

## PLYMOUTH-CANTON HIGH SCHOOLS

## Parents share dangerous connectivity concerns

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Finding remedies for a series of potentially dangerous pedestrian issues near the 6,000-student Plymouth-Canton Educational Park campus would be relatively easy, parents of district students insist; however, they say convinc-

ing decision-makers to address the problems has been close to impossible.

For the past three years, Kevin Seale, the parent of a Salem High School sophomore who lives in a subdivision just north of the three-high school campus, has been urging school district and Wayne County decision-makers to place a formal crosswalk — or, at mini-

mum, pedestrian-crossing signage — across a section of Joy Road where students often traverse from nearby Westbriar Village and Trillium subdivisions.

A sidewalk extends from the south end of Whittlesey Lake Drive onto Joy Road, but there are no signs or markings warning drivers of pedestrians, Seale said.

“There is also an overgrown area of dense trees near the county drain, just east of the crossing that creates a dangerous blind spot for drivers,” added Seale, who shared a chain of emails he has exchanged with Wayne County and Plymouth-Canton Schools since 2018.

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## Livonia girl to appear on ‘American Ninja Warrior’ youth show

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Anna Muntean looks quite at home on the obstacle course.

The 12-year-old from Livonia zips through the course at Gripz Gym in Southfield — a ninja-style setup that takes a great deal of balance and upper body strength — like it’s no problem.

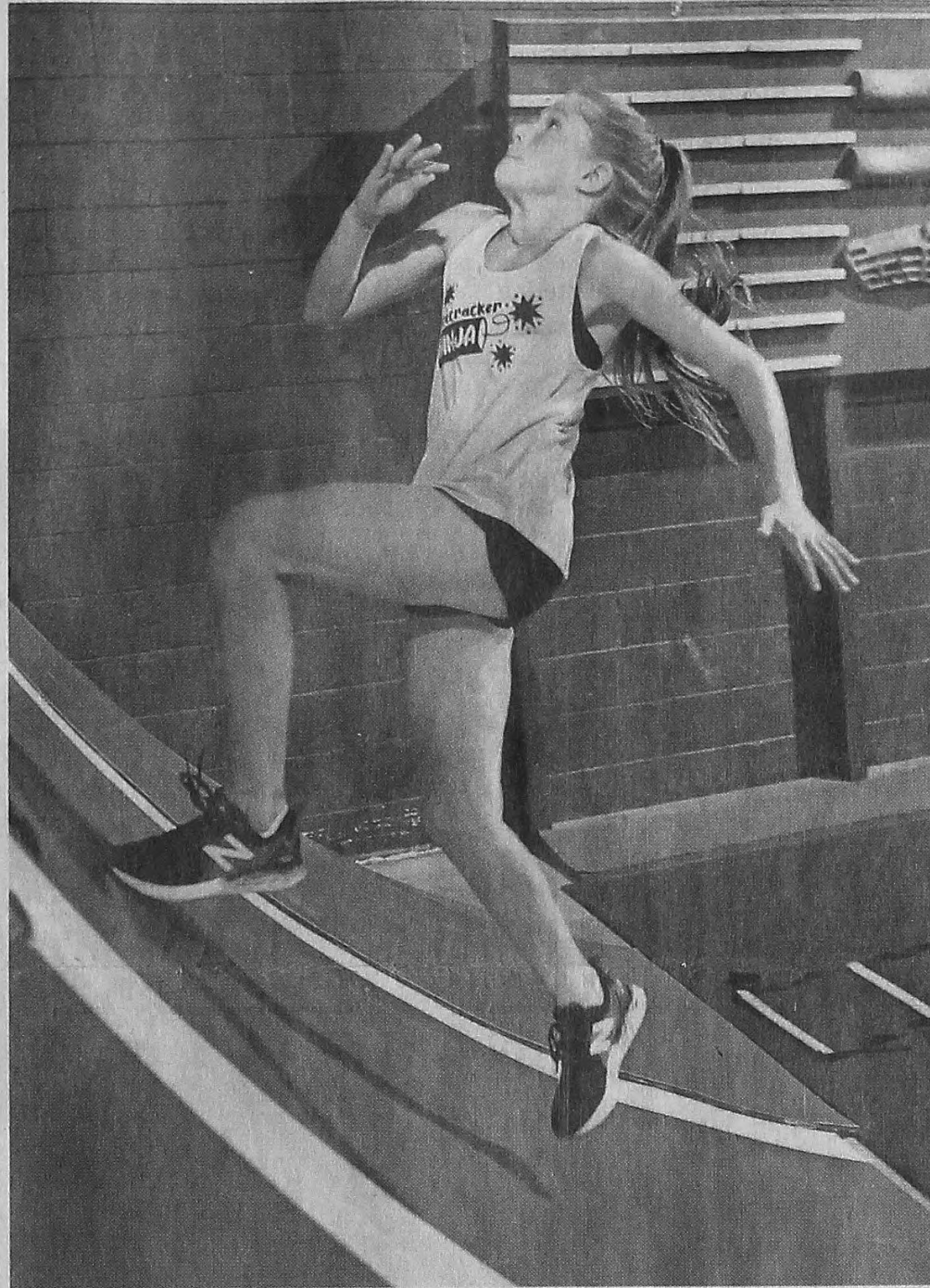
Muntean recently put those skills to the test at an “American Ninja Warrior Junior” competition. She’s set to appear on the Sept. 30 episode of the show, which streams on Peacock. She was 11 years old during taping.

“It was really fun,” Muntean said of the experience. “I met a lot of people there, and the people in casting were really nice. I got to try out a bunch of obstacles, and it was cool being above the water.”

“American Ninja Warrior Junior” pits two racers, both 14 or younger, against each other to see who can finish a ninja obstacle course first. The show is a spin-off of “American Ninja Warrior,” an individual competition for teens and adults 15 or older. “American Ninja Warrior” is also owned by NBC. Contestants apply for the shows by submitting videos showcasing their physical ability to complete the obstacle course.

Ninja competitions like “Ninja Warrior” are becoming increasingly popular, and Muntean already has awards to her name. She’s recently traveled to Ohio and New Jersey for competitions, at which she enjoys competing and

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Anna Muntean, 12, of Livonia, dashes up a “warped wall” with its steep curve at Gripz Gym in Southfield. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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## Art piece unveiled in downtown Plymouth

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A few surviving 19th-century bricks preserved from the demolished factory where Daisy Air Rifles were assembled in downtown Plymouth provide the base for the city’s newest gem.

Railroad spikes that represent the city’s robust history of trains, rare marbles unearthed from a backyard near the city’s former fairgrounds and a Plymouth hood ornament are just a handful of other elements that make up the city’s latest eye-catching gem: the “Plymouth, City At The Crossroads” sculpture, a public art piece unveiled during a well-attended ceremony Sept. 17, a short walk from the Wilcox House and directly across the street from the Kellogg Park fountain.

The sculpture is the result of a collaboration between several entities, including the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Plymouth Community Arts Council and history-minded residents who were forced to wait several months more than first expected due to hurdles created by the pandemic.

Funding for the sculpture will be covered by the DIA through its Partners in Public Art program, which works with selected municipalities to create public art.

The Wilcox Foundation paid for the decorative fencing that circles the sculpture; maintenance will be provided by the Plymouth Garden Club and Plymouth’s Department of Municipal Services.

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## South Lyon native turns to internet for answers in sister’s murder

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A former South Lyon resident wants her sister’s murder mystery solved.

Now living in Arizona, Cindy Arthurs took to social media about five years ago, posting and leaving messages about her sister, hoping to learn more about who killed her.

She and her sister once shared a room, but memories of their short time together have blurred and vanished over the years.

So Arthurs keeps sleuthing and posting and planning a return trip to Michigan to mark the 40th year since her sister’s death.

Arthurs wants to hang fliers throughout metro Detroit with her sister’s



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name, Kimberly Louise, and the year she was killed, 1982. Names of other females missing from and murdered in the area will be included.

“I’m planning on a hand in the middle holding a key — as in, ‘Do you hold the key?’” Arthurs said.

She has grown impatient with police who still haven’t charged anyone. Shortly after her 16th birthday, Kim’s body was found strangled and beaten in a field in the Island Lake Recreation Area in Livingston County.

“If new information is ever developed it will be followed up on,” said Detective

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## Farmington Hills author talks 'August Snow' series set in Detroit

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Stephen Mack Jones was mowing his lawn in 2016 when the words "August" and "snow" popped into his mind.

Time passed, and he couldn't shake either.

"I had to start doing something with these words that were stuck like a thistle on my brain," Jones said.

He had a three-page storyline sitting around, and decided to name the hero in the small story August Snow. Then, Jones finally got to work on that novel he'd always wanted to write.

"I had always wanted to write a novel, but I guess I was the one who kept stopping myself," he said. "After I retired from the business, it was just me at home by my lonesome. (My wife) Mary Kate was going off to work, our daughters were grown and my son was in high school. So I found myself at home alone wondering, 'Well, how are we going to fill this day out?'"

Jones, a Lansing native, has since published three novels on Snow, an ex-cop who seeks justice for marginalized people in Detroit. The books tackle themes of justice, corruption and the heart of Detroit. They've won a number of awards, too.

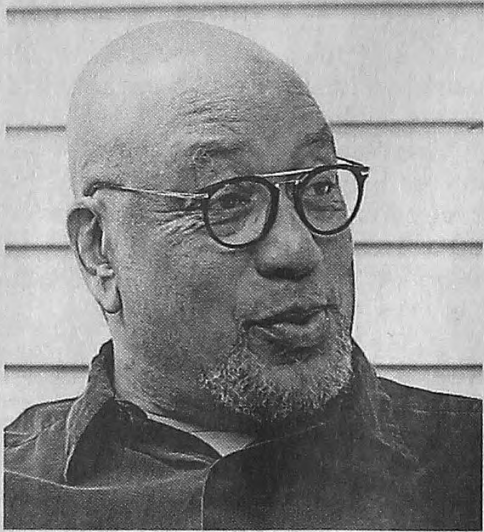
"Reading the newspaper watching the local news and listening to local news, it's no surprise that long ago in a Detroit far away, there was corruption," Jones said. "It was facilitated by a previous mayor who shall go unnamed — just like Voldemort. That was kind of the stepping stone for it."

Jones also uses Snow to explore current social issues and show a side of Detroit that goes past long-perpetuated stereotypes like poverty and automobiles.

"After 40 years of living in Detroit and suburban Detroit, you see there's so much more to the city," he said. "Detroit has a very unique, very interesting and dynamic personality."

The series' third installment, "Dead of Winter" published in May through Penguin Random House. Jones said the book explores gentrification in Detroit and dives into why Snow is the way he is.

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Farmington Hills author Steve Mack Jones talks about his series of novels.  
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## Try the Mid Eight Monster at Livonia's newest sandwich shop

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Scott Nelson's hunger during his career doing landscaping led to one of Livonia's newest restaurants.

The Farmington Hills resident said he would look for a place to grab lunch while out in the surrounding neighborhoods and couldn't find what he was looking for.

"Often my son and I would be cutting grass and would look for somewhere for lunch. We'd say, 'I don't want fast food again,'" he said. "We were looking for something fresh."

So he decided to create his own restaurant: Mid Eight Sandwich Shop. The shop, located at 29113 W. Eight Mile just east of Middlebelt in Livonia, opened in late-August. It brings plenty of sandwich options to the area from the Dinty Moore with corned beef and pastrami to the Bird with chicken and/or turkey.

It also boasts the Mid Eight Monster, a sandwich stacked high with meats such as ham, turkey, salami, chicken, corned beef and pastrami. Customers can also customize their sandwiches with a wide array of meat and vegetable offerings.

To accompany the sandwich, the shop sells a wide variety of bagged chips and other snacks, as well as small boxes of candy and a smattering



Mid Eight Sandwich Shop owner Scott Nelson holds up the Mid Eight Monster, a sandwich with "all seven" meats: ham, turkey, salami, pepperoni, chicken, corned beef and pastrami.

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of bottled drink options such as Mountain Dew and Faygo.

Nelson began looking at creating his shop about a year ago. After finding a space, he began work, which took him about three months to complete.

"It took me three months to build this," he said. "I turned every screw in this place."

Despite the takeout-only shop being open for a few weeks, Nelson said he's gotten a wide array of customers from all walks of life, from students from

nearby Clarenceville High School to medical workers from Beaumont Hospital in Farmington Hills. Customers will stop by after hearing about shop from relatives and friends, a common occurrence the last few weeks.

