

Livonia teen's police interview upsets family

They say officers did not seek parents' consent

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Johannes Cawood is pushing for a new Livonia school policy ever since police pulled his son out of a Stevenson High School classroom and interviewed

him without a parent present.

Jake Cawood, 15, is ingrained with his father's distrust for local police.

He said he asked for his dad after Livonia police interrupted a biology class to question him about a garage door being damaged in early November.

"Me and my dad, we've talked about this," said Jake, a schools-of-choice student who lives with his parents in Farmington Hills. "I asked the school resource officer. I said, 'Can I have my dad, please?'"

"I was shaking. I was nervous, very anxious about the whole situation. I asked multiple times. He kind of, in a way, peer pressured me just going in. He

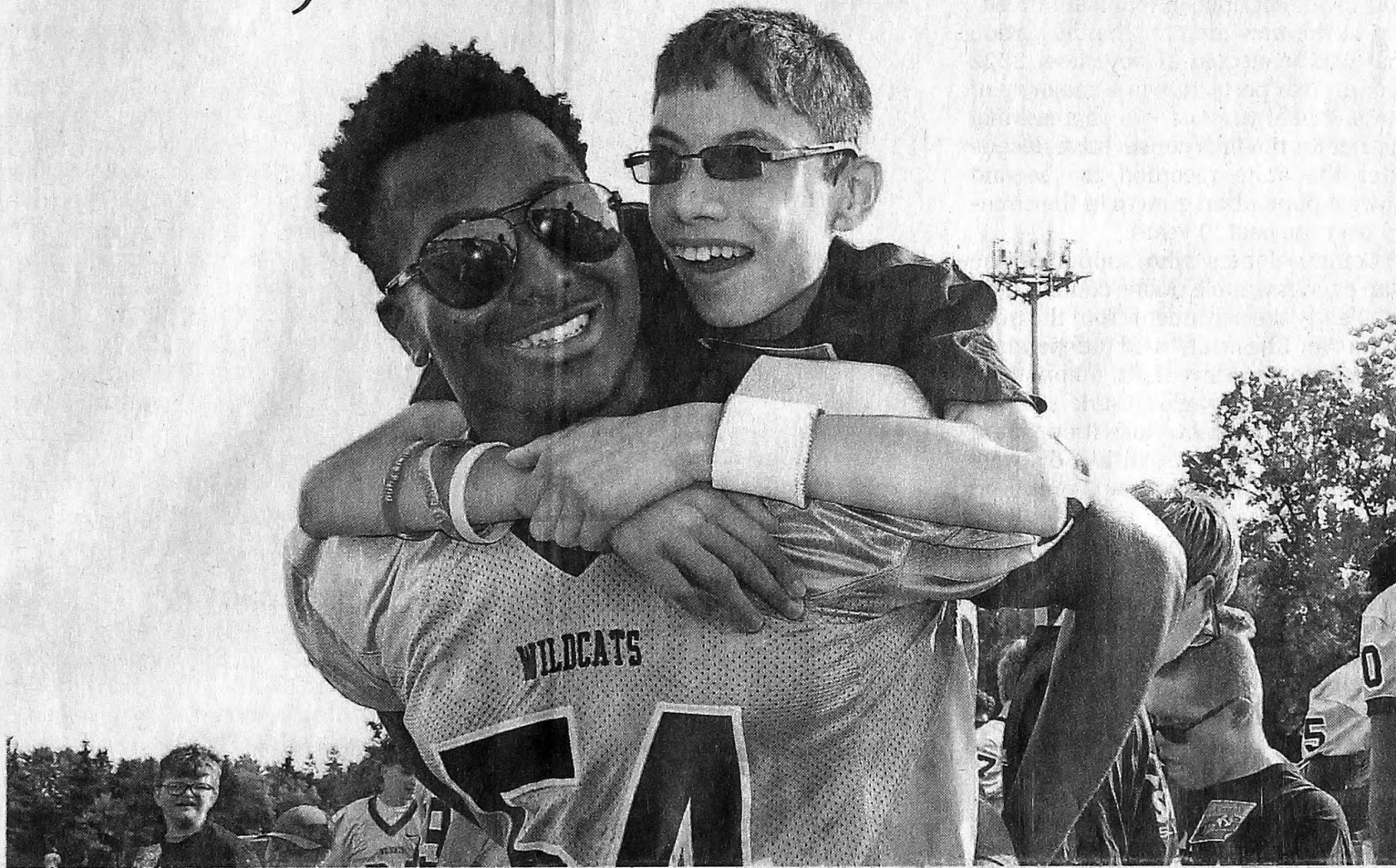
was directing me. He was like, 'Let's go.'"

The interview took place, and Jake's father didn't learn of the encounter until Jake sent an after-the-fact message.

Prosecutors have been reviewing a possible malicious property destruction charge against Jake, a Stevenson soccer player with hopes of following his fa-

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BEST, WORST MOMENTS OF 2021



Plymouth football player Tyler Harris, left, gives a piggyback ride to Sunshine Football Clinic camper Carlos Teran in July.

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Altered by the pandemic that has become a new normal for society, 2021 showed us tragedy and loss but also humanity, triumph and community.

People were ready to get life back to normal in 2021, and in many cases that happened, though as Hometown Life staff photographer John Heider puts it: "Just about every photograph I took, the pandemic had something to do with it."

The pandemic affected schools, dining, entertainment and sports. It led to strife as not everyone agrees how best to respond to COVID-19.

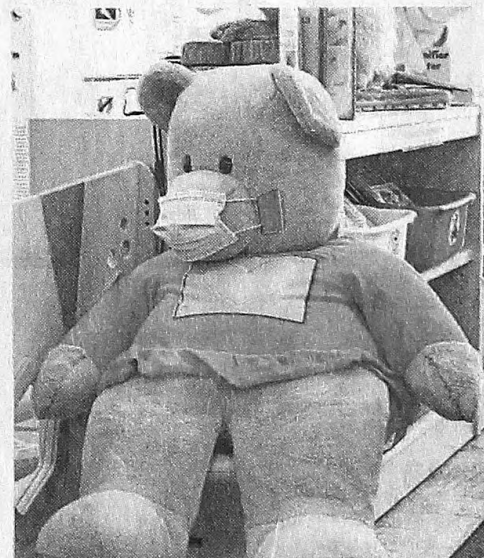
Here's a look at just a few of the moments that have made up the past year. See more on **Page 4A**.



Milford Police Officer Nicole Adams cradles Andrea Pipa's Coco in January. The Havanese poodle was rescued from under a recliner earlier that week.



A pine tree's reflection competes with blooming Japanese cherry trees at Cranbrook's Japanese Garden in April.



A masked-up teddy bear at the Farmington Early Childhood Center in February.

Canton Hall of Fame welcomes 3 new inductees

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Three residents joined the ranks of Canton hall of famers during a private ceremony hosted by the township's Summit on the Park Community Center.

The inductees — Dr. Syed Taj, Eva Davis and Tammy Haggerty — were selected based on their contributions to the Canton community.

Taj served on the board of directors of the Canton Community Foundation for six years and currently serves on the

board of directors for the Senior Alliance. He spent the last decade as chairman of United Outstanding Physicians of Southeast Michigan.

Taj is a lifetime member of The Michigan Association of Physicians of Indian Heritage and the American Association

of Physicians of Indian Origin. He was instrumental in bridging the friendship between the Canton Muslim community of the Muslim Community of Western Suburbs and the various cultures in

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Commission sets congressional map

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Michigan's redistricting commission voted to adopt new congressional districts Tuesday, creating political boundaries for the state's 13 U.S. House districts for the next decade.

The new map places the current hometowns of eight incumbents in the same districts, eliminates the two majority-Black districts that currently run through Detroit and chips away at the Republican advantage baked into the map in place today.

The new map – referred to as “Chestnut” – was backed by eight out of 13 of the randomly selected voters who serve on the commission: two Democrats, two Republicans and four independents. Five commissioners voted for a different plan.

The new map sets up at least one primary battle between incumbents: U.S. Reps. Andy Levin, D-Bloomfield Township, and Haley Stevens, D-Rochester Hills, announced they were both running in a newly drawn southern Oakland County district.

There could be other primary battles or general election fights between incumbents as well, though U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Dearborn, said she plans to move into a new district centered on Ann Arbor, rather than potentially battle with U.S. Rep. Brenda Lawrence, D-Southfield.

U.S. Rep. Elissa Slotkin, D-Holly, has said she would leave her home and take up residence in a new district anchored by Lansing, given that northern Oakland County is being merged with northern Macomb and the Thumb in a solidly Republican district.

There has been lots of speculation about whether Lawrence might swap districts to run on the east side of Detroit, which she has been representing, with U.S. Rep. Rashida Tlaib, D-Detroit, potentially taking the west side of Detroit and western Wayne County, which she now represents, even though her home isn't currently in the new district.

State Rep. Shri Thanedar, D-Detroit, has said he's looking at running for Congress in the newly-formed district on the east side of Detroit. And businessman John James, who ran for U.S. Senate unsuccessfully in the last two election cycles, is said to be looking at running in the eastern Oakland/southern Macomb district.

Under the law, a member of Congress doesn't have to live in the district he or she represents.

The commission's vote marks the culmination of a monthslong process during which the political novices who make up the commission toured the state to seek public feedback on what the lines should look like and spent marathon meetings working together to draw new maps.

The votes mark a pivotal moment for the new citizen-led redistricting process Michigan voters sought in 2018 when they adopted a constitutional amendment to remove redistricting responsibilities from state lawmakers and place them in the hands of the citizen-led commission charged with drawing fair maps based on community input.

Michigan's new congressional map

Michigan's congressional delegation today is evenly divided between the two major parties, with seven Democratic and seven Republican representatives.

But the new map for the delegation that will be elected in November 2022 sets up one party to win a majority of seats. Michigan lost a congressional district for the fifth consecutive decade after the state recorded the second slowest population growth in the country over the past 10 years.

Commissioners who supported the plan cited favorable public comment on it. “Clearly the sentiment from the public was for Chestnut,” said independent commissioner Steve Lett. Republican commissioner Douglas Clark said he preferred the map because it appeared to create more competitive districts compared to the other maps proposed by the commission.

