

## Wayne-Westland picks superintendent finalists

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The Wayne-Westland Community School District is one step closer to selecting its next superintendent.

After interviewing four candidates in the first week of March, the district's board of education selected two finalists: John Dignan and Keith McDonald. The two candidates will be interviewed for a second time.

Board members will also visit the finalists' current school districts before making a decision.

Both candidates work within about a half-hour drive of the school district. Before starting interviews, board members said they wanted candidates to be local and have a strong understanding of the area.

Dignan, director of post-secondary



**Dignan**



**McDonald**

options and community partnerships for Southfield Public Schools, will be interviewed at 7 p.m. March 16.

Dignan's career has included coaching, teaching and being a building administrator.

McDonald is Livonia Public Schools' director of human resources and has worked in that district his entire career.

McDonald has been a teacher and a building administrator. He will be interviewed at 7 p.m. March 17.

Both interviews will take place in the district's administration building, 36745 Marquette, just off Newburgh Road. After making a final decision, the board hopes to have the new superintendent start in July.

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Some early afternoon diners enjoy a meal at the recently-reopened Luigi's in Livonia. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Livonia Italian eatery reopens with new name

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Dining culture has changed over the last 20 years at Luigi's in Livonia.

Beginning simply as a carry-out pizzeria with counter service, the restaurant at 31530 Plymouth opened as more of a restaurant in 2011, serving fine Italian fare. But as the years moved on, the Mainella family realized a shift in dining

was taking place: more diners were coming in for entrees than pizzas.

The restaurant's former infrastructure wasn't ready for that shift, and the family decided an extensive remodel would better accommodate its customer base.

"Slowly but surely, we started serving more entrees than we did pizza, and we needed to address the situation in the kitchen," said Tommaso Mainella,

general manager of the restaurant. "The kitchen wasn't suited properly to do that kind of service."

The restaurant closed for two months, reopening March 2. After updating the kitchen and bringing in new appliances and a setup to better handle orders, the family is excited to continue serving its trademark food.

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## One dead in I-275 crash

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A highway driver was fatally struck early Tuesday morning.

According to the Michigan State Police's Twitter account, troopers received a driver's 911 call shortly after 4 a.m.

A Buick apparently drove off southbound Interstate 275 near Eight Mile Road in Farmington Hills and then struck a cable median barrier.

The car continued down the barrier and came to a halt. The Buick's front end was in the left lane and the rear was on the shoulder. The driver exited the vehicle.

Dispatchers located the crash on Michigan Department of Transportation cameras and sent troopers to the scene.

About five minutes later, dispatchers saw a southbound Chrysler vehicle

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## Family dog killed in fire at Canton home

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A Canton Township house suffered extensive damage March 1 as the result of a fire.

The home's residents were not injured; however, the family's dog died in the blaze.

"The homeowner came home and saw smoke inside the structure as soon as he opened the door," said Canton Township Deputy Fire Director Chris Stoecklein. "He immediately shut the door and called us."

"Initially, our crews went inside to attack the fire, however, by the time we got there, the upper floors were already giving way, which is pretty common with new construction."

"We usually have 10 minutes once the fire starts and the fire had started much sooner than 10 minutes from the time our crews arrived."

The family's dog, a Goldendoodle,

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# A successful bond will bring change you can see



**Monica Merritt**  
Guest columnist

As your superintendent of schools, I am constantly looking for ways to improve the education we provide for our students. As educators, we are charged to fulfill our mission of developing capable, involved citizens who become lifelong learners and are prepared to contribute their skills and talents to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools community and beyond.

For the past 18 months, we have been working on a comprehensive 10-year facility plan for our district with a focus on what our students need. To maintain our competitive edge and retain the strong reputation P-CCS has earned, we must provide all students with learning environments that are safe, innovative and responsive to the uniqueness of today's learners.

By providing leading-edge programming, we strive to ensure students engage in opportunities that develop the skills and attributes needed for their success. This plan has been driven by collaboration and engagement with a diverse group of countless stakeholders. The visioning that came out of this work is the re-

sult of community forums, workshop sessions, and conversations focused around one goal: What our students need, and what they deserve.

This plan touches all schools and programs in our district with necessary upgrades, improvements, and enhancements. The general fund cannot sustain the magnitude of these needs, so our only option as a public school district is to finance these capital investments through alternative sources; one option available to us is a bond proposal. On Nov. 26, 2019, the P-CCS Board of Education voted to allow the community to decide on a bond proposal March 10.

If passed, this bond proposal would generate \$275 million at a zero millage rate increase to taxpayers, retaining the current millage rate of 4.02 mills. If this bond proposal were to fail, the debt millage rate will decrease by 0.98 mills on July 1, 2020, which would result in a decrease in tax obligation. We are asking our community to invest in our schools by retaining the current debt millage rate of 4.02 mills.

The theme for this bond is equity. Every student has the right to the same P-CCS experience. The 10-year plan includes enhancements to safety and security, technology upgrades, replacement of buses, new playground equipment and classroom furniture and much, much more.

This bond proposal would provide dedicated spaces for art, music and physical education for all elementary schools. To allow for cutting-edge experiences for our middle and high school students, this plan includes an innovation hub, a full renovation of the Salem High performing arts center, a natatorium at Plymouth HS, and multi-purpose areas for activities and athletics.

As we celebrate "190 Years of P-CCS," we have recognized the importance of ongoing investments in our buildings and facilities. Just as we are required to make improvements to our homes, this plan allows us to make improvements to our school buildings and grounds to keep our facilities in great condition.

We have been fiscally responsible and good stewards of our taxpayers' money, as evidenced by our unqualified audit opinion and improved bond rating. We have the ability to continue this work and issue bonds without high interest rates, allowing us to make necessary investments in our schools without an increase to the debt millage rate.

We are working to educate our community about the details of this upcoming bond election. Please visit [www.pccsk12.com](http://www.pccsk12.com) for additional information.

*Monica Merritt is the superintendent of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.*

## Seven unusual items available to buy at new bulk food stores

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It's only been about six months since Alex Halla-

ni opened his second Bulk Food and Smoothies in Westland, doubling the bulk food empire he first started in Dearborn. Hallani recently dou-

bled the number of stores again, opening shops in Canton and Livonia. "Sometimes, the stars just align," said Hallani, a Canton resident.

The store has several hundred products for sale, many of them available in bulk containers, allowing customers to select the amount they need. The Canton store, open in a former Yogurt City at 42545 Ford Road, opened in early January. The Livonia store, open in a long-vacant space at 19049 Middlebelt next to Planet Fitness, opened in early February.

While there are plenty of typical products, such as M&M's and Hershey's ice cream (a staple at all four of Hallani's stores), there are also many unusual items to be found in the aisles of the four stores.

Here are a few:

**Rainbow gummy bears**

"You cannot find this anywhere," Hallani said. "Nobody has those."

He said the company roasts the nuts and adds the seasonings before shipping them to Bulk Food and Smoothies.

**Gummy rattlesnake**

You've heard of gummy bears, gummy worms, even gummy frogs, but Hallani is banking on the fact that customers have never seen a gummy rattlesnake.

The multicolored foot-long-or-so candy creature provides the familiar gummy-candy flavor, just packaged in a reptilian format.

"You can't find gummy rattlesnakes anywhere," he said. "Where are you going to find gummy rattlesnakes?"

**Mint chocolate chips**

Mint chocolate chip is a standard ice cream flavor, but those looking to bake with mint and chocolate need to look no further than Hallani's store, which sells literal mint chocolate chips.

**Voorman cookies**

Odds are everyone's grandparent has served them Voorman's cookies. At Bulk Food and Smoothies, a wide array of these cookies can be bought in bulk, including oatmeal apple, maple creme sandwiches and Chinese almond.

The Livonia store is open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. The Canton location is open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

More information can be found at [dearborn-bulkfoods.com](http://dearborn-bulkfoods.com).

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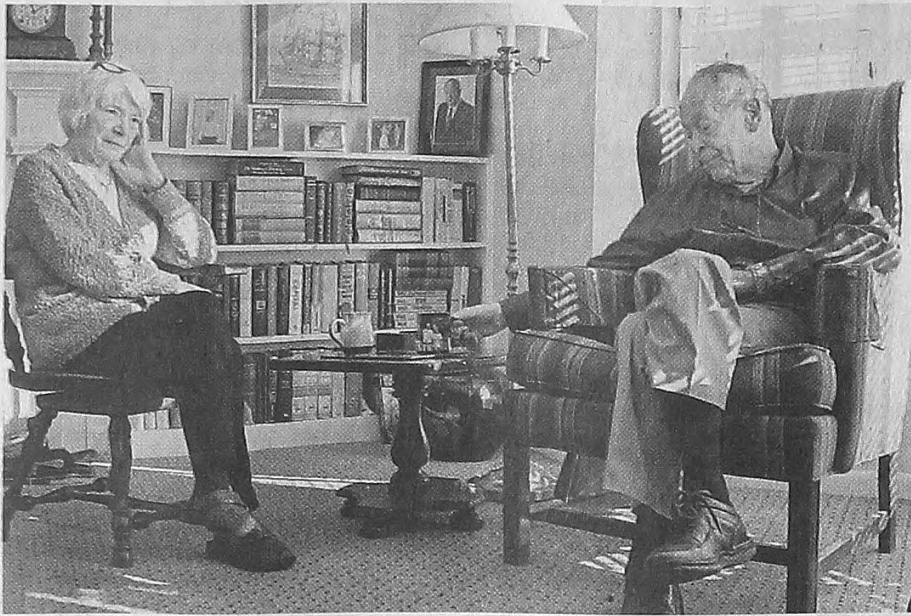
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## COLD CASES OAKLAND COUNTY CHILD KILLER



Janice King, left, and her husband, Barry, talk about Barry's son with his first wife, Marion. Tim King died in 1977, possibly abducted and then murdered by the Oakland County Child Killer. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Victim's father still hoping for answers

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Barry King was able to find some peace, more than his wife ever could, after their son, Tim King, became the Oakland County Child Killer's fourth and final victim.

Tim, 11, was like his dad. He wanted to visit a local pharmacy for a well-deserved treat.

While his dad enjoyed a strawberry soda in his younger days, Tim was interested in buying some candy at a nearby drugstore when he departed from his family's Birmingham home with a skateboard on March 16, 1977.

He did so while his family had other plans for the evening. Barry King, an attorney, had taken his wife out for a quick legal assignment, determined to spend more time with her. Marion King had been experiencing some high blood pressure issues.

Tim King's sister and two brothers also spent time away from the house. When their parents returned home around 8:30 p.m., there was no sign of Tim.

The father talked to police that night. He talked to TV reporters a few days later. A villain known as the Oakland County Child Killer had already abducted and killed three other children.

Barry King, now 88, recently sat in his living room, remembering that he was lying in bed with the radio on when he heard a child's body had been found in Livonia.

"I figured the odds were 99 percent it was Tim," the father said. "Marion never got over it."

It wasn't an unknown topic in the household. King had even talked to Tim at the dinner table after the disappearances and deaths of Mark Stebbins, 12, in February 1976; Jill Robinson, 12, in December 1976; and Kristin Mihelich, 10, in January 1977.

"I said to Tim, 'If anybody approaches you, and wants you to do something, drop everything you've got, scream as loud as you can and run as fast as you can,'" Barry King said.

### Does time heal?

Barry and Marion King's three other children found success in their careers, and he was able to retire from the law profession.

Tim's mom died, and his father remarried one of her dear friends.

On the verge of another birthday, Barry King has diabetes and walks 30-minute miles. He keeps his wits sharp by reading and pursuing lifelong learning opportunities. If boredom strikes, he goes upstairs to watch Fox News.

But there's something on his bucket list he may never cross off, and that's getting an Oakland County prosecutor to speak to him about the investigation and evidence against key suspects to his satisfaction.

"I just want to know why nobody will talk to me and why (Oakland County Prosecutor) Jessica Cooper has lied not only to me but to the court," King said.

King is especially interested in Christopher Busch, the son of a former General Motors executive and a convicted pedophile who died by suicide in 1978 in his parents' home in 1978.

King is convinced his son died in a child abuse and pedophile ring that moved children through Detroit's Cass Corridor and North Fox Island.

King suspects that money has kept the prosecutors and investigators from sharing as much information as he thinks they should.

### About this series

Cases get colder and tougher to solve as time passes without significant clues. Crime statisticians warn of a cold case crisis. According to the U.S. Department of Justice, the nation has about 250,000 unsolved murders, and the number rises by several thousand each year. This is part of a series of stories looking at some of the cold cases in metro Detroit.

Exercising his rights as a victim in one of the region's most horrific tragedies, he keeps pushing for more information and definitive answers.

Over the years, he has filed litigation, written a blog and drawn up a 19-page document, "Oakland County Child Killer: Coincidence or Cover Up?"

"In 2009, the King family made several requests to the Oakland County prosecutor and the OCCK Task Force for a meeting to discuss the Busch investigation," he wrote, adding that the meeting was adjourned at least twice. "The Task Force later agreed to meet with the King family on Oct. 27. The meeting was attended by the Oakland County prosecutor, the Wayne County prosecutor, the Michigan State Police, the Livonia Police Department and the FBI. They did not answer any of the questions from the King family. Coincidence or cover up?"

According to his summary, "based on the above discussion, and unless someone submits undiscovered facts, the King family has concluded that Oakland County was silent for more than three decades after it concluded Christopher Busch was involved."

### A voice in the election

Barry King seems like the kind of older gent willing to talk about the prosecutor's investigation as long as someone listens.

He knows he's not stupid - he can't be, he'll say, after graduating from the University of Michigan Law School, one of the best in the nation. And he'll pierce his stories with mentions of his degree in barroom psychology.