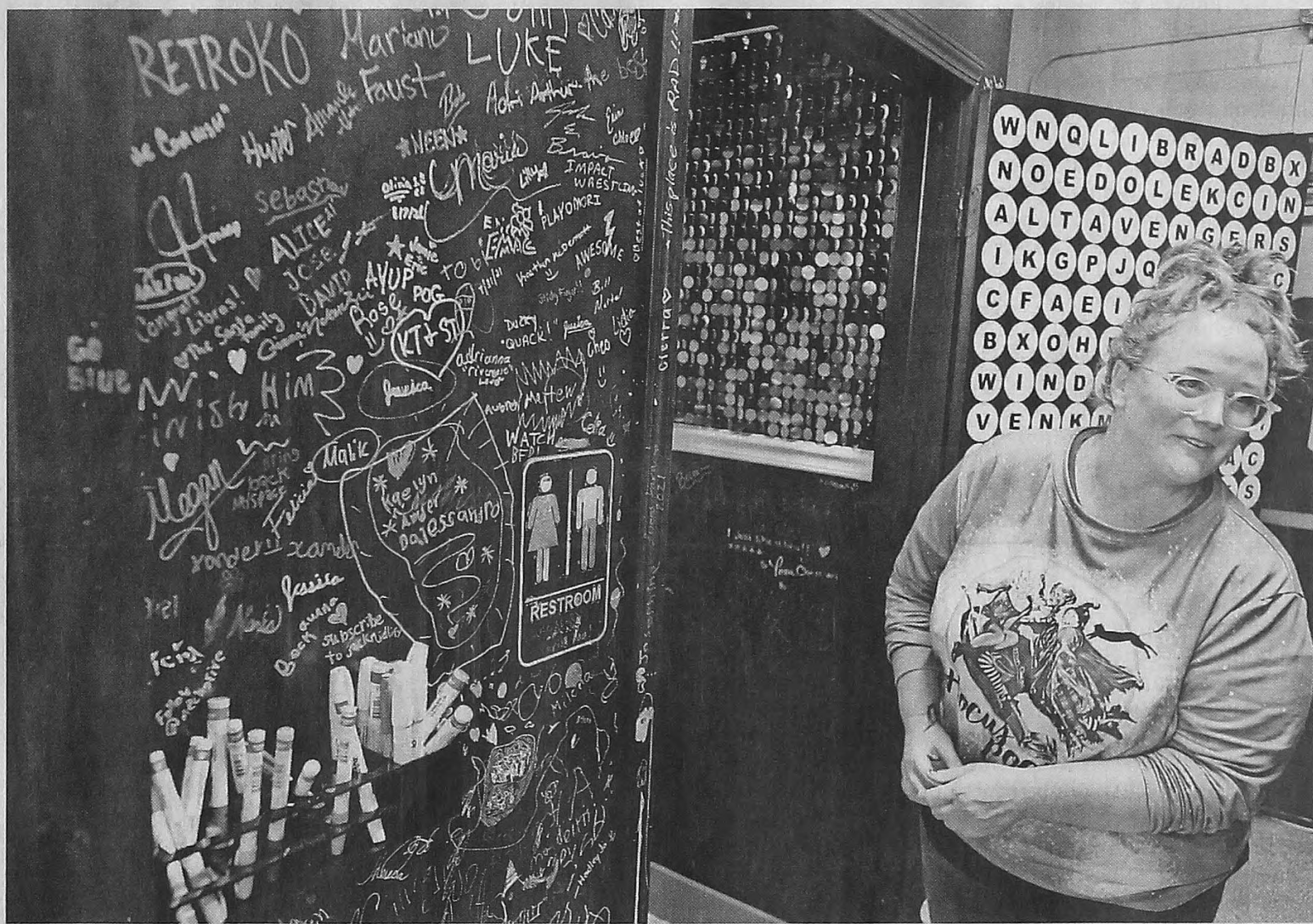
He hopes to attract other workers from the trades to his shop as well. Given the part of town he's in, he believes he's in the right spot on the eastern side of both Livonia and Farmington Hills to attract fellow landscapers and other similar workers looking for something to eat at lunchtime.

"I kind of call it a 'blue collar corridor' with all the shops down Eight Mile. And blue collar people eat sandwiches," he said. "I saw the need and this space."

"We're getting everybody." Nelson said he hopes to expand the menu in the future, adding items such as soups. Orders can be done in the shop or over the phone. Nelson said he hopes to add online ordering to his website in the near future, and hopes to work with third-party delivery apps such as DoorDash as well.

Mid Eight Sandwich Shop is open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. More information, including a menu, can be found online at mid-eight-sandwich-shop.business.site.

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Melanie Livra stands near the restroom at Time Blaster Toys in Westland, which features a wall patrons are encouraged to write on and a door with a word-search puzzle. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Westland toy store a millennial's dream with '90s-era merchandise

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Walk through the door at Time Blaster Toys and visitors will instantly find themselves in a different era.

A time when VHS tapes were the only way to watch movies at home. A time when the internet was still just dialup. A time when Super Soakers reigned supreme.

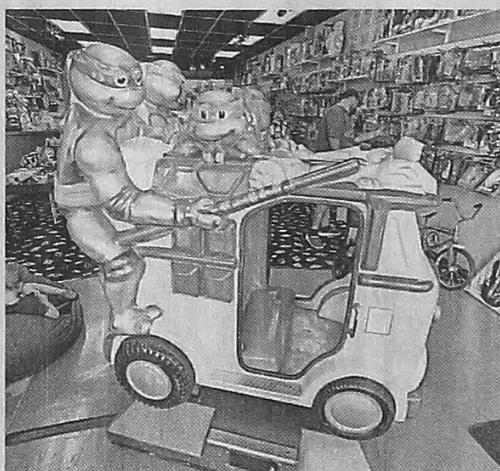
The shop at 38403 Joy in Westland specializes in toys from several decades ago. The small store is packed with toys and other pop culture icons from the '80s and '90s.

The brainchild of Livonia residents Keith and Melanie Libra, Time Blaster Toys became the next logical step for the couple when their home became filled with toys from their online sales business.

After filling up their basement and other parts of their home, the couple decided it was time to open a shop.

"We've been selling on eBay for seven or eight years now, just selling toys, accumulating more and more things," Keith Libra said. "It's just stuff I've liked and collected since I was seven years old."

Inside are toys many millennials will recognize: in addition to brands such as World Wrestling Entertainment, Polly Pocket, Ghostbusters and Star Wars, the shop also hopes to serve



Time Blaster Toys has a free Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles arcade ride in its shop that kids of all ages can use.

as a sort of gathering space. The back of the shop contains a row of classic arcade games such as Rampage and NBA Jam that visitors are encouraged to play. For a more passive experience, lounge in the front of the store to watch a movie on VHS on a console television set.

Even the bathroom rocks a '90s theme: the floor is decorated with dozens of Pokémon cards, some dating back to the original base set. And their phone screams nostalgia: the shop's main line is a transparent retro wall phone.

The atmosphere is designed to keep people coming back not just as custom-

ers but as guests reminiscing as well.

"With toy stores going the way of the dodo bird and not existing, we figured we would make a place where people could come and hang out and not necessarily here to buy things," Keith Libra said.

The couple took over the space in May and spent several months revamping the space in the Joy-Hix Shopping Plaza on the border with Livonia before opening at the end of July. Part of those additions include encouraging visitors to leave their mark and share their memories via special markers that can be used for safely writing the walls.

"Any wall that's black is open for signing," Melanie Libra said. "We're trying to capture everyone that's been through here."

With most of their inventory being decades old, the Libras rely on buying items online to fill the store, as well as visitors who stop by with their own treasures to swap. Some remains in the original packaging, some are repackaged before being put on the shelf.

"One of the biggest perks of the store is we buy and we sell and we trade," he said. "It's cool."

The store is open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday and is open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday. More info, including an online listing of many of the toys for sale, can be found at [timeblastertoy.com](http://timeblastertoy.com).



# Rolling Stone names 'Respect' top song of all time

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Aretha Franklin's signature hit has another feather in its cap. The Queen of Soul's "Respect" is No. 1 in the latest version of Rolling Stone's 500 Greatest Songs of All Time list, released Sept. 15, giving Franklin the top spot in two of the magazine's high-profile, debate-generating rankings. The magazine says the 500 Greatest Songs of All Time list was compiled from ballots submitted by more than 250 artists, journalists and industry fig-

ures. Detroit music has dominated Rolling Stone's lists in recent years:

- Marvin Gaye's "What's Going On" is No. 1 on the magazine's 500 Greatest Albums of All Time list, most recently updated in 2020. The title track of Gaye's 1971 album is also No. 6 in the new songs ranking.
- Franklin is No. 1 on the 100 Greatest Singers of All Time list, published in 2008.
- Motown musician James Jamerson is No. 1 on the 50 Greatest Bassists of All Time list, published in 2020.

And now "Respect" finds itself atop the songs ranking, leading a top five featuring "Fight the Power" (Public Enemy), "A Change is Gonna Come" (Sam Cooke), "Like a Rolling Stone" (Bob Dylan) and "Smells Like Teen Spirit" (Nirvana). The new list is the third version of Rolling Stone's 500 Greatest Songs of All Time. The original edition — with "Respect" at No. 5 and Dylan's "Like a Rolling Stone" in the top spot — was released in 2004. It was republished six years later to incorporate 26 songs from the 2000s.

The No. 1 ranking is the latest accolade for Franklin's 1967 hit: "Respect," which placed No. 4 on "Songs of the Century," a 2001 list produced by the Recording Industry Association of America and the National Endowment for the Arts. The track was also named to the Grammy Hall of Fame and is part of the National Recording Registry administered by the Library of Congress. In 2016, "Respect" ranked No. 1 on Detroit's 100 Greatest Songs, a Free Press project that tabulated voting by the public, artists and music industry professionals.

## Salem landfill co. fined, obligated to cut emissions

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A smelly and potentially health-threatening problem emanating over the past several years from Salem Township's Arbor Hills landfill could be capped by a settlement between Arbor Hills Energy, the State of Michigan and the Department of Justice. On Sept. 9, the company settled with the state and DOJ to significantly reduce sulfur dioxide, or SO2, emissions at its landfill gas-to-energy facility just west of Northville Township. SO2 is a dangerous, foul-smelling pollutant that can cause substantial harm to human health and air quality. The decision was announced almost a year after a lawsuit was initially filed in October 2020 by Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel and the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, following alleged violations of the Clean Air Act and state laws. The presence of foul-smelling odors became such a regularity at Northville Township's Ridge Wood Elementary School, which sits less than a mile east of the landfill, that an air-monitoring device was install on the school's ground in December 2020. The air monitoring station, located on the east side of the parking lot away from the school building, will be oper-

ated by a third-party firm (Barr Engineering) until at least December 2025 under a consent agreement and in accordance with an access agreement with Northville Public Schools. The monitoring results are publicly available on the Arbor Hills Monitoring website along with information about hydrogen sulfide. "Today, we celebrate a monumental win for both our community and the great state of Michigan," said Rep. Matt Koleszar (D-Plymouth). "This settlement is the culmination of years of community advocacy, grassroots organization and quick responsiveness from Sen. Dayna Polehanki and myself. "I would like to thank AG Nessel, EGLE, state Sen. Polehanki, Northville residents, the parents of Ridge Wood students and The Conservancy Initiative for coming together and making this settlement a reality. Thanks to their hard work and commitment to holding corporate polluters accountable, we've managed to improve the quality of life and air for those living in close proximity to the landfill." Koleszar said he had no expectations regarding the timeliness of the settlement. "It was in the hands of the courts, so you never know," he said. "I was optimistic and hopeful it would happen by the end of this year. We'll keep fighting to make sure residents near the landfill

won't have to continue dealing with the odors." Polehanki said the settlement is just the first step in arriving at a resolution to cleanse the air in the communities located near the landfill. "While I'm pleased to see this settlement agreement and relieved for the residents who worked so hard to bring this issue to light, now is not the time for us to take our foot off the gas," Polehanki said. "I will continue to work with my fellow state officials on amending the laws that allowed repeat violators, like Arbor Hills, from expanding their physical footprint or continue violating environmental laws." As part of the settlement, Arbor Hills Energy will also be required to pay a civil penalty of \$750,000, split evenly between the state and federal government, and construct either a natural gas facility or install a sulfur treatment system. The natural gas facility would turn landfill gas into usable natural gas, eliminating virtually all SO2 emission, while the sulfur treatment plant would only need to achieve a 64% reduction in SO2 emissions by a deadline of March 2023. Contact reporter Ed Wright at [edwright@hometownlife.com](mailto:edwright@hometownlife.com) or 517-375-1113.

## Author

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"He knows there are gaps where people need justice," Jones said. "He's unafraid — there's a compassion and love about him that I think was imbued by his parents. "How August was raised was the way I was raised. He's on a true north path. All of us vary from time to time, all of us get discouraged, but you always know that there's that true north path. In some ways, this series is kind of a tribute to my folks." Jones recently finished a fourth installment for the series. After that, he plans on telling new stories. "I feel like I have a number of stories in me that are unexpected, so I'd like to tackle that," he said. "I'm not closing a door, but I'm seeing what's behind other doors." He's glad he has the opportunity to write, and plans to keep doing it. "It still feels, after three books, surprising and somehow miraculous," Jones said. "Like every other author out there, I've got a shoebox collection of rejection slips. But, it's the one time when a publisher says they like it that is just stunning — you forget about the years of rejection slips." Contact reporter Shelby Tankersley at [stankersle@hometownlife.com](mailto:stankersle@hometownlife.com) or 248-305-0448. Follow her on Twitter @shelby\_tankk.



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## Art piece

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The only revenue the city will need to contribute will be for light maintenance (flower-planting, plant trimming, mowing, etc.) and insurance costs, which the commissioners were told will be minimal.

"This is so exciting," said arts council Executive Director Lisa Howard, a key difference-maker in the construction and placement of the sculpture. "Creating a representational type of art piece has been on a lot of organizations' agendas for years: the chamber of commerce, Downtown Development Authority and the Plymouth Community Arts Council, among others."

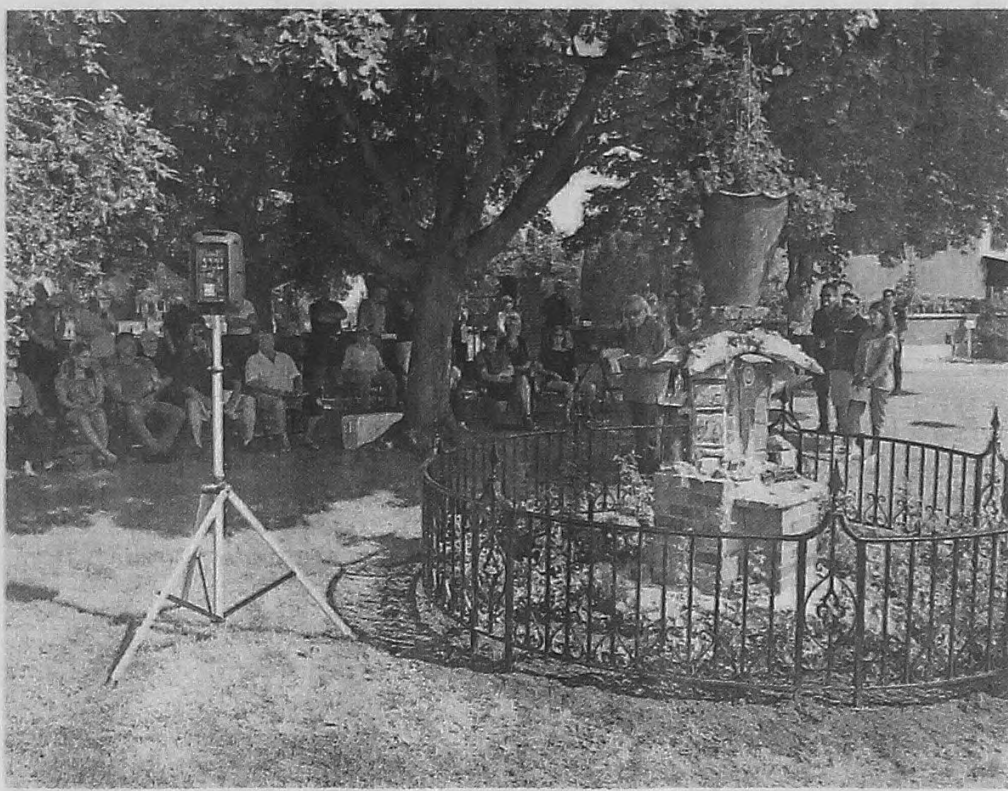
Following a thorough, six-month screening process that included the input and thumbs-up from several municipal entities — the City Commission and Downtown Development Authority, to name two — and feedback from Plymouth residents, city commissioners unanimously agreed Feb. 17, 2020, to give the green light to a sculpture, which was forged by sculptor Vito Valdez, Dan Finn of Dan's Custom Brickwork and Kristyn Koth, a local metal fabricator.

