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Livonia, Westland set salaries differently

Some elected officials debate their own income

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Glen Long, chair of Livonia's local officer compensation commission, admits his commission's meetings aren't the most comfortable thing in the world.

While he and his colleagues create salary proposals for the mayor, clerk, treasurer and council members, many of those elected officials are in the room and chiming in with their two cents.

And then there's the local newspaper -Hometown Life - that's going to tell everyone what they decide.

But, Long thinks the commission provides important oversight.

"I think it takes politics out of things to a certain degree," he said. "Yes we're appointed by mayors, but our appointments last and can last through two or three mayors. It creates a civilian oversight."

In Westland, which hasn't sat a compensation commission since 2015, some officials have a different view, suggesting a compensation commission can make things too political.

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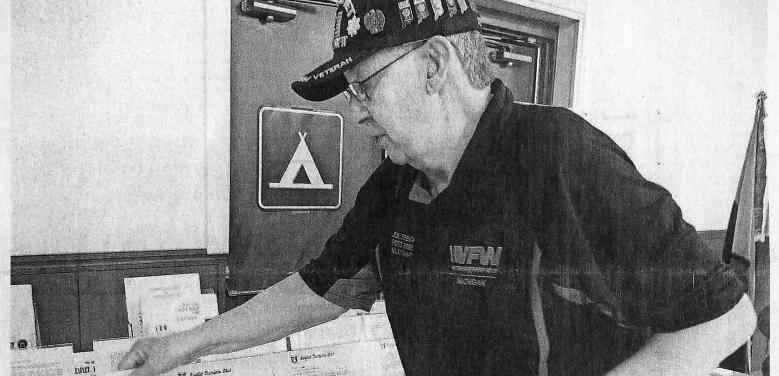
Livonia councilman files lawsuit to stay in state **House race** Shelby Tankersley Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Less than a week after Wayne County Clerk Cathy Garrett's decision to disqualify Livonia Councilman Rob Donovic from the District 22 state rep-

resentative race, Donovic filed a lawsuit trying to get back on the ballots.

Donovic, a Republican, filed a lawsuit







Vietnam War veteran Joseph Tebor, of Livonia, was part of the Army's 7th Psy-Ops group that helped to create and distribute counterfeit One and Five Vietnamese Dong notes. The leaflets looked like real currency but mostly carried messages encouraging the North Vietnamese to lay down their arms. Tebor will donate most of his collection to the National Vietnam War Museum in Texas. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Livonia vet spent Vietnam War convincing enemy to surrender

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Retired U.S. Army Major Joe Tebor's role in the Vietnam War wasn't about bullets and boots on the ground.

Vietnamese people.

The veteran combat intelligence ana-His targets were the minds of North lyst, who now lives in Livonia, was one of three people choosing where to drop

propaganda leaflets in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos, in an attempt at convincing enemy soldiers to surrender during the final years of the Vietnam War.

Throughout his tour of duty in Oki-

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May 20 against Garrett and the Wayne County Donovic

Election Commission claiming he's eligible to run in District 22. He was disgualified May 16 after a challenge to his residency was upheld.

"We have a strong legal team, and I have confidence in our legal system and expect that this issue will be fully discussed and trust that ultimately, the right decision will be made," Donovic said in a statement to Hometown Life.

Candidates for the Michigan House must live in their district for at least 30 days before filing for office. Donovic lived in the 22nd district for five days before filing for office April 19.

A spokesperson from the Wayne County Clerk's office said the clerk and the election commission do not comment on ongoing legal matters.

Donovic cites Michigan Election Law 168.161, which states a person must be a qualified elector of their district before filing for office, as proof of his eligibility. Michigan Election Law 168.10, however, defines a qualified elector as a person who's lived in the

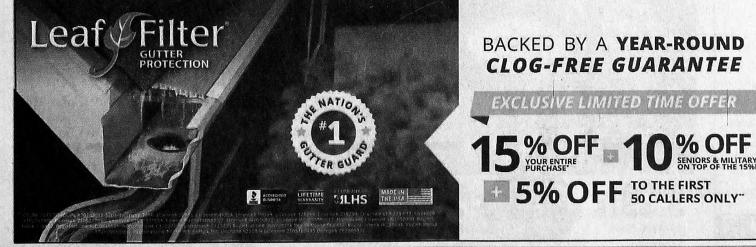
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The same destination by two different routes

At Westland's final compensation commission meeting in 2015, members voted to tie the raises elected officials receive to what appointed administrators get. These proposals are assembled by the mayor's office and submitted to city council for approval.

If jobs like the city finance director or chief of staff get a 2% raise, so will the elected officials. If those people receive a pay deduction, so will the elected officials.

"The current arrangement has, I think, worked well," Wild, an elected official himself, said.

Westland's method is uncommon. Of Michigan's largest cities with strong mayor governments, Lansing is the only other community without a compensation commission. Detroit, Grand Rapids, Warren, Ann Arbor, Flint, Livonia and Dearborn all have one.

Wild said he's seen the commission used as a weapon to decrease pay for officials members didn't like according to Long, the same happened years ago in Livonia.

Chris Johnson, general counsel for the Michigan Municipal League, agreed such compensation commissions must be used in the right way.

"It certainly can become a problem," Johnson said. "And if my memory serves me right, Westland did have a problem."

The attorney said Long and his colleagues do what a good compensation commission does. Members consider city union contracts and what elected people in similar-sized cities like Westland and Dearborn Heights make. Livonia's commission, like most similar bodies, meets once every two years and city council has the final say on the proposals.

"We take the person out of it," Long, also a Livonia

Officials' pay in metro Detroit communities

City	Mayor	Council President	Council member	Cierk	Treasurer
Livonia	\$134,609	\$19,566	\$17,788	\$94,441	\$94,441
Westland	\$126,281	\$18,953	\$18,040	\$120,268	Not elected
Dearborn Heights	\$98,186	\$14,614	\$11,537	\$86,895	\$86,895

planning commissioner, said. "This is the position and it's worth this. We want to make sure we're attracting the best and brightest; we want to make sure good people want to work here."

Long said knows salaries for elected people can be a controversial topic, but he thinks Livonia needs to be competitive to attract the best candidates.

"Take a look at the mayor's position," he said. "That's probably always going to be a position of somebody who has worked in the private sector for quite a while and is close to retirement. You want to make sure it's worth their while to do that job."

A question of transparency

Westland Councilman Jim Godbout said he thinks the city should reseat its compensation commission. The city's charter calls for one - Chapter 2, Article 5, Division 8 - and Godbout said oversight is necessary.

"Periodically, it needs to be reviewed," he said.

In Westland, the clerk and average council members make more than their counterparts in Livonia, which is a larger city. On the other hand, Long said many of his colleagues feel Livonia has historically undervalued its clerk and treasurer. Plus, Livonia's council is known to decline the proposed raises for itself from time to time.

Godbout has voiced his opinion during council meetings, but noted it appears his colleagues don't seem to share his thoughts as the issue never gets discussed. The next time the Westland commission could meet is 2023 and Wild said he'd make it happen if that's something council wanted.

"If it was the consensus of the city council that they wanted me to seat an LOCC, then I would do that," he said.

Long thinks the citizen oversight aspect of his role is important and said it's possible to keep the politics

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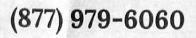
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Vietnam War veteran Joseph Tebor said Vietnamese would gather the leaflets, tear off the propaganda messages and then try to use the "money" even though they usually carried all the same serial numbers. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Veteran

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nawa and Vietnam, Tebor amassed what he believes is one of the largest private collections of those propaganda leaflets. He's now donating his collection to the National Vietnam War Museum in Weatherford, Texas.

"The purpose of propaganda is to change the opinions, viewpoints, ideas of the people," he said.

Upon receiving a brochure for the museum in the mail, Tebor gave the curator a call to see if the museum would be interested in taking his collection. He said his offer was met with excitement, and he'll be driving to Texas to deliver it in-person.

Tebor, a life member of VFW Post 6695 and VVA Chapter 528 in Plymouth, said the little-known propaganda effort made a significant impact during the war. The U.S. would write messages in the local language and would design them to appear at first as North Vietnamese money. Then, Tebor would decide the best place to drop the leaflets.

The U.S. used waterproof paper and ink so the leaflets wouldn't get damaged once dropped from the sky. Tebor said he actually keeps one leaflet submerged in a jar of water and it's remained unchanged and untearable since 2015.

"They would have to actually pull troops out of the





Tebor during his Army days. COURTESY OF JOE TEBOR

field to pick those leaflets up," he said. "We had tens of thousands of prisoners turn themselves in using that leaflet. That made it effective.

Also - what I think made it more effective - taking a combat unit out of the field to pick up our leaflets means they can't be fighting our soldiers and killing our soldiers. So, we saved countless lives just from those leaflet drops."

