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Original Kmart store building demolished

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The original Kmart building site is no more.

The iconic Garden City store was demolished March 12, less than two weeks after preparations for the razing began.

Replacing the former department store on the western side of downtown Garden City will be an LA Fitness, which has acquired the property and plans to construct a gym on the site, Kim Dold, the city's Downtown Development Authority director, said.

LA Fitness had informed the city it would take about eight months before the gym could open.

Once built, the gym would join several other LA Fitness facilities in the area, including two in Livonia, one in Plymouth Township and one in Allen Park.

Dold said the gym would most likely look similar to the LA Fitness on Seven Mile west of Middlebelt in Livonia, which opened on the site of a former Farmer Jack grocery store back in 2018.

The building opened as the first Kmart back in 1962.

The company spent several decades

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CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC



Royal Oak's Beaumont Hospital personnel in yellow gowns conduct drive-through screenings for coronavirus March 16. People waited in line in their vehicles in a nearby parking lot until they could be screened. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Beaumont virus screener says 'It's been really busy'

Susan Vela Hometownlife.com
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Physician Assistant Jessica Hamilton was able to take a break Monday from her role in Beaumont Health's limited curbside COVID-19 screening in Royal Oak.

She kept her positive spirit, demonstrating for members of the media how a typical screening is conducted and sharing some warm words about the patients she's seen so far.

"It's been really busy," Hamilton said. "We've seen quite a few patients. We're really happy with the way that we're working. We've kind of developed a pretty good system to get people moving through as quick as possible."

Nearby, vehicles formed a curving line outside the hospital's 13 Mile Road north entrance. Medical staff have

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Police: Reckless driver had child passenger

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A Brighton man known for fleeing in his vehicle recently was arrested by Livonia police.

They took the 41-year-old man into custody a few days after he fled from an officer while a child sat in the backseat earlier this month, they said in a report.

On March 1, a police officer spotted the man's black Pontiac Grand Prix. He recognized the driver as someone who had a suspended license and was wanted on three Livonia arrest warrants.

The officer attempted a traffic stop along Interstate 96. They pulled into the Prime Grill Restaurant & Coney at Schoolcraft and Merriman Road.

However, the driver squealed his tires and sped off as the police officer stepped out of his patrol vehicle.

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Work on Plymouth fountain to start in July

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com
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The centerpiece of downtown Plymouth is on the verge of being injected with a \$1 million jewel.

Following almost five years of debate, planning and back-to-the-drawing-board financing, Plymouth's City Commission on March 2 approved the construction of a new fountain for the city's Kellogg Park.

The Wilcox Foundation will donate \$1,021,409 toward the project. The City of Plymouth will pitch in \$30,000 and the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority has committed \$20,000.

"The city will be responsible for all costs above the grant level, and if there is a surplus of funds, it will be used for enhancements to the fountain or to Kellogg Park," Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock said.

Among three possible locations in Kellogg Park for the new fountain, a spot just west of the current location was selected.

Plymouth Mayor Oliver Wolcott said the details of the project were crafted following "a lot of conversation and a tremendous amount of public input."

"To get the kind of commitment we did – financial and in terms of time – that we did from the Wilcox Foundation after many years of highs and lows is a huge testament to that group," said Wolcott. "After everyone sees it once it's done, they will be proud we chose the route we did."

Plymouth was the hometown of Jack Wilcox – the foundation's namesake. In 1980 he established a charitable trust to benefit the community. In addition to his home – the white Wilcox House – at the edge of Kellogg Park, Wilcox was all about Plymouth and was involved in just about all facets of the community.

Livonia-based Shaw Construction has been selected as the project's contractor.

Construction is set to start in mid-July, a short time after the conclusion of the 2020 Art in the Park festival.

Plymouth resident Mark Oppat liked the idea of a new fountain, but thought the \$1 million could have better served other city needs.

"A new fountain is a nice idea," Oppat said. "The fountain we have now

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Several Canton Township facilities temporarily closed

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In the wake of Gov. Gretchen Whitmer’s declaration of a state of emergency, Canton Township will be closing several facilities until at least April 5 in an effort to reduce the spread of exposure to COVID-19.

Temporarily closed facilities include:

- Canton Township administration building
- Summit on the Park
- The Village Theater at Cherry Hill
- Canton Sports Center
- The B.L.O.C.K. Youth & Teen Center

- Pheasant Run Golf Club
- Fellows Creek Golf Club

All critical and emergency services will continue to operate with full staffing. These closures will not affect any police or fire services, including 911.

Collection of trash will continue as scheduled.

Water bills can be paid by:

- Mail to P.O. Box 87680, Canton MI 48188
- The drop box located outside the main entrance to the Canton administration building
- By phone IVR 833-697-1711
- Online at [www.canton-mi.org/979](#). Late fees will not be assessed for March and April water bills as long

as full payment is received by May 29.

The Water Department will not be scheduling appointments for non-emergencies such as final reads, meter accuracy tests and noisy meters.

Canton’s leadership team will continue to meet daily to monitor and evaluate the situation.

“The health and safety of our residents and employees is of the utmost importance to us,” said Supervisor Pat Williams.

Check [www.canton-mi.org](#) for information on Canton operations, as the situation changes daily.

Additional COVID-19 information and resources: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](#).

Beaumont

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been averaging as many as four screenings simultaneously.

Each takes about 10-15 minutes with questions about symptoms, travel and other matters. Vital signs are taken before hospital employees determine whether to go ahead with a nasopharyngeal swab.

Curbside screening is being offered at Beaumont locations in Farmington Hills, Wayne and other metro Detroit locations. Only those with COVID-19 symptoms – fever, cough and shortness of breath – are welcomed.

Swabs are sent to labs for testing. Beaumont officials said the health system can’t process results on-site.

Nevertheless, those screened have appreciated being able to get their screenings done curbside instead of having to enter the hospital.

“So many people in our community have reached out to us and said, ‘Thank you. We’re thinking of you. We’re praying for you. What can we do for you?’” Hamilton said. “That’s just been a tremendous encouragement for us.”

Hundreds of higher-risk individuals have been tested. At least four have tested positive across the Beaumont Health system, said Dr. Nicholas Gilpin, Beaumont Health’s medical director of Infection Prevention and Epidemiology.

Those interested are asked to call Beaumont’s COVID-19 hot line, 800-592-4784, or their physician’s office before attempting to get screened.

The hot line is open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. People experiencing life-threatening symptoms should call 911.

Other coronavirus hot lines available include State of Michigan, 888-535-6136; Oakland County: 248-858-1000; and Centers for Disease Control: 800-232-4636.

“We’re dealing with an unprecedented situation

right now. I’ve been really pleased with the response from Beaumont Health,” Gilpin said during Monday’s demonstration. “We’ve really risen up to make sure that we’re taking care of the people in our community.”

“I want to get the message out that screening is not necessary for everyone. Screening is really intended for people after they’ve contacted us or contacted their physician.”

“We’re hoping to really keep the flow of patients coming through our doors as under control as we can.”

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CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Several local COVID-19 patient cases confirmed

Wayne County's first confirmed COVID-19 coronavirus patient is a Livonia resident, Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan announced last week.

The patient had been previously described by the state as a middle-aged man with a recent history of domestic travel. Gov. Gretchen Whitmer announced the Wayne case along with an Oakland County case March 10. Brosnan also said the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor confirmed to city officials that the man is being treated there.

"We want you to be assured that we are going to continue to provide clear and concise and consistent information," the mayor said in a video statement posted to Facebook Thursday night. "As much as we know we're going to try and bring information to you on a regular basis."

The numbers have since grown. As of early Tuesday there were 65 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Michigan.

A student at Salem Elementary School in the South Lyon school district also tested positive for COVID-19.

Interim Superintendent George Heitsch notified families in a letter Monday of the student's status.

The student and his or her family is currently in self-quarantine and will not return to school until the quarantine period expires, or the school reopens, "whichever is later," according to the letter.

Heitsch asked that the community

respect the student and family's privacy "during this difficult time."

"The exposure risk to the general staff and student population is low," Heitsch wrote. "Health officials are interviewing, reaching out and providing assistance directly to individuals with an elevated risk of exposure who may have been in recent close contact with the student's family. All families directly impacted by this news have been contacted."

Hillel Day School, a private Jewish school that provides child care and K-8 education, said a teacher in its grades 1-2 learning community tested positive for the coronavirus. Students and staff in the school's 1-2 learning community are in self-quarantine through March 23, the school said in a statement.

Oakland County Medical Director Russel Faust on Friday said that a teacher who works in Oakland County is infected with COVID-19 and attended school Monday, exposing students and colleagues.

He said the teacher has a travel history and is self-isolating in his Washtenaw County home. Faust declined to name the school, but Hillel Day School said the infected teacher is a Washtenaw County resident.