Making the vision for the sculpture a reality required several painstaking steps, Howard said.

"At the beginning of the process, it was a little frustrating because it did take a lot of time and Vito, (the DIA's) Charles Garling and I had to attend quite a few meetings to get approvals," Howard said. "But as we got deeper into the approval process, my appreciation for the number of applications we needed grew. I'm glad I live in a city that pays attention to details."

Previous efforts to erect long-term sculptures in Kellogg Park were unsuccessful for a variety of reasons, Howard explained, including the feeling that the property's consistent use by regularly-scheduled events could be hindered by the presence of a substantial work of art.

"The little triangle property where the sculpture will be situated is owned by the city and it's a nice little piece of property where people who are entering



A new Plymouth-themed sculpture was unveiled in Kellogg Park on Sept. 17.

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Each element of the sculpture is related to the early days of Plymouth.

downtown from the east will be able to see it clearly," Howard said.

Living vines and plant material that adorn the sculpture reflect the growth of the community. The vine wraps around a trellis made of manipulated metal donated by Detroit Hot Rod.

Plymouth Mayor Oliver Wolcott, a lifelong city resident who delivered closing remarks at the unveiling, said the sculpture turned out "fantastic".

"Just standing here, listening to the presentations, I've probably learned

four or five things I didn't know about the history of Plymouth," Wolcott said. "It's not just a beautiful piece of art; it's a living history of the city. It's a space residents and visitors will be visiting for the next 50 years and beyond to learn about the history of this magnificent city."

Each element on the sculpture is relevant to the city's history, including black-and-white figures on the east side of the art piece that represent people who lost their lives during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Descriptions of every element on the sculpture can be found by visiting the PCAC's website.

"We're hoping today's unveiling starts conversations with each one of the people who showed up today," Howard said during the Sept. 17 ceremony. "If they go home and tell one other person in their neighborhood or service club about what they saw today, I think it will bring a lot of people to this space."

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## Girl

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cheering on her friends. In the three years she's been competing, Muntean has earned top 10 honors in three national leagues.

She says what she really enjoys, though, is the challenge.

"I like going from one bar and flying in the air to another bar," she said. "I can challenge myself and see how far I can go with that."

Past cheer, dance and gymnastics lessons have helped give Muntean the "ninja" skillset she has now. Muntean is the latest in a growing line of Gripz goers who have made an appearance on a "Ninja Warrior" show.

"With this, it's like every time she comes the gym is set up different," Sara Muntean, Anna's mother, said. "Every time you go to a competition, it's different obstacles. It's very challenging in that way, just trying new things."

The Munteans celebrated the Sept. 9 season premiere of "American Ninja Warrior Junior," which was also Anna Muntean's birthday, with friends in Ohio. They plan on having some more fun when they watch the Sept. 30 episode.

People can watch "American Ninja Warrior Junior" on Peacock, a free streaming service from Comcast.

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Anna Muntean.

## Murder

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Lt. Erik Darling with the Michigan State Police. "Cases this old do present a variety of unique challenges further complicating an already complex problem. People move away, memories fade, evidence degrades, etc."

"We certainly do understand the family's frustration. These cases frustrate us as well. We are certainly willing to invest time and resources into these cases as long as there is some reasonable, tangible lead to pursue. At this point, with this case, we simply don't have that."

Arthurs remembers horseback riding and babysitting with Kim, who wanted to become a nurse. But Kim started skipping school when she became involved with an older boyfriend.

"Up until then, she did good in school," Arthurs said. "She had a lot of friends. She wasn't a partier. She liked horses. She loved to dance. She liked the beaches."

Kim's body was discovered nearly a month after she left home on March 18, 1982, to be with her boyfriend, whose

family was moving from Redford Township to Detroit. Kim is known to have stayed with the boyfriend's family until March 21, when one of the boyfriend's relatives called Kim's residence to say she would be home soon.

The boyfriend's brother apparently drove her to Eight Mile and Merriman roads, and Kim was last seen walking west toward South Lyon on Eight Mile Road.

Police have said she most likely was picked up by a motorist. Arthurs said she has learned her sister tried to reach at least four people for a ride home that day.

"My parents were extremely upset, because the police weren't trying to find her," Arthurs said. "They were just saying, 'She'll show up.' (My parents) kept trying to convince them she's not a runaway. That made it hard. It was a very stressful three weeks for the family."

Arthurs' memories faded after her parents told her police had confirmed Kim's death. Arthurs was 13 at the time.

Her parents took her out of South Lyon schools and enrolled her in the Livonia school system for a fresh start. She tried both church and counseling as means of dealing with her sister's death.

"I still don't have much memory from

before her, before it happened," Arthurs said. "I don't know if I ever will. That bothers me bad."

"I'm wondering if that's why I'm so bound and determined. I don't know if it's because I feel guilty that I don't remember a lot of stuff."

Her commitment to filling in the blanks officially began with surfing the internet. The sheer lack of information about her big sister prompted Arthurs to begin posting and informing social media users. She targeted metro Detroit communities and groups tuned to cold cases.

Arthurs, who has been in contact with investigators, said her sister's boyfriend was ruled out as a suspect.

"Already Gone" podcast host Nina Innsted once talked to Arthurs about her sister's unsolved murder.

"Her sister Cindy has been very vocal, on Facebook in particular," Innsted said. "You don't get a lot of teenage girls being brutally murdered and dumped in a public park. When you look at it from that standpoint, it feels like her case should have been solved."

"I think that there were some factors working against it, one of them being time. She went missing and there were no leads. They were already behind the

eight ball when they found her body. I have a ton of sympathy for her sister."

Innsted's podcast episode, "Three Stories," also focused on the cold cases of Anne Doroghazi and Christina Castiglione. Like Louiselle's, their murders are reaching the 40-year mark.

The body of Doroghazi, a 20-year-old Camp Dearborn staffer, was found in a Milford ditch near the camp off of General Motors Road the morning of Sept. 29, 1981. Milford police say she was murdered Sept. 27 or 28.

Castiglione, 19, of Redford Township, was last seen walking on Five Mile Road, west of Telegraph Road, between 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. on March 19, 1983. Sexually assaulted and strangled, her body was found 10 days later in the Oak Grove State Game Area in Livingston County.

Arthurs plans to have Doroghazi's and Castiglione's names on her fliers.

She's well aware that her sister's case could still go unsolved.

"Even if it never gets solved, I just need to know that people know she existed, they know what happened to her," Arthurs said.

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# Concerns

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Other potentially dangerous pedestrian issues — including the absence of speed limit-reduction signage on the roads that border the campus — have been brought to leaders' attention by Seale and other concerned parents, but to no avail.

"A few years ago, I was walking to my car (on Whittlesey Lake Drive, approximately 50 yards north of Joy Road) and I heard a car lock up its brakes," Seale recounted. "When I looked out to Joy, I saw a kid sprinting across the street. It was a close call. That's when I knew something had to be done."

"I started contacting the school district and Wayne County in 2018, figuring it would probably take a couple years to get something done. Well, here we are three years later and I've gotten nowhere. The school district says it's Wayne County's project and the county says it's something the school district has to initiate."

Melanie Gumz, whose son is a freshman at Canton High School, said she is baffled why the largest high school campus in the state does not have speed limit-reduction signs that function during high-traffic times in the morning and early afternoon when school starts and ends.

"There are speed limit reduction signs near all of the other schools in the district, but not near the ones that have the most traffic," Gumz lamented. "The district said the only entity that can change speed limits is the Michigan Department of Transportation. If that's the case, why don't they come together and get something done."

"It's going to be really sad if somebody gets seriously hurt or dies because the government entities can't figure out how to work together to fix these issues."

Seale said there are several examples of safety-enhancing crosswalks within a short drive of the Plymouth-Canton campus, including one on Beck Road just north of Nine Mile Road, and another on Lilley Road north of Ann Arbor Trail.

"The one on Lilley is in a spot similar to this," said Seale, standing near the edge of Joy Road, a short walk from Salem. "When someone wants to cross the



Melanie Gumz and Kevin Seale stand near Joy Road across from Salem High, where they would like to see a crosswalk. ED WRIGHT/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

road, they press a button and a red light stops traffic. It's not even an intersection."

Seale said the school district's security leaders have told him students who live in the affected subdivisions should walk north to the intersection of Joy and McClumpha roads, which has a four-way stop.

"By doing that, you're adding another half mile to the students' walk to school because it's a quarter mile to the four-way and a quarter mile back," Seale said. "Plus, that intersection is one of the most dangerous around when school is starting and letting out. You not only have buses coming and going, but you have teenagers with little driving experience who don't always completely stop at four-ways."

Gumz said another dangerous area near the high schools is a 30-yard stretch along the west side of Canton Center Road, just southeast of the campus, where pedestrians are forced to walk on a narrow dirt shoulder as cars cruise by just feet away traveling at a 45

miles per hour clip.

"That spot is another connectivity hazard that needs to be addressed," Gumz said. "That area is just south of the school district's property, so it's a county or township issue. But something needs to be done."

Canton Township Supervisor Anne Marie Graham-Hudak said installing a sidewalk along that stretch of Canton Center would be difficult without the consent of the residents whose property runs adjacent to the affected roadway due to the County Roads Association of Michigan's right-of-way concept.

"Basically, you need residents to give you permission to add a sidewalk on their property, something many residents are hesitant to do because it adds to their maintenance," Graham-Hudak said.

Graham-Hudak said she is currently attempting to organize a meeting that includes township, school district and county leaders to address the pedestrian-safety issues near the high schools.

"I definitely think something good

could come from a meeting of this type," she said.

County road commission administrators did not respond to Hometown Life's request for comment on the potential pedestrian safety issues near the Plymouth-Canton high schools. Plymouth-Canton Schools also chose not to comment on the issues.

In response to a presentation delivered by Gumz and Seale, Plymouth Township voted to support a resolution urging Wayne County "to expedite the funding and installation of all necessary safety improvements required to promote enhanced pedestrian safety and traffic awareness" near the high school campus.

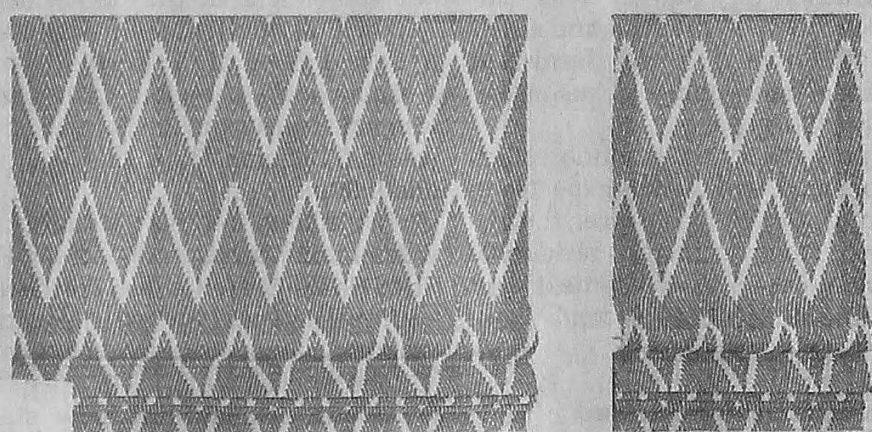
"Whenever we ask the school district or the county to look into these issues, they put it back on the other entity," Seale said, shaking his head. "I'm at the point where I'm asking, 'Why should I be the one doing all the chasing?' Why aren't they stepping up like they should be?"

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# Old malls, new plans

Redevelopment concepts shift to warehouses, housing

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It's no longer just about PetSmarts, Ultras and Five Below.

The playbook for redeveloping dead shopping malls in metro Detroit has changed dramatically in recent years and is moving further away from building big-box stores and strip centers filled with national brands.

Today's hottest concepts for reusing old mall sites aren't exclusively about retail and are all about warehouses, distribution centers, storage units and middle-income housing.

It is a big adjustment from the prevailing approach to mall redevelopment in the 1990s and 2000s, when several ailing enclosed malls in metro Detroit were "de-malled" and razed to construct new "power centers," or large outdoor shopping centers anchored by a couple big stores with smaller chain stores scattered around.

Examples include the old Livonia and Wonderland malls in Livonia, which were torn down to become Livonia Marketplace and Wonderland Village. The same happened to Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield, the old Universal Mall in Warren and Winchester Mall in Rochester Hills, now Winchester Shopping Center.

Another once-popular redevelopment approach was used for the old Meadowbrook Village Mall, also in Rochester Hills, which was razed and replaced in the early 2000s with The Village of Rochester Hills, a so-called outdoor "lifestyle center" featuring upscale shops.