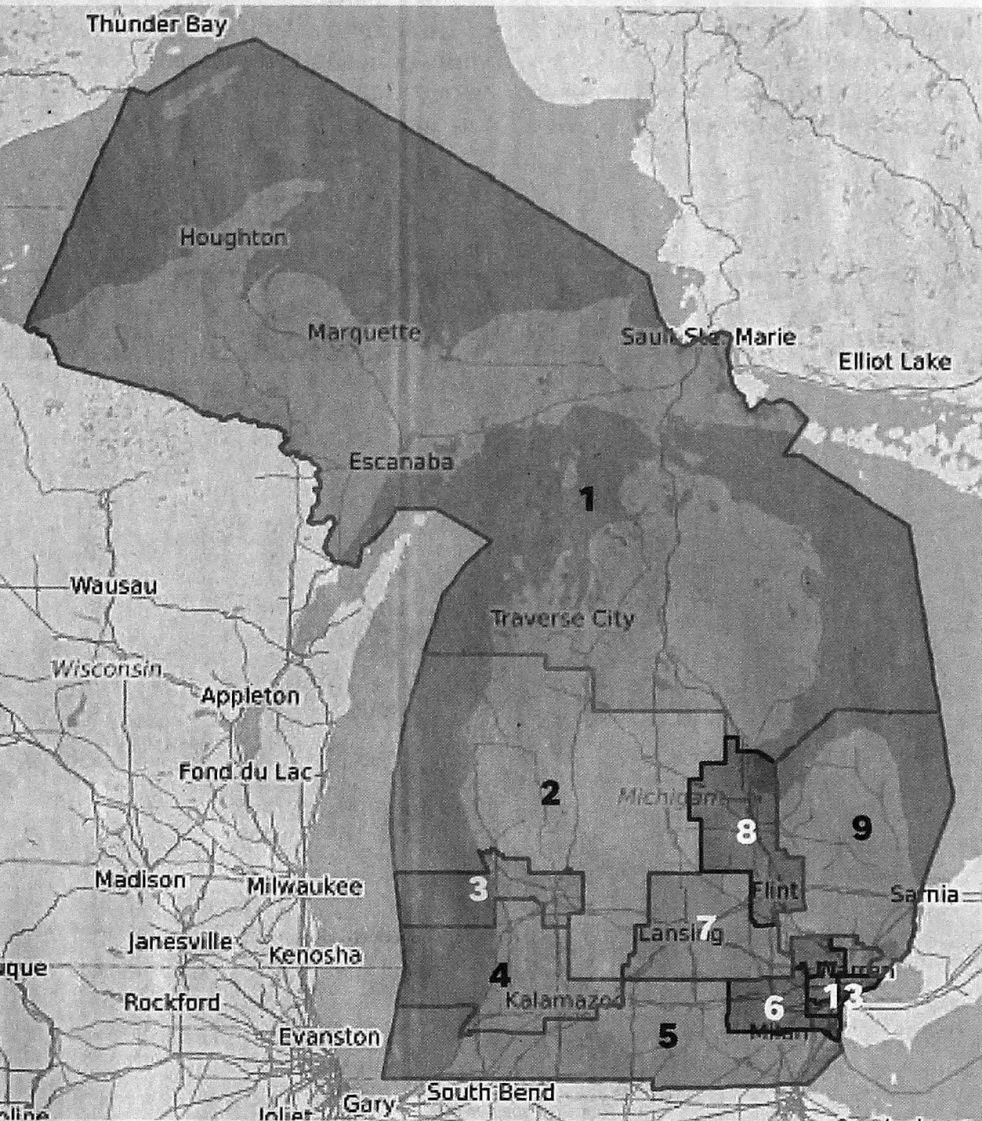
Politicians from metro Detroit have raised concerns about the elimination of the two majority-Black districts that run through Detroit.

The new congressional map creates the following 13 districts:

- **District 1, an Up North district:** This district includes the Upper Peninsula and northern Lower Peninsula. Rep. Jack Bergman, R-Watersmeet, lives in this Republican district.
- **District 2, a mid-Michigan district:** This district encompasses many mid-Michigan counties. This would be a Republican seat.
- **District 3, a Grand Rapids-based district:** This district pairs Grand Rapids with communities on the western lakeshore, including Grand Haven and Muskegon. The district would be politically competitive. Rep. Peter Meijer, R-Grand Rapids, lives in this district.
- **District 4, a western lakeshore district:** The district starts in St. Joseph Township and extends north to Port Sheldon Township. The district includes Battle Creek and Kalamazoo. Reps. Bill Huizenga, R-Holland Township, and Fred Upton, R-St. Joseph, live in this Republican district.
- **District 5, a southern border district:** The district spans the southern border and includes Jackson County along with portions of Calhoun and Kalamazoo counties. Rep. Tim Walberg, R-Tipton, lives in this Republican district.
- **District 6, an Ann Arbor-based district:** This Democratic district places Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti with some of western Wayne County, including Canton and Plymouth, as well as parts of Downriver and Novi.
- **District 7, a Lansing-based district:** This district includes Clinton, Ingham, Livingston and Shiawassee counties. Rep. Elissa Slotkin, D-Holly is eyeing a run in this toss-up district.

New congressional map for Michigan

Michigan's redistricting commission voted to adopt new congressional districts Tuesday, creating political boundaries for the state's 13 U.S. House districts for the next decade. Based on a review of commission's compilation of statewide elections over the past decade, areas shaded red are safe Republican districts, areas shaded blue are safe Democratic districts and areas with a gray shade are considered a toss-up.



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Commissioner Kim Brace listens to public comment during the meeting. DETROIT FREE PRESS

- **District 8, a Flint-based district:** Bay City, Flint and Saginaw are currently in the same congressional district, but this district would add Midland to the mix to include the hometowns of Rep. Dan Kildee, D-Flint Township, and Rep. John Moolenaar, R-Midland. As drawn, it appears to be a Democratic seat but the district has trended Republican in recent elections.
- **District 9, a Thumb district:** This district includes much of Michigan's Thumb, encompassing Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and St. Clair counties along with portions of northern Oakland and Macomb counties. Rep. Lisa McClain, R-Bruce Township, and Rep. Elissa Slotkin, D-Holly, live in this district. This would be a Republican district.
- **District 10, a southern Macomb County district:** This district includes southern Macomb County and Oakland County's Rochester and Rochester Hills.

- The politically competitive district includes the hometown of Rep. Haley Stevens, D-Rochester Hills.
- **District 11, a southern Oakland County district:** This Democratic district includes southeast Oakland County communities and extends up to Troy. It also includes Bloomfield Hills, Pontiac, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Walled Lake, Wixom, Commerce Charter Township and Waterford. Rep. Andy Levin, D-Bloomfield Township, lives in this district.
- **District 12, a western Wayne County district:** This Democratic district pairs Dearborn, Livonia, Westland and Redford in western Wayne County with Oakland County's Southfield. It includes some west side Detroit neighborhoods and places Rep. Brenda Lawrence, D-Southfield, and Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Dearborn, in the same district.
- **District 13, a Detroit-based district:** This district encompasses most of Detroit and extends Downriver. Rep. Rashida Tlaib, D-Detroit, lives in this Democratic district.

What happens next?

Under the Michigan Constitution, the commission must publish the map along with data and reference materials used to draw it within 30 days after adopting it. The map becomes law 60 days after its publication.

Democratic and Republican candidates for U.S. House must file petitions to run for office by late April.

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Farmington pop-up serves chocolate treats

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Nakija Mills has taken one step closer to her dream: opening a permanent chocolate shop in downtown Farmington.

The owner of Lekker Chóco Treats set up shop temporarily inside the former — and future — home of Browndog Barlor at 33314 Grand River. The pop-up business opened in mid-December and will remain downtown through February as one of the first pop-ups coordinated with the city's Downtown Development Authority.

"Farmington is where I want to be," the Farmington resident said. "This is my downtown. This is where my kids go to school. And I've seen the growth in Farmington."

The pop-up shop is the first temporary storefront Mills has operated for her business. She said she's participated in events at places such as the market at Beacon Park in Detroit and Arts, Beats and Eats in Royal Oak.

After reaching out to participate in the Harvest Moon last fall in downtown Farmington, Mills connected with the DDA and arranged a temporary pop-up in the Browndog space.

With Browndog not returning until the spring, Mills is using the space to sell her treats, including chocolate-covered strawberry skewers, mini pancakes with a variety of toppings and fruit-infused teas. She also sells pints of Browndog ice cream, as well, for those who miss the ice cream parlor.

Born in Dominica in the West Indies, Mills grew up in the Netherlands. She later came to the United States, settling in metro Detroit and trying her hand at making delicious treats as well as flower arrangements.

After taking a several year break, she was asked by a friend to help create some strawberry towers for a wedding. Her talent was noticed and she began getting requests from people for her products.

It was during the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 that Mills realized she wanted to launch what had become a side business into her full-time career. So she created a website to sell floral arrangements before Mother's



Lekker Chóco Treats owner Nakija Mills prepares chocolate to drizzle over strawberries at her Farmington pop-up.
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Day last year and instantly became a hit.

"Even though my job was paying me, I thought to myself, 'What happens when they stop?'" she said. "So I sat back and I thought, 'OK, I can do the bouquets.'"

"The first week that I launched it, I got 32 orders."

Today, she's serving up her delicious treats to hungry pedestrians traversing downtown. Using the inside of the Browndog's space, she creates many of the treats in front of the customers to add to the experience.

"I want people to see the motion, the drizzle of the chocolate," she said. "I want them to watch us make it. That's the whole fun part about it."

While Mills is working in the space on

a temporary basis, she hopes to use the time as momentum to eventually launch her own brick-and-mortar shop in the downtown area.

"After February, I'll probably do a few more festivals and raise more capital," she said. "I want people to know about me in Detroit, Southfield. I want to grow this business to the point that I want it to become a franchise."

The shop is open noon to 9 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. More information, including online ordering, can be found online at ekkerchocotreats.com.

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As the sun sets behind them, Teague, 8, left, and his mother, Tiffany Stewart, play hockey on the ice rink at Milford's Central Park on Feb. 16.
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A jockey has his horse led out of the paddock before racing begins for the night May 21 at Northville Downs.



Angela French demonstrates a goat yoga session at Blue Line Farms.



Gavin Gibson skateboards at Hines Park's Hawthorne Ridge Bike Park in September.



Protesters gather Jan. 12 in front of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education building to urge that students be able to return to full-time in-person classes. School districts returned to in-person classes this fall, but county health orders require students and staff to wear masks.



A man walks by with a youngster on his shoulders during the Dec. 9 lockdown after a report of a student with a gun at school.



After the shooting at Oxford High, Hometown Life talked to school resource officers about their connection to kids at schools. Wayne Memorial High School Resource Officer Jordan Arndt greets freshman Thomas Schroeder on Dec. 8.



Sawyer Bagnell, 3, hangs out on the back of a stroller with his mom, Hannah, Plymouth's Art in the Park celebration July 9.



Erwin Orchard in Lyon Township may soon sell off much of its 180 acres of apple trees for a housing development. Ericka Kruegel lifts up her daughter Madelyn, 4, so she can snag some ginger gold apples Sept. 1.

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Inductees

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Canton and the surrounding region.

Davis, director of the Canton Public Library, is co-chair of the Canton Coalition for Inclusive Communities, and is chair of the coalition's new subcommittee, the Police Transparency and Guidance Subcommittee.

Davis spearheaded Canton's Not in our Town program and led the charge for the township to receive Gold Star status through this program. In addition, Davis volunteers and is active for many causes and organizations such as National Night Out, the Beloved Community, Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle and the Canton Community Foundation.

Haggerty, owner of Jacob Matthews Jewelers, is an active member of Chicks 4 Charity, Giving Hope Women's Giving

Circle and the Canton and Plymouth chambers of commerce. Haggerty, who is extremely passionate about the Wounded Warriors Project, is the non-profit's local chapter president.

Haggerty has raised over \$400,000 in the last few years. She is also a current board member for the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities and the Canton Cares Fund Advisory Committee and hosts many days of giving campaigns at her store, offering the proceeds of her store's sales to different non-profit organizations.

Jeff Poplin, Jennifer Brock and Cam Nelletts were presented with the township's Community Achiever Award.

Poplin is known for his work of picking up trash throughout the community. Brock helped spearhead the Feeding the Frontline initiative during the early days of the pandemic. Nelletts was recognized for his years of service to the township's Emergency Food Assistance program.

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Pictured from left are the newest inductees to the Canton Township Hall of Fame: Eva Davis, Tammy Haggerty and Dr. Syed Taj. COURTESY OF CANTON TOWNSHIP

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ther's footsteps by joining the military.

His dad did not let Jake explain to Hometown Life why he is being investigated but said that Jake is a child who was behaving like a child.

