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## Police say overdose calls rose in pandemic

Canton Twp. saw 23 percent increase in 2021

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Some of metro Detroit's largest communities are dealing with deadly spikes in overdoses that at least one police chief blames on the pandemic.

"Our whole nation is seeing it," Canton Township Police Chief Chad Baugh said. "I would imagine the whole Western Hemisphere for that matter (is) seeing this increase. It's a demand problem."

"It seems, anecdotally, that we're

seeing an increase in alcohol use, opiate use, cocaine and now meth, too. People are suffering to some degree - some people more than others. And they're isolated. When people are suffering from mental health, they often self-medicate with different substances, including opiates and heroin."

Canton, Livonia and Farmington Hills had a combined 153 police-in-

olved overdose incidents for 2019 and 2020, but then the annual total jumped to 183 - or by about 20% - in 2021.

While the individual amounts of 2021 overdoses remained under 100, percentage jumps were 38% for Farmington Hills, 23% for Canton Township and 11% for Livonia.

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## ART IN THE PARK



Make-up artist Ava McCall of Freestyle Face & Body Art paints Landon Anderson's face as grandparents Donna and Pat Anderson watch during Plymouth Art in the Park on July 8. Find more photos on Page 2A.

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## DIA adds Livonia, Canton, Westland student art to exhibit

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Among work from famous artists like Diego Rivera, Claude Monet and Vincent van Gogh, there's now an original Tobey Sharp rendering and two original Olivia Van Acker drawings hanging in the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Sharp and Van Acker, both teens from Livonia, are part of the museum's first Wayne County student exhibition. Both teens submitted personal projects created outside of school.

"It's kind of hard to explain, but when it first got in there was just a giddy excitement," said Sharp, who recently graduated from Franklin High School and plans to study art at the College for Creative Studies in Detroit. "I was able to tell my friends who are also artists, and they were really happy for me. That felt really good."

Students from Livonia, Wayne, Westland, Canton, Plymouth and Northville are represented in the 80 selected works, which will appear in the DIA's education wing through the end of July. The exhibition includes paintings, drawings, photography and mixed media and is free to view with museum admission.

Van Acker, a rising junior at Churchill High School, submitted two drawings of horses that were chosen.

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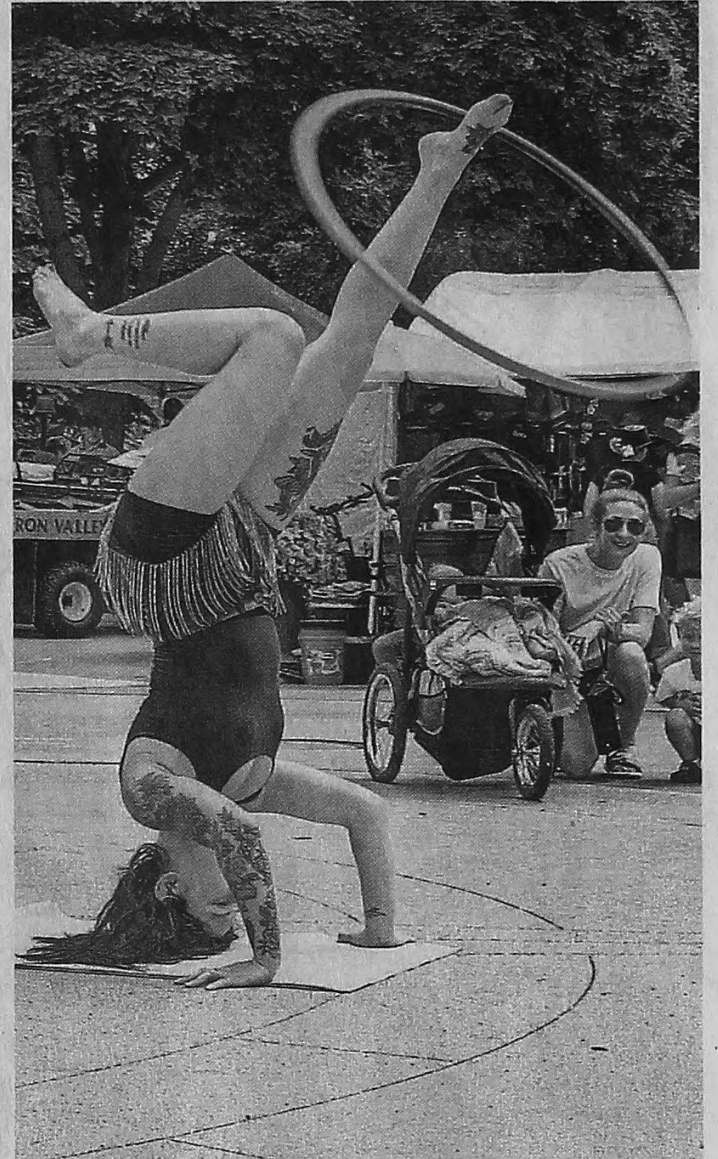
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# ART PIECES FILL PLYMOUTH



Visitors to Plymouth Art in the Park on July 8 enjoy good weather as the weekend festival kicks off.  
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Hula hoop entertainer Kylee Lipinski of Farmington Hills goes inverted as she performs.

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Connie Wastcoat with Grownupkidstuff shares a sample of the chocolate sauce to taste testers (from left) Debbie Watkins, Aria Bejger and Amber Bejger of Garden City.

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Andrew Schwank, of Plymouth, purchases one of Patty Pun's dragons from her booth Jute Sculptures.

# Calls

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As pandemic pains eased, the three communities saw a return to more normal numbers. Overdoses were down for the first part of 2022. Yet several months remained when law enforcers discussed the local ravages of fentanyl, methamphetamines, heroin and painkillers.

Police, firefighters and paramedics are thankful to have Narcan and other naloxone products, an opioid antagonist which quickly reverses an opioid overdose. Canton police deployments saved at least 31 people in 2021, the year of the spikes. Livonia saved 63 and Farmington Hills only had three people die, thanks to the NARCAN use.

"If there is a silver lining on any of it," Livonia Police Lt. Charles Lister said, "it has been the number of people that haven't fatally overdosed, which I attribute to probably the three-pronged approach, which is the fire department and the police department being equipped with Narcan, as well as family and friends of people that are dealing with an addiction problem."

"The fatal overdoses we have every year. ... The number is tragic enough but it would be a much greater tragedy if it wasn't for Narcan and trying to plug people into the system to get help."