He's confident his opinion matters, and he's willing to share that opinion if it means he may receive the information he's looking for. King mentioned Oakland County's former prosecutor and executive L. Brooks Patterson, who died over the summer.

"He said, 'Barry ... I wish I was still prosecutor. I would make you a special prosecutor and give you full access to the file.' I voted for him every time. I always thought he was very competent," King said.

Still critical of Patterson's relationship with the families of the Oakland County Child Killer victims, King is even less impressed with Cooper, who declined to comment for this story.

She has said that science ultimately will solve the Oakland County Child Killer case.

Her chief assistant prosecutor, Paul Walton, swore that prosecutors and investigators have given everything they can to King.

Investigations in the late '70s did not have the same standards and technologies when collecting and preserving evidence that they do today, he said.

"Of course, he's a victim," Walton said of King. "We have treated him as a victim, but sometimes you can't give the victim the answer he wants. You can only give the victim the answer that we know, and that has been done."



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# Livonia family waits days in cold to get tickets for 'Saturday Night Live'

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Tim Klisz wanted to score tickets to "Saturday Night Live" last weekend. Days before the Feb. 29 show, he, his wife, Deanna, and their daughter, Andie, were the first three people in line on 48th Street in New York City waiting to get tickets.

Why? They really wanted to see John Mulaney, a comedian and former writer for the show, host with musical guest David Byrne. It was the family's third time actually seeing the show "live from New York."

"The amazing experience is how small it is," he said. "It's so small. It's like 300 people, so you're seeing this musical act with 300 other people. So that's kind of cool. And you're watching everyone run around, like Lorne Michaels (the show's creator and producer) is pacing the floor."

Previously, Klisz has seen actress Sandra Oh, known for her roles on "Killing Eve" and "Grey's Anatomy," as well as actor Adam Driver, known for the latest "Star Wars" trilogy and "Marriage Story," host SNL.

The family actually was planning to see Mulaney perform a stand-up show elsewhere that weekend. But when he got moved to SNL, they decided to follow him.

"We were originally set to see John Mulaney in Toronto and, of course, he got the call from Lorne Michaels that said, 'Hey, we want you to host and this is the only day you could host.' So he moved his Toronto show," Klisz said.

Klisz's daughter, a junior at Stevenson High School, is a big Mulaney fan and is hoping to follow the comic's career path as an SNL writer.

There's three ways to get in: know someone, enter the ticket lottery or wait in the standby line.

"Standbys are the rest of us suckers



Andie Klisz takes a selfie with "Saturday Night Live" cast member Aidy Bryant. COURTESY OF TIM KLISZ

that get in line on 48th Street, like one block away from Rockefeller Center, and plop down our sleeping bags, wagon and chairs, coats, gloves and all that stuff," Klisz said.

Even though things got cold, Klisz said New York City's weather is better than the snow Livonia was dealing with at the time. Plus, they were prepared with sleeping bags and lounge chairs in the hopes of getting some shut-eye at night.

To help everyone warm up, Michaels sends soup down to those waiting in

line. Some hosts, like actor Lin-Manuel Miranda and singer Taylor Swift, have been known to have food delivered to those waiting in the standby line, too.

Though the show has changed so much in its 45-year run, Klisz said his favorite era includes the mid-2000s cast that included Tina Fey, Jason Sudeikis, Bill Hader, Kristen Wiig and Seth Meyers.

"I think that's the best," he said. "But I like the new people."

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## Seedlings fundraiser to help create braille books

Count Michigan Supreme Court Justice Richard Bernstein among those bowling for braille books for kids.

Seedlings Braille Books for Children is holding its 33rd annual Bowling for Braille Books fundraiser March 14 at Novi Bowl in Novi.

Bernstein made history in 2014 when he became the first blind justice elected to the state's highest court. Seedlings spokeswoman Karen Smith said Bernstein is a longtime Seedlings supporter and a braille advocate.

"Seedlings' books bring the world to life for the blind," he said.

To make a donation or register to bowl, go to <https://bit.ly/2GX0QJR>.

Seedlings' goal is to raise \$60,000 at the event. It is the Livonia non-profit's biggest fundraiser of the year.

"Braille books are rare and often expensive, sometimes costing more than \$100 each. For every 100 books a sighted child has, a blind child may have just five," Seedlings Founder/Director Debra Bonde stated in a release. "How can a child learn to read without books?"

Seedlings gives half of its books free to blind children all over the world.

The other half are sold for an average of only \$10 a book, according to Smith.

Check-in to the event starts at noon with bowling at 1 p.m.

The minimum pledge of \$65 includes three games of bowling, shoe rental, T-shirt, goody bag, lunch and one raffle ticket. Auction items and raffles are planned, and you do not need to bowl to take part in those programs.

Learn more about the nonprofit at [www.seedlings.org](http://www.seedlings.org).

## Eatery

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With the reopening comes a new identity to better reflect the restaurant's mission and menu: Goodbye Luigi's Pizza Cafe, hello Luigi's Trattoria and Pizzeria.

"It's a better representation of what we are," Mainella said. "They didn't know you could come in here and get chicken marsala or a salmon dish."

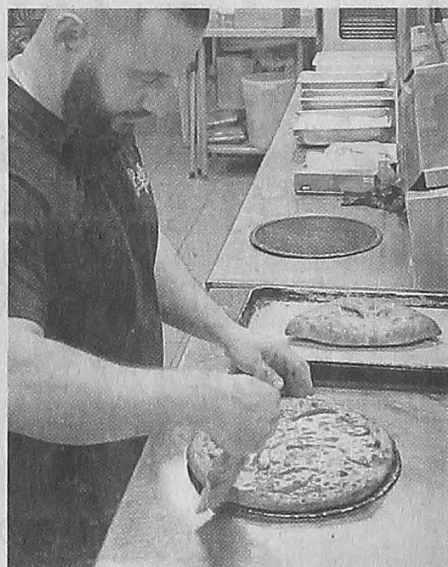
"That's the definition of 'trattoria.' It's basically a smaller Italian restaurant that serves simple Italian dishes."

Remodeling talk began two years ago and the family decided to shut down right after the holidays, traditionally a slower time of year, to begin the work. They've reorganized the kitchen to better prepare plates and added an additional stove.

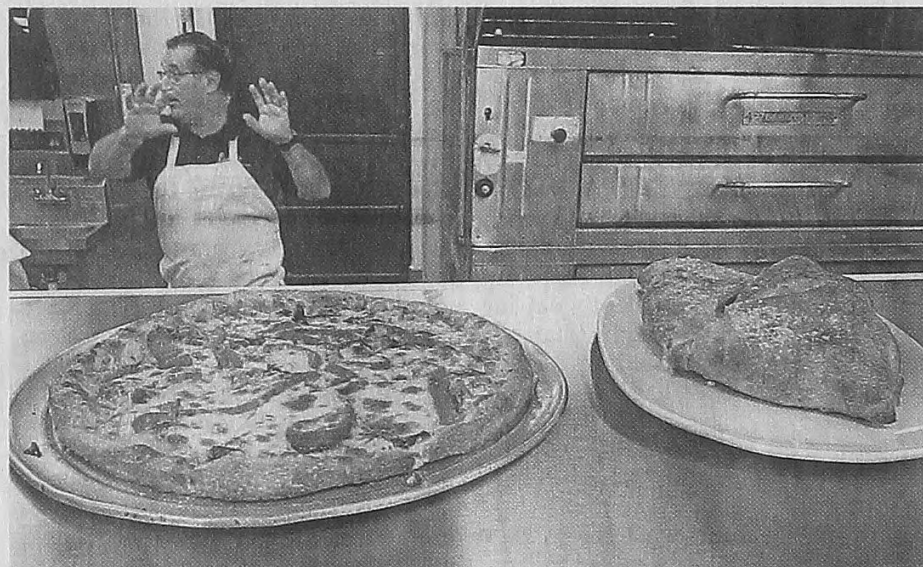
In addition to the kitchen remodel, the family spruced up the dining room, adding a fresh coat of paint and making some improvements around the back bar area.

Filippo Mainella, Tommaso's father, who opened the restaurant in 2000, is ecstatic about the new kitchen and how it will better serve customers.

"The end result, we like it. What can I say?" he said. "It'll make it a lot easier for



At left, Luigi Mainella brushes some butter onto a pizza crust at Luigi's in Livonia. The restaurant has reopened as Luigi's Trattoria and Pizzeria, featuring an updated kitchen. At right, orders sit ready for customers. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



us than what it used to be."

The restaurant is named for Filippo Mainella's father, Luigi, who moved to the United States from Italy when Filippo was a child.

The family came to Detroit and Filippo moved to Livonia in the 1970s. He worked in construction before hurting his back, which led him to the culinary world. He's been crafting his Italian dishes ever since.

While the menu remains the same, Tommaso Mainella said there are plans to add to it: more meat dishes, including short ribs, are planned later this spring.

The current full menu for the restaurant is available at [luigispizzacafe.com](http://luigispizzacafe.com).

Filippo Mainella said he's dedicated to serving customers from across the region, but is especially proud of the town he's called home for decades.

Having customers call the restaurant

on a regular basis during the closure asking when they would reopen showed him how important the remodel would be to his customers and his staff.

"We love Livonia," he said. "This was overdue and it will make our life a lot easier."

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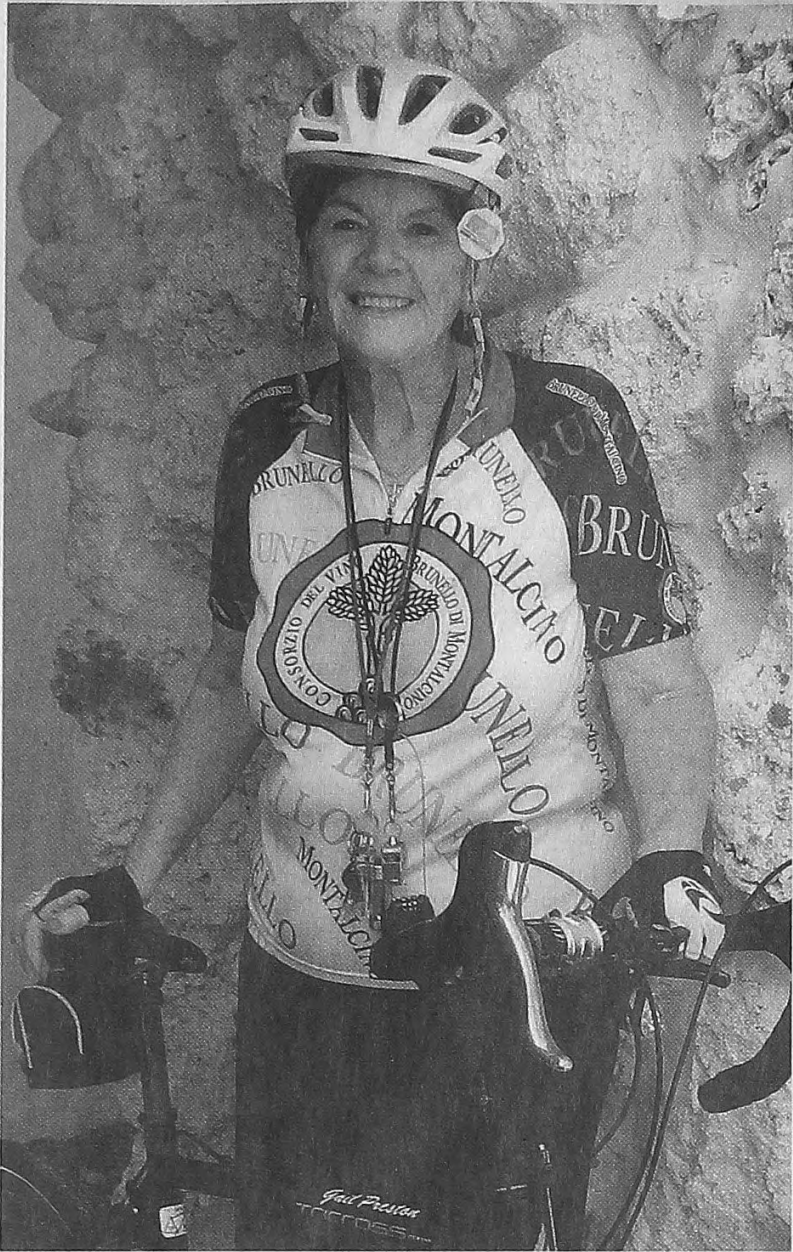
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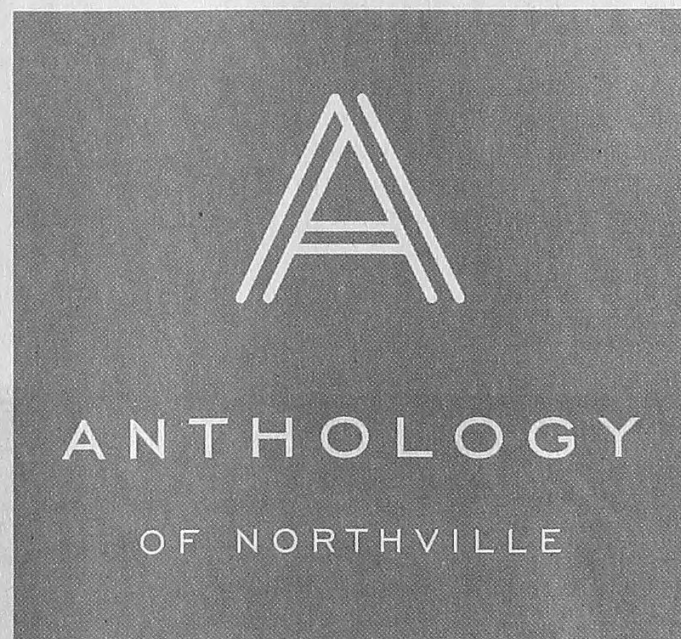
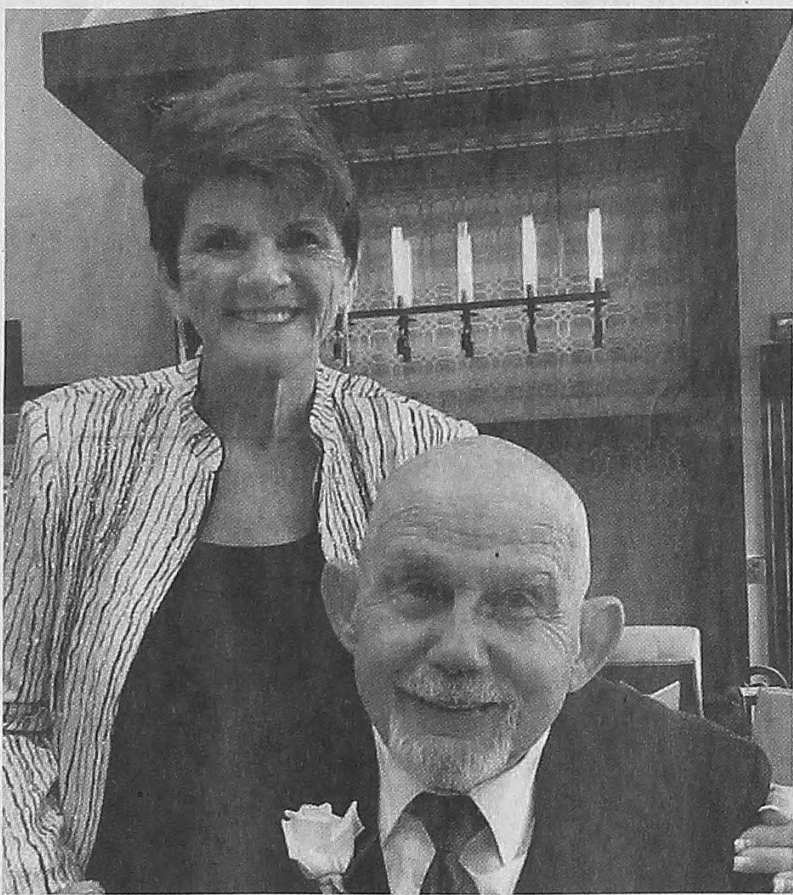
# GAIL PRESTON'S NEXT CHAPTER