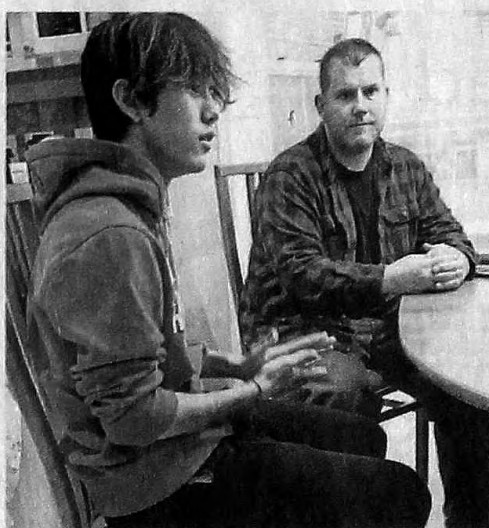
According to Livonia Police Lt. Charles Lister, an investigation began after a Coventry Gardens homeowner heard a loud bang outside and discovered garage door damage totaling about \$1,600. A neighbor told police some of the teens who reportedly ran away were recognizable.

Several interviews were conducted, including some that took place at Stevenson High, near Six Mile and Farmington roads.

"Mr. Cawood's son was identified as a suspect in this case," Lister said. "Having just received this information, the investigator then interviewed Mr. Cawood's son."

"There were no custodial interrogations conducted during this investigation including that of Mr. Cawood's son."

Experts say a custodial interrogation is one where police have deprived the



Jake Cawood says an officer pushed him into an police interview without giving Jake an opportunity to have his parents present. Jake's father, Johannes, is at right.

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not an adult. He doesn't know our complex legal system.

"He should have been interviewed either in our home or we could have went down to the police station or we could have refused to do an interview. (If I had known they were going to interview him), I would have probably hired an attorney to be present."

Cawood said he has filed a complaint against the police department. He said the department's response emphasized that officers would have stopped questioning Jake immediately if had asked for a lawyer.

"But they do not treat a request for a lawyer the same as a request for a parent, even in cases of interrogating a child," Cawood alleged, adding he wants no other parent to deal with the same frustration."

He also spoke to Livonia city and school officials.

Cawood shared an email from Stevenson Principal Pete Mazzoni, which included an apology for the manner in which the events transpired.

Supported by his wife, Rie, who said her son deserved better, more protected treatment, Cawood is now waiting for Livonia Public Schools' Board of Education to review his proposed policy in the new year.

It demands, among other things, "a reasonable attempt to gain parental consent" before police can question a student, with the exception of cases involving suspected child neglect or child abuse.

"It's the same policy that our state police follow," Cawood said. "It's nothing radical that I'm asking."

He referenced a 2006 Michigan State Police document that highlighted, under a "Back to Basics" section, the importance of being extra cautious with juvenile interviews because of potential court issues.

"When possible, parents should be present, but minimally police should seek parent permission to conduct an interview," the legal update document stated.

School board members ignored requests for comment, and district spokeswoman Stacy Jenkins said the board has a procedure when considering new policies.

The district does not have a policy currently, she said, pertaining to how Livonia police should handle interviews with students on campus.

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Gunnar Bjarnesen

BRIGHTON - Gunnar Bjarnesen, a resident of Brighton, formerly of Livonia, passed from this life on December 22, 2021, at the age of 91.

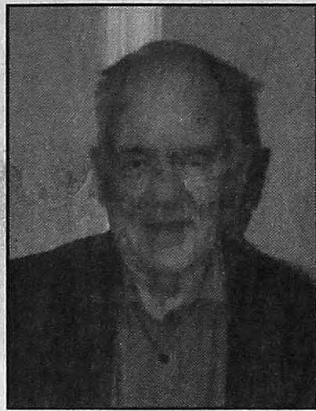
Gunnar was the beloved husband of the late Elizabeth Ann for 64 years. He was the loving father of David (Carol) Bjarnesen, Kathy (Larry) Baker, Nancy (Dale) Hilt, Mary (Mike) Petersen, and Frank (Linda) Bjarnesen. Gunnar was the cherished grandfather of Meghann Bjarnesen (Edwin Shaw), Nicole (Derrick) Lang, Samantha Hilt (Jameson Ross), Haley Hilt, Carly Bjarnesen, Christopher Chase, the late Courtney Hilt, the late Jennifer Baker and adoring great grandfather of Kayleigh Lupro and Cameron Lupro. Gunnar will also be dearly missed by his canine buddy, Toby.

Gunnar loved nothing more than spending time with his family. He also enjoyed gardening, reading, birdwatching and taking his grandchildren for rides on the tractor.

Gunnar will be resting at the Keehn-Griffin Funeral Home, 706 W. Main Street, Brighton on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Funeral Mass will be held following the visitation at 12:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 711 Rickett Rd., Brighton. Gunnar's final resting place will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Memorial Contributions in Gunnar's honor may be made to the Hope House Detroit <https://kindest.com/835135-hope-house-detroit-expanded-impact>

Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at keehngriffinfuneralhome.com.



William Walker "Bill" Cowan, Jr.

June 4, 1927 – December 20, 2021

William Walker "Bill" Cowan, Jr., age 94, of Boone passed away peacefully Monday morning, December 20, 2021, at Watauga Medical Center.

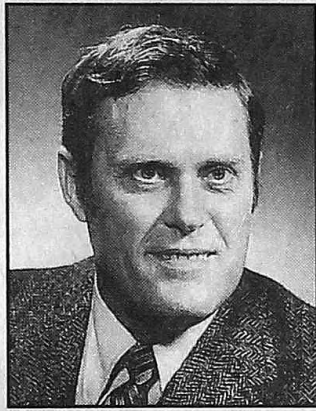
Bill is survived by his wife of 67 years, Hester; a daughter, Ellen Cowan and husband, Keith Seramur, of Boone, NC and daughter, Susan Cowan and husband, George Smith of Kailua, HI. He is also survived by three grandchildren, Alison Seramur Hall and husband, Justin Hall, Mary Seramur, and Kalen William Smith. He is survived by sisters Carol Reagan and Ann Bagwell. He was preceded in death by his brother James and parents, William Walker Cowan Sr. and Gertrude E. Cowan of Knoxville, TN.

After graduating from Knoxville High School in 1945, Bill proudly served in the US Navy during World War II. He graduated from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, class of 1950 and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He then worked in management for Chrysler Corporation in Detroit, MI until he retired. He was an avid outdoorsman, who especially enjoyed fishing in northern Ontario, Canada where he met Hester. At age 79, he hiked to the top of Elk Knob. He earned the distinction of Master Gardener from Michigan State University Extension and he provided abundant organic produce to family and friends from large gardens over the years while living in Birmingham and Dryden, MI, and then Boone, NC. He was an enthusiastic supporter of his grandchildren's athletic pursuits, which included track and field, golf, baseball, and football, in addition to loyally cheering on the Lady Vols.

Bill was a member of Grace Lutheran Church. A memorial service will be conducted at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Grace Lutheran Church, 115 East King Street, Boone, NC 28607.

Online condolences may be shared with the Cowan family at www.austinandbarnesfuneralhome.com

Austin & Barnes Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the Cowan family.



Karen L. MacIver

LIVONIA - Age 65, passed away Friday, December 17, 2021. Surviving are her children, Kim (Matt) Madden, Dan (Veronica) MacIver, Tim (Elisha) MacIver and Becky (Tony) Kales; grandchildren, Kameron, Ashlyn, Kaylee, Trevor, Kelsey, Marissa, Madison, Jessica, Nico and Ellie; loving former spouse, Steven MacIver; in-laws, Penny McIlrath, Linda (Vince) Maylone, Karen Gidley, Lori (Bill) Nagy, Patti (Jerry) O'Chel and Robert (Carla) MacIver; aunts and uncles, Beverly Hallonen, Kathy Ronald and Mike (Pat) McIlrath; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Karen was preceded in death by her parents, William and Marilyn (McKissick) McIlrath, and her brother, John William McIlrath. Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Downtown Farmington. Memorial tributes Clarenceville Education Foundation. heeney-sundquist.com



Mary Repucci

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Mary Repucci, age 94 passed away in peaceful sleep on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2021. Mary was born and raised in Toronto Ontario. She came to Detroit as a Medical Technologist and worked at several Detroit area hospitals. She met and married Francis Repucci in 1957. She was a wonderful wife and dedicated mother to her three children. Mary was an adventurer and world traveler with her family and a first class seamstress. She was greatly loved and will be missed by her children Maureen Babicz, Michael Repucci (Mimi) and Catherine Repucci (deceased), her 4 grandchildren Alex (Taylor), Peter (Jing), Kathryn Babicz, and Michael Babicz, and many nieces and nephews. The Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday, December 30, 2021 at St. Hugo of the Hills' Stone Chapel in Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304. In state at 10:30 am, Mass at 11 am, and Internment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield, MI following the Mass. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Retired Religious Fund of Archdiocese of Detroit or The Capuchins of Detroit.



Donald J. Summers

FARMINGTON - Age 90, of Farmington, passed away Wednesday, December 22, 2021. Graduate of Dearborn St. Alphonsus and U.S. Army Korean War Veteran. Spent early working career with the Bert L. Smoker Residential Construction Co., then soon thereafter, through ambition and sheer determination, developed numerous retail/commercial real estate sites throughout the SE Michigan area, remaining actively engaged in his business concerns right up to his final weeks. Beloved husband of 63 years to June; loving father of Donna (Michael) Jones, Steve (Renee) Summers and Nancy Summers; dear grandfather of Andrew Jones, Michelle Jones, Stephanie (Brent) Pierce, Nicole Summers, and Gregory Summers; and great grandfather of Eliana Pierce and Beau Pierce. Don was preceded in death by siblings, Charles, Frank, and Dorothy. A memorial service is planned for the spring of 2022. In lieu of customary remembrances, memorial tributes are suggested to St. Joseph Catholic Church, 3521 Fourth St., Wayne, MI 48184, or St. Gerald Catholic Church, 21300 Farmington Rd, Farmington 48336. Arrangements entrusted to Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Downtown Farmington (248) 474-5200. heeney-sundquist.com



Arleigh P Helfer, Jr.

Arleigh P. Helfer, Jr., of Bloomfield Township, age 76, expired at home, surrounded by love, on December 26th, 2021, after a three-year battle with pancreatic cancer.

Arleigh was born on September 2nd, 1945 (V-J Day), in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Arleigh P. Helfer, Sr. and Florence J. Helfer. He lived in Hampton Roads area of Virginia for his first ten years. In 1955, he moved to York, Pennsylvania where he graduated from York Suburban High School.

After high school, Arleigh attended Carnegie Institute of Technology (Carnegie Mellon University), where he received a degree in Electrical Engineering, before proceeding west to Stanford University to obtain an MBA.

In 1969, Arleigh moved to Michigan for employment with Ford Motor Company, where he worked in a variety of Finance, IT, and Business Development roles. These roles provided ample opportunity for international travel, as he visited Europe, Japan, China, and Australia multiple times. He concluded his career in the management of the Company's Glass Division, retiring in 2000.

As Michigan became home to Arleigh and his family, he set about to become an active participant in the betterment of the communities he called home. He served as a Boy Scout Leader, baseball manager, and soccer coach. Additionally, he was a key member of his homeowner's association, serving as president and treasurer, as well as personally installing close to two dozen benches, tables, and various pieces of park equipment. In retirement he became a founding member of several non-profit organizations, including the Spectrum Orchestra and the Music on Belle Isle Group (MOBIG).

His retirement also saw him pursue his passion for French Horn performance. He played in several community organizations, including wind bands in Farmington, Warren, and Birmingham. He enjoyed playing bridge and golf, and he eagerly conducted genealogy research as well.