### Not just a metro Detroit problem

Then there's the two-pronged situation: Metro Detroit indeed reflects the nation's drug problem, and it's a link in the chain of the U.S. drug trafficking network.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention supports that 2021 was a particularly bad year for overdoses. The agency's data shows 107,622 drug overdose deaths in the United States in 2021 – or a nearly 15% increase over 2020.

And experts for several years have been claiming an underreporting of overdose deaths.

In Michigan, the 2020-21 increases in fatal overdoses and non-fatal overdose visits involving emergency rooms and departments were less than 5%. But some local communities are coping with the surges that are pushing up the year-to-year numbers.

These communities are trying to end

# Overdose Spikes 2020-2021

These Hometown Life communities are reporting overdose spikes.

	2019	2020	2021	Mid-2022
Livonia	69	80	89	21
Canton Township	50	47	58	13
Farmington Hills	34	26	36	16

Source: Police Departments



A Canton Township overdose kit. SUSAN VELA/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

the upward trend by addressing mental health more compassionately. In 2021, as their overdoses continued to outpace the prior year's, Canton and Livonia hired social workers to help address mental health issues.

That same year, Farmington Hills Police Chief Jeff King announced a partnership between his agency and Families Against Narcotics to create a FAN COMEBACK Quick Response Team.

For non-fatal overdoses, a police officer, certified peer recovery coach and certified family recovery coach visit the home within 72 hours of the emergency.

The goal is to connect with the person who overdosed and their family to offer support, information, and help with obtaining recovery services and community resources.

tries to get at the root cause of people's pain, which could mean lost jobs, dangerous schools, sexual orientation, broken families and more.

"We do a lot of overdose calls. A lot," she said. "They think (drug or alcohol use) is the ticket. Then they believe that that's their way out of all of these psychological feelings."

### Support needed

Law enforcers promote initiatives like FAN and Growth Works for families dealing with addiction and other problems.

"Our primary duty is to serve the public and protect them," Police Chief Jeff King said while sharing a story about a single parent in one of the city's more affluent neighborhoods who made sacrifices for an addicted child but could not save him. "It's how do you protect somebody from themselves. As police officers, we want to fix things. We want to help. If somebody is breaking the law, we want to arrest them or write them a ticket or make them stop."

Lauren Rousseau is a FAN-Northwest Wayne board member and law professor who said the pandemic exacerbated addiction problems. Treatment facilities didn't allow or limited admissions. Recovery homes stopped accepting new people. Support meetings went online and weren't as effective.

Rousseau was the legal guardian of a young man lost to heroin addiction. He died violently in 2012.

"I loved him like a son," the Livonia resident said. "I wish I had been enabling one more time and said sure, 'Come on and stay at my house.' He might be alive today."

She advised families with an addicted person in their fold to seek help instead of trying to handle the situation by themselves.

"Really a support group is the best way to go," Rousseau said. "There is no one way – one right way – to deal with this situation."

"The best thing you can do is continue to get educated. If you are attending these types of meetings, you hear stories. You hear what other people are experiencing. You gather information and you try different things. You kind of grow along with that plus (you are) getting support you need because it is so hard."

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# Michigan Shakespeare Festival ready to open in Canton

Courtesy of Canton Township

The Michigan Shakespeare Festival, the official Shakespeare festival of Michigan, will soon return to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill for its 2022 Renaissance Season, July 19 to Aug. 21.

For the first time in its 27-year history, the MSF will be performing its entire run at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton.

"We're so pleased that our home in Canton is welcoming us back for our 2022 season, and we're thrilled to be able to rehearse, tech, and open our shows at The Village Theater," MSF Artistic Director Janice L. Blixt said.

The three main stage shows will be the heroic and epic drama "Henry V," featuring Ann Arbor native and Festival Favorite Sam Hubbard as the king, the bubbly bright comedy "The Merry Wives of Windsor" being directed by award-winning Artistic Associate Robert Kauzlaric, and the silly farce "Charley's Aunt" by Brandon Thomas featuring Edmund Alyn Jones.

Focusing on the events prior to and following the famous Battle of Agincourt, Henry V tells the story of one of Britain's greatest kings – and the man behind the title. The final piece of Prince Hal's story first played out in Henry IV, parts 1 & 2 (award-winning MSF production from 2015) where we saw the wild and angry young man as he grew into a leader of men. Henry V features some of the most famous scenes and speeches in the cannon.

Mistress Page and Mistress Ford have a very large problem – a drunken rogue who won't leave them alone. Sir John Falstaff is short of money and on the hunt for a lady willing to take him on and pay his bills. The ladies get together and hatch a hilarious plan to thwart the pest – if only their husbands can stay out of the way. "The Merry Wives of Windsor" is famously the result of Queen Elizabeth I demanding that Shakespeare write a play featuring Falstaff (from Henry IV, parts 1 & 2) falling in love – and how else could such a request play out?

Jack and Charley have fallen in love with Kitty and Amy – who are being sent away to Scotland by Amy's Uncle – who is also Kitty's guardian. The guys invite their loves to lunch – where they intend to declare their intentions and meet Charley's slightly eccentric Aunt Donna Lucia D'Alvadorez. What follows is a wacky, silly, romantic comedy full of starchy relatives, clever servants, and Lord Fancourt Babberley. "Charley's Aunt" was a sensation upon opening, running 1,466 performances – come take a break this summer and join us for the mayhem.

The third show on the MSF calendar is always a classical play from a playwright other than Shakespeare. The season will also feature beloved festival actors Alan Ball and Jason Briggs and designers Aly Renee Amidei, Emily McConnell, and Melanie Schuessler-Bond.

The season is partially supported by the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts / Arts Works Program.

Season tickets are on sale now at [www.cantonvillage-theater.org](http://www.cantonvillage-theater.org) or by calling The Village Theater Box Office at 734-394-5300. For additional information, visit [michiganshakespearefestival.com](http://michiganshakespearefestival.com).