Development experts say those retail-focused redevelopments are less effective now than before because of the explosion of online shopping, the death of many department stores and post-pandemic changes to traditional retail.

That is why traditional big-box stores are not the centerpiece of redevelopment plans for the last three shopping malls to close in metro Detroit: Summit Place Mall in Waterford, Northland Center in Southfield and Eastland Center in Harper Woods.

Owners of those dead mall sites are following the new redevelopment playbook that emerged in the 2010s and gained more applicability since COVID-19, when it became clear that the old strategy of replacing malls with big box-anchored strip centers – or upscale mini-villages – would no longer work for as many locations as before.

"You have fewer (retailers) out there and they are paying less rent," said development expert Michael Kalil, chief operating officer and director of brokerage for NAI Farberman in Southfield. "So any major redevelopment, a lot of times won't pencil out when you've got a Dunham's or a Dick's Sporting Goods or a Hobby Lobby or a Burlington, who are paying really single-digit rents and looking for a big (tenant improvement) package."

Developers are finding that old shopping malls can be good locations for distribution and e-commerce warehouses, a type of property now in big demand, with a vacancy rate of just 1.6% for bulk warehouse space in metro Detroit during the second quarter – even amid a flurry of new construction, according to a market report by commercial real estate firm Newmark.

Municipalities that may have once been reluctant to approve zoning changes to allow for warehouses have been warming to the idea, particularly when the alternative is a derelict and abandoned shopping mall.

"Certain sites just aren't meant to be the next Somerset mall," Kalil said. "We have to go with where the real estate takes us, and if more warehousing and light industrial is the name of the game, so to speak, because of Amazon and others, you've got to go with that."

Developers who undertake such projects typically receive millions of dollars in public subsidies, such as brownfield tax-increment financing, to do the demolition and cleanup.

## Warehouses, business park

Eastland Center mall is still open but on pace to permanently close early next year and then be demolished and replaced by three large warehouse buildings. The warehouses would be built as speculative developments by NorthPoint Development of Kansas City, Missouri, and marketed as potential distribution centers, storage space or light manufacturing.

Some developers speculate that



Sears was a big anchor store at the old Livonia Mall on Seven Mile Road, which later became Livonia Marketplace. Now this former entrance sits empty. PHOTOS BY ERIC SEALS/DETROIT FREE PRESS



David Dedvukaj of Contour Companies, right, with Southfield Mayor Kenson J. Siver. Contour will build apartments on part of the Northland Center mall site.

Eastland in the 2000s could have been de-malled and turned into a more traditional shopping center with big boxes, but recent retail trends, coupled with the site's geography, now would make that type of redevelopment much more difficult to pull off.

Long-empty Summit Place Mall along Telegraph, once known as Pontiac Mall, was recently demolished after standing vacant for years. Now, the property's second act won't feature any retail.

The site's new owner, Southfield-based real estate firm Ari-El Enterprises, is marketing the cleared 100-acre parcel as a mixed-use business and industrial park called Oakland County Business Center. So far, however, nothing has been built.

Ari-El Chairman Ari Leibovitz said Friday that demand is strong for new distribution centers and light industrial space, and that he anticipates landing some at his site.

"I can't tell you that I have signed on the dot any particular user, but we have been having conversations with a number of local and national users who have expressed an interest in a distribution facility," he said.

## Northland

Demolition work began last month at the old Northland Center mall, which has sat vacant since it closed in 2015 and was purchased by the city of Southfield.

Bloomfield Hills-based Contour Companies bought the 115-acre site this July and has embarked on an ambitious \$403 million redevelopment that will raze most of the enclosed portions of the old mall, preserve the original 1954 Hudson's department store building (last occupied by Macy's) and, for the project's initial phase, construct 1,546 units of for-rent apartments.

Of those units, 1,292 would go into 14 planned new five- and six-story buildings on the site. The remaining 254 units would be lofts built into Northland's original shell surrounding the former Hudson's.

"We hope this becomes the blueprint of what closed-down malls on large sites should be," said Contour Chief Operating Officer David Dedvukaj.

During a Friday tour of the site, Dedvukaj said nine of the planned 14 new buildings will have ground-floor retail space for tenants like fast-casual res-

taurants, convenience stores or an urgent care.

While there are no plans to reintroduce traditional big-box stores, the old Hudson's is to become a 530,406-square-foot food and goods emporium called Hudson City Market. This marketplace would feature food and entertainment options, home furnishing stores, local "mom and pop" businesses as well as office space.

The project's formal groundbreaking is set for Oct. 7 and work is expected to finish in 2026 or 2027. However, the first batch of new Northland residences could be move-in-ready late next year. Details of the project's second phase haven't been determined.

## Apartments at Wonderland

Northland isn't the only former mall with future plans for housing.

Wonderland Village in Livonia, a large retail "power center" anchored by Target and Walmart, opened in 2007 on the site of the old Wonderland Mall, which closed in 2003 and was demolished.

The redone Wonderland site has a vacant 11-acre parcel that Wonderland's owner, Livonia-based Schostak Brothers & Co., once sought to fill with another big-box retailer. But because of changes in retail since the 2000s, the company now is proposing to build two, three-story apartment buildings there with 225 rental units and a swimming pool.

"A lot of these big boxes that were so great, aren't so great anymore. J.C. Penney became a completely different company, Kohl's is nowhere near what it once was," said Jeffrey Schostak, president of Schostak Development. "The rents that you were able to get from those companies really declined after 2009, 2010, and there were just fewer of them. And all of a sudden you had these big sites and just not enough tenants who were willing to go there."

Schostak said they initially wanted to bring a big store to the parcel now slated for apartments, but that plan was disrupted by the Great Recession, followed by the general evolution of retail in the years since.

"The deals that were available were really just not attractive retail-type deals and we said, 'OK, this is good real estate. Let's wait it out and see if some of these retailers come back over time,'"

he said. But as time went on, "we realized that residential is a really good use for this property right here."

The apartment proposal still needs local zoning change and site approvals. It has drawn criticism at public meetings from residents of a neighborhood behind Wonderland, who contend that a shopping center is an inappropriate location for housing and object to having the apartment buildings so close to their houses, according to news reports.

"We are tweaking the plan a little bit based on some feedback we've received," Schostak said of the housing proposal.

If the land-use approvals come through, construction of the apartments could start next spring and, 1½ to two years later, the buildings could be ready for their first occupants, he said.

The apartments would help to meet the strong demand for housing in suburban Detroit, where home prices are on the rise, inventory is limited and would-be buyers are seeing their offers passed over again and again.

"There is a real demand," Schostak said. "It brings younger demographics back into the neighborhood."

## 24 at Bloomfield

In Oakland County, housing is a major component of the new Village at Bloomfield development, which was a redevelopment of the failed Bloomfield Park upscale shopping vision at the Bloomfield Township-Pontiac border along Telegraph Road that was never completed.

In addition to a new Menards, Aldi, Planet Fitness, Hampton Inn and Henry Ford Health System clinic, the village includes a 432-unit rental housing development called 24 at Bloomfield.

The first batch of units opened last year and asking rents now start at \$1,270 per month for one bedrooms and \$1,777 per month for two bedrooms, according to the development's website.

The property manager said 216 of the planned 432 units are finished, occupancy is above 90%, and the remaining apartments should be done in about a year.

## More dead malls ahead?

The new redevelopment playbook could be put to more use as more metro Detroit shopping malls approach the likely end of their lifespans.

These properties include Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights, which opened in 1976 and whose new Florida-based owner is said to be considering "out of the box" approaches to revitalizing it.

And there is Westland Center mall, which lost its Macy's in 2017 and will soon lose its Sears once that store – the last Sears in Michigan – closes later this year, leaving the mall with just JCPenney and Kohl's as anchors.

Retail analyst and consultant Ken Dalto said COVID-19 sped up the decline of malls and the adoption of online shopping, particularly among some baby boomers who still preferred in-person shopping before the pandemic.

"Baby boomers who were not using the internet to shop, they would go to the mall," said Dalto, who is based in Bingham Farms. "Now they are shopping on the internet. They were forced to. And they're saying, 'Wow, this was really not that difficult. I don't really have to go to the mall that much.' And when you have that, you have more of the depopulation of the malls."

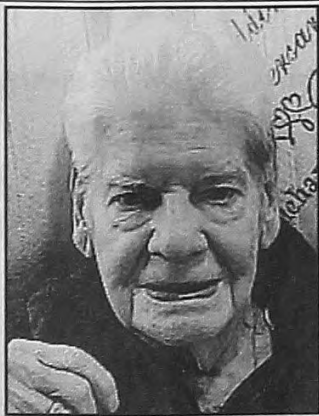


# Obituaries

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## Margaret Retting

**TIPTON** - Margaret Retting, 87 of Tipton, Michigan passed away peacefully on September 14th, 2021 at Angela Hospice in Livonia. Margaret was born in Detroit on January 14th, 1934 to Olof and Karin Wahlstrom. Margaret was married to Roy on August 18th, 1956 and have been married for 65 years. Margaret worked with Roys at his Dental office for many years. She was active in the Church choir, playing her guitar and piano at Risen Christ Church when she lived in Plymouth. Once Margaret and Roy retired at Evans Lake she was very involved at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. She was passionately involved in the Swedish club for most of her life. Margaret was beloved by her family. Margaret is lovingly remembered by her husband Roy, Children Mark (Betsy) Retting and Eric (Leeann) Retting, Grandchildren, Tyler, Mitchel, Joshua, Kathryn, Alicia, Jesse, great grandchild Mackenzie and other family and friends. Margaret is preceded in death by her brother Nils Wahlstrom and son John Retting. A private memorial service and burial will take place at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park on Monday September 27th. Memorial donations in memory of Margaret Retting may be made to Angela Hospice in Livonia or Williams Syndrome Association in Troy.



**Richard Prince**

Richard Prince was born February 11, 1930 and passed away on September 14, 2021 at the age of 91. Beloved husband of Jovita for 73 years. Loving father of Richard (Cathy) Prince, Francis (Becky) Prince, David Prince, Janice (Ray) Thurber and the late Dennis Prince. Cherished grandfather of many. Dear brother of 10. Uncle of many nieces and nephews. Please visit the funeral home's website for more information.

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## Edith Turner

**LIVONIA** - Edith Turner, 92, of Livonia passed away peacefully on September 10th. Her last days were spent next to the big picture window overlooking the river and park behind her home. Family, friends and caregivers surrounded her as her loving husband Fred held her hand and her youngest great-grandchildren played on the floor nearby. It was beautiful and sad all at once.



Born in Illinois in 1929, she grew up in Wisconsin where she roamed the fields on horseback. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin and received job offers from Michigan and California. Ultimately she chose Detroit, where she met her husband Fred and together they built his law practice. She had many wonderful friends and enjoyed taking classes, golfing, playing bridge and spending summer vacations with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She also volunteered for many years at Meals on Wheels.

Besides her husband Fred, she is survived by her children Viki (Michael), Fred (Karen), Jim and Wendy; her grandchildren Andy (Erin), Chris (Laura), Catherine (Mark), Theresa, Angela, Sam, and Nate; along with eight great-grandchildren. Her brothers Ron (Connie) Tillmann and Albert (Rosie) Tillmann also survive her. Her beloved daughter Chrissy preceded her in death.

At her request, there will be no services.

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



**Marian M. Lam**

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Marian's greatest legacy is 4 children, 10 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and a loving extended family. While working as a dietitian at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, MI, she met Dr. Conrad R. Lam. They enjoyed 48 years of marriage, child-rearing, travel, and entertaining. A graveside Memorial Service will be held at Franklin Cemetery, Franklin, MI, on Friday, October 1, 2021, at 1:00 PM.



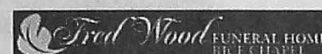
## William D. "Bill" Pratt

**PLYMOUTH** - William D. Pratt ("Bill") of Plymouth passed away Monday Sept 13, 2021 at his home after an unexpected, brief illness. He was born in Hamilton, OH, on June 20, 1946 son of the late Russell and Helen Pratt (Cook). He is survived by his wife Vicki Pratt and his children Greg (Heidi) Pratt, Lisa (Tim) Berg, Kelly (Mike) Wegher, Sarah (Scott) Haskins and seven grandchildren who were the light and joy of his life, (Nora, Ian, Adrienne, Will, Joey, Ben, and Dom). He is also survived by his three siblings: Dana (Nancy) Pratt, Marilynn (Ralph) Helzerman, Nancy (Chuck) Thiele and thirteen nieces & nephews. Over the past 30 years he had various roles with the Plymouth Rotary AM, Plymouth Township Planning Commission, and Plymouth Zoning Board and Plymouth Chamber of Commerce where he served two terms as President. An expert in state and federal tax code, he also taught tax preparation courses across the lower part of Michigan. The family will be holding a Celebration of Life Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Rd. W., Plymouth Saturday, October 9th 12 noon. Visitation will be from 10 AM until the noon service. Due to the pandemic, we are suggesting that everyone mask up when inside the chapel. Those wishing to make a donation in Bill's name should donate to St. Joseph Mercy Home Care & Hospice by going to this site: <https://donate.trinityhealthathome.org/> Thanks to all of his family and friends for your thoughts, prayers, & love. To share a memory, please visit [vermeulenfh.com](http://vermeulenfh.com)



## Marilyn Holland

**LIVONIA** - Marilyn Holland of Livonia went home to be with the Lord on September 15, 2021. Beloved mother of Jenifer (Kevin) Lampi. Adored grandmother of Jacob, Alexander, and Amelia. Proud sister of Mary Lou Daoust. She will be missed by many loving family members and friends. Visitation will be held on Friday 9/24 from 3-8p at Fred Wood Funeral Home, 36100 Five Mile Rd. Livonia (East of Levan). A Memorial Mass will be Saturday 9/25 at 11am at St. Edith, 15089 Newburgh Rd. Livonia. Please visit the guestbook at [fredwoodfuneralhome.com](http://fredwoodfuneralhome.com)



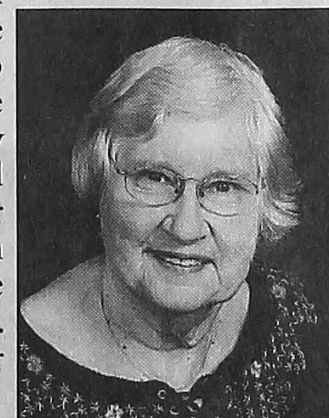
*May you  
find peace  
in this time  
of sorrow.*

## Bonnie Ruth Stanley Graham

**VENICE, FL** - Bonnie Ruth Stanley Graham, 80, passed away September 1st, 2021 at Venice Regional Bayfront Hospital in Venice, FL. She was born in Dayton, OH March 23, 1941 to Dr. Lester N. Stanley and Ruth Fedor Stanley and was the younger sister to Peter Stanley (deceased).

