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Communities may partner for low water costs

Four Wayne County municipalities consider collaboration

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Most people wish they could pay less for water. In Wayne County, Livonia, Westland, Canton Township and Northville Township are seeing if they can make that happen.

The four municipalities recently an-

nounced they collectively paid \$43,000 for a four-month study exploring the feasibility of two things: Buying water together and storing water together.

"This would be forming a consortium that allows us to buy in bulk," Livonia Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan explained. "That automatically will drive down our costs for water. It really

doesn't cost a community a whole lot to partner."

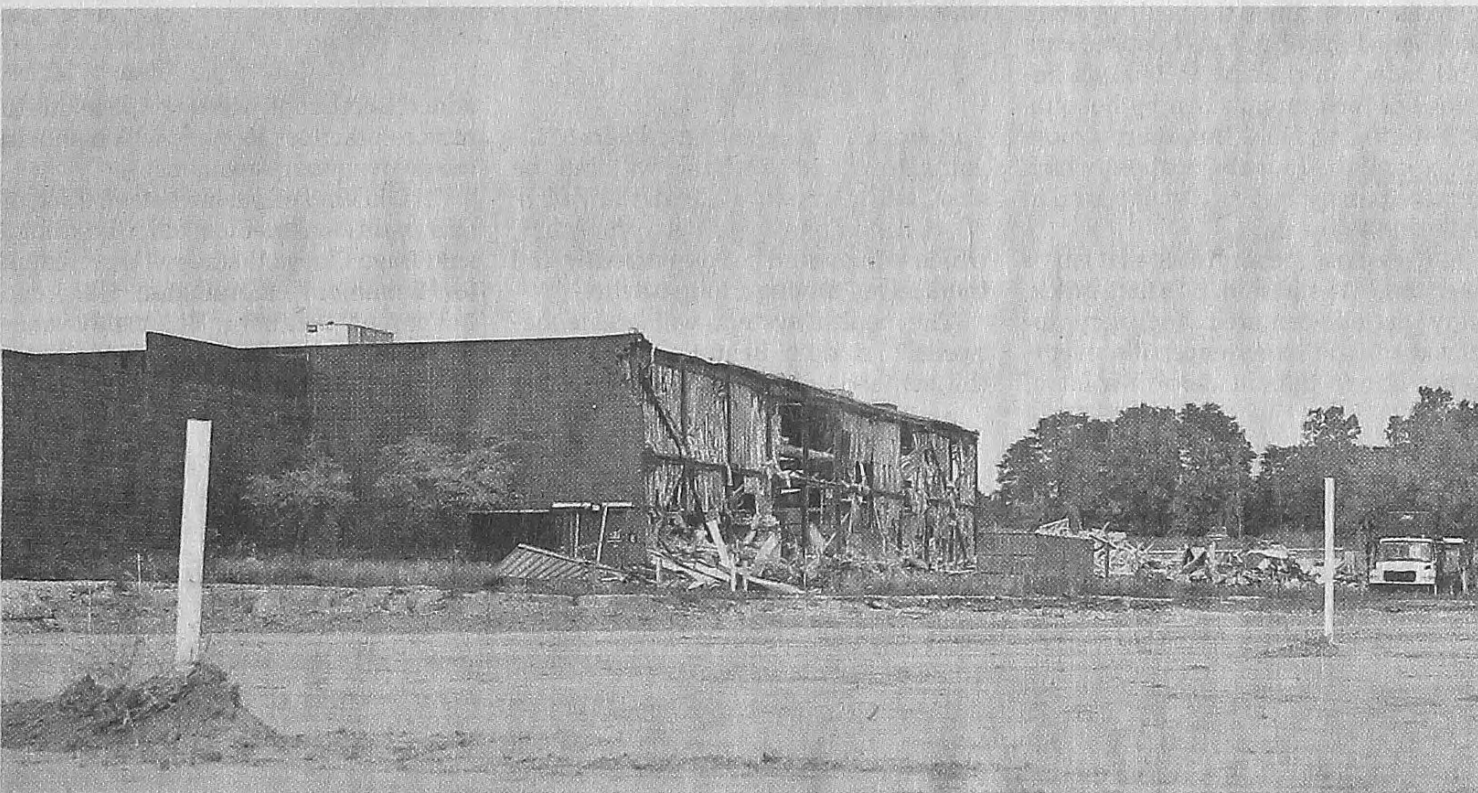
When the feasibility study results come back, local officials will still decide if they want to work together or not. One community deciding to back out would not affect the others' ability to buy together. Buying in bulk could bring savings as early as July 2021, the municipalities estimate.

"In Canton, we are very excited to get

this study going to confirm the potential benefits of a regional water buy for all of our communities," Canton Supervisor Pat Williams said. "This water-buying consortium is a great idea for our region."

The municipalities would call their consortium the Western Wayne Regional Water Authority and, if they move

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Construction at the site of Beaumont's four-story medical center in Livonia has begun with land clearing and a partial tear-down of the former A123 Systems buildings on the north side of Seven Mile Road. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Construction underway on Beaumont facility in Livonia

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In the early months of 2022, Livonia will have a new healthcare option.

Beaumont Health started construction at the site of its planned healthcare facility at 39000 Seven Mile. Beaumont expects the facility, along the Interstate 275 corridor, will give some of its customers a healthcare option closer to home.

The building will stretch across four-and-a-half stories and offer services like primary care, specialty care, an emergency room, outpatient surgery, labs, physical therapy, some cancer services,

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Beaumont Health is building a new medical facility. COURTESY OF BEAUMONT HEALTH

Families protest PCCS re-entry proposal

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Waving fluorescent signs and chanting "full day, full day," parents and students demanding a return to full-time, face-to-face learning staged a peaceful and colorful protest in front of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools main office Monday afternoon.

The protest unfolded approximately 24 hours before the PCCS Board of Education was scheduled to debate — then vote on — a proposal that would start a phased-in return to in-person learning, with elementary students attending school for two-and-a-half hours a day, four days a week (with one day slotted for all virtual learning). That vote came after press time. Find more online and in Sunday's print edition.

"From what I understand about this plan, elementary students would be in school for only 10 hours a week, but not all that time would be used for instruction," Jackie Rutherford, the mother of three students in the district, said. "There would have to be time set aside for lining the students up, packing up ... which would probably cut the actual instruction time to eight hours a week."

"My husband and I both work from home for now, so it's not a major problem for us. But the majority of the families in the district don't have that luxury. They're the ones I'm really concerned about."

School districts across Michigan switched to virtual learning models in April in response to COVID-19 and its spread across Michigan. Districts devised their own plans to start the 2020-21 school year with almost all metro Detroit public schools starting the school year with all students working virtual. Area districts have plans for returning students to in-person classes in some form in October.

Rutherford said she would have zero concerns about her kids' health if they returned to face-to-face learning.

"All of my kids have been competing in sports, and we've been out and about in the community traveling, and everyone is fine," she said. "By protesting today, we want to let the board of education know that we're not

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William Grace Dog Park adds new features

Are you among the countless numbers who adopted a "pandemic pooch" during the coronavirus lockdown? Whether people had more free time or were lonely and needed a canine companion while working from home, families across the country have adopted dogs at a record-setting rate. Breeders

have waiting lists and shelters are seeing a demand that exceeds the number of puppies available.

If you are a resident of Farmington Hills or Farmington looking for a fun way to entertain your new dog and meet other pet owners (with social distancing for humans — dogs can get closer than

six feet), head to the William Grace Dog Park at 29040 Shiawassee Road.

The City of Farmington Hills recently re-opened the popular William Grace Dog Park after a short closure this summer for renovations and the

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Dog park

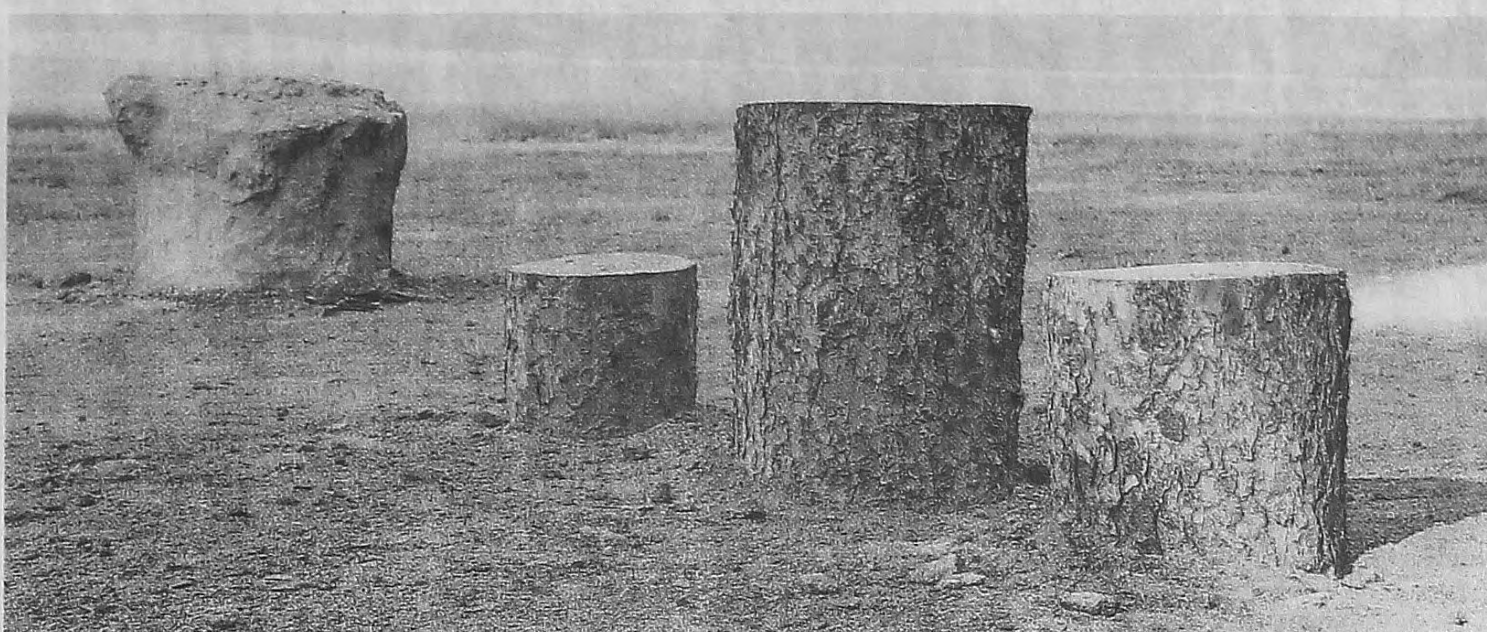
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addition of new features. Improvements include:

- Redesigned ADA accessible paved entrance
- New walking path around the park's perimeter
- Barrier free drinking fountains accessible for both dogs and humans
- Updated landscaping with many newly planted trees
- Additional waste bag dispenser stations

While these improvements enhance the accessibility and improve the aesthetics, your pooch will be much more interested in the park's many new fun features. Recently added dog agility play equipment includes:

- Natural log balance beams
- Climbing boulders (made from reclaimed concrete from William Grace Elementary School, which previously occupied the site)
- Tree stump jumpers



The new stump jumpers at the William Grace Dog Park in Farmington Hills. COURTESY OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS.

• Non-working retired fire hydrants that were painted blue and provide a "gathering spot" for local pooches

If your new puppy needs to burn off pent-up energy, exercise, and improve

their socialization skills, a trip to the William Grace Dog Park will provide hours of fun! Plus, you can get out of the house, enjoy the fresh air, and compare notes with other new pet owners.

For more information, including details on membership, rules and regulations, and annual fees, go to fhgov.com/Activities/Parks-Facilities/Dog-Park.aspx.

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imaging, occupational therapy and an ambulatory center. The facility will not offer overnight hospital beds or radiation treatments for cancer patients.

"Hospitals we always be there, but we know communities are telling us ... we have to offer these additional types of care," Beaumont Health Chief Operating Officer Carolyn Wilson said. "So for us, we're hoping to be, in a lot of ways, a one-stop shop."