The Michigan Shakespeare Festival is bringing its cast of professional actors to the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton. COURTESY OF MICHIGAN SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

## Performance schedule

Henry V—preview July 19, 7:30 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—preview July 28, 7:30 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—Aug. 6, 2 p.m.	The Merry Wives of Windsor—Aug. 14, 3 p.m.
Henry V—preview July 20, 7:30 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—preview July 29, 7:30 p.m.	Henry V—Aug. 6, 7:30 p.m.	The Merry Wives of Windsor—Aug. 17, 2 p.m.
The Merry Wives of Windsor—preview July 21, 7:30 p.m.	The Merry Wives of Windsor—July 30, 2 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—Aug. 7, 3 p.m.	Henry V—Aug. 18, 7:30 p.m.
Henry V—opening July 22, 7:30 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—opening July 30, 7:30 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—Aug. 10, 2 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—Aug. 19, 7:30 p.m.
The Merry Wives of Windsor—preview July 23, 2 p.m.	Henry V—July 31, 3 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—Aug. 11, 7:30 p.m.	The Merry Wives of Windsor—Aug. 20, 2 p.m.
The Merry Wives of Windsor—opening July 23, 7:30 p.m.	Henry V—Aug. 3, 2 p.m.	Henry V—Aug. 12, 7:30 p.m.	Henry V—Aug. 20, 7:30 p.m.
Henry V—July 24, 3 p.m.	The Merry Wives of Windsor—Aug. 4, 7:30 p.m.	Henry V—Aug. 13, 2 p.m.	Charley's Aunt—Aug. 21, 3 p.m.
	The Merry Wives of Windsor—Aug. 5, 7:30 p.m.	The Merry Wives of Windsor—Aug. 13, 7:30 p.m.	

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## Mark Andrew Mittleman

CANTON - Mittleman, Mark A., age 72, of Canton, July 05, 2022. Beloved husband for 45 years of Margaret. Loving father of Marissa (Antonio) Testa and James (Maria) Mittleman. Devoted grandfather to Antonio, Claire, and Angelina. He is survived by his siblings, Marshall



(Lisa) Mittleman, Margaret (Steven) Marschke, and Marty (Linda) Mittleman and sister-in-law, Cynthia (John Avallone) Mittleman. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Heather Anne Mittleman, his parents, Marshall and Margaret, and his brother Michael Mittleman and his grandparents, Margaret and Marshall Mittleman, and Elizabeth and Alfred Schulz. Mr. Mittleman was very athletic, playing baseball, softball, bowling, and followed pro sports and both high school and collegiate sports. He was an avid investor in the stock market. Mark was a combat medic in the Vietnam War. Visitation, Monday, July 11, 2022, from 6:00-8:00 PM, and Tuesday, July 12, 1:00-8:00 PM, at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, 30895 Huron River Drive, Flat Rock. Service will be Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at 11:00 AM. He will be taken by caisson to Michigan Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to: National Association of Veterans and Families <https://www.navf.org/>, Tunnel to Towers <https://t2t.org/>, Disabled American Veterans <https://www.dav.org/>, Wounded Warrior Project <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org>. [www.mimemorial.com](http://www.mimemorial.com)



Cast members from Westland Inspire Theatre's production of "Guys and Dolls." COURTESY OF INSPIRE THEATRE

## Broadway classic 'Guys and Dolls' comes to Westland theater

Courtesy of Inspire Theatre

Considered by many to be the perfect musical comedy, "Guys and Dolls" ran for 1,200 performances when it opened on Broadway in 1950. It received nearly unanimous positive reviews from critics and won a bevy of awards. Frequently revived, Inspire Theatre will bring the classic to life at the Westland Center for the Arts July 15-31.

Set in Damon Runyon's mythical New York City, "Guys and Dolls" is an oddball romantic comedy. Gambler Nathan Detroit tries to find the cash to set up the biggest craps game in town while the authorities breathe down his neck. Meanwhile, his

girlfriend and nightclub performer, Adelaide, laments that they've been engaged for fourteen years.

Nathan turns to fellow gambler, Sky Masterson, for the dough, and Sky ends up chasing the straight-laced missionary, Sarah Brown, as a result. "Guys and Dolls" takes the audience from the heart of Times Square to the cafes of Havana, Cuba, and even into the sewers of New York City. But eventually, everyone ends up right where they belong.

Twenty-one performers from the metro Detroit region will fill the stage as Inspire presents the show that includes classics such as "Bushel

and a Peck" and "Luck be a Lady."

"This is at the top of my bucket list of shows," Director Len Fisher said. "The cast is as varied as the characters they portray. We have a seventeen-year-old and a septuagenarian. We have the very experienced and first-timers. And everyone in between. This is one of the most talented casts to appear on the Inspire stage."

Guys and Dolls opens July 15 and runs for three weekends. Tickets are \$18 and can be purchased online. For more information, call 734-751-7057. Inspire Theatre is located inside the Westland Center for the Arts at 33455 Warren Road.

# Two Southfield residents contenders for Dem nod in new state House District 18

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Recent redistricting changes have connected the Farmington area more with Southfield. Several candidates are running to represent the two major areas in the state House in Lansing.

The new 18th House District contains all of Lathrup Village, the eastern portion of Farmington Hills, most of Farmington and Southfield, as well as a very small portion of Oak Park.

Previously, each community and the nearby smaller towns were in its own district.

Two Democrats are running to have their name on the ballot in the November election: Southfield City Councilman Jason Hoskins and Caprice Jackson, who has worked as a staffer in several state legislators offices. Both hail from Southfield.

The winner of the Democratic primary will go on to face Republican Wendy Webster Jackson in the general election in November. Candidates were asked to answer a series of questions by Hometown Life in 100 words or less. Answers that went over 100 words end with an ellipses at the 100th word.

**Statistics show systemic racism is prevalent in law enforcement, government, health care and economics. Name one tangible action state government could take to help address racism.**

**Hoskins:** As a Black person from a majority Black community, this is something that impacts me each day. As Southfield City Councilmember I was part of enacting laws that consider the "equity impact" of each piece of legislation before us. I believe this is something we can and should be doing in Lansing.

**Jackson:** I believe by providing the same resources to every person regardless of race can address discriminatory practices that have been put in place.

**How would you grade the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and what, if anything, should the state legislature do next?**



Hoskins Jackson

**Hoskins:** I think the State had a few missteps along the way but ultimately acted with the limited information they had at the time to attempt to save lives. The State Legislature's focus right now should be helping make more opportunities for small businesses to thrive in a post-pandemic world. These businesses did the right thing and closed to save lives, and many closed permanently as a result, I want to find a way to help these people. Also, Michigander's pocketbooks are hurting right now and the state should use the COVID-19 dollars we've received the federal government to relieve the ...

**Jackson:** Our state did a great job in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and I commend Governor Whitmer for her efforts in flattening the curve. Moving forward, I believe that we should keep our mask mandate and continue to provide free testing and easy access to vaccines and boosters for vulnerable populations.