Arleigh's greatest passion in life was his family, friends, and loved ones. He took pride in being there to support and lift the people he most cared about, with his ever present humor, wit, and optimism. He leaves a legacy of love and generosity for them to follow.




Arleigh is survived by his loving companion, Mary Janet Dunn of Royal Oak, and his three sons: Arleigh III (Angela) of Havertown, PA; Andrew (Jennifer) of Bloomsburg, PA; and Erich (Katie (fiancée)) of Overland Park, KS. He was blessed with five granddaughters (Madelaine, Sophie, Katie, Leah, and Audrey) and one grandson (Owen). He is also survived by his ex-wife, Liesa of Farmington Hills.

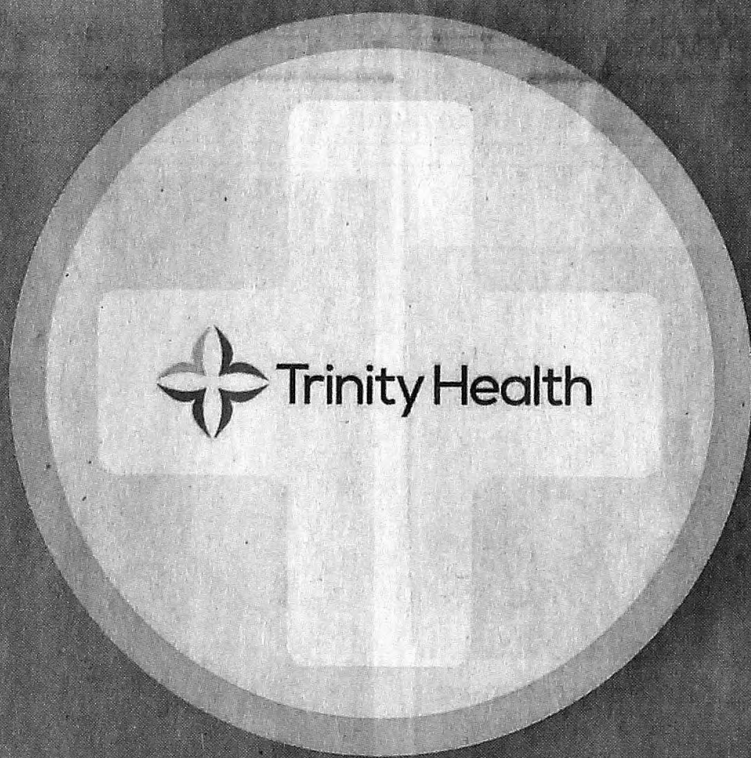
With concern for the health and well-being of his friends, Arleigh did not want to have a service at this challenging time. Plans for a local service will be forthcoming when their safety can be more readily assured. He asked that, in lieu of flowers, contributions could be made to the Music on Belle Isle Group (mobigmusic.org).



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MOTOR CITY ROUND BALL CLASSIC

Bloomfield Hills basketball falls to Phoenix

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Bloomfield Hills had finally stopped the bleeding.

Detroit Renaissance took a back-and-forth boys basketball game and almost turned it into a blowout thanks to a 12-0 run that spanned both the second and third quarters.

Moments after halting the scoring spree, though, the Black Hawks fouled Jacob White in the paint, sending the Renaissance junior to the line for a pair of free throws. It looked as if the Phoenix were going to start another run.

Bloomfield Hills coach Phil Kurjian was so disgusted by the play that he ripped off his mask and wound up his

arm as if he was going to chuck it into the bleachers about 20 feet away.

The fourth-year coach stopped himself, regrouped and took a breath. And then he put his mask back on.

His face sported a completely different demeanor after the game.

Yeah, the Black Hawks couldn't pull off the comeback after trailing by nine points in the third. But Kurjian couldn't have been happier with his team's effort in the 64-58 loss in Monday's 26th annual Motor City Roundball Classic showcase game at Ferndale.

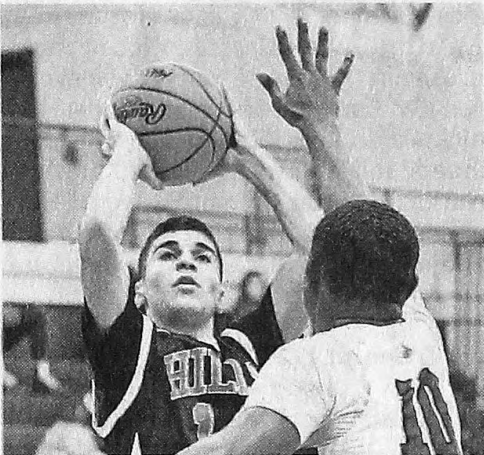
"I'm actually not really upset," he said. "This group I love so much. They're so much fun to coach. They work their tails off. I think we went away from our style of basketball a little bit, but that's

why you play games like this early (in the season). We've got to learn from it. ... So I'm excited to see how we react from it."

Bloomfield Hills (4-1) and Renaissance (4-1) traded one- and two-point leads throughout the opening 12 minutes.

The Phoenix ratcheted up its full-court press and forced the Black Hawks into making mistakes. At times, Bloomfield Hills couldn't even get the ball across half court. Other times, it'd beat the press but fail to get into an offensive set and would ultimately throw the ball away or settle for rushed shots before any rebounders got into position.

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Bloomfield Hills' Julian Manna shoots against Renaissance on Dec. 27 during the Motor City Roundball Classic.
BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

South Lyon East topples Northville in tournament

East's Lassan, Anderson scored 17 points apiece

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USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

A lot of opposing coaches will have Taylor Anderson as the No. 1 bullet point on their scouting reports.

And it's easy to see why.

The Central Michigan commit is one of the top defenders in metro Detroit. Her athleticism makes her a spark plug when it comes to getting up and down the floor with steals.

South Lyon East relied on her when it won the Lakes Valley Conference a year ago.

But sophomore Anna Lassan is also becoming a key player for the Cougars, who downed Northville, 60-44, on Tuesday during the championship game of the Mustangs' annual holiday tournament. It's the first year the Mustangs (2-2) haven't won the showcase since 2015.

Despite missing most of the first half because of foul trouble, the 5-foot-11 forward scored 17 points, 12 of which came in the second half.

Northville trimmed its six-point halftime deficit to just 36-34 early in the third. But then Lassan reentered the game and scored eight points, including sinking a pair of 3-pointers.

She went 4 of 4 from the foul line down the stretch to ensure the Cougars (5-1) the victory.

"She just works so hard with everything she does," East coach Rob Leadley said. "Even during warm-ups, if you watch her, she's constantly in high gear the whole time. It's just her. She's a gym rat. She loves to be out there shooting, practicing and getting better. She just shows up."

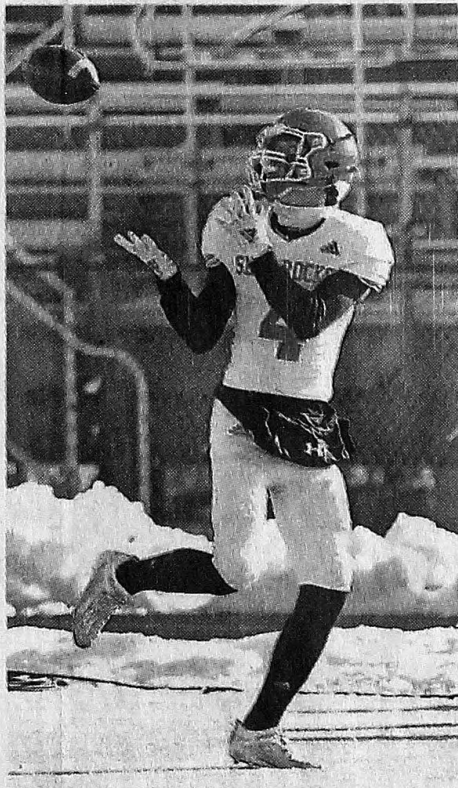
Lassan has the size and strength to battle in the post, but she can also dribble the ball up the floor like a guard.

She's a well-rounded player. She even has a smooth shooting motion (she made a trio of 3s on the night).

The second-year varsity player said she owes her success to her time with the Detroit-based Michigan Crossover travel basketball program.

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Sports highlights of 2021



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The past year was a continuation of the unexpected as high school sports teams maneuvered through the pandemic that started in 2020 but continues to impact our everyday lives.

High school football wrapped up the 2020-21 season in January. Normally, the state finals are played Thanksgiving weekend.

Marian High School made history by winning its fourth straight state soccer title.

Marian claimed another volleyball state title this fall, as well.

Country Day picked up a soccer title, South Lyon won the softball state title, and Brother Rice won in golf, hockey and lacrosse, while Catholic Central and Cranbrook Kingswood earned hockey state titles. Cranbrook and Birmingham Groves won state titles in tennis.

Birmingham Seaholm boys earned their eighth state swim and dive title, and the Seaholm girls followed up with a state title of their own about eight months later.

Here are some of staff photographer John Heider's favorite sports moments from 2021. See more on **pages 4-5B**.

At top: Varsity cross country runners compete in the Aug. 20 Lamplighter meet at Ford Field in Livonia. "I'd never covered a cross country meet on a warm, humid August day until 2021," said Hometown Life staff photographer John Heider. "At night, at that."

At left: Catholic Central's Owen Semp hauls in a pass against Davison in mid-January, with snow on the field. The pandemic pushed back high school football playoff games across the state. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

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Top 20 boys basketball teams in Michigan for 2021

Mick McCabe Special to Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

Free Press high school sports guru Mick McCabe selects the top 20 boys basketball teams in the state. (Last season's record in parenthesis; all players are seniors unless noted.)

1. Grand Rapids Catholic Central (20-0)

The Cougars haven't lost a game since February 2020. Four starters return to the Division 2 champ, led by Jack Karasinski (William & Mary), who averaged 18 points and seven rebounds. His quickness allows him to blow by defenders and he can now guard all five positions. Durrall Brooks is one of the top sophomores in the state, averaging 10 points, six rebounds and six steals as a freshman starter.

2. U-D Jesuit (12-1)

All five starters return from an outstanding team that won its eighth Catholic League title in the past nine seasons. Leading the way is junior guard Sonny Wilson. Chris Mutebi, at 6 feet 5, can shoot the 3 and take people off the dribble. Charles Turner is another threat beyond the arc.

3. Orchard Lake St. Mary's (15-1)

It seems silly that a team starting two freshmen and a transfer could begin the season as the No. 3 team in the state, but the Eaglets may end up accepting the Division 1 championship trophy. Javaghn Hannah (Western Michigan), 6-4, played for Ypsilanti Prep (run by Emoni Bates's father) last season and is a complete player with the potential to be an excellent scorer. Kareem Rozier (Duquesne) is only 5-8 at best, but he is a game-changer. His first instinct is to get everyone involved.

4. Grand Rapids Northview (12-5)

The Wildcats could be the best Division 1 team on the state's west side. Kyler Vanderjagt (Belmont), at 6-4, averaged 23 points and 10 rebounds last season. Jalen Charity, 6-6, is a dynamite scorer in transition and plays excellent defense. Sophomore EJ Ryans started at the point as a freshman.

5. Birmingham Brother Rice (8-5)

Even without a senior in the rotation, the Warriors are loaded and they are capable of winning the D-1 state title. Curtis Williams, a 6-5 junior, hit over 40% of his 3s last season and is a lockdown defender, especially on perimeter players.

Junior Xavier Thomas, 6-4, is a nightmare matchup problem as he is evolving into a point guard. Johnathan Blackwell, 6-4, is another highly recruited player. Junior Henry Garrity, 6-4, is a good shooter beyond the 3-point arc.