Gail Preston has cycled all around the world. Her adventures have taken her to places like New Zealand where she spent weeks touring the country by bicycle. In fact, cycling is how she found her second love in Bud, her husband. As part of a local cyclist club they found a new adventure in each other after becoming widowed.

Together they would cycle just two miles away from Anthology of Northville at Hines Drive Park once a day for year. Each receiving a medal for 3,000 miles logged in a year! Gail's passion has passed down to her granddaughter, Hannah, where they crossed the lower peninsula twice with "Pedal Across Lower Michigan" organization.

Her and Bud moved into Anthology of Northville just after it opened in August. You can spot her car with the bike rack as she still enjoys rides on Hines Drive. Her ride into senior living, not much different from many other rides, have led to new life long relationships.

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# Small millage, big vote for DIA tax renewal

Christina Hall Detroit Free Press  
USA TODAY NETWORK

While the millage renewal being sought by the Detroit Institute of Arts – at 0.2 mills – is small, the March 10 vote has big ramifications.

Originally approved by voters in 2012 to shore up the then-financially-strapped museum, it was promised as a one-time levy spread over 10 years. But that was before the game-changing Grand Bargain two years later that helped save the museum's artwork from being sold off during Detroit's bankruptcy.

Now, the DIA is asking voters in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties to renew its millage for another decade – two years ahead of when the current levy is set to expire.

There is a lot at stake for the DIA – the millage represents about 65% of its operating budget. If the millage is allowed to expire in 2022, free admission to residents of the three counties, as well as other programs, could go away.

Some voters cite that broken promise of a one-time tax request as a reason to vote no, while others say the millage has opened up the museum to thousands of visitors who previously couldn't afford admission, making it worth renewing.

Cheryl Salinas-Tucker of Ferndale said her support "has not wavered." Her daughter, 15, grew up in the museum and she believes the DIA influenced her daughter's interest in art.

"I see the benefit of going. Ten years ago, that museum was not crowded and now, it's packed," Salinas-Tucker said. "It shouldn't just be for a few people who could get in."

She said she didn't have access to the DIA as a youth "because it was too expensive for us."

Because of the millage, she said, her daughter has accessed the museum for much of her young life with free general admission for tri-county residents versus a once-a-year, special occasion visit if they had to pay admission. Adult admission for nonresidents is \$14.

When the millage was first proposed, it was to funnel an estimated \$23 million a year to the museum. The DIA was living hand-to-mouth for more than two decades after losing \$16 million in state funding dating to 1990. The Great Recession made the museum's finances even more precarious.

To keep the museum afloat, the Legislature in 2010 passed a bill allowing, with voter approval, a tax of not more than 0.2 mills to be levied for up to 20 years for the DIA.

The plan was for the museum to turn its fundraising machinery toward building an endowment, with the millage supporting operating funds. The goal was to have enough money on hand to cover 60% of the DIA's operating budget once the millage expired.

But museum leaders then didn't know about some of the changes ahead, DIA Director Salvador Salort-Pons said. One of the changes was the Grand Bargain that came about after Detroit declared bankruptcy in 2013. That 2014 agreement involved numerous philanthropic foundations, the state of Michigan and the DIA pooling more than \$800 million to fund city pensions and avoid selling off DIA art as part of the bankruptcy.

The DIA raised \$100 million toward the Grand Bargain, with money going to pensioners instead of the endowment. In the process, the museum became independent of the city.

Salort-Pons said museum leaders years ago also didn't know relationships with the counties' service agreements "would change the culture" and provide services because of the millage support.

The renewal is not an all or nothing proposal. If it fails in one county, it will continue to be levied in the other two counties. Services probably would be cut to residents in the county where the renewal failed.

There is a caveat in Macomb County, where the original millage passed by 50.5% (compared with wider margins in Oakland and Wayne counties). If the renewal passes in Macomb, but fails in one of the other counties, Macomb could decide whether to levy the millage, David Flynn, the DIA's senior vice president of public and community affairs, said in November.

Salort-Pons said 30,000 students annually visited the DIA before 2012. Today, 90,000 visit each year with 80,000 of them from the three counties. He said there was no program for seniors before the millage.

Overall, Salort-Pons said about 300,000 visitors came to the DIA annually before 2012. Today, it has 700,000 visitors yearly. Seventy-seven percent are from the tri-county area, DIA spokeswoman Christine Klooststra said.

The museum's operating budget is \$38 million, Salort-Pons said, with the millage bringing in \$23 million

to \$25 million. He said the renewal request is not a new tax and "is a way to keep things the way they are." He's also hoping to boost the \$240 million endowment to \$600 million.

Salort-Pons said foundations have given about \$1 million to help the museum raise awareness of its service agreements with the counties through TV and radio ads, mailings and social media efforts. A campaign supporting the millage renewal is separate with funds being raised through donations, he said.

Salort-Pons said DIA officials have tried to broaden its offerings to appeal to more residents in the tri-county community, including special exhibits.

This year, there will be a special exhibit on car design that he said will be free to tri-county residents. Another special exhibit with nearly 70 Van Goghs, he said, will be a ticketed exhibit with a significant discount for tri-county residents.

But some voters still remember large salary hikes given to former museum executives in 2012 before millage dollars began to flow in. Salort-Pons, who came on as director in 2015, is paid \$475,000 this year, but museum officials have said that is less than the salaries of other museum directors in the U.S.

Residents in the three counties have been receiving mailings from the DIA about its offerings.

Opposition has cropped up in robocalls in Macomb County, where the DIA millage squeaked by in 2012.

"The robocall is meant to alert people that there are expensive tax issues on the ballot and that they should be aware of them," said Leon Drolet, chairman of the Michigan Taxpayers Alliance, which paid for the calls.

In Macomb County, voters countywide not only will decide on the DIA renewal, but also a new 1.9-mill enhancement millage for 10 years for public schools.

Drolet said no specific entity was mentioned in the robocalls, but the calls indicated that taxing authorities added tax increase proposals to the presidential primary ballot, sneaking them on.

The DIA recently was sued in Wayne County Circuit Court by Edward Amyot, a Macomb County businessman who lives in St. Clair County. Amyot said in his complaint that the DIA denied him records he requested under the Freedom of Information Act.

The DIA's Klooststra responded, saying the museum "is a private not-for-profit entity that is not subject to the Freedom of Information Act."

## Obituaries

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### Jim Preston

**PLYMOUTH** - March 1, 2020 age 75. Beloved father of Laurie A. Weide, and the late Jimmy Preston. Proud grandfather of Olivia Weide. Dear significant other of Judy McGill. Dear brother of Barb (Steve) Cook, Tim (Lou Ann) Preston, and Bob (Pam) Preston. Dear step-brother of Janey (Denny) Alickson, Murlin Watne, and the late Karen Watne. Dear half brother to Pamela Preston-Mclanahan. Founding Partner of Remerica-Michigan. Jim loved spending time on Lake Erie, catching perch and walleyes. Visitation Sunday, March 8th 2 PM until the 4 PM Memorial Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Rd. W., (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. A gathering will follow at the Plymouth ROC. Memorial contributions may be made to the Family Memorial Fund. To share a memory, please visit [vermeulenhfh.com](http://vermeulenhfh.com)



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Canton Township firefighters approach a home on Federal Boulevard hours after a fire at the residence. No one was injured.

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### Fire

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was removed from the upstairs of the home, Stoecklein said, adding that it appeared to have died from smoke inhalation.

Canton Township firefighters arrived at the scene of the fire, 50678 Federal Blvd., at about 6:30 p.m.

Emergency personnel were still at the scene at 11 p.m.

Stoecklein said it appears the fire started in the basement.

"The cause of the fire is not suspicious in nature at this time," said Stoecklein.

The house is in a subdivision west of Denton Road and north of Geddes Road.

Contact reporter Ed Wright at [ewright@hometownlife.com](mailto:ewright@hometownlife.com) or 517-375-1113.

### Crash

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crash into the Buick.

The Buick driver also was struck and killed instantly.

The Chrysler continued down the highway on its roof, and the driver was later transported to a local

hospital in stable condition.

The freeway remained closed for several hours.

On Feb. 11, a 61-year-old man from Westland and a 39-year-old man from Oak Park died along eastbound Interstate 696.

They had stepped out of their vehicles after a minor crash.

Contact reporter Susan Vela at [svela@hometownlife.com](mailto:svela@hometownlife.com) or 248-303-8432. Follow her on Twitter @susanvela.

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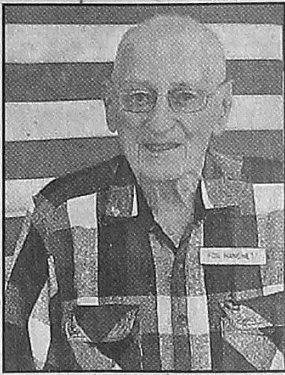


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### Ronald Bruce Hanchett

Ronald Bruce Hanchett, known to many as “Chief”, passed away on March 4, 2020. He lived a wonderful 96 years, born on October 11, 1923 in Plymouth, Michigan. He was preceded in death by his parents, Owen and Mona Hanchett, his brothers, Roger and Merritt (Bud) Hanchett and his sister, Irene Antieau. He was married shortly after graduation to a woman who became his life long sweetheart, Mae Hanchett (Laughlin) on April 9, 1943. Mae passed away shortly after their 68th anniversary in 2011.



Not long after graduation from Wayne High School, Ron enlisted in the U.S. Navy in January, 1943. He was a Chief Gunner’s Mate, 2nd Class serving aboard the USS Miami (CL-89, Light Cruiser). Ron commanded a crew of a 5 inch gun and fought in several battles in the Pacific, to include one of the War’s bloodiest, the Battle of Okinawa. That battle lasted from April 1, 1945 to June 22, 1945 where over 12,000 Sailors and Marines lost their lives. After the war, Ron tried his hand at farming for a couple years and then in 1948 he was hired by Unistrut Corporation, a large steel manufacturing company, in Wayne, Michigan. Ron went to night school and became the head electrician at the company where he worked for just a few months short of 40 years. For many years, he and Mae lived on Thames Street in Westland, Michigan with their two children Barry and Sherry, both graduating from Wayne Memorial High School. Mae worked at Garden City Hospital for 30 years and after they both retired, they moved to a comfy home on Budd Lake, in Harrison, Michigan. After Mae’s death in 2011, Ron moved to The Village of Westland, a senior living community and passed away there.

Ron loved hunting and fishing and in his younger years at Unistrut, played 2nd base on their competitive fast pitch softball team. He also played in their golf and bowling leagues, right up until his retirement. He was an avid supporter of the Detroit Lions and the Detroit Tigers, (where he threw out the “first pitch” at a home game at the age of 91.) He and Mae enjoyed travelling and went on many trips to see the sights of our beautiful country. One of their most enjoyable trips was to Europe for 3 weeks where they travelled throughout the countries and spent several days in Rome. They thoroughly enjoyed their life together.

Surviving Ron are his two children, Barry (Cyndy) Hanchett and Sherry (the late James) Prokes. Sherry lives in Westland, Michigan and Barry and Cyndy live in Brevard, NC. He is also survived by 5 grandchildren, Joseph (Yvonne) Prokes, Jennifer (Jeff) Feasel, Kenneth (Linda) Prokes, , Christi (David) Hurst, and Lyndee Lard Hanchett. Great grandchildren, Caitlyn, Zachary, Shane, Jacob, Joseph, Lauren, Jolee and Leah.

Memorable contributions may be made to The Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation designated for the Village of Westland.