Drop missions would happen daily by plane, helicopter or drone and include roughly 150,000 leaflets, according to Tebor. He'd choose 60 potential drop sights a month, and never had a drop location changed.

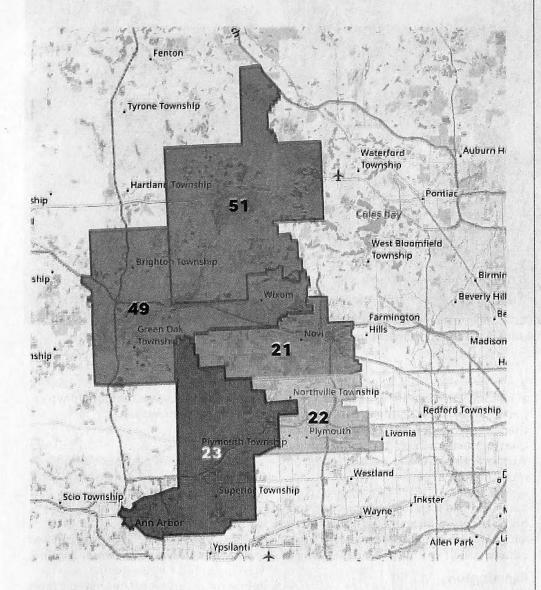
"I had more information than you could possibly imagine available to me," he said. "I would just piece that together and determine, based on the theme of our leaflet, the targets."

Local high school students at John Glenn High School in Westland and other area schools have been treated to presentations on the collection for years. But as he gets older, Tebor said he wants the evidence of a significant time in his life to go somewhere it will be safe and appreciated.

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New Michigan House districts in metro Detroit area

Based on a review of the commission's compilation of statewide elections over the past decade, areas shaded red are safe Republican districts, area shaded pink lean Republican, areas shaded darker blue are safe Democratic districts and areas shaded lighter blue lean Democratic.



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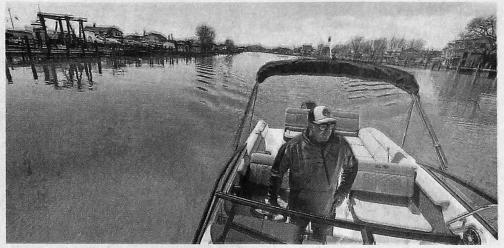
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district for 30 days.

According to Donovic's lawyer, Eric Doster, it would have been impossible for Donovic to live in District 22 for more than 30 days because the new districts took effect March 26, 23 days before the April 19 filing deadline.

The councilman also said his status as a Livonia resident qualifies him for ballots. District 22 includes a portion of Livonia, as do districts 16 and 17.

As things currently stand, Democrat Rep. Matt Koleszar and Republican Cathryn Neracher will face voters in November.



Steve Dobreff, owner of the Lake St. Clair Freedom Boat Club franchise, takes a Sea Ray boat out in Harrison Township on in April. ERIC SEALS/DETROIT FREE PRESS

Coast Guard: Don't use E15 fuel to fill boat gas tanks

Lauren Wethington Detroit Free Press USA TODAY NETWORK

Heading out on the water this week? Be careful when filling up your boat's gas tank, warns the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Detroit.

In a Facebook post last week, the government agency cautioned boaters that new fuel standards allowing the sale of E15 gas could pose safety threats when used in watercrafts.

The fuel, which contains 15% ethanol, was authorized for the summer for use in cars. However, it's federally prohibited for vessel use because of its potential to cause marine engine damage, thus voiding any engine warranties, the U.S. Coast Guard says.

Even more worrying, the Coast Guard says E15 fuel has been proven to make engines run hotter, which increases the likelihood of a boat fire.

The post advised that the new fuel may not be clearly marked at the pump, where it can be sold under typical "regular unleaded" labels.

To keep boaters safe, the Coast Guard recommends filling water crafts with gas containing no more than 10% ethanol.

More information is available on the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Detroit's Facebook page.

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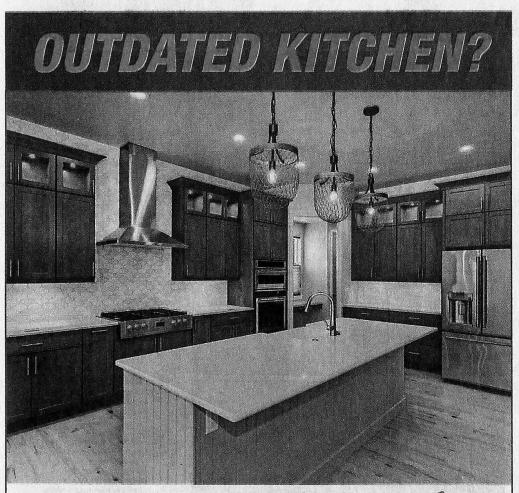
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out. Though officials can share their thoughts with the commission, they're not the ones making the final recommendation.

"I'm not going to let them affect my decision making," Long said. "I'm going to listen to their thoughts because I believe in information. We try to stay focused on what our job is, and our job is to make a recommendation that we think is practical." Johnson, however, said both methods can be transparent. In Livonia and Westland, all pay increases are eventually voted on by city council in an open meeting.

"As long as they're being administered fairly and transparently, I don't see benefit one way or the other," he said. "The key is the transparency aspect of it. It can be transparent if council is passing the raises or it can be transparent if you have a good local commission."

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MEMORIAL DAY EVENTS

Milford

The Milford Memorial Day parade marches through downtown Milford, starting at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Hall on Commerce Street, then heading south on Main Street to Central Park, where a ceremony will follow at about noon.

Weather permitting, a Bell UH-1 Iroquois (Huey) helicopter from the Yankee Air Museum will be providing short rides for a fee, available on a first come, first serve basis at the Carls Family YMCA on Commerce Street, just west of downtown.

South Lyon

Organized by the South Lyon VFW Post 1224, the Memorial Day Parade is a South Lyon tradition. The parade launches at 9 a.m. from Bartlett Elementary and makes its way east on Lake Street/10 Mile through downtown to Reynold Sweet Parkway. The parade ends in the South Lyon Cemetery with a touching ceremony that commemorates the contributions and sacrifices of all veterans.

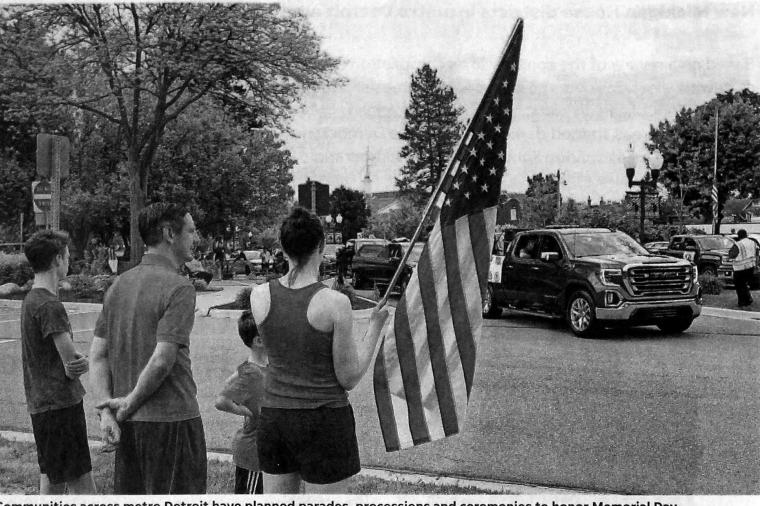
Novi

Novi has plenty of Memorial Day events, starting with the 8 a.m. Memorial Day 5K race and 1-mile fun run. This year, a portion of each registration will be donated to the Novi Parks Foundation's Jessica's Splashpad Fund. Jessica was a beloved Fox 2 meteorologist, wife, mother, and daughter. Jessica Starr-Rose was a Fox 2 meteorologist who died by suicide in late 2018. Her family and the Novi Parks Foundation are teaming up to raise money to create a Splashpad in her honor. The Memorial Day Run will also contribute \$5 for every additional donation made over \$5. Click here to register and for more information.

The Novi parade has a new route this year. At 10 a.m., the parade will begin at Meadowbrook Commons, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. It will then proceed south on Meadowbrook, turn right onto Ten Mile Road, and will travel west on Ten Mile Road, ending at the northeast entrance of the Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road.

Northville

The VFW Post 4012 of Northville will



Communities across metro Detroit have planned parades, processions and ceremonies to honor Memorial Day. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE

hold a Memorial Day ceremony at Rural Hill Cemetery, 215 West Seven Mile Road, to honor those that have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Hosted by VFW Post 4012 of Northville.