The Oakland County Health Department learned about the teacher case around midnight Friday and is conducting a joint investigation with Washtenaw County.



A Spectrum Health employee in Grand Rapids holds a sign by a drive-through COVID-19 testing center. COURTESY OF SPECTRUM HEALTH

What to do if you think you've caught COVID-19

Maryann Struman Detroit Free Press
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With more and more cases of coronavirus being confirmed in the state, it's important to monitor your health, for your sake and for those around you.

Here's a guide on what to do if you suspect you've caught COVID-19:

What if I think I'm sick?

Don't run off to the doctor or emergency room. The symptoms of COVID-19 may show up anywhere from 2-14 days after exposure, according to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. Those symptoms are:

- fever (generally 100.4 Fahrenheit or above)
- dry cough
- fatigue
- shortness of breath

Other flu-like symptoms of COVID-19 include chills, body aches, sore throat, headache, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and runny nose.

Wet, productive coughs, low-grade fever or a runny nose generally are not associated with COVID-19.

Unsure? Start by immediately isolating yourself from others, then call your doctor, who will help figure out if you need to be tested. Many appointments are best handled by telemedicine or web visits. You can also call your local health department:

- **Wayne:** 734-727-7100
 - **Macomb:** 586-469-5235
 - **Oakland:** 248-858-1280
- Michigan also has set up a COVID-19 hot line to field questions. It is open sev-

en days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1-888-535-6136.

Get tested if and when one is available. There still are too few test kits to do the blanket coverage of the population that would allow researchers to track how coronavirus is spreading.

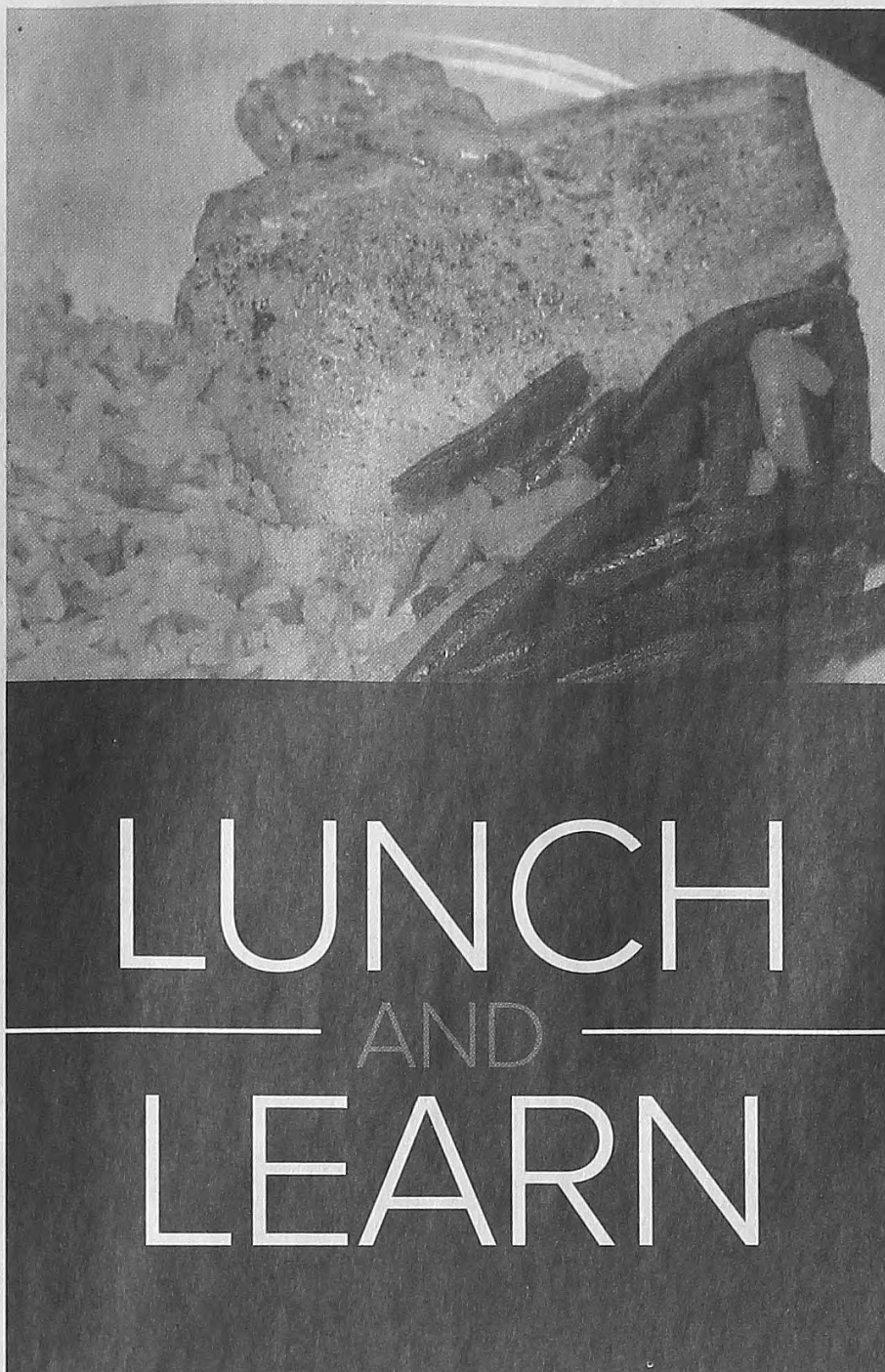
Many hospital systems are beginning to offer curbside testing. For example, Beaumont hospitals in Royal Oak, Dearborn, Farmington Hills and Troy are offering limited screening for patients who have symptoms consistent with COVID-19. Note: If medical staff determine a patient needs to be tested, a specimen will be collected and sent to a lab for testing. Call ahead to Beaumont's COVID-19 hot line at (248) 551-7000 or your physician's office before attempting to get screened.

Older adults with underlying health concerns or those with a compromised immune system who suspect they might be experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should contact their physician.

Tell your doctor everything. Report any travel to an area with widespread or community contagion on COVID-19. Report any contacts with anyone who later tested positive for coronavirus.

Take part in public health. The local health department will follow up with people who are tested for coronavirus or develop COVID-19.

Keep your pets safe. The CDC recommends limiting contact with animals while you are sick with COVID-19. While no one has reported passing COVID-19 to a pet, "It is still recommended that people sick with COVID-19 limit contact with animals until more information is known about the virus."



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Six things to do while stuck at home

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Let's get real: this is going to be a challenging few weeks.

With virtually everything shut down across the area because of coronavirus, the streets are a little quieter and everyone's holed up at home. That means there's plenty of time to catch up on things perhaps you've meant to do.

With restaurants, gyms, movie theaters and most other fun things closed by order of the governor to help combat the spread of COVID-19, there's not much to do — except go get supplies at the grocery store, which, if you do, be respectful. Those employees are doing all of us a huge service.

To better arm you with something to do in all the spare time you may have over the next few weeks, here's a list of suggestions of things to do while you're stuck at home in quarantine or just being proactive with this whole "social distancing" thing.

Clean your house

The term "spring cleaning" takes on a whole new meaning this year.

While cleaning surfaces to eliminate the spread of disease remains a priority right now, take some of this time to do the cleaning you said you were going to do in 2018.

Is your back room still covered in papers and

clothes? Can you dig out that box of junk from your move two years ago and finally go through it?

Sort through the items you want to get rid of or donate and get some boxes together. It's unclear whether you'll be able to donate them right now, as the Salvation Army has closed its stores in response to coronavirus, but get them together so you can get them out of the house later.

Now's the perfect time to get a jump start on getting the house or apartment clean. Doing it now will make it easier for when the time comes to begin being social again.

Find something to stream

Never has there ever been the plethora of options for watching television and movies at home like now: with new services popping up all the time, there's plenty to catch up on and stream to forget about what's going on outside.

Streaming services realize more people than usual are spending more time at home and at least one big release has dropped because of it: Disney+ has released "Frozen 2" early.

If you're looking for recommendations, may I offer some of my more-recent favorites: those include "The World According to Jeff Goldblum," on Disney+, where everyone's favorite wonky actor takes a deep dive into everyday topics such as gaming and sneakers in the only way he can.



Now's a great time to try new things in the kitchen, since we'll all be cooking at home a little more often.
JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

If you subscribe to Amazon Prime, "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel" is a great period comedy set in the 1950s and '60s and follows a young woman trying to make it as a comic.

If you want to subscribe to HBO for something other than the back catalog of "Game of Thrones," the two seasons of "Barry" alone are worth the price for a month. Starring Bill Hader and Henry Winkler, it's a dark comedy that won me over quickly and is easily one of the best shows on television right now (season 3 coming later this year, hopefully).

