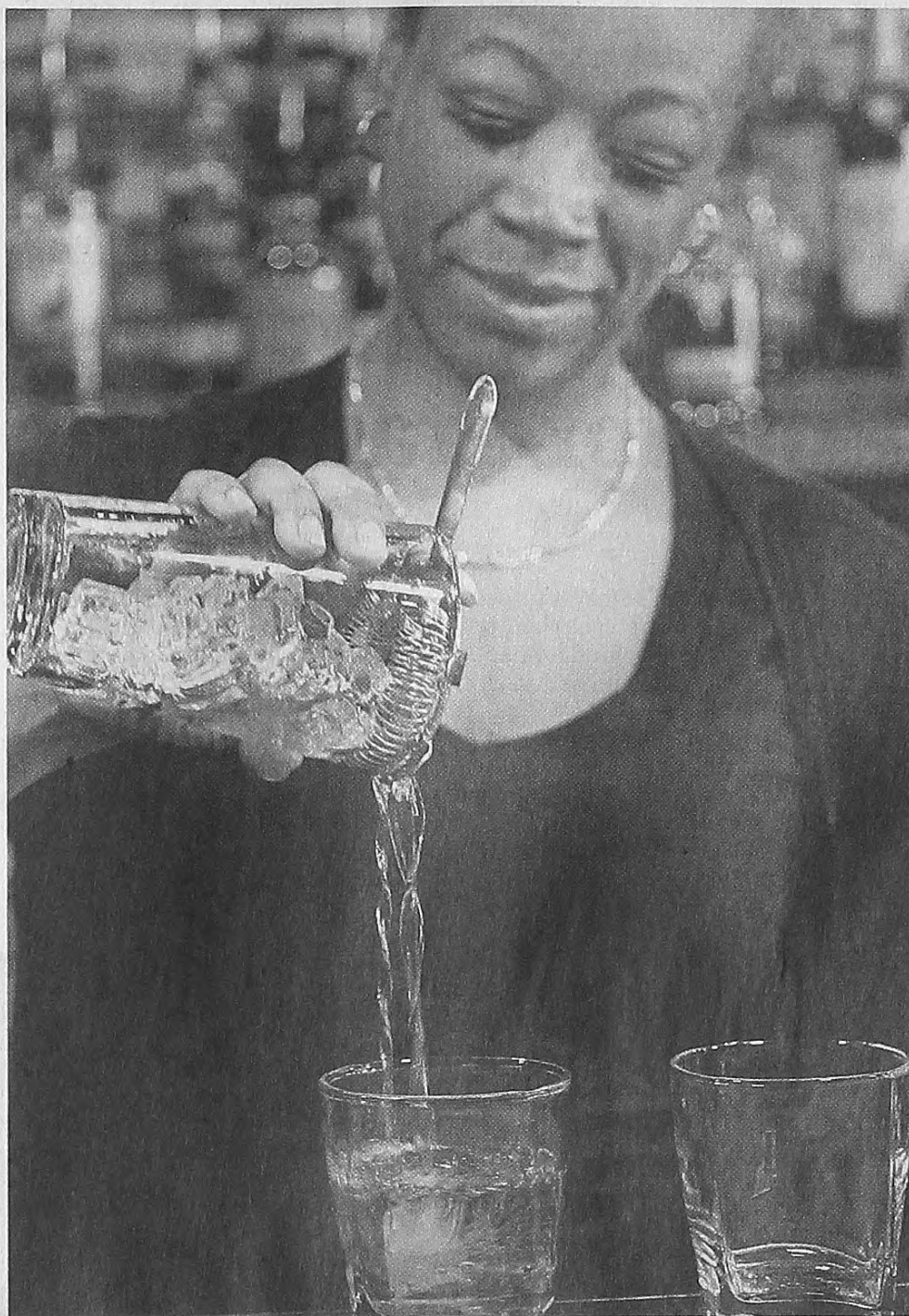
Singleton said they'll revolve cigars in the humidor as they become more or less popular.

The bar is open to the public, though there is a membership for those willing to join. Members receive a locker to store cigars, have access to the members-only lounge, have the ability to reserve the lounge one day a year, receive special access to special events and more.

The bar is open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day and is closed Tuesdays. More information can be found at the lounge's website at [loftcigarlounge.com](http://loftcigarlounge.com).

Cigars are truly a great equalizer, Singleton said. It doesn't matter what one's background is, he's hoping cigar smokers of all kinds flock to his new establishment.

"We've got everyone from CEOs to tradesmen: plumbers, HVAC guys," he said. "But everyone can have a conversation around a cigar."



Bartender Roni McKnight pours her version of a Manhattan for a customer.

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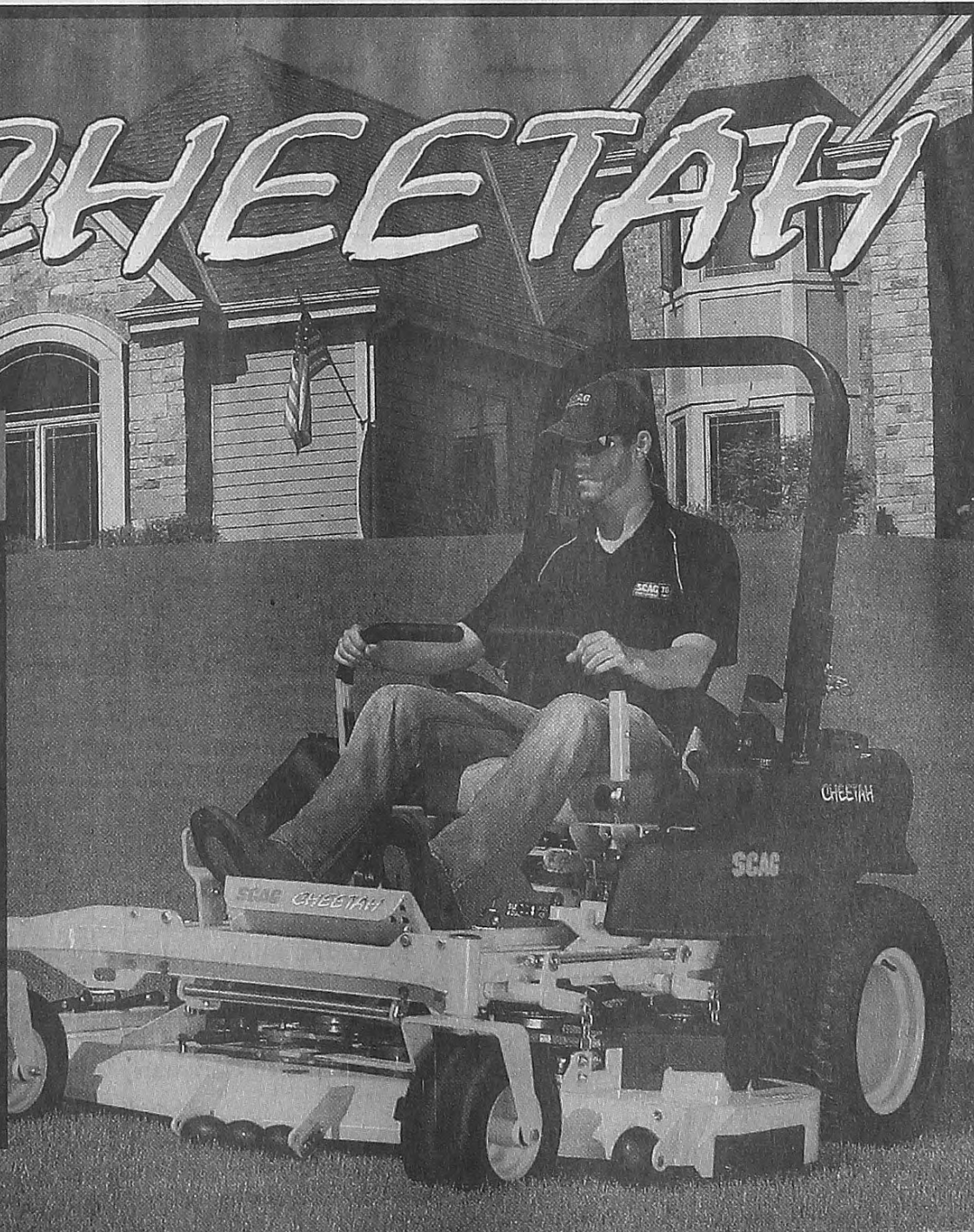
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# The Farmington Musicale awards summer scholarships

As part of The Farmington Musicale's outreach to musical youth, the club will send two students to attend summer workshops on full scholarship and give partial scholarship money to two others.

This is the 13th year of the program. The Farmington Musicale will send Chloe Gruenhagen, a fourth grade student of Elaine Vermiglio, and Indiyah Thompson, a sixth grade student of Shelly Torossian, to Schoolcraft College's Piano Camp.

The Farmington Musicale is grateful

to Park West Gallery and other donors for helping us fund scholarships to these music programs.

In addition to sending students to local programs, the Musicale will be giving partial scholarships to two students. Hannah Oh, a fourth grade student, will be getting a \$350 stipend to attend Blue Lake Family Camp as a cello major. Caleb LaBelle, a clarinet student of Fern Barber, will receive a \$200 stipend to help with tuition costs for Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp.

The Farmington Musicale awarded a

total \$1,270 to students to further their musical education this summer.

Schoolcraft College Summer Piano Camp gives students, elementary through high school age, reinforces the teaching students receive in their private lessons. The camp runs 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 24-28.

Activities include: classes in composition, theory, aural awareness, technique, sight reading and music history. There is also a class for creating music using technology. Performance opportunities are provided in solo and piano

duets. Master classes are offered with their talented and diverse faculty. Michele Mustert, the director, is the coordinator at Schoolcraft College Piano Academy. Michele has her Master of Music degree from the University of Michigan. Other teachers are Midori Koga, Kate Acone, and Barton Polot.

The tuition for the program is \$360.

For more information about: Schoolcraft College's Summer Piano Camp, call 734-462-4403. For more on the Farmington Musicale or to join, visit [www.farmingtonmusicale.com](http://www.farmingtonmusicale.com).

## Redford teen learns to walk again in time for graduation

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Emmanuel Franklin's life was turned upside down eight years ago when he started experiencing chronic pain. Eventually, the pain left him bedridden and fighting for his life.

But he can now stand tall and is looking forward to walking across a stage to receive his high school diploma.

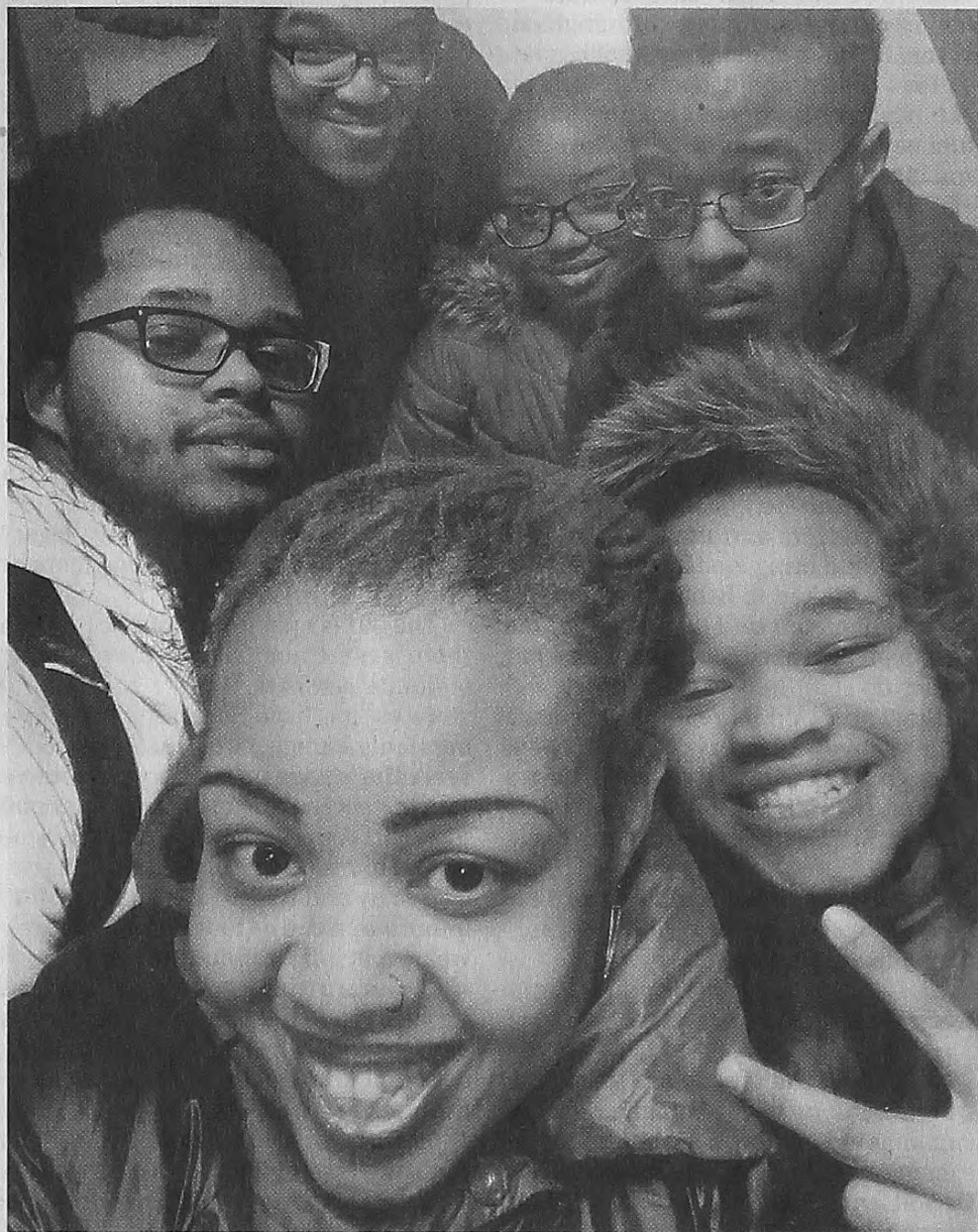
"To get to graduate is amazing," Emmanuel said. "I never thought I would be able to graduate and be able to walk

