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# Supreme Court says it will not hear appeal

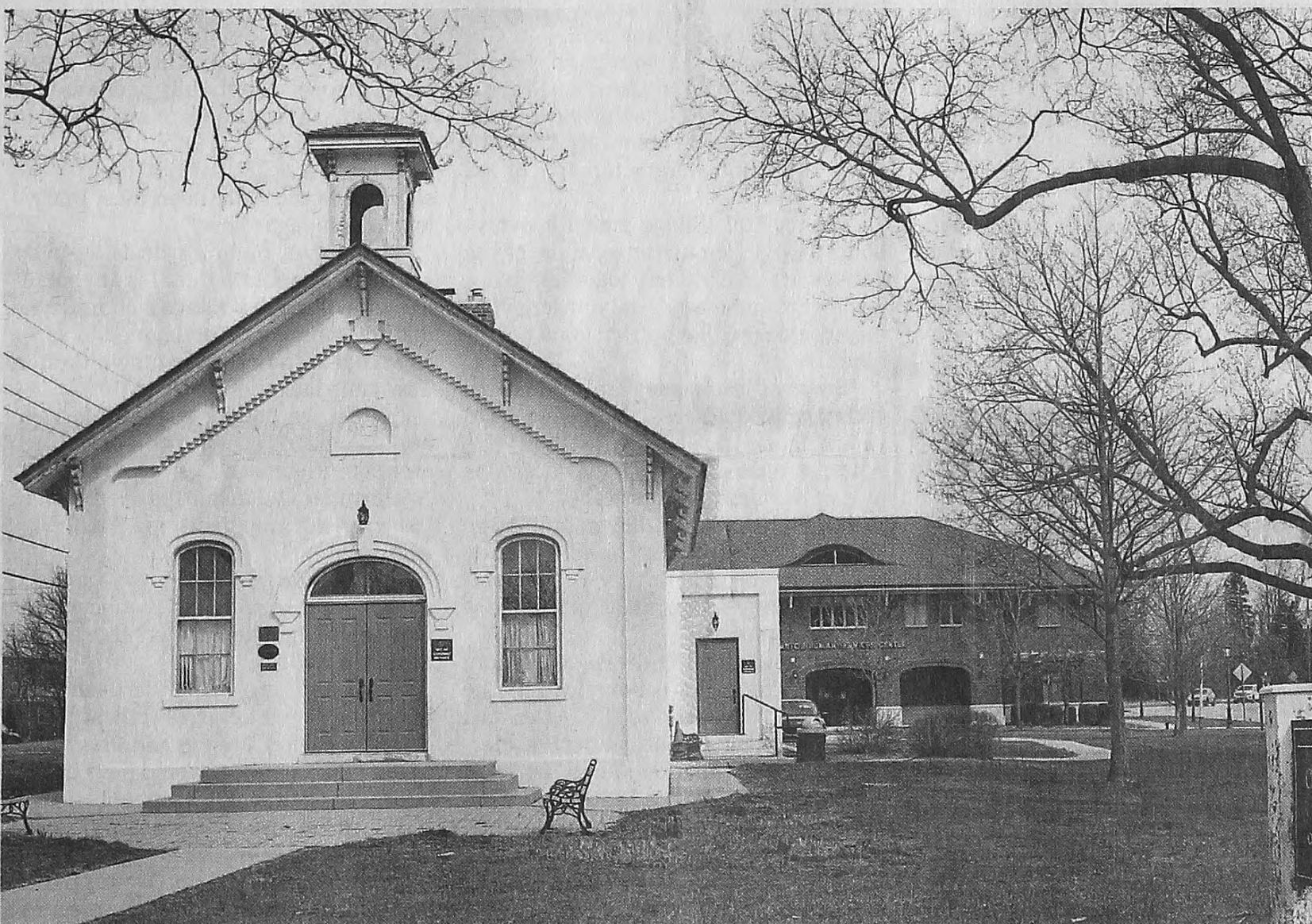
The Michigan Supreme Court issued

Oakland Circuit Judge Phyllis McMillen and the Michigan Court of Appeals already have ruled that the assault evidence should not be used to prove the premeditated murder of Danielle Stis-

"While we respect the decision, we're

Ellen Michaels, Galloway's murder defense attorney, said the Michigan

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**The Cherry Hill School building sits along Cherry Hill Road near its namesake development. Built only 20 years ago, the Cherry Hill Village subdivision remains a standout for its purposely old-fashioned design.** JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# Canton development still stands out after 20 years

"A few years ago we had a power outage, and I still had my power but my

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Houses in Cherry Hill Village were built closer together than houses in modern subdivisions, giving the streets a 1930s feel. ED WRIGHT/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# Livonia PD responds to civilian complaints

It mentioned a local pastor saying that his Black youth director was racially harassed and arrested by police investigating the incident. The youth director apparently did not want to participate in the complaint to the department.

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# Walmart in Canton Twp. completes big remodel

"The front end, it's like the front end of the future," Reid Adomat, store manager, said. "It is more self-check-outs, but we also have belted registers. So people can get checked out ... easier

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# Development

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neighbors across the street lost theirs,” 18-year village resident Barb Babut recalled. “So we plugged the cord from their refrigerator into one of my outlets and stretched it across the street so that their food wouldn’t get spoiled.

“There’s a connection here between residents that you don’t see in a lot of subdivisions. Every time I walk my dog around the neighborhood, I’ll stop at least once and chat with somebody sitting on their front porch.”

“When we bought our lot (in 2001), my husband and I had no idea how much the atmosphere of Cherry Hill Village was going to benefit our kids (Natalia and Dante),” added original resident Lisa Grasso. “There are always kids out riding bikes, playing in the parks. It’s just a happy place to raise children.

“And the environment for adults is amazing, too. It’s like a warm, borrow-sugar-from-your-neighbor type of place.”



Lisa Grasso is one of the original homeowners in Canton's Cherry Hill Village.

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Beth Babut and her dog, Oscar, enjoy an afternoon on the porch of her Cherry Hill Village condominium.

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### Red, white and blue

Developers promoted patriotism and safety by adding unique features that solidify the village’s Americana persona.

All of its roadways are named after U.S. presidents and significant historical leaders — Jefferson, Coolidge and Garfield streets, to name three — or 1776-themed words like Constitution, Independence and Patriot.

Each of the streets are lined with streetlights and — in a super-unique twist — all of the homes’ porch lights are programmed to turn on synchronously at dusk and go dim at dawn.

“The lighting is just one extra facet that adds a layer of safety to Cherry Hill Village,” Grasso said. “For instance, when I return home late from work and it’s dark out, it’s nice that the porch light is on and the streets are lit. If you drive through the village at night and someone’s porch light isn’t lit, it’s because they unscrewed the light bulb.”

### A bold plan

The seed for Michigan’s largest neo-traditional community was planted in the late-1990s when Biltmore Development representative David Stollman pitched the concept to the Canton

Township Board of Trustees.

“The idea was to break away from the traditional subdivision choices that were available at that time,” Tom Yack, Canton’s supervisor at the time of the Cherry Hill Village’s conception, said. “All of the houses would have large front porches, minimal front and back yards and large parks that were walkable for all of the residents to give it an old-fashioned feel.

“The other aspect of the planning was to integrate single-family homes with multi-family structures so that people who lived in condominiums could be part of a neighborhood.”

Yack said several community meetings were held at the century-old church located just north of the land where the massive development would unfold on the cornfields formerly owned by Canton Township’s Hauk family.

“Once the site plans were all approved, interest was so high in the development that the builders had to organize a lottery for the lots that were available,” Yack said. “People were fascinated by the unique characteristics of the plan.

“Cherry Hill Village isn’t for everybody, though. For instance, some of the houses are really close together, just a few feet in some cases, so you kept your fingers crossed that you got good neighbors.”

“Some of the houses are so close together, you could pass a cup of sugar to your neighbor through the kitchen windows,” Grasso said, smiling. “But that is part of the charm of the place.”

Original residents Roger and Mary Kreager joyfully reminisced recently about the construction phase of their home that sits on the far-eastern edge of the development.

“Our home is pretty close to Denton, which is the eastern boundary of the sub,” Roger Kreager said. “When our house was being built, you could literally see almost to Ridge Road, which is the western boundary. We watched the development rise before our eyes, which was very cool.

“We chose Cherry Hill Village to raise our family because the plans sounded and looked so unique. We loved the community-centered atmosphere and just the look of the place. Most of the home styles and the colors make you go, ‘Wow!’ Our children love this place so much, they don’t want us to ever sell it.”

### Holidays shine

The village is especially vibrant during holiday seasons. American flags whip in the breeze on more porches than not around the 4th of July and exquisitely decorated homes serve as eye candy during December.

The most epic decorating efforts are reserved for Halloween, Grasso shared, adding that her corner lot house is annually visited by hundreds of trick-or-treaters on Oct. 31, at least in pre-COVID-19 autumns.

“Residents here go all out on Halloween,” she said. “Some of the light displays are just unbelievable. One of our neighbors even sets up an obstacle course for trick-or-treaters in his garage.

“After the first two hours (on Halloween) you rarely see any kids that you know; they come from all over the area. Once you trick or treat in Cherry Hill Village, you don’t want to do it anywhere else.”

“Even though I prepared and purchased a lot of candy to pass out, I’ve had so many kids some years that I have to start going through my cupboards and finding granola bars to pass out,” Babut said, chuckling.

### Less than perfect

Like all large-scale developments, Cherry Hill Village suffered its share of growing pains, longtime residents and

township decision-makers concurred.

An up-to-18-month wait from closing day to move-in day for initial lot buyers forced some would-be residents to move elsewhere.

“I think some of the builders were a little too ambitious with the number of houses they sold early on,” Yack said. “This created delays in building time and some people were turned off by it.”

Less-than-stellar workmanship in some of the homes added to the wait time, Grasso said.

“My brother is a builder so we had him walk around our home and inspect it before we closed on it,” she said. “After his inspection, he basically told us that we had some problems and gave us a list of what needed to be fixed. Our builder actually locked us out of our house for three months. In the end, though, it all worked out.”

Kreager said he and a group of his neighbors were disappointed that a plan for a proposed community pool was voted down some time around 2006 or 2007.

“I was shocked it didn’t pass,” he said. “It would have been nice, but we love it here regardless.”

The biggest bummer, decision-makers and residents agreed, is the snail-like growth of the village’s commercial district, which was envisioned to serve as an old-fashioned downtown Canton Township lacks.

“When we bought the lot, we were hoping it would evolve into a downtown area like Plymouth has,” Kreager said. “Unfortunately, it hasn’t panned out yet, but we’re not giving up hope that it does someday.”

The commercial blues were created in part, Yack said, by the economic downturn that devastated the United States in 2008.

“For one thing, a site plan had been approved to put a Busch’s grocery store on the corner of Denton and Cherry Hill roads,” Yack said. “It would have been a beautiful facility and probably would have drawn other businesses to the area. But when the recession hit, Busch’s bought land on Canton Center just south of Cherry Hill Road, east of the village. They got the land a lot cheaper than they would have had they purchased the property at Denton and Cherry Hill.”

“We have a nice grocery store, a restaurant and an ice cream shop,” Babut said. “It would have been nice to have some more retail-y businesses. We used to joke that a lot of the commercial buildings along Cherry Hill were all named ‘Coming Soon.’”

The lack of retail options hasn’t dissuaded southeast Michigan’s movers and shakers from committing to property in Cherry Hill Village, research compiled by neighborhoodscout.com revealed. The neighborhood has a higher proportion of its residents employed as executives, managers and professionals than 96.2% of the neighborhoods in America, the website claims.

Cherry Hill Village’s population of residents also reflects Canton’s cultural diversity, according to the website, which reports that more people of Romanian and Asian ancestry live in the village than anywhere else in the United States.

Also, 15.7% of the development’s residents at least 5 years old speak Indian languages, which is higher than 99.8% of American neighborhoods.

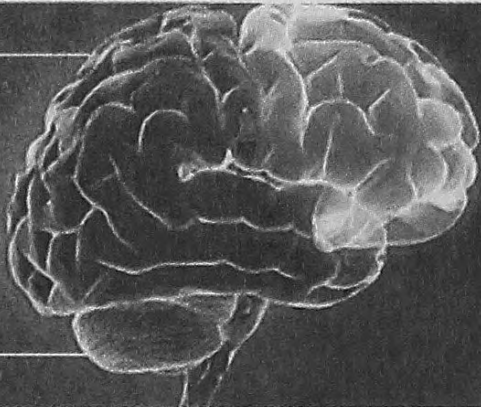
“The diversity of this community is one of its biggest appeals for us,” Kreager said. “In the neighborhood and the schools, our children are exposed to so many interesting cultures.

“Cherry Hill Village has been a fantastic place to live the past 20 years. We have zero regrets.”