And for those with Netflix (which, I assume, is most people), there's plenty to pick from: if you haven't tried "Ozark," a third season drops later

this month and you have plenty of time to catch up.

If you need something lighter, comedy series such as "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" and "Parks and Recreation" will keep you laughing.

Of course, if you're like me, you're probably on your fourth or fifth viewing of "The Office," and this whole section is useless to you.

Carry on (just don't take Dwight's advice when combating disease).

Get in the kitchen

With restaurants closed, it's the perfect time to get in front of the range and begin trying your hand at culinary arts.

Get creative with your meals, especially if stores

continue to be flooded with crowds. Learn to use your leftovers and half-cut veggies to craft unique dishes.

Case in point: our house used some green onion and orange bell pepper. We added some ground beef, ginger, garlic and rice to them for dinner Sunday night, using soy sauce to make a unique dish that used fresh ingredients but wasn't something we'd typically make.

Bust out one of those cookbooks you know you don't use and search for a recipe you wouldn't normally make. Try your hand at baking from scratch, so long as you have the ingredients.

Now's a great time to season that cast iron skillet you've been meaning to use. Learn how to better use that pressure cooker your mom got you for Christmas. Considering restaurants are shuttered, it may finally be time to become the chef you've always wanted to be.

Take a walk

Just because we've been advised to not go out doesn't mean we can't leave the house. With the weather starting to improve across the region, getting out and getting some fresh air isn't a bad idea.

There have been plenty of people walking past my home this past weekend. I've seen children and families riding their bicycles, which is still OK to keep doing, especially with our Hometown Life

communities being more suburban.

Those in more densely-populated areas will probably want to be aware of their surroundings to keep others six feet away to better follow social distancing.

My family took a walk Sunday afternoon through our neighborhood in Livonia and past a few people out enjoying the day, and we'll probably continue this trend on days where the weather cooperates.

Of course, this doesn't apply to anyone feeling sick or in self-quarantine.

Those not feeling well need to stay home.

Dust off those old board games

Admit it: you probably haven't gotten that Scrabble board out for years.

Reach into that game closet and spend some quality time with your kids/significant other/parents/roommates by gaming the way they did before the Xbox came out (not that there's anything wrong with video games at a time like this).

Some suggestions: Uno is a classic game, and now's the perfect time to learn the actual rules. The Game of Life doesn't have a section dedicated to surviving a worldwide pandemic, so it's a great escape with everything going on.

Or, become a master of the chess board and learn one of the oldest board games still played today.

What probably not to play: Monopoly. You'll be seeing your family a lot over the next few weeks. Probably best to not bring out the game that causes bitter arguments over landing on Boardwalk with a hotel on it.

Wash your hands

Seriously, do this. A lot.

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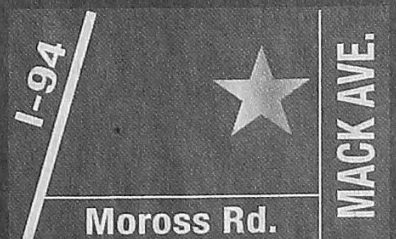
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As a backhoe grabs pieces of steel beam, a bulldozer punches a dusty hole in the wall of the former Garden City Kmart. The building at Ford and Middlebelt roads, home of the first Kmart store, opened in 1962. LA Fitness bought the property and plans to build a gym there in the coming months. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Kmart

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growing, with thousands of stores located across the country, but has shrunk considerably in the past few

years. Michigan currently has just one Kmart, located in Marshall, still operating.
The the site is just the latest former Kmart to see new life in western Wayne County. The former store at Wayne and Cherry Hill in Westland contains a UHaul facility, and the former store on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township has been flattened and will become a

new Henry Ford medical center.
The former Kmart at Seven Mile and Farmington in Livonia, which closed nearly three years ago, remains empty.
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Fountain

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happens to be pretty well-used and is a fountain everyone seems to like.
“It happens to be ex-

actly the right height because it keeps out very small kids ... and it’s in a perfect location so that it’s not in the way of the special events that take place at Kellogg Park.
“To me, it’s too bad the money can’t be directed toward things people

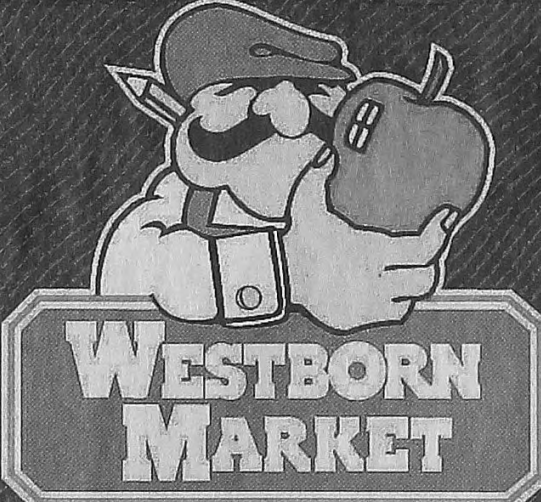
really want. There’s been no groundswell of residents saying, ‘Boy, we really need a new fountain.’”
Oppat said he has observed parks in suburban Detroit that have suffered due to “improvements.”
“The most notable

would be Chene Park in Birmingham,” he said. “They put a new fountain in the middle of the park and now there are barely any special events held there anymore as a result.”
Oppat added that more worthy projects for

the money would be safer and smoother connectors from Plymouth to Hines Park, and the Plymouth Arts & Recreation Center located two blocks from Kellogg Park.
Plymouth resident Ellen Elliott clarified to Oppat that the city did not

have an option when it came to how to spend the Wilcox Foundation grant money.
“The grant was presented by the Wilcox Foundation specifically for the fountain,” Elliott said. “It’s not like the city decided that this is what they wanted to do with the money.

“Jack Wilcox had (a new fountain) in his mind before he died. The money is not available if it isn’t used for a new fountain.
“The past four years, there has been a lot of public input and this project is really citizen-driven.”
The more than 50-year-old fountain has required an increased rate of repair the older it’s gotten, officials stressed.
“If you liken it to a car, if you have a ’72 Pinto, you can certainly keep that car going,” Plymouth DDA Operations Director Tony Bruscato said previously. “It all depends on how much you want to pay to keep it going.”
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Plymouth-Canton security chief faces unique challenges

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Home to just over 6,100 students, the three-high school, 304-acre Plymouth-Canton Educational Park is, if not the mother of all pre-college campuses in the United States, at least one of the aunts.

When the end-of-class bell hums toward the end of each hour on school days, students flood onto the walkways that connect Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools, trekking diligently toward their next class, weather be damned.

First-time observers would probably mistake the sight as that of a medium-sized college campus.

From above, the class-changing ritual resembles an example of uncommon synergy, like thousands of ants carrying out their orders in efficient fashion.

For grounded PCEP security leaders, however, the five-times-a-day routine is a challenge like none other.

"First and foremost, from a security standpoint, it presents a unique challenge because of the park's sheer size," said Shawn Rowley, who started in the position of director of school and student safety earlier this year. "Most schools have one building, so it's fairly easy to contain the people coming in and going out."

"One of the biggest challenges here, with the students moving among the three schools every hour, it can be very hard to keep track and contain everybody."

Rowley said law enforcement officials like himself who oversee high schools must research school shootings in the United States over the past two decades in an effort to glean potential life-saving information.

"Unfortunately, every incident that happens gives us an opportunity to learn how to do things differently or better," said Rowley. "For instance, we can learn how to react if there is an active assailant on campus."

"We are currently putting our administrators, teachers and staff through ALICE training, which teaches them how to react if there is an assailant on campus. And our goal is to roll it out to the students soon, too."

ALICE is an acronym for:

■ **Alert** - The first notification of danger. Maintain good situational awareness to overcome normalcy bias and ensure the best response to a critical incident or violent intruder.

■ **Lockdown** - Barricade the room.

■ **Inform** - Communicate the violent intruder's location and direction in real-

time. To do this, pass on real-time information using any means necessary. Examples are video surveillance, 911 calls and PA announcements.

■ **Counter** - Not to be confused with fighting, this step involves creating noise, movement, distance and distraction. Its intent is to reduce the shooter's ability to shoot accurately.

■ **Evacuate** - Safe and strategic evacuation techniques get people out of harm's way. Understand how your current environment impacts your ability to evacuate and discover the safest ways to do so.

Owner of a security-centered resume that spans nearly 40 years, Rowley is up to the challenge of maintaining the school district's exemplary safety record.

Rowley spent 26 years with the Southfield Public Safety Department, the last few as its deputy chief, before recently ending a near-decade run as the security chief for Baker College, which has campuses in Allen Park and Auburn Hills.

"Baker's Allen Park campus actually has approximately 4,000 students, which is considerably less than the number we have at the park," Rowley noted, comparing his previous job site with his current one. "And with Baker, all 4,000 aren't on the campus at the same time like at the three high schools here."