Wilson explained the health system stopped short of full-on hospital care and radiation therapy in Livonia because of the system's nearby hospital in Farmington Hills. But, there's room to expand the Livonia location, which received all necessary city approval in 2019, in the future.

"They can get everything that isn't a hospital," Wilson said. "It's fast, quick, very patient-centered and very focused on the experience. It's everything but in-patient care in a lot of



Construction at the site of Beaumont's medical center in Livonia has begun. The site is on the north side of Seven Mile just west of I-275. Pictured is one of the former A123 Systems offices.

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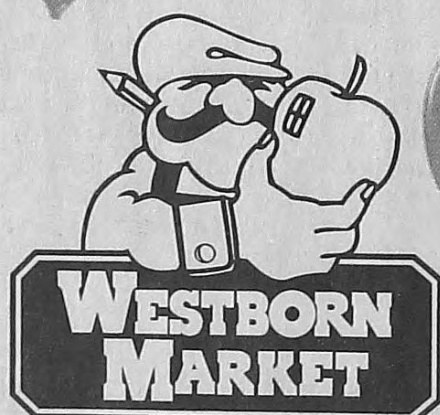
Beaumont hopes its customers in Livonia, Novi and Northville will find the new facility easier to access than some of the company's other properties, which Wilson said people currently find themselves driving a long way to.

The health system will create between 75 and 125 Beaumont jobs when the center is up and running. Wilson

added Beaumont will rent space out to private practices as well, which should create even more own jobs.

"It will kind of push what we think of as a traditional medical office building," said Dave Claeys the hospital president for Beaumont, Farmington Hills and Beaumont, Dearborn. "It's highly interactive and really streamlines the process depending on what you need."

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Protest

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satisfied with this proposal. We expect more.”

Canton resident Kristin Kelley is a single, working mother of a second-grade student who attends Hulsing Elementary School. She said she is “disappointed in our school district for their lack of respect for the families of students whose parents are in the workforce.”

“The plan that they are proposing is simply not feasible for parents that work outside of the home,” Kelley said. “Asking that students report to school for two-and-a-half hours a day is simply not feasible, and frankly, does not make sense.”

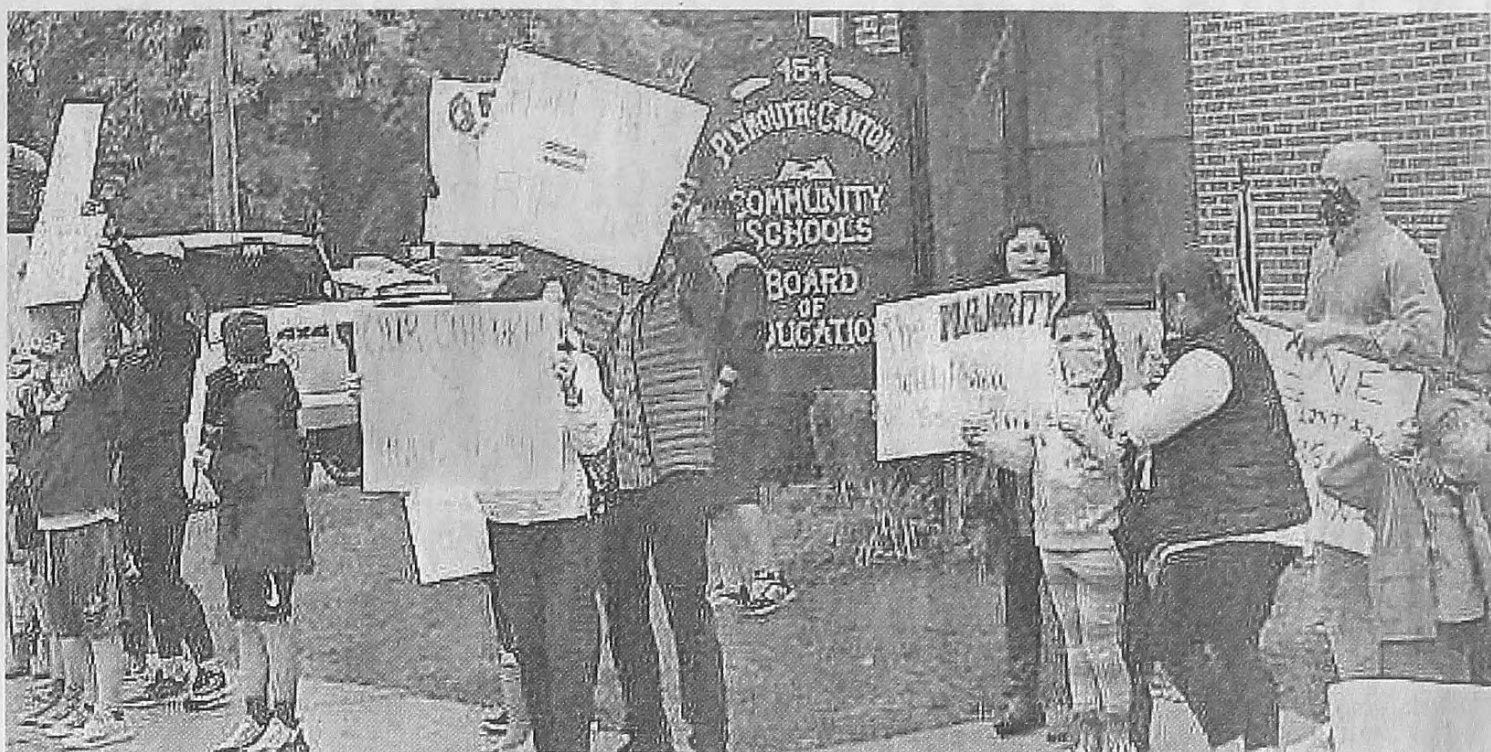
“I was forced to place my daughter into a daycare facility to complete school virtually. This is the only option that worked for my family situation so that I could maintain my employment and put a roof over my daughter’s head. This daycare facility allows me to drop my daughter off at 7:30 a.m. so that I can report to work on time and then pick her up at 5 p.m. There is no option for my daughter to leave the daycare facility to head to Hulsing Elementary School for two-and-a-half hours in the middle of the day.”

Adriana Chittaro, a Wayne-Westland School District teacher who has two students enrolled in Plymouth-Canton schools, said the half-day return plan “is the worst possible scenario of all hybrid scenarios.”

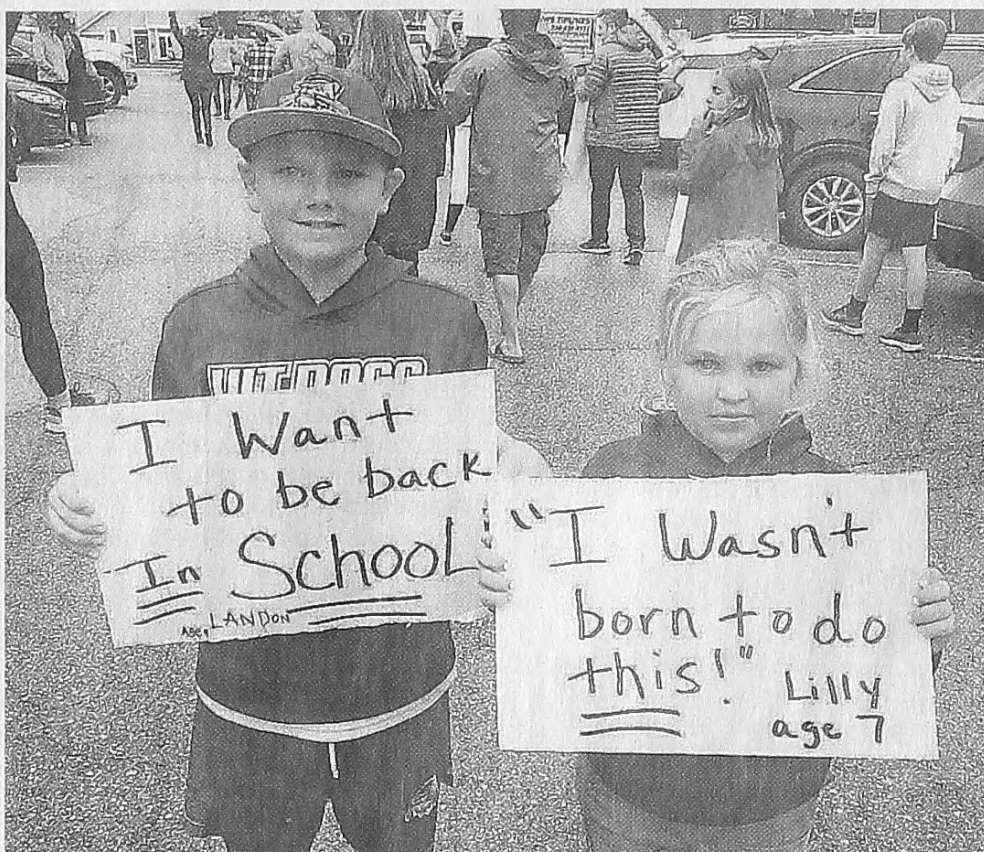
“I believe one reason they’re doing it is so that students don’t have to eat lunch at school, but there are so many other factors that outweigh that, like bus runs will have to be doubled, which is a greater expense,” Chittaro said. “I feel families should be given a choice: attend school face-to-face full-time or learn virtually. The plan is unfair for families who have two parents that work outside the home.”

Chittaro’s son Connor, a sixth-grader at Pioneer Middle School, said he would embrace a return to full-time, face-to-face learning.

“I miss seeing my friends, and I’m confused by the whole Zoom thing,” he said. “The kids that are healthy and want to go back should be given the choice; the kids who aren’t healthy or



Approximately 50 protesters gathered at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools office Monday afternoon. PHOTOS BY ED WRIGHT/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Hulsing Elementary students Landon and Lilly Caputo hold signs at the protest.

are scared to go back should be able to learn from home.”

PCCS started its phased-in plan for in-person learning in September when

select early-childhood students, infant preschool special education students, and students receiving services in special education categorical programs returned in staggered waves.

The half-day return plan that will be debated during Tuesday’s school board meeting calls for students to engage in remote instruction during the half-day they are not in class.

There is currently no return plan for middle school and high school students, a reality that bothers Rutherford.

“That’s concerning,” said Rutherford, who has two high school children.

Tuesday night’s meeting can be viewed on the district’s Facebook channel beginning at 7 p.m.

As of Monday, Michigan has seen 6,731 confirmed deaths and 122,735 confirmed cases due to COVID-19. 95,051 people recovered as of Sept. 25.

Michigan also reports on school-related outbreaks of COVID-19 on Mondays. There were 27 new outbreaks this week, with 92 cases. The largest was 8 cases at Michigan Technological University in Houghton County. There are 51 ongoing outbreaks affecting 3,933 people.

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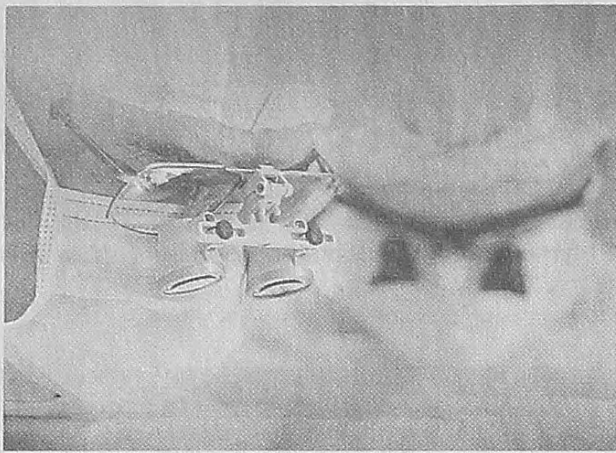
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To secure free bottles of *Primal Max Black* and get the hot, new *Primal Max Red* formula, buyers should contact the Sears Health Hotline at 1-800-592-4012 within the next 48 hours. "It's not available in drug stores yet," says Dr. Sears. "The Hotline allows us to ship directly to the customer."