Rockwell, no doubt, would have shared those sentiments.

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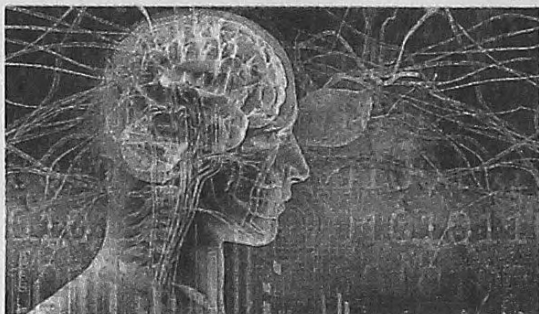
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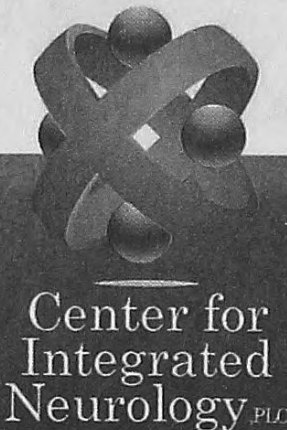
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# Walmart

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and people with the large shopping carts will have the belted ones.”

The checkout area no longer sports traditional row-by-row of just lanes, instead features an open pod with more self-checkout stations. Cashiers can still check out customers with larger orders on the belted registers.

Several other sections of the store realized massive improvements, including new shelving, a redesigned electronics department with items on display for customers to test out before buying, remodeled bathrooms and a brand-new vision center, which looks completely different.

“They completely ripped it down to the ground and rebuilt it,” Adomat said.

He said the remodel is the first of its kind for a Walmart in Michigan. Adomat — who took over running the store right on the Canton/Westland border just a few weeks ago — said the company looks at various components when planning such a remodel, such as a community’s growth.

He said the Canton location on Ford Road fit the criteria perfectly.

“They look at the growth of the area, they look at the last remodel, they look at potential of what the store could do with a remodel with return on investment,” Adomat said. “Canton is a great area, growing area, so the company wanted to invest in one of the largest growing communities in Michigan right now.”

Adomat said he did not know how much the remodel cost the company, but estimated it was more than \$1 million.

He said he was unsure of when other stores, including the Walmart on Michigan Avenue in Canton, would receive renovations, though said he did not expect it to be as intense as the one on Ford Road.

The store put the finishing touches on the work April 23 and held a small event that morning for employees celebrating the efforts of them during the remodel phase.

Adomat said customers have mentioned how much of a change they’ve seen in the store.

“It’s brighter, more open, more (items) in stock, easier to find things,”



The checkout area at the Walmart Supercenter in Canton Township has expanded to allow for more self-checkout spaces. Cashiers will continue to work at some belted registers to handle larger orders. PHOTOS BY DAVID VESELENAK/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Reid Adomat, store manager, speaks to employees April 23 at the store.



New signage and shelving can be found throughout the store.



The electronics department now has more items on display that customers can try before they buy.

he said of the items mentioned by customers.

For those looking to see the changes, the store is open 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily.

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# Judge: Testimony in skateboarder’s death ‘thin’

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A courtroom brawl continues over the proper charge for a young Westland man accused of driving into a Northville Township skateboarder, causing his death.

Attorneys argued during an April 23 hearing over evidence gathered to substantiate a felony charge of failing to stop at the scene of an accident, when at fault, resulting in death.

Third Circuit Judge Catherine Heise agreed to schedule a June evidentiary hearing for further debate.

“I would note for the record that the testimony in this case at the preliminary examination was rather thin,” the judge said, then referring to a transcript of the proceeding. “They didn’t know whether he was on the skateboard or if he was walking with the skateboard. They don’t know where the impact was. Nobody saw the vehicle strike the decedent.”

The case ultimately pits Gustavo Godinez, 20, of Westland against the deceased Dominic Duhn, a 20-year-old

Michigan State University student and Eagle Scout.

If convicted, Godinez faces 15 years in prison. Duhn’s legacy is at stake since Godinez’s attorney has implied that Duhn was high when he found himself in the path of Godinez’s vehicle the night of Sept. 3.

Prosecuting attorney Brian Johnson acknowledged toxicology reports revealed marijuana was in Duhn’s body at the time of death. He had been hanging out with friends before he and another went to skateboard down a Sheldon Road hill that lasted about 100 feet.

He also said that he learned after the October preliminary examination that Duhn had a medical marijuana card.

“As the court knows, just because you have marijuana in your system doesn’t mean that you are actively smoking marijuana at the time,” Johnson said. “Really, the testimony that we have is that they were drinking a little bit, a couple of beers (and) a little bit of liquor.

“They were acting perhaps not in a way that older, more mature people would act.”

The prosecuting attorney emphasized that any responsible driver would stay alert for traffic dangers. He emphasized that the skateboarders were using cellphone flashlights and weren’t in the middle of the road. The defendant had his headlights on.

“This was a reasonably foreseeable consequence of a person that is not paying attention to the road, that is driving in a way that causes the death of somebody,” Johnson said. “I don’t think that the victim’s behavior cuts off that culpability.”

Godinez is out on bond. He wore a striped T-shirt for the Zoom hearing and spoke when questions arose about his vehicle.

A search of Westland’s 18th District Court records indicate he dealt with several driving citations before the crash with Duhn.

One citation was for operating while reading, texting or sending a text. Gustavo paid \$205 in fines to resolve that case.

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# Man dies from gunfire at Westland bowling alley

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A 30-year-old man is dead and three people are in police custody because of a fatal shooting at Vision Lanes bowling alley, according to Westland police.

Police are reporting on Facebook that the shooting happened the night of April 24 at the bowling alley located on Ford Road, near North Hix Road.

A female also was injured when a verbal altercation that escalated into a shooting. She continues to recover at the hospital, police said.

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## Appeal

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Supreme Court obviously ruled that the right legal decisions already had been made. Now, she and Galloway can focus on the murder investigation.

“It brings me joy because I feel that the system is working,” she said. “We

can proceed safely on the facts of the case and nothing more. As an attorney, it’s gratifying when the courts make a ruling that I feel follows the law.”

Stislicki went missing Dec. 2, 2016, a few months after the Hines Park runner was attacked. Searches for her body and presence were unsuccessful.

Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel announced in March 2019 that Galloway, a prison inmate and longtime

suspect from Berkley, was being charged.

“Two years is a very long time to wait for this,” Nessel said. “We are going to be prosecuting your daughter’s killer, and we will not rest until she gets the justice she deserves.”

Galloway, 34, is serving up to 35 years in prison after pleading guilty to the Hines Park attack. His Oakland County murder trial was most recently sched-

uled for October.

According to preliminary examination testimony, his job site had changed by the time Stislicki disappeared.

However, Stislicki’s co-workers saw Galloway’s car in the parking lot with the hood up and then saw him departing in the passenger seat of Stislicki’s Jeep on the day she was last seen.

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## Complaints

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The latest complaints are as follows:

### Woman claims she was held hostage

**Date of incident:** Oct. 22, 2019, according to police.

**Incident Location:** HomeTowne Studios, 11808 Middlebelt Road

**Complaint date:** Aug. 25

**What did the complaint say?** A woman identifying herself as an “elderly Black woman” submitted a June 12 letter written to Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel as her complaint.

She claimed police kidnapped and had her held against her will for days. Claiming confinement to a wheelchair and severe spine and nerve damage, she said she was told to contact the Wayne County Prosecutor’s Office. She kept calling and someone there in January promised to start an investigation.

She later called Livonia police but an “angry man” answered and “interrupted me and growled they had a right to hold me 48 hours and slammed the phone down, ending the call.”

“I still want to file a complaint against these white officers who saw a feeble old black woman sitting quietly in her wheelchair and decided to have me snatched up and thrown into HELL for no reason,” she said.

She was upset with police and EMTs for taking her to the hospital.

**What did police say about the complaint?** “Your complaint is unfounded and the officers are exonerated.”

**Who responded?** Sgt. Eric Marcotte

**When did he respond?** Sept. 22

**What did he say?** According to his investigation, the woman called Oct 22, 2019, just after midnight, and asked police to visit her hotel room. She complained to arriving officers that she was unhappy with hotel staff.

She had not been caring for herself or eating. She mentioned suicidal thoughts. Officers ruled that she needed medical assistance and a mental health evaluation. Livonia firefighters transported the woman to St Mary Mercy Livonia Hospital.

From police arrival to hospital transport, the response lasted about an hour. “You were transported to St. Mary Mercy Hospital based on your physical and mental condition at that time. Based upon my investigation, I have determined that your complaint is unfounded and the officers are exonerated,” Marcotte said.

This letter, along with others, concluded with the following customary statements: “We appreciate citizens bringing possible officer misconduct to our attention. We take great pride in the performance and professionalism of our officers and use these types of investigations as a tool to maintain our highest professional standards.”

### Driver stopped in problem car

**Date of incident:** Aug. 24

**Incident Location:** Near Farmington Road and Myrna Court

**Complaint date:** Aug. 24

**What did the complaint say?** A white man about 30 years of age said a police officer was following him for about a half mile during the afternoon.

“As I passed Five Mile, the light turned yellow, then red and the police officer sped up and blew the red light with no siren or lights on, breaking the law in order to stay behind me,” he said in his complaint.

The officer pulled the driver over and said the stop was because a broken windshield. Identification was taken from the driver and his girlfriend. The driver tried explaining that the girlfriend might need hospital care.

According to the driver, “The police officer responded by looking my girlfriend dead in the eye saying, ‘You think I don’t know who you are?’”

The driver explained that he was frustrated and feeling harassed since police had pulled him over several times in the past few weeks because of the broken windshield and a broken brake light.

The officer was not wearing a mask or gloves. Two more squad cars pulled up. Those officers also weren’t wearing masks or gloves.

The driver claimed he was targeted because police knew about his prior tickets due to his car’s problems but that the real intent was to arrest his girlfriend, who had a warrant in her name.

**What did police say about the complaint?** “Your complaint is unfounded.”

**Who responded?** Sgt. Stacy Hayne

**When did she respond?** Sept. 22

**What did she say?** Hayne summarized that the driver was claiming to be a victim of entrapment and harassment. The sergeant said officers were interviewed and their body-worn camera footage and in-car videos and audio recordings of the incident were reviewed.

Hayne found no evidence to support the claims of entrapment or harassment.

“Following an investigation, your passenger was arrested on several outstanding warrants, and you were issued a violation for no insurance and a cracked windshield,” she wrote. “Additionally, it is clear through reviewing the audio and video of the officers’ interactions, that you were rude and disrespectful to the officers in the encounter.

“You referred to the officers as a ‘piece of (obscenity)’ and hurled profane language at them. It is my determination that your complaint is unfounded.”

**Sustained: K-9 leaves scratches**

**Date of incident:** Aug. 28

**Incident Location:** Near Merriman and Industrial roads

**Complaint date:** Aug. 31

**What did the complaint say?** A white man about 40 years of age said a

K-9 dog went around his vehicle five times and “scratched the heck out of my car.” The dog did not “hit on” — or find — any drugs. The owner tried buffing but could not remove the scratches.

**What did police say about the complaint?** “I have determined that your complaint is sustained.”

**Who responded?** Sgt. Eric Eisenbeis

**When did he respond?** Sept. 22

**What did he say?** Officers were interviewed about the stop, and video recordings were reviewed.

“Although there was no wrongdoing on the part of any officer involved, the scratches located above the passenger side rear tire and near the gas cap of your vehicle were clearly made by the department’s canine,” the sergeant said. “Based upon my investigation, I have determined that your complaint is sustained.”

The sergeant said he provided a claim form and instructions to facilitate the repairs.

### Trunk of funk

**Date of incident:** Sept. 8

**Incident Location:** Near Five Mile Road and Hubbard Street

**What did the complaint say?** A Black man, about 50 years of age, said a female officer pulled him over. She had received a call that something fell off the back an SUV.

He asked why other drivers hadn’t pulled up to him to let him know, and he provided some identification.

When the officer returned, he asked for the “real” reason she pulled him over. She repeated that something had fallen from his SUV “or noise or something.”

He told her that someone would have both heard and felt his music because he has a “trunk of funk.”

The man said he opened his rear tailgate to show off his trunk of funk. His music, he said, was not playing after police received the call. The drive alleged that his civil rights were violated.

**What did police say about the complaint?** “Your complaint is unfounded.”

**Who responded?** Sgt. Andrew Coletta

**When did he respond?** Sept. 24

**What did he say?** The officer was interviewed. The body-worn camera footage and the 911 call were reviewed. The officer apparently was dispatched to Five Mile and Farmington roads because of loud suspicious noise coming from the driver’s vehicle.

“The officer located your vehicle, initiated a traffic stop and made contact with you,” the sergeant wrote. “The officer informed you of the nature of the traffic stop and quickly ascertained that the situation was not suspicious. The officer apologized for the inconvenience and wished you a good rest of your day.”