"The important thing is to educate our staff and the students about what things to look for and signs of potential danger so that we can hopefully prevent things before they get bigger," Rowley said.

Each of the three high schools is staffed by at least one security guard who reports to Rowley.

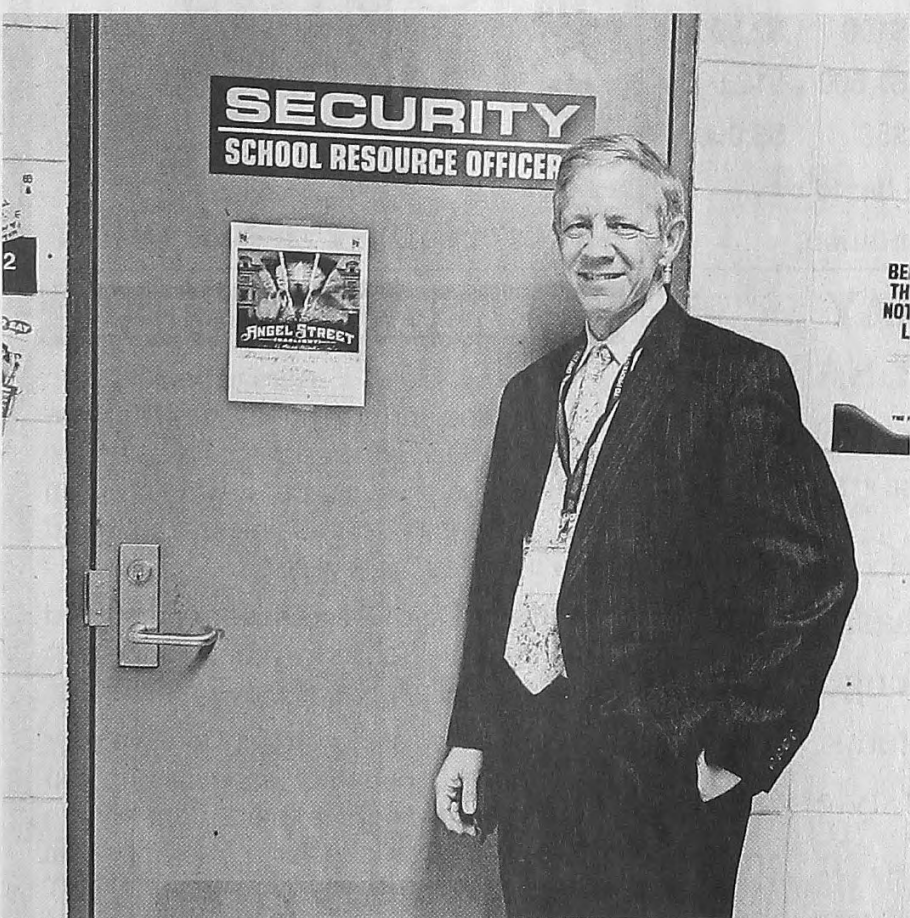
"The elementary and middle schools don't have dedicated security staff, but I am in constant communication with those schools' administration," he said.

Rowley said custody issues between divorced parents can be problematic at times at the pre-high school levels, but "hopefully, these are few and far between."

A longtime resident of Canton, Rowley said he is excited about his new position, especially since his three children all thrived in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools system.

"I look at it as a wonderful opportunity to continue the great work that has been done before me," Rowley said.

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Shawn Rowley is the new Director of School Safety and Security for the Plymouth-Canton School District. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Driver

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The man continued westbound in the eastbound lanes of Schoolcraft to escape. The police officer, knowing the driver had a child passenger, did not pursue the getaway vehicle.

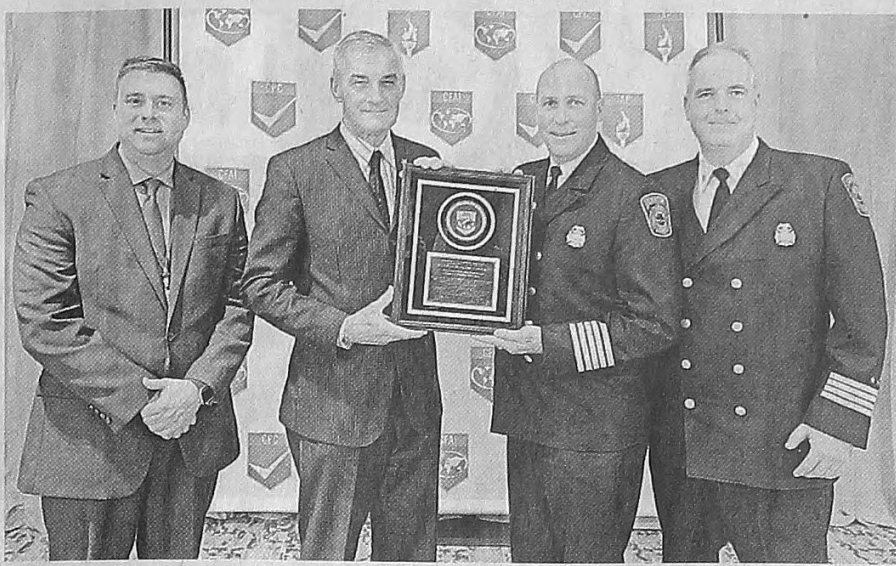
Police took the driver into custody

March 5.

The Brighton man has been arraigned in Livonia's 16th District Court on a felony charge of third-offense fleeing and two misdemeanors - reckless driving and a second offense of driving with a revoked license.

His bond has been set at \$50,000.

Contact reporter Susan Vela at svela@hometownlife.com or 248-303-8432. Twitter: @susanvela.



Pictured, from left, are Joshua Meier, Canton director of Public Safety; Steve Dongworth, CFAI Commission chairperson; Chris Stoecklein, Canton deputy director of Fire; and Jamie Strassner, Canton deputy fire chief.

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Canton Fire Dept. receives international accreditation

Earlier this month, the Canton Fire Department was awarded full accreditation from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International.

CFAI accreditation is an international recognition of achievement, demonstrating to the community that the department is performing to industry best practices and is holding itself accountable through an external peer review.

Canton Fire Department became a CFAI registered agency in 2013, beginning the task of fulfilling the rigorous requirements and self-assessment needed to comply with the 242 standards required for full accreditation.

Last December, a four-person assessment team from CFAI was on site for one week, conducting a comprehensive review of the department.

In addition, the team interviewed department leaders and spoke with various department personnel, as well as executives in the township.

The panel also reviewed and evalu-

ated fire department facilities and emergency equipment, as well as service levels provided to the community.

A report was prepared outlining successes as well as items of concern, with an overall recommendation for approval by the CFAI panel.

CFAI Assessment Team Leader Gerard Kay described Canton as having an "exceptional fire department," citing the quality of its facilities and equipment, as well as its high caliber of personnel.

"CFAI accreditation is highly regarded by firefighting agencies internationally," Public Safety Director Joshua Meier stated. "... The Canton Fire Department is now one of only four agencies in Michigan to have received this prestigious award."

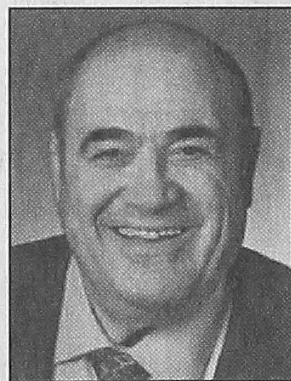
Maintaining accreditation will require the department to continue being community-focused, data driven, outcome-focused, strategic-minded, well organized, properly equipped, and properly staffed and trained - all of which are components of CFAI.