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Canton Township built a 2.5-million-gallon water storage facility near Joy and Morton Taylor in 2016 to help manage water rates for residents and businesses in the township. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE

Water

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forward with it, would be open to bringing other cities or townships into the fold.

As it stands, Livonia residents pay \$5.19 for every 750 gallons, Westland residents pay \$4.42 per 1,000 gallons, Canton residents pay \$6.23 per 1,000 gallons and Northville Township residents pay \$6.53 per 1,000 gallons. Local government leaders said they expect even lower rates through an authority.

"Westland is proud to be a partner in this innovative regional approach to leverage the combined purchasing power of our four communities to potentially lower the cost of delivering clean water to our residents and business owners," Westland Mayor Bill Wild said.

The study will also explore the feasibility of the four communities storing water together, which would save residents even more. Canton has already seen the benefits of this after opening a water storage facility in 2017.

Brosnan explained the four communities would buy water when prices are low, store it, and allow residents to use water at that lower cost. This would likely mean some or all of the municipalities would construct water towers or tanks.

"We could purchase it at the down time, purchase it when it's less costly, and then store it and our residents are capable of using it when they need it at a lower cost," Brosnan said.

If this happened the four communities, which currently spend a collective \$34 million annually on water from the Great Lakes Water Authority, would

continue to use GLWA as their water source. Brosnan said this is where the project differs from that of Flint, where a water source change proved disastrous.

"I think the main difference here is we're not changing our water source," she said. "Our water source would remain the same."

For the communities to store water together, the participants would need to share borders with at least one of the other communities. Plymouth Township, which borders all four communities, is taking a "wait and see" approach before committing to working with the others.

"Plymouth Township, to its credit, has invested over many years to proper water storage facilities ... We felt that any kind of water purchase consortium may overly rely on our existing infrastructure," Plymouth Supervisor Kurt Heise said. "What I would like to see is a commitment by the other communities to have adequate storage facilities as well."

But in the end, the four communities and those who may partner with them later are hoping to save a few bucks, and are hopeful working together will accomplish that.

"I am confident that the study to be conducted by engineers, lawyers and finance experts will confirm that the creation of a joint Water Authority will provide tremendous long-term benefits to our communities," Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix said.

For now, though, they will wait and see what picture the study paints.

"This is a study," Brosnan said. "We're not doing anything yet. We are really looking at what is the feasibility and the viability of working in partnership and collaborating."

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Two area Family Video stores close

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A pair of area video stores are the latest shops to close in the region.

The Family Video locations at 38900 Cherry Hill in Westland and at 509 S. Lafayette in South Lyon closed their doors for good this weekend.

The two shops closed Sept. 27 as the business tried selling remaining merchandise at both locations.

A message seeking more information on the closures was sent to the company but not returned.

The stores are two of several Family Video shops in the area. Stores remaining open are located in communities including Farmington Hills and Livonia. Another shop in Westland, located at Cherry Hill and Venoy, will remain open as well.

The closures come two years after Highland Ventures Ltd., the parent company for Family Video, closed its location in Canton.

Several hundred Family Video stores continue to operate across the country.

State renews contract for Novi field hospital

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The State of Michigan renewed a lease for its field hospital in Novi through the end of 2020 in preparation for a potential "second wave" of COVID-19 cases.

The original contract the state signed with the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River in Novi, was set to expire Sept. 30. The state entered into a new agreement with the convention center that will extend its lease to use the facility as a field hospital to treat COVID-19 patients through the end of 2020.

The contract's new terms — provided to Hometown Life by the Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget — reduces the rent well as the space: the new contract calls for the state to pay the convention \$975,000 a month for October, November and December. That's down from the \$1.1 million the state was paying per month, per the contract originally signed in April. The amount of space being leased by the state has also declined, going from 436,000 square feet to 398,000 square feet, according to a department spokesman.

The renewal of the lease comes months after the field hospital closed down temporarily back on June 19. The closure came after the field hospital, originally constructed to treat as many as 1,000 patients at a time (later reduced to 250), treated just 16 total since it opened in late April.

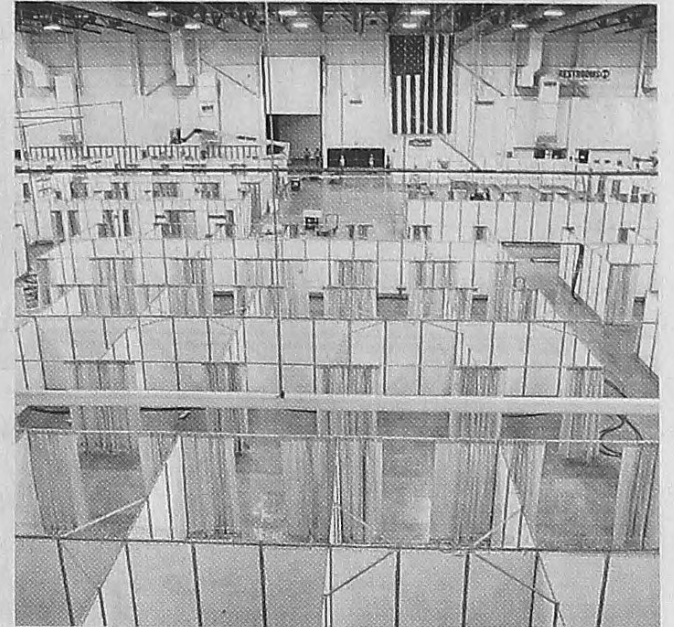
State officials said the renewal of the lease was done in preparation of a potential "second wave" of increased COVID-19 cases later this fall as cold weather arrives.

"Being prepared for a potential second wave of COVID-19 cases is a top priority for MDHHS," said Bob Wheaton, public information officer for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, in an email. "This is why the state renewed the contract with the Suburban Collection Showplace. We hope that additional hospitalization space isn't needed."

In addition to the Suburban Collection Showplace lease, the state has also renewed the lease for the COVID-19 field hospital at the TCF Center in downtown Detroit through the end of the year. That field hospital opened in April and operated for about a month before closing down.

The field hospitals were constructed to assist with possible overflow from area hospitals as COVID-19 surged through Michigan earlier this year.

Today, several area hospitals report the number of COVID-19 patients admitted are far below what they



While the field hospital at the Suburban Collection Showplace closed down to patients months ago, the state has decided to renew its lease, albeit at a smaller rate and size, through the end of the year in preparation for a potential second wave of COVID-19 cases. KIRTHMON F. DOZIER/DETROIT FREE PRESS

were earlier this spring when the coronavirus arrived. As of Sept. 20, Beaumont Health — which has hospitals in Royal Oak, Troy, Farmington Hills, Wayne, Trenton, Grosse Pointe and Dearborn — has 120 patients being treated for COVID-19.

St. Joseph Mercy Health and Mercy Health — with hospitals in Livonia, Ann Arbor, Pontiac, Howell, Chelsea, Grand Rapids, Shelby and Muskegon — has 25 patients in its system being treated for the coronavirus as of Sept. 25, with four of those at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia and eight at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac.

Henry Ford Health System has 39 patients admitted with COVID-19, as of Sept. 24. Those include five patients at its West Bloomfield Hospital, four at its hospital in Wyandotte and 11 at its hospital in Detroit.

Michigan's COVID-19 positivity rate has hovered around 3% for several months, with more than 3.8 million tests conducted. As of Monday morning, the state has had more than 121,000 confirmed COVID-19 cases and more than 6,700 deaths.

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More than 100 people gathered at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield to mark the seventh annual National Day of Remembrance Sept. 12, honoring the 63 million fetuses lost to abortion since Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973.

Monica Miller, associate professor of theology at Madonna University in Livonia, is co-director of the event sponsored by Citizens for a Pro-Life Society, Priests for Life and the Pro-Life Action League. Memorials were held in all 50 states and the territory of Guam.

"If we don't step up and honor these babies at least once a year, no one is going to do it," Miller said. "Their mothers and fathers are lost, so it's important for us to be here and to witness that their lives were meaningful and valued."

Supporters joined Miller in praying, reading from Scripture, singing hymns and sharing stories about the painful shockwaves of abortion. All were invited to lay white roses, red carnations and yellow mums on graves as "Let Charity and Love Prevail" was sung.

Livonia resident Lynn Mills, director of Pro-Life Michigan, was among the presenters at the prayer vigil.

"The bodies of these unborn babies were tossed out as trash. They were an inconvenience," said Mills. "One of the corporal works of mercy is to bury the dead. It's a beautiful day and we could be doing a million things. But we stopped and came together to remember them. We heard sad stories and stories that changed lives. We heard stories of joy and stories of sacrifice that turned into stories of joy."

Miller introduced Kadisha Torrence, 29, of Detroit to the crowd. The two met a few months ago near a Detroit abortion clinic where Miller was doing side-walk counseling. Torrence had considered abortion, but ultimately chose to keep her child, a boy, who is due Oct. 31, Miller said.

"Kadisha has stood up against a lot of obstacles to get where she is right now," said Miller. "You can see, Kadisha decided to have her baby. We are going to have the biggest baby shower for her. I just love Kadisha; she has done the unselfish thing."



Beth Hool, of Livonia, places a flower at a grave site during the Day of Remembrance event Sept. 12. PHOTOS COURTESY OF M.B. DILLON

Said Torrence: "The moment I met Monica, I had a new beginning and a new meaning of life. She taught me unconditional love. I learned that just because it seems bad at the moment, there's always greater opportunity in the long run, which is what I have here today with my three daughters, along with my son. I actually cannot wait to meet him at the end of October when he joins our family so we can be one. From here on out, if I was ever to meet a young lady or family in my situation, I'd try to talk them out of an abortion, as well. Really, all of the babies deserve to be here. Who are we to take away life when God gives it to us?"

Andrew Carl, 15, a member of St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in Livonia, was among the youngest people at the service. Carl attended with his parents Ann and Greg because the movement "is something I strongly believe in," he said. "There really isn't that

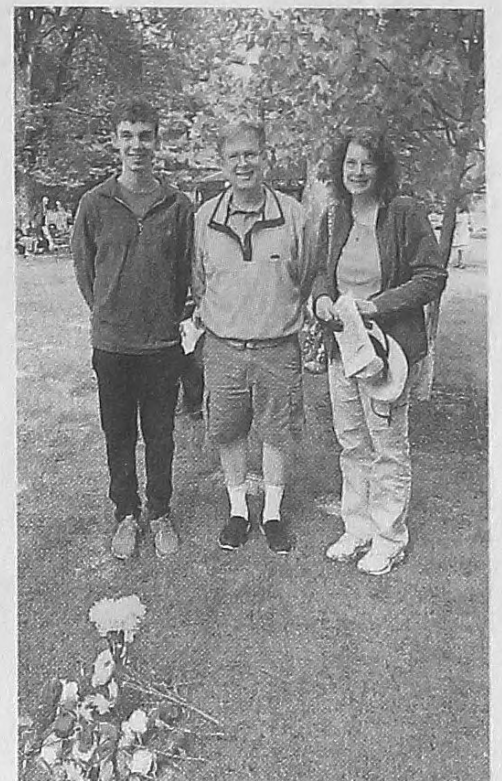
much awareness about it and it's definitely something that is really controversial. Awareness needs to be brought to everyone about it. The more people you have around an issue, the better."

Father Derik Peterman, associate pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows parish in Farmington, said prayer is important.

"No prayer is wasted. I came to join others who are praying not only for the souls of these children who have been aborted, but for an end to the evil of abortion," he said. "God hears those prayers, especially when we come together in community. That prayer is powerful."

Jennifer McCoy, a mother of 12, traveled from Kansas to share her story.

"I got pregnant at 16, and my mom insisted I get an abortion. That moment changed my life," said McCoy, who has spent the past 30 years doing pro-life work. "While I was on a Rachel's Vineyard retreat, I felt moved to ask the fa-



Andrew Carl, 15, and his parents, Greg and Ann Carl, of Livonia, were among those who attended the National Day of Remembrance on Sept. 12. Andrew said more awareness is needed on the subject of abortion.

ther of my child to write a letter to our son. The letter was given to me, but I think it is really for so many others out there."