The funeral service will be Monday, March 9 at 11:00 AM at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home. Visitation will be held at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan on Sunday March 8, 2020 from 12-5 p.m. Military honors will be at the Cadillac Memorial Gardens Cemetery on Ford Road, Westland Michigan, where Ron will be laid to rest next to his loving wife Mae.

Please share a memory of Ron at [www.rgrharris.com](http://www.rgrharris.com)



*May you  
find peace  
in this  
time of  
sorrow.*

### Everett L. Hutsell

LIVONIA - Age 82, passed away Wednesday, February 26, 2020. He was born December 6, 1937, in Texas County, Missouri, the son of Harry and Marie (Robinson) Hutsell. Everett married Mary Jane Buchanan on September 20, 1969 in Hermiston, Oregon. During his career, Everett was employed as an Aerospace Engineer with McDonnell Douglas, General Dynamics, Boeing, Lear Jet and Ford Motor Company. Surviving is his wife of 50 years, Mary Jane; children, Stephanie (Dan) Sapakie, John Hutsell and Harry (Deanna) Hutsell; grandchildren, Michael Hutsell, Katrina Sapakie, Saniya Sapakie, Hailey Hutsell, Harrison Hutsell and Hunter Hutsell; brother, Donald Hutsell; sister-in-law, Sharon Hutsell and six nieces and nephews. Sadly, Everett was preceded in death by his brother, James and his parents. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington. Interment immediately followed at Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Memorial tributes suggested to the Disabled Veterans or the Salvation Army. [heeney-sundquist.com](http://heeney-sundquist.com)



### Freddrick ‘Freddy’ Hawkins

GARDEN CITY - Age 18 March 1, 2020. Beloved son of Mark and Roxanne Hawkins. Dear brother of Mark J. (Ana Julissa), Anthony (Skye) and Candace. Amazing uncle of Christina, Claire, Leiyah and one on the way. Dear grandson of Alliene and Hamp Johnson, Breen Hammons and the late Kathrine Hammons and Dorthy Hawkins. He was very dearly loved and will be deeply missed by many family members and friends. Freddy played football at Garden City High School where he loved his classmates and they loved him. He loved to entertain his family and friends with his animated impersonations that ranged from Donald Trump, Obama and even Stevy from the Family Guy. It didn’t matter the time or place, if there was an opportunity to dance, he did so to put a smile on someone’s face regardless of the cost or ‘table’. He embraced art through drawing and playing the guitar. Freddy loved life and above all he loved GOD. Visitation Tuesday, family hour from 10 am – 11 am. Funeral Service to start at 11 am at Greater Dreams Church, 35118 W. Michigan Ave., in Wayne. (at Wayne Rd.). [www.santeiufuneralhome.com](http://www.santeiufuneralhome.com)



### Frederick J. Beyer Jr.

Frederick J. Beyer Jr., age 65, passed away February 29, 2020. He was born July 1, 1954 in Oak Park, Illinois, son of the late Frederick Sr. and Rebecca Beyer. He is survived by his wife, Jennifer (DeVenny); his children: Joseph Beyer and Rebecca Beyer; and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his sister, Elizabeth Beyer, his parents and his second mom, Dottie and many aunts and uncles. He will be sadly missed by many friends and family. A memorial service will be held on Friday, March 6 at 11:00AM at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake Street, South Lyon. He will be laid to rest in Great Lakes National Cemetery. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



### Betty Jane Barbour

PLYMOUTH - Betty Jane Barbour, age 96 of Plymouth, passed away on January 25, 2020. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.



### Laura Grace Bohle Blide Sias

Laura Grace Bohle Blide Sias, born March 20, 1923 in Chicago, Illinois passed away peacefully on October 21, 2019 at her home in Rochester Hills, Michigan.

Laura, known for her love of life, her church, golf and teaching, described herself as a music-oholic. She was involved as a musician and teacher for over 90 years. One of her first musical memories was at age 5 when she heard her neighbor practicing the piano and asked if she could watch and listen to him practice. After a year of listening, she began piano lessons from her neighbor’s teacher at the Chicago Fine Arts Building.



She began violin lessons in the fifth grade and played in the Chicago Children’s Festival Orchestra before becoming concertmistress of her school orchestra in the 8th grade. A highlight for Laura was the opportunity for her orchestra to play at the Chicago World’s Fair “A Century of Progress” and studying with Chicago Symphony violinist Ted (Theodore) Silavin. At Austin High School the orchestra director used the seniority system seating arrangement. Since Laura did not like sitting in a back row and since there were only 3 violas, she volunteered to play the viola and was able to move up to the first chair. Shortly thereafter, her violin teacher dropped off a bass at her house with the instructions “since you play the piano, you should be able to figure out how to play the bass from the book”. So, in her senior year in high school she played bass — while continuing to play viola in the string quartet with violinist Jack Pernecky, who later became associate dean of graduate studies in the music department at Northwestern University.

The Bohles were members of Medina Country Club and Laura enjoyed weekly golf lessons as a teenager with golf pro Tommy Armour who offered to make her a professional golfer. Her father thought this would be a good idea, since he was sure that she would not be able to support herself in music. Although she did choose music, she continued to play golf until 2016.

While attending Wright Junior College, Laura played in the Chicago Women’s Symphony, the Grant Park Symphony and the Chicago Civic

Symphony. One evening in Grant Park, Laura was approached to join the Ada Leonard’s All Girl Orchestra. She joined them to play first in Denver and then as they continued a USO circuit through 48 states. While playing in Rochester, NY, Laura visited Eastman School of music, tried out for and won a full scholarship plus a position with the Rochester Philharmonic. During the summer, Laura was invited to join D’Artega’s All Girl Orchestra to go on their USO tour to Italy. She received leave from Eastman and spent the next year in Italy, France, Germany and Czechoslovakia. When she returned to Eastman, Laura found that Leonard Bernstein and Eric Leinsdorf were co-conducting the Rochester Philharmonic.

After graduating from Eastman, Laura played with the San Antonio Symphony. She moved from there to Cleveland, Ohio to teach orchestra and complete her MA in Music Education at Western Reserve University. Laura then moved to Royal Oak and taught for twenty-eight years. During that time, she served as church organist and music director at Lutheran Church of the Shepherd King and Ascension of Christ. She was principal bass of the Detroit Women’s Symphony, Warren Symphony, the Michigan Opera and Michigan Chamber Orchestra.

Laura attended Suzuki violin and cello workshops with Shinichi Suzuki at University of Wisconsin and in Matsumoto, Japan. She began teaching students in Royal Oak utilizing the Suzuki method and prepared many students for professional careers and the joy of playing strings. She continued to teach until October 20, 2019.

Laura served as officer for the Michigan School Band & Orchestra Association, the Michigan Unit of American String Teachers Association and the Detroit Federation of Musicians.

Laura was preceded in death by her parents Fred J. and Laura Lenox Bohle, her sister Francis Bohle Erickson and husbands H.W. Blide and Jack Sias.

A memorial service is planned for Sunday, March 15, 2020, 3:00pm, at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

Donations in Laura’s Honor may be directed to Eastman School of Music at Rochester University, Michigan Symphony, Michigan Opera, Ascension of Christ Lutheran Church, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church or the American Cancer Society.



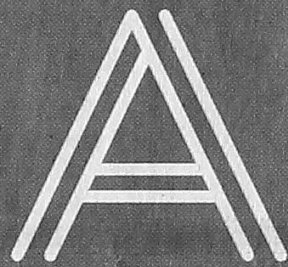
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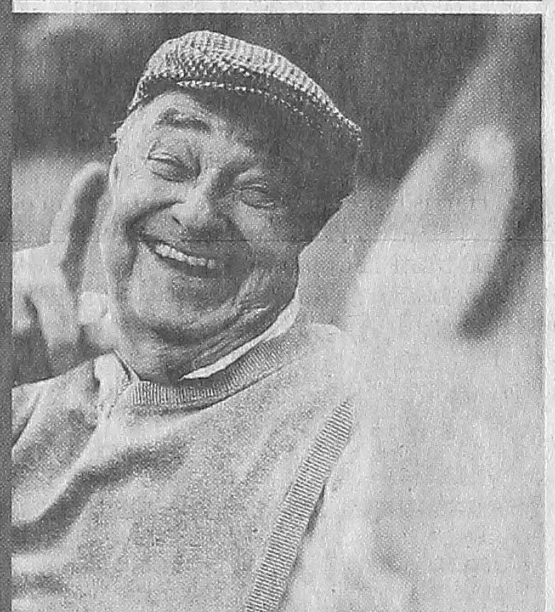
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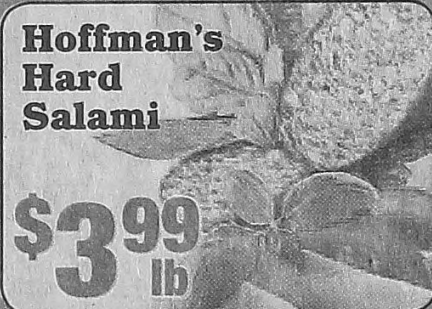


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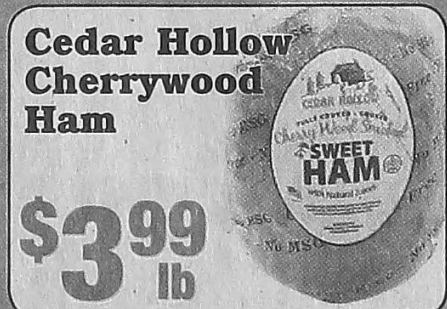
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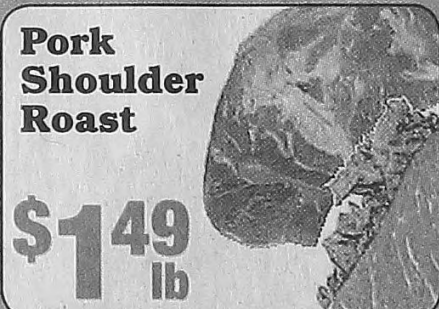
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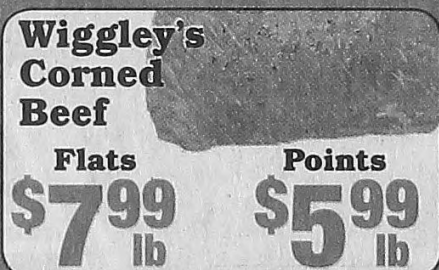
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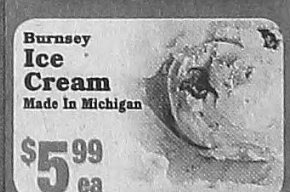


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# Sports



Marian head coach Mary Cicerone. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE PHOTO

GIRLS BASKETBALL MARIAN 78, SEAHOLM 29

## Mustangs open playoffs with rout

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From the tip, the first round of the 2020 girls basketball playoffs was Marian's. The Mustangs (16-5) exploded with a 23-point run to start the game, finishing Seaholm (8-13) with a 78-29 win over the Maples.

"It's definitely good to start off strong and get going," Marian junior guard/forward Shannon Kennedy said. "We're

just going to take it one game at a time and get going for Wednesday, get ready for Berkley." (Wednesday's game was played after this edition's deadline.) Here are three takeaways from Monday's matchup.

### Setting the tone

Marian could have not started much better. After starting the game with a 3 by Kennedy, the Mustangs were off, recording 10 straight scores against the

Maples in the first 12 minutes of the game. Marian hit three 3-pointers in the first quarter, taking advantage in transition with the help of four steals by senior guard Sophia Mancini. Seaholm did not get on the scoreboard until the buzzer, as senior forward Julia Crump finished at the rim for a lay-up, leaving the court facing a 23-2 deficit.

"The plan was just to come out hot,

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BOYS BASKETBALL HOWELL 52, CANTON 48

## Highlanders take KLAA championship

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For the third time this season Canton took on KLAA West foe Howell, and for the third time this season, the Chiefs fell to the Highlanders.

In a back-and-forth game, Howell pulled away late to secure a 52-48 win and the KLAA conference championship Tuesday night at Howell High School.

Howell improves to 16-4 overall with the win, while Canton drops to 13-7.

"We went a stretch there where we couldn't score and Jake (Vickers) is playing with foul trouble before eventually fouling out," Canton coach Jimmy Reddy said. "We needed to get some more stops, we were up three going into the fourth, 19 in the fourth is too many if you're trying to win a championship."

Here are three takeaways from the game:

**Riding the hot hand**

Riding the high of last week's win over Belleville, Canton entered Tuesday night's game with confidence — especially senior guard Ben Stesiak, who hit the game-winning shot at the buzzer in

Friday's game. Stesiak scored 16 first half points, accounting for more than half of his team's scoring. He finished the game with 29 points.

"What a warrior, I love that kid to death," Reddy said. "He's one of my all-time favorites. He's a competitor, and he wanted so badly to hoist the trophy. He was doing anything he could to get that done tonight. Unfortunately, they made a couple more plays than we did, that's a good basketball team."