**What are your thoughts on safety and security of our elections, specifically Michigan's election integrity, and do you accept the results of the 2020 election?**

**Hoskins:** I absolutely accept the results of the 2020 election. I didn't like the result of the 2016 election and I accepted that as well. As a lawyer, elected official, and citizen, it is paramount to me that we protect the integrity of the vote from fringe extremists. As well as those on the other side of the aisle who seek to put real hurdles between legal

voters and the ballot box.

**Jackson:** I do accept the results of the 2020 election. I believe that the practices we put in place to ensure the security/safety in our elections was fine. I am in full support of early and absentee voting and believe that everyone should have access to exercise their right to vote.

**Gov. Whitmer has asked the Supreme Court to rule whether the right to an abortion is protected in the state constitution. What is your stance on women's reproductive rights in Michigan?**

**Hoskins:** I absolutely support a women's right to choose, this is an incredibly personal and private health-care decision and it is disappointing to see it become such a political football. Reproductive freedom is a fundamental freedom and it is my intention to support legislative measures that enshrine and protect those freedoms.

**Jackson:** I am a pro choice woman and will commit to supporting a woman's right to choose what happens to her body.

**Thinking of the recent school shootings that killed students in Uvalde and Oxford, what recommendations would you make in your effort to prevent similar tragedies in the future?**

**Hoskins:** I support common-sense gun legislation like Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPOs), also called "red flag laws" they empower families & law enforcement to prevent gun tragedies by temporarily restricting access to guns for those with an elevated risk of harming themselves or others. I support life saving reforms like universal background checks, keeping guns out of schools, and getting "ghost guns" or illegally modified guns off the streets. I also support Safe Storage legislation that can help people better store their fire-

arms away from children and those who shouldn't be operating them.

**Jackson:** I am in support of raising the age of someone who can purchase a firearm, stricter background checks, and banning assault style weapons and/or attachments to weapons.

**Do you support amending the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act to include LGBTQ people? Explain.**

**Hoskins:** Yes I do. We are seeing more attacks both political and violent on LGBTQIA+ peoples and it is crucial to enshrine protections for them in law. The fact that it is 2022 and you can be fired for who you love is incredibly frustrating, especially for me as a member of the LGTBQ community.

**Jackson:** Yes. Our LGBTQ+ community must be included at the table when discussing human rights and discrimination.

**What is an issue facing state government that isn't on Michiganders' radar that should be? What steps would you take to address that issue?**

**Hoskins:** As a local elected official, I would like to draw more attention to how the state government has slashed revenue sharing with municipalities. These funding shortfalls can be felt in everything from our disastrous infrastructure issues to putting firefighter and police pensions in jeopardy. Our local governments simply aren't getting their fair share from the state - and our communities deserve better.

**Jackson:** Gun control is an issue that isn't talked about as much as it should be. Like previously stated, I believe that there should be a ban on assault weapons in our state that can curb mass shootings in places of worship and schools.

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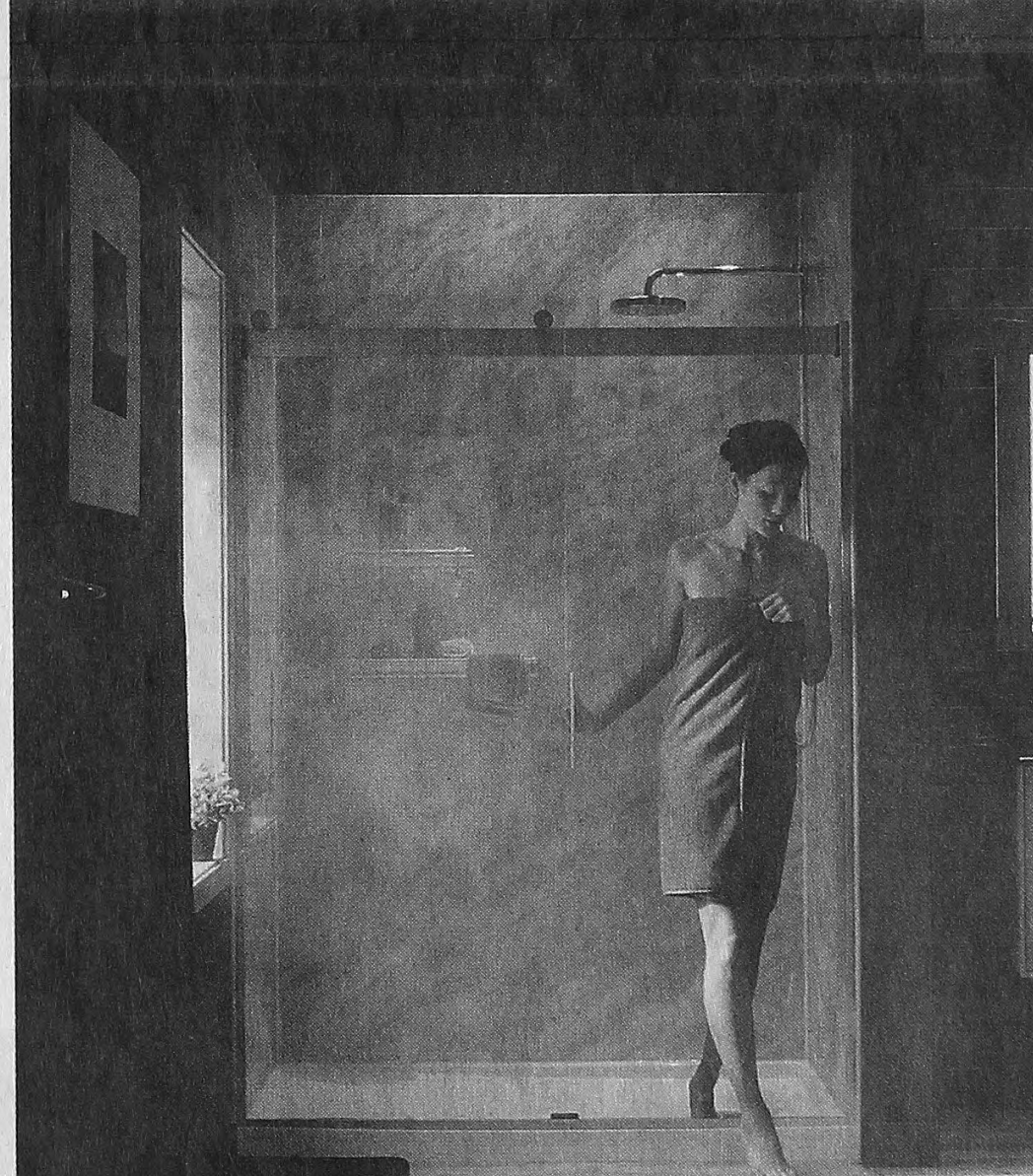
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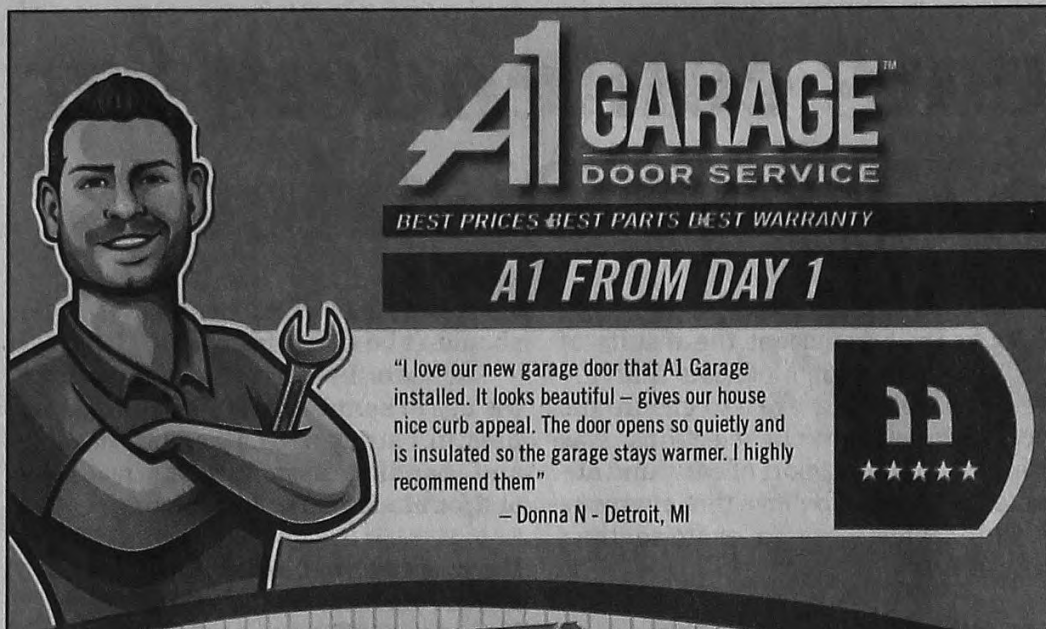
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Olivia Van Acker, a rising junior at Churchill High School, with two of her drawings at the Detroit Institute of Arts. PHOTOS COURTESY OF ROBIN VAN ACKER