McCoy read the father's words, which spoke of unrelenting pain, sorrow and longing for forgiveness. "You were just waiting to see the light, my son, and that light was taken from you by the decisions that were made at a time when I was not strong enough to carry out my Catholic beliefs. If only I had known how much it hurts," the father wrote in part.

The first National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children was observed in September 2013 on the 25th anniversary of the burial of the remains of 1,500 aborted babies in Milwaukee. The event has grown to include nearly 200 memorials in cemeteries across the United States and Guam.

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Livonia pools get lifts for those with limited mobility

St. Mary Mercy Livonia announced that it has received a \$16,928 grant from HomeServe Cares Foundation to purchase and install two new self-operable lifts that allow people with limited mobility to more easily enter community pools in Livonia.

The grant is a continuation of the hospital's involvement with Healthy Livonia, a citywide collaboration to strengthen the health and wellness of everyone living and working in the community.

"With two new lifts in place, people who otherwise might not enter the pool will be able to do so independently and safely," said Dave Spivey, president of St. Mary Mercy Livonia. "We are incredibly grateful for the involvement of HomeServe Cares Foundation and for their support as we seek to increase accessibility so that more local residents can take advantage of a fun, healthy activity right here in our community."

With this grant, Livonia Parks and Recreation purchased and installed a Spectrum Aquatics Motion Trek 350 battery-powered pool lift at Moelke Park (Botsford Pool), with plans for an additional lift to be purchased and installed at Shelden Park (Shelden Pool).

The lifts are self-operable from the deck and water and will allow people with limited mobility to more easily enter the pool. The pool lifts, which replace older lifts at two of the city's three outdoor public pools, are fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and specially designed for lift stability and ease during transfer.

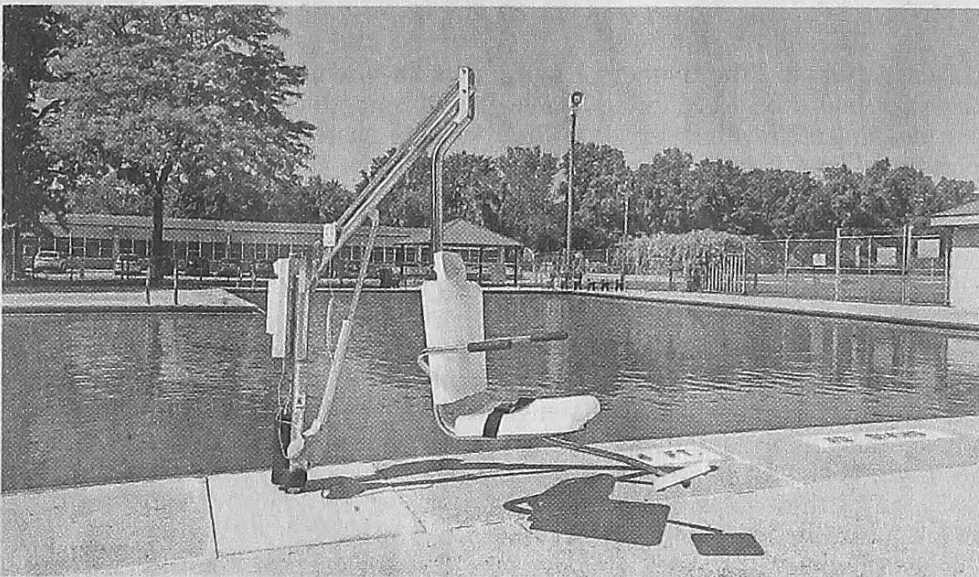
Although the lifts are easy to use, all pool managers and lifeguards at the Botsford and Shelden pools will receive training on how to use them.

"Improving the accessibility to our outdoor pools is another step in developing a welcoming place for people of all abilities," Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan said in a release. "We greatly appreciate the HomeServe Cares Foundation's grant and the work of Healthy Livonia."

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Livonia's Parks and Recreation Department took additional precautions at its public pool facilities this past summer. This included use of online reservations and payment for open swim times; the adoption of en-



From left, Ted Davis, Livonia parks superintendent; Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan; Myles Meehan and Mike Chambers, both with HomeServe USA; Dave Spivey, president of St. Mary Mercy; and Michaeline Raczka, director of community health for Mary Mercy Livonia. PHOTOS COURTESY OF ST. MARY MERCY HOSPITAL



The pool lifts will enable more people to enjoy the Botsford and Shelden pools.

hanced cleaning protocols between swim sessions; scheduling multiple swim sessions each day with decreased capacity to allow for social distancing;

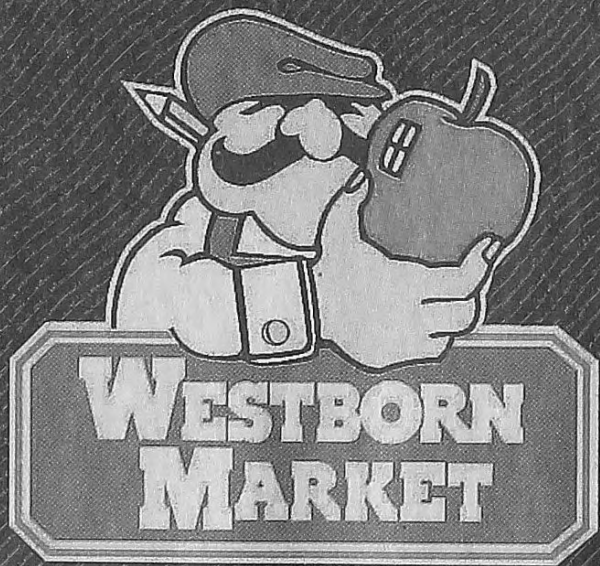
requiring personal protective equipment and training for all staff; and requiring patrons to wear masks when not in the pool.

These precautions will remain in place in 2021, or until the COVID-19 virus is no longer a public health threat.

"We launched the HomeServe Cares Foundation to support organizations that foster community and make a town a great place to live, work, and raise a family," said Tom Rusin, Global CEO, HomeServe Membership. "And that is exactly what St. Mary Mercy Livonia is doing. The new pool lifts will ensure that everyone who visits the town's pools has equal access to fun and recreation. Healthy Livonia is a great initiative that HomeServe is pleased to support."

Healthy Livonia is a collaboration that leverages resources of the City of Livonia, Livonia Parks and Recreation Department, the Chamber of Commerce, Livonia Public Schools, and St. Mary Mercy Livonia hospital.

This citywide initiative is intended to reach beyond the walls of any one organization to strengthen the health and wellness of everyone in the community.



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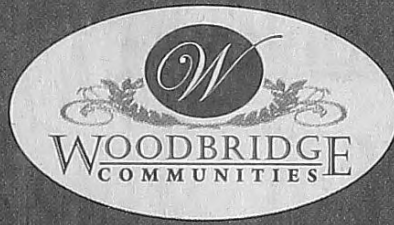
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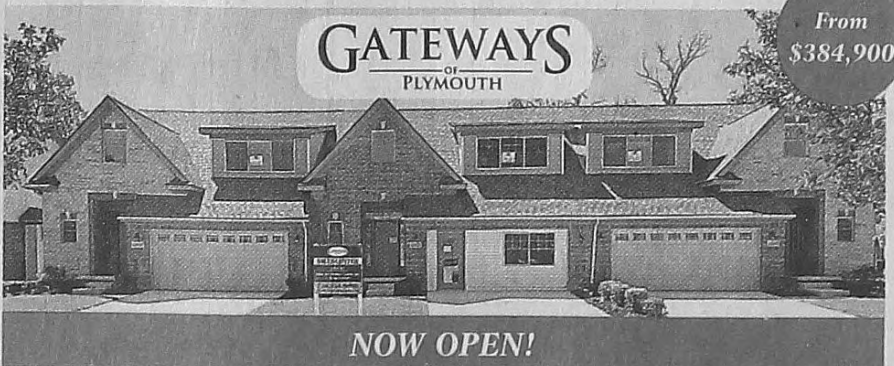
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Do these things before loaning money to family



Money Matters
Rick Bloom
Guest columnist

Dear Rick

My sister and her husband have been in severe financial distress as result of COVID-19. I want to give my sister some money; however, my wife believes we should loan her the money.

I have a few questions about that. The first is, if down the road I forgive the debt to my sister, are there any tax consequences to me or to my sister?

My wife also wants to know what happens if my sister and her husband declare bankruptcy; do we lose the money? We plan to loan them \$50,000, and my wife insists that everything must be put into writing.

Thank you, Bret
Dear Bret

First, I agree with your wife that whenever you loan money to family and friends, it's important that the agreement be put in writing. You do not want any misunderstandings.

With regards to if you and your wife decide to forgive a portion or the entire loan, there are tax consequences. If you forgive the debt, in effect you are making a gift. As a result, there are gift tax consequences.

Under our gift-tax laws it is the person who makes the gift, not the person who receives it, who is responsible for any tax consequences. The annual gift tax exclusion is currently \$15,000. What that means is that you can gift to anyone you want \$15,000 each year without any gift tax consequences. Furthermore, a spouse can join in the gift which means husband and wife can give up to \$30,000 a year to anyone they choose without gift tax consequences.

Theoretically, if you choose to forgive the entire \$50,000 and since the debt is

in both your sister and her husband's name, between you and your wife you can give each one of them \$30,000. Therefore, if you forgave the entire \$50,000 there would not be any tax issues for you. If down the road you decide to forgive the debt, neither your sister nor you will have adverse tax issues.

If your sister and her husband declare bankruptcy, more likely than not the loan would be forgiven by the court, and you and your wife would not be entitled to any compensation.

From a tax standpoint, it is possible at that point in time, you may be able to write off the debt as a bad debt. That would be your only course of action, as you would be precluded by law from trying to collect the debt.

The only way you can protect yourself is if the debt was secured by an asset. For example, when someone takes out a mortgage, the mortgage is secured by the home. Therefore, if someone declares bankruptcy, they may be dis-

charged from having to legally pay on their mortgage; however, the mortgage company would take ownership of the home. Typically, with family and friends, there is no security interest and thus, the loan is treated as unsecured.

I cannot stress enough how important it is when you loan money to family and friends that you reduce the agreement to writing, and that you have a conversation to make sure it is clear what the terms of repayment are.

I know sometimes these can be awkward and difficult conversations; however, the last thing you want is disputes within the family. Make sure the agreement is in writing and that you have the difficult conversation, so it is clear that this is a loan, not a gift and that you expect the money to be repaid.

Good luck.

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Prosecutors: Plymouth man assaulted mother

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A Plymouth man is expected to face criminal charges because he allegedly broke into his mother's apartment Saturday and tried to strangle her.

According to Wayne County prosecutors, the man, 40, and his mother were outside her apartment at 2:44 p.m. in the 300 block of Pinewood Circle when he threatened her.

She immediately went inside, locking the door behind her.

Her son then apparently became irate and entered the residence by breaking the front door's glass window.

Prosecutors alleged he was armed with a knife when he chased her into her

bedroom, then strangled her and stabbed the bed near her head. When he went to a different part of the apartment, his mother called police.

The man was taken into custody after a two-hour standoff and sent to a local hospital for evaluation.

Possible charges include felonious assault and assault with intent to commit great bodily harm. An arraignment was expected Monday afternoon. Hometown Life typically does not name individuals in crime reports before an arraignment in a court of law.

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Livonia to start non-bias training for all city staff

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Livonia Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan said she wants the city to be on the "right side of history" as much of the nation grapples with racial inequality issues.

In that spirit, the mayor is looking at unconscious bias training, which typically educates on how things like race, gender or disability can affect how people treat others, among all city staff on a regular basis.

"I have met with the entire leadership staff to let them know that diversity and inclusion really needs to be part of the fabric of our community, and when I say community I mean our workforce," Brosnan said. "It needs to be something that is routine."