6. Muskegon (13-7)

Look for the Big Reds to be in the thick of things again this season. They will have enough scoring to go around, but they could be special because of their tenacious defense. Ethan Hill (Saginaw Valley), 6-8, is a certain double-double again. Junior Jordan Briggs averaged 15 points as a combo guard, hitting 40% of his 3-pointers.

7. Grand Blanc (15-2)

The Bobcats' chances of repeating as Division 1 champs took a nosedive when 6-7 Ty Rodgers chose to finish his high school career in Illinois. There is only one senior on the team, but there is still plenty of talent. Junior point guard RJ Taylor will have to improve his scoring. Look for a breakout season from junior combo guard Almonte Allen-Johnson. Tae Boyd is an exciting slasher-scorer from the wing.

8. Warren De La Salle (13-4)

Caleb Reese averaged 13.5 points last season, is a terror in transition and hit 40% of his 3-point attempts. Junior Triston Nichols is an inside/outside threat who is a tough cover in the paint. Junior Nino Smith is dangerous on his drive-and-dish moves. Junior Mike Sulaka, 6-9, has excellent footwork in the paint.

9. Detroit Cass Tech (14-1)

The Technicians return seven players who started last season. Rylan Bowens (Bluefield State), at 6-6, is a three-year starter who has lost only three games in his career and will score inside and rebound. Look for a big season from guard Terrance Broughton (Malone), who averaged 18 points at Romulus as a sophomore and sat out last season.

10. Ferndale (14-5)

A Division 2 semifinalist a year ago, Ferndale returns most of the parts from last year. Treyvon Lewis (Loyola), at 6-5, is a scoring machine, averaging 23 points last season. Jason Drake averaged 22 points and his point guard skills have improved. Junior Cameron Reed is the team's best perimeter defender and he can handle the ball. Junior Christopher Williams, 6-5, is highly skilled and quite athletic.

11. Novi Detroit Catholic Central (6-9)

Were it any other year, the Shamrocks would be favored to win the Central Division. Still, CC will be a factor as it blends youth with veterans. Cooper Craggs, 6-8 (Oakland), averaged 17 points and nine rebounds a year ago. Sophomore guard Chas Lewless averaged 16 points as a freshman and will be the floor general with an obvious ability to score. Sophomore TJ Nadeau averaged 12 points as a freshman.

12. Detroit King (19-3)

Chansey Willis Jr. had quite the opener when he scored 36 points in a loss to U-D Jesuit. He averaged 23 points last season. Matthew Coffey, 6-8, who missed the opener, will provide an interior presence and will command attention in the paint. When Willis doesn't have the ball, Terrence Brown will and he can run the point and defend. The Crusaders have a legit outside threat in Lamont Park, and junior Jordan Bakeman's defensive pressure will earn him minutes.

13. Clarkston (14-4)

This is a typical Clarkston team. There isn't a lot of size, but the Wolves will play outstanding team defense, and they will be scrappy as hell. Keegan Waskil is a four-year starter and he has shown improvement each year. Zach Austin (Trinity University) will start again at guard; he is an excellent defender. Nathan Steinman is in his third year on the varsity and his perimeter shooting has taken a big leap forward. Sophomore Desman Stephens II is another guard who can handle it and shoot it.

14. Williamston (12-3)

The Hornets were going to be good again, but the return of guard Mason Dock (Maryland-Baltimore County) after another job-related family move back from Houston changes everything. Docks averaged 20 points for the Hornets two seasons ago; he's a lead guard that applies incredible ball pressure and changes the team defense dynamic. Max Burton (Western Michigan), 6-10, was injured most of last season but is an excellent pick-and-pop shooter and skilled around the basket.

15. Hamtramck (21-3)

The Cosmos have been on the edge of being a factor in Division 1 and this could be a breakthrough season. Amari Allen has gone from a 5-9 freshman to a 6-4

junior who averaged 17 points, 11 rebounds and seven assists as a sophomore. Hershel Marion is another point guard-type who can score, averaging 16 points and seven assists. Aaron Allen can score, but is an outstanding defender. Farmington transfer Robert Davis Jr., at 6-6, is a great shooter who will be an improved rebounder.

16. Grand Haven (11-6)

Five of the top six players return from a good team a year ago. Junior Harrison Sorrelle, 6-5, began as a point guard and evolved into a solid No. 3 guard, good off the dribble. Nick Stump, 6-5, averaged 13 points and eight rebounds last season and is dangerous from 3-point land. Bashir Neely will run the point, and he is quick in transition.

17. Chelsea (12-4)

This is a veteran Division 2 team, but it is still on the young side. Lucas Hanifan averaged 12.9 points from the point guard spot. Sophomore Joey Cabana averaged 9.7 points as a freshman. Junior Matt Blanton, 6-3, really stretches the floor as a consistent 3-point threat.

18. North Farmington (10-2)

Junior Ryan Hurst, a 6-3 transfer from West Bloomfield, is an outstanding scorer. He is mostly a perimeter shooter, but he is strong enough to work his way inside and score in the post. Landon Williams, 6-3, is a crafty left-hander. Junior Prince Jackson is a transfer from Farmington, though his transfer may have a lot to do why coach Todd Negoshian was forced to sit out the first three games. If Jackson is ruled eligible, the Raiders could have a special season.

19. Macomb Dakota (13-2)

Once again, the Cougars will be the class of the Macomb Athletic Conference. Tymias Williams, 6-6, could have a big season. He is long and athletic and a big-time shot blocker. Michael Umeh, 6-4, has unbelievable energy, and that will translate into a ton of rebounds and blocked shots. Lever Lyons is a capable swing player.

20. Detroit Western (8-6)

With at least four transfers, Western could make some noise in the PSL. Calvin Marshall (Detroit Edison), at 6-6, is a terrific scorer. He plays out on the wing and works his way inside. Sophomore Michael Crawford (CMA) is quite effective finishing in transition. Octaveon Lozer, 6-6, will be a rim protector who will block a load of shots.



South Lyon East's Taylor Anderson attacks the basket Dec. 28 against Northville during the championship game of Northville's holiday basketball tournament. PHOTOS BY BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



South Lyon East's Anna Lissan dribbles. Lissan, a sophomore, scored 17 points.

East

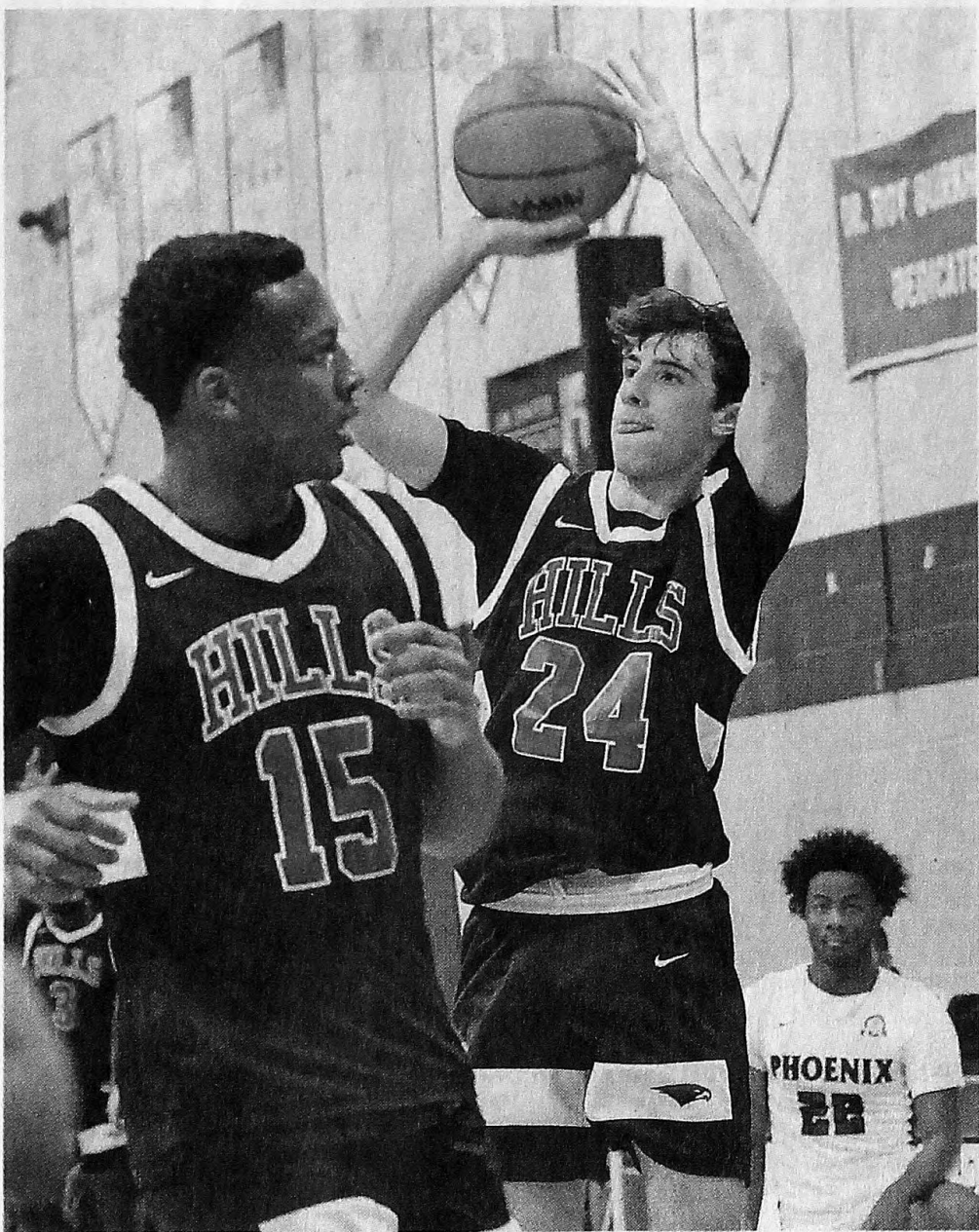
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"I play in the same organization as Taylor, and I've been playing there since fifth grade," Lissan said. "That's where I learned and grew as a player, mostly. The coaches there are amazing and have helped me get better with all my skills: Shooting, passing, dribbling, every-

thing. "As soon as I started Crossover, all the girls there were so much better. So I set a goal for myself that I wanted to be as good as the girls there or maybe even better. Then I started taking it seriously. I started practicing a lot more, and that's when it all started." Leadley said he first noticed Lissan's talent about a year after she joined Crossover. "You kind of look back to sixth grade,

probably," he said. "She was at our camps, and you kind of knew she had some skills and some passion for the game. "You saw it at that point. You just watch her grow up, and you kind of knew she was going to be a special player for us, but you don't make special players. They make themselves. And she just works so hard with everything she does. She's a difference-maker. There's no question."

When Lissan was on the bench with three fouls in the first half, the Cougars relied on Anderson, who scored 10 of her 17 points in the second quarter. Five of those 10 points came during a 14-2 run. Ella Kruschka added 15 points, including making a pair of 3-pointers in the third. Eve Tanaskoska paced the Mustangs with 13 points, including making two 3s, while Sydney Brown had 10 points and Susy Heller tallied nine.



Bloomfield Hills' Noah Adamczyk shoots a 3-pointer against Renaissance during the 26th annual Motor City Roundball Classic showcase on Dec. 27 at Ferndale. PHOTOS BY BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Hills

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Renaissance scored 10-straight to close out the second quarter, mostly relying on transition baskets and free throws off the turnovers it drummed up on defense.