with the pain that I was in. It's just amazing that it's going to actually happen."

The senior, affectionately known as Manny by his family and friends, started feeling severe pain as a 9-year-old.

"At the age of 9 he started having really bad body pain, and it got progressively worse to where he was bedridden, he couldn't walk, we had to care for him, we jumped around to different doctors for a

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Emmanuel Franklin, back row, left, stands with his mom and siblings. SUBMITTED

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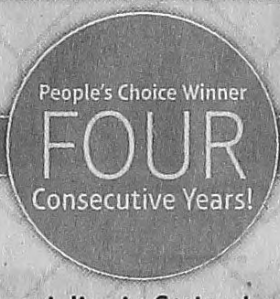


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'During the lecture,' he says, 'I found something that was indeed life-transforming. Christian Science gave me a new view of God that I'd not had before: a view of God as Love itself, divine Love that loved me fully. I also discovered that this loving God was not the source of my troubles (which were many) but the solution to them. My life began to improve quickly and I became a healthy man.'

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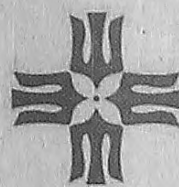
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## Teen

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couple of years," said Enomwoyi Franklin, Emmanue'l's mother.

The pain was so much for the young boy that it left his family questioning if he would live to see another day.

"I asked Emmanue'l one day in the thick of it, I could see him just fading, 'Would you rather die than be in this pain?' and he was like, 'Yes, mommy. My body is hurting so bad,'" Enomwoyi said. "This was at a point where he couldn't move, he couldn't do anything."

After hitting a number of dead ends with doctors who couldn't put a name on what Emmanue'l was feeling, one of Emmanue'l's teachers at the Michigan Virtual Charter Academy, an online charter school, finally lent a helping hand.

"I mentioned the situation to one of Emmanue'l's teachers and she, low and behold, as fate would have it and God's divine word, she had chronic pain as well," Enomwoyi said.

After doing tests, the family was told Emmanue'l suffered from neurological immune disease, which was likely caused by steroids he took to aid his childhood asthma.

Emmanue'l eventually landed with a natural doctor, with whom he started taking a number of supplements and doing hyperbaric oxygen therapy. Because natural treatment isn't covered by insurance, the family started a GoFundMe to help cover the costs.

He's not 100 percent better, but he has come a long way with treatment and lots of physical therapy. Over a four-year process, Emmanue'l worked hard to move from a wheelchair, to a walker, to a cane and finally to walking short distances on his own.

"It's just a blessing in the midst of all the pain and turmoil that we have been still going through," Enomwoyi said. "He's still going through it, but Emmanue'l is such a fighter. He doesn't complain."

Emmanue'l said he's thankful to have been enrolled in an online school throughout the last eight years, saying it's allowed him to put a priority on

physical therapy and have some flexibility in going through his coursework.

On top of the help of the people around them, the family's faith has sustained them the last eight years. Enomwoyi said the family's beliefs will make it that much sweeter for her, her husband and their four other children to see Emmanue'l walk to receive his diploma on June 14.

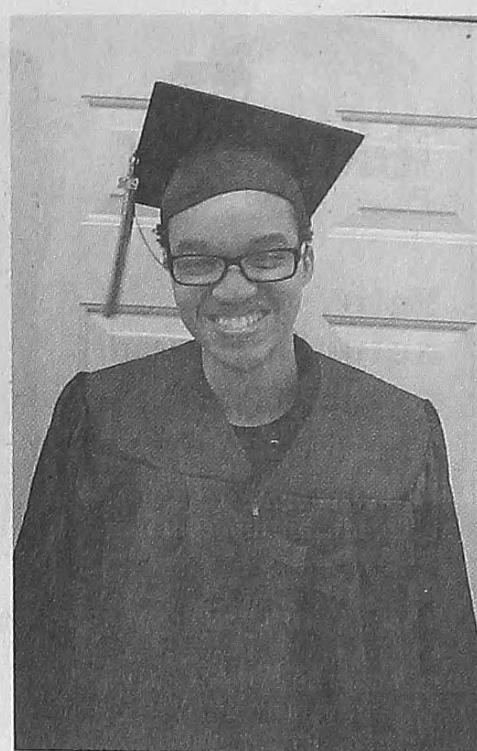
"All things, with God, are possible if you just trust Him and give it to Him," she said. "So it's going to be unbelievably amazing."

"Words can't express, after what we've been through, what it's going to be like to see him graduate."

Emmanue'l hasn't given up yet and doesn't plan to. He's not sure what life after high school holds for him just yet, but he's looking forward to finding out.

"Don't give up and keep pushing through it. Even if you think you're not going to make it through, just keep going through. Eventually, it'll all pay off."

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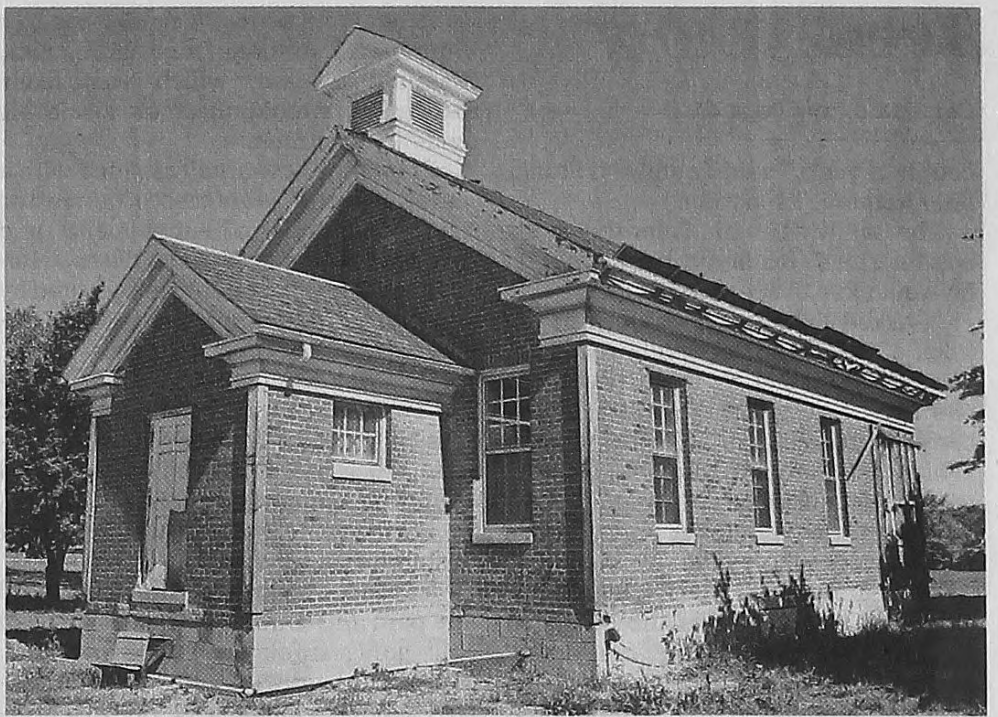


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The Nankin Mills School was moved to Greenmead in 2016 and will eventually become a resource library for guests. [SHELBY TANKERSLEY/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM](http://SHELBYTANKERSLEY/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM)

## Greenmead to repair 3 historic buildings

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Throughout Michigan's short construction season, Greenmead Historical Park has a list of projects for its various buildings.

Because the 24 large structures and many small structures at Greenmead require careful physical labor like hand painting the wood, the costs add up quick. Emily Tchorz, Greenmead's program supervisor, said the park received about \$55,000 from the city of Livonia this year and also holds a load of fundraisers to keep up with maintenance and repairs.

"It sounds like a lot of money," she said. "But when you start counting how many buildings we have here and how much each project costs... we supplement our city funding with fundraisers as well."

Greenmead is a historical park in Livonia showcasing homes, stores and community buildings from the 1800s and early 1900s with connection to Li-

von. The space is known for recreating how the city once looked.

The park holds flea markets, applies for grants, accepts donations from groups and private parties and hosts events, like the upcoming Motor City Irish Festival, to help keep its buildings standing and looking sharp.

"Every dollar out here counts," Tchorz said.

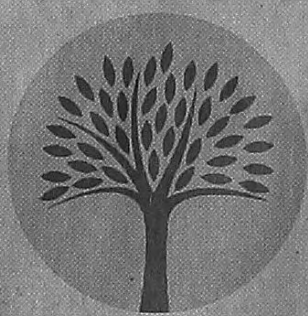
This summer, new roofs and a restored green house are on the list.

The Cranson-Hinbern House and the South Barn are both expected to receive new roofing this summer. In both structures, staff is trying to prevent or stop water damage.

"Water in wood structures causes a lot of damage," Tchorz said. "You've got water sitting in the basement and that will cause extra humidity and the floors can buckle. If it's coming in from the top, it can damage plaster and drywall and that creates a whole new issue for us."

In the South Barn, Tchorz suspects

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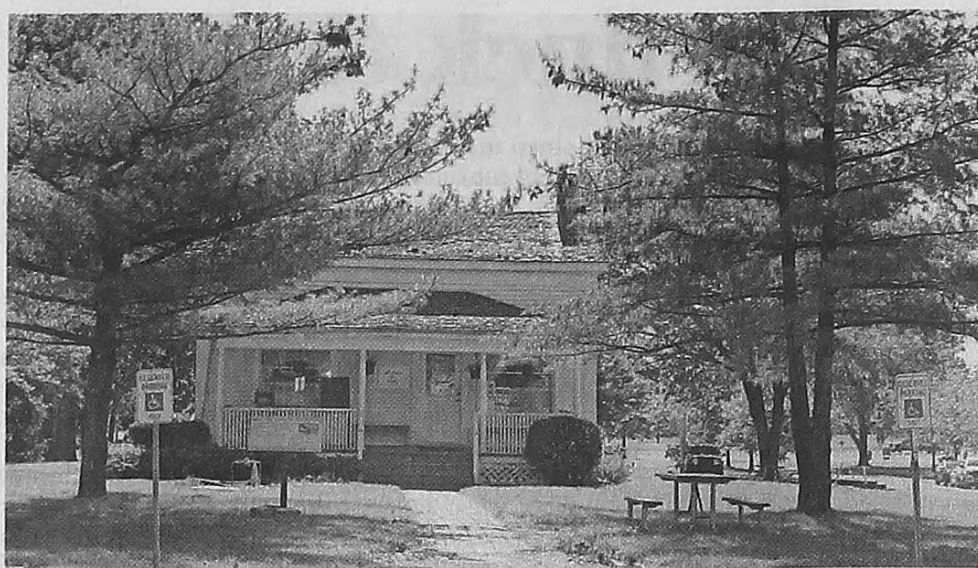
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The historic Cranson-Hinbern House will likely see a new roof this summer.