Plymouth

The Plymouth tradition starts at 9 a.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center. A 9:30 a.m. ceremony at Veteran Park (Main and Church) follows. The veterans procession winds its way through neighborhoods in the city, running roughly 10-11 a.m., winding counterclockwise through the city with the northwest quadrant near Junction, Leicester and Lexington streets before heading south along Blunk, then Evergreen. The preocession heads east, using Rose, Harvey, Win, Harding and Hartsough before heading back north along Mill and Holbrook. It ends at the cultural center.

Wayne-Westland

The Wayne-Westland event is among the few that take place before the actual holiday. The parade takes place 1 p.m. Sunday, May 29. It starts at John Glenn High School, heads west on Marquette, then north on Carlson to the Westland Public Library. It ends at Veterans Memorial Garden.

A small ceremony will take place at the garden at the of the parade to pay homage to the fallen men and women who paid the greatest sacrifice for our nation.

Farmington

Farmington Memorial Day parade is happening 10 a.m. Monday, May 30. The American Legion Post 346 and Xemplar Club are teaming up to host the event, which will give people the chance to honor local service members. The parade route starts near the intersection of Orchard Lake Road and Grand River Avenue, heading West one mile down Grand River. It will end at the Farmington War Memorial in Memorial Park and conclude with a ceremony. A free community luncheon will follow.

People can visit www.memorialdayparade.us to learn more.

Canton

The Canton Fire Department's Honor Guard will be hosting a Memorial Day service to be held 10 a.m. Monday, May 30. The event will take place at the Veteran's Memorial Center located in Heritage Park, behind the Canton administration building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. **Representatives from the United States** Marine Corps will be present for a ceremonial wreath posting at the 1st Battalion 24th Marine Division Memorial. A roll call will also take place for the "Fallen 22" Marines that were deployed for duty in 2006-07 to Iraq and made the ultimate sacrifice. The Marine Corps honor guard will be

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Farmington's Art on the Grand returns in June

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Art on the Grand will take place 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 4, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 5, along Grand River Avenue in historic downtown Farmington.

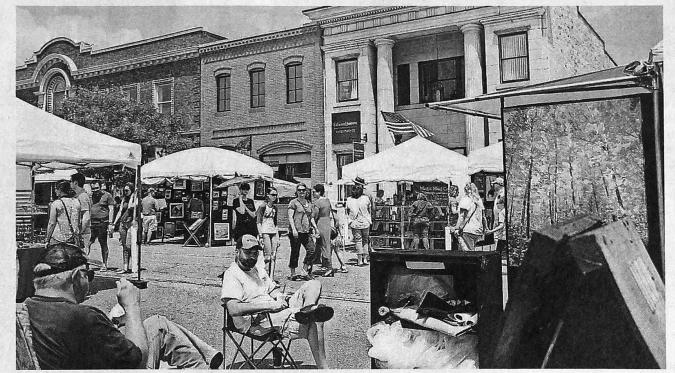
This popular fine arts and craft fair celebrating its 13th anniversary this year should hold a special place in the hearts of Michigan art lovers due to its manageable size and approachable ambiance

The festival features free admission and an array of high-quality art in a variety of price ranges and disciplines including ceramics, jewelry, painting, photography, wood, wearable art, glass, sculpture, and more.

Kids Art Alley, located within the art fair next to Sunflour Bakehaus and KickstART Gallery, features young local artists in grades 6-12 selling their own creations.

Kidzone offers fun activities for young fairgoers including Imagination Playground, a mobile block-based creative play system.

Arrive early on Saturday and visit the weekly Farmington Farmers & Artisans Market 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Riley Park, then do some sidewalk shopping and



enjoy patio dining at one of the many local restaurants.

Art on the Grand is presented by the Farmington Hills Special Services Department's Cultural Arts Division in partnership with the Farmington Downtown Development Authority.

This event is sponsored by SMART Flex Ride and Jaguar Land Rover of Farmington Hills, with support from Fresh Thyme and Starbucks.

The event will follow current Michi-

Art on the Grand, an annual juried two-day fine arts fair, is set for June 4-5 along Grand **River Avenue** in downtown Farmington. The festival features free admission and an array of high-quality art in a variety of price ranges and disciplines. SUBMITTED

gan Department of Health and Human Services rules for outdoor gatherings.

For more information or to see samples from the artists who come from across the country, visit artonthegrand. com.



Teri Allen, owner of Dearborn Jewelers of Plymouth, talks about her family's many years of running a shop residents came to count on for their jewelry purchases. The business will close for good in June. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Garden City PD investigates speeding cars, gunshots on Middlebelt

Susan Vela Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

Shots erupted Thursday as two vehicles raced along Middlebelt Road in Garden City during an incident that ended with a crash and one driver dead.

Garden City police began receiving calls at about 6:26 p.m. May 19 regarding a Dodge Ram and an SUV speeding along the road and zooming through a red light at Cherry Hill Road, heading toward Ford Road.

According to police, 911 calls of a shooting and crash near Middlebelt's intersection with Maplewood Street followed.

Police arrived to find two damaged vehicles and one injured driver. Witnesses said a Dodge Ram driver involved in the crash fled on foot.

Plymouth jewelry store closing after decades of diamond sales

David Veselenak Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

Teri Allen has spent 45 years of her life working in the jewelry business.

The Plymouth Township resident has worked with plenty of customers over the years, spending plenty of time with generations of buyers at the family business, Dearborn Jewelers of Plymouth.

But after all those years, her and her brother are ready to move on to something else.

The shop at 805 W. Ann Arbor Trail will close some time in June after the family decided it was time to retire and close the business, as there was no one willing to take on ownership.

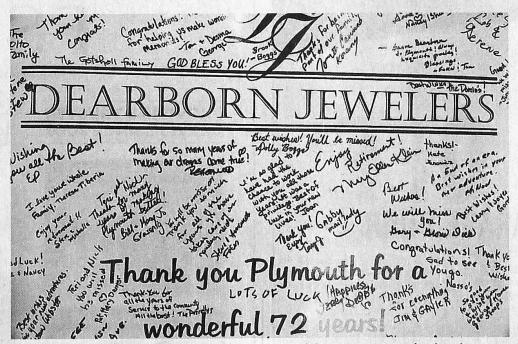
It's a decision that has left many customers full of emotions, Allen said.

"We've had literally hundreds of customers calling, sending emails, stopping in: 'Where are we going to go now? Where do you recommend?'" she said. "We've now had four generations of customers buying from us."

First open in 1950 in Dearborn by Allen's father, Nick Pavlich Sr., the shop relocated in the 2003 to downtown Plymouth in the then newly-built Mayflower Centre. With more growth taking place northwest, Allen said her father who was semi-retired at the time of the move — thought trekking north to Plymouth was a the right decision to keep the business going.

"He was very, very excited about it," Allen said. "He thought it would be a good move for the future of the business."

There the shop remained, selling necklaces, bracelets, engagement rings and more to generations of buyers. Allen said she now sees customers looking to get engaged whose great-grandparents



Dearborn Jewelers customers have left good wishes on a poster in the shop.

shopped at the store when still back in Dearborn.

The closure doesn't mean all of the family is out of the jewelry business. Allen said her brother, Nick Pavlich Jr., plans to find another place to utilize his talents.

"His plan is he wants to keep working," she said. "So he's still trying to figure out where that's going to be and so forth."

While her brother wants to remain the the jewelry world, Allen said she's ready to move on to other ventures. She had a long list of things she'd like to do, from traveling to yoga to volunteering to taking up pickleball.

"We've got our bucket list of what we'd like to do," she said.

Before the shop closes its doors, it is still selling its remaining jewelry, some at deep discounts of as much as 70% off. Dearborn Jewelers of Plymouth joins a host of longtime downtown Plymouth businesses that have closed their doors in recent months. Those include Delta Diamond, another jewelry store just down the street. Others such as Wiltse Pharmacy and Kemnitz Fine Candies & Gifts, though signage in the that shop's storefront indicates it will reopen under new ownership in the future.

"Town is changing and it's evolving. There comes a time where a lot of these businesses that have been here for many, many, many years and decades, owners want to retire," she said. "And there's not always someone that wants to step up and take it over."

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Officers provided aid to the injured driver, as other officers located the Dodge Ram driver.

A preliminary investigation shows an unknown SUV was trailing the Dodge Ram as they sped and drove recklessly on Middlebelt.

Shots were fired at the Maplewood intersection from one vehicle to the other.

At the Maplewood traffic light, the Dodge Ram struck an unrelated stopped vehicle whose driver ultimately was sent to the hospital. A representative from the Wayne County Medical Examiner's Office confirmed the morning of May 20 that the driver died.

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Amtrak train fatally strikes Wayne pedestrian

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An Amtrak train fatally struck a pedestrian late Friday night, Wayne police said.