### Police hospitalize boyfriend

**Date of incident:** Oct. 24

**Incident Location:** Near Schoolcraft and Levan Road

**Complaint date:** Nov. 25

**What did the complaint say?** A Black woman about 45 years of age protested her boyfriend getting hospitalized because of mental health issues. She called the decision aggressive and said they both were frightened by the police conduct.

She blamed it on lack of training when dealing with non-violent offenses and those experiencing mental health issues.

**What did police say about the complaint?** “Your complaint is unfounded.”

**Who responded?** Sgt. Stacy Hayne

**When did she respond?** Dec. 28

**What did she say?** Hayne concluded that the complaint about a mental health petition was unfounded. The sergeant summarized that the complainant was saying she did not call 911, did not have a glass bottle and that her boyfriend was not aggressive or highly intoxicated or incoherent during the encounter.

“You indicated that, in your opinion, it was not necessary to restrain (him),” Hayne wrote. “It was not necessary to take (him) to the hospital and that the amount of force used by the officers to restrain (him) was not necessary.”

Generally, Hayne said “a person like yourself who was not the subject of the interaction with the officer(s) is determined to not have standing on behalf of any other individuals and, thus, has no authority to make a complaint.”

In detailing the investigation, Hayne supported the mental health petition by mentioning three 911 calls reporting that the boyfriend chased their vehicles and attempted to kick or strike the machines, leaving them concerned about his well-being.

“You stated over and over to (him) that no one was going to hurt him,” Hayne wrote. “During the bouts of physical resistance from (him), officers only used the appropriate force to restrain him.”

The man occasionally said he couldn’t breathe.

However, Hayne said no evidence supported claims of excessive or unnecessary force.

She elaborated: “The officers expressed concern and compassion for (him) during his mental health episode, with his safety and welfare being a priority. During the entire incident, officers attempted to de-escalate the situation and establish a rapport with (him).”

Livonia firefighters were called for medical care and he was transported to the hospital. Hayne said the man was in a manic state and smelt of alcohol during the incident.

“I have determined that the petitioning officer did make an error, where he transposed the initial witnesses and yourself by naming you as the one who called 911. It is my determination that your complaint is unfounded.”

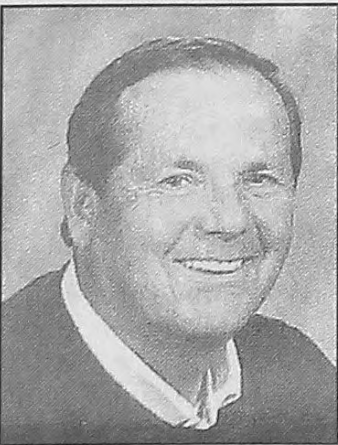
Livonia Police Department also provides information, including summaries, about the complaints online.

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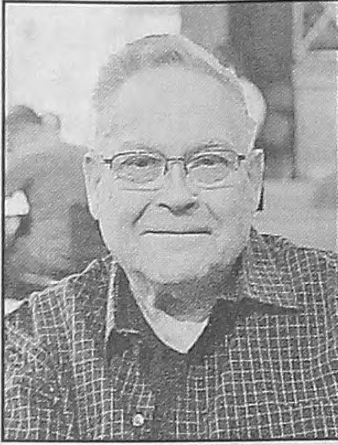
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**Dennis J. Ashley**

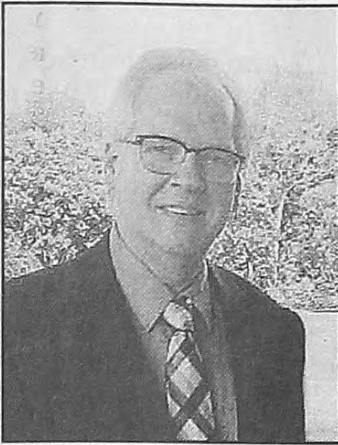
Ashley, Dennis J. April 26, 2021 Age 77. Beloved husband of Monica (Gilmore) of 49 years. Dear brother of Brian (Kathy) Ashley, Patricia (Eron) Kleckner, Colleen (Tom) Cianciola, Daniel (Christine) Ashley and the late Michael Ashley. Brother-in-law of Barbara Ashley. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Mr. Ashley was a Veteran of the United States Navy, was a mail carrier for the United States Postal Service and was an avid golfer. Memorial mass 11 am Saturday, May 1, 2021 at St Peter Catholic Church 95 Market Street Mount Clemens, MI 48043 with visitation from 10:30 am until time of service. Cremains to be interred at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be directed to Capuchins Retreat Center 62460 Mt. Vernon Rd. Washington Twp., MI 48094. Expressions of sympathy to [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)



**Harold Dale Hawley**

LIVONIA - Harold Dale Hawley, age 81, passed away on Friday, April 23, 2021. Beloved husband of 40 years to the late Carol. Loving father of Sandra Bond, Debra (Brian) Seipel, Barbara (Ronald) Bebout and Janice (Christopher) Vowell. Cherished grandfather of 10 & great grandfather of 11. Dear cousin of Robert and Linda. He also leaves behind his loyal furry companion, Rocky. Visitation Thursday, April 29, 2021 from 10am until the Funeral Service at 1pm at Harry J Will Funeral Home, Livonia. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions appreciated to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 17180 Farmington Rd, Livonia.

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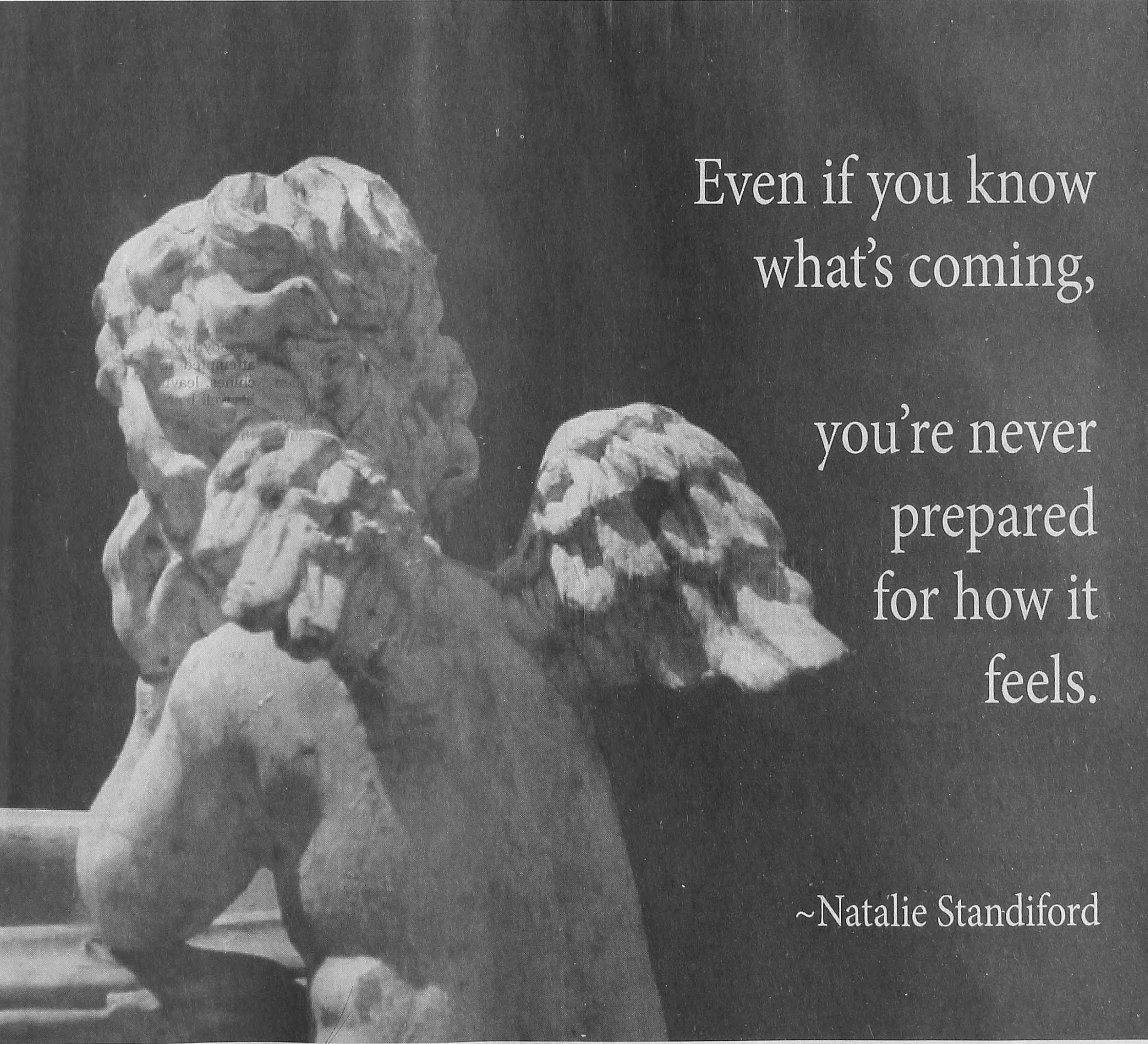
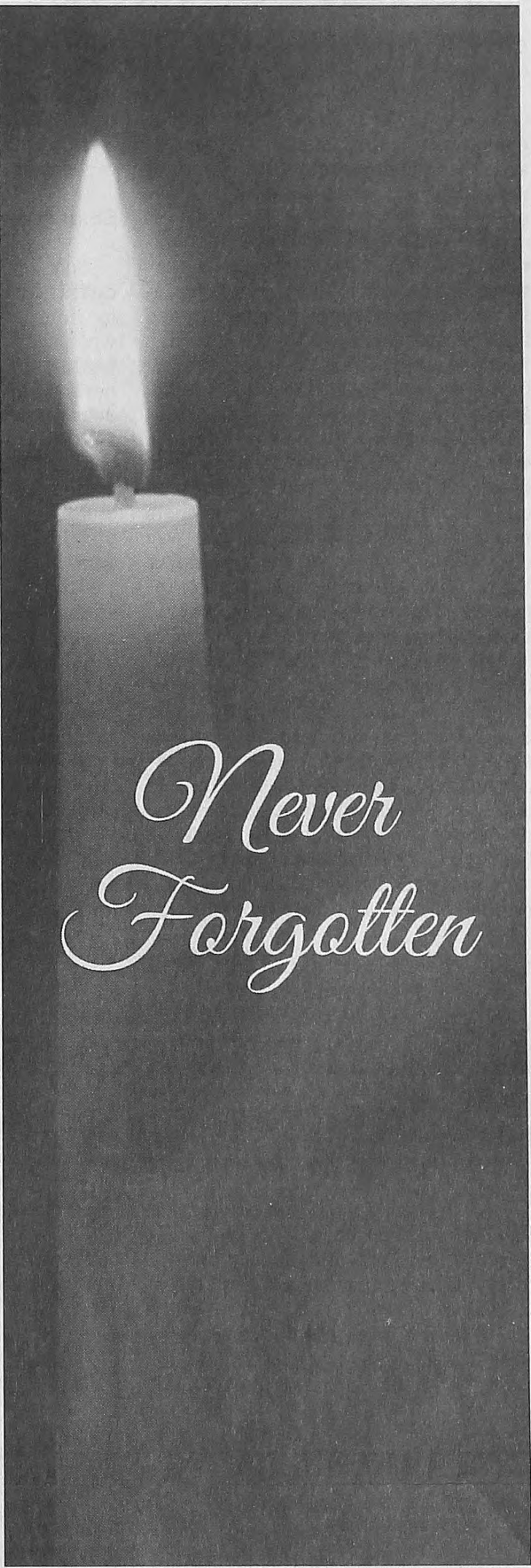
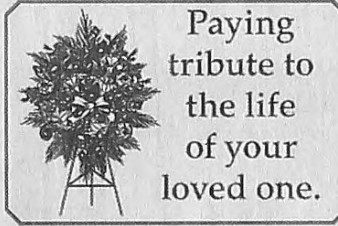
LIVONIA - April 21st, 2021. Beloved husband of Susan for 33 years. Loving father of Sheri and Cassandra. Brother of Jay Helmer and Dean (Audrey) Helmer. Son-in-law of Delphine. Brother-in-law of Steven (Jennie) Kujawa, Thomas (Sandra) Kujawa, and Michael Kujawa. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Kent was known as a dedicated and kindhearted husband and father with a great sense of humor. He was an Eagle Scout, a Peace Corps volunteer, and a champion of the environment through his job at the Environmental Protection Agency for 28 years. He loved a good book and cooking for his family. He is cherished and he will be missed. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Vincent dePaul. [www.santeiufuneralhome.com](http://www.santeiufuneralhome.com)



**Ruth I. Skodack**

WESTLAND - Passed away on April 22, 2021, at the age of 97. She was the beloved wife of the late Rudolph, and the loving mother of Susan (William) Knowlton and Steve (Crystal Chirslip) Skodack. She was the cherished grandmother of Jennifer, Matthew, Bethany and Chris. Ruth was the treasured great grandmother of C.J., Brandon, Hailey, Aries, Meghan, Phoenix, Darius, Raiden and Elijah. There will be a memorial gathering at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, 8809 Wayne Rd. (at Joy Rd.) on Friday, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Ruth's memorial service will be on Saturday at 11 a.m. from the funeral home. Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at [griffinfuneralhome.com](http://griffinfuneralhome.com)

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# Three Redford Union teachers claimed discrimination in 2020

**Shelby Tankersley** Hometownlife.com  
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Three Redford Union teachers filed complaints against Superintendent Jansen Witt alleging the district discriminated against them because of their age or sex.