At the request of Councilman Brandon McCullough, Brosnan submitted a report to council as part of members' Sept. 21 meeting packets. Brosnan asked city departments heads what they've accomplished in regard to unconscious bias and diversity training for the last three years.

According to the mayor, the city's police, fire and housing departments conducted the most robust training as "each department has kind of been left to determine what's necessary for their workforce themselves." Starting in Oc-

tober, all departments, including elected officials like city council members, will undergo training thanks to a \$50,000 grant the city received from MASCO.

"We also expect that each one of our department heads, when provided with an opportunity to get either diversity, inclusion or non-bias training from any of their trade associations that they belong to, that they'll take advantage of that," the mayor added.

The city already collects and analyzes data surrounding constituent complaints, and will continue to use that data as a measure of how staff interacts with people.

Brosnan said she hopes the diversity training will help the city reflect its residents and visitors better. The city's first female mayor thinks diversity will only make the city stronger.

"Diversity is one of the leading drivers of innovation in any organization and Livonia is no different than any other cooperation or institution," she said. "We wish to be the very best at what to do. We wish to be the very best service provider we can be to our residents. That means we need to be innovative. We need to constantly be bringing new ideas to the table."

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The structure at 341 E. Main St. in Northville is protected by a security fence.
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Civil War-era building in Northville moving

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Built as early as 1865, the Northville home at 341 E. Main St. — the heart of the city's Historic District — has weathered countless storms, a few depressions, a couple recessions and the threat of demolition.

The building is still standing today, but it's moving ... just a little.

Destined to be the future home of Guidobono Building Co., which purchased the building in 2016, the structure is being moved mere feet to adhere to the city's parking ordinance that requires a minimum distance from the lot to the perimeter of the building.

In 2017, Guidobono filed an application to have the building demolished, citing a decaying framework and foundation that were beyond restoration and unsafe to inhabit based on a study by Maverick Consulting. The building company had planned to build a central office and condominiums.

The application for demolition was denied by the city's Historic District Commission, a costly, but temporary, setback for Guidobono.

"It's full speed ahead for us," Guido-

bono spokesman Ed Funke said. "We're within 10 days of getting a new basement poured. Our plan is to use one floor for our headquarters and we'll lease out the other floor for office space."

"As a historian, I give Guidobono a lot of credit; they're investing a lot of time and money into this project to preserve a piece of the city's history," said Northville Mayor Brian Turnbull.

Funke said that, like most ongoing construction projects in the country, supply shortages are causing delays.

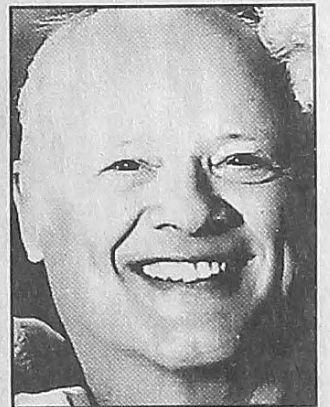
"We recently found out that Hurricane Laura shut down some PVC (polyvinyl chloride) plants in Louisiana, which is causing supply shortages," said Funke. "With the shortages and COVID crisis still present, it's really hard to pinpoint a projected finish date. We'll keep plugging, though."

In 2017, Northville Historical Society member Kathy Bilger listed Solomon Gardener and Lyman Yerkes among the structure's former occupants. The building was also used as a boarding house for the Yarnell Gold Cure in the late 1890s, hosting, among others, retired Civil War soldiers, members of the NHS noted.

Obituaries

Forrest Alan Geary "Forry"

LIVONIA - Age 78, passed away peacefully on Friday, September 18th, 2020 at Angela Hospice Care Center. Forrest was born in Niles, Michigan on January 7, 1942. He was a graduate of Niles High School in Niles, Michigan. He went on to receive his Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Michigan State University and taught Physical Education in Farmington and was a golf professional at Oasis Golf Center. Forrest also loved being a football coach and basketball coach for many years in Farmington. He was very faithful and dedicated to everyone in his life. His children and grandchildren called him an energizer who exudes the kind of enthusiasm in everything he did beyond anyone's expectations. His happiness and laughter were contagious to all who encountered him. Many of his students, athletes, golf clients, golf partners, coworkers and friends shared how Forrest was the most patient and kind guy with the biggest smile in the entire world. They also mentioned that he would be the only one who had the ability to get them into a positive mindset to accomplish any of their goals. He made everyone feel important! Forrest married his sweetheart and best friend Joanie Eleanor Geary (Pfefferle) of 63 years on May 2, 1964 who predeceased him one month to the day before his passing. Forrest is also predeceased by his parents Carlton (Florence) Geary and Paul (Beatrice) Pfefferle. Forrest is forever cherished and survived by his loyal and loving children Greg (Vicki) Geary and Tracy (Scott) Mastenbrook; two "forever in admiration of their Papa" grandchildren: Madelyn and Meghan Mastenbrook; his brother Jack (Elain and the late Isabelle) Geary; sister Jean (the late Wayne) Yost; sister Phyllis (Robert) Klingenfus; sister Linnea (the late Larry) McNeese; sister Carol (DeWayne) Pletcher; many devoted nieces, nephews, extended family/friends and faithful canine companion Maizee. He will join his beloved wife during an outdoor memorial ceremony at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia-led by Todd Lipa. The family welcomes donations in memory of Forrest Geary to the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation <https://give.themmr.org/fundraiser/2925612>



Please read the full obituary and leave a memory about Forrest at: <https://www.rggharris.com/obituaries/Forrest--Geary?obId=18405178#/obituaryInfo>

A black and white photograph of two young women walking together, smiling and looking at each other. They are carrying several shopping bags. The woman on the left has long blonde hair and is wearing a light-colored button-down shirt and dark pants. The woman on the right has long dark hair and is wearing a dark top and jeans. The background is a blurred outdoor setting, possibly a shopping mall or street.

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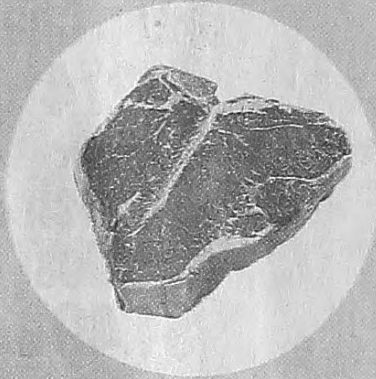
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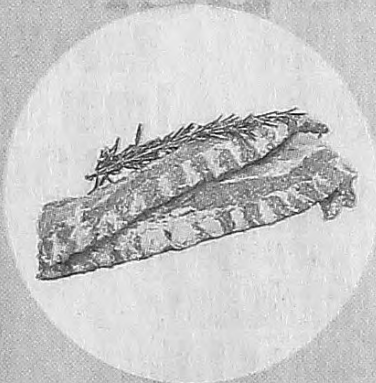
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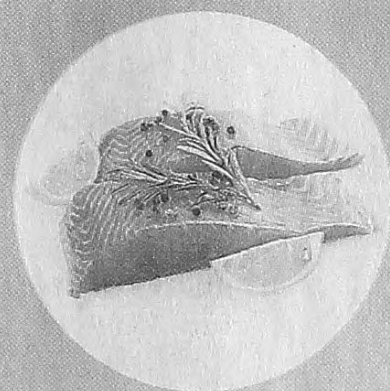


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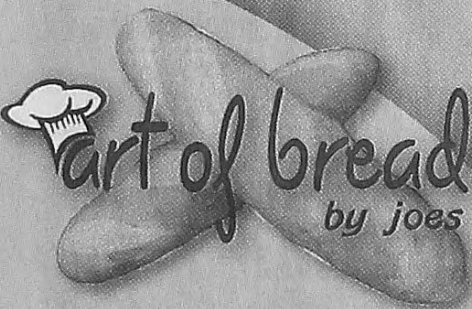
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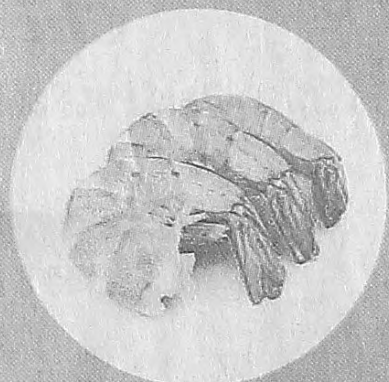
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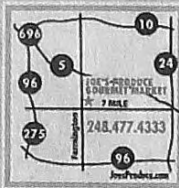
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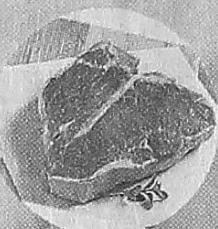
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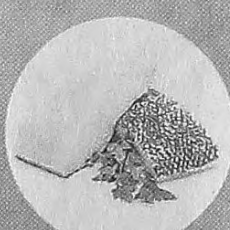
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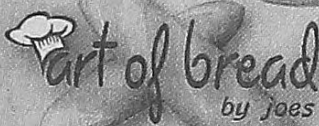
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Canton edges Novi behind Badger and Burg

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In a shortened season, you can't take anything for granted. When an opportunity presents itself, you have to take the moment, and run with it.

Last week, Canton exploded behind the legs of senior Marco Johnson and

the Chiefs' powerful offensive line. This week, however, was a mixed attack of throwing and running behind the Chiefs line that helped Canton remain 2-0.

In a classic KLAA battle, the Chiefs beat Novi, 28-25.

"Every game in this league is going to be tough. And we had a battle today. It was nice to see them respond to that

challenge. It was tough going early on, but they responded," coach Andrew LaFata said.

Novi took an early 7-0 lead when senior running back Alex Vargas capped off a four-play 87-yard opening drive with a 44-yard touchdown run.

Canton countered with a touchdown of its own behind an emerging running

back in junior Zack Badger.

"He comes in every day, and runs hard. I love the way he runs. Our guys upfront in the huddle are just asking for us to run behind them," LaFata said. "When they see Zach getting yards they just want more."

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Detroit Catholic Central wide receiver Sam Dersa passes Brother Rice linebacker/safety Zachary Potestivo. SCOTT CONFER/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Detroit CC makes history with win

Earns sixth straight victory against Brother Rice

Experience reigns

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Detroit Catholic Central has had the upper hand in its rivalry against Brother Rice in recent memory.

The Shamrocks came into their 2020 matchup with a five-game win streak against the Warriors, winning the 2019 meeting, 7-3, on their home field.

That win streak increased to six Saturday, the longest streak in the history

of the rivalry, as Detroit Catholic Central (2-0) beat Brother Rice (1-1), 17-12, at Wisner Stadium in Pontiac.

"It feels really good," Catholic Central head coach Dan Anderson said. "That rivalry is a great thing, and it's still the greatest rivalry in the midwest, I think. You saw it tonight: that was one hell of a game — back and forth, big plays on their side, big plays on our side, I mean, just a great game."

Late in the fourth quarter, driving down the field with the goal of erasing the team's five-point deficit, Brother Rice junior quarterback Jake Coulter watched the snap sail past him, as Catholic Central defensive end Connor Cohan jumped on it, securing history.

It was one of many big plays for the Shamrocks' defensive line, recording six sacks against the Warriors, including two by junior defensive tackle Michael Beydoun, who said the line was amped up for Rice.

"We're pretty disrespected in the rankings. We think we are the best team in the state," Beydoun said. "We hate Brother Rice, and we wanted to come after them each and every play."

"We're not even allowed to wear orange. We hate Brother Rice."

Experience favored the Shamrocks Saturday night.