Reporting the incident on Facebook, they said they received reports of the train fatality at the tracks near Michigan Avenue and Venoy Road at 11:58 p.m. May 20.

Further details about the deceased man are being withheld pending identification and notification of the family.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Lt. Robert Amore at ramore@cityofwayne.com or 734-721-1414, ext. 2.

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Wayne, Oakland county COVID-19 cases and deaths tracker

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New coronavirus cases increased 5.6% in Michigan in the week ending Sunday as the state added 29,267 cases. The previous week had 27,705 new cases of the virus that causes COVID-19.

Michigan ranked 12th among the states where coronavirus was spreading the fastest on a per-person basis, a USA TODAY Network analysis of Johns Hopkins University data shows. In the latest week coronavirus cases in the United States increased 31.8% from the week before, with 796,108 cases reported. With 3% of the country's population, Michigan had 3.68% of the country's cases in the last week. Across the country, 42 states had more cases in the latest week than they did in the week before.

Wayne County reported 6,294 cases and eight deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 5,658 cases and 20 deaths. Throughout the pandemic it has reported 422,841 cases and 7,981 deaths.

Oakland County reported 4,740 cases and eight deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 4,686 cases and six deaths. Throughout the pandemic it has reported 305,484 cases and 3,859 deaths.

Within Michigan, the worst weekly outbreaks on a per-person basis were in Washtenaw County with 501 cases per 100,000 per week; Keweenaw County with 425; and Mackinac County with 389. The Centers for Disease Control says high levels of community transmission begin at 100 cases per 100,000 per week.

Adding the most new cases overall were Wayne County, with 6,294 cases; Oakland County, with 4,740 cases; and Macomb County, with 3,180. Weekly case counts rose in 51 counties from the previous week. The worst increases from the prior week's pace were in Wayne, Saginaw and Macomb counties.

Michigan ranked 35th among states in share of people receiving at least one shot, with 67% of its residents at least partially vaccinated. The national rate is 77.7%, a USA TODAY analysis of CDC data shows. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, which are the most used in the United States, require two doses admin-

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Doug Levine, of Williamsport, receives his second COVID-19 booster shot, which is also the 100,000th vaccine administered at the Meritus COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the Robinwood Professional Center near Hagerstown. COLLEEN MCGRATH/USA TODAY NETWORK

istered a few weeks apart.

In the week ending Wednesday, Michigan reported administering another 89,246 vaccine doses, including 9,262 first doses. In the previous week, the state administered 77,455 vaccine doses, including 6,524 first doses. In all, Michigan reported it has administered 15,906,503 total doses.

Across Michigan, cases fell in 28 counties, with the best declines in Clinton County, with 229 cases from 360 a week earlier; in Calhoun County, with 235 cases from 324; and in Washtenaw County, with 1,843 cases from 1,917.

In Michigan, 78 people were reported dead of COVID-19 in the week ending Sunday. In the week before that, 76 people were reported dead.

A total of 2,501,863 people in Michigan have tested positive for the coronavirus since the pandemic began, and

36,218 people have died from the disease, Johns Hopkins University data shows. In the United States 83,281,329 people have tested positive and 1,002,173 people have died.

Note: In the Johns Hopkins University coronavirus data, cases and deaths for the Michigan Department of Corrections and the Federal Correctional Institution separately from Michigan counties.

Michigan's COVID-19 hospital admissions rising

USA TODAY analyzed federal hospital data as of Sunday, May 22.

Likely COVID patients admitted in the state:

- Last week: 1,387
- The week before that: 1,241
- Four weeks ago: 728

Likely COVID patients admitted in the nation:

- Last week: 53,333
- The week before that: 49,215
 - Four weeks ago: 39,443

Hospitals in 31 states reported more COVID-19 patients than a week earlier, while hospitals in 29 states had more COVID-19 patients in intensive-care beds. Hospitals in 37 states admitted more COVID-19 patients in the latest week than a week prior, the USA TODAY analysis of U.S. Health and Human Services data shows.

The USA TODAY Network is publishing localized versions of this story on its news sites across the country, generated with data from Johns Hopkins University and the Centers for Disease Control. If you have questions about the data or the story, contact Mike Stucka at mstucka@gannett.com.





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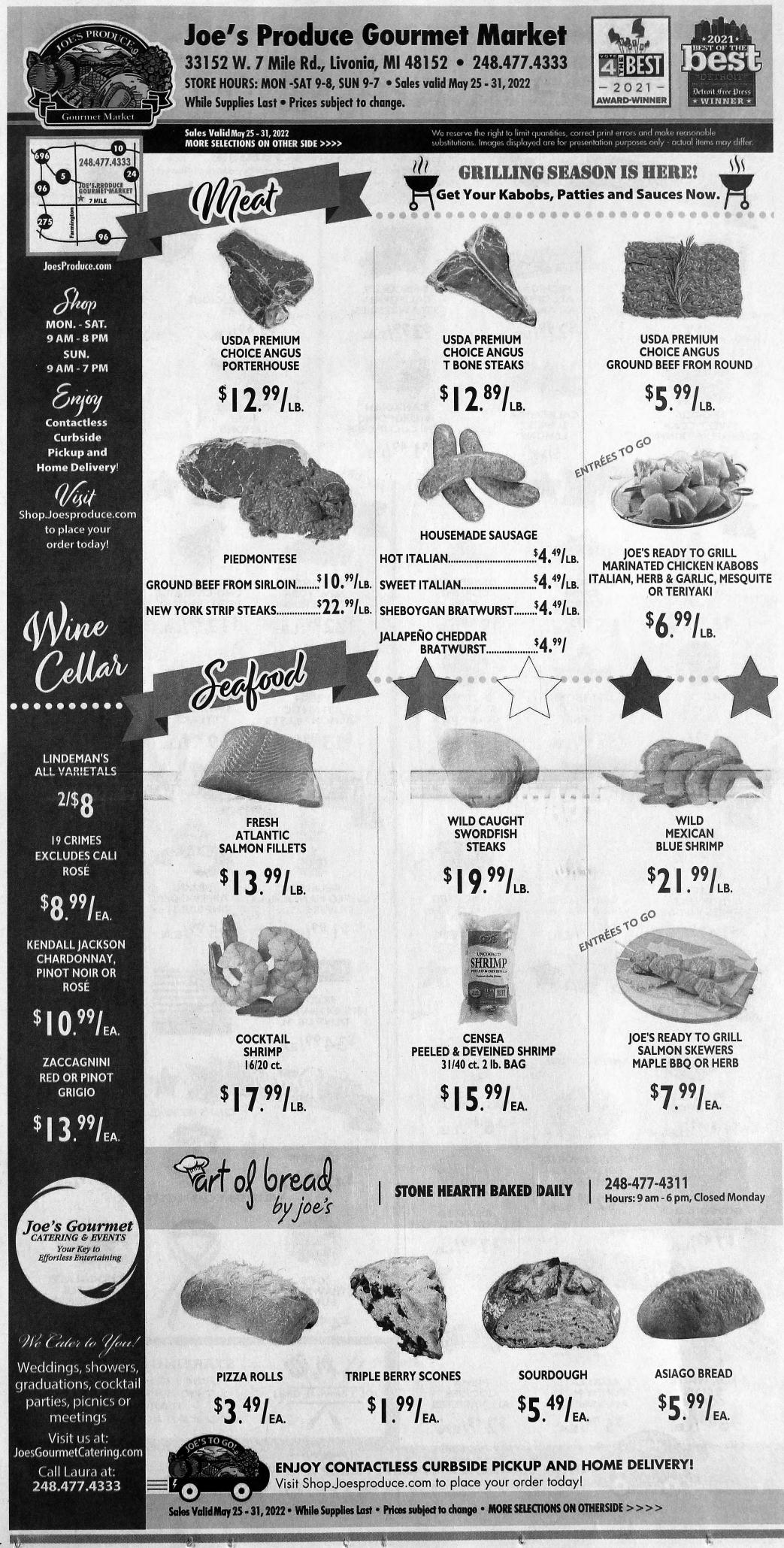


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Stevenson boys golf wins KLAA-East title

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The match was over before it even started.

There were absolutely no stakes. But don't tell that to the young, talented up-and-comers on the Livonia Stevenson boys golf team.

The Spartans certainly weren't playing like it was a meaningless round of golf.

Wayne Memorial forfeited the Kensington Lakes Activities Association-East finale May 17 at Fellows Creek in Canton. The Zebras didn't have enough players to score as a team, and you need at least four scores.

Stevenson picked up the win before any of its players took their first swing of the day. It gave the Spartans a perfect 6-0 record in the division, ensuring them the East championship, just another accolade for them to throw onto the pile of what's turning out to be one of the best seasons in their program's history.