Educators Lindsay Glowacki, Jan-nelle Schaeffer and Matthew Hubert say they were forced to use personal vacation time, unpaid leave or leave afforded through the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, which cut a third of their pay, because of child care needs in fall 2020.

All three allege younger and/or male colleagues were allowed to work from home and receive full pay under similar circumstances. When these teachers made their requests, the district was only offering virtual school because of the pandemic. Staff were required to report to their school buildings, but all teaching was done remotely.

The Michigan Education Association, the union representing the teachers, filed two Equal Employment Opportunity Commission complaints to the state on behalf of the teachers: one regarding sex discrimination for Glowacki and Schaeffer and another regarding age discrimination for Hubert. Neither have been given a hearing date yet.

Witt is one of several finalists for the district's superintendent job and has

been in the role on an interim basis for about a year. Recently, 93% of the teachers' union supported a "no confidence" motion against Witt.

Witt did not respond to a phone call requesting comment.

## Sexism complaint

Schaeffer, who has taught with the district for four years, gave birth to a son in June, and he was nine weeks old when school started. Schaeffer hoped to work from home so she could be with her son and still get paid. Redford Union does not offer paid parental leave.

"(Witt) allowed people to bring their children to the building, but I was not going to bring my nine-week old son to a building because I can't just leave him in my classroom and because it's a pandemic," she said.

Schaeffer says she emailed district administration three times before her request was denied. She ended up taking leave so she could stay home.

Glowacki is a single mother. Her 10-year-old son was enrolled in virtual school in the fall and she wanted to work from home so she and her son could have their own space during the day. Her request was denied, and she took FFCRA leave.

Glowacki later found out one of her male colleagues was allowed to work from home due to child care needs.

"I immediately reached out to my union president and was like, 'This is a problem,'" she said. "I took a pay cut because I wasn't allowed to work from home, where I could have completely filled all my job duties. Yet this other male colleague was eligible to work from home this whole time."

Glowacki, who spent seven years with the district, left in February.

## Ageism complaint

Hubert said the district granted him two weeks of unpaid leave to care for his pregnant wife. Hubert's wife and child live in Mexico and are awaiting immigration — Hubert said he would have liked to have worked there remotely so to care for them full-time.

All other leave requests Hubert made were denied, and he ended up missing the birth of his daughter. He was told to use personal vacation time.

Hubert says in the complaint a younger, male colleague was given nearly a semester to work remotely and care for his child around the same time.

"What's the difference between me and my colleague who was given basically a blank check on time?" Hubert said.

Hubert, who worked for the district for 2.5 years, sought employment elsewhere.

# Canton teen charged with assaulting her father

**Susan Vela** Hometownlife.com  
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A Canton Township teen faces two felony charges after local police say she threw her father from the car she was driving as a finale to their argument.

The 17-year-old was arraigned April 21 on felony counts of assault with intent to do great bodily and reckless driving causing serious impairment.

She's scheduled to return to 35th District Court in Canton on April 30.

According to prosecutors, the teen and her father were arguing the afternoon of April 19 and their conflict escalated outside their home.

Her 50-year-old father jumped on the hood of his daughter's moving vehicle when she tried to leave. He fell from the vehicle as she departed.

Police were dispatched to the scene because of the father's injuries. He was taken to the hospital for treatment.

"The alleged facts in this case clearly reflect a family in crisis," Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy said in a statement. "Today's times are exceedingly difficult. Please seek that help for yourself and/or your family when you need it."

# It's time to celebrate for Plymouth-Canton seniors

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Like everything else during the COVID-19 pandemic, each event on the list of senior celebrations released by Plymouth-Canton Schools on April 27 is "tentative."

The list includes a senior prom event June 2 with a yet-to-be-determined location and outdoor commencement

ceremonies the weekend of June 12-13 at the Plymouth-Canton Education Park's varsity stadium. Seniors and their families are asked to keep both days open to allow for some scheduling wiggle room in case of uncooperative weather.

Given social-distancing guidelines established by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, the prom is unlikely to resemble pre-pandemic parties. Prom details, includ-

ing the location, will be distributed to families of seniors no later than May 7, the district's email assured.

"We are sharing this information as tentative because plans are subject to change based upon the most current COVID guidelines/safety regulations provided by the MDHHS," the email stated.

Honors nights for each of the schools will be May 18 (Plymouth), May 19 (Can-

ton) and May 20 (Salem) on the PCEP campus.

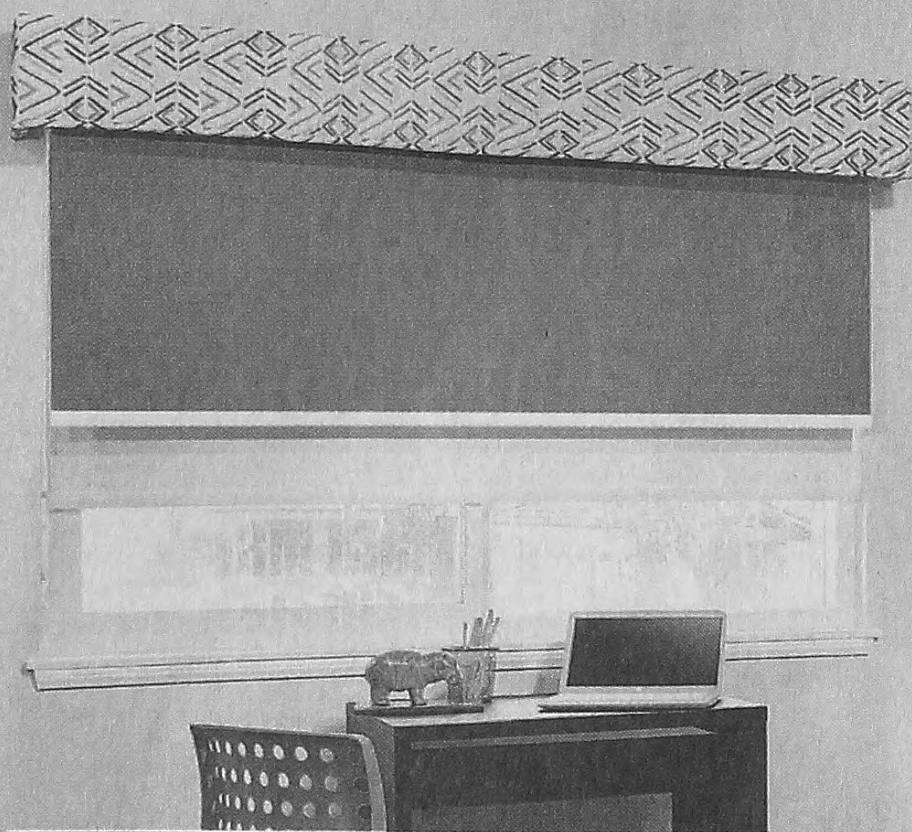
The Seniors Last Day will be May 27 with the senior farewell/check-out scheduled for June 1. The seniors' send-off will conclude June 23 with a senior send-off event, which will take the place of the senior all-night party.

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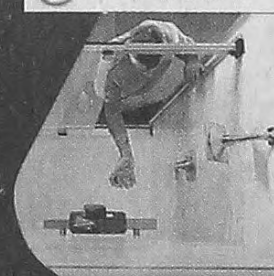
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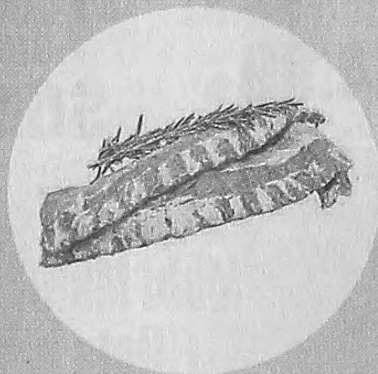
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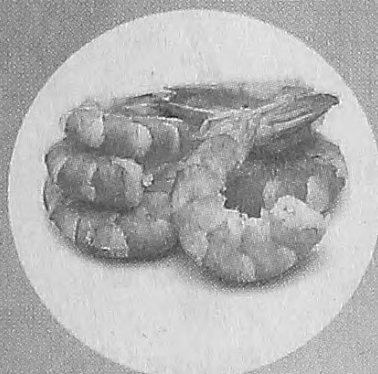
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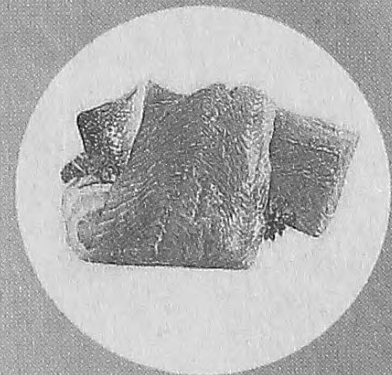
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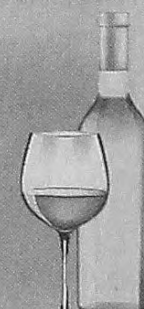
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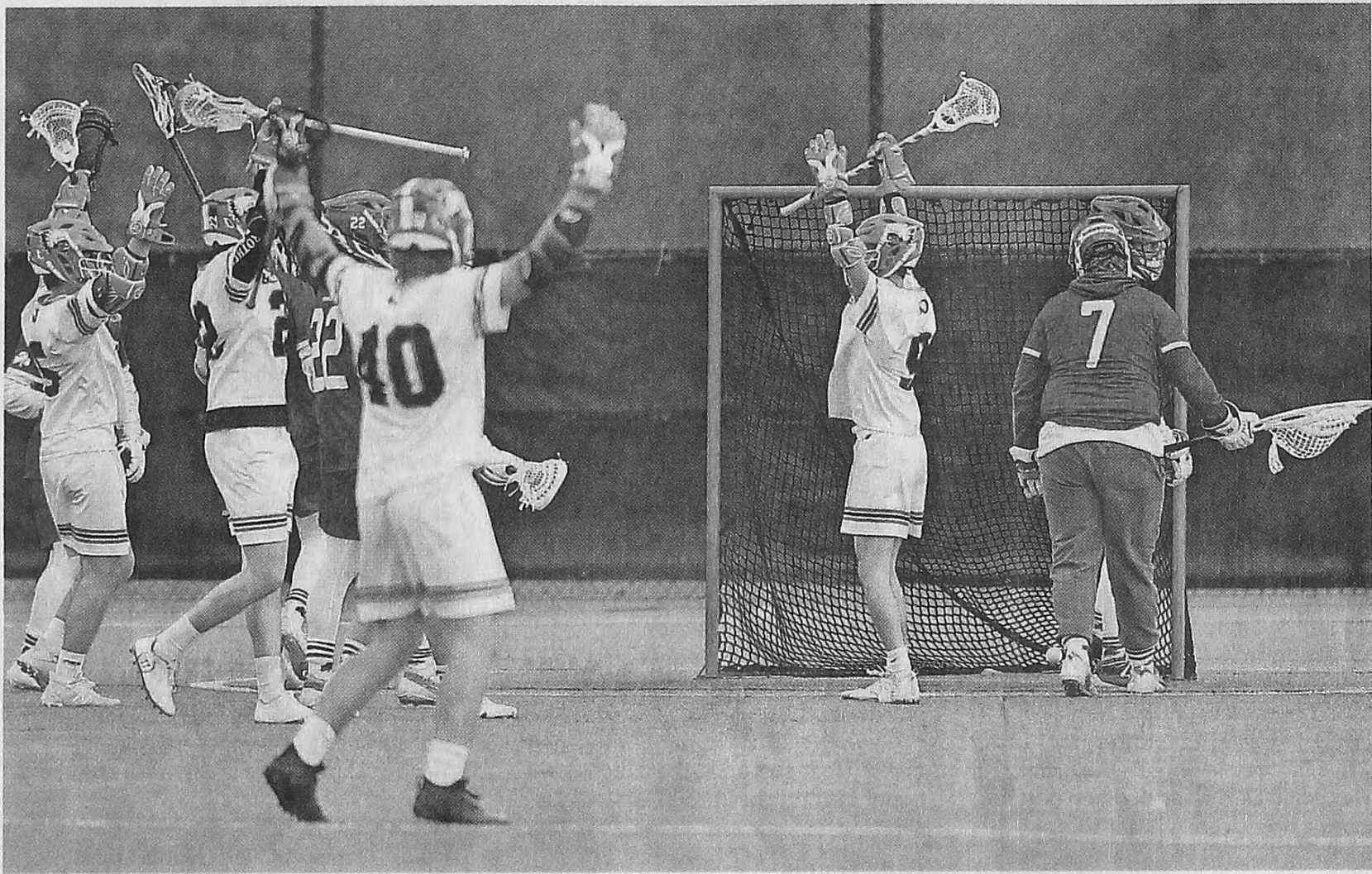
Livonia Stevenson right-handed pitcher Griffin Kilander did not need to prove anything. The stats from his three starts of the 2021 season did all the work for him: eight walks, 36 strikeouts and zero hits. But on April 17, starting in right field for the Spartans, Kilander was ready if called upon. Heading into the game, head coach