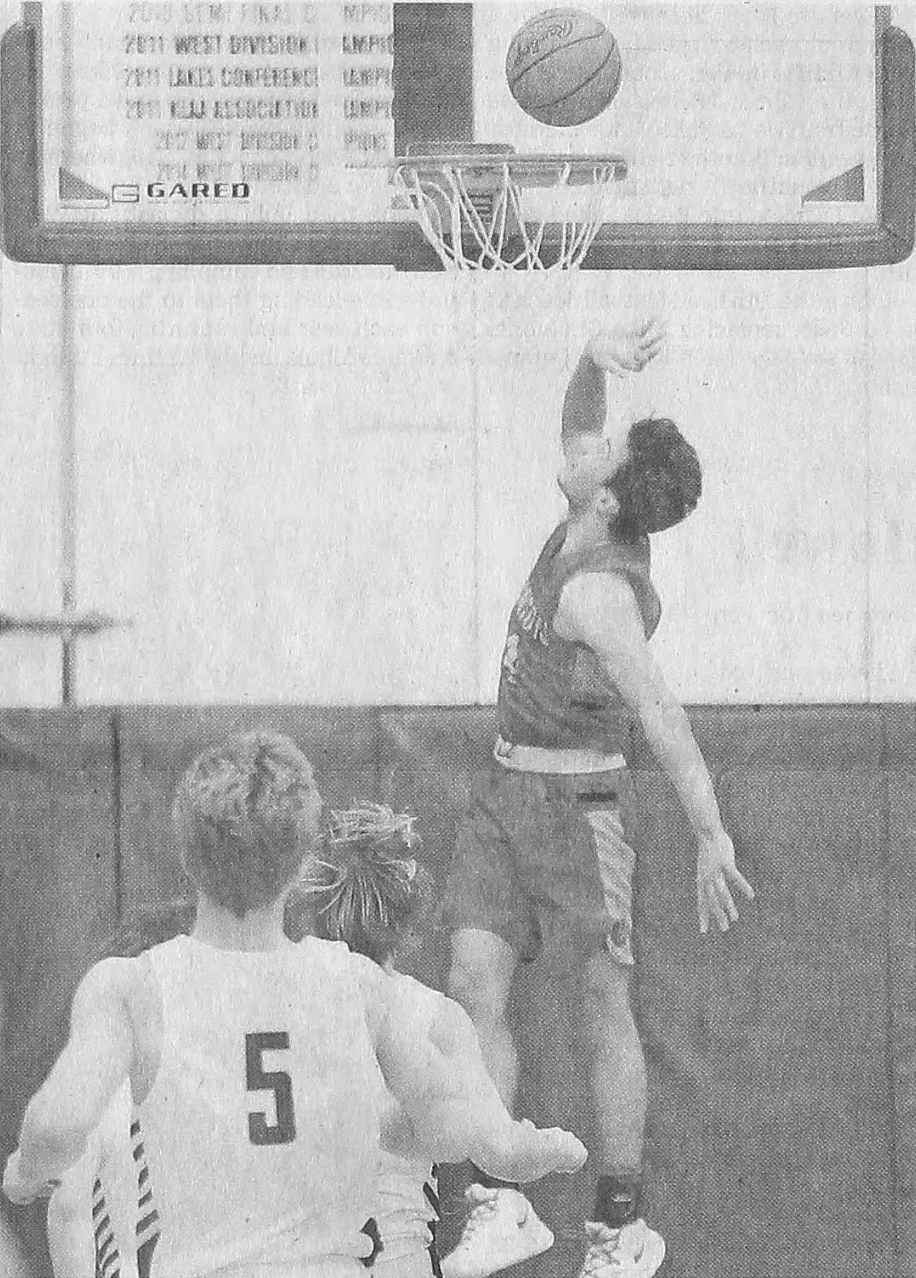
Canton rode Stesiak to a 18-12 lead after the first quarter, but that lead didn't hold up in the second quarter, mainly because of Howell's Will Hann, who scored 14 first half points of his own — 12 of which came on three-point attempts.

"I think I'm becoming more of a scorer inside the paint to help my team out," Stesiak said. "I also feel like I'm playing good defense and trying to distribute the ball to help everybody out. I'm trying to do the best I can to help us get wins."

Howell took a 28-25 lead into half-time.

"The guy that killed us, especially in the first half was (Hann) off the bench," Reddy said. "He killed us in the first game at our place too, to be honest. He was definitely a difference maker."

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Canton's Ben Stesiak scores two of his game-high 29 points against Howell in the KLAA championship game Tuesday. GILLIS BENEDICT/USA TODAY NETWORK-MICHIGAN

SOFTBALL

## Quartet of Stevenson players sign to play in college

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On Feb. 20, four members of the Livonia Stevenson softball program signed to continue their playing careers in college.

Surrounded by family and friends, Madeline Schornack signed with Jackson College, while Natalie Conn, Autumn Reed and Hailey Warra all signed with Schoolcraft College.

Schornack is a four-year varsity player at Stevenson in center field and plays for the Michigan Generals travel team.

The All-Conference player will be utilized in the outfield at Jackson College.

Conn is a three-year varsity player who plays travel for Northville. She will be used as a pitcher and first baseman at Schoolcraft.

Reed is a three-year varsity starter and All-Conference player who plays for the Motor City Madness travel program. She was recruited by many schools but finally chose Schoolcraft College. She will be a middle infielder in college.

Warra is also a three-year varsity player who plays for the Motor City

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Stevenson's Madeline Schornack (Jackson College) and Natalie Conn, Autumn Reed and Hailey Warra (Schoolcraft College) signed on Feb. 20 to continue their softball careers in college. COURTESY OF KEVIN HANNIGAN

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## FOOTBALL

## De La Salle hires Rohn as next coach

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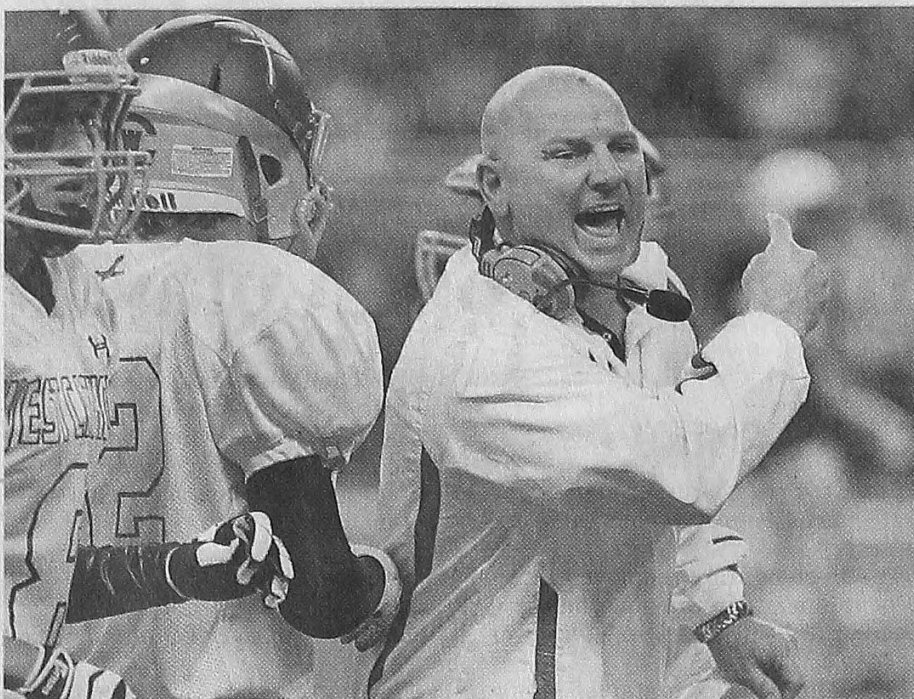
Warren De La Salle High School has a new football coach: a four-time state champion who was brought in to replace another championship coach who was fired over a hazing scandal that triggered charges against seven players and abruptly ended the team's season last fall.

The new Pilots head coach is Dan Rohn, the former assistant head coach at Ferris State University who made a name for himself as the bulldog leader who drove Grand Rapids West Catholic High School to four state championships, including the 2014 crown that earned Rohn several honors. That year, the 14-0 Falcons set a school record for victories in the school's 58-year history, earning Rohn several accolades, including Detroit Free Press Coach of the Year, Detroit Lions Coach of the Year, and Sports Faith International Coach of the Year.

Rohn, 48, who left West Catholic to try college sports for a new challenge, said he looks forward to being back where he started his career some 25 years ago: in the high school locker room.

"I went to Ferris because I thought I wanted to coach college after achieving a lot of things in high school and it just wasn't the right fit," Rohn said in a news release from De La Salle. "I took almost three years to find the right place that I thought would be the right fit for me. The minute I walked into De La Salle I got a feeling that I'm used to and comfortable with."

Rohn is the 19th head football coach at De La Salle, replacing Mike Giannone, who led the Pilots to two state championships in four years but lost his job



**Dan Rohn, right, replaces Mike Giannone, who was fired amid hazing allegations that surfaced last fall. DETROIT FREE PRESS FILE PHOTO**

amid hazing allegations that surfaced last fall. DLS abruptly ended its football season on the eve of playoffs, costing Giannone's team another shot at a state title.

Rohn brings two decades of head coaching experience to the Pilots. He has amassed 150 victories in his varsity head coaching career, which began at Fremont High School in 1995, where he stayed for a decade.

Rohn then built a dynasty at West Catholic, coaching the Falcons from 2007 to 2015 and compiling a 99-19 record while leading them to the postseason each year and capturing four state championships, including three straight from 2013 to 2015.

In his nine seasons at West Catholic, Rohn's teams posted a 51-1 conference record and seven state regional titles. From 2010-15, the Falcons had a 27-2 playoff record, which was the best of any high school in Michigan.

Following the 2015 state championship, Rohn became run-game coordinator and quarterbacks coach under Ferris State head coach Tony Annese. There, the Bulldogs went 12-3 in 2016 and advanced to the NCAA Division II national semifinals for the second time in school history. The next year, Rohn was promoted to assistant head coach and the Bulldogs made their fourth consecutive trip to the postseason, reaching the national quarterfinals for the second

straight year.

A 1989 graduate of Muskegon Orchard View High School, Rohn was a running back at Grand Valley State, where he received his coaching education from former Lakers head coach Tom Beck and his successor, Brian Kelly, who is now the head coach at Notre Dame.

Giannone's ousting triggered a public outcry among players, parents and many alumni who felt the coach was driven out by an administration that didn't like him. They believe DLS President John Knight mishandled the hazing allegations and exaggerated the claims just to get rid of Giannone, who has not publicly addressed the hazing allegations.

Police have said Giannone was not aware of the hazing that dozens of players have said took place in the locker room. They described it as "broomstick-ing," where players would hold another fully clothed player down while someone prodded them in the legs and buttocks area with a broomstick. There was no penetration.

Knight and DLS administrators have never discussed why Giannone was let go, but they have defended their handling of the hazing allegations, calling them a serious problem that needed to be addressed and conflict with the school's values and motto: Builders of Boys. Makers of Men.

De La Salle believes Rohn will help students live up to that motto, saying he brings with him "a passion for connecting with student-athletes and helping them grow as both football players and young men."

"Dan's background of success in forming young people of faith, compassion and conviction is a great fit for De La Salle Collegiate," President John M. Knight said in a statement.

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## Howell

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The second half went just like the first, a strong Canton start and an even stronger Howell finish. Stesiak continued to lead the Chiefs on offense, but it was Howell senior Tony Honkala that stole the second half show. He led Howell with 20 points, including three second half triples.

"(Honkala) is very tall and lanky, he can pull up and shoot the ball," Stesiak said. "He's tough to guard, he's a good player."

The second half also featured three technical fouls, two on Howell and one on Canton. All three came in the third quarter.

"It was definitely a physical game both ways," Stesiak said. "Both sides are playing hard and trying to win a championship."

Canton took back the lead at 36-33 heading into the fourth after a 11-0 run in the third. The Highlanders didn't quit, and took a late late which they held after making key free throws.

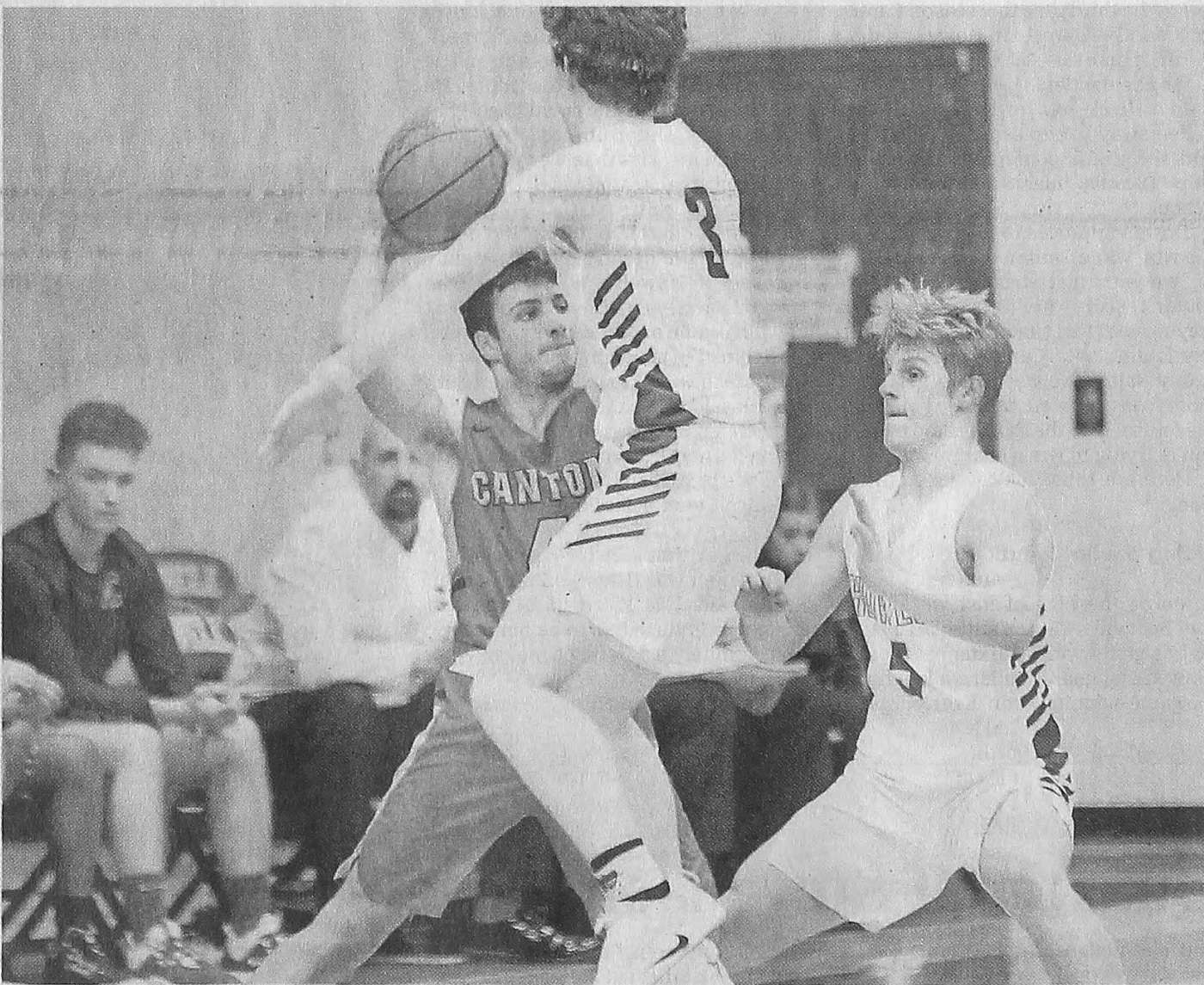
## Limiting stars

Typically, Canton senior big man Jake Vickers and Howell senior guard Bobby Samples are their team's leading scorers — that wasn't the case Tuesday night.