So Stevenson, which brought a squad of mostly underclassmen and JV guys, and Wayne's pair of golfers elected to

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Teams battle for KLAA supremacy



Salem's bench celebrates a goal against Northville on May 19. The Mustangs tied the Rocks at 1-1 for the division title. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Salem girls soccer almost knocks off top-ranked Northville in league playoffs

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The Northville girls soccer team is having a dream season.

The Mustangs blitzed through their Kensington Lakes Activities Association-West schedule, which isn't an easy feat. Four teams from their league have been ranked in the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Associations' Division 1 top-10 poll almost all season long.

And that's forced them to continue ratcheting up their effort.

That was evident as they played defending state champion Hartland to a 0-0 tie to not only clinch a spot in the KLAA championship but prove they're, indeed, one of the top teams in Michigan.

And, sure enough , they earned the No. 1 ranking in the MHSSCA's Week 6 poll.

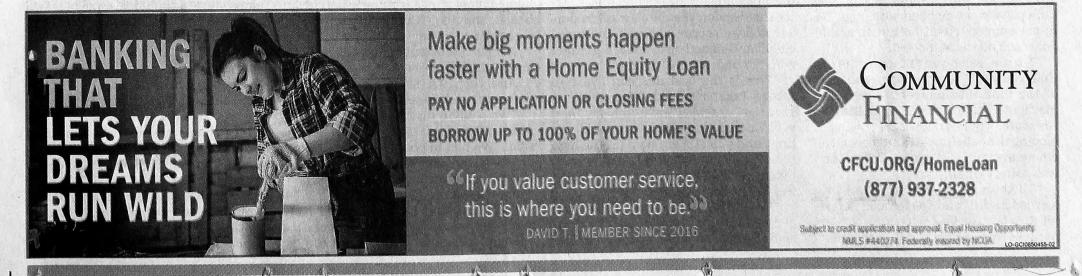
Hardly anything has gone wrong for Northville.

That was, of course, until the May 19

division finale against Salem.

For starters, the public-address system wasn't working well at its stadium. After soldiering through the senior night ceremony, it completely quit working for the playing of the national anthem.

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Golf

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make use of their tee times by playing a 9-hole match anyway.

And even though the division was already sewn up, there was Kyle Kless, attacking the final hole on Fellow Creek's South course like the Spartans' season was on the line. While battling blowing winds and an awkwardly-placed green on top of a hill, the sophomore tapped in a gimme putt from point-blank to make par and end his round on a heater.

"That's the way to finish," a parent of one of the players shouted. "What a putt!"

That's not the first fanfare Kless, as well as the rest of the Spartans, has received this spring.

A week ago, he shot an even-par 36 to become the individual medalist during a divisional dual against rival Livonia Franklin. He, along with Stevenson's other stud sophomore, Eli Vanderveen, who shot a 37, helped the Spartans edge the Patriots by 14 strokes to not only win the City championship, making them the top team in all of Livonia this spring, but also to record the lowest score for 9 holes in program history (151 strokes).

It was the second school record the Spartans had broken, as they had already shot a 307 to win the Highest Honors Invitational at Huron Meadows Golf Course in Brighton to record the program's lowest team score for 18 holes. And some of the top teams in the state were present at that tournament, including Brother Rice, which the Spartans edged by one stroke to take home the trophy.

Stevenson's other three starters led the way during that round on April 30. Senior captains Nathan Bond and Evan Westphal shot 74 and 76, respectively, while sophomore Troy Watson (yes, the Spartans have three sophomores starting!) added a 77.

The squad is heating up at just the right time, especially with the KLAA post-season tournament slated for Thursday and the Division 1 regional coming on June 1. The Spartans are looking to qualify for the state finals for a second-straight year, which is saying something. Last year was the first time they made it to the state championship since 1998.

"I'm just hoping they can keep their



The Stevenson golf team wraps up a KLAA East championship with a forfeit victory against Wayne on May 17 at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. From left are Coach Kurt Hay, C. Hadden, Kyle Kless, Eli Vanderveen, Mitchell Lee, Shain Veliu, and Zachary McCloud. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

heads on their shoulders and realize they can do it," coach Curt Hay said. "They're starting to get confidence to know that they can compete at that level."

They'll have to rely on solid scores from the sophomores if they're going to make it back to the state final.

But that's kind of been Hay's thing since taking over the Spartans nine years ago.

Hay was a pro instructor at Twin Beach Golf Club in West Bloomfield for 30 years.

After he retired, it didn't take long for one of his old junior golfers to call him up and get him out of retirement. That was former Stevenson golfer Ben Zammit, who was a junior at the time.

The Spartans were in dire need of a new coach after their previous one had stepped down.

"Basically, I said, 'I'm not doing anything, so I'll come over and coach you guys,' and here I still am," Hay said.

Stevenson's players don't have the traditional country club upbringing many of the golfers in the KLAA-West have. Most of them grew up playing on local municipal courses. Not too many of them had private instructors or even a good set of clubs to practice with. Most of Hay's freshmen come in pretty raw, but he does his best to coach them up. And, boy, has he done a good job at lowering their scores.

Take this current squad, for example. When Westphal was a freshman, he was named the team's MVP at the year-end banquet. A year ago, when Watson was a ninth-grader, he, too, was named the team's MVP (though, Watson has been a lifelong golfer with experience on the junior circuit).

Now Hay is quickly molding Kless and Vanderveen into all-league caliber players.

"These kids work hard, and they're really gelling together and trying to make it happen," Hay said. "It's just a matter of them keeping their heads on their shoulders and not getting too nervous (in big matches)."

Kless started golfing with his dad when he was 8 years old. By the time he reached the eighth grade, he was taking the sport quite seriously, even buying new clubs and constantly practicing his game.

He and his dad toured around the area, hitting up all the local Livonia courses and trying their hand at whatever tracks caught their interest.

That's helped him lower his scores

for 9 holes from the 50s in middle school, to the 40s as a freshman and now to the mid-to-high 30s as a 10th-grader.

"It's good to know your hard work turns into results with shooting lower scores," Kless said. "Seeing your teammates work hard and watching yourself get better, too, that's what I really enjoy about golf."

Vanderveen is a late bloomer, as far as star golfers go. He didn't start playing until he was 10 years old. He didn't acquire a private instructor until two years ago.

He first started golfing around municipal courses with his dad and grandpa. Now he's practicing at Fox Hills in Plymouth as often as he can.

He's even abandoned playing multiple sports to go all-in on golf, and he used to really enjoy baseball.

"I have just kept getting more and more into it," said Vanderveen, who's dropped his scores to the low 80s for 18 holes and the high 30s for 9. "When freshman year came around, I knew I wanted to try out for the golf team, so I got new clubs and really just started getting into it. I kept practicing, training and getting lessons, and here we are."

And here we are.

The Spartans walk into the KLAA championship at Kensington Metropark Golf Course in Brighton as underdogs, for sure. Northville, Novi, Brighton, Hartland, Plymouth and Canton are never easy opponents.

But it's unlikely Stevenson even cares who it's facing. The Spartans are too busy trying to one-up themselves. The sophomores want to beat the seniors. The older guys want to beat the younger guys.

That competitive spirit is kind of a rite of passage for Hay's boys.

"Some of the guys have set the bar high and everybody else wants to beat them," Hay added. "That gets the ball rolling when you get a couple of guys playing good and a couple more guys who want to beat them."

Hence, that's why Kless was chasing that par on the final hole of a seemingly meaningless match. No stakes? No, the stakes are showing up and being your best, and that's what Stevenson has been doing all spring long.

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Battle

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So the Mustangs, lined up in a single file line while facing the flag, gave a beautiful off-key rendition of the "Star-Spangled Banner" with intermittent giggles and plenty of blushing.



and Lauren (Moraitis) to push up. We got the goal, but we had to put a lot of pressure on and create more chances.

"Their desire to work together and want to win is amazing, so you don't really have to tell them much."

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And those kinds of snafus carried over to the match.

There were missed chances. Sometimes players gave up on runs. Miscommunication reared its head. Balls hit dead-center on every crossbar and post. And Salem goalkeeper Ava Holloway shut down every other scoring chance.

To make matters worse, the Rocks readjusted their attack at halftime, sent more numbers toward the net and Olivia Schuck wound up burying a moon-shot from 25 yards to put Salem ahead 1-0 in the 48th minute.

What?

Northville (12-0-5, 10-0-4) is the best team in the state. How could this be happening?

"They were tired," first-year coach Jeannine Reddy said. "But guess what? Salem plays all the same teams we do."

Chances for a comeback were dwindling.

Time raced off the clock.

But the likes of Caroline Doody, Addie Saline and Emily Takahashi drummed up chances in the final 10 minutes.