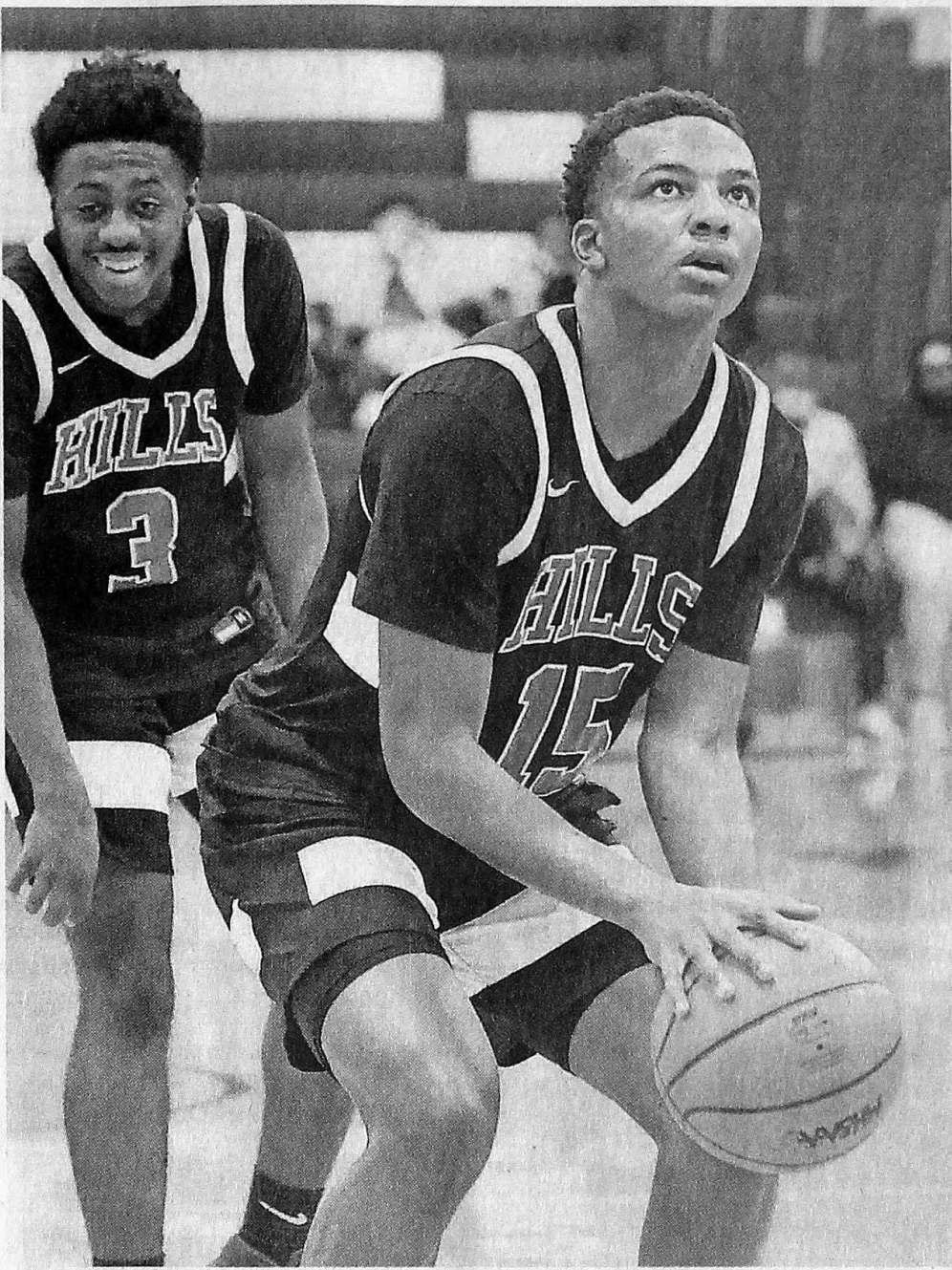
"That's what Renaissance does," Kurjian said. "They try to junk it up, especially when they have the lead. Again, that's something that's very fixable and something our guys will learn. That's why you play games like this against

really good teams early on. You've got to learn that to be able to make a run in our really tough league and in our tough district."

Bloomfield Hills trailed by eight entering the fourth but went on an 8-0 run of its own. That included Noah Adamczyk, who scored a game-high 24 points, burying a 3-pointer in transition to knot the score at 53 with 3:25 left.

The Black Hawks could muster only five points the rest of the way, though, as Renaissance continued to run the floor, score in transition and get to the foul line.

Adamczyk made it 59-57 with a pair



Bloomfield Hills' Derrick Lee Jr. shoots a free throw against Renaissance.

of free throws and a layup off a steal, but Bloomfield Hills just ran out of time to complete the comeback.

"It's a little frustrating," the junior guard said. "We didn't play our basketball, and stuff's going to happen when we don't dictate the game. It's all fixable. It's just the beginning of the season. We'll fix it and get to work. We'll be ready for districts. We'll be ready for league play."

Only four Black Hawks scored as Derrick Lee Jr. added 18 points, followed by Julian Manna with nine and Carson Brodsky with four.

Jayden Savoury led Renaissance

with 17 points, while Juwan Maxey totaled 15.

Regardless, Bloomfield Hills knows it can learn from this loss.

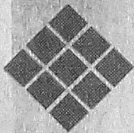
"To be down, like we were at that point, and then to tie it up late in the fourth, that shows the guts that our team has," Kurjian said. "As a coach, that's what we look for. Again, this team is fun to coach, so I'm excited to get back to practice tomorrow, and I know these guys are, too."

Brandon Folsom covers high school sports in metro Detroit for Hometown Life. Follow him on Twitter @folsom-brandonj.



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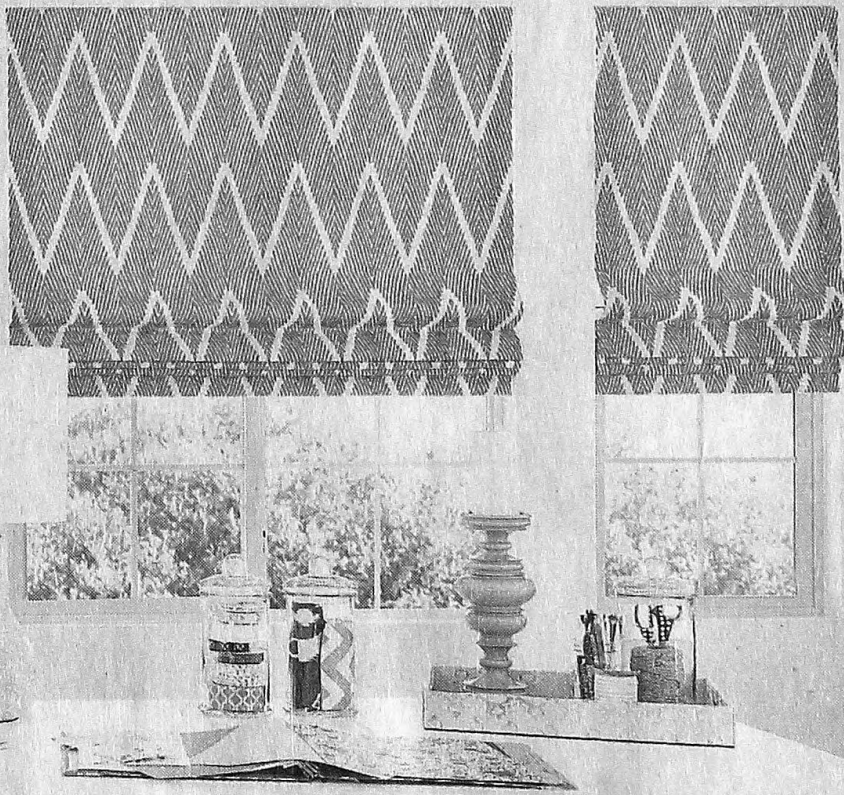
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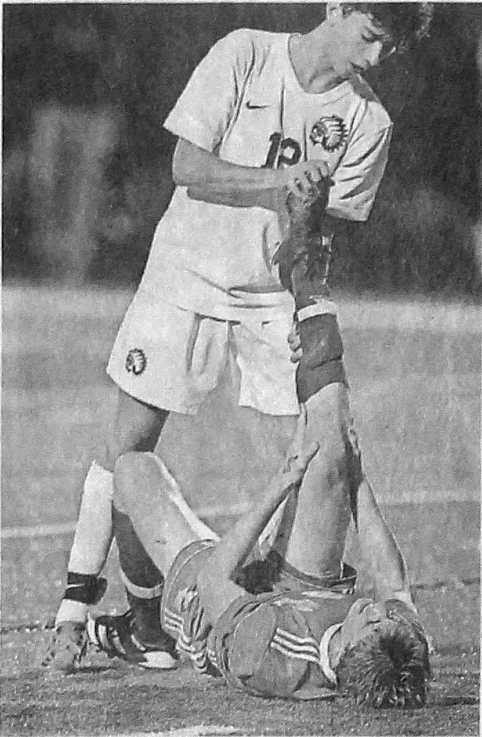
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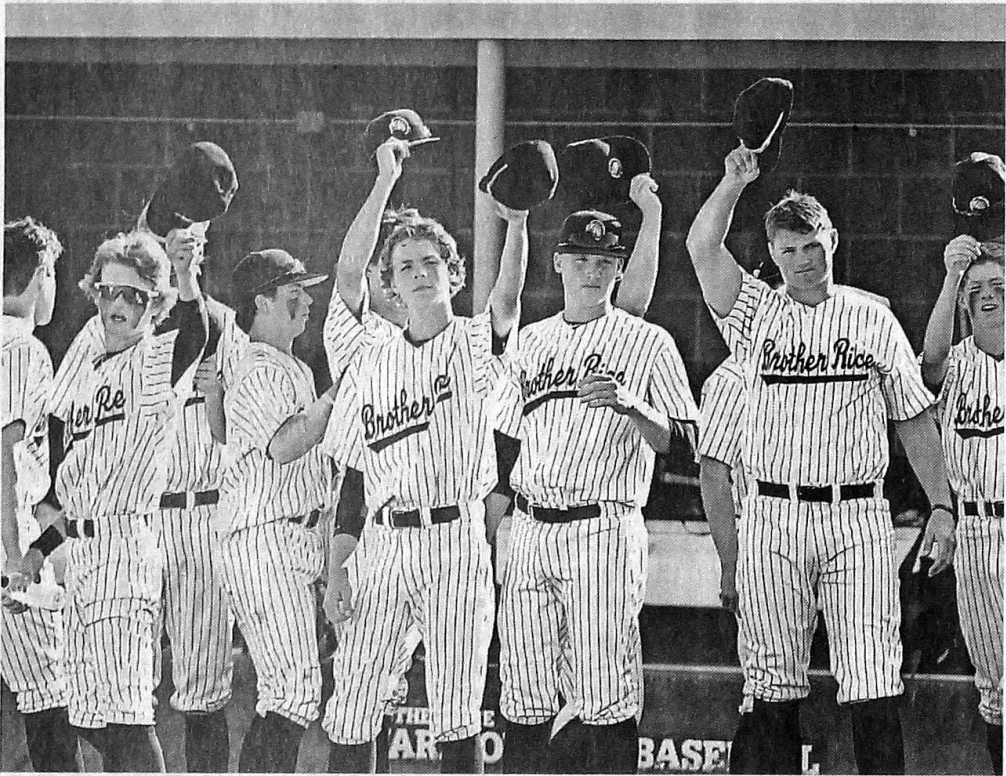
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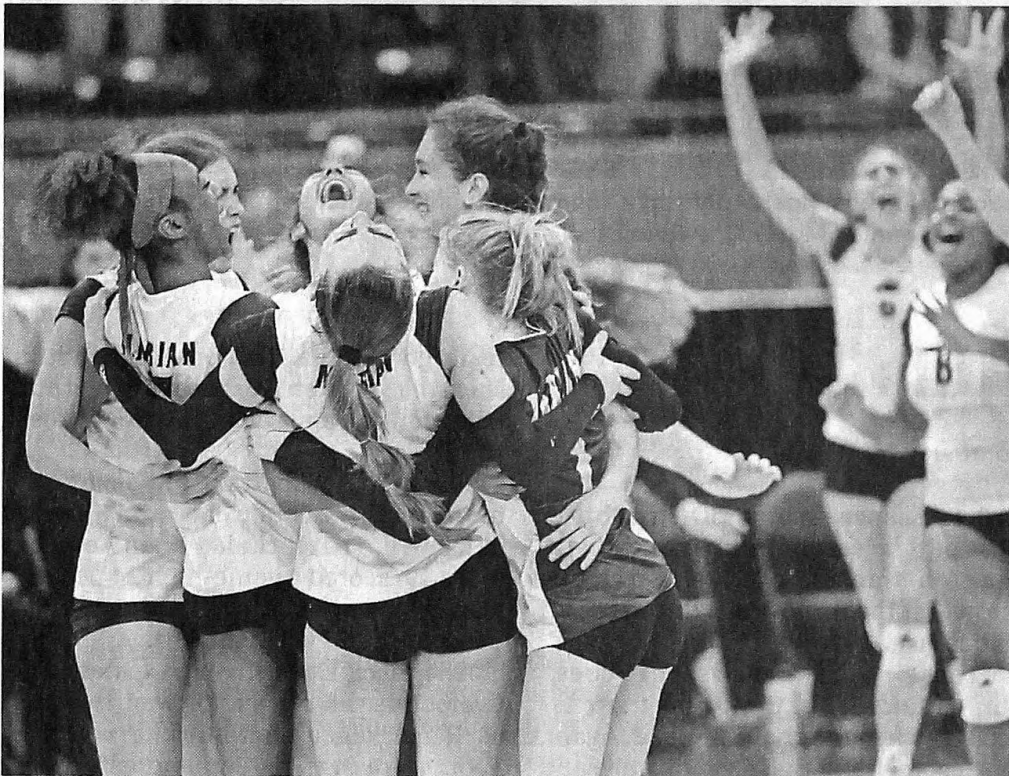
Grosse Pointe North's Tommy Harris grimaces in pain as Brother Rice's Nico Kalaj helps him with a calf cramp toward the end of the playoffs Oct. 28.
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North Farmington students celebrate one of their team's many touchdowns Aug. 27.