**Exhibit**

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She enjoys exploring emotion in her art and, as a former horseback rider, often turns to horses for inspiration.

"It relaxes me, and I can create something that other people won't see," she said. "There's a lot of emotions in art that people can't really capture or see. A lot of people don't understand it."

Sharp, who submitted a digital rendering, shared a similar sentiment.

"I like being able to zone out, draw and then have something great at the end, sometimes," she said. "I've been doing this my entire life, basically. I first started to really enjoy drawing when I was younger."

"I had a friend who's a really good artist and I would just follow them around asking if I could draw."

The DIA hosted a lecture for the student artists in late June, which Van Acker attended. She said she enjoyed seeing the other art and felt some pride seeing her art hanging in a museum. Robin Van Acker said it was nice to see young artists like her daughter have an opportunity to showcase their talent.

"There's not a lot of opportunities for artists to showcase their work," she



An original by Olivia Van Acker at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

said. "In sports, they play games and in music they can show their talent with shows. There's not a lot of opportunities for artists to get their talent recognized ... It's absolutely wonderful."


"I don't think she realized what a big deal this was until we were there. I just think it's awesome. I'm really proud of her."

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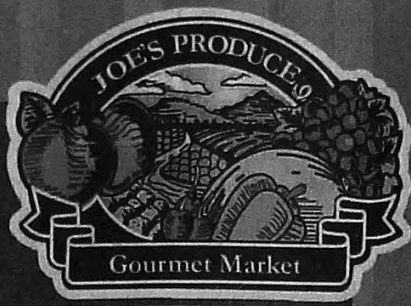
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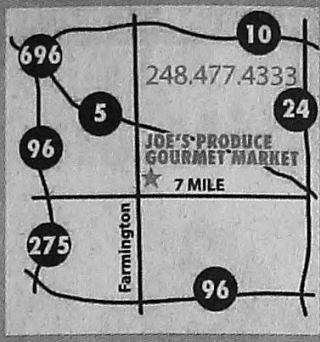


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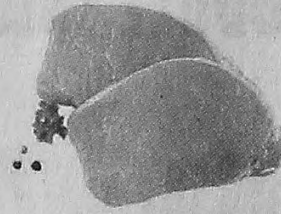
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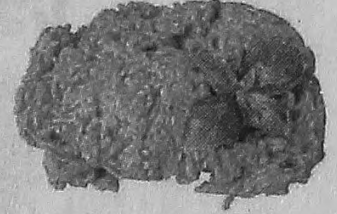
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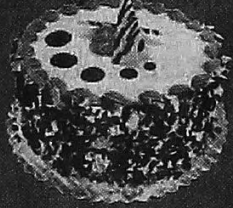
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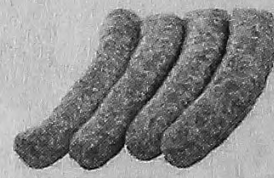


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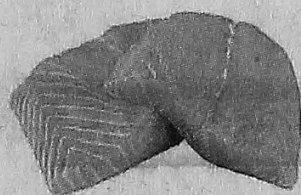


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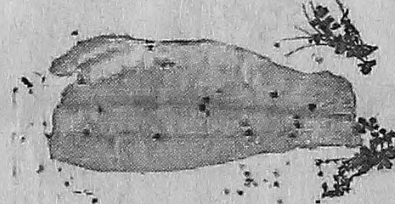