Both were secondary options to Stesiak and Honkala, and foul trouble was partially to blame.

Vickers picked up his third foul just 26 seconds into the second half, and later fouled out with 1:50 to play in the game. His outside shooting wasn't there like it was against Belleville, allowing Howell to cause him problems inside. He finished the night with 10 points.

"If he's not knocking down the outside shot, it's easier to gang up on him down low," Reddy said. "They did a good job, they've guarded him well all year. Jake still helped us, even when he's not scoring he's helping us because he's such a key focus for the other team. Some of the other guys have to step up and score, especially when he's in foul



**Canton's Ben Stesiak looks for an open man Tuesday while guarded by Howell's Will Hann and Peyton Ward.**

GILLIS BENEDICT/USA TODAY NETWORK-MICHIGAN

trouble."

Samples had just four points coming into the game's final quarter before finishing with eight points, six of which came on free throws.

## Playoffs up next

With the regular season and conference tournament complete, both teams now will turn their focus to the state playoffs. Canton is in District 19, which is hosted by Northville.

The Chiefs will play Detroit Catholic Central (7-12) at 7 p.m. Monday. Howell will play host to Hartland on the same night.

"My assistants have seen them in person and watched a bunch of film," Reddy said. "I'll get to it tomorrow. They play in a tough league, we're going to have to be ready to play. It's the state tournament, if you're not ready to play, you can go home."

Catholic Central was a powerhouse last season, but has struggled this year

after losing a talented senior class a year ago.

"We have to forget about this and put it in the past," Stesiak said. "We have CC on Monday for the first round of districts and obviously our goal is to win districts."

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## Signings

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Madness travel team. She will be used primarily as a catcher while entertaining third base and the outfield.

Stevenson coach Kevin Hannigan says their college coaches were im-

pressed with their academics, knowledge of the game, attitudes and putting their team first and that each player shows tremendous character on and off the field.

"The reason our program continues to rise is due to these four seniors," Hannigan said. "We have four out of the six seniors signed and the other two seniors have been recruited, too. It's a special

class. I've been fortunate to work with all of them when they were younger in travel and at the high school level. The time, energy, devotion and work ethic is second to none. I can't thank them enough for being great athletes but better human beings. I'm excited for their families and excited for our season to begin."

In related news, Stevenson will be hosting its fifth Skills N Drills Camp for

grades 3-8 March 21 at Stevenson High School. Information can be found on the High School website or at <https://liv-oniastevensonsoftball.sportngin.com>.

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HOCKEY NOVI 7, SOUTH LYON UNIFIED 2

# Burst in 3rd lifts Wildcats in semifinal

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It has not been long since Novi saw South Lyon Unified.

The Wildcats ended their regular season against Unified, ending a six-game win streak Feb. 20 with a 3-3 tie.

However, in the Regional 15 semifinal, Novi did more than just tie South Lyon Unified.

The Wildcats (13-10-3) handed Unified their first loss since Jan. 31, beating South Lyon (20-5-1), 7-2, on Feb. 28 after a four-goal third period.

"The thing is, our team has developed a lot over the season," Novi senior Jay Naidu said. "We used to break down and that would be it. I think, with our coaching staff and all our great captains, we were able to turn it around in the upcoming periods and I think we really just got our stuff together and were able to push through."

Down 2-0 at the in the middle of the first period, junior Tanish Nichanametla opened scoring for Novi, tucking the puck in from behind on a power play called after a cross-check by South Lyon's Ben Jones.

Forty seconds later, Naidu scored his ninth goal of the season.

Tied at 2-2 after one period of play, Novi took its first lead of the game — the deciding goal — in a way that mirrored its first. Senior Sharma Maanas took advantage of a power play coming off a cross-check by Jones.



South Lyon Unified's Andrew Ineich, left, knocks Novi's Isaac Gibbs off his skates. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"We just had to regroup, and we did," Novi head coach Mark Vellucci said. "Getting that power-play goal was huge."

After the Wildcats took a one-goal

lead, there was no looking back.

Sharma secured a hat trick, hitting two goals in the third period, while Naidu opened the third period with his second of the game. Anikeith Datta finished

the scoring for the Wildcats, scoring the last of five power-play goals scored against South Lyon Unified.

South Lyon Unified has given up seven goals in a game only once prior to its loss to Novi, losing to Howell, 7-4, on Feb. 11.

With that came a bit of frustration for South Lyon Unified. They recorded eight penalties in the third period, including one after a fight between Unified senior John Gardiner and Novi junior Austin Balconi.

With 7:26 left in the game, Gardiner was called for a two-minute roughing penalty, a two-minute unsportsmanlike penalty and a 10-minute game misconduct penalty.

South Lyon's Mitchell Skamiera scored its only two goals of the day in the first eight minutes of the game, something Vellucci credited to Novi not showing up right away, but finding comfort on the ice as the game went on.

Novi regrouped, beating a team it had tied just over a week ago. With that, Naidu feels that no matter who they face in the final, the Wildcats have momentum on their side.

"Once we get rolling, I think our team is kind of unstoppable," Naidu said. "I think we got the power and skill on the team. Once we get moving, I think it's a pretty tough team to stop."

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## CYCLING

# Need a rough ride? Here you go.

Gravel bike race coming to SE Michigan in August

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A new trend is emerging in the cycling world as bicyclists from all walks of life step away from paved roads and designated paths, favoring unpaved, gravel roads.

"'Gravel riding' is an unfortunate name for something that really means riding anything beyond just a truly paved road," Gerard Vroomen, co-founder of the Canadian bike company, Cervélo Cycles, told Worth magazine.

The rush for going down the road less traveled, unplugging and exploring are among the appeals of gravel bike racing.

"You really lose the stress of riding on the road with the cars, traffic lights and everything else that is competing for your attention," Justin Kelly, CEO and CIO of Winslow Capital Management in Minneapolis, told Worth.

And now, the trend is making its way to Michigan.

For those into cycling, mud and challenging adventures, southeast Michigan's first mid-length gravel bike race, The Watermoo, is scheduled for Aug. 8.

The course of this cycling road race will start and finish in Chelsea, and go through farmland, the Waterloo Recreation Area and even cross the Portage River and require participants to get off their bikes.



The Watermoo, a gravel bike race, figures to be a challenging ride. NICHOLAS STANKO

Nicholas Stanko, the event director and one of the creative minds behind the course, has been working on developing the perfect path for over three years.

"I have been riding my bike out to different bridges, abandoned bridges, and just seeing if there was a river crossing," he said. "I was out on a ride one day and going through this part of the (Waterloo Recreation Area) and they had an old bridge that they had just taken down. I was kind of like 'maybe this is the time to do it.'"

Stanko says he created the race to bridge the gap between shorter and

longer distance races and encourage participants to jump into the ultra-cycling world.

"It allows somebody to take another step into the longer racing," he said. "The course is pretty challenging, too, so 88 miles on that terrain is almost worth 100 in a lot of other races."

But don't let the challenge scare you. Stanko says that although some experience would be helpful, there will be a wide spectrum of participants at the race and his team's goal is to help everyone succeed.

"I hope it is a good challenge for people

and that they feel, when they get done, that they earned their beverages and food and are happy with their effort out there," he said.

Registration is now open for The Watermoo and three other smaller races organized by Stanko.

The smaller races, Stanko said, are meant for "getting people into cycling so that they can feel comfortable out there on the gravel roads because it is different and it can be intimidating at first."

They are free, short and meant to give future participants of The Watermoo a taste of what the longer race will entail.

## Marian

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play good defense and get layups," Kennedy said. "That's what we did. We just kind of took it and ran with it."

While Seaholm did not allow Marian's first field goal in the second quarter until the 2:40 mark — in which Marian head coach Mary Cicerone described her second-team group's performance as "haphazard" — the Mustangs continued its momentum in the third quarter, using a 25-2 run to take a 38-point lead heading into the fourth quarter.

After outscoring the Maples, 14-3, in the final eight minutes, Cicerone said this was the kind of performance she needs to see if Marian is going to continue in the tournament.

"That's what we got to do," Cicerone said. "We have to go after it or the sea-

son's over."

### Kennedy feels comfortable

After suffering from an ankle injury that has hindered her performance for much of the 2019-20 season, Kennedy is starting to get her mojo back.

Against Seaholm, the junior recorded a team-high 26 points, including 17 in the first half.

"I'm definitely getting my confidence back," Kennedy said. "Even before my injury, I was a little disappointed with my defense, so these past four games, I've really made a conscious effort to just, defense first, and that will turn into offense."

Cicerone praised the junior guard/forward, saying she found open shots, and moved well across the floor with seemingly nothing hindering her physically.

"Knock on wood because she's suf-

fered that injury and it's taken a long time to recover," Cicerone said. "I think, I hope she's starting to feel it."

Kennedy was one of three double-digit scorers for Marian on Monday night, as Sophia Mancini (13) and Faith Giltner (11) helped the Mustangs to the 49-point first-round victory.

The Maples were led by senior Grace Liebler, who scored 14 of the team's 29 points.

### Defense first

Kennedy's defensive-first mentality is something that the whole team has taken to heart.

It's the message that Cicerone makes the priority.

"It's always defense first," Kennedy said. "With our coach, you have to earn your spot every night, and you earn it by playing defense."

The Mustangs allowed 29 points

Monday night against the Maples, the fewest points since their 48-25 win against Warren Regina Feb. 7.

Marian has allowed less than 30 points in eight games this season.

Seaholm has finished a game with under 30 points in three previous games this season, last scoring 20 points in a home loss to Royal Oak Feb. 4.

For Cicerone, defense has to be at the forefront, allowing transition-style defense to lead to instant and easy offense.

This is the kind of performance she wants to see moving forward, building off of what the Mustangs did in their playoff opener.

"It's do-or-die time now," Cicerone said. "If the kids don't come to play, there's something wrong with them."

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# Tech at night can disrupt your sleep

## Melatonin is suppressed by blue light

Marc Saltzman  
Special to USA TODAY

While we're supposed to go to bed tired and wake up energized, ever notice it's often the other way around? Instead, you are wide awake when you lie down at night and wake up exhausted.

Sound familiar? Late-night technology may be to blame. And it could be harming your personal and professional life.



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"There is certainly a lot of technology around us in this modern era, and we're bringing it to the bedroom, which can have a lot of negative consequences on a good quality sleep," says sleep disorders specialist Dr. Harnet Walia from the Cleveland Clinic, a nonprofit academic medical center in Cleveland, Ohio.

There are some reasons you shouldn't bring your tech to bed, says Walia, who specializes in complex sleep disorders. And you can learn to manage technology to prepare yourself for better sleep.

### Night light

To fall asleep, your body needs an increase in levels of melatonin. The problem is, a backlit device decreases melatonin production.

"Smartphones and tablets can emit what we call a blue light, which can suppress these natural hormones, known to produce and promote sleep, and also known to have some circadian rhythm effects," said Walia in a telephone interview with USA TODAY.

Circadian rhythms act as an internal clock, keeping us on a daily cycle of sleeping, waking, eating and other behaviors. But circadian rhythms can respond to changes in light and darkness in one's environment.



You can sleep with your Fitbit Versa 2 and it will track your deep sleep and REM sleep and give you a Sleep Score. FITBIT

"So, when the blue light is emitted and melatonin is suppressed, as a result, we're not able to get to sleep at a proper time, neither are we able to get a good quality sleep," Walia said.

To combat those effects, Apple added a Night Shift feature, which uses the iPhone or iPad clock and geolocation to automatically adjust the colors in the display to the warmer end of the spectrum after dark. (Or you can manually enable it.)

In the morning, the device returns the display to its regular settings after, hopefully, helping you get a better night's sleep. Free apps for the Android operating system work in a similar way.

Even though many phones, tablets and e-readers today have an "anti-blue light," "blue light filter," or Night Shift option, data suggest these features may not be that effective in reducing blue light and related negative effects, Walia says.

Even a TV in the bedroom also might be affecting the quality of sleep – as any light that comes through the eyelids

could decrease melatonin – so Walia recommends not watching television or use any other tech at least 30 minutes before you close your eyes.

### Digital distractions

Whether you bring your phone, tablet or laptop to bed for work or for relaxation, you are not giving yourself a break from being connected.

With devices handy, you might be tempted to engage in a group chat going on. Or perhaps you would want to see what people on social media are saying about a photo you posted. Or you could hear the "ping" of an email after you've closed your eyes and reach for your device to take a look.