Bonnie was raised in upstate New York in the small town of Delmar. She enjoyed a fun and active childhood. She loved making friends, playing tennis, and going biking and skiing. She learned how to play the piano at a young age and had the ability to play by ear, which was fun to witness and listen to. She spent fun summers on Lake George. She always talked fondly about the 6 week family trip taken across the USA, in the family Buick, in the summer of 1953. The trip was spent touring many states and visiting many landmarks. She graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in 1959. Her High School yearbook superlative was "Babble on little brook". Words were Bonnie's essence. She loved to talk! She loved to write and correspond. Consider yourself lucky if you ever received her letters and cards.

Bonnie left NY to attend college at Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, MI. She was a member of the Chi Omega Sorority. She graduated in 1966 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Early Childhood Education. Before she graduated, she was married to William S. Graham in 1965. They ultimately settled in Plymouth, MI and had 2 daughters, Catherine and Mary Ellen. Bonnie and Bill were later divorced. Bonnie received her Masters Degree in Reading in 1984 from Eastern Michigan University.



Bonnie spent her working years teaching preschool in Plymouth, MI. Here she excelled with her young students, being a kid at heart herself. Her students adored her and she loved making a student's first foray into school a positive experience.

Bonnie participated and volunteered in the Plymouth Jaycees, AAUW (Amer. Assoc. of Univ. Women), FISH and the YMCA. When travel was easy for her she loved visiting family and friends.

In 1998 Bonnie retired to Venice, FL. Venice was very familiar to her as her parents retired there in 1973. She spent the last 20+ years making new friends, while maintaining old friends in MI and NY, being active, enjoying the warm climate, playing trivia, riding her bike, going out to dinners and watching sunsets at the jetties. Bonnie found friends wherever she went. She was her happiest when socializing and sharing herself. She was our family historian. She was generous beyond measure. She was a lively spirit and always ready to be the life of the party.

Bonnie is survived by: Daughter - Catherine (Rick) Fennell, Ogden, UT, Grandson - William Fennell, Step Granddaughters - Whitney (Jess) Dickson and family, McKinli Hatch and family and Matti Fennell.

Daughter - Mary Ellen (David) Williams, North Port, FL, Granddaughter - Victoria (Nick) Mobley and Great Grandson - Enzo Mobley

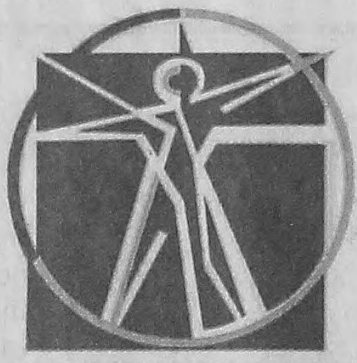
Sister in Law - Christine (Peter - deceased) Stanley, Whitefish, MT, Nephew - Lester (Kristin) Stanley and family - Minnetonka, MN and Niece - Jill (Geoff) Burt and family - Neptune Beach, FL

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating a contribution in Bonnie's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [stjude.org](http://stjude.org) or to your local animal shelter.

Memorial Services will be announced at a later date. Arrangements under the direction of Farley Funeral Home, Venice, FL. Condolences may be shared at: [www.FarleyFuneralHome.com](http://www.FarleyFuneralHome.com)

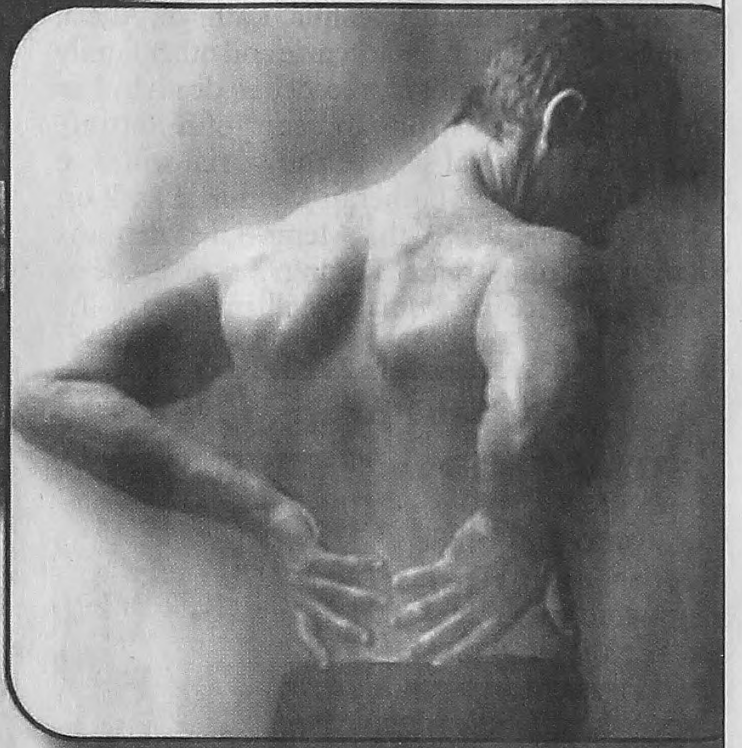
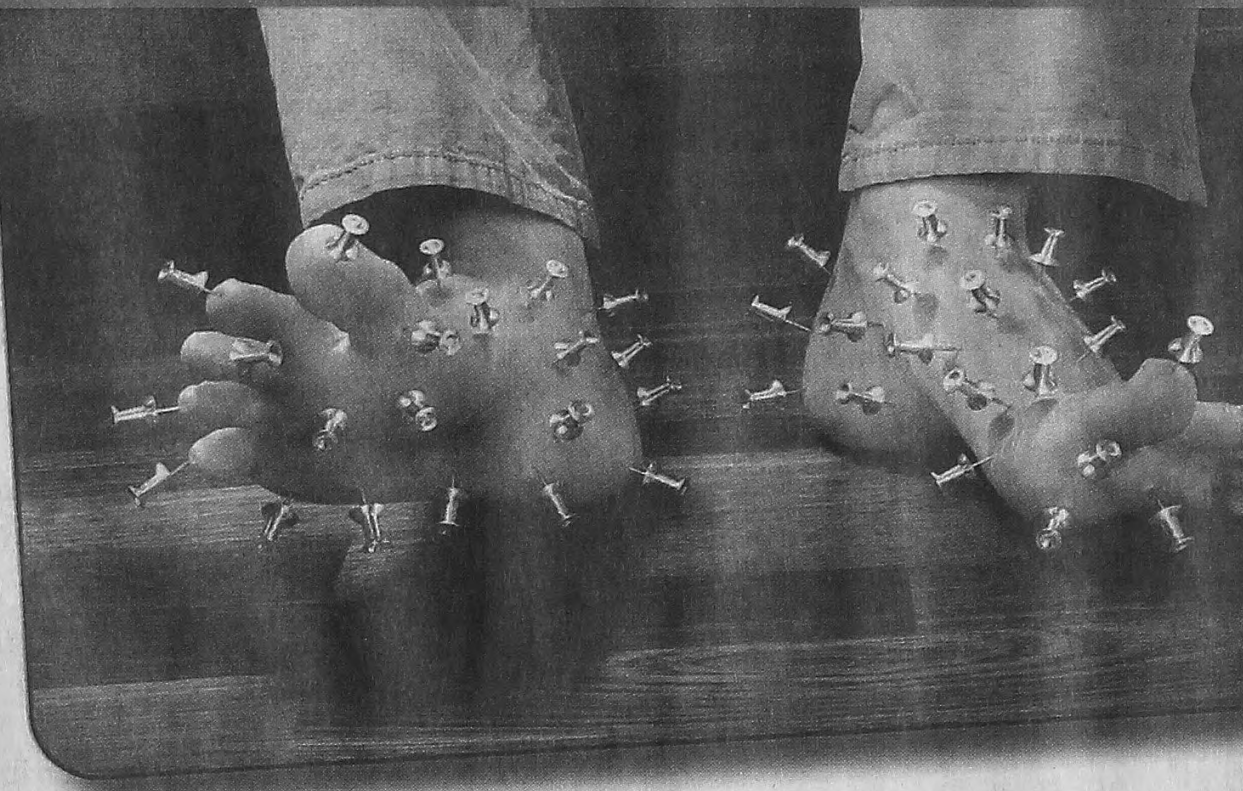
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## Cordell Mabins uses physicality to lead Livonia Franklin offense

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Cordell Mabins' father needed his son to play football.

"I used to be physical with my siblings. We would just mess around with each other," Mabins said. "So he was like 'Hey man, you need to be playing foot-

ball."

As soon as he stepped onto a football field for the first time, Mabins was a natural. He remembers going up to the huddle, hearing the coach separate clumps of players into veteran and rookie groups. Before he even played one down, Mabins was viewed as a veteran. Starting at fullback and guard for the

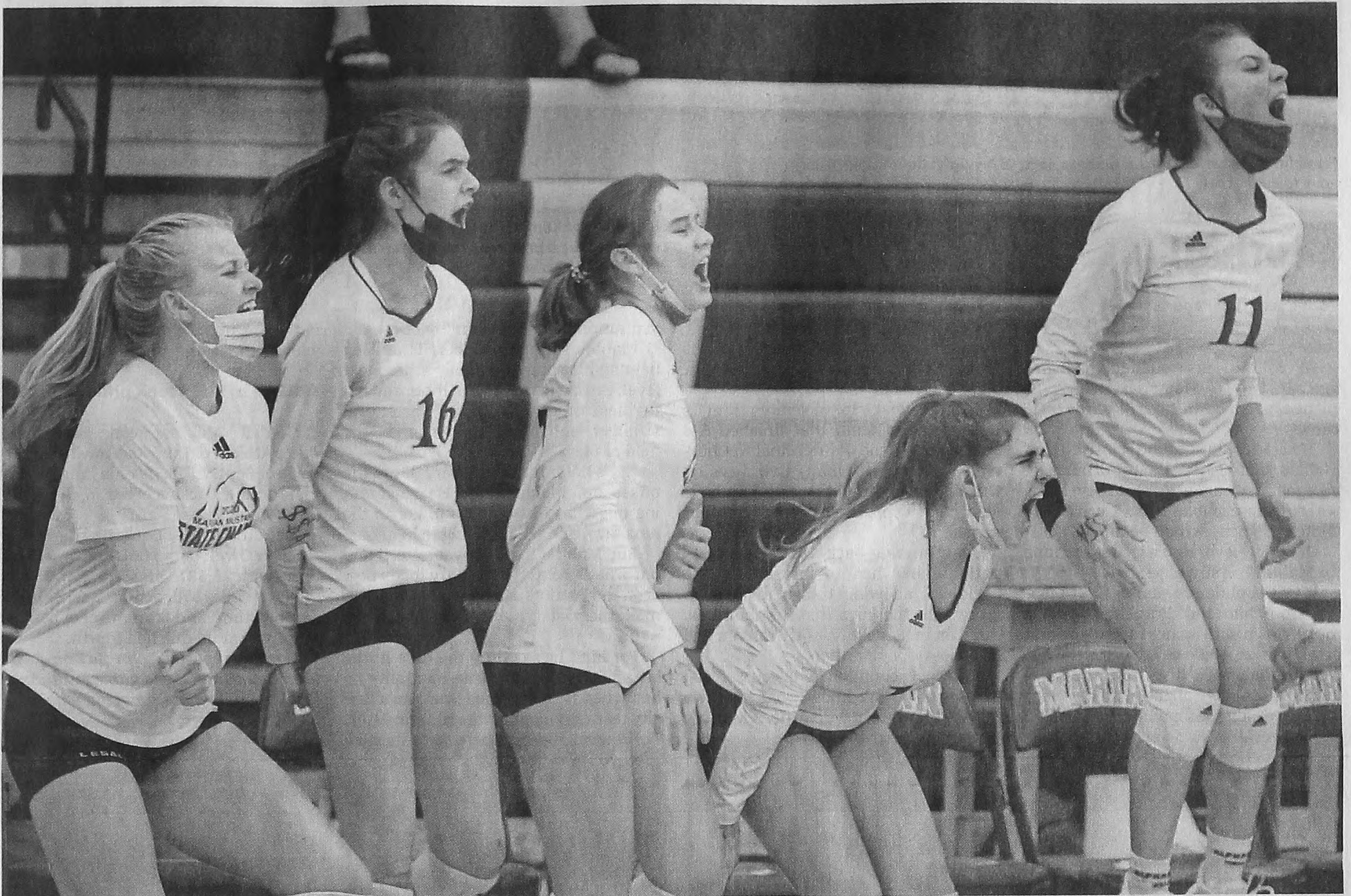
Livonia Orioles, Mabins made sure that the title was well deserved.

"I knew I wanted to continue it after the first game, when I started making tackle after tackle after tackle," he said. "I knew I wanted to keep going and I grew into more."

Mabins has grown more and more, developing into one of Livonia Frank-

lin's key offensive weapons. Coming off a sophomore season in which he scored 11 touchdowns, the junior running back has continued that trend of being the Patriots' featured running back, recording 137 yards on a team-leading 40 carries with four touchdowns in his first

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Marian High's players on the bench erupt in joy after their teammates get a point against Mercy High. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Marian volleyball shifts course of rivalry, sweeps Mercy at home

Colin Gay

Hometownlife.com  
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Marian left its home court in uncharted territory.