And then Takahashi dribbled a possession toward the goal and boomed a kick at Holloway.

A scrum for the rebound ensued. Some Mustangs crashed the net. It's still unsure if Takahashi's shot hit in the net off a Salem defender, or if Jessica Belknap got a toe on the rebound.

Regardless, Northville knotted the score at one with 8 minutes left. And both players got mobbed with hugs. So, in our opinion, credit both with a halfgoal each on the stat sheet.

"For me, when you get moments like that, you've got to slow down, and most of the time with moments like that, I blackout," Takahashi said of setting up the score. "I pulled out wide. I remember playing the ball through and focused on where my touch was going and where I was going to hit it.

"The best thing you can do, which I learned in club, and I've learned here, is hit it as hard as you can across the box because it's going to hit someone. I

Northville's Emily Takahashi (right) battles Salem's Katerina Ontko for possession May 19. PHOTOS BY BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

think I did, but I blacked out. I don't know if I hit it in, or if she (Belknap) hit it in, but it went in, and that's all that matters."

The fact that Takashi is even playing for the Mustangs is a blessing.

The senior was a career club player, most recently for the Michigan Jags. After she decided she didn't want to pursue college soccer, she quit the travel circuit and signed up to finish her career with her high school friends.

"This is the best decision I've ever made," Takahashi said. "Club soccer is such an intense environment, and you're competing with everyone all the time, and you still are here (at the high school level). But playing in high school, I've never felt more supportive, and I feel like people believe in me.

"Playing for the Jags prepared me super well for this year. I made the decision to leave, but I don't regret it at all." And neither does Northville, as its dream season was still alive as the final horn buzzed and both squads lined up for the handshake line to congratulate each other on a 1-1 stalemate.

The Mustangs didn't hang their heads, though. There was Saline, who, immediately after returning to her side's bench, shouted, "Guys! We're division champs!"

A mob of Mustangs cheered and hollered, "YEAH!"

And then the senior replied, "And we're still undefeated!"

"We really didn't find that spark we had until the last 20 minutes," Reddy said. "We had to change the formation up to allow our outside backs, who weren't allowed to push up today because they were staying back and marking vs. attacking because Salem had some players we needed to watch, to change formation. That allowed Emily It's on to the district tournament where Northville gets to do it all over again with Canton, Plymouth, Salem, Westland John Glenn, Livonia Churchill and Livonia Franklin in its pool.

"We've just got to go into every game and take each game for what it is," Reddy added. "We've just got to find a way to get the ball into the back of the net. We hit the inside of the post. We hit the outside of the post. The crossbar. The backside of a post."

But let's not overlook Salem either.

A week ago, the Rocks (8-4-4, 8-2-4) were ranked No. 5 in the state. Now they're unranked.

Since playing Hartland to a 0-0 tie at the beginning of May, they've lost four of their last six games, including a fourgame losing streak with back-to-back losses to Stevenson and Troy Athens, a pair of top-10 teams.

Salem has the muscle to be one of the best teams in the state. It just needs to finish out games. While Northville knocked out the Rocks for the spot in the KLAA championship, they could get their revenge over the Mustangs during the district tournament.

"For a majority of our season, we've had top-10 teams in our division, and we see everybody twice," Salem coach Kyle Karns said. "I've always said it's probably one of the top divisions in the state, and there's nothing like it. It obviously gets you prepared for the state playoffs, for sure.

"We're obviously going to see everybody again, and as you get closer to the end, goals are a lot harder to come by. Teams start to capitalize on mistakes a little more. So the games become a little more intense, but, for a team where we've replaced 14 seniors, these are the types of games we need to build off and to get ready for the playoffs."

Should both squads win out, Northville and Salem will meet again in the district championship June 2 at Tom Holzer Field. Hopefully, for the crowd's sake, the Mustangs fix their sound system before then.

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Dearborn Divine Child pitcher follows in his father's footsteps 19 years later

Tony Garcia Detroit Free Press **USA TODAY NETWORK**

Steve Avery took the mound more than 300 times in the majors, including Game 4 of the 1995 World Series - when he was the winning pitcher in the third of the Braves' four wins over Cleveland . - and 11 times for his hometown Tigers at Comerica Park.

He knows about pressure.

But standing on the Comerica Park concourse moments before Dearborn Divine Child's Catholic League semifinal Friday against Marine City Cardinal Mooney, he admitted he had butterflies.

Avery is an assistant coach for the the Falcons and his son Owen was pitching Friday afternoon.

"I'm sure I'll be more nervous than I was when I was playing," Steve said. "It will be fun, Owen's been underneath (in the clubhouse) with me before, and we come to quite a few games so he should have a good idea of what it's like out there, but it's just a different feeling when you're on a mound in a big field like this. ..

"It's special."

So too was Owen's performance, as he dominated from the first pitch.

The Grand Valley State commit threw a complete-game shutout, allowing just five hits and two walks with 14 strikeouts in seven innings as Divine Child topped Cardinal Mooney, 3-0

The Falcons advance to the Catholic League title game and a Wednesday matchup with Macomb Lutheran North — a 3-0 winner over Royal Oak Shrine earlier Friday — at Birmingham Brother Rice.

"This is now No. 1, without question," Owen said, discussing where the moment ranks in his baseball career. "It's great to get out here. We never really were able to make it in the harder division, but this year we stuck to it and we got here, so it feels pretty good to help the team get the win."

Friday marked a full-circle moment for the Averys.

Steve's father, Ken, pitched in 48 games over two seasons (1962-63) in the Tigers' farm system, going 28-11 with a 3.58 ERA. He would have been at Friday's game, but his wife had knee surgery in the morning, so he streamed the game from her hospital room.

"I always like to check in with him after games," Owen said. "I was worried (about my grandma) but I'm glad that went well and I could focus. But I always talk to him -grandpa was good back in the day, that's where my dad got everything from, so I'm always going to listen to him."

Steve starred for Taylor Kennedy, winning Michigan's Mr. Baseball in 1988 before being drafted No. 3 overall that year. He then went 96-83 over an 11-year big league career, finishing up with the Tigers in 2003. After missing two years with injuries, Steve said, he probably would have called it guits if it wasn't for the opportunity with his hometown team, which set an American League record for losses by going 49-113 that season.

"I always joke that I went 2-0 that year and batted 1.000, so it wasn't my fault," he laughed. "But Tigers baseball has always been a big part of my life and my family's life."

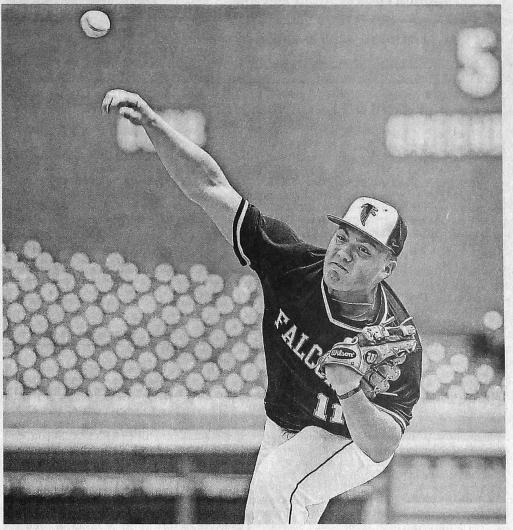
His oldest son. Evan. also pitched in relief at Comerica Park, back in 2012, though that game ended in a loss.

Friday was Owen's turn, though; not only did he mow down the Cardinals on the mound, he had the biggest hit as well.

After the Falcons scored twice in the first - scoring the first on an error when Mooney pitcher Blake Lutzky tried to turn a 1-6-3 double play but threw the ball into centerfield and the second on a two-out single by second baseman Ben Corak - neither team scored in the second.

That brought up Owen to lead off the third. He sent a 325-foot flyball into the left-center gap for a sliding triple.

Two pitches later, he scored on a single by third baseman John Millen for the



Dearborn Divine Child pitcher Owen Avery allowed five hits and struck out 14 in seven shutout innings May 20 against Marine City Cardinal Mooney at Comerica Park. JUNFU HAN/DETROIT FREE PRESS

Falcons' final run. Cardinal Mooney had just three runners reach scoring position, none on third.

Lutzky was solid for Cardinal Mooney as well. The junior gave up one earned run on four hits and four walks with eight strikeouts over six innings.

But Friday was about the Averys.

Steve said he loved his big-league career, with seven seasons as part of the Braves' rotation that featured Hall of Famers such as Tom Glavine, Greg Maddux and John Smoltz. But he also felt that donning the Old English D was every bit as special.

Still, he remembers are the days playing whiffle ball on the field with Evan before games. On Friday, he got to step back on his old field with his younger son.