Rick Berryman asked the right-hander how his arm felt, hoping to be able to use him for an inning or two if necessary. In the fifth, Kilander, starting in right field, gave his coach the nod that he was good to go. In the seventh inning of a tie game, Kilander was called. “Getting that call from right field, I was like, ‘OK, let’s get it,’” Kilander said. The senior threw six pitches to one batter, maxing out at 93 mph to get the

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Stevenson senior Griffin Kilander held a dual-roster spot with the Spartans as a sophomore. COURTESY OF GRIFFIN KILANDER



Brother Rice players celebrate their second goal against Detroit Catholic Central. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

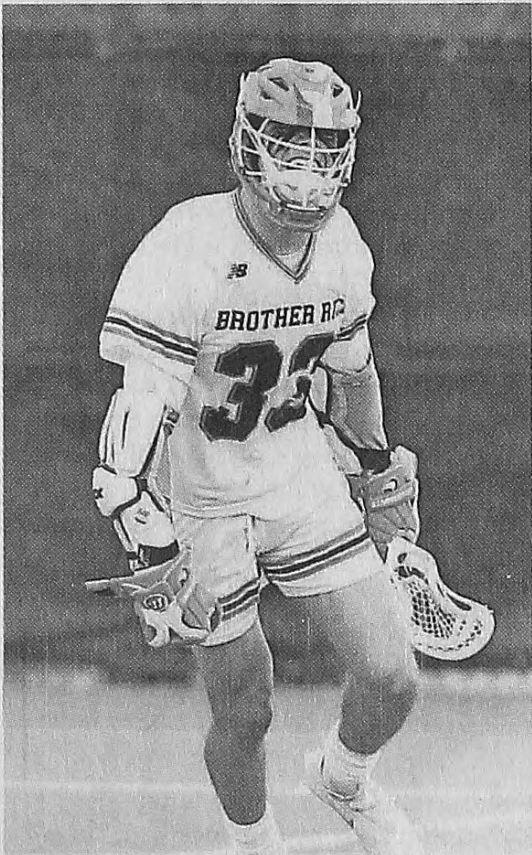
Brother Rice shuts down Detroit Catholic Central

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In his 25th season as the head coach of Detroit Catholic Central’s lacrosse team, Dave Wilson knew what to expect from Brother Rice. On paper, the Shamrocks knew what they were up against: a team that has won 14 of the last 15 Division 1 state titles, including eight times against them. But Wilson tried to drill in practice what his players would see when an inexperienced roster experienced the rivalry for the first time. “I would tell them at practice: ‘Here’s how this is going to go,’” Wilson said. “They just kind of look at me. During the game, I’m like ‘Well, I wasn’t lying.” With inexperienced rosters on both sidelines, Brother Rice (6-1) stepped up in a major way defensively April 21, beating Catholic Central (3-2), 8-1. The Warriors currently hold a four-game win streak against the Shamrocks, who last beat Brother Rice June

9, 2018, in the Division 1 state title game. “Look, we’re a very inexperienced team,” Brother Rice head coach Ajay Chawla said. “We’re young, these guys haven’t played in a year like everybody else. They are going to make their fair share of mistakes. But as long as we bring that hustle and the energy we brought today, we look better. We’re not necessarily playing a lot better, but you look better.” The hustle made an impact early on for the Warriors. After sophomore mid Sam Klein opened scoring just over two minutes into the first period, Brother Rice attacker Luke Dudley capitalized on a scrum in front of the Shamrocks’ net, pushing the ball across the goal to take a 2-0 lead. To Chawla, on a team where none of players on the roster had ever played for him before, Dudley was as close to a returner as he could get. The senior attacker had two brothers who were

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Sam Klein celebrates his first-period goal against Detroit Catholic Central.

Novi splits doubleheader with rival Northville

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Andrew Abler had done the hard job already. The Novi sophomore pitcher had thrown seven innings of two-run baseball, striking out eight and walking one against rival Northville in the first game of the Wildcats’ doubleheader. Facing the bases loaded with no outs, he just needed to do one more job. Stepping up to the plate, Abler followed the example of the three batters before him, walking on five pitches to earn the 3-2 walk-off win against the Mustangs in the first of what ended up a split between the two KLAA rivals. “It was icing on the cake,” Abler said “I wish I got a strike to get a hit, but it was still really cool.” Throughout the first game, Abler was able to keep his cool. After allowing a run on two hits — including an RBI double by Northville senior shortstop Jake Willerer in the first inning, the sophomore stranded runners on second and third in the third inning, striking out pitcher Josh Planko to end the frame. Even after allowing another run off a Willerer RBI single in the fifth, Novi head coach Rick Green was confident that the Wildcats would give Abler a level of run support.

“I thought we would score some runs. The key was Andrew battling like he did,” Green said. “Didn’t have his greatest stuff — he’s only going to get better. That was the key. We made some great defensive plays. Our catcher was unbelievable behind the plate, defensively. He was the rock today.” Novi catcher Eddie Shimasaki-Ito finished the first game with two singles and a walk, breaking Planko’s shutout in the third inning with an RBI single. Novi right fielder Dylan Fly tied the game in the sixth with a sacrifice fly to center. Northville head coach John Kostrzewa knew his team had chances in the first game, noting multiple base running errors that cost the team scoring opportunities.

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APRIL SPRING SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Spring sports are in full swing. Here's a look at how Hometown Life-area teams are performing in girls soccer, softball, baseball and boys golf. Coaches, players and parents: please send us your scores and stats so we can keep this updated. Tag us @HTLSports or @ColinGay17 on Twitter, or send them over email to cgay@hometownlife.com.

Girls soccer

**April 22**  
Seaholm 2, Royal Oak 1: Ava David scored on a penalty kick, while Elena Reyes added a goal assisted by Sadie Green. Seaholm goalkeeper Skye Snyder earned the win and had three saves.  
South Lyon East 8, Walled Lake Western 0  
Salem 3, Northville 0

**April 21**  
South Lyon East 3, Lakeland 0: In the opening minutes, senior Annika Gilson scored the first goal of the game with a pass from sophomore Alyssa Melquist. About five minutes later, East junior Emma Pompo scored with an assist from Gilson. With 20 minutes left in the first half, junior Jolie Salna scored her first goal of the season and another assist by Gilson. Sophomore keeper Ella Penndore had a shutout.

**April 20**  
Novi 1, Brighton 1  
**April 17**  
South Lyon East 4, Pinckney 1: Sophomore Alyssa Melquist scored two goals for the Cougars, leading them to their second win of the 2021 season.

**April 13**  
Novi 1, Salem 1  
**April 12**  
Seaholm 4, Berkley 2: The Maples were led by Ava David, who scored a goal and two assist. Macy Rothweil and Elena Reyes each scored a goal for Seaholm, while Alexis Richardson added an assist. Seaholm goalkeeper Sky Snyder recorded six saves,

Baseball

**April 27**  
Lakeland 13, South Lyon East 10: Ryan Abrey earned the win on the mound in relief but it was Kyle Zavinsky who turned in the performance of the day going 6.2 innings in relief in an outstanding effort. Andrew Platt, Tate Farquhar, Kevin Krill, Matthew Hanneman and Nolan Hull all had three hits in the victory for the Eagles.  
Novi 3, Northville 2  
Northville 3, Novi 1  
**April 26**  
Lakeland 4, South Lyon East 3: Tate Farquhar earned the win on the hill going six innings striking out South Lyon East hitters. Ryan Abrey had two hits and scored three of the four LHS runs. Aiden Krause, Andrew Platt, Jake Held and Tyler Moore all had hits in the victory.

**April 24**  
Lakeland 9, Carleton Airport 3: LHS beat a Carleton Airport squad that finished ranked first in the final MHSBCA Division 2 poll of 2019, our last full year of high school baseball. Matthew Zarembo earned the win on the mound while Mason Brown and Dakota Schultz contributed quality innings. Tate Farquhar, Kvein Krill, Sebastian Girrback, Nolan Hull and Ryan Abrey all banged out hits in the victory.  
Lakeland 4, Blissfield 0: LHS shut out a Blissfield squad that is currently ranked No. 5 in Division 3 in the latest MHSBCA poll. Kyle Zavinsky earned the win on the mound with four shutout innings then Ryan Arbay and Jake Held kept the Royals a bay to secure the shut out. Andrew Platt, Tate Farquhar, Kevin Krill, Matthew Hanneman, Gavin Meehan and Mason Brown all had hits in the victory.  
Franklin 8, Trenton 4  
Franklin 15, Monroe Jefferson 0  
**April 23**  
Stevenson 16, John Glenn 0  
Stevenson 12, John Glenn 1  
**April 22**  
Lakeland 12, Waterford Mott 0: Tate Farquhar threw a complete game no-hitter facing the minimum of 15 hitters in the mercy-shortened contest. Farquhar finished with six strikeouts and also had a hit and two walks on the day. Andrew Platt, Kevin Krill and Nolan Hull each had a hit while Matthew Hanneman had a bases-loaded double resulting in 3 RBI. Lakeland 12, Waterford Mott 4: Dom Slone earned the win on the mound going four innings while Matthew Hanneman threw the final three innings striking out seven to preserve the win. Andrew Platt, Kevin Krill and Mason Brown were each two-for-three with RBI. Nine different hitters had base hits in the contest for the Eagles.  
Franklin 15, Dearborn 0: Zac Olesuk pitched five innings of one-hit ball and struck out 10. Trevor Whisman, Tyler Whisman, Cooper Hight, Kevin Davis and TJ Calleja each had two hits.  
Franklin 8, Dearborn 0: Alex Hardacre threw all seven innings and struck out 12. Caden Fournier, Chris McAuliffe, Nick Mengel and Alex Stull each drove in runs for the Patriots.  
**April 21**  
Stevenson 5, Salem 1  
**April 17**  
Lakeland 6: Rochester Adams 2: Mason Brown earned the win on the hill. Andrew Platt, Nolan Hull and Matthew Hanneman each had two hits while Caden Duryea and two RBI.  
Lakeland 5, Detroit Catholic Central 4: Jake Held earned the win on the mound. Tyler Moore had a hit and Mason Brown had two hits including a walk off two-RBI single in the bottom of the seventh to clinch the victory for the Eagles.  
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Plymouth 8, Canton 5  
**April 14**  
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Lakeland 10, Walled Lake Central 0: In the Eagles home opener, Caden Duryea earned the win on the mound going four innings with four strikeouts in the five-inning mercy shortened contest. Nolan Hull had two hits and two RBI and Brandon Abrey added a sac fly RBI in his first varsity at bat.  
**April 12**  
Livonia Stevenson 5, Brighton 1: Griffin Kilander threw his second no-hitter of the season against the Bulldogs, allowing one unearned run on three hits, while striking out 12.  
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Novi Wildcat Grace Dziedzic is introduced. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Boys golf

**April 12**

Northville finishes ninth at the DGC Sentech Service Tournament  
The Mustangs finished ninth in a field of 24, with a team score of 310. The team was led by first-year senior, Michael Gallagher, who fired a seven-over par round of 75. Gallagher played his last six holes in even par and carded two birdies on the day.  
“I thought Michael showed real composure out there today. He had a couple of bogey trains on his first nine holes, but he was able to manage the course and take advantage of some opportunities down the stretch,” head coach Christopher Cronin said.  
Also making strong contributions for the Mustangs were team newcomers sophomore Cameron Charles (SO) and freshman Nick Tokarz.  
Cronin was pleased with the way Charles was able to right the ship after a rough set of opening holes  
“Cameron was plus-three after two holes of play, and he managed the rest of the day in plus-six. I’ve seen that resilient quality from a lot of our players this season; that’s a good trait to share as a team. Nick Tokarz played steady golf all day and managed his way around the course like a savvy veteran. Although he didn’t card a birdie on his day, he never let a hole get away from him.”  
Rounding out the scoring for Northville was junior Jack Thallman, who carded an 80. “Jack struggled from the tee today, but I think he got some things worked out. It’s early and Jack is a quality player,” Cronin said. “He will a bigger contributor as we progress this season.”  
Sophomore Ryan Gallagher shot an 82, but he did not factor in the scoring for Northville.  
“This was Ryan’s first competitive golf event. He is someone the coaches are super excited about this season,” Cronin said.