In its first rivalry match against Catholic High School League foe Mercy, the Mustangs dominated, putting the Marlins away in three sets (25-19, 25-15,

25-15).

It was the first time in this senior class' four years that it had beaten Mercy on its home floor, and the first time the Mustangs had ever swept its rival.

It was strange. Marian head coach Mayssa Cook felt it may have been the reason why her team came out shaky. It was this complex, this inner fight of confidence: "Are we supposed to win in

three?"

"It's always been a battle for the last three years," Cook said. "We need to get over that. Let's play our game. It doesn't matter if it's our rival over there."

Already holding a four-point third-set lead, Marian started a run, not leaving any doubts as to who was the best team on the floor.

With setter Ava Sarafa in the middle

running the show, the Mustangs began to click, using two kills and two assisted blocks by senior captain Sarah Sylvester, two kills and an assisted block by Ella Schomer and a kill by Janiah Jones to balloon their lead to 19-7.

Even though Brizard led the team with 13 kills, Cook saw her senior out-

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## Undefeated South Lyon silences Detroit Country Day

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Before South Lyon's Week 4 game against Detroit Country Day, senior Dakota Blackwell texted senior teammate Quinn Fracassi.

"I was like, 'Quinn. I know it. I told God. We're going to have a house call and it's going to go all nuts,'" Blackwell said. "It's going to go crazy."

Teams had been kicking away from Fracassi on kickoffs for each of the past two weeks, not allowing him the opportunity to make a play with the ball in his

hands.

In Friday's game, the Lions needed a boost.

Holding onto a 10-0 lead, Detroit Country Day methodically moved the ball downfield, using a 13-play, 78-yard scoring drive, capped off by a six-yard touchdown run by sophomore Gabe Winowich, to cut its deficit to three points.

"They just drove it right down our throat and we had to do something," Fracassi said.

On the ensuing kickoff, fielding the ball at the 6-yard line Fracassi did something, following his blockers and break-

ing free on the right sideline for a 94-yard touchdown return.

With South Lyon (4-0) setting the tone at the start of the fourth quarter, the reigning Division 4 state champions were unable to close the floodgates as the Lions scored 21 unanswered points in the final quarter to beat Detroit Country Day (3-1), 31-7.

"Our message all week was we have to play tough this week," South Lyon head coach Jeff Henson said. "We really didn't have to battle much since Week 1. We practiced and preached being tough all week and knew they would be a for-

midable opponent and give us all we could handle. And they did."

Defense shines against reigning state champs

For the first three quarters, South Lyon had to make a statement on defense.

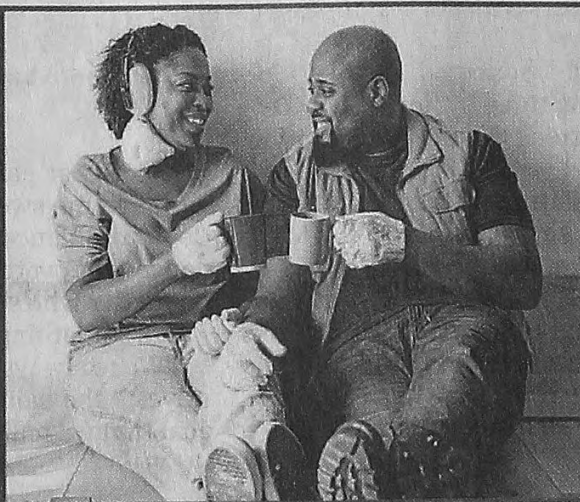
The Lions already knew its defensive backfield was in good shape, returning each of its starters from the 2020 team. The question mark heading into the

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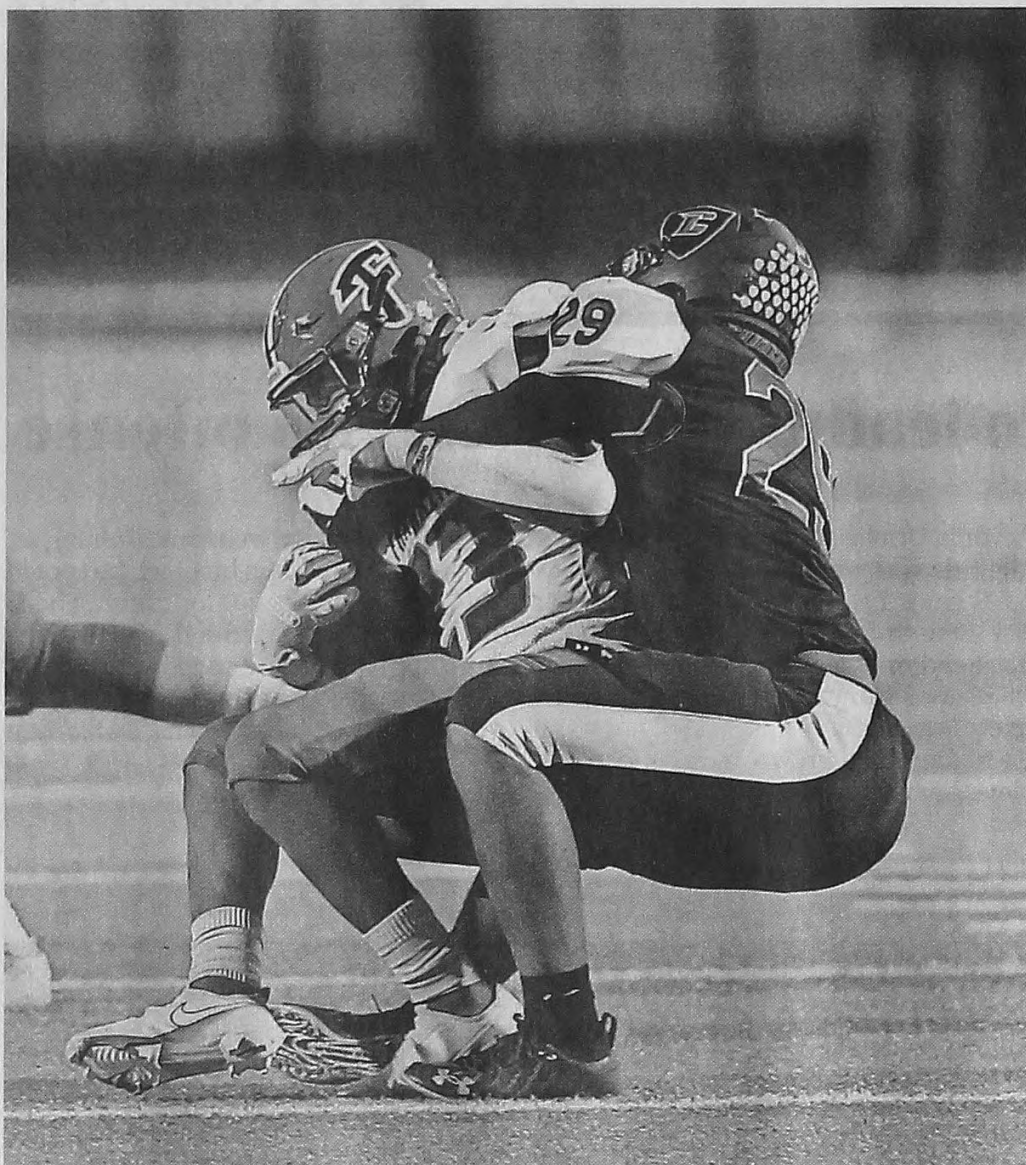
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Franklin ball carrier Cordell Mabins, left, is brought down. JOHN HEIDER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Livonia Franklin junior Cordell Mabins continues to be the Patriots' go-to ball carrier after a breakout sophomore season. TOM BEAUDOIN | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Football

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three games.

All four of his touchdowns came against Wayne Memorial, where he rushed for a season-high 85 yards on 15 carries.

"That's just my coaches trusting me," Mabins said of the amount of high-leverage touches he gets. "They knew what I was capable of, so I wanted to show everybody what I could do."

One high-leverage carry set the tone for Mabins' varsity experience.

It was sophomore year against Livonia Churchill and Franklin faced a fourth down with inches to go to the first down marker. Head coach Chris Kelbert called a half-back dive from the sideline, and Mabins obliged.

"Everybody was pulling my jersey," Mabins recalls, "and I ended up breaking through and scoring on fourth

down."

It was the moment that Mabins understood the speed of varsity football. It was the moment he could be physical too.

But Mabins admits that junior year is a bit different than his sophomore year was.

Franklin lost a lot of seniors from its 2020 team, a team that finished 5-4 with a loss in the district final to Churchill. In 2021, with many new faces on the offensive line, the Patriots have struggled, losing three of their first four games.

As a running back, Mabins said his patience has had to increase in the backfield, allowing things to develop more with the guys that Franklin has. But it's not a question of if Franklin will be successful. It's when.

"We got confidence in ourselves," Mabins said. "We know what team we are. We know what we can do. A loss, it's just on the record."

The junior running back has higher

aspirations than just Franklin football.

Mabins said that Kelbert is already helping him prepare to play at the next level, getting in the weight room and using field time to get bigger, faster and stronger, enhancing his vision in the field of play.

"He's helping me out every day in the offseason," Mabins said. "He's just telling me what I have to do to get to the next level and what's going to help me."

But Mabins has two years to figure out what's next. His primary focus now is on the Patriots: doing what it takes to make the postseason and possibly make a run.

For him, he's setting the tone in the backfield with that same mentality he had when he first joined Franklin's varsity team as a sophomore running back.

"You can't go out there soft," he said. "You got to be physical if you are going

out there playing varsity, especially if you are the young guy."

### Athlete of the Week poll results

Cordell Mabins won Hometown Life's Athlete of the Week award for the week of Sept. 7. The Livonia Franklin junior running back received 35,497 of the 66,139 total votes (53.67%).

Detroit Catholic Central senior wide receiver Owen Semp finished in second place with 26,587 votes (40.2%).

Novi volleyball senior Rachel Karr finished third and Marian volleyball junior Ava Sarafa finished fourth.

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With the score 24-19, Marian's Eva Brizard, right, sends the first game-winning spike past Mercy High's defenders on Sept. 16, 2021. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## Volleyball

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side hitter getting loads of attention at the Mercy defensive front. So the head coach encouraged her setter Sarafa to play off the versatility she had been preaching from Day 1 of practice: look to the right and to the middle for points.

"It's comforting that anyone can hit from anywhere," Brizard said. "Middle, left or right, anyone can put a ball away at any point of the court. That's what makes us so hard to beat that we're effective at all points. We really don't have any weak spots."

Add a setter who has an ability to deceptively call offensive plays and you have an offense that's working, whether

it's finding Jones, who had five kills, or Sophia Treder, who had eight.

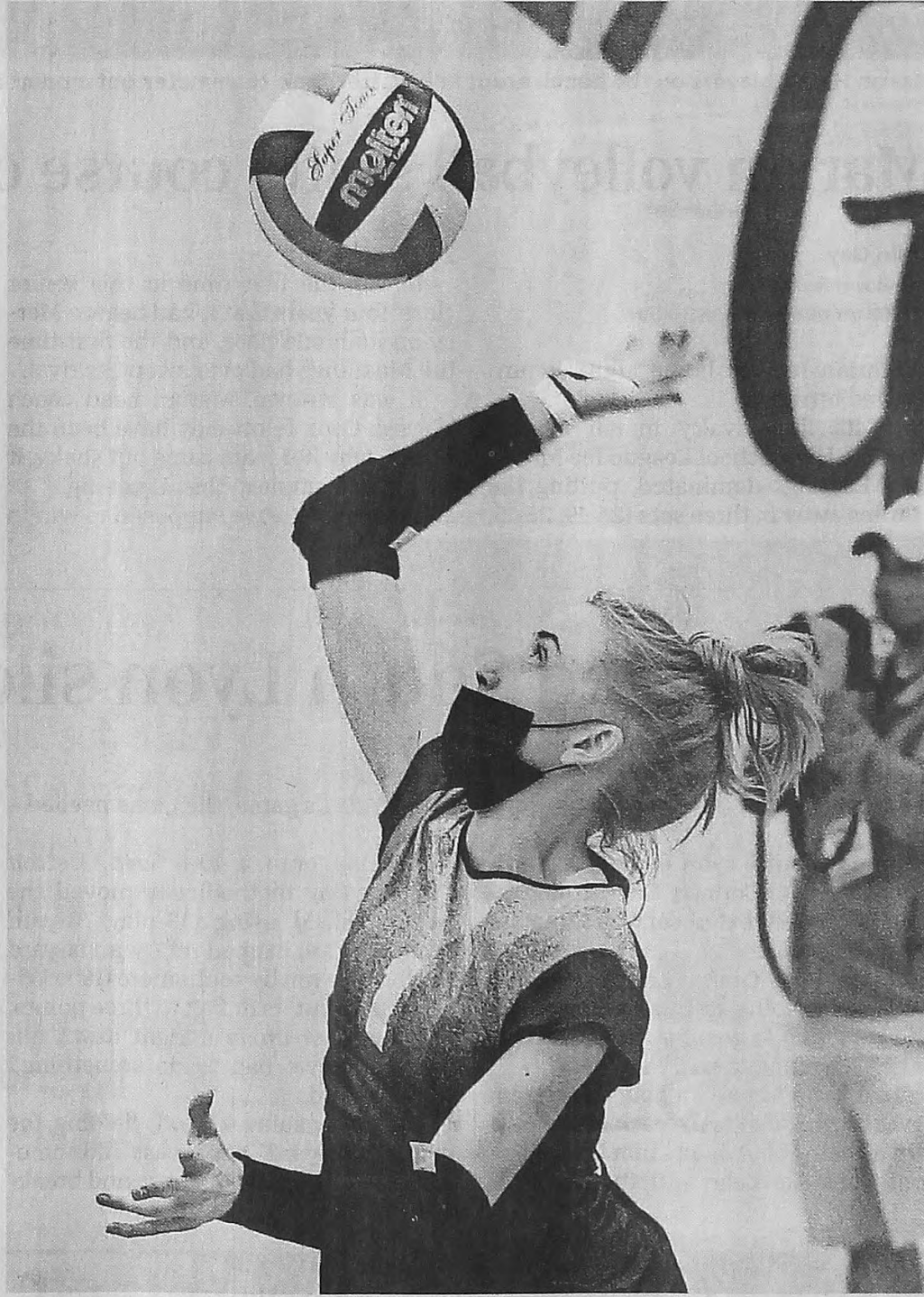
"We definitely served aggressively," Cook said. "It's something we worked a lot on in practice. You serve well, it makes things go smoother. We targeted a few players and tried to force the ball to certain players with our serving and it worked."