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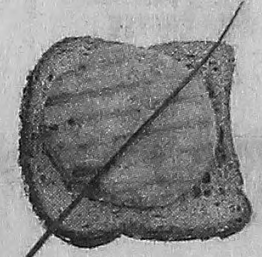
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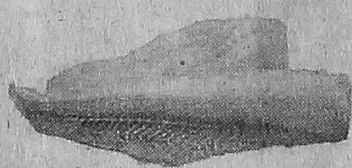
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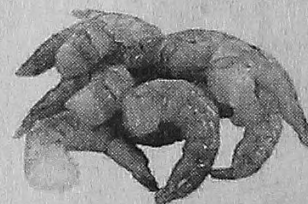
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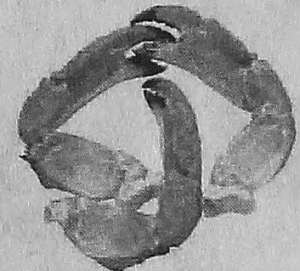
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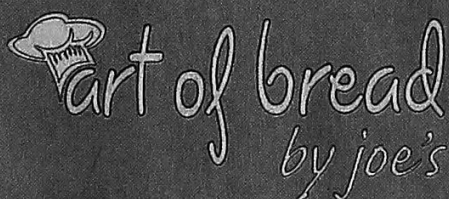
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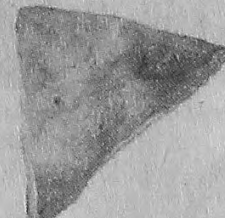
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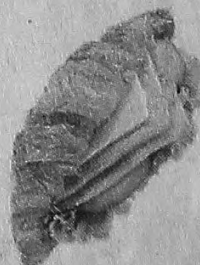
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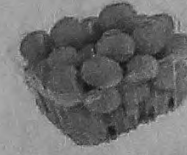
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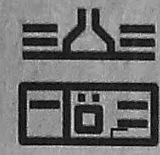
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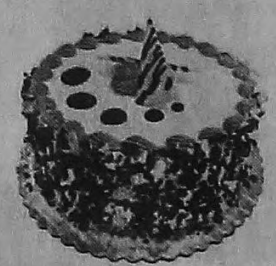
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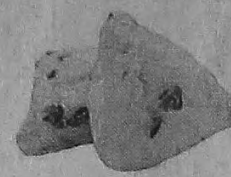
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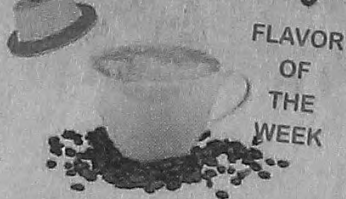


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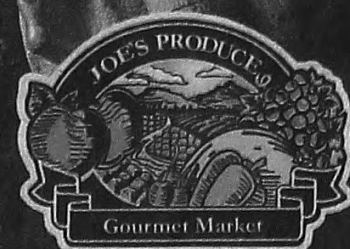


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# SPORTS

## Novi basketball legend transfers to WMU

Tray Maddox Jr. home after 2 years at CSU-Fullerton

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He nervously palmed a basketball as he stood near the west foul line at The Compound Athletics basketball court, attempting to give his campers a farewell message.

"THIS is dope," he started saying, unable to hide his excitement. He was just too happy to be coaching youngsters in metro Detroit.

And what is "THIS?"

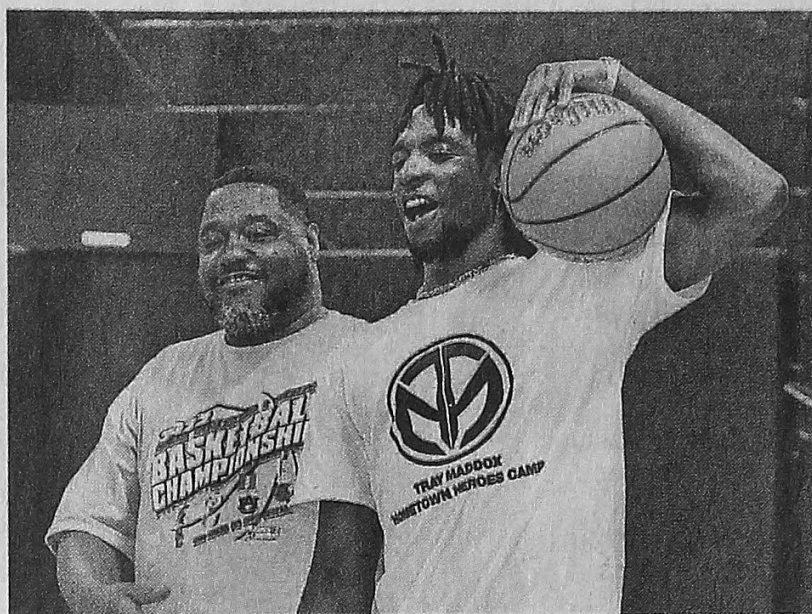
A homecoming for Tray Maddox Jr. Yeah, it was just a youth basketball camp on June 22 in Sterling Heights. But, actually, it was Step 1 in the former

Novi boys basketball star's return to his home state.

After two seasons playing at Cal State-Fullerton, Maddox transferred to Western Michigan University for his final year of college eligibility.

Maddox has set goals for himself. He wants to be the Mid-American Conference Player of the Year. He wants to win the league's Defensive Player of the Year honor. He wants to take the Broncos to the March Madness tournament, as he did with CSU-Fullerton this past season. And he wants to get drafted by an NBA team next summer.

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Former Novi boys basketball player Tray Maddox Jr. returned to metro Detroit to host the Hometown Heroes camp June 22 at The Compound Athletics in Sterling Heights.  
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## South Lyon East girls prepare for season after graduating 2 of 'Big 3'

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Being in this position, most girls basketball players would feel anxious.

Anna Lissan's smile showed nothing but excitement as small beads of sweat trickled down her face as she stood in the atrium just outside of Northville's gymnasium.

You'd be hard-pressed to find someone in a more pivotal position than this South Lyon East small forward.

And she's welcoming the challenge with wide-open arms. Well, both challenges to be exact.

Let's start with the recruiting aspect.

June 15 marked the first time colleges could make committable offers to incoming juniors. And there was Lissan, who already holds an offer from Wayne State University, competing at an individual camp at Bowling Green State University that same day. At 6-foot tall with the skills of both a dominant post player and a smooth outsider shooter, more recruiting opportunities will likely roll in for her when the travel circuit kicks off in July.

And then there's the target on her back.

The Cougars won back-to-back Lakes Valley Conference titles thanks to the help of Central Michigan University signee Taylor Anderson and former four-year starter Ella Kruschka. But both have now graduated, as have three other basketball lifers East no longer has on its roster, and Lissan is the last remaining player of its "Big 3."