**Girls tennis**  
**April 27**  
Livonia Franklin 9, Wayne Memorial 0  
Singles:  
No. 1 - Katie Callaghan, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Leera Garrett, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1 , 2-6 , 6-1 ;  
No. 2 - Sandreea Cueva, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Laney Blair, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2 , 6-4 , - ;  
No. 3 - Gabbie McCoy, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Mariana Mendoza-Garcia, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1 , 6-2 , - ;  
No. 4 - Kate Montie, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Lindsey Wallace, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1 , 6-1 , - ;  
Doubles:  
No. 1 - Marissa Muller, Livonia FRANKLIN - Kelly Engler, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Victoria Ceci, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL - Madison Tate-Rankin, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 2 - Brittney Winn, Livonia FRANKLIN - Daphne Millross, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Ariyanna Burns, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL - Leslie Calderon-Zuniga, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 3 - Cypress Burns, Livonia FRANKLIN - Jasmine Dumitru , Livonia FRANKLIN def. McKenna Erikson, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL - LaNiece Williams, WAYNE

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 4 - Leeda Gharibi, Livonia FRANKLIN - Katie Thiele, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Melanie Perez, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL - Emily Buison, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 5 - Jennifer Li, Livonia FRANKLIN - Kaitlyn Rons, Livonia FRANKLIN def. Emily Lemus, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL - Addison Chinn, WAYNE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 6-1 , 6-0 , - ;

**April 22**  
Livonia Franklin 5, Livonia Stevenson 4  
Singles:  
No. 1 - Sarah Dziobak, Livonia Stevenson def. Katie Callaghan, Livonia Franklin , 4-6 , 6-3 , 6-1 ;  
No. 2 - Sandreea Cueva, Livonia Franklin def. Emily Hathaway, Livonia Stevenson, 6-3 , 6-2 , - ;  
No. 3 - Ava Seychel, Livonia Stevenson def. Gabbie McCoy, Livonia Franklin , 6-2 , 6-4 , - ;  
No. 4 - Ainsley Petrie , Livonia Franklin def. default default, Livonia Stevenson , 2-0 , 2-0 , - ;  
Doubles:  
No. 1 - Katie Coffell, Livonia Stevenson - Emily Koch, Livonia Stevenson def. Marissa Muller, Livonia Franklin - Kelly Engler, Livonia Franklin , 6-1 , 6-1 , - ;  
No. 2 - Brittney Winn, Livonia Franklin - Daphne Millross, Livonia Franklin def. Aimee Savageau, Livonia Stevenson - Anya Said, Livonia Stevenson , 7-6 (2), 4-6 , 6-0 ;  
No. 3 - Celeng Li, Livonia Franklin - Kate Montie, Livonia Franklin def. Natalie Pritula, Livonia Stevenson - Lindsey Ricotta, Livonia Stevenson , 6-4 , 7-5 , - ;  
No. 4 - Cypress Burns, Livonia Franklin - Jasmine Dumitru , Livonia Franklin def. Kalina Thompson, Livonia Stevenson - Erin Whell, Livonia Stevenson , 6-4 , 7-5 , --- ;  
No. 5 - Laura Sas, Livonia Stevenson - Gabriella Lamacchia, Livonia Stevenson def. Leeda Gharibi, Livonia Franklin - Katie Thiele, Livonia Franklin , 6-4 , 7-6 (0), - ;

**April 16**  
Livonia Franklin 8, Livonia Churchill 1: Franklin earns its third win to start the 2021 season by winning eight-of-nine matches against Churchill, each of which were sweeps.  
Singles:  
No. 1 - Archana Chandran, Livonia Churchill def. Katie Callaghan, Livonia Franklin , 6-3 , 7-5 , --- ;  
No. 2 - Sandreea Cueva, Livonia Franklin def. Spandana Jonnalagadda, Livonia Churchill , 6-0 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 3 - Gabbie McCoy, Livonia Franklin def. Anna Novak, Livonia Churchill , 1-6 , 4-6 , - ;  
No. 4 - Celeng Li, Livonia Franklin def. Hana Sakkijha, Livonia Churchill , 6-0 , 6-2 , - ;  
Doubles:  
No. 1 - Marissa Muller, Livonia Franklin - Kelly Engler, Livonia Franklin def. Anna Lariviere, Livonia Churchill - Mahi Garg, Livonia Churchill , 6-1 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 2 - Brittney Winn, Livonia Franklin - Daphne Millross, Livonia Franklin def. Noelle Cailloutte, Livonia Churchill - Purva Mhatre, Livonia Churchill , 6-2 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 3 - Jade Fabian, Livonia Franklin - Kate Montie, Livonia Franklin def. Sanjula Karunaraj, Livonia Churchill - Morgan Mandernach, Livonia Churchill , 6-0 , 6-0 , - ;  
No. 4 - Cypress Burns, Livonia Franklin - Jasmine Dumitru , Livonia Franklin def. Antoneta Bucaj, Livonia Churchill - Noelle Cailloutte, Livonia Churchill , 6-0 , 6-1 , - ;  
No. 5 - Leeda Gharibi, Livonia Franklin - Katie Thiele, Livonia Franklin def. Kiley Slevin, Livonia Churchill - Kayla Miller, Livonia Churchill , 6-0 , 6-1 , - ;

Boys Lacrosse

**April 21**  
Brother Rice 8, Detroit Catholic Central 1  
**April 17**  
Birmingham United 14, Cranbrook Kingswood 7: James Hailer led Birmingham with four goals and eight assists, while Logan Flaherty added three goals and a team-high eight ground balls.  
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Lacrosse

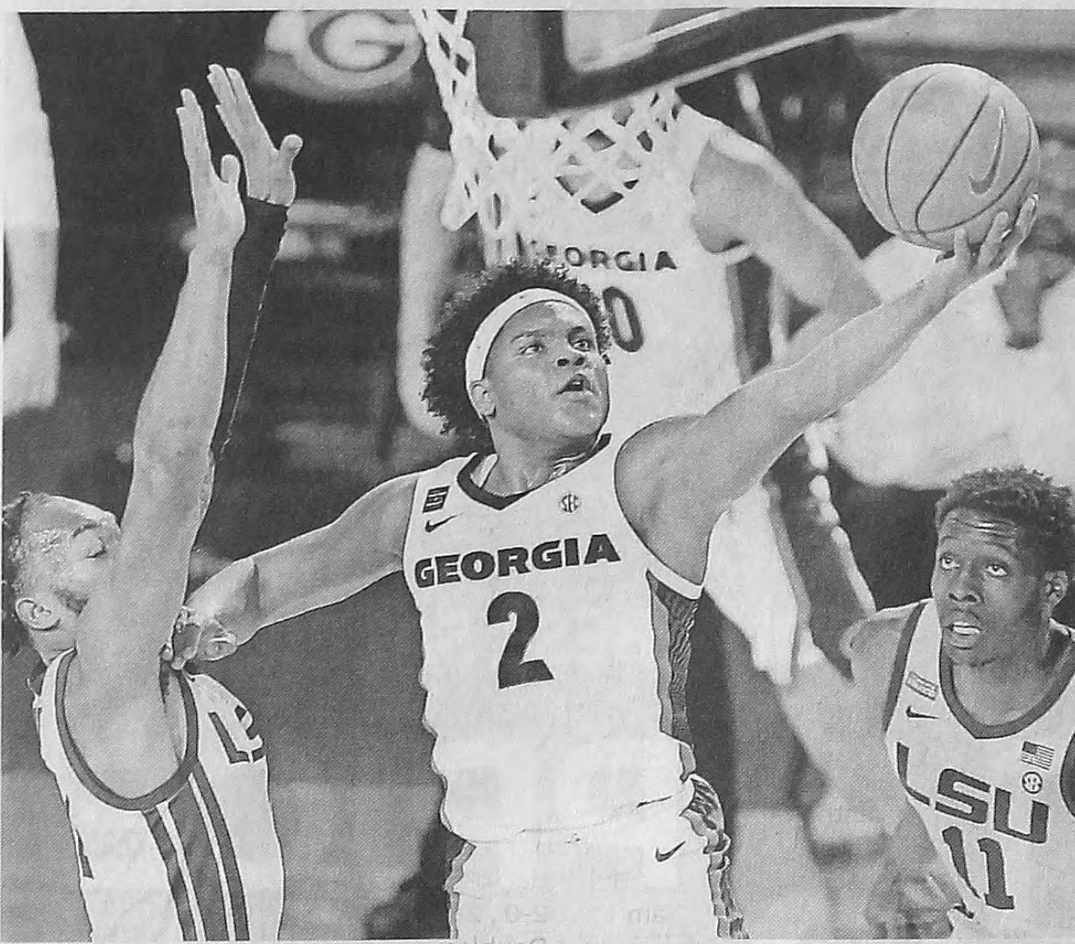
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former All-Americans in the Brother Rice program, and knows what to expect from the Warrior culture.  
“The family has been entrenched in the culture for a long time. So Luke gets it,” Chawla said. “Luke was born into it. He’s helping the other guys understand what it’s about.”  
Dudley added another goal near the end of the second period, while assisting a goal to senior attacker Zach Rivers, who pumped and fired the ball past Catholic Central senior goalkeeper Brian Molchan to take a four-goal lead into half.  
For Wilson, Catholic Central’s defense is where his experience lies. It showed Wednesday afternoon, shutting Brother Rice down with an ability to transition back to defense off botched offensive possessions.  
But the Shamrocks were unable to capitalize.  
“We haven’t been together for a long time. We haven’t had a lot of practice, and it shows,” Wilson said. “And we are woefully inexperienced all over, with the exception of the defense, which I think you can tell — we held our own in that regard. But the stick skills, movement, lack of experience being there. The only thing you can do with that is keep playing games like this so they can finally understand.”  
“That was their wake-up call.”  
The wake-up call was in full effect at the start of the second half.

After a quick offensive play call that led to an open look by Shamrocks senior John Rioux, that was swallowed up by Brother Rice keeper Tommy Kunz, the Warriors scored four goals in the third period, including two in the first two minutes: Dudley’s third goal of the game and one by sophomore Hunter Polonkey.  
Junior mid Paulie Fortino and senior mid Robert Reaume ballooned Brother Rice’s lead to eight before Catholic Central converted its only goal of the game 30 seconds into the fourth period.  
Catholic Central scored five goals or less in a game for only the fourth time since the 2014 season. To Chawla, that’s a credit to both of his starting goalkeepers — Kunz and Nate Randall — along with a quick and athletic transition defense.

The defense provided the momentum, Chawla said. It provided the energy, the heart and the hustle the Warriors needed to get the job done against its rival.  
But the head coach knows, despite not having Catholic Central on its regular season schedule again, that a rematch is likely.  
“We have a lot of work to do,” Chawla said. “And to think we won’t see these guys again is foolish.”  
“I’ve been coaching way too long to know that. They are going to get better and hopefully we’re going to get better.”  
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Georgia guard Sahvir Wheeler (2), seen in a Feb. 23 game against LSU, entered the transfer portal after averaging 14 points in his sophomore season.

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## U-M hoops looking at 2 transfer guards

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Michigan basketball used the transfer portal to find a starting point guard last offseason.

Could the Wolverines do the same this spring?

U-M has reportedly reached out to two top guards who recently entered the transfer portal in Georgia's Sahvir Wheeler and Coastal Carolina's DeVante Jones, according to ESPN and 247Sports.

The Wolverines will have their work cut out for them: According to ESPN's Jeff Borzello, Kentucky, Kansas, Gonzaga, Oklahoma State, LSU, Texas, Oregon State, Stanford and Wichita State have all contacted Wheeler; meanwhile, Texas, TCU, Oklahoma State, Memphis, Georgia, Texas Tech, St. John's, Cincinnati and Virginia Tech, among others, have spoken with Jones, according to 247Sports' Dushawn London.

Wheeler is a former two-year starter who entered the transfer portal after a solid sophomore season that saw him

average 14.0 points on 39.9% shooting and 7.4 assists — the latter of which led the SEC. The former top-100 recruit is originally from Houston.

Jones was a less-heralded prospect out of high school — but quickly emerged as one of the Sun Belt's top players. This past season, he averaged 19.3 points, 7.2 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 2.8 steals. In his three seasons at Coastal Carolina, he averaged 17.0 points, 5.7 rebounds, 4.2 assists and 2.0 steals.