Marian also connected on 12 service aces, including three by junior Evey Oegema and a streak of three by Brizard in the second set.

While Marian may have shifted the tone of its rivalry with Mercy, the Marlins didn't cower.

Led by the combination of freshmen Ella Craggs and Campbell Flynn, the Marlins put together runs, leading Cook to say Marian didn't play its best game.

But the fact that the Mustangs didn't



Marian libero Lauren Heming serves. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

play its best game and still came out with a home sweep of their rival brings Cook confidence. She hopes it's a confidence that overcomes the shaky starts, no matter who's on the other bench.

It's something Brizard is buying into. "We're always raising the bar for ourselves," she said. "Every time we hit a goal that we make, we set the goal even

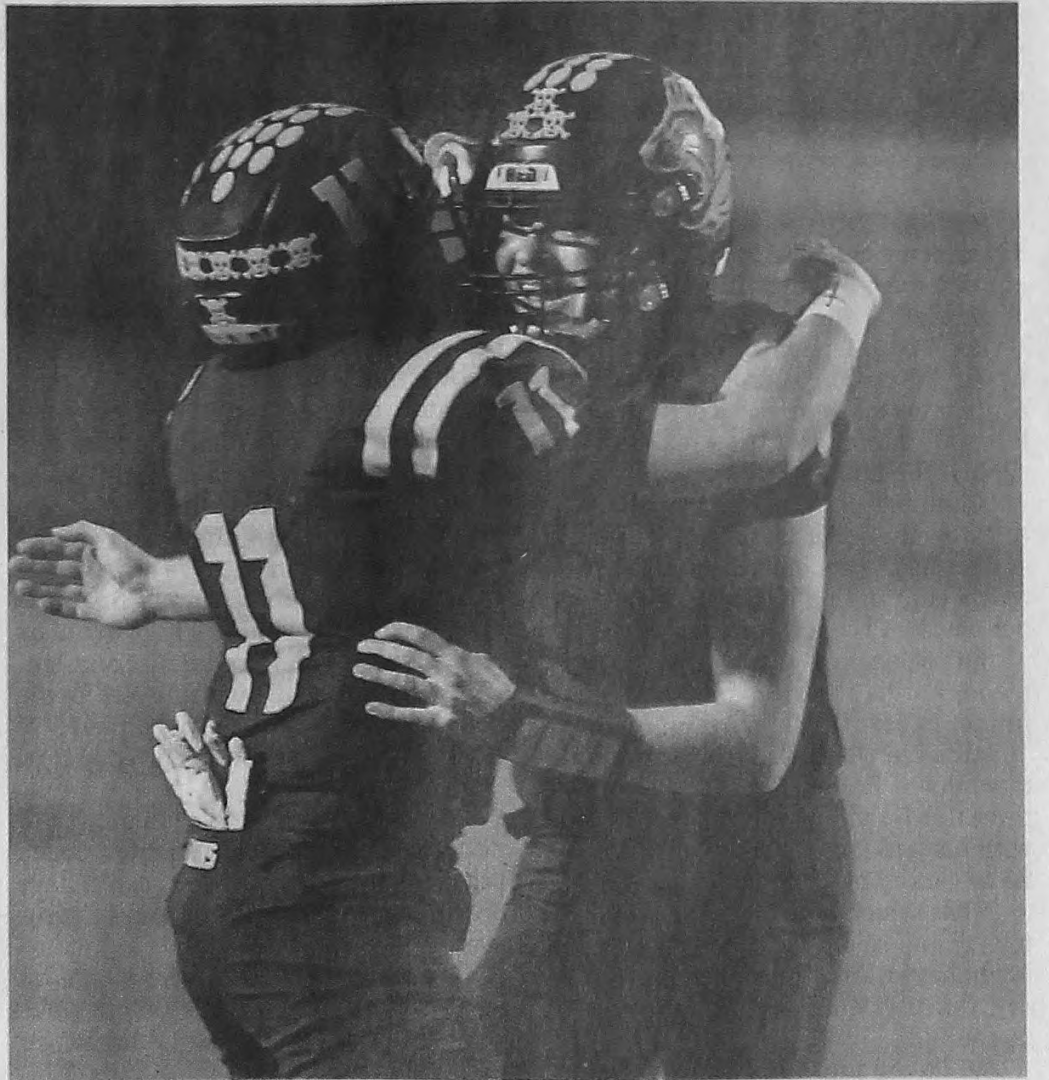
higher. I don't think we'll ever be satisfied with ourselves because we're always trying to be the best we can be."

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South Lyon Lion Dakota Blackwell runs back his second interception against Country Day. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Dawson Skupin is congratulated by a teammate for his fourth quarter touchdown run. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

## South Lyon

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season was the defensive line: a rotation of six players, none of which started for varsity in 2020.

The defense had worked through the first three games, allowing 41 total points. But facing senior quarterback Brandon Mann and a group of extremely physical running backs, the test was on.

In the first half, South Lyon limited Detroit Country Day to 74 yards of offense, converting two of its six attempts on third down and forcing fourth-down stops twice.

And when the pressure was on De-

troit Country Day quarterback Brandon Mann and the passing game, South Lyon stepped up, limiting the senior to two completions on eight attempts in the second half for seven yards and two interceptions: both by Blackwell.

"The defense showed up and we showed out," Fracassi said, who starts at defensive back with Blackwell said. "I mean, we believe we're one of the best defenses in the state. We showed it to-night."

### Offense feeds off momentum

After a three-point first half, scoring on a 33-yard field goal by kicker Alex Stoyanovich, South Lyon started to find the holes it needed in the Yellowjackets

defense.

Senior quarterback Dawson Skupin found Fracassi on an eight-yard slant to take a 10-point lead.

After Fracassi's kickoff return at the start of the fourth quarter, though, the Lions broke it open, using generous field position from both of Blackwell's interceptions to lead to two touchdowns: a 49-yard touchdown run by Skupin and an 11-yard touchdown run on fourth down by Fracassi.

"We have established something here at South Lyon," Henson said. "We take a lot of pride in who we are and what we're about. And I think our kids play like it."

### Turning heads

Blackwell remembers what people

thought of South Lyon heading into 2021, knowing that the Lions brought eight starters back on each side of the ball.

Handing Detroit Country Day its worst loss since its 2019 Division 4 state final loss to Grand Rapids Catholic Central, earning four wins by an average of 31.3 points, South Lyon's making a statement.

"They are going to know where we are and who we are," Fracassi said. "They were the defending champs, and they probably came in cocky and thought they were going to kick our butt."

"We think we can beat anyone anywhere. And I think we're showing it."

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# Novi quarterback beats Brighton again with his legs

**Bill Khan**

Livingston Daily  
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NOVI — This was supposed to be a different version of Luke Aurilia than the one who beat Brighton in the first round of the state football playoffs last fall.

The 2020 version of Aurilia orchestrated an option running attack as a sophomore quarterback at Novi, running for 100 yards and two touchdowns against the Bulldogs.

"Complete option," he said. "We may have thrown the ball a couple times a game."

The 2021 version has become more balanced, running a spread offense under new head coach Jim Sparks.

But when key plays needed to be made, Aurilia resorted to his roots as a runner to beat Brighton again.

Aurilia ran 16 times for 101 yards and a touchdown Friday, Sept. 17, converting three third-and-longs and a fourth-and-1 with his legs on two scoring drives in a 28-16 victory over the Bulldogs.

"That's just how it came down tonight," he said. "In other games, we might have a different game plan. But today the run was working, so we kept pounding."

Aurilia did throw his fifth touchdown pass of the season on third-and-7 with 3:34 left in the game, dumping off a pass two yards behind the line of scrimmage to Tyler Patrick, who took off for a 57-yard touchdown. Novi had seven passing yards on three completions before that play broke big.

But one week after shutting down

Hartland's ground game, Brighton yielded 248 yards on 42 carries to Novi. Running back Cole Shires had 24 carries for 142 yards and a touchdown.

"We try to be balanced and establish the pass," Sparks said. "It was kind of evident early on we might have had an advantage up front. We were getting good push up there. Once your O-line gets in a groove, they give you dirty looks when you start calling pass. 'Coach, why are you calling it? I'm hammering that guy.' They're the guys, we call them the backbone. You've got to keep those guys happy. We were running the ball. We kept hitching our wagon to those guys."

A lost fumble on Brighton's first possession led to a 5-yard touchdown run by Shires with 9:47 left in the first quarter.

It was the first of four turnovers for the Bulldogs (2-2), who had 11 penalties for 61 yards. Two of those turnovers led to Novi touchdowns.

"We did a really terrible job tonight of protecting the football," Brighton coach Brian Lemons said. "You can't have drives end in penalties or end in turnovers and win games."

"I would expect we'd have a little bit better control of it at this point. We're still getting better; it's just taking longer than we wanted it to."

Down 14-3 at halftime, Brighton had a chance to get back in the game when Kyle Sica blocked a punt, giving the Bulldogs possession at Novi's 14-yard line with 10:39 left in the third quarter. Brighton fumbled on a fourth-and-1 run from the 5.

"When you're playing the way we are,



Novi quarterback Luke Aurilia, center, hands off to Wildcat Cole Shires in the home game against Brighton on Sept. 17. GILLIS BENEDICT/LIVINGSTON DAILY

there's so little room for error," Lemons said. "Our defense made some really good adjustments at halftime. We stifled them in that third quarter and gave us some chances on offense, but we took the ball out of our own hands."

Brighton quarterback Colin McKernan threw two touchdown passes late in the game, but the Bulldogs couldn't recover the onside kicks. His 57-yard strike to Mitchell Hannan with 3:34 left made it 28-9 and his 14-yarder to running back Kevin Funke with 1:47 remaining ended the scoring.

McKernan was 14-for-23 for 220 yards and two touchdowns. He was replaced

midway through the game by Grant Hetherton, who was 6-for-9 for 57 yards.

Hannan had six catches for 109 yards. Brighton was held to 79 yards on 24 carries.

"I'm telling them each week if you don't get better, you're just going to stay in the loss column," Lemons said. "They have to come to practice and they have to want to get better and just grow. We're going to do it. I'm confident. We have the right guys in that locker room to get it done."

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## WEEK 6 MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

### Kensington Lakes Activity Association

Livonia Churchill vs. Livonia Franklin; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Livonia Stevenson vs. Dearborn; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Wayne Memorial vs. Belleville; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
John Glenn vs. Dearborn Fordson; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Canton vs. Brighton; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Northville vs. Salem; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Novi vs. Plymouth; 7 p.m., Oct. 1

### Catholic High School League

Brother Rice at Orchard Lake St. Mary's; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Detroit Catholic Central at De La Salle; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Cranbrook Kingswood at Macomb Lutheran North; 7 p.m., Oct. 1

### Lakes Valley Conference

Milford at Waterford Mott; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
South Lyon vs. Waterford Kettering; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
South Lyon East vs. Walled Lake Central; 7 p.m., Oct. 1

Lakeland at Walled Lake Northern; 7 p.m., Oct. 1

### Oakland Activities Association

Groves vs. Rochester; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
North Farmington vs. Rochester Adams; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Seaholm at Oak Park; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Bloomfield Hills at Troy Athens; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Farmington vs. Royal Oak; 7 p.m., Oct. 1

### Independent

Detroit Country Day at Warren Michigan

Collegiate; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Livonia Clarenceville vs. Taylor; 7 p.m., Oct. 1

### Western Wayne Athletic Conference

Garden City at Dearborn Heights Annapolis; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Redford Thurston vs. Redford Union; 7 p.m., Oct. 1  
Lutheran Westland vs. Sterling Heights Parkway Christian; 7 p.m., Oct. 1

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City of Plymouth

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2. **PUBLIC HEARING FOR:** Site Plan & Special Land Use SP21-05: 1490 W. Ann Arbor Rd, Scooter's Coffee  
Zoned: ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor District  
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3. **PUBLIC HEARING FOR:** Site Plan & Special Land Use SP21-06: 500 Forest, EG Nick's Restaurant  
Zoned: B-2, Central Business District  
Applicant: EG Nick's Restaurant
4. **PUBLIC HEARING FOR:** Site Plan & Special Land Use SP21-07: 844 Penniman, The Post Local Bistro Restaurant  
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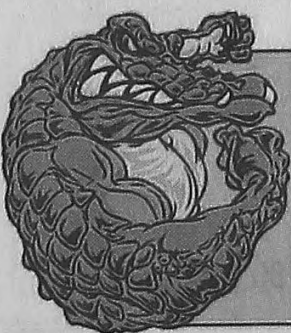
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## Get Paid to Work Remote From These U.S. Locations

By Ziprecruiter.com

Remote work has grown dramatically since the pandemic and become more widely accepted, opening up opportunities for both employers and job seekers. A recent ZipRecruiter survey found that 55% of active job seekers would prefer remote work right now, with about 45% preferring to keep that option once the pandemic is over.\*

Employers have realized that there is a larger pool of talent to hire from—be it in another city, or even state—while job seekers can apply to more opportunities and have greater flexibility in where they can live.

Many locales have taken notice and are offering incentives to remote workers who can help revitalize towns, bring in skilled workers, support economic development, and more. Here are just some of the incentives that are open to remote workers. Please visit each program's website for details.