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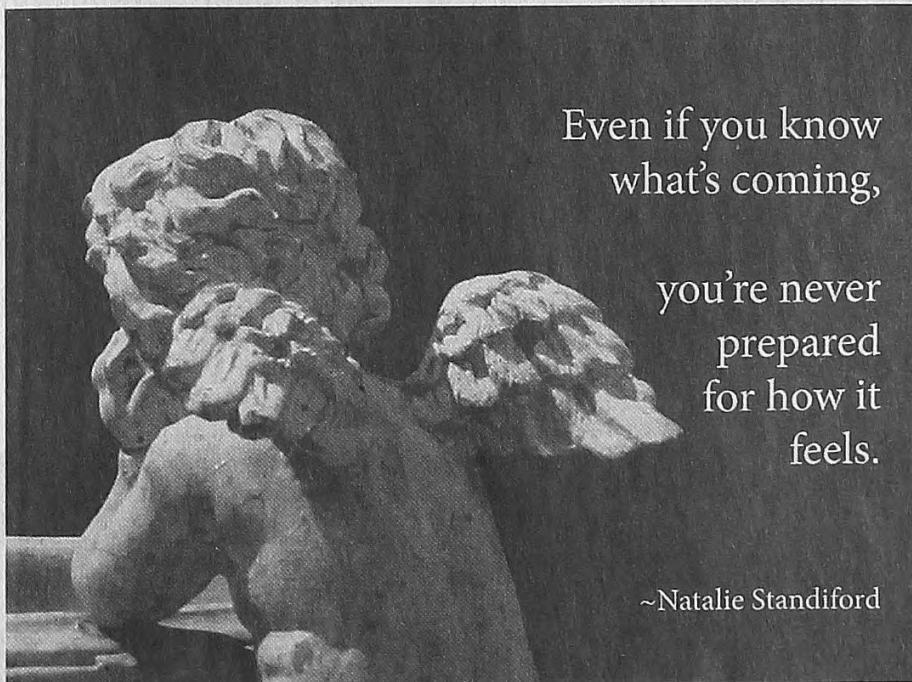
Abe A. Munfakh

Abe A. Munfakh passed away March 13, 2020 at the age of 79. He was born in Syria February 8, 1941 to Antoine and Antoinette Munfakh. He is deeply loved and survived by his wife Darlene; his daughters Laila (Michael) Carr and Jennifer (Scott) Shaw, his grandchildren Emily Carr, Noelle Carr and Colleen Shaw. Also surviving are his 4 brothers George (Jimmie) Munfakh, Robert (Brooke) Munfa, Nasri (Therese) Munfakh and Nabil Munfakh, his brother-in-law Stephen (Becky) Kali and many nieces and nephews. Funeral Wednesday, 10:30 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth. Visitation at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St., Plymouth, Tuesday 4-8PM and Wednesday at church 10AM until Funeral Service. Prayers will be held Tuesday 7:30 PM at the funeral home. To leave a condolence www.schrader-howell.com



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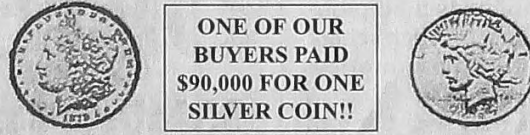
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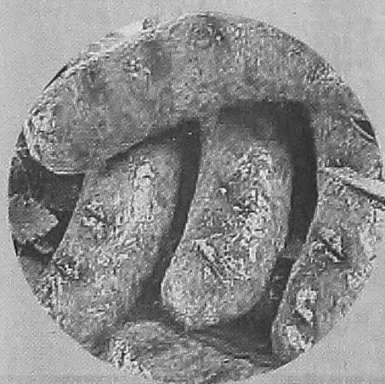
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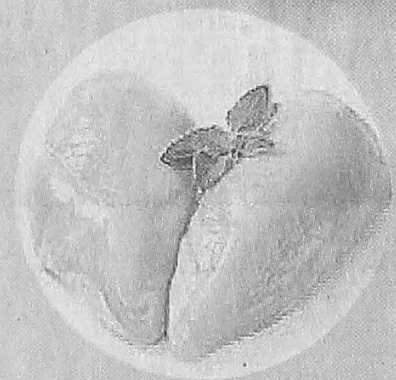
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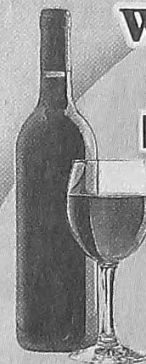


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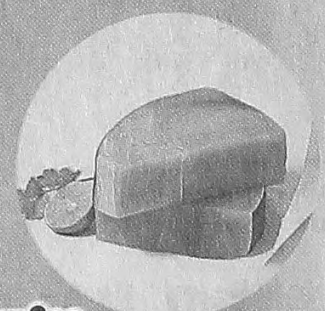
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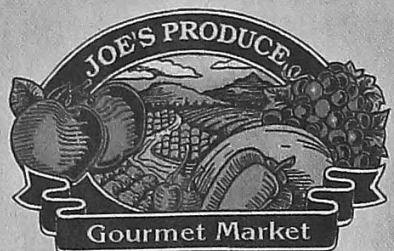
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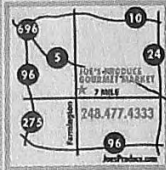


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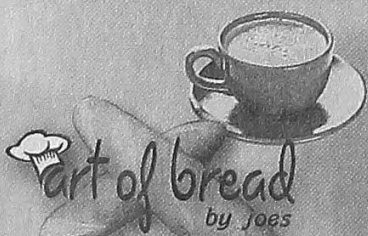
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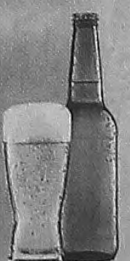
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Sports

Key runs lead Glenn to semifinal win

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Facing Livonia Stevenson twice in the regular season, John Glenn basketball earned two wins: both by a single-digit margin.

After a dominant 68-26 first-round win against Garden City on Monday, round three was upon the Rockets. And in the matchup with the most meaning, the Rockets came out on top again.

John Glenn (15-7) defeated Stevenson (12-8), 63-51, in the district semifinal at Garden City March 11.

Here are three takeaways from the game.

Johnson helps Glenn take off

Holding a 43-36 lead after three quarters, it did not take long for the Spartans to come back.

After forward Ethan Young opened the final eight minutes with a layup, forward Evan Bradford hit a jumper and hit a 3 on the next two possessions, tying the game at 43.

Then, John Glenn senior guard Jalen Johnson got started.

Coming into the final quarter with five points, Johnson recorded a layup, helping start a 9-0 run, capped off by a corner 3 by the senior guard.

When the game got out of reach, Johnson scored the last of his 12 points on an emphatic dunk, ending the Spartans' season in style.

"We was really slept on last year," Johnson said. "It felt like a lot to be able to come back and put our name on the map this year, show our doubters that we can really do it. Just make sure that their runs were not better than our runs."



Stevenson's Ethan Young, right, blocks a shot from John Glenn's Deonte Pearson in the district semifinal March 11 at Garden City. John Glenn (15-7) defeated Stevenson (12-8), 63-51. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

MHSAA suspends all sports activities

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All member schools of the Michigan High School Athletic Association will suspend all activities in all sports through at least April 5, according to a statement released Friday.

This mandate matches Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's order that all school be closed March 16 to April 5 to deter the spread of coronavirus or COVID-19.

All athletic activities will be stopped including practices, scrimmages and games, along with strength training, conditioning and any organized activity for winter sports in the midst of their playoff tournament, for spring sports that were scheduled to begin practices and for fall sports coaches who are working with a limited number of athletes during the off season.

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Coaches react to halt of winter postseason

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North Farmington head basketball coach Todd Negoshian had a practice scheduled for Thursday afternoon last week after school was out. His players took to the court like any normal day.

But high school gyms across the state of Michigan, like the rest of the country, were not normal that Thursday afternoon.

The Michigan High School Athletics Association announced that day all

winter sports tournaments were suspended immediately and indefinitely due to the rapid spreading of coronavirus, or COVID-19.

This halted area hockey, girls basketball, boys basketball, boys swim and dive, and girls gymnastics teams' quests for a state title.

With the virus seemingly placing a halt on the sports world at all levels — from high school to college to the professional leagues — it is something area

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South Lyon East stifles rival South Lyon in OT

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The Region 17 district semifinal was a tale of two halves.

The first was dominated by fast-paced offense and a plethora of three-pointers; the second was focused on defense and missed shots.

In the end, South Lyon East got past rival South Lyon 51-48 in overtime at Brighton High School. The Cougars advanced to the district final against Ann Arbor Skyline, but suspension of the high school sports season has that on hold indefinitely.

East improved to 15-7 with the win, while South Lyon finished 10-11.

Here are three takeaways from the game:

Second half defense makes the difference

After starting behind 8-0, South Lyon roared back to take a 35-31 lead into halftime.

The second half saw a total change in the style of play for both teams. East limited South Lyon to just five third quarter points, nine fourth quarter points and zero points in overtime.



East's Nick Branton scored 8 points against South Lyon in the district semifinal. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"We talked about defense (at halftime)," South Lyon East coach Ron Levin said. "We knew going in that we could score against them."

South Lyon didn't make any triples in the entire second half.

"We really got up on them around the three-point line and made sure they couldn't hit those easy threes like they

were in the first half," East senior Nick Branton said. "We forced them to drive where me or Drake (Willenborg) could come in and get in the way."

South Lyon was led on offense by sophomore Quinn Fracassi, who scored 12 points and senior Joe Carano, who scored 10 points. Sophomore Max Peters and sophomore Logan Doty each scored seven points.

"Their press kind of slowed us down and we didn't have the discipline or the will to move the ball as much," South Lyon coach Troy Weidman said.