If Michigan lands Wheeler or Jones (or another transfer guard), they would have a chance to play a similar role to that of Mike Smith. The Columbia transfer picked the Wolverines last offseason and proceeded to start every game at point guard, emerging as a key cog on a team that won the Big Ten title and earned a No. 1 seed.

Currently, Michigan's roster is projected to have four guards: Eli Brooks, who returned for a fifth season using the NCAA's free year of eligibility for winter athletes; sophomore Zeb Jackson and freshmen Kobe Bufkin and Frankie Collins.

## Split

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But in a doubleheader, Kostrzewa knew Northville had only a limited amount of time to learn and forget, shifting the focus to the second game against Novi. It was something the Northville head coach trusted Willerer, who finished the first game with three hits — including two doubles — and both of the team's RBI, to do.

"You get a 20-minute turnaround after a disappointing ending, you have to flick a switch," Kostrzewa said. "I feel he did a really nice job."

In his second start of the season, Willerer shined, limiting the Wildcats to one run on seven hits, striking out seven in six innings of 3-1 Northville win that was called for darkness.

After scoring a run in the third on an RBI single by Nate Erskine, Novi found itself in a prime position to get back at its rival. The Wildcats loaded the bases with two outs on a walk and two singles, but

failed to cash in after Abler hit a lace to the first baseman, which he took himself for the third out.

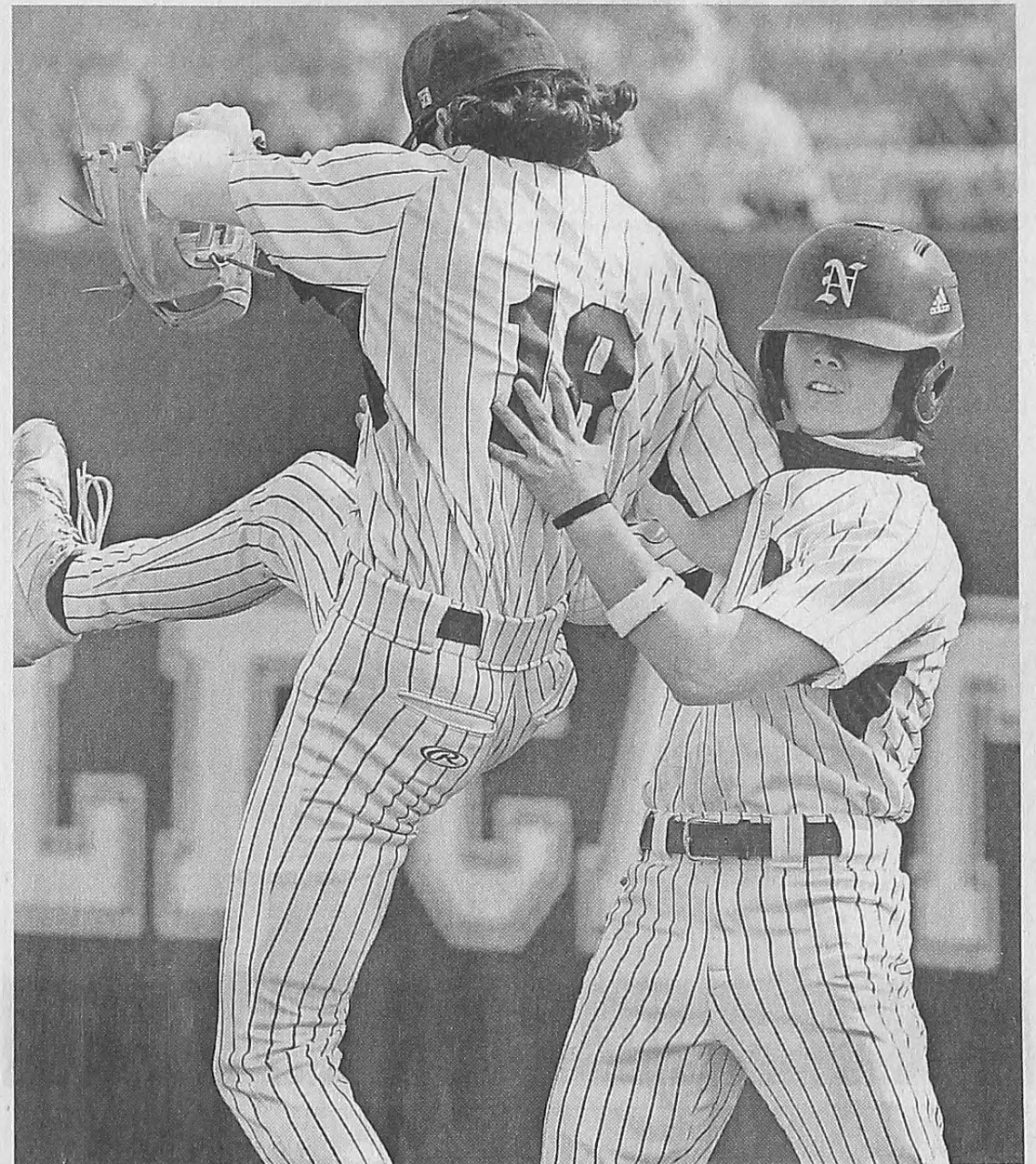
Kostrzewa said his team is still in the learning process, playing in only its eighth game of the season after having a stretch where the team was quarantined due to COVID-19. The head coach said the Mustangs are still "working out the little things," something he expects early in each season and that can be perfected in practices.

Green sees the same fight in Novi, commending his players for their heart and scrappiness while also knowing there is a lot of work that still needs to be done.

"I was just telling them, you guys are like I just got a brand new 75-inch TV and I want to tune it the way I want it here at Novi," Green said. "We're going to get there."

"It's not tuned in completely yet, but we're going to get there with it."

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Wildcat Dylan Fly, left, celebrates with teammate David Barry after Barry scored a run. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Stevenson

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final out of the inning. In the bottom of the seventh, Stevenson scored, giving Kilander his third win of the season in his first three appearances.

From the moment the win was secured, Berryman was on Kilander's case, jokingly harassing him by calling the six-pitch outing, "The world's cheapest victory." But to the head coach, it was just another example of using a pitcher he knows that will shut opponents down, no matter the circumstance.

"He hasn't even maxed out on what he can do yet," Berryman said, shaking his head in bewilderment.

To the senior, it all comes down to confidence, a confidence developed even after he earned an offer and signed to pitch at Wayne State starting in 2021.

With the Warriors, Kilander found the schooling he wanted, the location he wanted and the confidence he wanted, taking the first opportunity he had while others he knew were waiting for Division 1 offers.

After his recruiting decision was done, the weight of Kilander's future vanished from his shoulders.

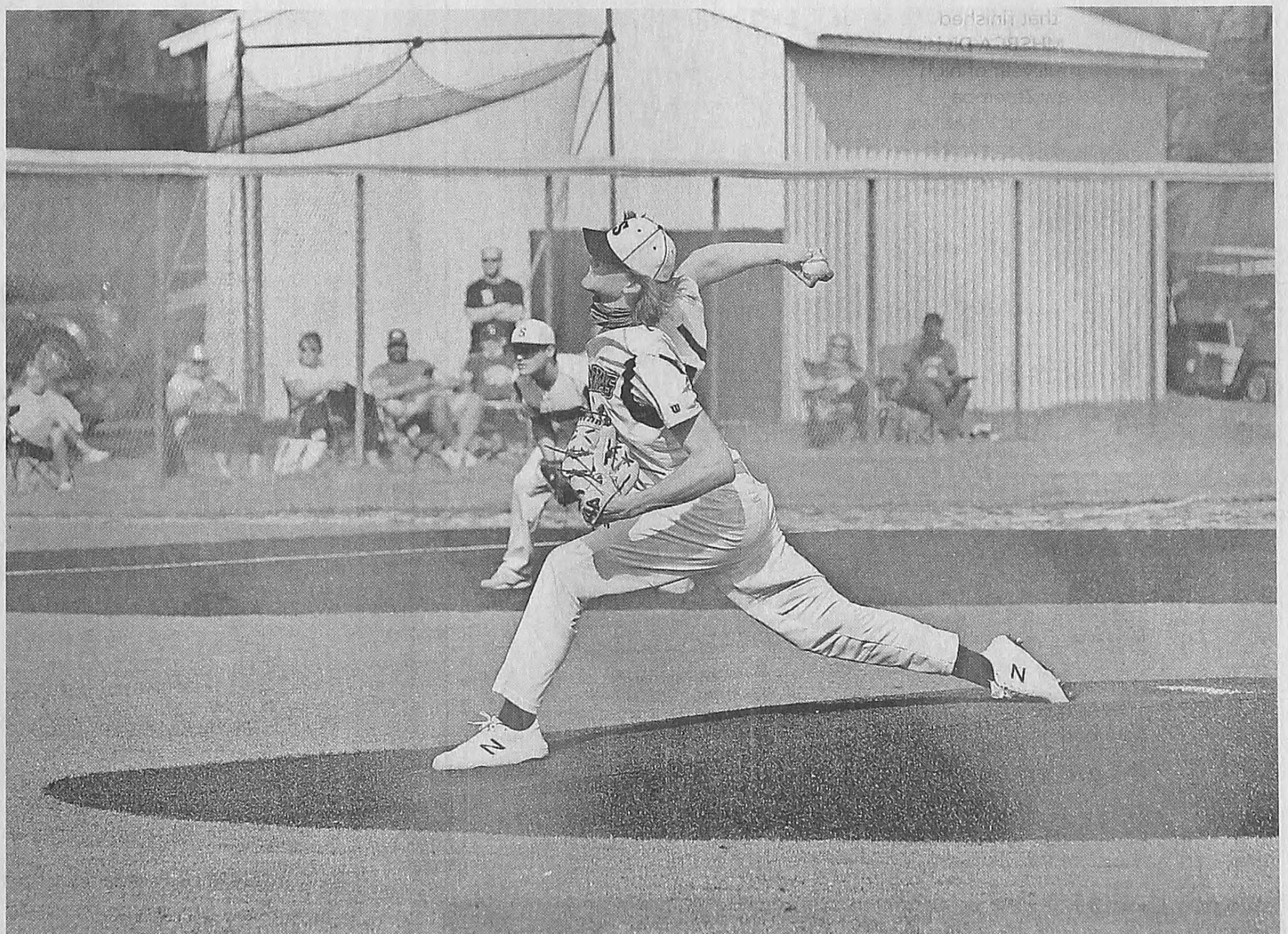
"I just started getting more confident up there," Kilander said. "I started throwing harder, started to really command my pitches. That's when my confidence really came to me."

Each time he takes the mound, though, Kilander's mind is focused on one thing: getting that particular hitter out.

"There can be all this other stuff, like recruiting, going on," he said. "When I'm on the mound, it's not even a thought in my head."

This was Kilander's goal heading into his first start of the season against Churchill, but he was nervous and had those first-game jitters. But he found his groove, which carried into his second start of the season against Brighton.

To Berryman, this is the standard for Stevenson pitching. Not the no-hitters, despite having been a product of the success — the team threw five no-hitters in its first seven wins. It's the focus on the mound,



Stevenson senior Griffin Kilander did not allow a hit in his first 12.1 innings of the 2021 season. COURTESY OF GRIFFIN KILANDER

being locked in pitch-by-pitch instead of looking at the big picture.

"It's confidence," Berryman said. "The last number of years, we have won so many games in districts and regionals. Like I have preached to the kids, there's a standard of excellence that's expected. It's getting the newer and younger kids to buy into what we do."

This was a standard taught to Kilander in 2019, when he was a dual-roster player for both the junior varsity and varsity teams as a sophomore. It's a standard that he teaches to the younger players as a senior: following younger pitchers to bullpens and giving them tips on how to find their

comfort zone, how to get a feel for the game.

With the help of developing the younger players, Kilander said Stevenson is striving for a district and regional title. But with the way the Spartans are playing now, Kilander said all the team needs to do is continue doing what they are doing.

"As the season progresses, all we can hope for is to keep playing how we've been playing and just see how the cards fall," Kilander said.