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## Buildings

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there might be more work to get done, like replacing rotted wood, once a crew gets inside.

"There's different types of roofing material that are up there and it hasn't been functioning as it should," she said. "We've got water between the shingles and it's running in places you usually wouldn't see."

The biggest project of the summer will be a complete renovation of the Carriage House's greenhouse.

"It's a full restoration. So we're going to be restoring the glass that was on the house and finding replacement glass that matches what was already there. We'll redo the bottom, there's a bottom of it that was all cedar. New doors, all-new heating elements so it's functional all year round."

Other improvements to the space include new cranks for the windows and a restoration of the Carriage House's east wall, which is attached to the greenhouse. Tchorz said the project rounds out at about \$130,000.

One space not on the list for this summer is the Nankin Mills School, which was moved to Greenmead in 2016.

Because Greenmead has so many old buildings, Tchorz said the school didn't make the priority list this time around.

"You can have a nice maintenance plan of we're going to do this, this and



The greenhouse attached to the Carriage House will get a massive makeover this summer.

this and then something happens. ... We're in a constant state of choosing priorities," she said.

When it is restored, Tchorz said it's planned to be used as a resource library.

"We're going to restore the inside with new windows, new doors," she said. "We're going to add on an addition to the back so we'll have accessible bathrooms. Then we're going to create a research library in there so we can have different elements of history that people can come in and look at."

Tchorz added that no timeline is "set in stone" for the building, but that the community will be able to enjoy it when it's done.

"They can come in and look at maps or different things we've collected over the years," she said.

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# Toasted Oak adds dry-aged duck to menu

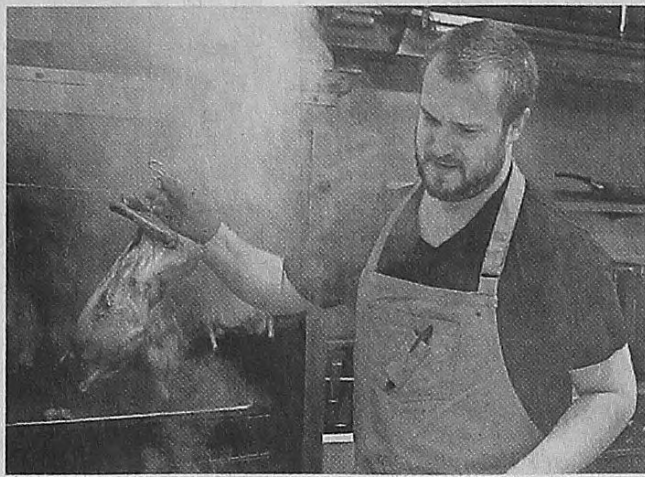
David Veselenak Hometownlife.com  
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It's been a tricky process for Chef Ken Miller to come up with the perfect recipe to cook and serve duck at the Toasted Oak Grill and Market in Novi. He admits he and his staff hadn't been able to find the right way to prepare duck to the liking of their customers.

But now, Miller, the restaurant's executive chef, believes he has just the recipe. And he's hoping it'll draw out not only customers locally but those who would typically head to downtown Detroit or Birmingham for a high-end meal.

"That's been one of our goals since the beginning: try to get people that aren't just around here. We want to be that local neighborhood place that people want to come to and hang out and have a nice evening," he said. "But I think we needed to figure out something that sets us out even further."

That recipe ages the duck, harvested from several Midwest farms, for two weeks down at Fairway Packing Company in Detroit before it makes its way to the restaurant inside the Baronette Renaissance Detroit-Novi hotel at 27790 Novi Road. Once it arrives, the duck is smoked and gets rubbed down with Michigan maple syrup.



Chef Ken Miller pulls a nearly-finished duck from the smoker May 30 at Toasted Oak in Novi. The ducks are dry-aged for two weeks in Detroit. They're smoked for a few hours, rubbed down with a salt mixture and then finished in an oven. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

It's then roasted in an oven and rests before served with leeks, rhubarb and salsify, along with a sauce made up of barrel-aged maple syrup, fermented morel juice and ramp vinegar.

It's not a recipe most people would likely find elsewhere, something Miller wanted to do to make his restaurant stick out.

"It's a nice, perfect, medium-cooked duck," he said. "The skin is crispy, it's wonderful."

"It kind of smells like duck bacon."

## Dish seeing success

Miller, who's been at the Toasted Oak for about two years, connected with the Fairway Packing Company at a previous job. Once he came to the Novi restaurant, he began bouncing the idea of dry-aging duck in the warehouse. They decided to give it a go and found the end result to be a tasty and satisfying conclusion.

It joined the menu at the restaurant May 28. So far, Miller said the dish has been a huge success with customers in the first few days it's been offered, saying it has great potential to become a sticking point on the menu.

"We've had a few individuals who have said we've ruined duck for them because they won't eat it any other way," he said. "We had a gentleman who said he didn't care how much we charged for it as long as we kept it on the menu; he would continue to come back just to eat the duck."

It joins a wide menu that is completely different than what was served at the restaurant before Miller arrived. He's hoping the dry-aged duck, along with other changes to the menu, will attract customers who may not have given the restaurant a chance in recent years.

The dish is made to reflect the natural flavors in the Great Lakes region, using as many native ingredients as possible.

In addition to local maple syrup, the leeks are prepared with a black walnut miso made in house. It's one more addition to really bring that taste of Michigan to the restaurant just outside of Twelve Oaks Mall.

"We're trying to figure out what a 'Great Lakes cuisine' would be," he said. "We're trying to figure out the voice of Michigan."

Ferris Anthony, the restaurant's director of food and beverage, said he was on board when Miller brought the idea of adding the dry-aged duck to the menu.

Having such a dish with a unique regional partnership is a feather in the cap of the Toasted Oak, he said.

"He really goes out of his way to make sure he treats them well," Anthony said. "Previous chefs we've had in the past, never had this type of relationship with vendors."

The dish is available at the dinner hour seven days a week at the restaurant, which begins at 5:30 p.m. every day and runs until 10 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 9:30 p.m. Sundays.

More information, including a full menu, can be found at [toastedoak.com](http://toastedoak.com).

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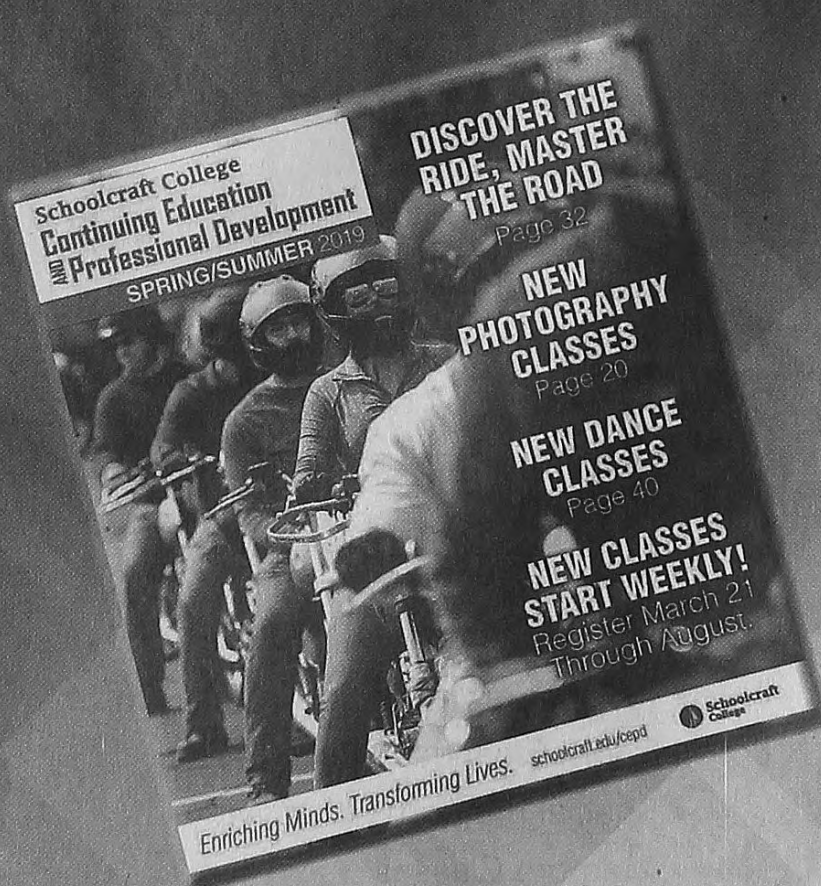
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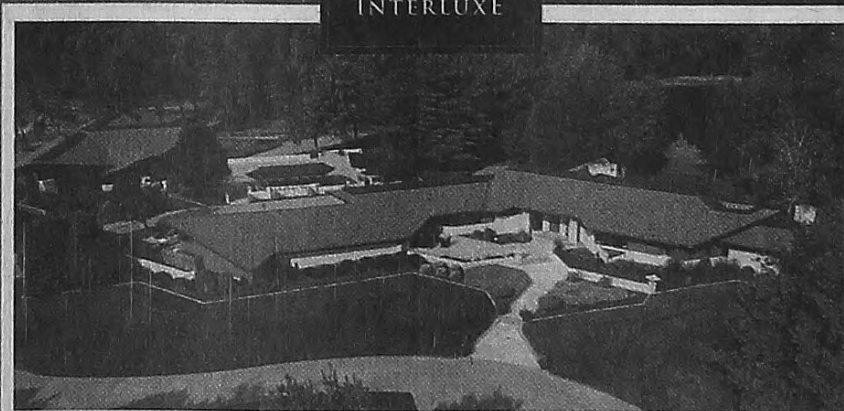
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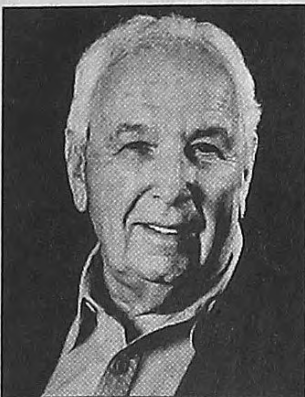
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# Obituaries

### Emil William Loeffler

**LIVONIA** - Emil William Loeffler, 89, of Livonia, Michigan and Naples, Florida, peacefully passed away on February 21st, 2019 in Naples Florida from natural causes. He was surrounded by his family. Emil was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania to Hilda (Beck) and Emil Fredrick Loeffler on June 8th, 1929. He attended Oakmont High School in Oakmont, PA. Emil graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean War. A lifetime auto enthusiast, Emil was an amateur racecar driver, racing Thunderbirds in the mid 1950's in Waterford Hills, Michigan. He married Jeanie Whitson on June 18th, 1959. Emil worked at Ford Motor Company for 34 years. Early in his automotive career he managed the Ford Drag Racing Program. As his career progressed, he became a national Ford Fleet Liaison for the sale of cars to police departments and taxi cab companies. Emil William Loeffler is preceded in death by his wife, Jeanie and sister Louise Loeffler Wilson. He is survived by his twin brother, Lawrence Loeffler, and his three children, Jeffrey Loeffler, Tammi (Bob) Ciciora, Linda Loeffler, and two grandchildren Alex (Sarah) Ciciora and Aimee Ciciora. Emil will be greatly missed by his family and friends. A celebration of life service will be held on June 8th 2019 at 1:00 p.m. A gathering of family and friends will be held for an hour prior to the service at Harry J Will Funeral Home 37000 W. Six Mile Rd, Livonia 48152 (734) 591-3700. Condolences and memories may be shared with Emil's family at [www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com](http://www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com)