Big man blocks

One of the reasons South Lyon had so much trouble in the lane during the second half was the defensive presence of Branton, who stands 6-foot-8. He had eight points, including a dunk, but also had several key blocks. One of those came in the final minute of overtime to help keep East in the lead.

"Even when he doesn't score a lot of points, he changes the game because other teams game plan for him," Levin said.

Both teams had chances to take a commanding lead late, but neither team was able. It certainly made the final moments more stressful for both coaches.

East was led in scoring by junior Bryce Bird and junior Christian Dimitriou, who each had 10 points. Five players had at least seven points.

Backyard brawl

East and South Lyon played three times this season, with each program winning once in the regular season.

"Our bench has been incredible," Levin said. "The guys on our bench have been so supportive."

Branton echoed his coaches thoughts and gave credit to the crosstown rival, saying he felt both programs were evenly matched.

East only has four seniors on the roster, while South Lyon has five, so it's safe to say that next year's contests should continue to be highly competitive.

"The potential with this team is great, I like our guys," Weidman said. "We're young. When you start the season with young guys you can typically expect to have some ups and downs. I'm really positive about our guys, we have some guys that really know how to play basketball. I'm proud of them and of their fight. This game was an example of that, we got down early and fought back, same thing in the second half."

Thurston blasts Churchill in district semifinal

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Livonia Churchill and Redford Thurston were on opposite trajectories coming into their district semifinal matchup.

After winning their season opener against Garden City, the Chargers lost 19 straight games, not coming within 10 points of an opponent all season. The Eagles, on the other hand, were dominant, winning 17-of-19 games during the regular season with only two games in which they scored less than 50 points.

Thurston opened the game with a quick steal and layup by senior forward Ricky Davis, quickly answered with a 3-point make by Churchill junior guard Chase Loving.

But Thurston quickly cemented its domination, using a 22-3 first-quarter run and a 26-7 second quarter to beat Churchill, 74-34, in the district semifinal March 12 at Garden City.

"I think I thought the kids played hard," Thurston head coach Brian Bates said. "We press and we play hard and we run. We came out and we did some things that we needed to do, and that's what we have done all year long, whether it's tonight or any other night."

It was the fourth time Churchill had scored less than 35 points in a game this season, and the 14th time the Chargers have allowed more than 70 points.

Holding on to an 8-6 first-quarter lead, Thurston began to take over.



Churchill's Jackson A'Mareon gets his shot blocked by Thurston's Ricky Davis, left, in the district semifinal. Thurston won, 74-34. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Senior guard Khali Freeman recorded a basket and the Eagles were off, recording a 16-0 run, helped by 3-point makes by Freeman and junior DeShawn

Graves.

A 3-point make by Churchill's Ryan Hutchison at the end of the first quarter brought the Chargers to within 14, but

the Eagles recovered quickly in the second.

Senior guard Jordan Buxton began a 26-point second quarter for the Eagles, allowing only three field goals by Churchill.

Despite allowing a five-point run by the Chargers to begin the second half, Thurston continued its domination, allowing only four field goals for the rest of the game.

Thurston senior guard Isaiah Turner led the Eagles with 16 points, while Buxton added 14 and Freeman added 10.

Loving led Churchill with 21 points.

With a matchup against either Stevenson or John Glenn ahead of Thurston, that is just the start for whichever team comes out of District 20.

The district champion will meet the champion of District 18 in the regional semifinal: teams like Belleville, who finished undefeated in KLAA East regular season play, or Ypsilanti Lincoln.

Bates acknowledged that if the Eagles get past the district round that the road is incredibly tough.

However, Bates is focused solely on the district final, a place he feels Thurston deserves to be.

"The kids are confident," Bates said. "They are playing with a lot of confidence on both offense and defense. They feel really good about themselves, but I don't think we are over confident."

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Semifinal

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Stevenson head coach Kareem Smart said every time his team came back, it started reverting back to the one-on-one style instead of the team play that got them back into the fray.

Small mistakes — such as two turnovers in the middle of Glenn's run or even two technical shots by Kyle Holt in the second quarter — defined Stevenson's outcome.

"We lost our composure," Smart said.

A game of runs

The fourth quarter run was not Glenn's only chance at a win.

Stevenson held a eight-point lead halfway through the second quarter, allowing the Rockets to storm back, using a 15-2 run at the end of the quarter to take a 31-24 halftime lead.

And after the Spartans came back and tied the game at 35 in the third quarter, the Rockets responded again with an eight-point run.

"We could never play a full game of 32 minutes," Smart said. "We always have two or three minutes where we get into lapses, and that's how teams come back and get into games with us."

Those lapses were just John Glenn head coach Jerret Smith's team making shots.

The John Glenn head coach said that when his team began to hit shots consistently in the second half, it extended

the defense out of the zone and into man, allowing the Rockets to get out and run in the style that suits this team.

"Once we got them playing our game, got them playing man, the gaps opened up," Smith said. "I thought we got them kind of tired, I thought we got them sitting on their heels. Once we started driving, they kind of couldn't recover."

Holt proved to be a major factor in this shift. The senior hit three 3-point makes in the second quarter, helping Glenn through its initial offensive run and leading the team with 20 points.

Deonta Pearson added 11 points for the Rockets.

Playing for worth

The KLAA Tournament proved to be difficult for John Glenn.

The Rockets lost to Howell, falling to Belleville in the consolation bracket to end their regular season.

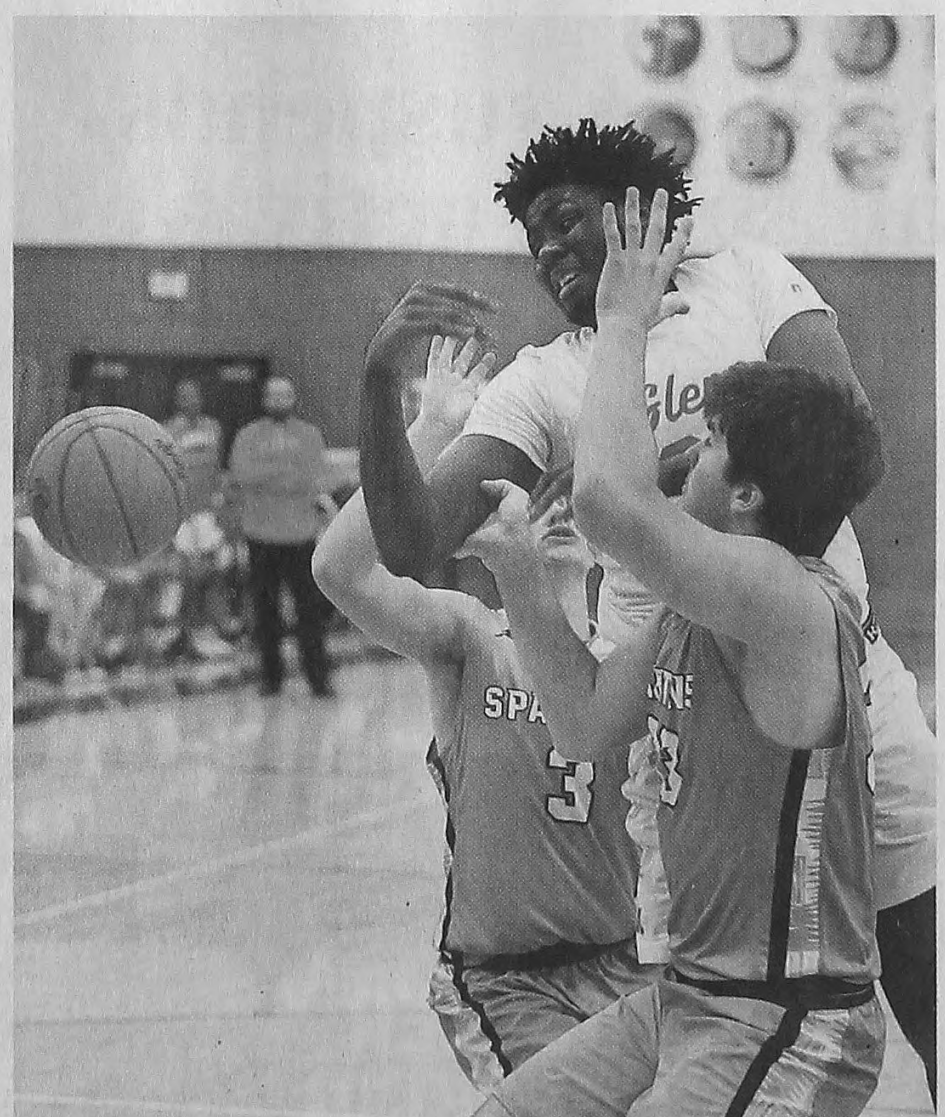
Smith said his team was tired after that stretch, using the time between the regular season and the playoffs to rest and rejuvenate.

In the playoffs, John Glenn had that second wind.