Brother Rice baseball teammates tip their caps to their Stevenson opponents after besting them 6-1 on June 9. Because of the pandemic, most teams tipped their caps after a game instead of the usual lineups to shake each others' hands.

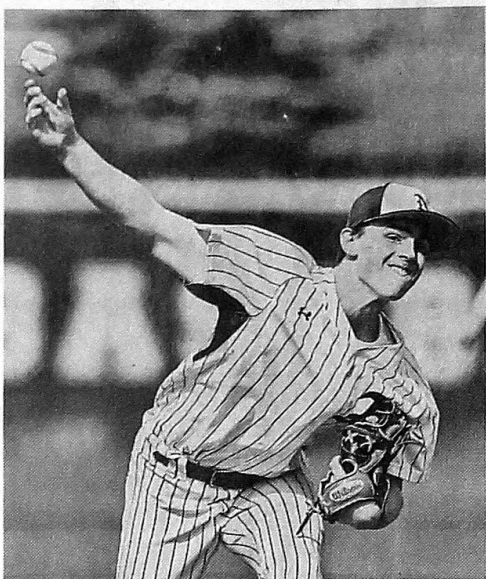


Marian teammates on the court and on the bench begin to celebrate their state semifinal victory over Hudsonville on Nov. 18. Two days later, Marian won the state championship in the same arena.

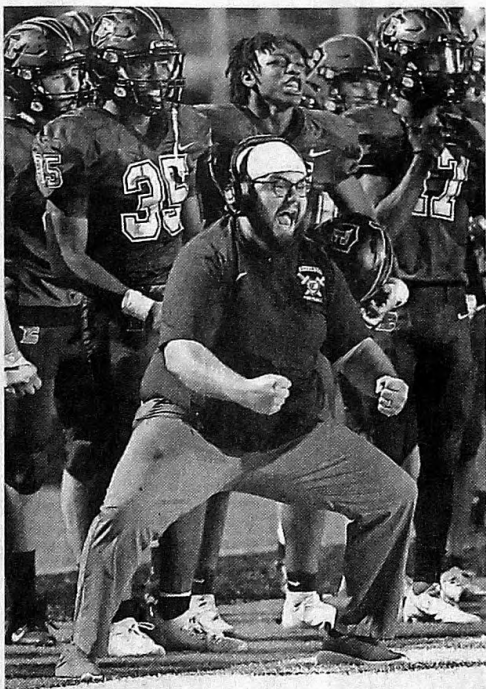
A large, artistic collage featuring three athletes in action: a baseball player swinging a bat, a football player in a dark jersey with the number 21 running with the ball, and a basketball player jumping to shoot. Overlaid on this collage is the word "Sports" in a large, stylized, white script font.

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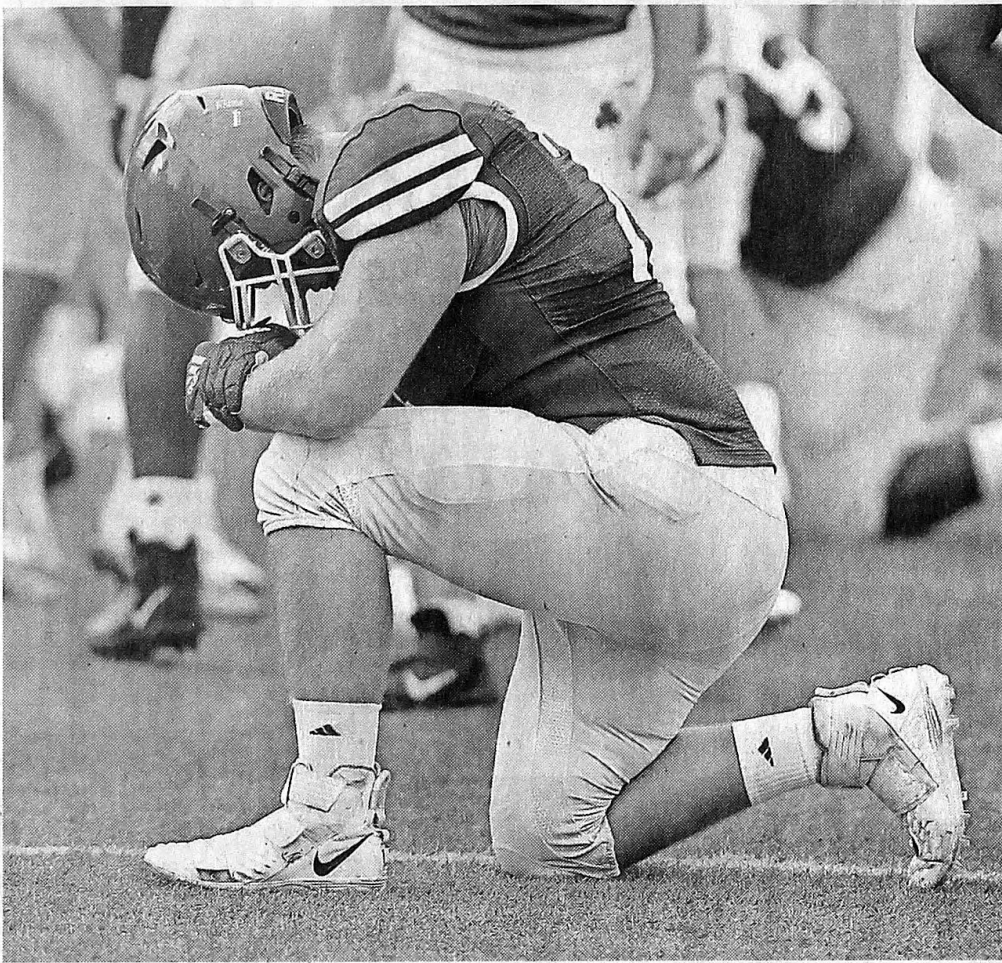
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Novi's Andrew Abler pitches April 27 against Northville. "This photo was taken at 1/4,000th of a second - in the blink of a blink of an eye - stopping the baseball so well that you can count its individual stitches," said Hometown Life staff photographer John Heider.



A Churchill coach and the bench celebrate a late-game stop against Belleville.

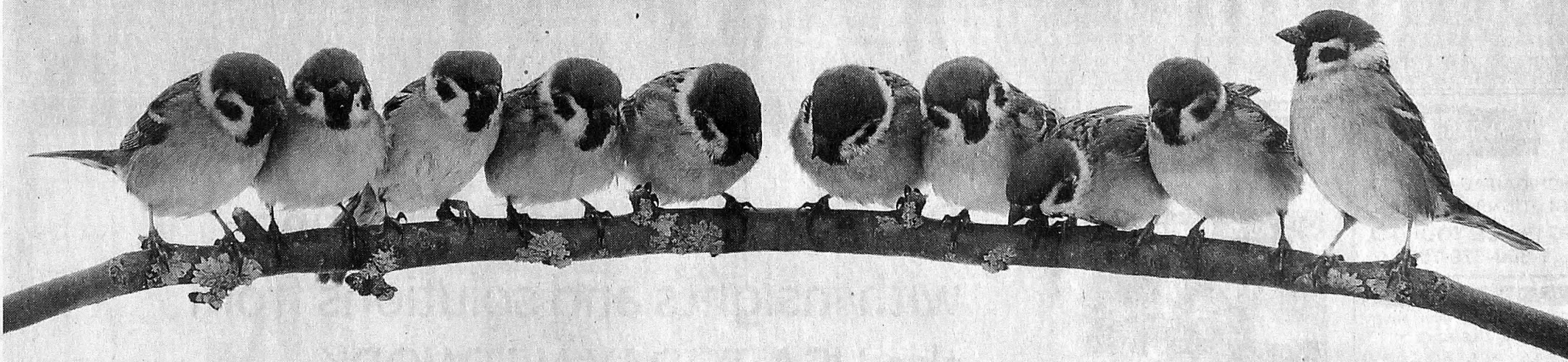


Catholic Central lineman Ben Flake has a moment of prayerful reflection before a game against Davison.



Though it looks like it's in reverse, Victoria Miller leaps into the arms of Country Day's Madison Salzenstein to celebrate her goal against Boyne City in the state final soccer game at MSU. Country Day beat Boyne City 3-0 for the win.

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- The White House announced that by mid-January, employees of private companies will be able to get health care reimbursement for at-home Covid tests.
- Two courts temporarily blocked President Biden's vaccine mandates; in Louisiana, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has been blocked from enforcing vaccines for healthcare workers, and in Kentucky, the Biden administration has been blocked from enforcing a regulation that requires contractors' employees to get vaccinated.
- New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio announced that all private sector employees will be required to implement a vaccine mandate starting December 27. Children between the ages of 5-11 will also be required to show proof of at least one vaccination dose before entering indoor dining, entertainment venues, and more indoor activities.
- According to US health officials and Dr. Anthony Fauci, early information on the coronavirus Omicron variant shows it may be less dangerous than the Delta variant.