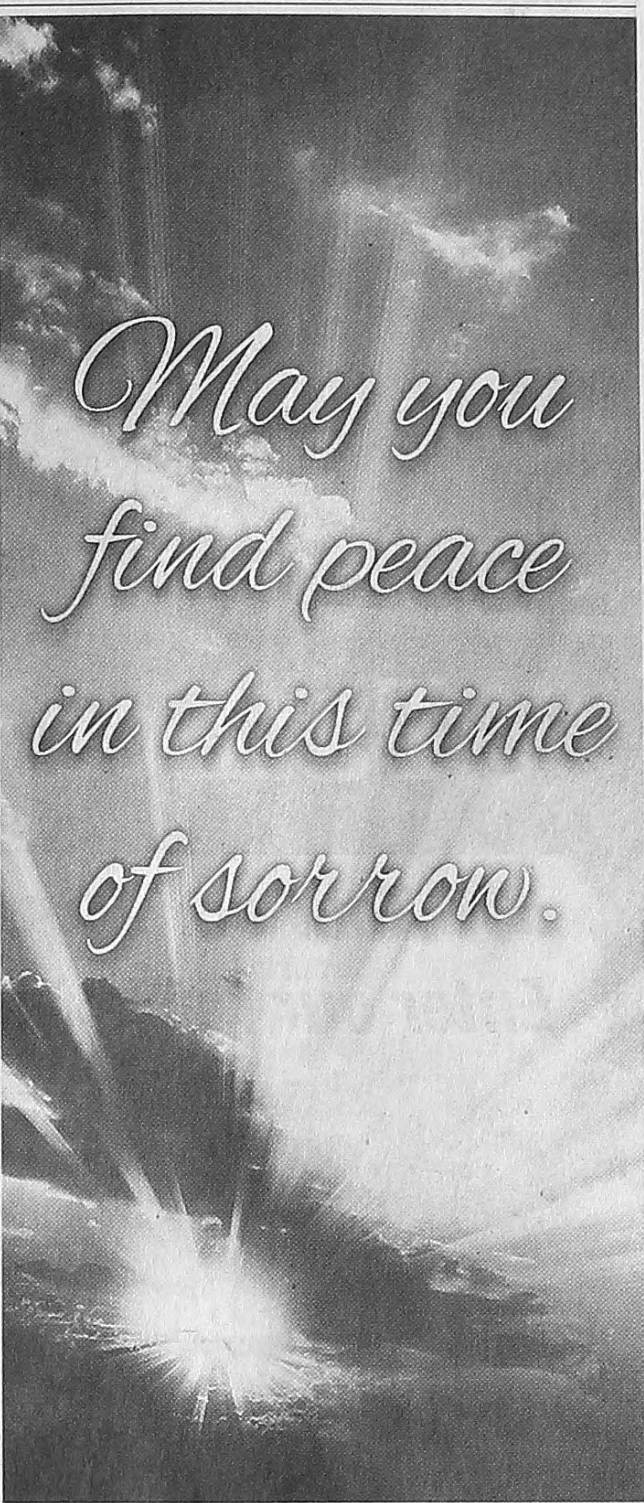
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### Calvin Burke Mason, Jr.

**PLYMOUTH** - Mason, Calvin B, Jr. (Cal or Skip), 92, of Plymouth, Michigan May 26, 2019. He is survived by his wife Barbara Mason, his children Susan (Bruce) McKenzie of Novi, Mary Mason of Hartland, Joseph (Barbara) Mason of Grand Rapids, Carrie (Johan) Skogfeldt of Howell, cousin Jill (Gary) Winters and their son Matthew, step-children David, Douglas (Julie), Dwight (Dawn), Daniel (Amy) Johanningsmeier and Pamela (Richard) Smith and many grand and great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents Calvin B. Sr., and Ellenora Mason; his brother Robert Joseph Mason, and his wife Ann (mother of Susan, Mary, Joe and Carrie). Cal was a decorated WWII veteran serving as a mobile artillery gunner in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater and later in Japan after the war as a Military Policeman. Cal returned to the U.S. and attended Wayne State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree and spent his entire working career at General Motors (GM), eventually retiring from GM's Detroit Diesel Allison division as a specifications writer. Cal loved listening to and playing music on his accordion and piano, and was an avid sailor, camper and reader. He loved people, adored his family and his beloved friends. A Memorial Service will be held at 11 am on Saturday, June 29th at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. Family visitation is from 10 to 11 am. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the VFW.



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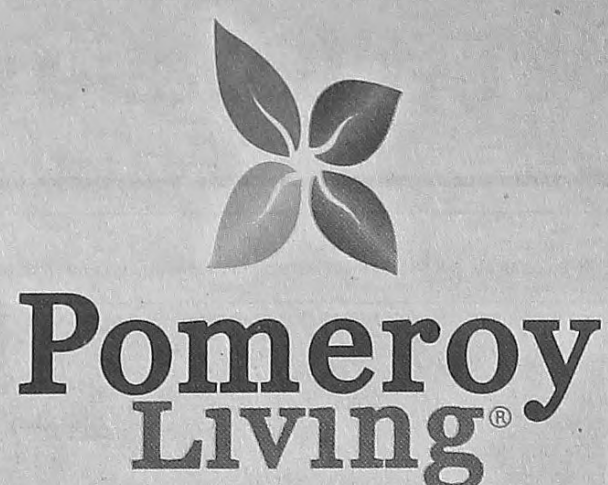
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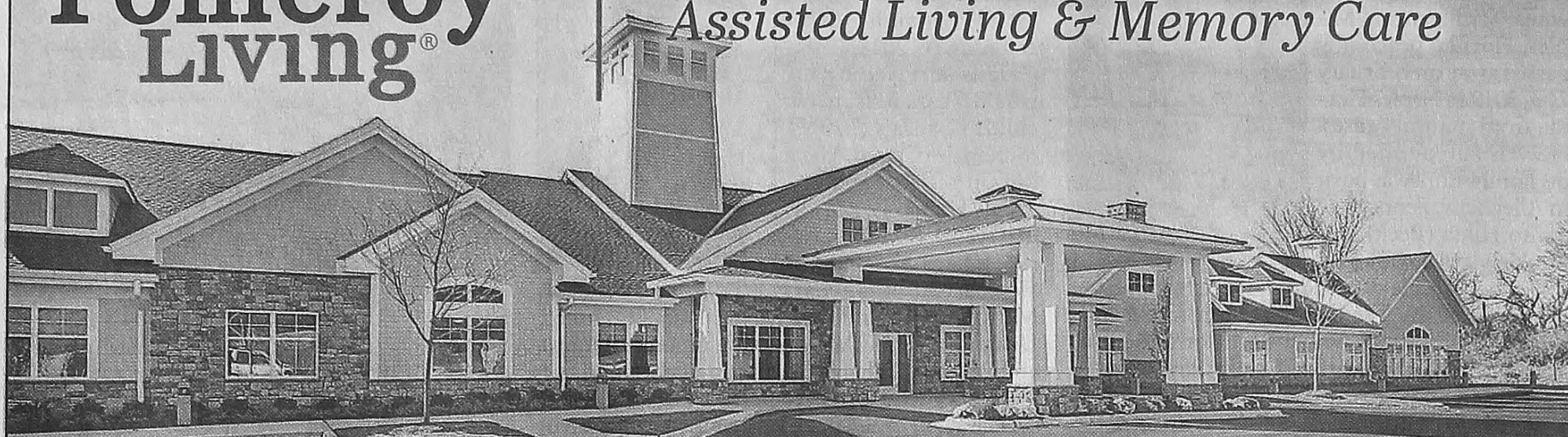
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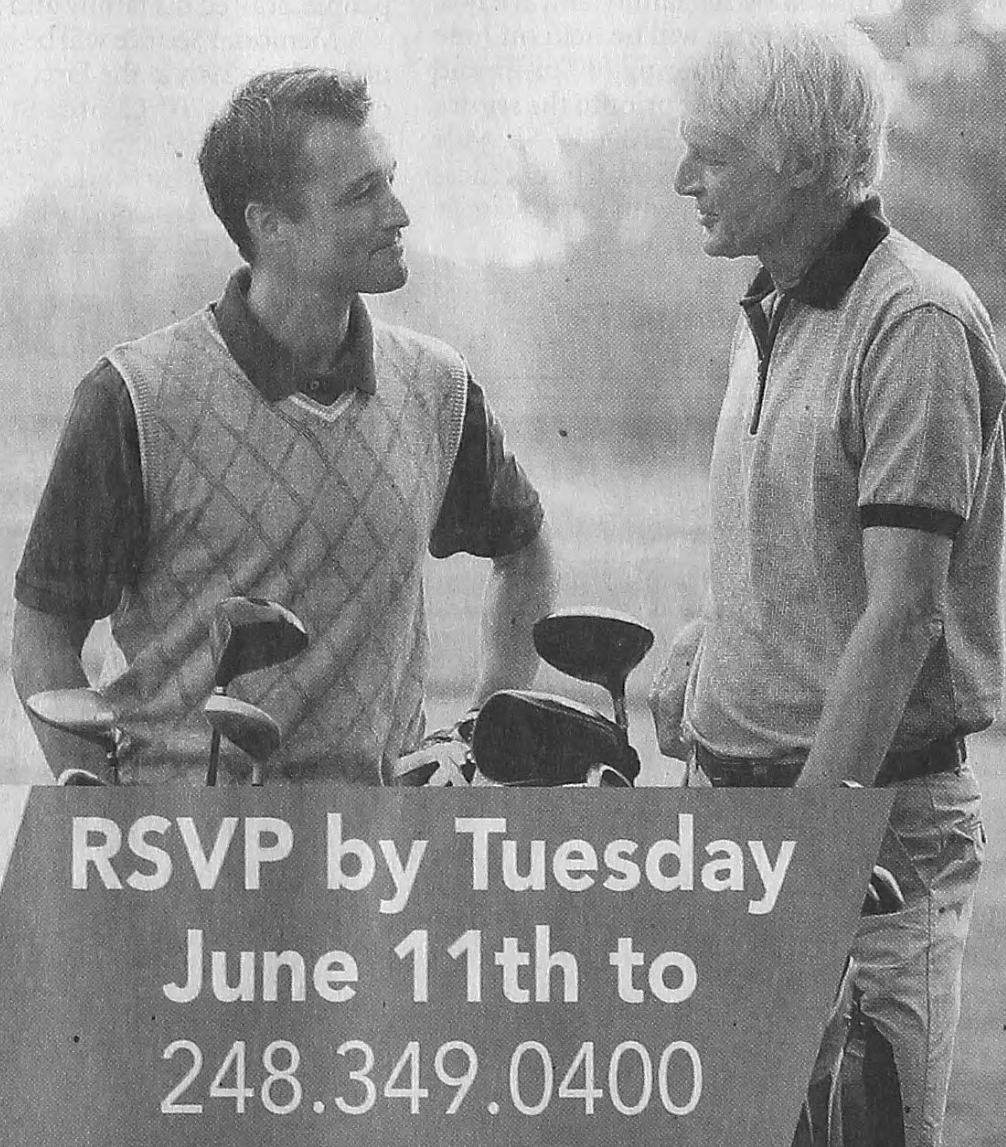
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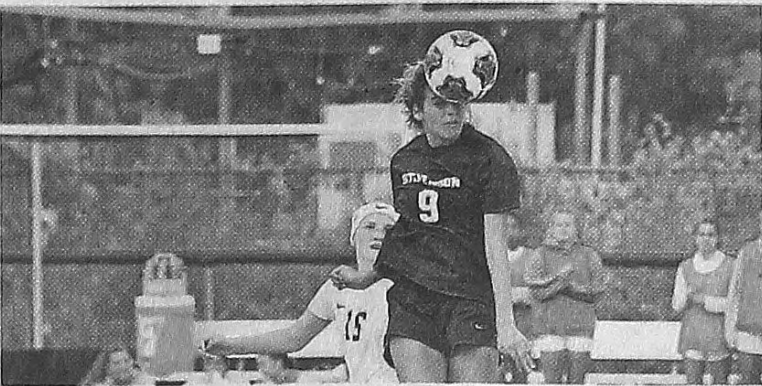
## Novi conquers Stevenson in regional rematch

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Two weeks ago, Novi and Livonia Stevenson met in the KLAA championship game. Tuesday, the Wildcats and Spartans were back at it — this time with even more on the line. Despite the different day, different location and different stakes, the end result was the same as Novi defeated Stevenson, 2-0, at West Bloomfield High

School to advance to the regional final (find results of that game online at hometownlife.com). The Wildcats improve to 23-0-1 on the year, while the Spartans conclude their season at 17-3-2. “We didn’t play our best soccer against Brighton (in the district final) and today it wasn’t the best soccer that we’re capable of playing,” Novi coach Todd Pheiffer said. “When you’re going

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Stevenson’s Zelia Griffith heads the ball in front of Novi’s Avery Fenchel in the regional semifinal Tuesday. TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWN LIFE.COM