"These kids are just battling. They are really battling," Smith said. "They are buying in and outworking teams, and when you have those three formulas, it puts you in a good position to win any kind of game."

The first-year John Glenn head coach describes it as "playing for worth," showing that his team is worthy of being in the position reached.

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John Glenn's Trey Smith loses control of a rebound during the district semifinal against Stevenson on March 11 at Garden City. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Novi's Muirhead wins Athlete of the Week

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Not many gave the Novi Wildcats a chance in the D2 hockey playoffs when they took on powerhouse Livonia Stevenson.

Novi sophomore goalie Austin Muirhead had other plans, and very nearly led his team to an upset victory over the Spartans after making 54 saves on 56 shots in the triple overtime game. Stevenson came out on top, but the talk in the arena was about Muirhead's stand-out performance.

That performance earned Muirhead Athlete of the Week honors, winning our poll with 13,236 votes (64.98 percent).

He beat out Detroit Catholic Central hockey player Collin Scheuher, who received 5,892 votes (28.93 percent). Brother Rice's Nick Marone placed third with 1,008 votes while Mercy's Julia Bishop finished fourth and CC's Derek Gilcher placed fifth.

We caught up with Muirhead and asked him a few questions:

You played an outstanding game against Livonia Stevenson in the state playoffs, do you feel like you're becoming one of the goalies people should have an eye on for next year as one of the best in the state?

"I feel like my performance, and the entire Novi hockey team's performance, surprised a lot of people. Next season, other teams will know what I, and Novi can do, and should consider Novi as serious contenders to go far in the playoffs."

Who is your favorite athlete and why?

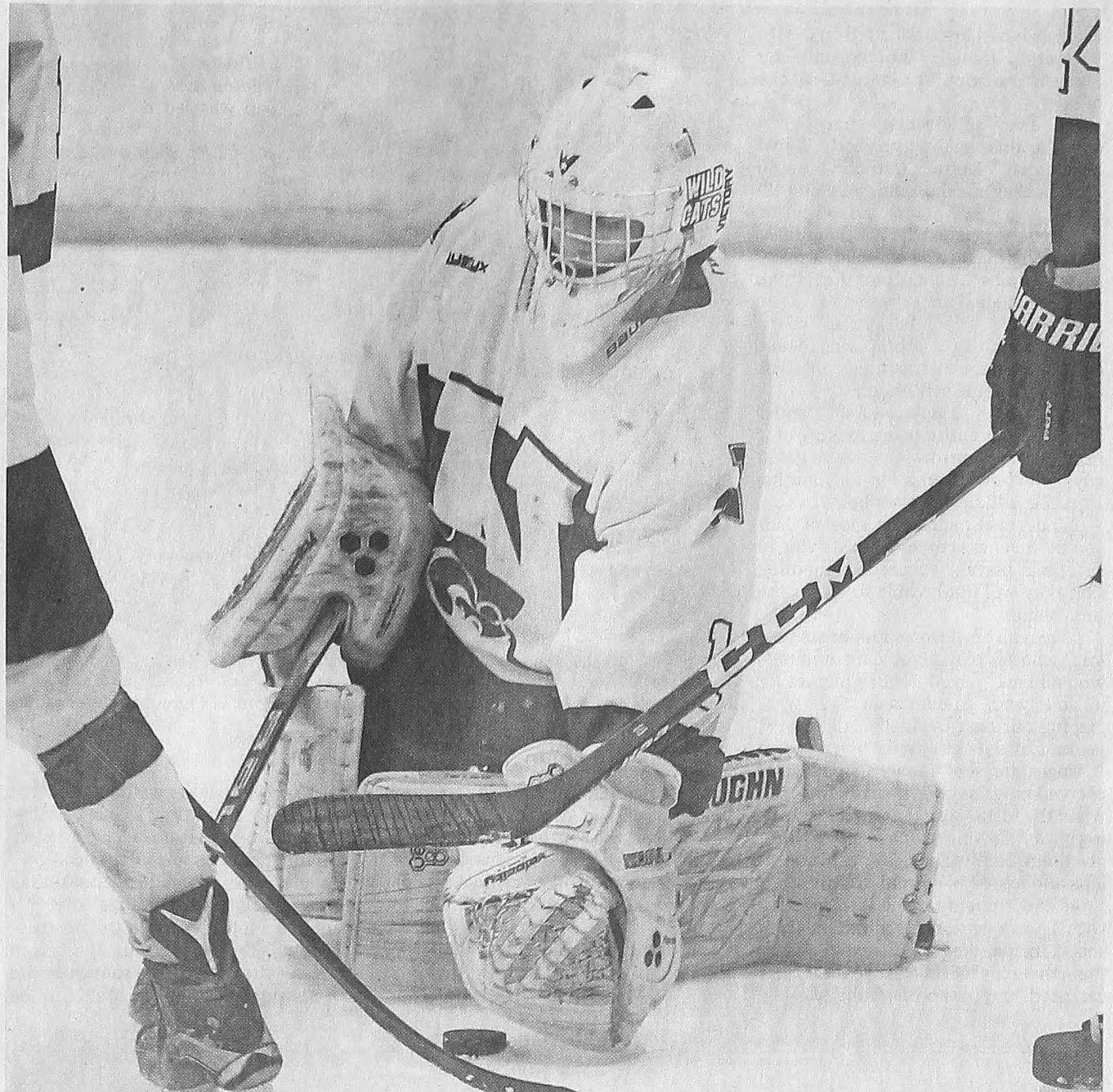
"Some of the hockey athletes that I have always looked up to are Henrik Lundqvist and Marc-Andre Fleury."

What's your favorite TV show or movie and why?

"I do not watch a lot of television, but one of my favorite TV shows is Impractical Jokers. Also, I do not have a favorite movie, but I love Action, Horror, and Comedy movies."

What are some of your hobbies outside of hockey?

"Other than hockey, I like basketball, and lacrosse. Some hobbies I have are hanging out with friends, and listening



Novi's Austin Muirhead nearly led his team to an upset win over Stevenson after making 54 saves on 56 shots in triple OT.
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to tons of music."

What year in school are you and what are your future plans? Do you plan to continue playing hockey after high school?

"I am a sophomore and I am still not sure what I want to do after high school, but playing hockey after high school would be pretty cool."

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coaches have had to adjust to on the fly.

Overall, though, the response for teams in the hunt for a state title is one of grief.

"It's a very serious matter and for it to come to this, again, everybody is just devastated," Detroit Catholic Central head hockey coach Brandon Kaleniecki said.

"(For) the person who has potentially played their last game and didn't really know it, that's the tough part that I think we all struggle with."

Northville head basketball coach Todd Sander, who was preparing to take on Canton in the district final on Friday, echoed the same sentiment.

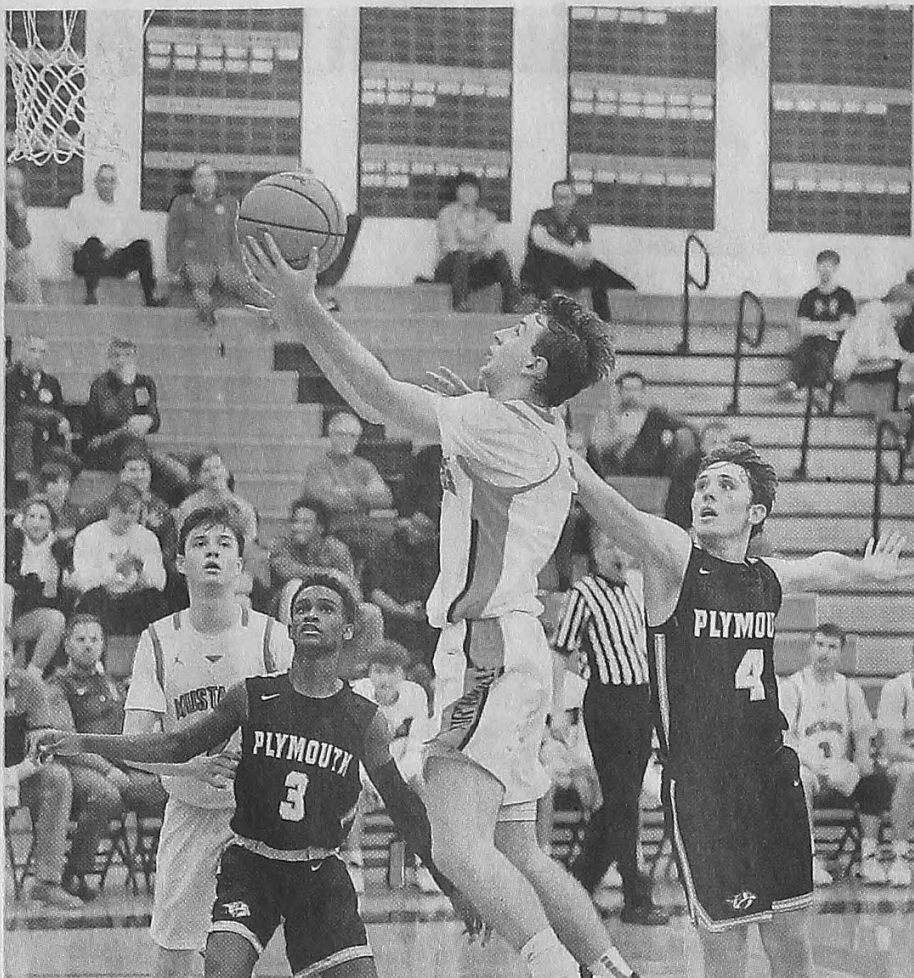
"It's really disappointing," Sander said. "For our entire team, looking at it from our own narrow lens, we've got 13 guys who have been all in for months, since the middle of November."