"Of course, technology can keep our mind active and engaged when we have our phone next to us," Walia said. "It can stimulate the brain, keep it active, as we always feel like we need to be connect-

ed, logged on – this not good for sleep."

### FOMO – fear of missing out – could affect your rest

And what if you read something in the news (or on your social feed) that upsets you? This also could affect the length and quality of your sleep.

Even if you put your device on airplane mode, you might still be tempted if it's nearby. It's recommended to leave the gadgets in another room.

On a related note, while there is no conclusive link between sleeping with technology and clinical health problems – caused by the radiation emitted by Wi-Fi and cellular devices – many medical professionals suggest to err on the side of caution and leave tech outside of the bedroom. We simply don't know about the long-term effects just yet.

### On the flip side ... can tech help you?

If you're reading this and thinking, "I don't have these issues in bringing my phone to bed," then at least consider a number of apps designed to help you relax, such as meditation walkthroughs, relaxing "soundscapes" such as crashing waves, jet lag apps, or podcasts and audiobooks you can listen to with the lights out.

(I'm a fan of "old-time radio" plays – popularized in the 1940s and 1950s – now free to download and listen to on your devices.)

And then there are wearable bands and smartwatches that not only help track fitness, but also overnight patterns.

So the technology helps with your exercise and when you wear an activity tracker while sleeping, the sensors can detect if you woke up during the night, when, and for how long.

The information can be seen in chart and graph form, on an app or website, which can be shared with a physician for analysis.

## Philo isn't playing games with \$20 a month streaming plan



Talking Tech  
Jefferson Graham  
USA TODAY

Sure, the Super Bowl, March Madness and the World Series all are national obsessions, but not everyone craves TV sports.

In the spirit of reaching those consumers, Philo has a unique cutting-the-cord proposition. Ditch cable but still get your favorite cable networks – such as AMC, MTV, Discovery and Nickelodeon – for just \$20 monthly.

It's the most economical deal among the cable TV streaming alternatives, by far, and it's the absence of sports that lets Philo come up with the price point.

"TV has gotten more expensive," says Andrew McCollum, the CEO of Philo. "The lion's share of those costs and price increases go to paying the sports and broadcast networks."

So Philo has a deal for you: no broadcast TV channels, such as the ones YouTube TV, Hulu with Live TV and AT&T Now have, no sports, and no news either. But if you want your MTV, Philo is one of the few streaming places for you.

The prices for the cable streaming alternative service have gone up in the past year. AT&T Now went from \$35 to \$65, YouTube TV from \$35 to \$50 and Sling TV from \$25 to \$30.

McCollum attributes it to higher sports fees. The cost to the consumer of just ESPN alone, he says, is \$15 monthly. "So if you're not into sports, you're paying \$180 for a channel you never watch," Philo doesn't have the news channels because the same companies that own the news networks (AT&T, Comcast, Fox) also own sports channels and won't let Philo buy one without the other, McCollum says. "That would drive up the costs."

Cord Cutters News recently noted that for folks looking to replace cable entirely, the combo of YouTube and Philo "could be the perfect replacement."

Philo has many of the channels not carried by YouTube TV or Hulu with Live TV – including MTV, Nickelodeon, BET and Comedy Central.

The combo would be a \$70 package, which could price out many consumers

who are voting with their pocketbooks and wallets and ditching some of the streamers.

Consumers are cutting back and switching. Dish Network just announced a loss of 194,000 subscribers to Sling TV, while some 1.2 million subscribers said goodbye to AT&T Now. Meanwhile, the latest new streaming entry, Disney Plus, recently said it had grown to 28.6 million subscribers since launching in December.

The "Streaming Wars," set to continue in April and May with two new subscription services, NBC's Peacock and AT&T's HBO Max, are "a huge boon for us," McCollum says.

Consumers use streaming devices such as Roku and Amazon Fire TV Stick to access the new services, "and that's where we are too," so he hopes new viewers find him there as well.

So how is Philo doing?

McMollum won't reveal subscriber numbers but says the service grew 300% last year, "and we're happy." But he concedes it's "tough to be a startup in this space," battling giants like Disney, Google, Dish and AT&T.

McCollum is looking into adding premium networks as an add-on option for Philo subscribers, and movie genre packs.

The company is named after Philo T. Farnsworth, an early inventor of television, who worked on the new medium in San Francisco, directly across the street from Philo's offices on Green Street.

As a side note, McCollum is often credited as one of the five co-founders of Facebook, a Harvard classmate of Mark Zuckerberg – although you won't see his name on the official Facebook corporate history. That lists Zuckerberg, Dustin Moskovitz, Chris Hughes and Eduardo Saverin.

McCollum, however, does credit himself as a co-founder on his LinkedIn and Philo bio.

He left Facebook soon after it started to finish school.

"I did Facebook as a once-in-a-lifetime experience and it was amazing to be part of that, but then on the flip side, I also viewed finishing school as an important experience that I wanted to have," McCollum has said. "I knew if I didn't leave when I did, it was not going to happen."

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### How employees can get better at working remotely

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Most of us who have been in the work world for a while have witnessed plenty of changes over the years – everything from how we search and apply for jobs to how we handle our professional responsibilities have undergone massive shifts, largely due to technological innovation and shifting economic and cultural forces that have transformed how companies do business at every level.

Simply put, today's work world is radically different than it was just a few years ago, and the divide between those who choose to keep current and those who remain stuck in the past will continue to grow. This also includes where we work – for many workers, the days of commuting to an office to begin work at 9 a.m. and head back home at 5 p.m. are dwindling. The notion of businesses requiring a "bricks and mortar" office space is becoming increasingly obsolete and more and more businesses are allowing their employees the opportunity to work remotely, either full time or on a flexible part-time basis.

In many ways, it has been a win-win situation for employees and employers alike. Employees get to save the time and costs associated with commuting each day and have been given the power to handle their work responsibilities from the comfort of their homes, a coffee shop, or wherever they find themselves at any given moment. It also provides them with a greater degree of flexibility toward maintaining a healthy work-life balance, a subject that has gained increasing attention in recent years as questions revolving around whether or not we're working too much as a society are gaining more attention. Companies benefit by reducing their

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operating costs and maintaining a freshly engaged and motivated workforce who can re-channel time spent commuting into their work. Reducing geographic requirements for employees also opens up opportunities for hiring talented individuals from a larger and more diverse pool.

While it may seem as if working remotely can be the ideal arrangement, there are some potential pitfalls to be mindful of – having to focus on work amidst life's distractions, feelings of isolation and disconnection to cope with, and more. If you work remotely or are considering the merits of doing so, think about employing the following strategies for handling the set up effectively.

#### Choose your location wisely

Remote employees are given the gift of working from wherever they choose – a decision that shouldn't be taken lightly. Are you the type who's easily distracted? If so, then don't work at a place that's filled with people or things that will derail you from getting work done. Choose an environment that's conducive to focus and free from unwelcome distractions that will sap your concentration, energy, and productivity.

This may require some trial and error on your part – if you pick a workspace that ultimately turns out to be problematic, then make a course correction and select another one. For many people,

working remotely may require a real period of adjustment, and nothing can make this potentially challenging arrangement even harder than trying to work in a location that makes it difficult to do so.

#### Keep connected

As mentioned earlier, working remotely can be an uncomfortably isolating experience for some, which can have a potentially negative effect on your health and job performance. But the truth is, working remotely doesn't have to mean working alone. Instead, try joining the growing number of people working remotely in public places as wide-ranging as libraries, coffee shops, restaurants, and other public venues with free Wi-Fi and getting to know your fellow telecommuters. With a bit of effort and luck, you may find yourself building new connections and making new work friends in no time.

Also, make a better effort to stay connected to your coworkers, who may also be struggling with the same feelings. Make the most of social networks and video conferencing tools to keep in touch on a regular basis. Keep each other up to date on how things are going by using available messaging resources (Skype, Slack, etc.). Organize after-work events and activities with colleagues so you can see each other more often. Make an effort to stay connected, and don't forget that work friendships are just like other types of friendships – they require effort on your part, so nurture them carefully.

#### Remote responsibly

Just because you've been given the opportunity to work remotely doesn't

mean you have to do it every single day – for many folks that's simply too much time spent outside of the office. Many companies that offer telecommuting as an option still provide a dedicated workplace to come into should employees choose to do so.

If you're lucky enough to have this option, then find the home-office balance that works best for you – not only will this help you stay connected to your colleagues and what's happening at work, it could go a long way to ensuring that you remain a happy, engaged, and productive employee.

#### Stay current

These days, there's a wide array of tools designed to help employees work remotely at peak levels. Those who transition most effectively to this work arrangement and consistently remain successful make a real effort to stay on top of the latest and greatest resources available to help them do their jobs. Depending on your industry and position, be sure to keep up on what's out there – from apps for project management to task organization and reporting, video conferencing, sales aggregation systems, and much more.

Working remotely can really open up a whole new world of options for employers and employees alike, but for many workers, it can be a challenging adjustment. Use the strategies and advice presented here to help you make the transition successfully – and to be an effective, successful, and satisfied employee while doing so.

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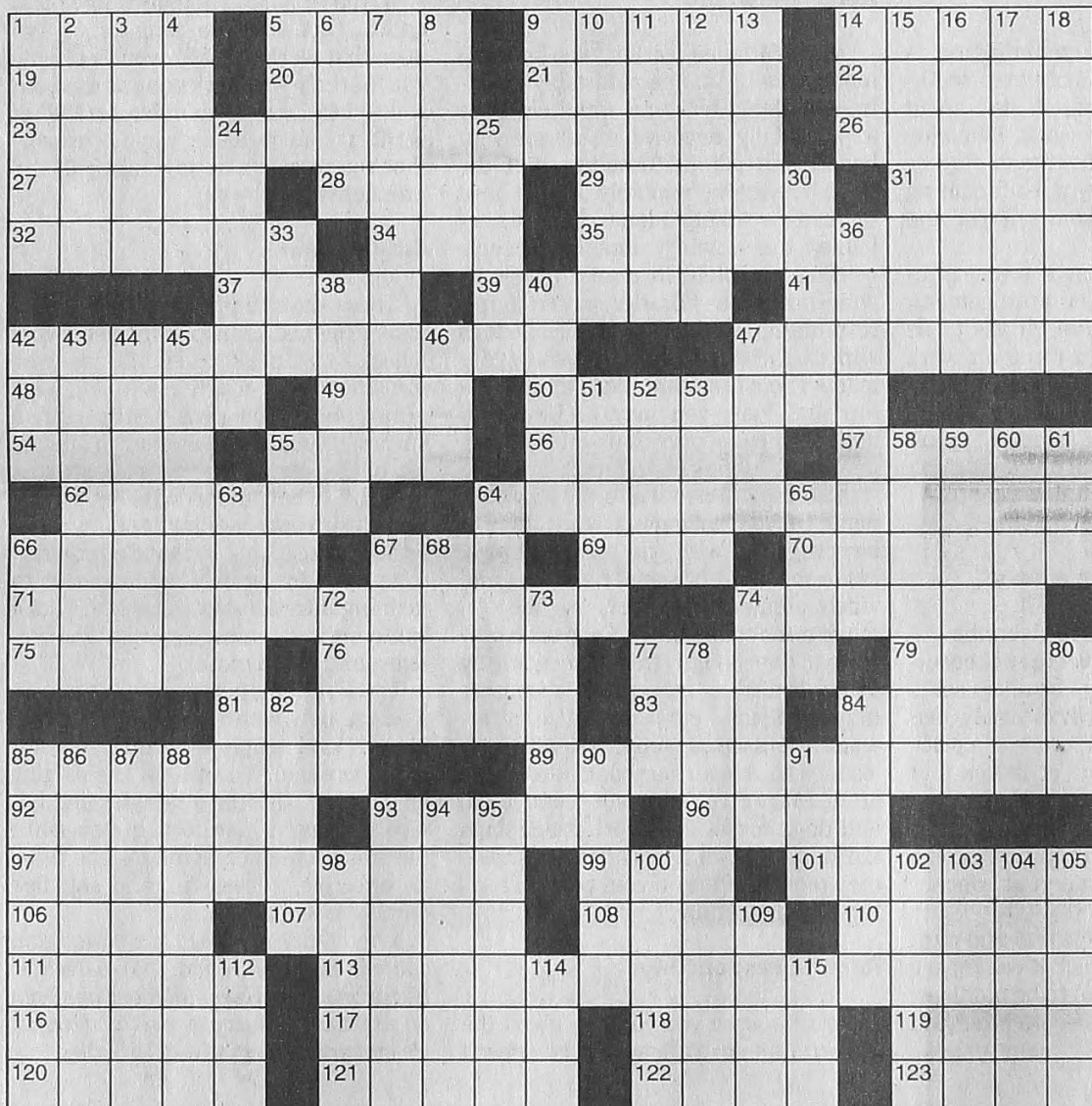