GIRLS LACROSSE



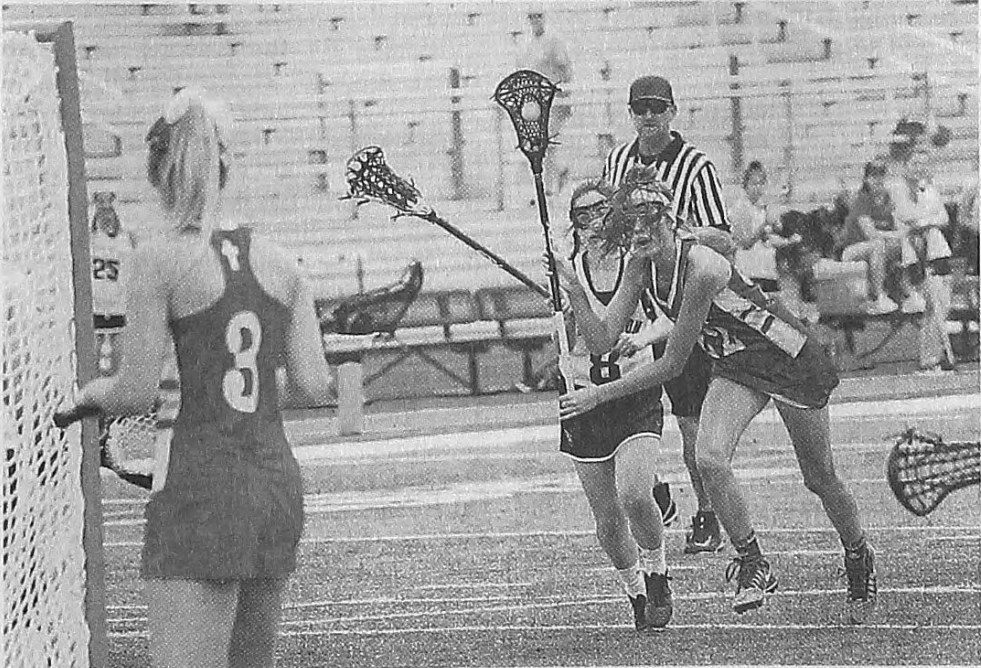
Farmington’s Angel Keener, right, passes Marian’s Maura Mustion on June 1 in the girls lacrosse regional final. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Marian beats Farmington in 2OT to win regional title

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It was a shame one team had to lose. On a rain-filled afternoon June 1, the undefeated Farmington girls lacrosse team took on Bloomfield Hills Marian in the regional final. After a weather delay that lasted an hour and 45 minutes, and two overtimes, Marian emerged victorious and moves on to the Division 2 state semifinals, defeating Farmington, 17-16. The Falcons dropped to 20-1, while the Mustangs improved to 17-1. “My heart won’t stop racing,” Marian coach Sherry Elliott said after the game. “I’m very proud of them, they stuck it out until the end. They were a tough team.

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Marian’s Coco Chinonis, right, goes in for a goal against Farmington.

GIRLS LACROSSE  
ALL-STATE TEAMS

Division 1 First Team  
All-State

- Riley Browne, Brighton, Defense
- Molly Mullett, Forest Hills, Attack
- Erin Kloostra, Forest Hills, Midfield
- Emma Curcuru, Forest Hills, Defense
- Elena Salazar, Hartland, Attack
- Abigail Trosin, Hartland, Midfield
- Maddy Veto, Hartland, Defense
- Madalyn Champagne, Livonia United, Midfield
- Sydney Zimmerman, Rockford, Midfield
- Karrington VanderMolen, Rockford, Midfield
- Madison Kleefisch, Rockford, Defense
- Madelyn Yakes, Rockford, Goalie
- Isabelle Holmes, Rockford, Attack
- Morgan McDonald, Troy, Midfield
- Aliyah Smukala, Walled Lake United, Goalie

Division 1 Second Team  
All-State

- Julia Hunter, Ann Arbor Pioneer, Attack
- Whitney Gallagher, Ann Arbor Pioneer, Defense
- Kate Wujciak, Birmingham, Midfield
- Julie Dunigan, Birmingham, Defense
- Sydney Woods, Bloomfield Hills, Midfield
- Natalie Gould, Bloomfield Hills, Defense
- Catherine Kopchia, Brighton, Attack
- Morgan Mundell, Hartland, Goalie
- Emma Donahue, Hartland, Attack
- Emma Murphy, Midland-Dow, Midfield
- Emma Mathie, Northville, Goalie
- Katie Novell, Novi, Midfield
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  - Mina McCorry, Northville, Attack
  - Katie Coomes, Northville, Attack
  - Alexa Cotter, Novi, Midfield
  - Emily Pringle, Novi, Midfield
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Marian's Anna Reaume, right, fights off Farmington's Gabi Mitchell as she fights to get the ball. TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO THE HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# Lacrosse

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"I'm very proud of the fact that they came together as a team and won."

The victory is a sweet one for the Mustangs, who haven't won a regional title since 2015, when they were in division one.

"I think it gives them validation for all the hard work that they've put in," Elliott said. "We've always been one of those top seven teams, and we just haven't gotten to the end. Now I can honestly say that I think we will get there."

While the win is sweet for Marian, the loss stings for Farmington, which was having its best season in school history.

The Falcons fought back from a two-goal deficit to tie the game and send it to overtime.

"It was just so close, it could've gone either way," Farmington coach Mike Mehall said. "I think both teams were strong. It's the type of game you hate to lose, but somebody has to win and you wish it were your team. We played a strong game."

"We've been an underdog for a long time, we don't pull as many people to play for us, so for us to come this far against a team that strong, and be competitive with them, is a great thing for these girls."

Marian held a 9-7 lead when the game was suspended due to lightning with 12:07 remaining in the second half. The game restarted around 3:45 p.m. —

nearly three hours after the game originally began.

The two teams went back and forth with Marian holding a slight edge until there was only three minutes left to play. Farmington scored two quick goals to tie it at 12.

From there, each team had a chance to win it. The Falcons had the better opportunity, but Marian's Eliana Delusky made a clutch save and sent the game to overtime.

In the extra time, it was again back-and-forth between the two squads. Farmington got out to a two-goal lead before Marian stormed back and went up by one.

With 2:02 left in the first overtime, Farmington tied the game. Neither team managed another goal, forcing the game to another overtime, this one sudden death.

Farmington initially grabbed possession and secured a scoring chance, but was denied.

Then with 1:22 left in the first half of the second overtime, Amanda Timmis found an open Coco Chinonis right in front of the net, who fired in the game-winning goal.

"I saw Amanda got doubled, so I was open in the middle," Chinonis said. "I got the ball and just turned around and shot, luckily it went in. It was pretty exciting."

The Mustangs rushed the field, cheering and throwing their sticks while the Falcons stood in shock before tears set in. Farmington has 14 seniors on the team who have played the final high school game of their careers.

"Twenty wins and one loss is a pretty

damn good season," Mehall said.

Chinonis was the leading goal scorer from either team, notching six goals.

"She's a tremendous player, she has some of the best hands that I've ever coached," Elliott said. "As a sophomore, I can only see her getting better and better."

"The team has looked to her inside a lot and she has delivered."

Farmington was led by its dynamic duo of Gabi Mitchell and Analiese Schneemann, who combined for nine goals. They've led the team in scoring all season long.

"They have been the key for this team," Mehall said. "The nice thing about this team has spread the scoring. Typically when they score a lot they also assist a lot. ..."

"That's the type of team they are, they share the wins and they share their accomplishments."

In goal for the Falcons was Leah Durst, who got stronger as the game went on. She made a huge save in the second overtime in close range to keep her team alive, but couldn't stop Chinonis from point-blank range.

"She had a little bit of a rough time today but she came through when we needed her," Mehall said. "An eight-meter shot is just a hard shot, especially against a player like (Chinonis). The odds really aren't in her favor. She pulled it off the first time, but couldn't the second time."

Marian co-captain Mia Hannawa, who scored two goals of her own, was nearby when the game-winning goal went in and said it's a moment that she'll always remember.

"The more the season goes, the more you get closer with everything and it really does feel like it's one of those things where you'll be talking to your kids some day about how you remember when Coco scored that game-winning goal and it's great," Hannawa said.

Both teams were resilient and fought hard. It was battle between two teams that clearly belonged in the regional final.

Elliott said she was especially proud of her team for staying focused and not giving up, even when things got tough late in the game.

She said the team was able to regroup and get on the same page thanks to the long delay.

Marian co-captain Anna Reaume said the team journal-ed, stretched and got pumped back up — all as a team. She said she was laser-focused on one goal: play another game.

"I think (seeing the game-winning goal go in) was a sigh of relief," Reaume said. "I'm a senior, so the only thing going through my head in overtime was 'this is my last time on the field, the last time I'll play with these girls' so it's a relief to know I get to play with them again in the next game."

Marian was scheduled to play Brighton on Wednesday (visit hometownlife.com for scores from that game).

"I know they're strong, I know they have great athletes, so it's going to be a tough game," Elliott said. "But I'm confident, we're a good team."

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# All-State

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## Division 2 First Team All-State

- Jessica Geiger, Cranbrook, Attack
- Kendall Belanger, Detroit Country Day, Midfield
- Delaney Kirinovic, DeWitt, Defense
- Alexa Beyer, DeWitt, Midfield
- Audrey Whiteside, East Grand Rapids, Attack
- Mary Schumar, East Grand Rapids,

- Attack
- Olivia Grogan, East Grand Rapids, Defense
- Lily Kate Rogers, East Grand Rapids, Goalie
- Analiese Schneemann, Farmington, Midfield
- Lauren Marosi, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, Midfield
- Kate DeYoung, Grand Rapids Christian, Midfield
- Mia Hannawa, Marian, Midfield
- Anna Reaume, Marian, Defense
- Kyra Moore, Mattawan, Defense
- Lauren Brush, Mattawan, Goalie
- Jillian Smith, Mercy, Midfield

## Division 2 Second Team All-State

- Alexandra Knight, Academy of the Sacred Heart, Midfield
- Kendall Schneider, Caledonia, Midfield
- Grace DeRidder, Caledonia, Goalie
- Emilie Ascione, Detroit Country Day, Midfield
- Emily Bergstrom, East Grand Rapids, Defense
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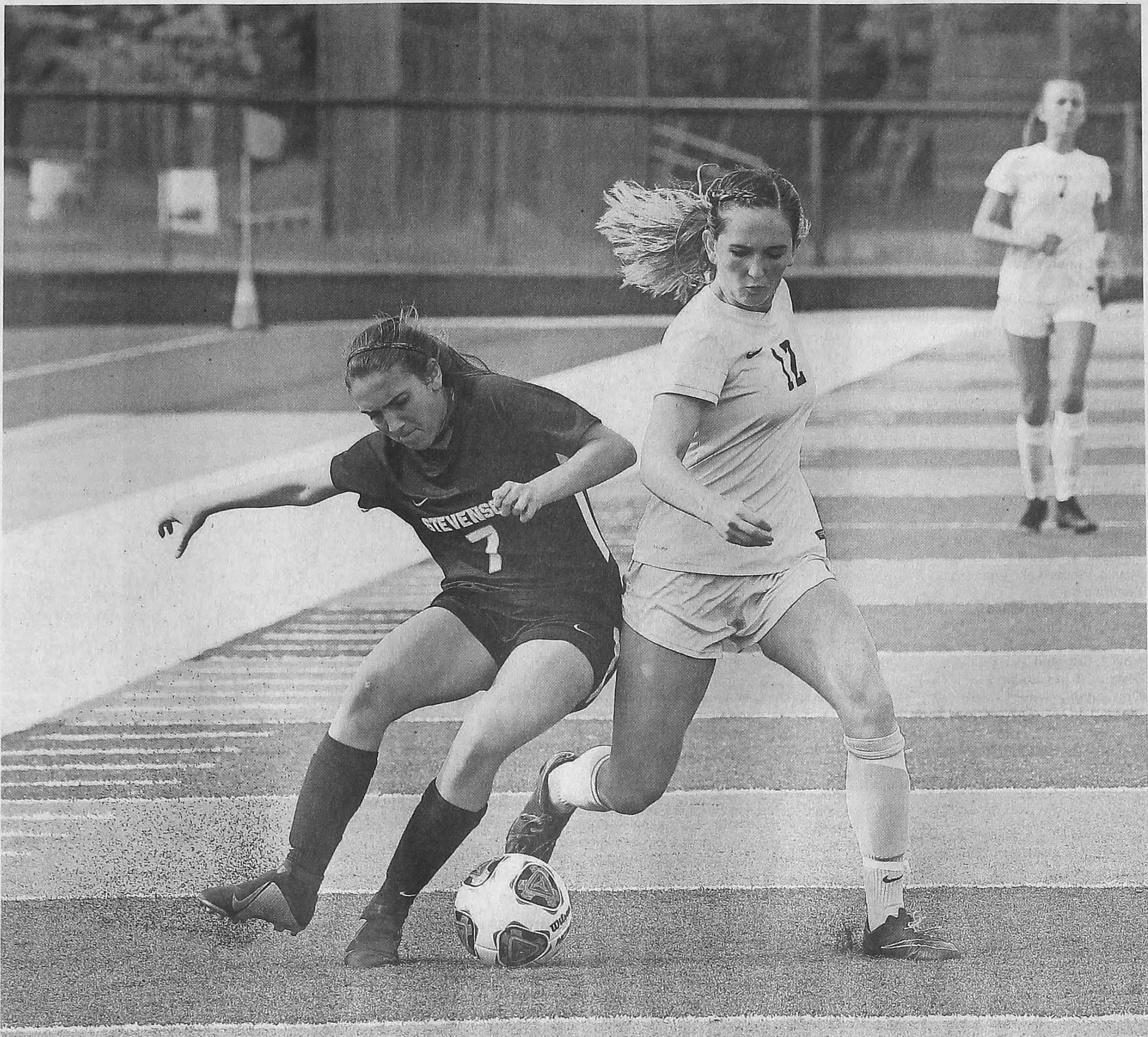
## Division 2 Honorable Mention