Catholic Central junior quarterback Declan Byle drew first blood in the first quarter, taking advantage of a short field and finding senior wide receiver

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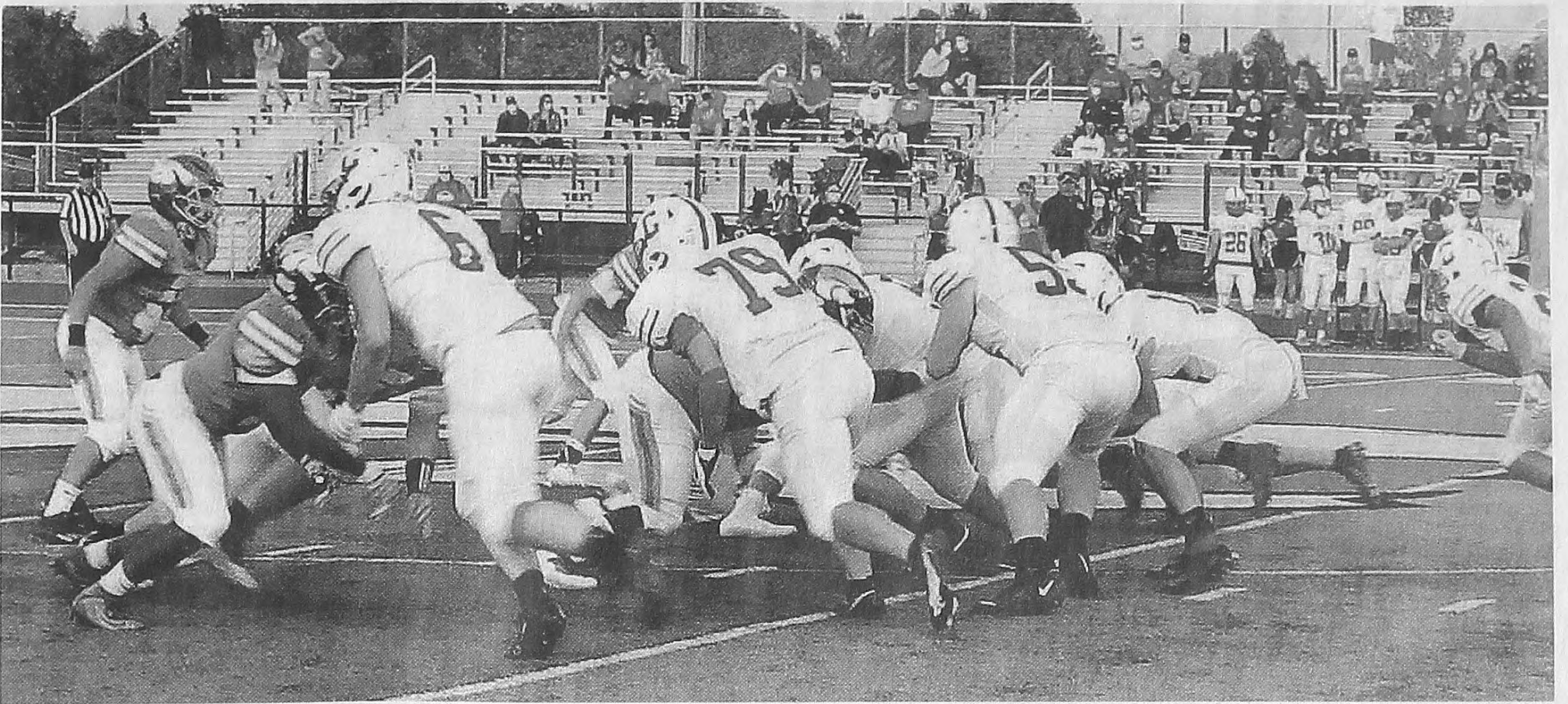
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Canton earned its second win of the season in Week 2 last week, defeating Novi 28-25 in a classic KLAAs battle. BEN SZILAGY/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Canton

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After a steady diet of runs, Badger and the Chiefs (2-0) were on the Novi 28-yard line. On a quick hand-off, Badger burst through the Wildcat line and evaded tacklers to tie the score, 7-7, with 4:33 left in the first quarter.

Badger finished the game as Canton's leading rusher with 17 carries for 117 yards and a touchdown.

Battle at the line

The first half was like a heavyweight fight, as both teams battled for the line of scrimmage. Both Novi's and Canton's trenches made limited mistakes, forcing execution to be critical, even on fourth down.

"We didn't practice much punts or punt blocks. They don't punt, and honestly we probably put in maybe six minutes of punting and punt blocks. We knew it was going to be one of those games," Novi coach Jeff Burside admitted.

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"Our kids, in these type of games, they rise to the challenge. Those guys, we rotated everybody. When you play Canton it's all hands on deck. We try to keep our lines separated so not everyone is playing both ways, but when you play Canton everyone has to go. Guys are out of position for the week just preparing for this team.

"The kids did a great job of learning those techniques and playing those techniques. We weren't perfect, but our team gave of themselves to make sure others succeeded."

Novi quarterback Luke Aurilla also had a coming out party of his own.

The sophomore punched in a run on fourth down to take a 13-7 lead with a 1:03 left in the first half. And also made big plays to keep Novi in the game when it needed him most.

In the fourth quarter, Aurilla had a 28-yard touchdown run that cut into Canton's lead, and also threw an 72-yard strike to senior Niko Ponos to pull the Wildcats within three, 28-25, late in the fourth quarter.

"It was one of those interesting

weeks. He made mental mistakes a little bit here and there, and I think he was putting too much pressure on himself. And tonight, I think he just wanted to go out and play," Burside added.

"That's what he is. He's just a kid that is going to go play. He's got a little moxie to him, a little swagger too. He's just a great kid. 4.0 student, Everybody loves him, and there he is over there carrying the game balls in. It's the type of kid he is."

He finished the game with seven carries for 55 yards and touchdown on the ground, and 2-for-4 for 107 yards and TD through the air.

Burg steps up

Canton also has a special player behind center as well.

Senior Kaleb Burg made big plays when it mattered the most.

Just before the half with three seconds left, Burg was entrusted to throw the football to gain the lead. On fourth down, Burg dropped back and launched a 30-yard jump ball to the back pylon where John Levine completed the catch

for a 14-13 lead as time expired.

"That's our team. We never give up. We'll keep fighting. I just wanted to get back, give myself as much time as I can, and throw a good ball to my guy for him to make the catch," he said of the play.

Burg also ran the ball well with nine carries for a touchdown. But none was bigger than on third-and-nine late in the fourth quarter.

Already displaying his toughness on the previous drive where he took a hard hit fighting just short of the pylon, Burg swung the ball outside and stuck his head down again for a two extra yards that ensured Canton would win the game.

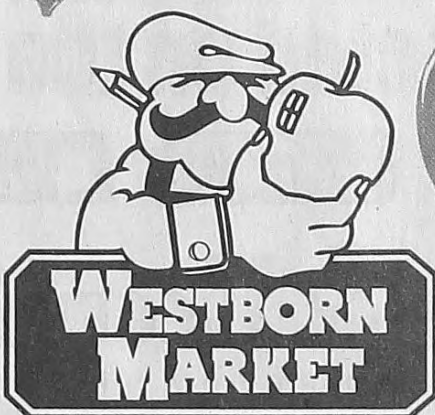
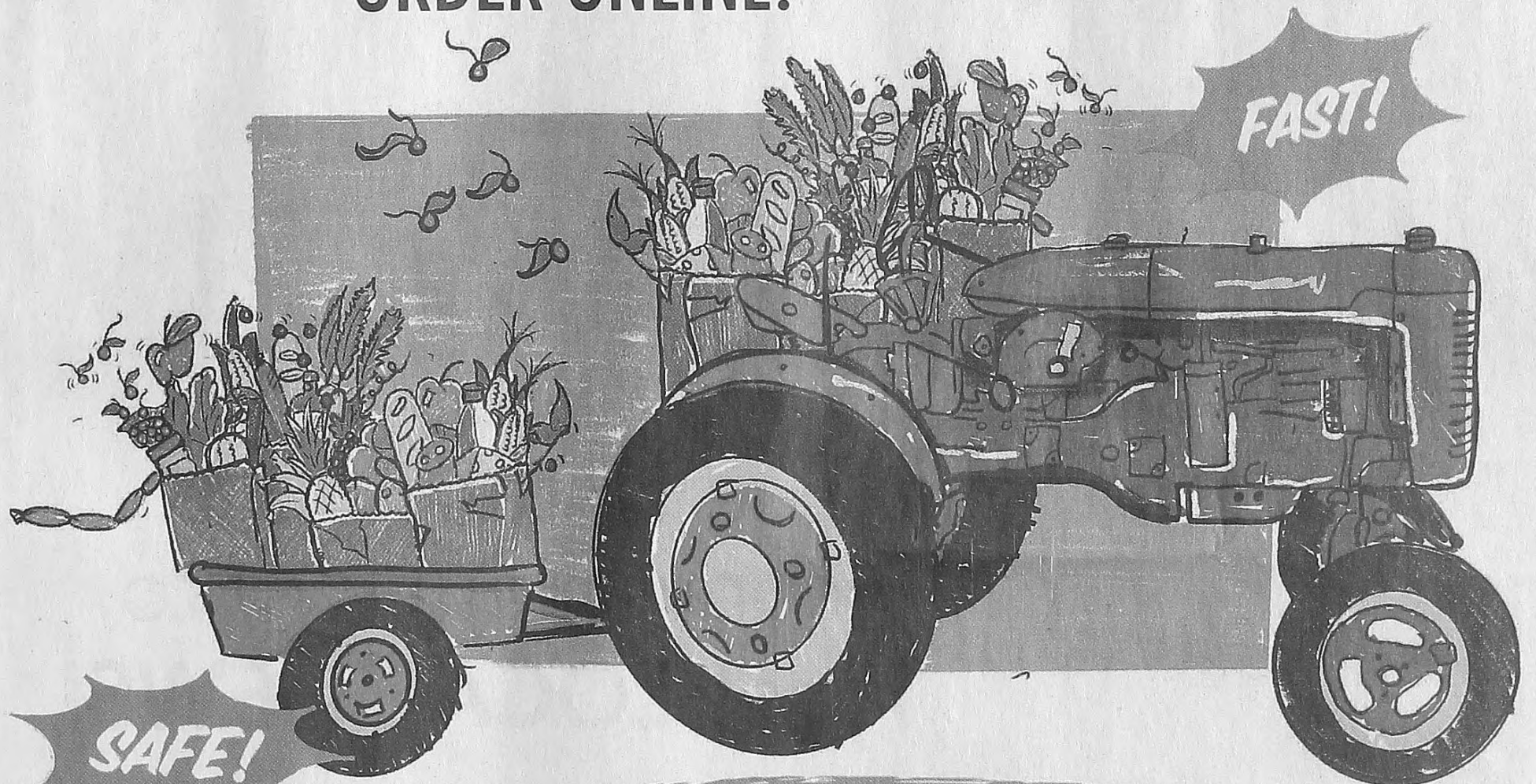
"I knew our defense needed us at that moment, so I wanted to give it my all and fight for those extra yards for my team," he said.

The Canton defense stayed on the sideline, as the Chiefs sulked the clock on four straight carries from Badger to seal the win.

Up next, Canton looks to remain undefeated as it takes on Brighton, while Novi travels to Plymouth to take on the Wildcats.

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Northville volleyball continues win streak

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Ahead of an unprecedented season, Northville knew what it was possibly would have on the volleyball court in 2020: a group of seniors with experience playing together, a group that had created a level of expectation surrounding the Mustang program in conference play and beyond.

To start the season, that expectation has come to fruition with Northville winning its first three games of the regular season.

That success continued Thursday as the Mustangs (4-0) earned the three-set sweep against Kensington Lakes Activities Association opponent Livonia Stevenson (2-2), 25-15, 25-14 and 25-12.

"I think we are starting to get a little bit more cohesive," Northville head coach Rick VanDerVeer said. "I know the girls are playing with confidence, but they also realize that we have some really strong competition coming up in the near future. They know we still have work to do."