Kruschka averaged almost 15 points per game, while Anderson averaged 12. That's about 2/3 of the Cougars' scoring now gone.

A year ago, Lissan averaged 12.4 points and 2.4 assists.



South Lyon East's Anna Lissan shoots during a Summer League Shootout scrimmage June 16 at Northville.

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But none of that compares to how happy he is to simply be back in Michigan, surrounded by his biggest supporters.

"Honestly, it's a blessing," he told Hometown Life. "I'm super excited about this upcoming year. We have a lot in mind with what we have going forward at Western Michigan. I appreciate everybody that's helped me in my process of coming back to Michigan and making things a lot easier for me."

It's unfair to throw the term "legend" around but that's just what Maddox was as a Wildcat.

He was a three-time All-Kensington Lakes Activities Association selection.

He had opportunities to play college football on top of his basketball offers, which included Syracuse, Ball State and Kent State each recruiting him as a cornerback.

And no shot was too big for him to take as a shooting guard/small forward, especially as a senior in 2018.

His favorite memories of wearing the Green and White were during the Wildcats' playoff run to the Breslin Center.

He buried a buzzer-beater to push Novi past Ann Arbor Skyline, 61-59, in the regional final at Salem. And then he did it again in the state quarterfinal with a last-second make, helping the Wildcats edge Belleville, 75-73, at Calihan Hall. He scored a career-best 41 points in that matchup at Detroit Mercy.

"Those were some historical moments for me," Maddox said.

Alas, they saw their dream season end with a tough 53-50 loss in the semifinals to Holland West Ottawa at MSU.

"This is all coming full circle for him and his family, and to have him back in Michigan and back playing where the people love him, it means the world to me," said Detroit Catholic Central coach Brandon Sinawi, who coached Maddox's Wildcats in 2018. "I'm happy the village that got him (to the college level) gets to see him finish his college career. I tried to plan a trip to get out there to California last January, and I just couldn't make it happen with our basketball schedule. So, for me, personally, I can't wait to watch him play again. I love that kid so much."

Out of high school, Maddox, who is 6-foot-6 and 200 pounds, landed with Oakland University, choosing to stay in county for college.

While he averaged 9.1 points and shot almost 35% from the 3-point line as a sophomore for the Golden Grizzlies, he elected to transfer to CSU-Fullerton after two seasons.

"It was most definitely a culture change being 2,000 miles away from home," he said. "I most definitely had



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my ups and downs being in California. The first year, I struggled a little bit. It might not have shown on the basketball court, but off the court, I struggled a little bit being homesick and stuff like

that.

"My second year, I adjusted a lot while just being out there."

Maddox sure did figure out things his second year at CSU-Fullerton.

While playing in 30 games, he averaged 9.5 points off the bench, and he helped the Titans win the Big West Conference tournament and qualify for the NCAA tournament for the first time since 2018.

They lost in the opening round, 78-61, to No. 2-seed Duke.

Now he's headed to Kalamazoo, where he joins locals B. Artis White from Canton and Javaughn Hannah from Orchard Lake St. Mary's, who both also play for the Broncos.

"I couldn't be happier for him," Sinawi added. "When I talked to (WMU assistant Jeff Rutter), who was asking me about Tray, we spent 45 minutes talking about him and I just told him, 'Hey, good luck. I hope you can nab him.' Within three days, I had heard he was committed there. Right now I'm smiling just talking about him, and I'll be there on the sidelines watching him, for sure."

"He did so much for me and helped me grow as a coach, and he's helped me with the kids. He can connect with the kids in such a special way. For him to come back, it's just a cool story, and I'm super excited. He's a special player, and he's grown so, so much since he was here. His maturity is just off the charts."

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

## Girls

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Those stats aren't going to be as easy to come by in 2022-23. She'll be No. 1 on every opponent's scouting report when LVC play rolls around next winter.

So, yeah, this is a big off-season for her. She needs to continue to impress on the recruiting trail while creating a bond with virtually a brand new Cougars roster during summer league games.

"That's what I've been working on," Lassan said. "Me and my dad (former Carnegie Mellon college athlete Gregg Lassan) have been talking about that and how I'm going to get my shot off. I'm going to have to work a lot harder because we don't have Taylor and Ella. It's going to be hard for me this year. But I've been working really hard, so, hopefully, it works out."

Coach Rob Leadley hadn't thought about it too much.

But his eyes widened when he realized Lassan has very little experience playing with the incoming JV players.

Lassan has played only on the varsity squad.

So she's never played with the girls in her own grade outside of pickup games and during fall tryouts. Which is wild to say out loud.

But that somehow doesn't scare Leadley, whose Cougars have gone 12-7 and 18-3 with Lassan in a role-playing position. He knows she can find chemistry with her new teammates. Whoever they turn out to be in the end.

"We don't even know who's going to be on the team yet. Period," Leadley said. "We went from five seniors who played basketball as their primary sport to maybe one junior (Lassan) that basketball is her primary sport, so it's a change, for sure. But there's some excitement about that, too. Anna seems to be excited about the kids she's playing with. They're young players but they'll

learn.

"It is interesting because she's played volleyball and softball, so she's playing with them in other sports. But, all around, she's got to continue being a great example for everybody to follow, and I think her leadership is going to be key in that happening this year."

Individually, Lassan has taken steps to prepare herself for her big promotion as the team's leader.

The All-LVC selection has worked on her mid-range and outside shooting. She's improved on her drives to the hoop. And she continues to be a force under the basket as a rebounder.

She's truly a standout considering she's a small forward in a power forward's body. That makes her a deadly asset for Leadley entering this winter.

"She's a hidden gem," Leadley added. "The biggest thing about her is she just works so hard. She's going to make herself better, and she works really hard with her travel team to get into better condition."