(Note: Hometown Life area players only)

- Gabi Mitchell, Farmington, Midfield
- Coco Chinonis, Marian, Attack

— Andrew Vaillencourt





Novi's Lexi Whalen, right, battles Stevenson's Gabriella Sapia for the ball in the regional semifinal Tuesday. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Soccer

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through the state tournament, not every game is going to be pretty, our mindset the past two seasons has just been to survive and advance."

The game featured quality scoring chances for both teams early. Five minutes in, Novi senior Julia Stadtherr got past Stevenson goalie Haley Demers but was unable to tap the ball into the net thanks to strong defense by Nikki Verant and Sam Kuszynski.

Just a minute later, Stevenson's Abby Werthman sent a crossing pass into the box for Delaney Millis who headed the ball into the arms of Novi goalie Sammy Maday.

From there, Stevenson controlled the flow of the game but didn't generate many scoring chances. With 6:20 left to play in the first half, Novi got things going on offense.

Stadtherr fired in a shot that ricocheted past the goalie but not in the net. Luckily for the Wildcats, however, senior Lexi Whalen was there to put it home for the game's first goal.

"Before the game we said make sure you follow every shot because you never

know if it's going to be a goal or not," Whalen said. "I thought about that and ran it down and got lucky enough to get a touch and score."

Novi would take that 1-0 lead into halftime.

"The girls have done a great job at being consistent," Pheiffer said. "It's hard with the gauntlet of a schedule we've had, in the last three games, we've had to beat teams for the third time and a team tonight for the second time. The gauntlet that we had to go through in our division just to win that was hard. I'm super proud of them."

The Wildcats played better and had more chances in the second half, but were only able to score one more goal. It came with 17:40 left in the game after Jessica Bandyk found Avery Fenchel with a pass, who put it past Stevenson's second half goalie, Mackenzie Fifer.

That would be more than enough to secure the win, sending Novi to the regional final.

Stevenson had one of its best seasons in recent memory, but once again could not get past Novi in the playoffs. The Spartans came out prepared and showed early on that they were going to make this go-around tougher for the Wildcats, but Novi proved to be too strong.

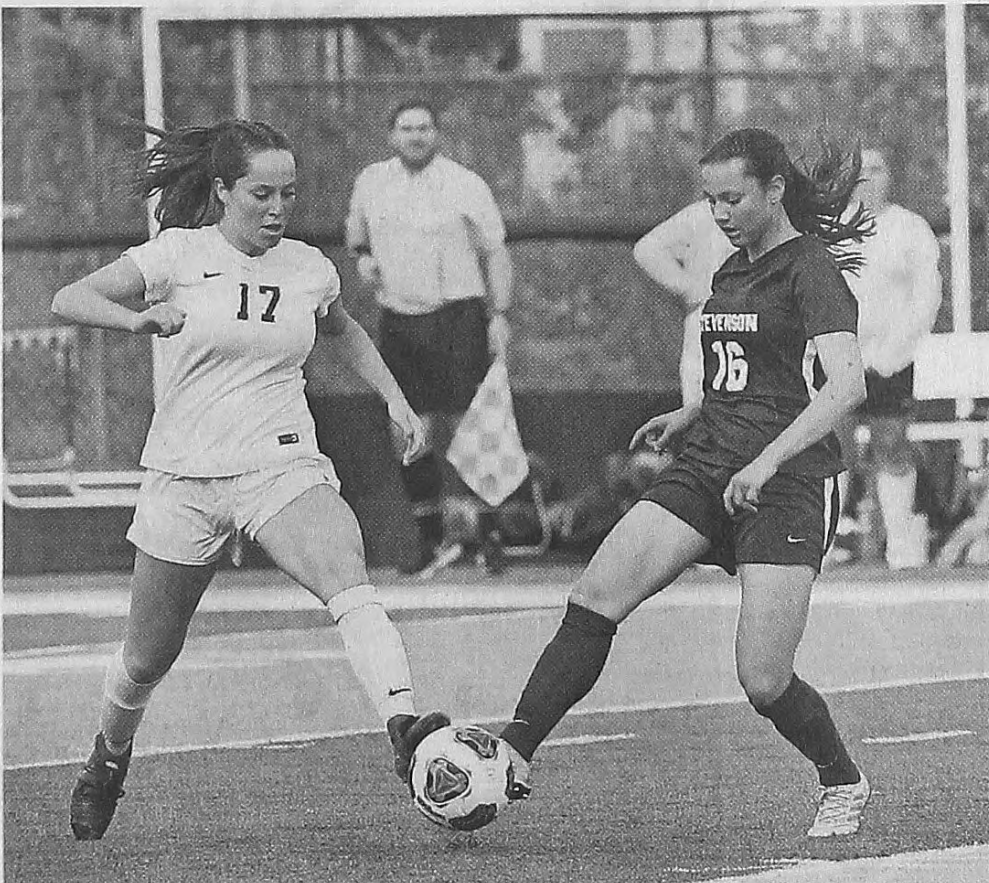
"We knew their strength, Abby Werthman is just incredible," Pheiffer said. "She's a workhorse, she's fast, she's got great skills and she's their go-to player. She scored three goals in the district finals game, so our goal was to be aware of where she was on the field at all times and make things as difficult as possible for her."

Pheiffer gave credit to his defense, which has lived in the shadow of the team's high-scoring offense all season. He said his team now has 21 shutouts this year and a lot of that is due to the strong back line play of the defenders.

"I can't say enough," Pheiffer said. "Everyone always talks about the goal-scorers ... but if it wasn't for Lauren (Calhoun), Nevada (Larson), Sarah (Katinas) and Eva (Burns) in the back, we would not be where we are. We just shutout another good team."

The Wildcats were scheduled to play Grand Blanc in a rematch of last season's state title game after it beat Bloomfield Hills 4-3 Tuesday night.

"(The win) feels so good," Whalen said. "It's my last year playing and it just gets more and more exciting as each game goes on. It's survive and advance."

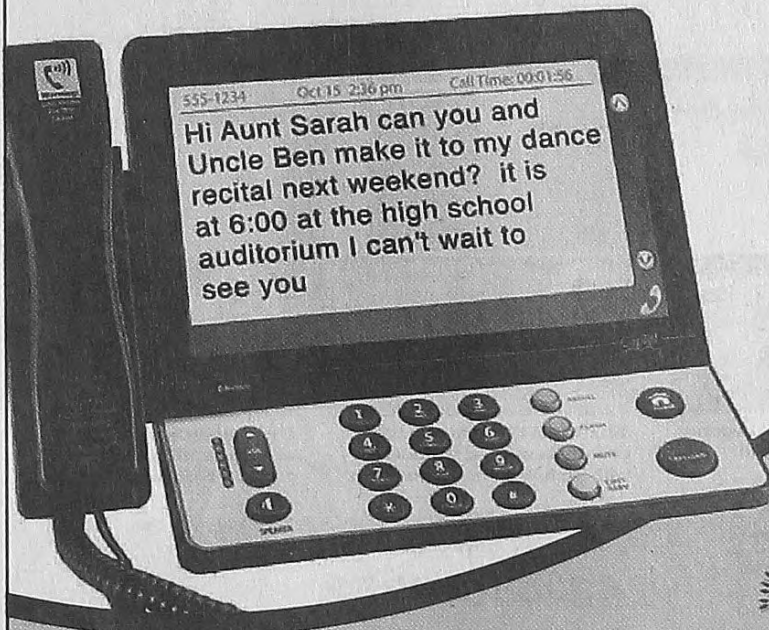


Novi's Michelle Jecmen, left, and Stevenson's Abby Werthman both go for the ball in the regional semifinal.

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Division 1

Regionals

Semifinals

Novi 2, Livonia Stevenson 0  
Grand Blanc 4, Bloomfield Hills 3  
Plymouth vs. Dearborn

Finals

Novi vs. Grand Blanc  
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District 13 at North Farmington

First round

Livonia Stevenson 1, Birmingham Seaholm 0  
Farmington 7, Southfield A&T 0  
Birmingham Groves 3, North Farmington 1

Semifinals

Livonia Stevenson 4, Farmington 0  
Farmington Hills Mercy 1, Birmingham Groves 0

Final

Livonia Stevenson 3, Mercy 1

District 14 at Novi

First round

Northville 5, Milford 1  
Brighton 3, South Lyon 0  
Hartland 4, Howell 1  
Novi 4, Walled Lake Western 0