Maximized confidence

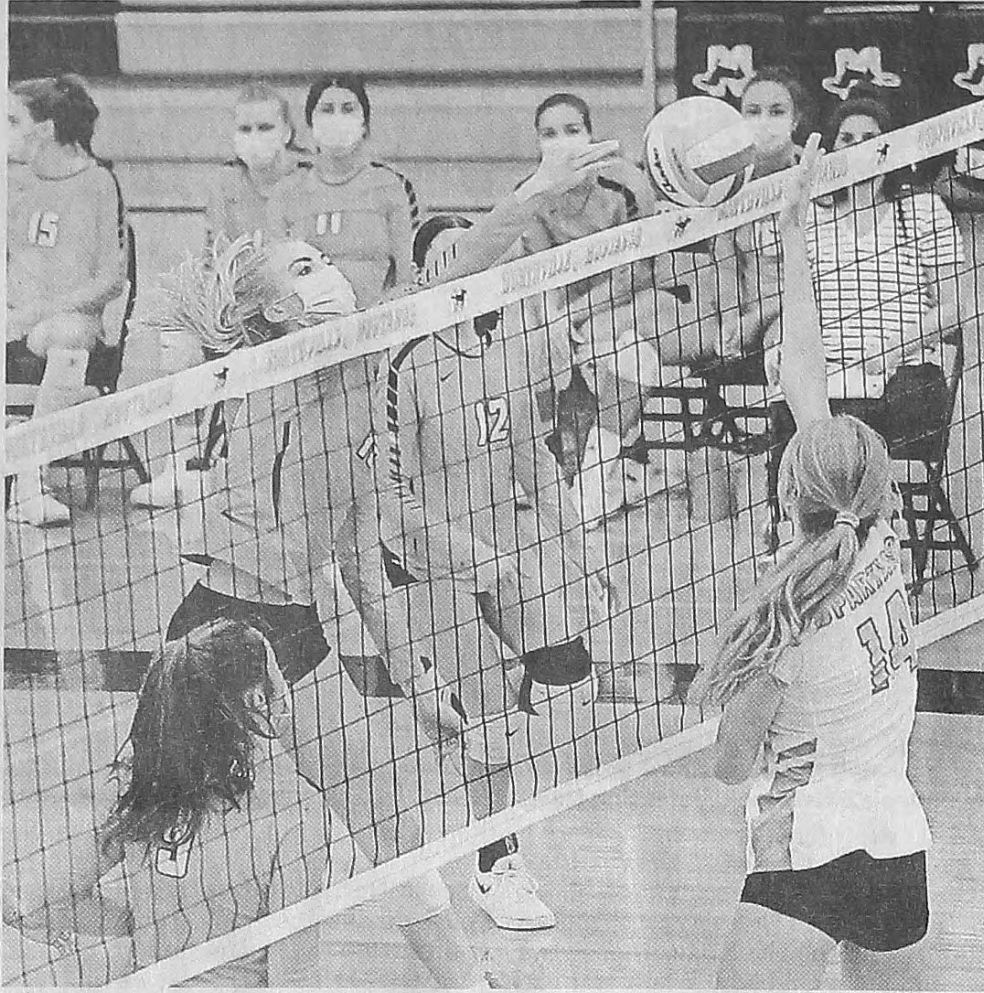
The Mustangs showed a level of confidence even when they faced a deficit in the first set.

The Spartans amounted to a 9-6 lead, but, according to junior setter Juliana Imbuzeiro, Northville remained collected and confident.

Imbuzeiro set up three consecutive kills — two by senior Sydney Reed and one by sophomore Abby Reck, igniting a 19-5 run that led to a dominant first-set victory.

That confidence seeped into the second set, as the Mustangs began with a 7-0 run, including two kills by Reck and one by senior Kenna Boksha.

When the Spartans came to within three, helped with a kill by junior Kait-



Northville's Sydney Reed spikes the ball against Livonia Stevenson.

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lyn Dinaro, the Mustangs rallied again, using a 10-1 run, capped off by strong serve from Imbuzeiro, to take the second set.

VanDerVeer said he developed different lineups to maximize matchups against Stevenson, trying some different looks to give Northville experience early in the season.

After the Mustangs allowed the Spartans to strike first, it was all Northville, taking the next eight points, ending the

night with a 6-1 run to secure the three-set sweep.

"I knew we were going to be very good this year and we have a lot of seniors that have been playing for a long time — a lot have been playing together. But I really didn't expect the outcome to be this good so far," Imbuzeiro said. "I knew that we would be successful, but it's going really well for us and it's really boosting our confidence."

VanDerVeer credited the seven sen-

iors on the roster for creating that state of mind heading into tougher games on the Mustangs' schedule.

"They are really owning it and making it count," VanDerVeer said. "It's their season and their team and they are doing a phenomenal job of helping the younger kids get involved and see how our culture is built at Northville."

Change the mentality

While Derek Williams' focus Thursday was on playing Northville close, he has a larger goal in his first season as head coach for Stevenson: changing the culture.

Williams is the Spartans' third head coach in three years, taking over for former head coach Jennifer O'Connor. In his first four games, Williams, along with assistant coach Pete Stager, has split the first two games.

"That's my goal right now is to change the culture and the mentality of the program overall right now," Williams said. "It's a work in progress."

The first-year head coach said the talent on the roster will help that progression along.

He said he has been impressed by the sheer ability of his front row, complimenting the Spartans' blocking — something that has been pushed in practice — and scoring abilities.

Stevenson showed this off with key blocks from sophomore Grace McBrien and senior Jenna Szabelski in the first set, while senior Madison Curtis recorded a block to continue a scoring run for the Spartans in the third.

However, Williams said passing will be the main focus moving forward, noting that sets, services and receives will be the key to develop consistency on the front row.

"I think by the end of the season, I think we will be there, be where we need to be," Williams said.



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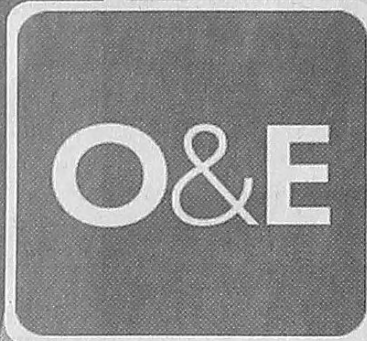


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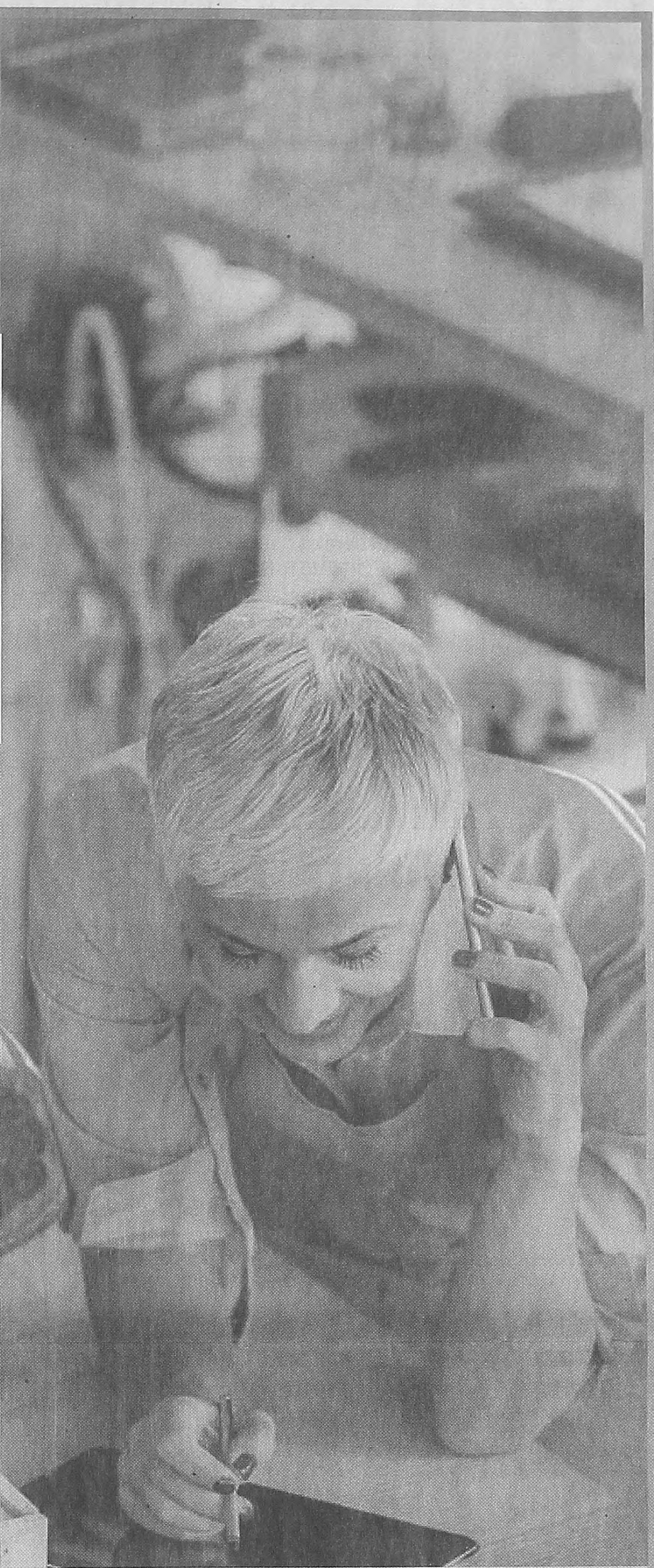
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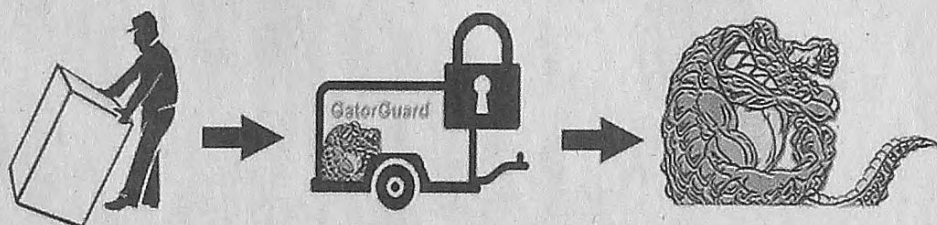
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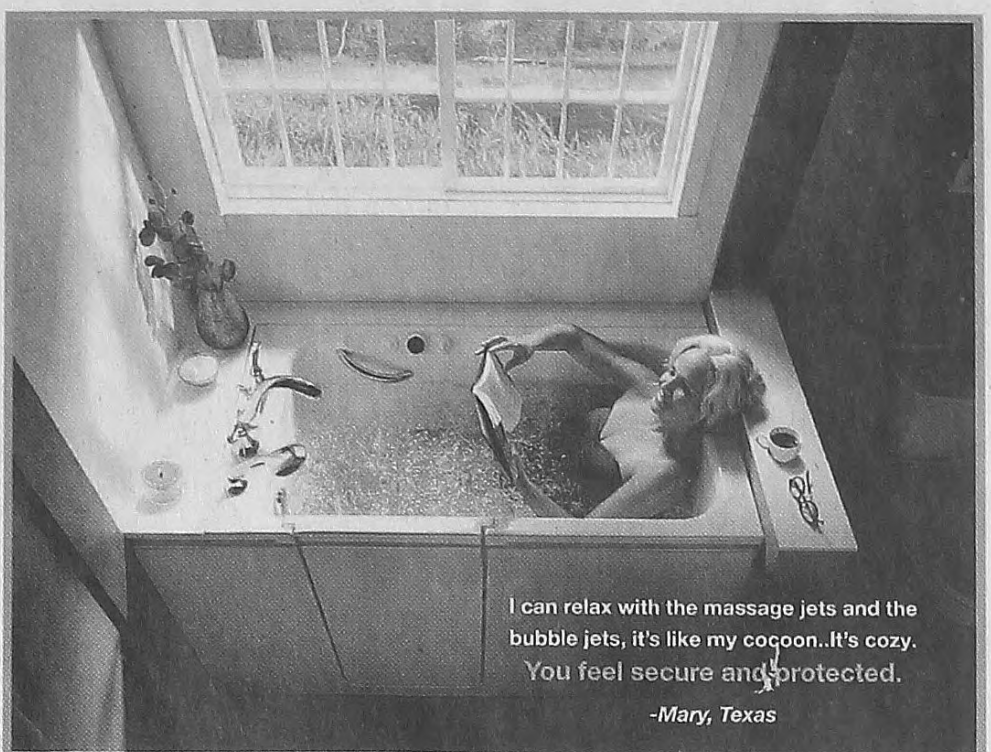
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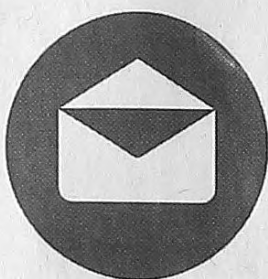
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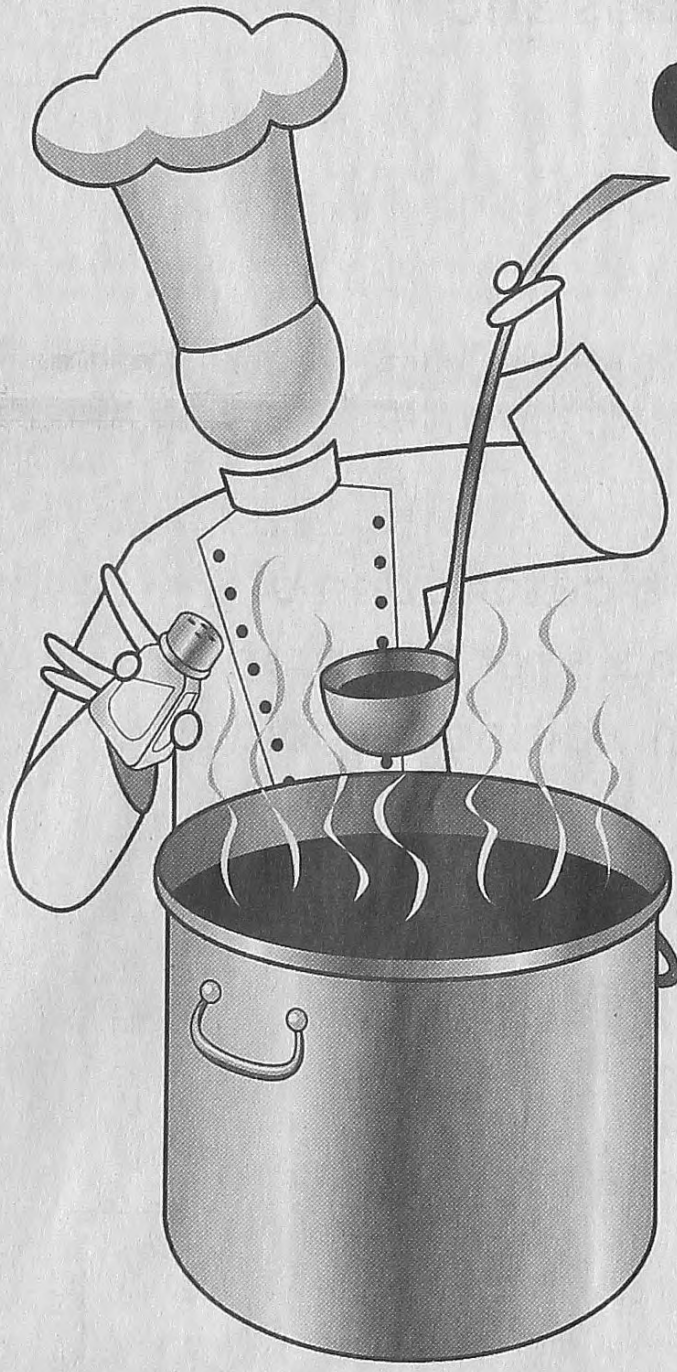
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- 33 Having a dull finish
- 34 Hurly-burly
- 35 Eschewer of animal products
- 37 "The Little Rascals" girl
- 38 Conical woodwinds
- 39 Had no life
- 40 Royal name of Norway
- 42 Soup holder
- 45 Mother-of-pearl
- 48 Hammer end
- 50 Norse god in a chariot
- 51 Nonlethal stunner
- 52 Jackie's hubby #2
- 53 HMO participants
- 54 Henna, e.g.
- 57 SFO guess
- 59 PC support givers
- 60 Writer Seton
- 62 Merits a "so-so"
- 64 Acknowledge
- 68 Antigen disablers
- 69 Has
- 70 Actor Conrad of early films
- 71 Nanny Poppins
- 72 Have a debt
- 73 Pres. elected in '48
- 74 "Caught you!"
- 75 Boxy vehicle
- 79 Weaponize again
- 80 "Traffic" actress Christensen
- 81 Full of lip
- 83 Packed firmly
- 84 Gas pump attachments
- 85 Novelist Sinclair
- 86 Grads' dance
- 88 Lucifer
- 93 Lacking vitality
- 95 Medium to poor
- 96 Least difficult
- 98 Lead-in to chic or hazard
- 99 Sow or cow
- 100 Dish under a cup
- 101 Brush aside swimmers
- 102 "Neon" tank
- 103 Prone
- 104 Triangular sail
- 106 Least narrow
- 109 Coke and Pepsi
- 112 Peepers
- 114 Roddick of tennis
- 116 Pueblo people
- 117 Yuletide tune
- 118 Dated, quaintly
- 120 Mo. with the birthstone opal
- 121 Suffix with opal
- 122 Fish that can be shocking
- 123 — Jeanne d'Arc: Abbr.
- 124 "Friends" co-star Courteney