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5 Low-pitched  
9 Salt Lake City resident  
14 Ahead by a single point  
19 Otherworldly glow  
20 Admit openly  
21 Spanish appetizers  
22 More sensible  
23 Datum for a hard drive  
26 Brand of fake fat  
27 Geriatrics topic  
28 Vegetable in Cajun cuisine  
29 Beach birds  
31 St. Patty's land  
32 Gains' opposites  
34 Australian avian  
35 Defunct figure-skating show  
37 Robin's place  
39 Woven together  
41 Take one's turn after all others
- 42 Actress married to Steven Spielberg  
47 Develops an affinity for  
48 Strong glue  
49 MGM lion  
50 Sling mud at  
54 Mushy food  
55 Itinerary info  
56 Morganstern of 1970s TV  
57 Hoarse  
62 Evoke  
64 Camera-to-computer upload  
66 Like some sci-fi aliens, location-wise  
67 Caterer's receptacle  
69 Got the gold  
70 Fruity frozen dessert  
71 Jackson or Lincoln, e.g.  
74 Lay to final rest  
75 Actress Daly and novelist O'Connell  
76 Largest frat in the U.S.  
77 Pooch name  
79 Lowly worker  
81 — la (utopia)  
83 College e-mail ender
- 84 Supreme Court's Sotomayor  
85 With 33-Down, arm of the Indian Ocean  
89 Voyager Golden Record, e.g.  
92 Roving sorts  
93 Is sickeningly sweet  
96 Old fruity soda  
97 Sailor's reply  
99 In shape  
101 Should it happen that  
106 Skinny  
107 Epsom — Redding with a Grammy  
110 Flynn of early films  
111 Classic tune  
113 Snapshot go-withs  
116 Edmund of "Miracle on 34th Street"  
117 Apple messaging software  
118 Like men  
119 Ovid's 2,002  
120 Swamp plant  
121 Bête —  
122 Multitude
- 123 Word hidden backwards in this puzzle's eight longest answers
- 33 See 85-Across  
36 Kitty  
38 Snowball impact sound  
40 Extend — welcome  
42 Beer cask  
43 Galore  
44 Moniker for TV's Tim Taylor  
45 Make amends for  
46 Sod-busting tool  
47 — II (Gillette razor)  
51 Stole's kin  
52 — stick (jumping toy)  
53 Utopia  
55 The "D" of CD  
58 Fate who cut the thread of life  
59 Secondary option list  
60 Heat to 212 degrees in advance  
61 As of now  
63 Old Toyota  
64 Prefix with 39-Across  
65 "It will come — surprise —"  
66 East, in Bonn
- 67 Go — smoke  
68 Bond girl player Diana  
72 Hot — oven  
73 "Tis —" ("So sad")  
74 Draw out  
77 Like women: Abbr.  
78 Same  
80 No, in Selkirk  
82 Lock holders  
84 Kind of piano  
85 Comparable things  
86 Sovereign's "I," often  
87 Revised  
88 Supporting  
90 "C — Cookie"  
91 Food tuna  
93 Tricolor cat  
94 Chinese fruit  
95 Car security system  
98 Easy putt  
100 Gossip tidbits  
102 Pinch into small folds  
103 Good smell  
104 Kind of boom  
105 — the Cow (milk mascot)  
109 Markdown  
112 Shanghai-to-Tokyo dir.  
114 Adaptable truck, briefly  
115 Church perch



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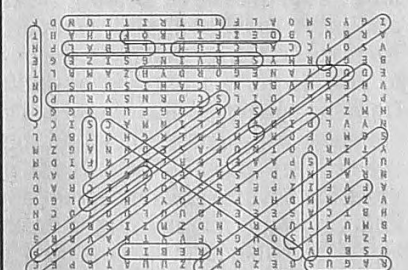
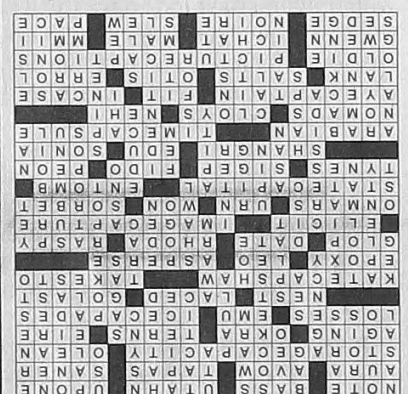
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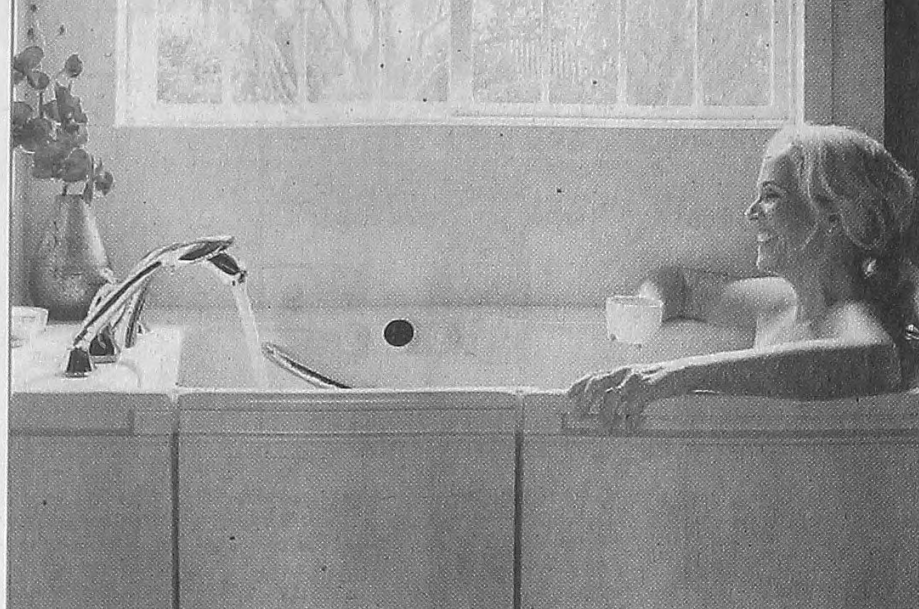
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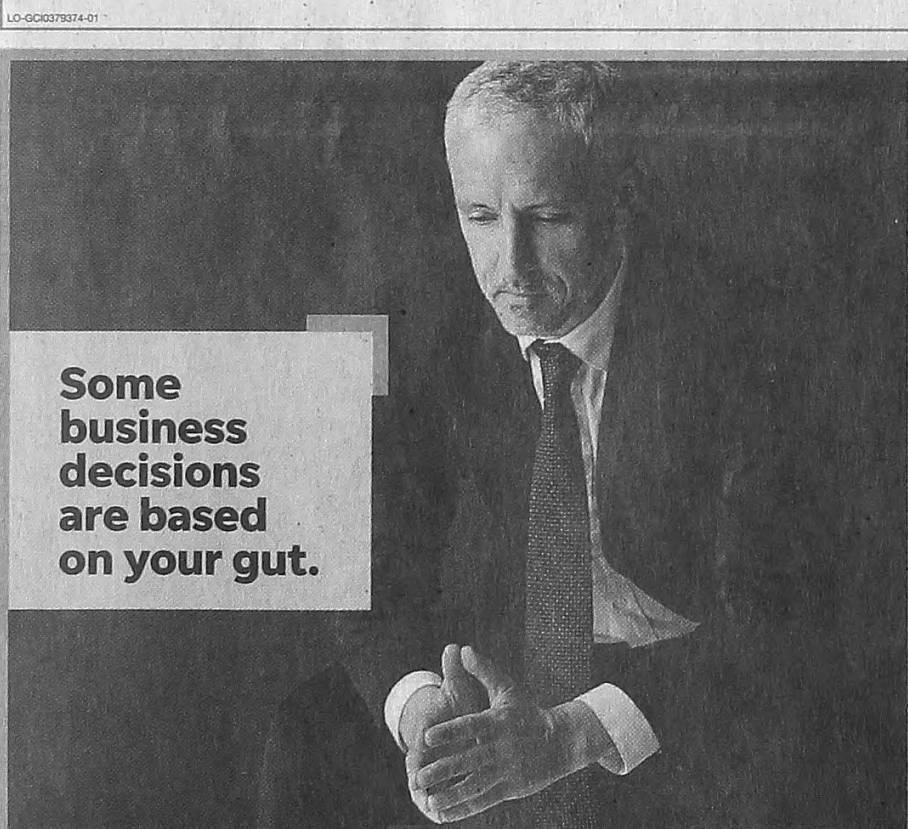
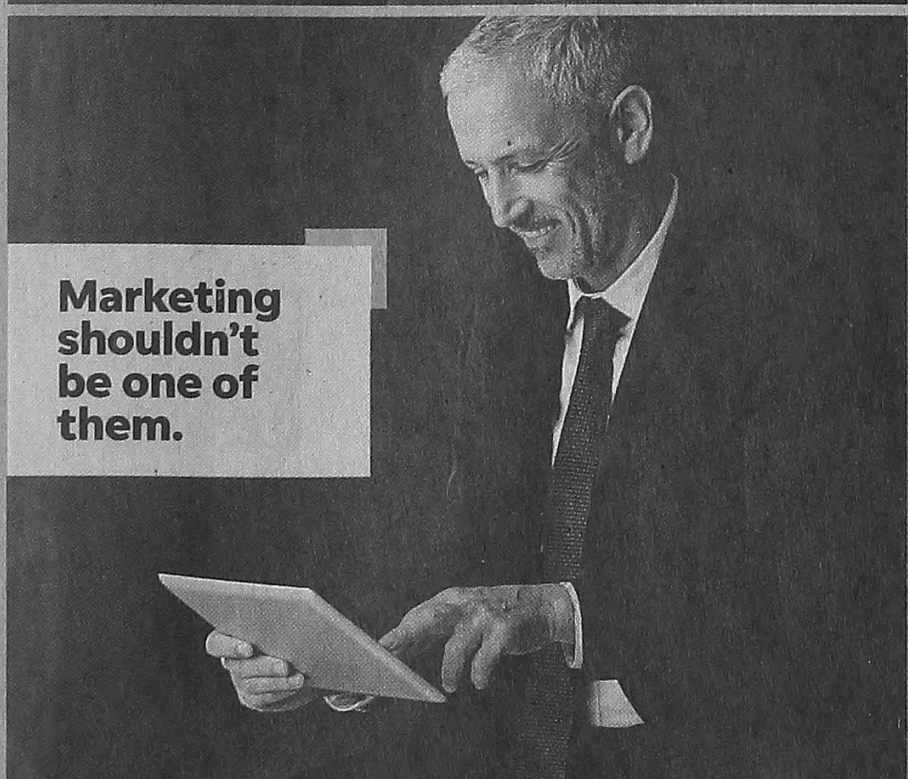
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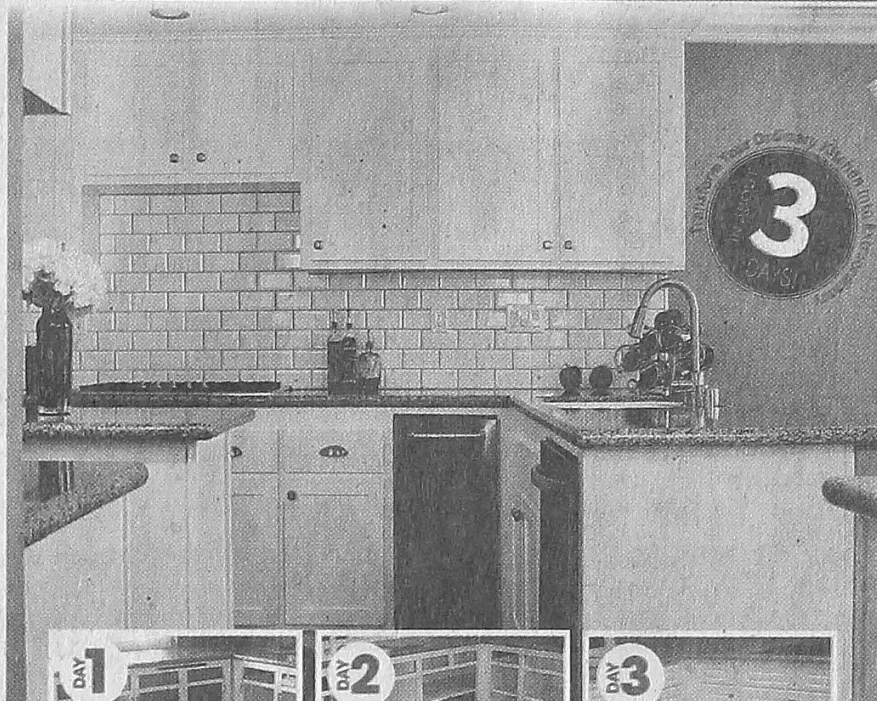
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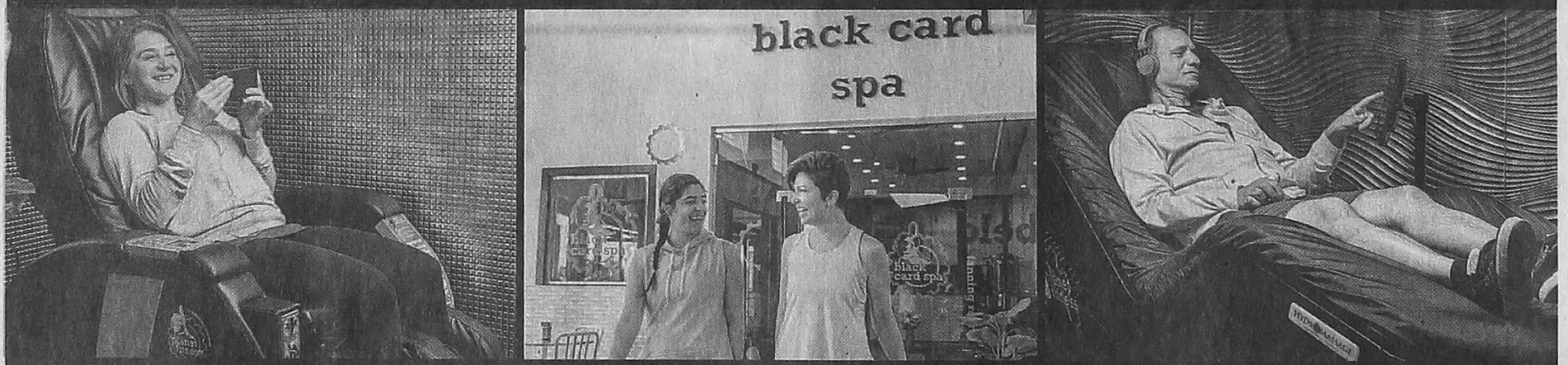




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