Semifinals

Brighton 1, Northville 0  
Novi 2, Hartland 0

Final

Novi 2, Brighton 1

District 15 at Lakeland

First round

Bloomfield Hills 5, Waterford Kettering 1  
Walled Lake Northern 5, Lakeland 1

Semifinals

Bloomfield Hills 2, Walled Lake Northern 1

Final

Bloomfield Hills 4, Waterford Mott 0

District 7 at Dearborn Crestwood

First round

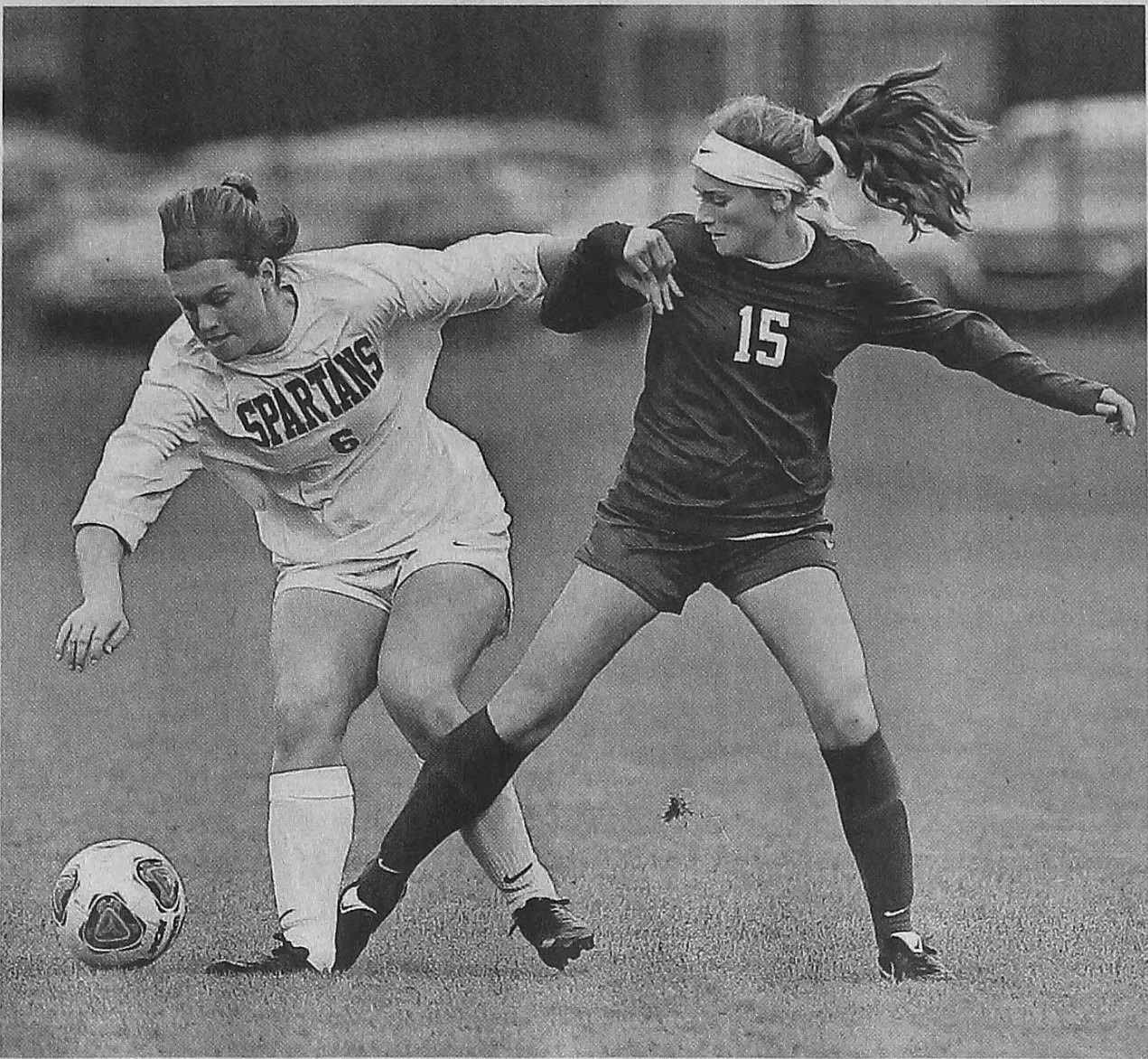
Canton 5, Livonia Churchill 0  
Salem 8, Livonia Franklin 0  
Plymouth 8, John Glenn 0  
Wayne Memorial 3, Dearborn Crestwood 2 (OT)

Semifinals

Canton 2, Salem 1 (OT)  
Plymouth 9, Wayne Memorial 0

Final

Plymouth 5, Canton 4



Stevenson's Sam Kuszynski, left, and her teammates did what they could to keep Novi's Avery Fenchel, right, away from the ball May 20. But Fenchel still scored the game's only two goals.  
JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWN LIFE.COM

Division 2

Regionals

Semifinals

Marian 7, Madison Heights Lamphere 0

Final

Marian vs. Dearborn Divine Child

District 22 at Dearborn Divine Child

First round

Detroit Cesar Chavez 6, Redford Union 5  
Divine Child 15, Redford Thurston 0  
Garden City 7, Melvindale 0

Semifinals

Divine Child 3, Garden City 1

District 23 at Bloomfield Hills Marian

First round

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood 4, Ferndale 0

Semifinals

Bloomfield Hills Marian 5, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood 0  
Detroit Country Day 8, Auburn Hills Avondale 0

Final

Bloomfield Hills Marian 1, Detroit Country Day 0

Division 3

District 39 at Livonia Clarenceville

First round

Livonia Clarenceville 1, Flat Rock 0  
Wixom St. Catherine 14, Monroe Jefferson 0

Semifinals

Grosse Ile 8, Livonia Clarenceville 0  
Wixom St. Catherine 8, Canton Prep 0

Final

Grosse Ile 1, Wixom St. Catherine 0

Division 4

Regionals

Semifinals

Lansing Christian 4, Plymouth Christian 1

District 54 at Plymouth Christian

Semifinals

Plymouth Christian 8, Lutheran Westland 0

Final

Plymouth Christian 5, Ann Arbor Greenhills 1

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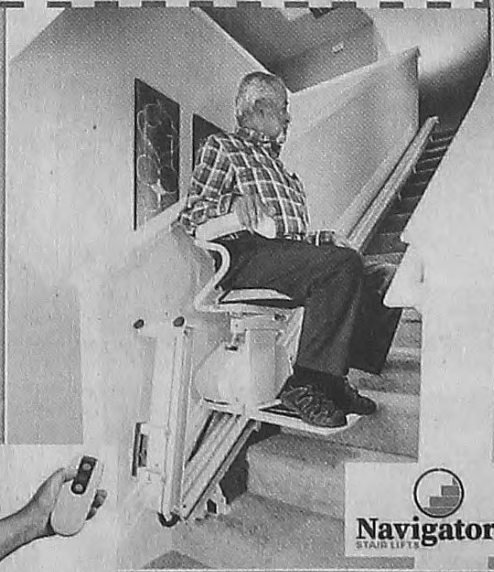
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STAR WARS: GALAXY'S EDGE

# Flying the Millennium Falcon lacks 'wow' factor

Scott Craven Arizona Republic  
USA TODAY NETWORK

For anyone who has ever dreamed of piloting the Millennium Falcon, the fastest hunk of junk in the galaxy, here are two things to know about the new ride at Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge in Disneyland.

First, the Falcon is a finicky ship, crashing into this and colliding with that when not dodging incoming fire. Second, it's impossible to destroy, no matter the grave shortcomings of the pilots.

The iconic ship is the heart of Disneyland's new Star Wars land, as well as the star of Millennium Falcon: Smugglers Run – the only ride at Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge until the formidable Rise of the Resistance opens this year.

Don't confuse this motion-based ride with the older Star Tours, where riders watch passively as their craft bumps and turns in sync with the film.

### How tall do you need to be?

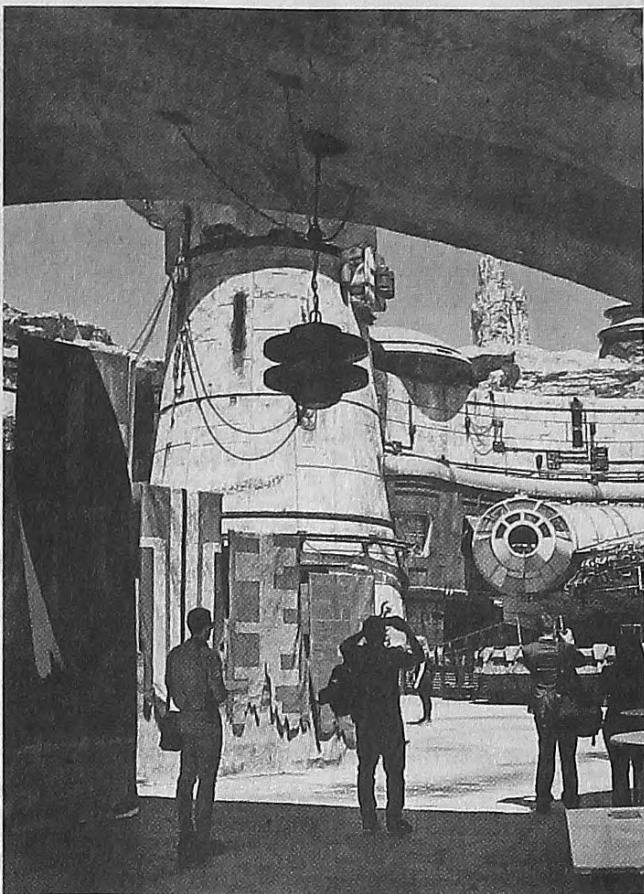
In Millennium Falcon: Smugglers Run, guests take the controls of the ship, attempting to steal a precious resource for the local pirate. Riders must be at least 38 inches tall.

The adventure plays out on the curved screen that is the craft's cockpit window, following a linear path with plenty of obstacles in the way as foes try to shoot the Falcon out of the sky.

Six riders are busy piloting, shooting or fixing the Falcon as it soars, the cockpit tilting and shaking in sync with the screen. There are roughly 200 buttons and switches to mind, but the two joysticks at the front of the cockpit are the most fun to manipulate.

But let's step back to the beginning when the queue sets off the pleasure centers in the brain of every fan.

Guests learn that a desperate Chewbacca flew Han Solo's cherished ship to the outskirts of the galaxy in hopes of scoring vital supplies on Batuu. Soon after landing in the Black Spire Outpost, the Wookiee reluctantly lent the Millennium Falcon to resident pirate Hondo Ohnaka, who was looking for volunteers to take the ship on smuggling runs.



People enter "Smuggler's Run" where the Star Wars Millennium Falcon is located at Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge. ROBERT HANASHIRO, USA TODAY

### This queue is one of the best

This is the start of one of the most enjoyable Disney queues, one that enhances the ride. Anticipation builds as you walk through the warehouse, meeting the put-upon RF-P8, an astromech droid that deserves better. Even with the visual delights as you make your way through the warehouse (you'll glimpse Chewbacca working on the Falcon), Hondo's presence is singular.

He is the second-most advanced audio-animatronic figure ever created by Disney Imagineers, bested only by the Shaman of Songs in the Na'vi River Journey at Animal Kingdom in Walt Disney World.

With 50 separate movements, Hondo swerves and gestures in human-like fashion. Note how his shoulders shake when he belly-laughs, a subtle movement that gives the illusion he is real.

Hondo explains that he needs you to steal some coaxium, the hypermatter that fuels light speed (just go with it). From there you step into the Falcon and, if at first you were eager to get started, now you're happy to relax and take in the surroundings.

This is the Falcon you saw on the big screen, boasting the sort of details that only Imagineers could love (and labor over, making sure each light and wire and switch is just right).

Guests are issued colored boarding passes, allowing them to roam this mini-museum until their flight is ready.

### What happens when it's your turn

Six people at a time enter the cockpit, taking seats at the front (pilots), center (gunners) and rear (engineers). Parents, prepare to make yet another sacrifice for your children as you sit in the back, pushing blinking buttons or flipping a lighted switch that apparently keeps the ship flying. If you ignore them, the Falcon flies on, but you may not earn the galactic credits you were hoping for (more on that in a bit).

Each pilot handles a joystick, one that controls the vertical, another that controls the horizontal. (Insider tip: The pilot on the right controls the vertical and also pulls the sticks to launch the Falcon to light speed.)

The duties of the engineers and the gunners essentially are the same – press the buttons that blink. The gunner is more of a button masher, pressing as quickly as possible. The engineers aren't quite as busy, but they also have switches to flip.

Essentially, it's a large-scale video game with impressive special effects, especially when the cockpit rumbles with every collision. While the shaking may encourage younger pilots to hit everything in their path, know that damage counts against your score.


### So? Is the ride great?

While the visuals are solid and the ride is a lot of fun, it doesn't have that "wow" factor many fans will be expecting, especially those who don't get to pilot. Pushing buttons may keep many riders entertained, but it also takes eyes off the action.

Taken as a whole, with a remarkably detailed queue and the ability to step into the Falcon as seen on the big screen, Smugglers Run is must-see, and likely will draw lines two or three hours long.

But it's not the kind of attraction that demands repeated visits, such as Haunted Mansion and Pirates of the Caribbean that overwhelm you with details.

Unless, of course, you're determined to pilot the fastest hunk of junk in the galaxy, even if it means begging your 9-year-old to let you drive.