- With the share of American workers voluntarily quitting their jobs each month at a record high, a new trend is emerging. "Quittoks" and Reddit's forum R/antiwork showcase the growing trend of publicizing one's resignation.
- A global chip shortage is making it harder to purchase smartphones and video game consoles for the holidays.
- Major League Baseball owners unanimously voted to trigger a labor stoppage, the league's first since 1994, in an attempt to sign a new collective bargaining agreement between the MLB and the MLB Players Association (MLBPA) ahead of the upcoming season. The MLBPA opposes the shutdown arguing that it is unnecessary and imposes a hardship on players, who now cannot sign with new teams or be traded until the lockout ends.
- Vishal Garg, the CEO of mortgage company Better.com, laid off more than 900 employees (about 9% of its staff) via a Zoom call. He cited efficiency, performance, and productivity as the reasons for the layoff.



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7 Branch of Buddhism

10 Mosque minister

14 Stallone role

19 Large lizard

20 Shirt-pocket audio player

22 Wine coolers

23 Gasohol, e.g.

25 Italy's largest port

26 Apartment, e.g.: Abbr.

27 Sculling need

28 That, in Spanish

29 America's Cup sport

31 Passed-on value system, say

36 Ever and —

38 "The Fresh Prince of — -Air"

39 Volkswagen hatchback

40 Ellipsis bit

41 Serious moral offense

45 Big Apple airport code

48 Superbright colors

52 "Relax, Gil!"

53 — Kippur

54 Song of thanksgiving

56 Drink sample

57 Tattoos and piercings

59 Journalistic profession

63 Childbirth assistant

66 Two-spinoff CBS series

67 Quit sleeping

68 Very manly

72 Like gross profits ... or how the ends of eight answers in this puzzle might appear

75 Digital greeting

76 Illicit love affairs

78 Helen's city

79 4-point Scrabble piece

81 Events to move merchandise for charity

84 Redgrave of film

89 Ending for Canton

90 Leg bone

91 Pro hoops gp.

94 Tested the weight of by lifting

95 Take hold

98 Flanders on "The Simpsons"

99 Bucolic byway

101 Here-there linkup

103 Madam's partner

105 Plains tribe

106 Shady giants

107 Earnings not allocated for necessary items

115 Very brave

116 Adam's partner

117 Suffix with northwest

118 Provided with a meal

121 Razor-honing band

122 It may be trespassed on

127 Move around like a baby

128 Bristlecone, for one

129 "Tru" subject

130 Made of turf

131 River through Flanders

132 37-Down part: Abbr.

133 Neighbor on "Seinfeld"

DOWN

1 Perjurer, e.g.

2 Leer at

3 Earned more points than

4 — Bo (fitness system)

5 Register, to a Brit

6 Rushed toward

7 Pimple

8 Start for dermis

9 Many a fiction book

10 Newborn

11 Egyptian — (certain cat)

12 In the blink of —

13 Grinding tooth

14 "You said it!"

15 Transparency film

16 "MIB" part

17 Ride to bust

18 Plains tribe

21 Fashion

24 Caribbean isle

30 "El —" (1961 epic film)

32 Oct. 24 observance

33 Count (on)

34 Besides that

35 Boisterous merriment

36 Hail — (yell "Taxi!")

37 Western mil. alliance

42 Dancer Duncan

43 Roman despot

44 Global financial gp.

46 Reaches

47 Jacuzzi sigh

49 Honshu port

50 Saltpeter

51 Fork out

54 Purple-brown

55 School lobby gp.

58 Soaking spot

60 One way to serve ham or pastrami

61 "It's Pat" star

62 Tic-toe linkup

64 Leaves alone

65 "Yes, sorry to say"

68 Former fillies

69 Entertain

70 Tailed orbiter

71 Engine noise

73 Dancing girl in "Return of the Jedi"

74 VII times II

77 Boss of a cpl.

80 Actor Bert of "The Wizard of Oz"

82 A, to Wilhelm

83 — -cone (frozen treat)

85 Actor — Zimbalist Jr.

86 Robbed

87 Stitched line

88 Counts up

92 Wave-tossed bobber

93 Voting "no"

96 Exclusive group of people

97 Lack of a response

99 Fancy tie

100 Copier ink

102 Agent, for short

104 "The nerve!"

107 Wafers, e.g.

108 Prelim

109 Fine fiddle

110 Prone to tilt

111 "The Wire" actor

112 Trendy again

113 Earthen pot

114 Comparable (with)

119 Feminizing suffix

120 Batik artisan

123 Feminizing suffix

124 Ending for cannon

125 Cribbage pin

126 Green-minded gp.

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

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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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R K A Y L P A K L O Y Y I K E S

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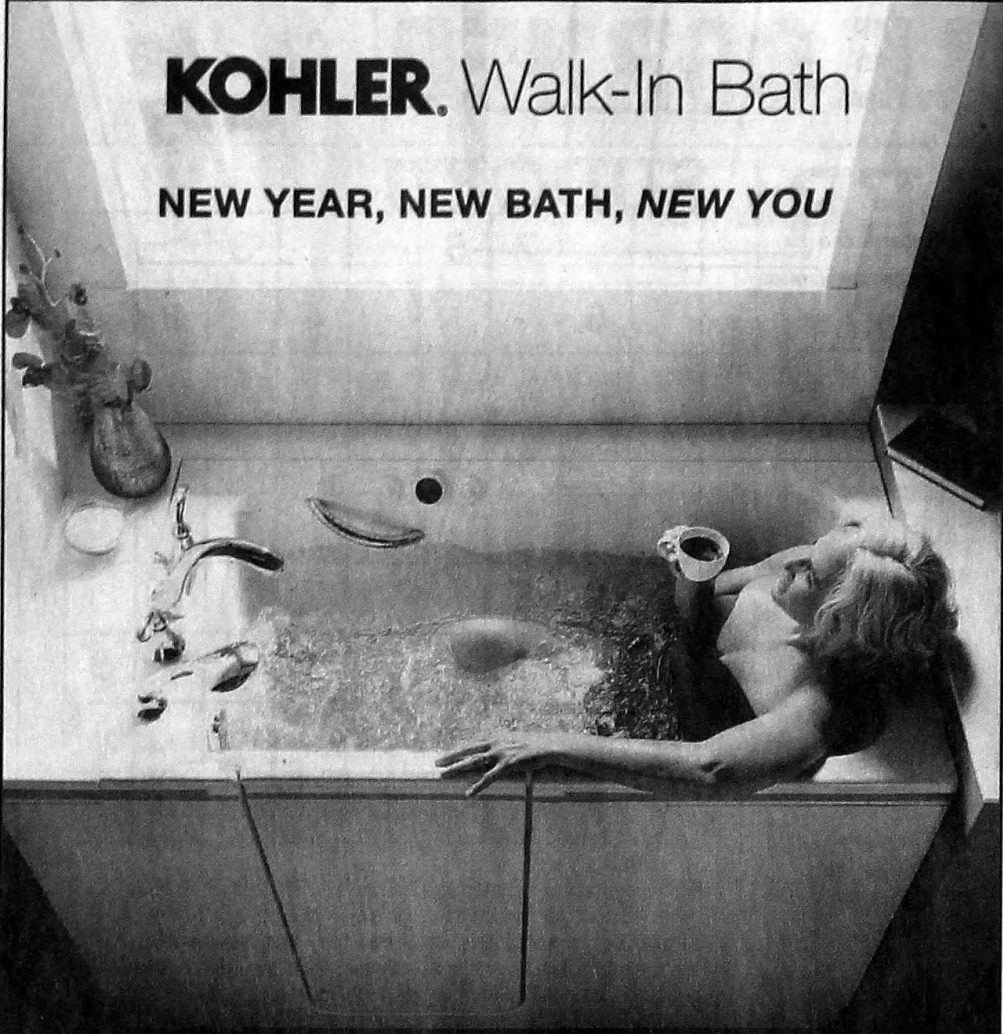
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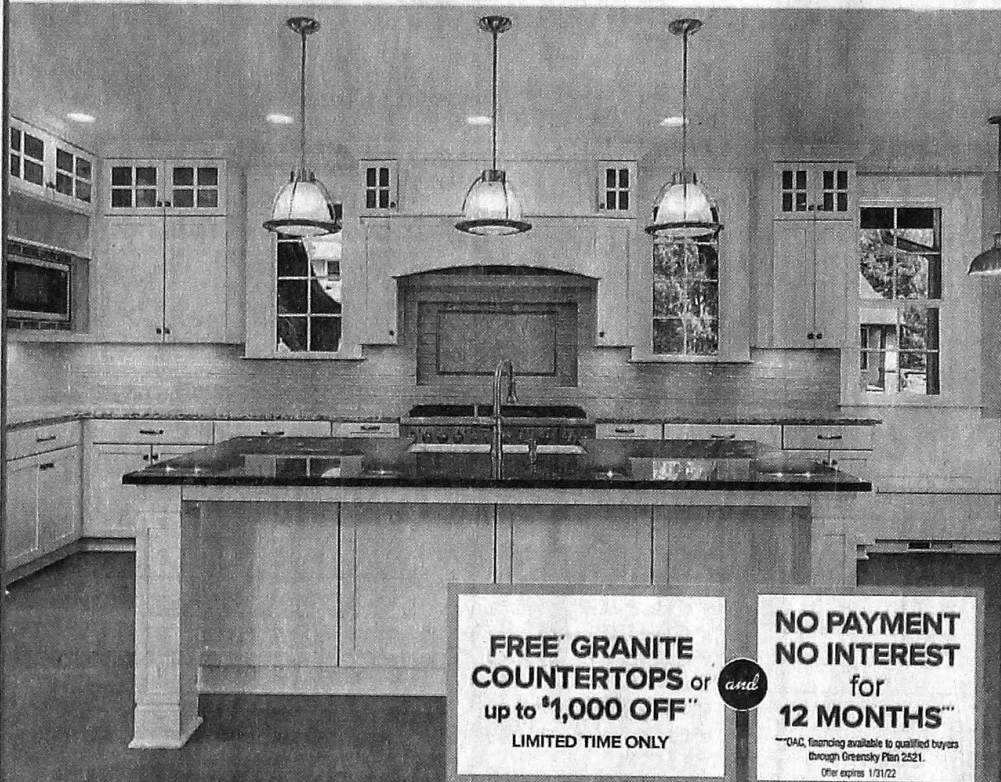
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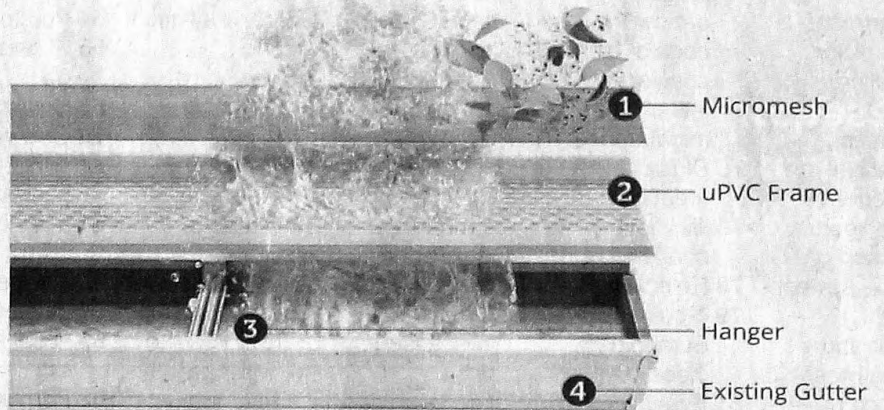
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