### West Virginia

**Program:** Ascend WV  
**Incentive:** \$12,000, outdoor gear rentals, use of a co-working space  
**Overview:** Over the course of this two-year program, the first \$10,000 will be paid out in installments during participants' first year. An additional \$2,000 will be paid after the completion of the second year. Participants also receive free access to outdoor activities like whitewater rafting and downhill skiing, and gear rentals for themselves, family, and friends. Ascend WV also provides a free co-working space, orientation, program events, and access to local business contacts.  
**Requirements:** Work remote (or have the ability to) or are currently self-employed outside of West Virginia; currently live outside of West Virginia full-time; provide evidence of employment and income; relocate within six months of program acceptance; 18+ years old; U.S. citizen or green card holder.

### Northwest Arkansas

**Program:** Life Works Here  
**Incentive:** \$10,000 and a free bicycle or membership to a local arts or cultural institution  
**Overview:** 25% of the incentive will be paid upon signing a lease/purchasing a home. Upon arrival, participants will then receive \$500 per month for 12 months and a final payment of \$1,500.  
**Requirements:** Currently live outside Arkansas; currently hold a full-time job or self-employed; 2+ years of work experience; relocate within six months of acceptance; 24+ years old; eligible to work in the U.S.

### Tulsa, Oklahoma

**Program:** Tulsa Remote  
**Incentive:** \$10,000  
**Overview:** After 375 people benefited from the program in 2020, Tulsa is looking to include even more participants this year. In addition to the cash, which is paid out over the course of a year (or upfront if purchasing a home in Tulsa), Tulsa Remote offers coworking space rentals, home rental deals, and community events for members of the program.  
**Requirements:** Currently have a full-time remote job or are self-employed outside of Oklahoma; relocate within 12 months of acceptance; 18+ years old; eligible to work in the U.S.

### Topeka, Kansas

**Program:** Choose Topeka  
**Incentive:** Up to \$15,000 relocation  
**Overview:** The incentive will go towards relocation costs and is open to both participants who can work remote from Topeka, as well as those who secure a local job and work on-site. Visit the site for details on payout amounts and schedule.  
**Requirements:** To work remote: Must have an employer located outside Shawnee County; relocate to Topeka for a full-time position; purchase or rent a primary home in Shawnee County within a year of hire/move; one relocation incentive per household; minimum 3 months waiting period; eligible to work in the U.S.  
**To work on-site:** Must have an employer participating in the program; move to Topeka for a full-time position; purchase or rent a primary home in Shawnee County within a year of hire/move; eligible to work in the U.S.



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### Tucson, Arizona

**Program:** Remote Tucson  
**Incentive:** Up to \$7,600 in cash, goods, and services  
**Overview:** Application will be opening soon for the Fall 2021 cohort. Program participants will receive money and benefits towards relocation, coworking spaces, career support, free internet, housing support, and local attractions.  
**Requirements:** Currently live outside of Tucson; relocate within six months of acceptance; full-time remote employment outside of Tucson and Pima County; income of \$65k+; 18+ years old; eligible to work in the U.S.

### Shoals, Alabama

**Program:** Remote Shoals  
**Incentive:** \$10,000  
**Overview:** Remote Shoals provides 25% of the incentive upfront, another 25% after six months, and the remaining 50% after a year. In addition to the cash incentives, the Shoals promotes a low cost of living, welcoming community, and creative culture focused on music and the arts.  
**Requirements:** Full-time remote employment or self-employed outside Colbert and Lauderdale Counties; relocate within six

months of acceptance; earn \$52k+ per year; 18+ years old; eligible to work in the U.S.

### Kansas Rural Opportunity Zones (ROZ)

**Program:** Kansas Rural Opportunity Zones  
**Incentive:** \$15,000 student loan repayment assistance and/or 100% state income tax credit  
**Overview:** Over 95 counties across Kansas are looking to attract workers by offering a mix of student loan repayments and tax credits for all new full-time residents (no remote job needed!). Student loan repayment assistance is paid out over five years.  
**Requirements:** A newly established permanent address in a participating county after the county began participating in the program; complete associate's, bachelor's or post-graduate degree prior to moving; active student loan balance; transcripts with degree dates and student loan balance with distribution dates; proof of domicile in the ROZ County and proof of previous permanent residency.  
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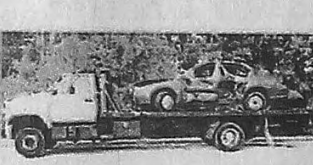
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## CROSSWORD PUZZLER

### Super Crossword PAIRS OFF

- ACROSS**
- 1 Gallery display
  - 8 Bits of fabric, e.g.
  - 14 "Quit that!"
  - 20 Low-cost and inferior, informally
  - 21 Apple ad catchphrase
  - 22 For a short period
  - 23 Actress Freeman who lived in a European gambling mecca?
  - 25 Cello relative
  - 26 Classic Ford
  - 27 Animated one, in brief
  - 28 Like some radio shows
  - 30 Cereal grass
  - 31 Palmist, e.g.
  - 32 General —'s chicken
  - 33 Two-masted sailboat painted bright red?
  - 35 Oahu beach
  - 38 IV flow
  - 39 Land of ska
  - 43 King or czar
  - 47 Fluctuate
  - 51 Really hurt the feelings of?
  - 54 Aquaint, e.g.
  - 55 Quaint newspaper sections
  - 56 Very little
  - 57 Enter gently
  - 60 Actor Ron
  - 61 Golf club
  - 62 Saints' org.
  - 64 Like someone who has moved to America again?
  - 66 Coup group
  - 68 Like a black chimney
  - 70 Nothing, in Latin
  - 71 Parasite on a passenger flight?
  - 74 Mil. rank
  - 75 Sonar sound
  - 78 Groom's vow
  - 79 Hound breed
  - 80 Laugh loudly
  - 82 Cut off with scissors
  - 83 T-man Eliot
  - 85 Be too busy for a health-resort visit?
  - 89 Stun guns
  - 92 Go to bed
  - 93 Acclimated
  - 94 Essence
  - 96 Making a snug home
  - 98 "Alice" waitress who specialized in serving Dad's soft drinks?
  - 104 Styled after
  - 105 Peat source
  - 109 Indisposed
  - 110 Sporty Chevy
  - 111 Clay lump
  - 113 Vixen's boss
  - 114 Sight-related
  - 116 Apt getaway spelled by this puzzle's missing pairs of last two letters
  - 119 Get even for
  - 120 Follows
  - 121 Discharge an egg
  - 122 Usurer, e.g.
  - 123 Typists in trials
  - 124 Rode a bike
- DOWN**
- 1 Zeniths
  - 2 — Island (part of New England)
  - 3 Edgy
  - 4 Ocean filler
  - 5 German car
  - 6 Ocask of the Cars
  - 7 Of the "Ode on a Grecian Urn" poet
  - 8 Fodder storer
  - 9 "Move it!"
  - 10 Bighorn male
  - 11 BP gas brand
  - 12 Carrier founded in 1927
  - 13 La — (opera house)
  - 14 Rescuers
  - 15 Hostess classic
  - 16 "So that's your game!"
  - 17 Stove light
  - 18 Of a pelvic bone
  - 19 Extra inning
  - 24 Chess piece
  - 29 Classic Ford
  - 32 Burrito's kin
  - 33 Very little
  - 34 Sword sort
  - 35 Nintendo game
  - 36 Not engaged
  - 37 Petty of NASCAR
  - 39 Actress Ryan of "Boston Public"
  - 40 God of love
  - 41 Bikers' competition on a dirt trail
  - 42 In no key, musically
  - 44 Take — (plop down)
  - 45 Actor Keach of "Man With a Plan"
  - 46 Errand, e.g.
  - 48 Most hard and cold
  - 49 Rights gp.
  - 50 Reasons
  - 52 Poking tool
  - 53 Essence
  - 58 Monogram letter: Abbr.
  - 59 Final degree
  - 62 Papa's ma
  - 63 Edible fruit part
  - 64 — choy
  - 65 Rap genre
  - 67 Chest protector, of sorts
  - 68 Holey utensil
  - 69 Musical piece for eight
  - 71 "— life grand?"
  - 72 Brain flash
  - 73 Old autocrat
  - 74 Slalom, say
  - 76 Neck area
  - 77 Alum
  - 80 Bygone days
  - 81 Former foes of Navajos
  - 82 Forest buck
  - 84 Labor Day mo.
  - 86 Madre's boy
  - 87 Postal slot
  - 88 Actress Best of "The Man Who Knew Too Much"
  - 90 Chest protector, of sorts
  - 91 Thieving type
  - 95 Dress border
  - 97 Southwest art mecca
  - 98 Foe
  - 99 Antipasto bit
  - 100 Cindy Brady player Susan
  - 101 Goes very quickly
  - 102 Facade
  - 103 Mature nit
  - 105 "The Practice" actress Sokoloff
  - 106 "Barry Lyndon" star Ryan
  - 107 Situation
  - 108 Filled fully
  - 111 Singer Laine
  - 112 A smaller amount of
  - 113 Valuable sire
  - 115 Conjunction in Cologne
  - 117 Wordplay bit
  - 118 Actress Best of "Nurse Jackie"

## SUDOKU

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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!

### PLAY IT AGAIN

Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, even diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.

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M E T E C H N A G R O W F L U T E G  
S N E C C C T A K I A L A L A B U F  
I I N O O O E T R U M P E T X I E M  
T R A R R R N Q K A Z O O M T W A T  
A A T D D N I E B A G L E A I N B A  
R L S E I E P F H F H O R L D H I M  
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I V L K L N U Z J E N N G N O G D U  
W W U P I A N O R E S E P I P G A B  
M E F I F L L E B R T R I A N G L E

### ANSWER KEY

- ACCORDION
- BAGPIPES
- BALAJAIKA
- BANJO
- BASSOON
- BELL
- BOUZOUKI
- BUGLE
- CASTANETS
- CELLO
- CHIME
- CLARINET
- CORNET
- DRUM
- DULCIMER
- FIFE
- FLUTE
- GONG
- GUJAR
- HARMONICA
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- HORN
- KAZOO
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- MANDOLIN
- OBOE
- OCARINA
- ORGAN
- PIANO
- PICCOLO
- RECORDER
- SITAR
- SPINET
- TAMBOURINE
- TRIANGLE
- TROMBONE
- TRUMPET
- TUBA
- UKULELE
- VIOLA
- VIOLIN
- VIRGINAL
- WHISTLE
- XYLOPHONE

ANSWERS

U	T	S	R	A	V	E	N	O	H	P	O	L	Y	X	X	Y	M
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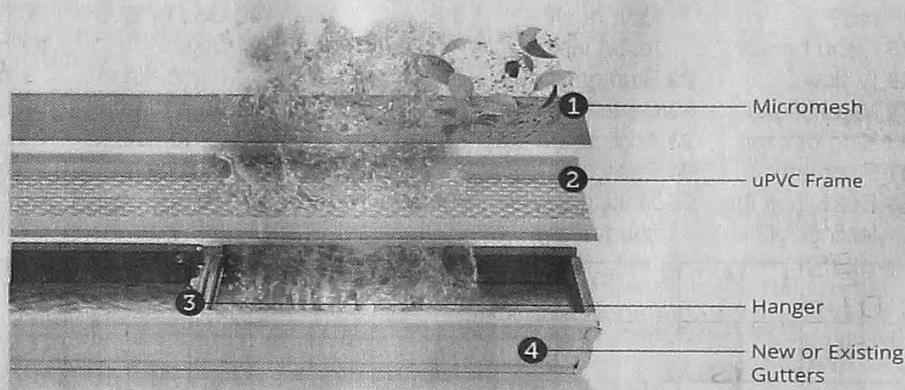
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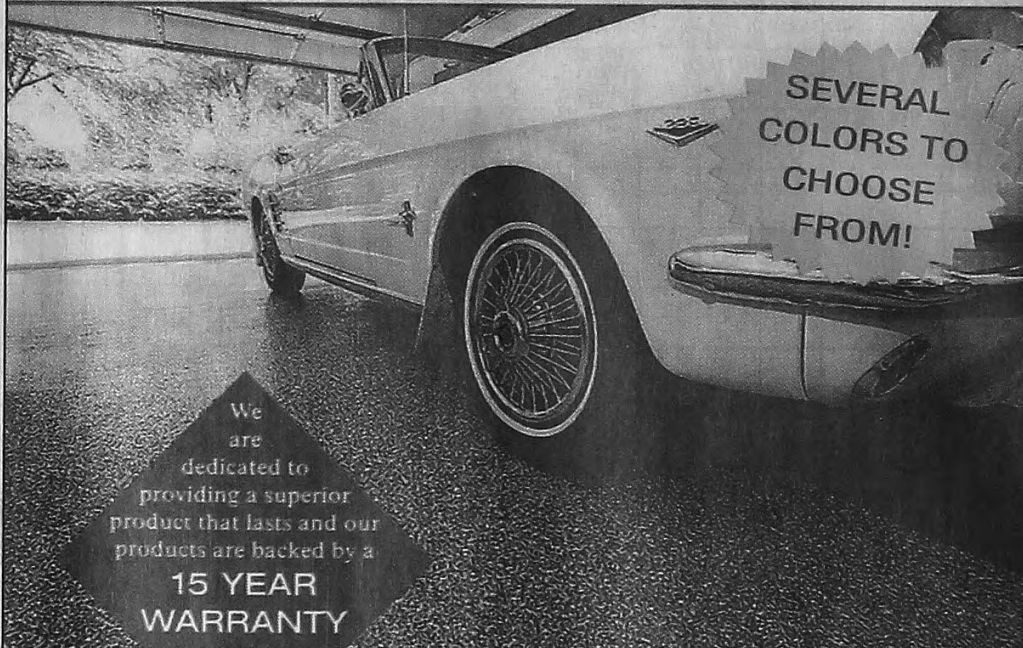
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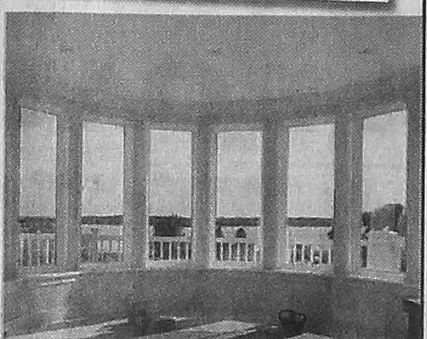
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