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31 Founder of Tuskegee University  
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53 Just right  
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56 Arnaz of TV

- 57 Interim workers  
58 Mystery novelist who created Anna Pigeon  
60 Tree of Iowa  
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63 Authority  
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73 They work on mags  
74 Aleve targets  
76 Dueling tools  
77 Cleo's biter  
79 NFL MVP of 1989 and 1990  
81 Pleasantly warm outside  
85 Norwegian city  
89 Many pink-eyed animals  
90 Ban on trade  
92 Kilt design  
93 Publisher of Elle Decor  
94 Painter called "The Mother of American Modernism"  
96 Theta lead-in  
98 Big foot spec  
99 Map blowups  
100 "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" playwright

- 109 "Full of beans," e.g.  
110 "Frozen" queen  
111 Acid rock's "acid"  
112 Writer Dinesen  
116 Place-to-place worker  
118 Bailiff's directive  
123 Opponents  
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125 Diagnostic list for a techie  
126 Brand of frozen desserts  
127 Phony  
128 Decade's span

**DOWN**

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3 Big volcano in Sicily  
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7 Maine city  
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11 Tagging along behind  
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15 Singer Boyle  
16 In a group of  
17 Arctic native  
18 Poem division  
19 Car variety  
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29 "NFL Live" channel  
31 Be really hot  
32 BYOB part  
33 "— Hope" (old soap)  
34 "Bill & — Excellent Adventure"  
35 Ran in place  
36 Full of zeal  
37 Funny — (2003 Kentucky Derby winner)  
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39 Mystery writer  
43 Ending for Manhattan  
44 Branch

- 45 —law (acquired relative)  
46 Revise  
48 First family until 2017  
49 Big brass  
50 Really work  
51 Rowed  
52 Plants with fronds  
55 Viking org.  
57 Certain bout result, briefly  
59 7, to Caesar  
61 Fire felonies  
62 Prefix with fire  
64 Hindu royal  
65 French place of learning  
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70 Zellweger of "Case 39"  
71 "I love you," to Juan  
72 "No" vote  
75 Arabian chief  
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83 NYC airport code  
84 Pasture call

- 86 Not in peril  
87 Raise up  
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91 Matzo — (Jewish fried dish)  
92 Writing tools  
94 Scottish Celt  
95 One of the Kardashians  
97 African fly  
100 Durations  
101 Patsy's sidekick on "Absolutely Fabulous"  
102 Neighbor of Mali  
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106 Stare at  
107 "The best — to come!"  
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112 Regarding  
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119 "That's it!"  
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122 Actor/singer Rogers

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## The top 3 US cities to start your business

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Attention entrepreneurs: We know that you're eager to kickstart your business idea and build it into the next wildly successful corporate empire. After all, fortune favors the bold, and a commonly shared trait amongst successful business owners is an unwavering self-confidence at all costs and a capacity to handle risk.

However, that doesn't mean you should blindly leap forward before carefully weighing all the variables that typically make or break new startups—this includes where you decide to get started, which can be just as important as the how and why parts of the new business equation.

It's true — when it comes to starting, owning, and operating a business in America, all cities are not created equal. In addition to the obvious things like climate, location, and existing infrastructure in your specific industry, there are a host of key variables to consider when choosing which city is the ideal home for your burgeoning business.

Inc. recently ran an article on America's top surge cities — cities whose high ratings in the following key metrics make them ideal places for starting a new business: job creation, population growth, net business creation, rate of entrepreneurship, wage growth, high-growth company density, and early-stage fundraising.

Whether your goal is a modest one-person operation, the next international mega-corporation, or somewhere in-between, as you build your business plan and look to get your idea off the ground floor and up and running, you may discover that one of these cities is



**Austin, Texas, is experiencing an amazing explosion of business and population development and expansion.** GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCKPHOTO

the perfect place to make your move.

### Austin, Texas

Referring to Austin as "the next Silicon Valley" is practically yesterday's news, as notable tech superstars ranging from Google to Amazon and many others have already established a serious presence in this thriving and talent-rich city. As a result, Austin is experiencing an amazing explosion of business and population development and expansion — with no end in sight.

And it isn't just tech-centric companies planting their flags in Austin. Companies across all industries are eager to set up shop in Austin and get in on the action. The city is abuzz with start-up

money and public and private investment opportunities, which only adds to its current draw as the edgy alternative to San Francisco and New York City.

And if you're thinking that Austin is all business, then think again—the city's fun factor is practically off the charts, with a thriving music scene and nightlife, and bars and restaurants abounding to serve the needs of all the employees flocking to its borders. If you're looking for a home for your business, Austin should definitely make your short list.

### Salt Lake City, Utah

If you're wondering where the "next, next Silicon Valley" might be, then look

no further than Salt Lake City. As San Francisco and Austin continue to evolve and everything from real estate to restaurants get more expensive, companies are giving Salt Lake City a closer look as an affordable alternative. Don't take our word for it — companies like Electronic Arts, Adobe, and Oracle already have offices here, along with a wide range of other high-valued entrepreneurial startups.

If you're interested in getting in early on the next big thing, then setting up here just might be one of your first prophetic business moves.

### Raleigh, North Carolina

If you're looking for a thriving and vibrant home for your new company that's just a little further off the typical beaten path, consider this edgy corner of the southern Research Triangle.

More and more companies are looking at Raleigh and everything it has to offer — a young, well-educated, and talent-rich population of college graduates and seasoned workers, as well as a thriving cultural scene. Most importantly, investment money is following suit.

The bottom line: Raleigh is a solid choice as a home for new businesses looking to get going and benefit from its favorable location.

If you're an entrepreneur on the rise and are looking to find the home where to build your business, then consider the choices presented here when you're making your decision. Good luck!

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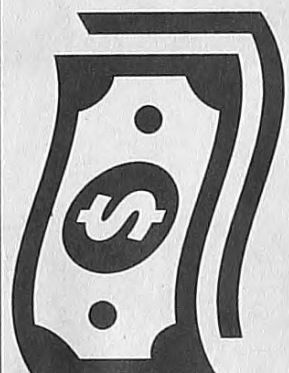
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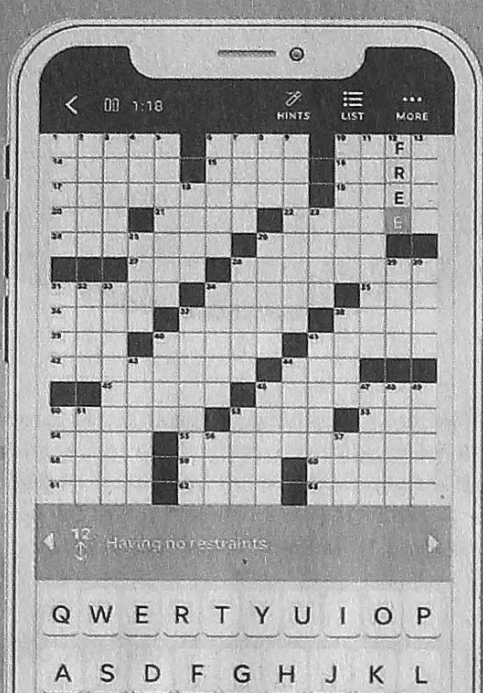
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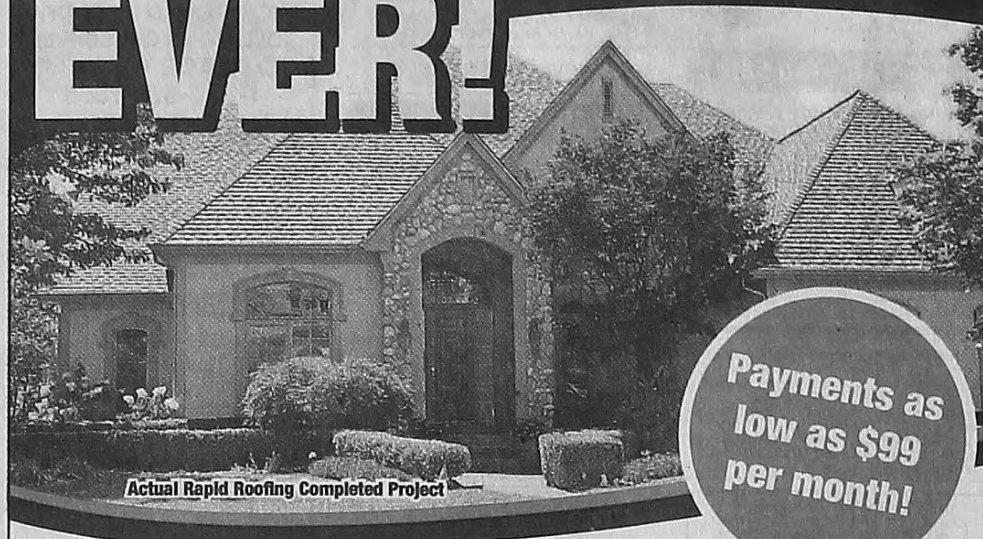
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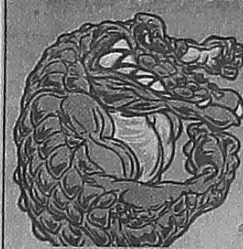
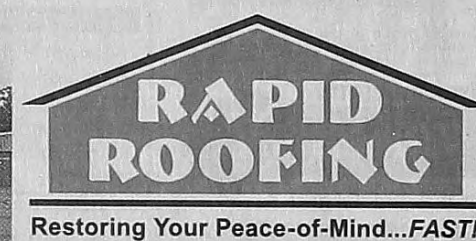
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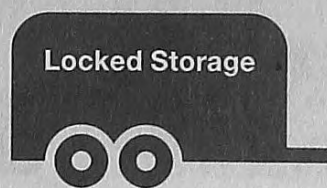
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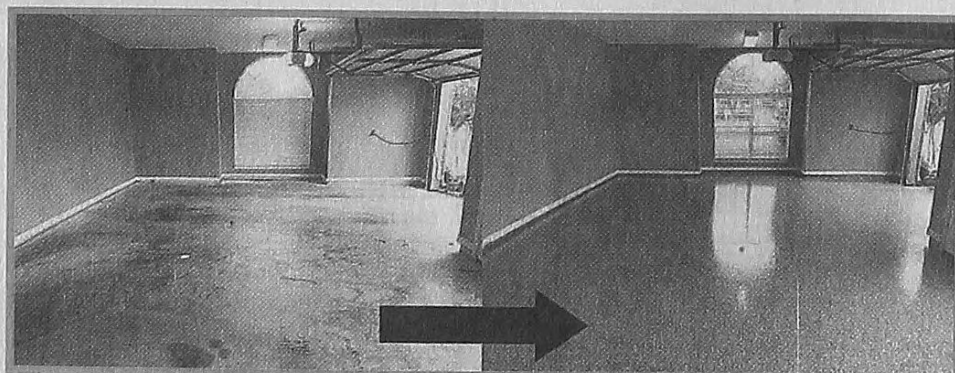


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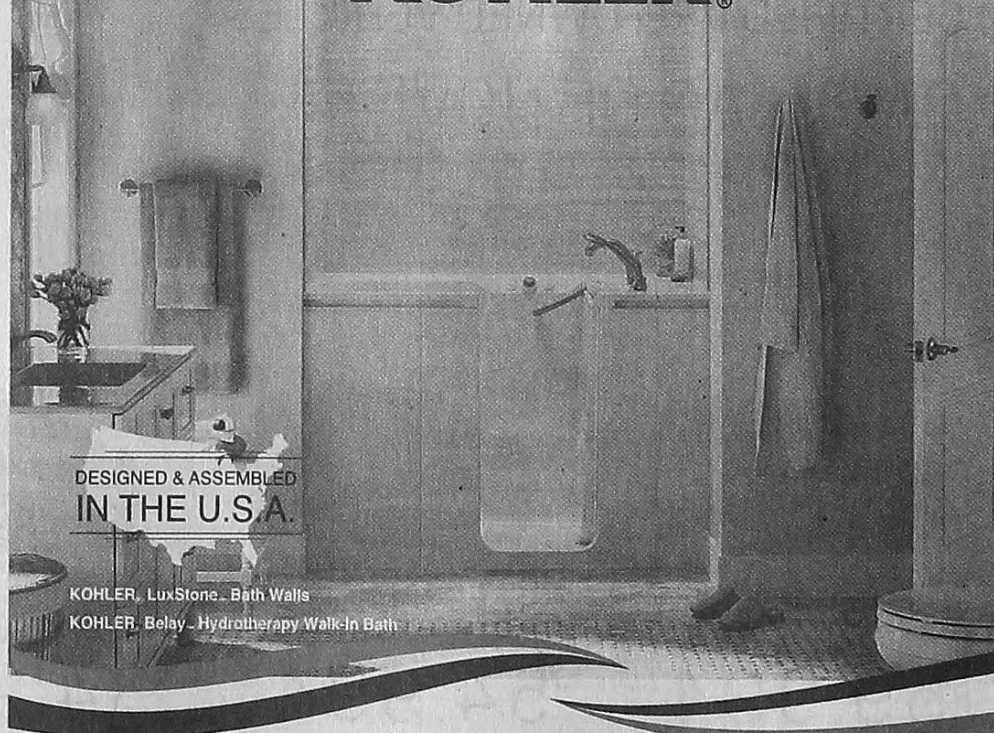
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