Sander said, as coaches, most of their competitiveness comes from striving to see their players succeed, something that they will not be able to do for the time being.

"You really feel worse for our six seniors, who all play significant minutes, who all have played in our program for all four year," Sander said. "We were playing our best basketball right now, peaking at the right time."

Negoshian said he saw a stoppage of play coming, saying he was shocked when the MHSAA said Thursday morning it was allowing teams to play in front of a limited crowd: parents, legal guardians and essential administrators.

As the students came into practice with knowledge of the situation from social media, Negoshian explained to them that play had been suspended, not canceled, and that preparation was key



Northville's Grant Mathiesen goes up for a layup in front of Plymouth defenders.
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for if North Farmington were to finish the season it had started.

However, the North Farmington head coach realizes this suspension larger than the Raiders' district final against rival Farmington that was scheduled for Friday.

"This is bigger than a MHSAA district championship against a cross-town rival," Negoshian said. "This is a world

health problem right now that's causing major, major unsettling in our country. We need to get that in order before we even think about sports right now."

While John Glenn head basketball coach Jerret Smith realizes that his team has a lot to prove in the postseason, saying that many counted his team out in his first season, he said there are more important things in life than just

performances on the court.

"For us, it was tough news, but at the end of the day, by the grace of God, it's all about health and this thing going around that is getting a lot of people sick," Smith said. "Our health is a lot more important. There are many things more important in life than just basketball and I think our kids understand that. But until they tell us it's over, we aren't going to stop working."

For a team that many deemed the favorite to win the Division 1 hockey state title, Catholic Central was preparing to play this weekend at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth.

His message to the Shamrocks was one of hope, but one of realism as well.

"I think we are all very much aware of the growing concern with the virus and how quickly it has been spreading," Kaleniecki said. "I also had to urge them that that doesn't mean it's going to be resumed. We just don't know."

"We obviously hope that it's the case because you want the seniors to see the end and experience what that is like, whether it's win or lose, right. Win or lose, you know it's over."

With the suspension, there are championships to be had without a champion, and ahead of his attempt at a Division 2 state title, Brother Rice hockey head coach Kenny Chaput wanted a chance to hang the banner.

"It's coming to that point where, it's been a great experience for them, but this is a way to sort of put that top on there, that topper, and hang that banner and put yourself into that pretty select group of teams that have played at Brother Rice that have gotten a state championship," Chaput said. "That's what you think about and it's not the best of days around."

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MHSAA

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"By suspending all sports activities for the next three weeks, we are taking an additional step to maintain safety and minimize risk first, and also keep a

level playing field for our schools and teams during this time of uncertainty," MHSAA Executive Director Mark Uyl said in the statement. "A number of schools across the state already were making this decision, and setting this as the standard across our membership is appropriate especially given the quick pace with which this situation is con-

tinuing to evolve.

"Given the rapid, fast-moving and unprecedented events of this week, the MHSAA will use the time during this all-sport suspension of activities to evaluate all options and next steps which will be shared with schools in a timely manner."

MHSAA winter postseason events

were suspended indefinitely Thursday afternoon. There is no timetable for a possible rescheduling of these tournaments.

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Zoning Board of Appeals Notice
Thursday, April 2, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Commission Chambers
201 S. Main Street Plymouth, Michigan 48170
Website: www.plymouthmi.gov Phone: (734) 453-1234 ext. 232


A regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following:

1. Z 20-02 Non-Use Variance Request for 575 Blunk
Side yard setback
Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential
Applicant: James Fedewa

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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 **City of Plymouth**
Department of Municipal Services
1231 Goldsmith Plymouth, MI 48170
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C/O City Clerk
Plymouth City Hall
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- 1 Passengers

7 It's used for simmering

14 Good for farming

20 Texas wildcat

21 Huffington of HuffPost

22 Hooded snakes

23 Noted WikiLeaks whistleblower [42]

25 Potato, yam and rutabaga

26 Impressionist painter Mary

27 Toaster waffle brand

28 Ancestry

29 Not needing an Rx

30 Unkempt sort

33 Swimmer who won six Olympic gold medals [39]

35 It has triceps

38 Radical type

40 Work units

41 Author of the Edgar-winning novel "New Orleans Mourning" [37]

45 "TRL Top 10" channel

46 Wig makeup
- 50 Not similar

51 2014 Olympics host city

54 Pooh and Roo's creator

57 Erudite class

59 Actress called "The Queen of Technicolor" [40]

61 The "Y" of YSL

62 UFO pilots, presumably

64 Surveyor's map

65 Caught in a lasso

66 Whom each of this puzzle's featured women have as a namesake

70 Like hot stuff

74 State of mind

75 Always, to Keats

76 Dismounted

80 "Sabrina the Teenage Witch" actress [35]

83 Black or red candy

86 Grow to accept

87 High-stick billiards shot
- 89 Make sizzling sounds

90 Stag, e.g.

91 Nondairy milk source

93 2006 U.S. figure skating champion [44]

95 — Pet (1980s fad)

97 Petrol unit

99 Astros, on sports tickers

100 She played Dharma on "Dharma & Greg" [43]

105 Deep drink

108 Have life

111 How Earth rotates

112 Born under — sign

114 Nondairy milk source

117 Person "from around here"

118 "The Last O.G." actress [45]

121 Close to a dozen

122 Many an allergy sufferer

123 Make happy

124 Tension

125 Runty ones

126 Michael who once headed Disney
- DOWN**

1 "The Famous Teddy Z" actor Alex

2 Old Apple instant-messaging app

3 Reduce in intensity

4 Pipe bends

5 Civil rights figure Parks

6 Leaves in, to an editor

7 On the — (fleeing)

8 "... boy — girl?"

9 Claret, e.g.

10 Plane houser

11 Mystery

12 Irk

13 Dog's jingler

14 Role-playing

15 Boxers' units

16 Nuns' place

17 Period of rest

18 Jumbo-sized

19 Ruhr city

24 Fla.'s ocean

28 Future flies

31 Yes, to Pierre

32 Deli classics, for short

34 Critters' doc

36 Irks

37 Israel's Golda

39 — McAn (shoe brand)

41 7, monthwise

42 Part of UCLA: Abbr.

43 Reggae grew from it

44 Taxi ticker

45 Saharan illusion

46 Longtime Ritz rival

47 "How sad!"

48 As to

49 Enjoy a book

52 Ice — (longtime skating show)

53 Netflix alternative

55 Crooner Murray

56 Heathland

58 "You know who I am"

60 Merman of old musicals

63 Full of tumult

66 Fedora fabric

67 Still having a shot to win

68 Qatar's capital

69 Van Devere of "The Changeling"

70 Hoodwink

71 "There, I did it!"

72 Said aloud

73 Bound along

76 — Detoo ("Star Wars" droid)

77 Neighbor of a Pole

78 Frozen drink brand

79 Beach bird

81 In a prying way

82 Admin. aide

84 W-2 pro

85 "Yeow!"

88 Hearing pair

92 Clumsy ox

94 Suture

95 Baby whales

96 Mount St. —

97 Add-on cost for a science course

98 Shortly, informally

100 Fonda and Austen

101 Really praise

102 Gunpowder component

103 Dewy-eyed

104 The Pine Tree State

106 "— bin ein Berliner"

107 Totally lose it

109 Charlotte — (rich dessert)

110 Anesthetic of old

113 Flabbergast

115 451, to Nero

116 Keats poems

118 Dosage amt.

119 By birth

120 100 in a cen.

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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

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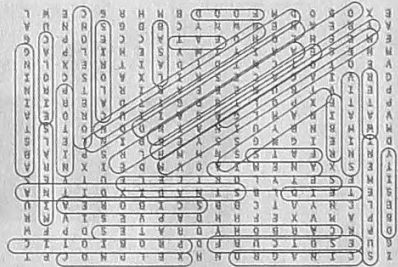
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