"I feel a lot better now," he said after the win. "That was awesome. He pitched like he has all year, and that's all you want as a pitcher - to give your team a chance to win.

"I'm proud of him."

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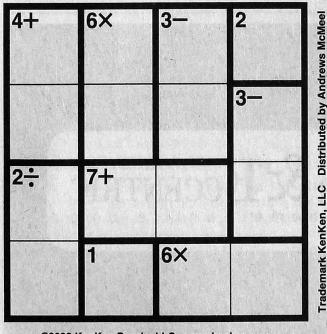
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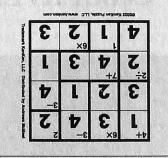
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PUBLIC NOTICE TIPTON ACADEMY ANNUAL **BUDGET HEARING**

June 15, 2022 6:30pm Cafeteria - 29205 Florence Street Garden City, MI 48135

Tipton Academy Annual Organization Meeting

June 15, 2022 Directly following budget hearing Cafeteria - 29205 Florence Street Garden City, MI 48135

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ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2022-10 MAY 17, 2022

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A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. MEMBERS PRESENT: Rhaesa, Porter, Dowd, Skiff, Wagner, Brock, Wass. ABSENT: None. COUNCIL APPROVED: Agenda, Regular Mtg. Minutes of 5-3-22, Closed Session-Collective Bargaining Strat., Close Closed Session, Public Hearing to consider FY 2023 Budget, Ord. 2022-03, FY 2022-2023 Budget & Millage Rates excluding the Water & Sewer Rates, POAM, COAM, Pcts. 1 & 2 voting loc, change, Consent Calendar. Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

> Tina M. Parnell, CMC Wayne City Clerk

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BID ADVERTISEMENT

Farmington Public Schools will receive sealed bid proposals until 2:00 p.m., on June 7, 2022, for the following bid package: "Asbestos Abatement at Farmington Community School" Bidding documents may be obtained after May 31, 2022, from Nova Environmental, Inc., 5300 Plymouth Rd., Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105, Tel. 734.930.0995, and at the mandatory pre-bid examination. A mandatory pre-bid examination of the buildings will be held at 3:00 p.m. on May 31, 2022, Farmington Community School, 304155 Shiwassee Road, Farmington, Michigan 48336. Meet at the main office. Bid security in the form of a Bid Bond by a T-listed bonding company licensed to do business in the State of Michigan, Cashier's Check, or Certified Check in the amount of 5% of the bid amount shall be submitted with the bid proposal. Performance and Labor and Material Bonds will be provided upon award. Familial and Iranian Disclosure Statements must be submitted with bid proposal. Bids shall remain firm for acceptance for a period of 60 days. Farmington Public Schools reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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CITY OF WESTLAND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS **PUBLIC NOTICE**

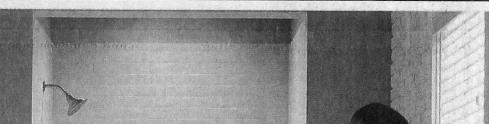
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public meeting of the City of Westland Zoning Board of Appeals will be held Wednesday, June 15, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, MI, at 5:30 p.m. at which time comments may be directed to the Board during audience participation. If you wish to reply by mail, send your comments to the above address. All property owners whose names appear in the City of Westland tax rolls located within 300' of this property are being notified pursuant to this statute.

Petition #2952 - N. Choucair/Sunoco Gas Station-35425 Ford

Req. for a 6' side yd. setback variance, a 25'8" rear yd. setback variance, a 14'4" building hgt. variance, and a 10 space off-street parking variance from Ord. 248, to add a 772 sq. ft. addition/ renovation to the existing Gas Station that would have a side yd. setback of 24'; whereas Sec. 110-9.7.5 requires a minimum 30' side yd. setback, a 4'4" rear yd. setback; whereas Sec. 110-9.7.5 requires a minimum 30' rear yd. setback, a building hgt. of 18'8"; whereas Sec. 110-9.7.5 allows a maximum bldg.. hgt. of 4'4", and would allow for 7 off-street parking spaces; whereas Sec. 110-16.2 requires 17 off-street parking spaces. LO-GCI0885942-01 3v2

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CITY OF WESTLAND **INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed or Electronic proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, MI 48185, on June 8th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

DOG PARK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office or at www.CityofWestland.com. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

> Devin J. Adams City Controller

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CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 10 5/16/22

Presiding: President Hart

Present: Godbout, Herzberg, McDermott, Rutkowski

103: Minutes of regular meeting held 5/2/22.

- Bid for asphalt repairs/maintenance to K&B Asphalt & Bidigare Contractors for 3 yrs./as needed basis.

- Bid for Westchester Dr. road & water reconstruction project to Great Lakes Contracting; amt. \$1,542,384.30.

- Emergency medical supply vendors for FD to Stryker Medical for 3 yrs. & Teleflex for 5 yrs/ as needed basis.

- 1 yr. Workers Compensation Coverage agreement w/Willis Towers Watson Midwest Inc. for the City's self-insured program, amt. \$97,590.

- Adoption of 2021 Walk & Roll Pedestrian Bicycle Safety Action Non-Motorized Transportation Plan.

104: Appr. checklist: \$1,573,322.19.

105: Adopt LD, PID #049-05-0981-301, sw corner of Ford Rd & Newburgh.

106: Appr. SP & SLU for prop. marijuana collocated facility, 37501 & 37505 Cherry Hill, w. of Newburgh, s. side of Cherry Hill w/contingencies.

107: Appr. SLU for proposed Hookah Smoking Lounge, 2733 S. Wayne, e. side of Wayne, n. of Glenwood w/contingencies.

108: App. SP for prop. building addition & pickup window for Texas Roadhouse, 36750 Ford Rd., n. side of Ford Rd., e. of Newburgh w/contingencies. Mtg. adj. at 7:40 p.m.

James Hart Council President Publish: May 26, 2022

Shannon Inman Deputy City Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF A PROPOSED DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (DWSRF) **PROJECT PLAN FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a Public Hearing shall be held before the Redford Township Board at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at the Redford Township Hall, 15145 Beech Daly, Redford, MI 48239, on the adoption of a proposed Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan for water main improvements within the Township of Redford.

Redford Township will be submitting a DWSRF Project Plan to obtain low interest loan proceeds through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to finance the construction of water main improvements within the following proposed areas:

- Joy Road from Telegraph Road to Township Line (west of West Parkway Street)
- Dale Street from West Chicago Road to Joy Road Appleton Street from West Chicago Road to Joy Road
- Riverdale Street from Meadow Park Street to Joy Road
- Appleton Street from Plymouth Road to Virgil Street
- Virgil Street from Plymouth Road to Appleton Street
- Grayfield Street from Plymouth Road to West Chicago Road
- Hazelton Street from Plymouth Road to West Chicago Road
- Riverdale Street from Wadsworth Street to Plymouth Road
- Hazelton Street from Wadsworth Street to Plymouth Road
- Royal Grand Street from Dead End to Plymouth Road
- Farley Street from Dead End to Plymouth Road
- Loop from Farley Street to Beech Daly Road
- Telegraph Road from Plymouth Road to West Chicago Road



The Township is making available to the general public the draft of the DWSRF Project Plan. A copy is available for examination and comment for a thirty-day period. A copy of the DWSRF Project Plan will be available for review at the Redford Township Clerk's Office, 15145 Beech Daly Road, Redford, MI 48239 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and online at the Redford Township website at www.redfordtwp.com.

Comments from the public are welcome and may be submitted to the Public Services Department, 12200 Beech Daly Road, Redford, MI 48239, throughout the thirty-day public comment period, May 26, 2022 through June 24, 2022, until 4:30 P.M.

Please note that all aspects of the Project Plan are open for discussion at the Public Hearing.

Michael Dennis, Director Public Services and Community Development Charter Township of Redford

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CITY OF WAYNE ORDINANCE NO. 2022-03 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1630, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (HAZMAT) COST AND LIABILITY

THE CITY OF WAYNE HEARBY ORDAINS:

ARTICLE VIII. COST RECOVERY FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

Sec. 22-212. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

A dangerous or hazardous substance or material is defined as any material or substance that has been identified by city, state, or federal laws or regulations could include, but is not limited to such substances as chemicals and gases, explosives, radioactive materials, petroleum products or gases, poisons, etiologic (biologic) agents, flammable and corrosives, or obnoxious by reason of odor, spilled, leaked, or otherwise released from their container.

Emergency response may include, but is not limited to the providing, sending and/or utilizing of public service, police, firefighting and/or rescue services by the city and/or any municipal mutual aid association of which the city is a member, as applicable, to an accident, incident, or otherwise in response to a call involving a motor vehicle, transportation device, fixed facility, or container therein where there was a release, potential release, suspected release, or reported release of a dangerous or hazardous substance or material or a specifically hazardous substance, as defined in this article, or any request for medical service, technical rescues as defined in this ordinance, or emergency assistance that is needed to allow for the provision of medical services.