### Athlete of the Week results

Kilander won Hometown Life's Athlete of the Week award the week of April

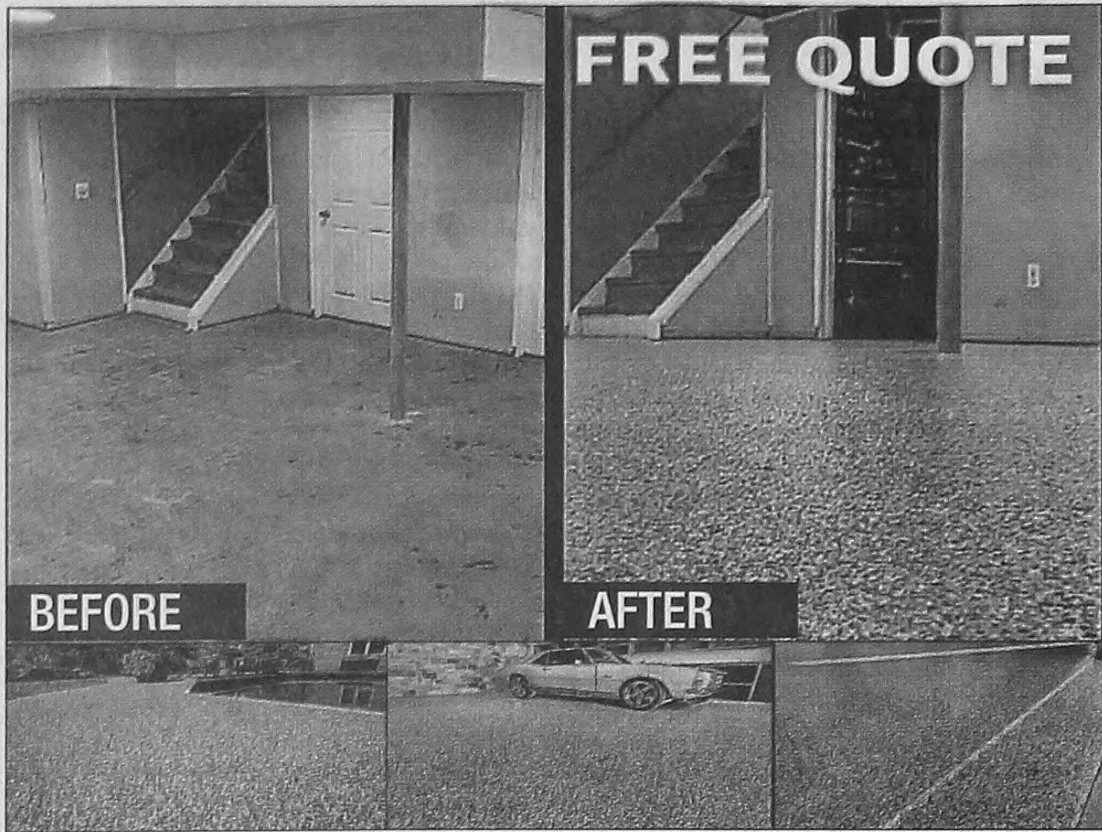
12, earning 15,558 (53.41%) of the 29,128 total votes cast.

Novi softball sophomore Reganne Bennett finished in second place with 11,524 votes (39.56%).

Livonia Stevenson soccer player Scarlett Webster finished in third place, Wayne Memorial basketball player Alanna Michaeux finished fourth and Livonia Churchill soccer player Benjamin Johns finished in fifth.

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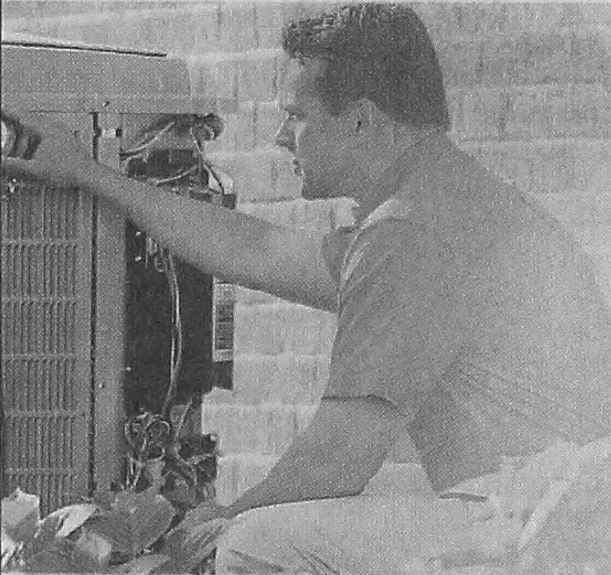
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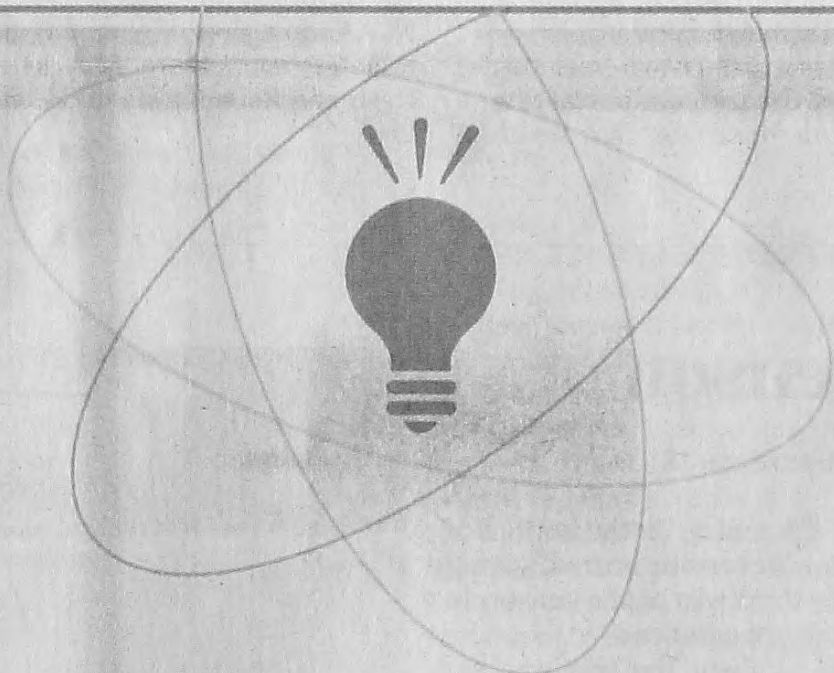
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**REGULAR MEETING**

**May 18, 2021**

**7:30 P.M.**

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The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its Regular Meeting on May 18, 2021. The meeting will be offered electronically. Interested persons may access the Zoom and Conference Call as follows +1 312 626 6799 or 1 646 518 9805, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89590518652>-Meeting ID: 895 9051 8652, Passcode: 33158646. Please see agenda on website [www.plymouthlibrary.org](http://www.plymouthlibrary.org). The agenda will be posted by May 16, 2021.

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or by Phone: 1 413-438-3890 PIN: 8612100755#-May 17, 6:30pm

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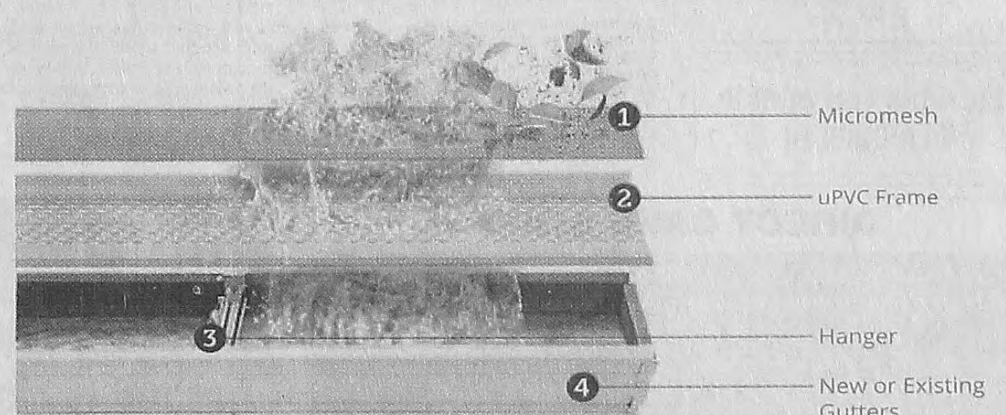
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About 20 million Americans are currently receiving unemployment benefits. In some states, they stand to lose them if they don't actively search for work. That's because some states have reimposed work search requirements that were waived in the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Work search requirements differ across states. But typically, they involve job seekers making a minimum of between one (in Delaware) and five (in Florida) "work search contacts" per week with employers who might reasonably be expected to have openings.

States also typically require claimants to fill out a "work search log." Some states require claimants to submit those logs weekly or monthly, whereas others require that claimants keep them on file in their own records for one year with the expectation that they may be requested at any time.

There are several kinds of activities that qualify as



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work search for the purpose of maintaining eligibility for unemployment benefits. Each state's unemployment handbook provides specific details. But qualifying activities typically include:

- Applying for a job online, in person or by mail.
- Registering for work and reemployment services with a state career center.
- Interviewing with potential employers in

person, by phone or by video (whether on-demand or live).

- Registering for work with private staffing agencies.
  - Attending job search seminars, career networking meetings or job fairs.
- Close to half of states have now reinstated their work search requirements. Even before the requirements go into effect,

however, there could be benefits to beginning your search early.

- Job seekers who are active, engaged and responsive now will have a distinct advantage over those who wait and rejoin the labor market when it is more competitive. That's because job search intensity has been fairly low since COVID-19 outbreaks began in the U.S.

• The pandemic made some forms of work more dangerous, public transit risks and restrictions made getting to work more difficult, and school closures made business as usual untenable for many working parents. Expanded unemployment benefits also eased the pressures on unemployed workers to find new jobs immediately.

• The vast majority of people who lost their jobs were on temporary layoff and didn't see a need to find something new because they expected to go back to their old jobs.

A year into the crisis, however, many temporary layoffs have turned permanent. And it is becoming clear that other temporary layoffs will last longer than initially expected. With many layoffs likely to outlast unemployment benefits, workers will need to find new opportunities — even if only in the interim. And while the current labor market environment is tough for job seekers, we expect it will only grow more competitive in the coming months.

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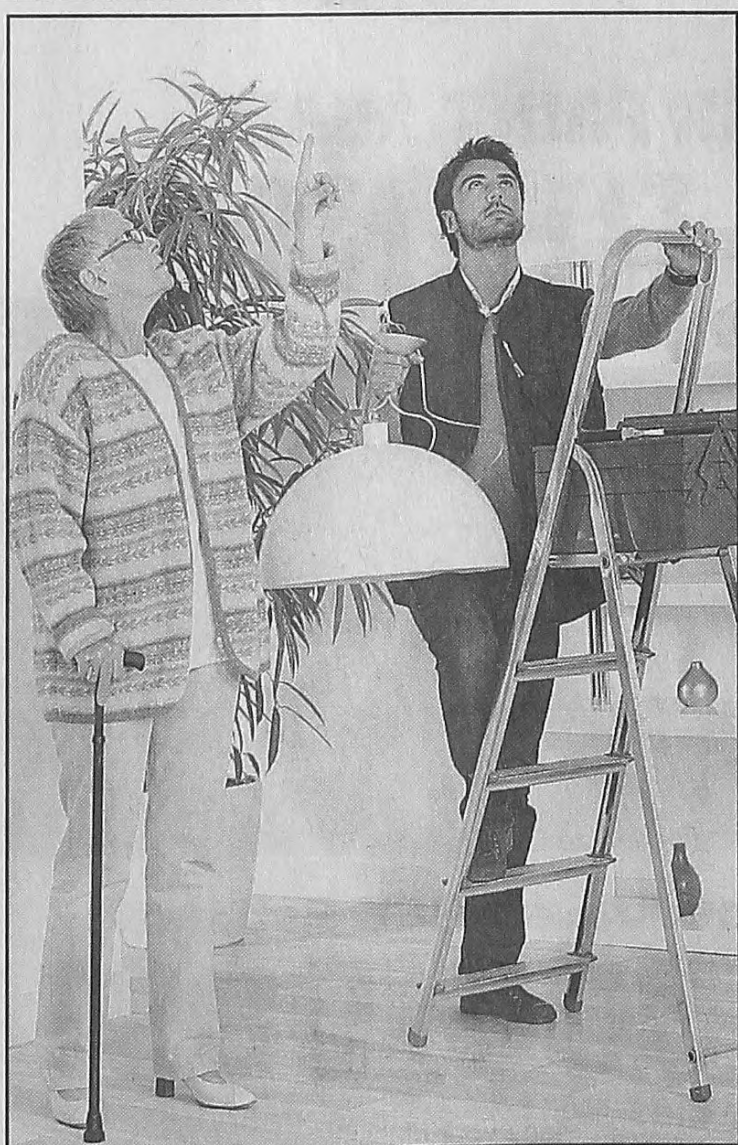
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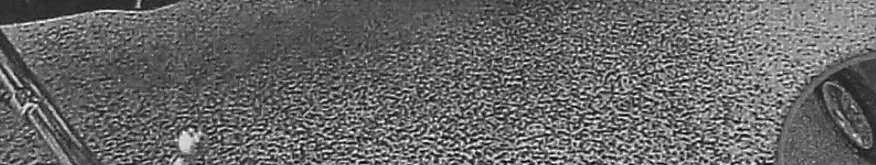
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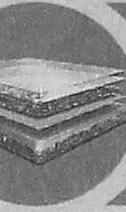
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