SUDOKU

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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Here's How It Works:

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

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 A R E T U K E E P O W E I M P M O E H N
 H E D C T B B G O E G Z K S E D L H Y L
 N C N C N M G O U T D R A O B E D I S W

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

- ABATTANT
- AMBROTYPE
- ARCADE
- ARMCHAIR
- ARMOIRE
- ART DECO
- BALUSTER
- BANDING
- BAROQUE
- BEVEL
- BIEDERMEIER
- BRONZE
- CAMEO
- CERAMIC
- CHIPPENDALE
- CLASSICAL
- CUPBOARD
- DECORATIVE
- DESK
- NOUVEAU
- PANELLING
- POTTERY
- SIDEBOARD
- WARDROBE

A word search grid with a list of words on the right. The grid contains various words hidden in different orientations. The words listed are: ABATTANT, AMBROTYPE, ARCADE, ARMCHAIR, ARMOIRE, ART DECO, BALUSTER, BANDING, BAROQUE, BEVEL, BIEDERMEIER, BRONZE, CAMEO, CERAMIC, CHIPPENDALE, CLASSICAL, CUPBOARD, DECORATIVE, DESK, NOUVEAU, PANELLING, POTTERY, SIDEBOARD, WARDROBE.

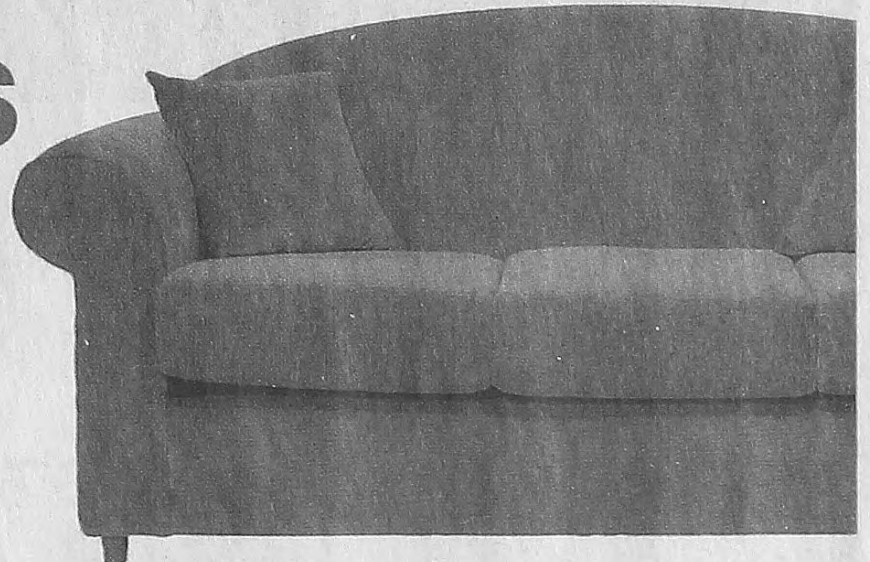
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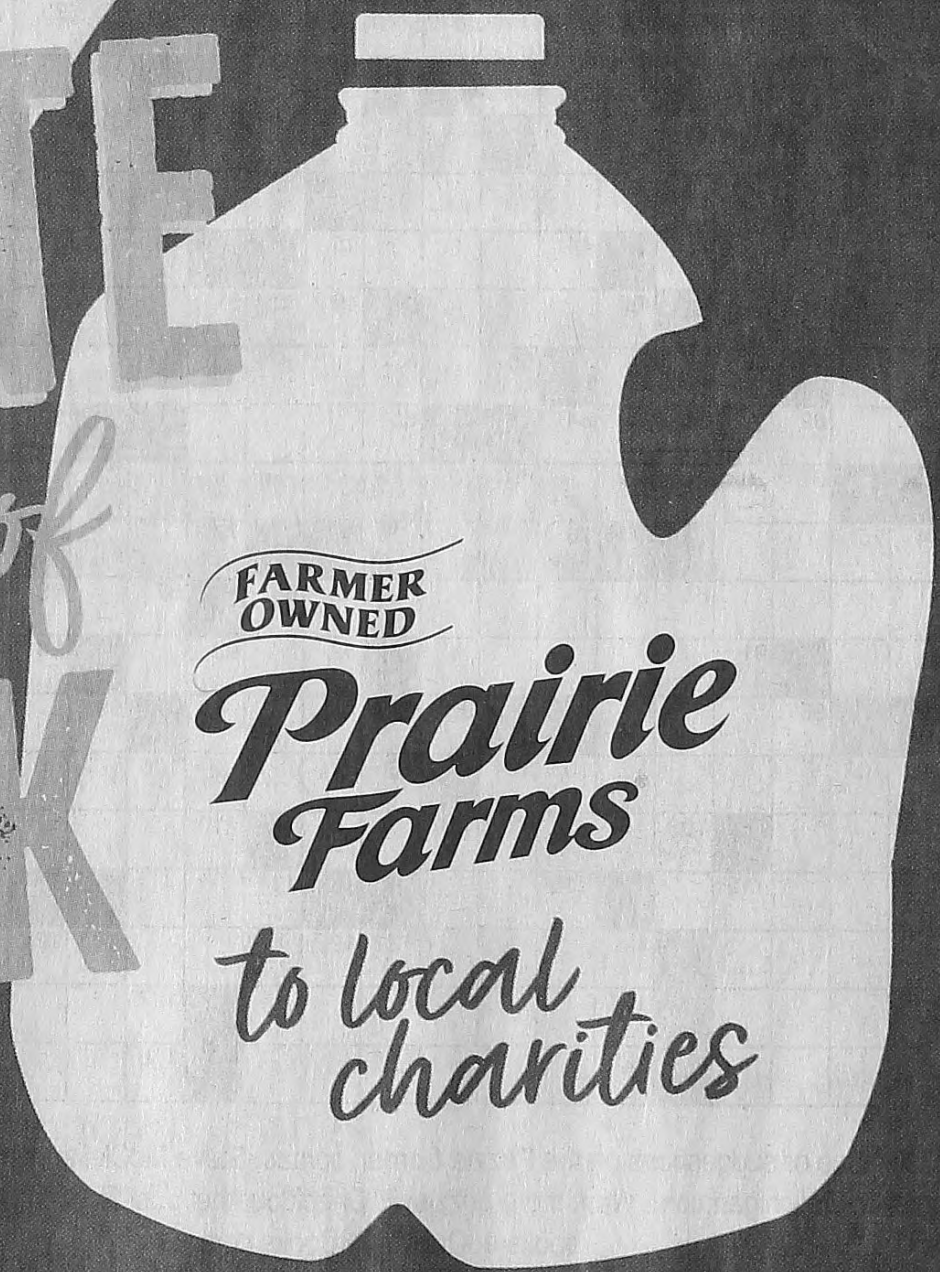
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