Expense of emergency response means the cost associated with the occurrence of an emergency response as set forth above. The expense of making an emergency response as set forth above shall include, without limitation, the costs connected with the administration, abatement and mitigation provision and analysis of chemical tests and the videotaping of the driver, if applicable. Such expense shall also include, without limitation, the investigation and analysis of a release, potential release, suspected release, or reported release of a dangerous or hazardous substance or material or a specifically hazardous substance, as defined in this article, regardless of whether any actual release is ultimately found to have occurred. Such expenses shall also include the cost of medical services provided by the city. These costs shall be set by council resolution or by cost analyses calculated by the fire department, police department, and/or any municipal mutual aid association of which the city is a member, as applicable.

Specifically hazardous substance:

(1) Includes hazardous chemicals as defined by the Michigan Department of Public Health and the Michigan Department of Labor; hazardous materials as defined by the U.S. Department of Transportation; critical materials and polluting materials as defined by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, hazardous waste as defined by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and hazardous materials as defined by Comprehensive Environmental Response, "Superfund", as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), 42 USC 9601.

(2) A dangerous or hazardous substance or material that is released from its container, which, in the determination of the fire chief or his authorized representative, is dangerous or harmful to the human or animal life, health or safety and welfare of the public or environment.

(3) A hazardous substance can also be a noxious odor that is determined by the fire chief, or his authorized representative, to constitute a danger or threat to public health, safety or welfare.

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(4) Person means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, club, joint venture, estate, trust, sole proprietorship, legal entity, government corporation, a federal, state, or local unit of government, a political subdivision of a federal, state, or local unit of government, an interstate body, and any other group or combination acting as a unit and the individuals constituting such group or unit.

(4) Any person(s) involved in any activity which caused or contributed to the causation of the incident giving rise to the need for a technical rescue shall be jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue.

(5) Any person(s) who makes a false report that results in the unnecessary dispatch of personnel to perform a technical rescue shall be jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in responding to the report.

(6) The employer(s) of a person who, in the course of his/her employment, is involved in an incident requiring a technical rescue shall be liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue.

(7) Any person(s) involved in any construction project in which a technical rescue is needed on the construction site shall be jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue.

(8) In the case of the technical rescue of any property, the owner and titleholder of the property and the person in possession of the property at the time of the incident giving rise to the need for technical rescue are jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue.

Sec. 22-214. Liability; costs of cleanup of dangerous or hazardous substance or materials.

(a) It shall be the duty of any person or entity which owned, leased, operated, commissioned the use or operation of, contracted for the use or operation of, or otherwise had any possession or control of a motor vehicle or other transportation device or fixed facility which operation, use, possession, or control results in leakage, spillage, or any other dissemination of dangerous or hazardous substance or materials to immediately remove such and clean up the area of such dissemination in such manner that the area involved is fully restored to its condition before such occurrence and to pay all costs therefor. The fire department and engineering department will inspect said site to make sure the cleanup is in compliance with local, state, and federal guidelines, provided, however, that such inspection shall not relieve the responsible person or entity hereunder of the ultimate responsibility for full compliance.

(b) Any such person or entity which fails to comply with this chapter by failing to clean up without delay a dangerous or hazardous substance or materials release, shall be liable to and shall pay the city for its costs and expenses, including the costs incurred by the city of any party which it engages, for the complete abatement, mitigation, clean up and restoration.

Sec. 22-215. Cost recovery for emergency responses of extended duration.

(a) In addition to the other cost recovery rights set forth in this article, the city and any municipal mutual aid association of which the city is a member, as applicable, shall be entitled to recover all costs and damages incurred in conjunction with emergency responses of extended duration. Such costs and damages shall include, but not be limited to, those associated with incident abatement, cleanup, mitigation, and guarding of downed wires including any related third-party costs, which were necessary to ensure the safety of the city and its populace.

(b) Such costs and damages shall be the joint and several responsibilities of the owners and operators of the property, equipment, vehicle, or container causing or contributing in any emergency incident or hazardous condition of extended duration.

Sec. 22-216. Costs recovery for fires.

(a) The city shall be entitled to recover all costs and damages incurred in conjunction with any fire. Such costs shall include, but are not limited to, those associated with the fire extinguishment and investigation.

(b) Such costs and damages shall be the joint and several responsibilities of the property owner, all such costs and damages shall be paid within 30 days of demand by the fire department.

(c) The city shall have a lien for all unpaid costs and damages incurred by the fire department as above described and may enforce such lien in the manner prescribed by the general laws of the state providing for the enforcement of tax liens.

Sec. 22.17 Costs Subject to Recovery from Persons Liable for

(5) Technical rescue means all services rendered to save life or property that employ the use of tools and skills that exceed those normally needed for firefighting, medical emergency, and rescue. Technical rescue includes, but is not limited to:

- a) Rope rescue.
- b) Structural collapse search and rescue.
- c) Confined space search and rescue.
- d) Vehicle search and rescue.
- e) Water search and rescue.
- f) Wilderness search and rescue.
- g) Trench and excavation search and rescue.
- h) Machinery search and rescue.
- i) Cave search and rescue.
- j) Mine and tunnel search and rescue.
- k) Helicopter search and rescue.
- l) Tower rescue.
- m) Animal technical rescue.

Sec. 22-213. Liability; costs of emergency response.

(a) Any person who, or entity which owned, leased, operated, commissioned the use or operation of, contracted for the use or operation of, or otherwise had any possession or control of a motor vehicle or other transportation device, which operation, use, possession, or control results in an emergency response, shall be responsible and liable to the city and any municipal mutual aid association of which the city is a member, as applicable, for the expenses of the emergency response.

(b) The owner or lessor or operator of the fixed facility which is the subject of an emergency response shall be liable to the city and any municipal mutual aid association of which the city is a member, as applicable for the expense of an emergency response.

(c) The following persons shall be jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue:

(1) Any person or the parent or guardian of a minor, who accidentally, negligently, intentionally, or unintentionally causes or is responsible for the need for technical rescue shall be jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue.

(2) The owner(s) of real property on which services are rendered in a technical rescue shall be jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue.

(3) The owner(s) of a vehicle from which persons or property must be rescued by technical rescue and the person to whom the services are rendered shall be jointly and severally liable for all costs to the city incurred in performing the technical rescue.

Secs. 22-218—22-242. Reserved. Adopted: May 17, 2022

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Technical Rescue.

The costs to the City of performing a technical rescue, for which the City shall be reimbursed, include, but are not limited to, costs for the following:

a. Aid provided by the Washtenaw County Technical Rescue Team, any

other governmental agency, or any other technical rescue resource(s) or person(s).

b. All personnel costs.

c. Contracting with any persons to assist in a technical rescue.

d. The rental or purchase of machinery, equipment, materials or supplies required for the technical rescue.

e. Usage cost of equipment, machinery and supplies along with vehicle response costs to technical rescue.

f. Charges imposed on the City by any local, state or federal governmental entities related to performing the technical rescue.

g. The accounting for all expenditures related to technical rescue responses, including billing and collection costs and attorney fees.

h. The costs for repairs to or replacement of equipment and materials used in the technical rescue that are damaged, lost, destroyed or rendered irreparable in connection with the technical rescue.

i. Any services required after the technical rescue, such as cleanup of a site or the removal of items.

(j) Any administrative costs generated in conjunction with an expense recovery.

Sec. 22-2187. Civil liability.

(a) The responsibilities and liabilities set forth in this article shall be construed to be of a civil nature and shall not be construed to conflict or contravene or enlarge or reduce any criminal liability or responsibility, including fines imposed by a judge on a driver for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and/or controlled substance. Nor shall this article be construed to impose criminal sanctions based solely on this article, as to the responsible party in a hazardous or toxic waste violation.

(b) The city finance department or its designee, shall within a reasonable time of receiving itemized costs incurred for emergency response, submit a bill for same by first class mail or personal service to a person or entity liable for these expenses as enumerated under this article. Said bill shall require full payment in 30 days from date of billing.

(c) If any person or entity fails to reimburse the city as provided and such person or entity is the owner of the affected property, the city shall have the right and power to add any and all costs of cleanup and restoration to the tax roll as to such property, and to levy and collect such costs in the same manner as provided for the levy and collection of real property taxes against said property. This remedy is in addition to any other remedy available to the city allowed by law.

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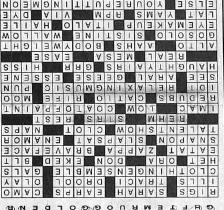
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