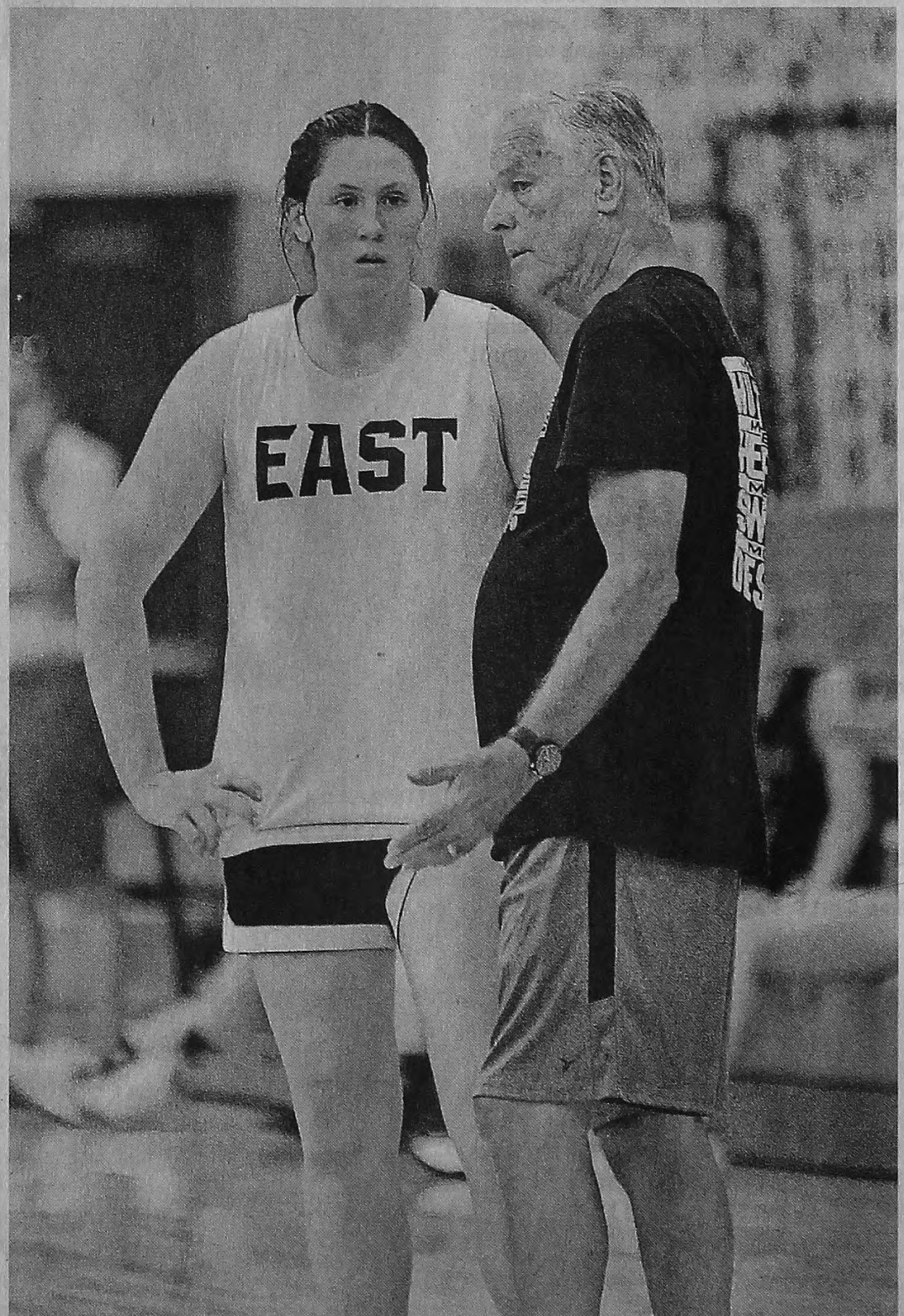
"She wants to come into the season in a lot better condition than she has the last couple of years, and that's been a focus for her. She'll need it. It won't be like last year when we get 50 points ahead and she sat the whole second half. She'll be needed, and I think she's ready for that role."

"Probably the biggest thing with her, and we've talked about it with her already, is, because she's got that big 'X' on her back, she better be looking for her teammates, and that's got to be a key this summer and going into the season. Just being a playmaker as well as a scorer."

Lassan has already proved to be a playmaker in a support role.

There's no reason she won't be able to be that again with a new surrounding cast. It's just going to take time.

"We went from being very senior strong to now we're young, and she's going to have to carry us, for sure," Leadley said. "But I think she's ready."



South Lyon East's Anna Lassan speaks with assistant Dennis Chichonski during a Summer League Shootout scrimmage June 16 at Northville.

BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

# Meads Mill Middle School pipeline for Northville's powerhouse track program

Brandon Folsom [Hometownlife.com](http://Hometownlife.com)  
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

The Northville track and field team has always been a state power.

And this past spring was no different for the Mustangs, who finished with four all-state performances during the Division 1 state championship on June 4 at Rockford.

That even included the 3,200-meter relay team of juniors Brandon Latta, Brock Malaikal and David Whitaker and sophomore Brendan Herger winning a state title with a time of 7 minutes, 44.71 seconds.

And, judging by what happened at Meads Mill Middle School this past spring, the future will continue to look bright for Northville. Very, very bright.

Meads Mill just saw four school records broken during its track season, which included its boys team going 6-0 during dual meets and the girls finishing 5-1.

It was an unprecedented effort for the middle school, which opened in 1976.

"I always tell them that the work you put in now will help you in the future, and high school really isn't that far ahead of them," second-year coach Evan Paputa said during a special celebration for the record-breaking runners. "You only get as good as the work you put in today. And the hard work they're putting in right now is definitely laying a foundation for them to have success as high schoolers."

That's right.

They're only seventh- and eighth-graders and these kids are taking the New England Patriots approach in their preparation. They're not worried about the selfies they're going to take when they break the records, they're worried about their running form, swiftly getting out of the blocks and staying humble throughout the process.

You know, just focusing on the fundamentals much more than the fun parts, something that would make even a curmudgeon coach like Super Bowl winner Bill Belichick smirk.



Members of the Meads Mill track team: Danielle Krikor, Rose Connors, Caitlyn Vissotski, coach Evan Paputa, Ben Hartigan and Nathan Brohl, during a special celebration July 1 at the middle school's track. TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"Everything we do, from the way we practice and train to the way we work on handoffs and do stretching, is done for one purpose, and that's to set up them for success," Paputa added. "And what's great with this team is they all worked with that one purpose in mind. They worked to get better every day, and it just so happened a few of them broke

some school records in the process of doing that. They weren't staring down these records. Their hard work is what got them those records."

So what were *those* records?

Eighth-grader Ben Hartigan broke the record in both the 1,600 (4:56) and 3,200 (10:47) distance races.

Eighth-grader Nathan Brohl snapped

the record in the 70-meter dash (8.37).

And the relay squad of eighth-graders Caitlyn Vissotski, Rose Connors and Danielle Krikor and seventh-grader Alison Ernst broke a 400-meter record that had stood at Meads Mill since 2011 (53.67).

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# Meads Mill

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"The big thing for me that keeps me motivated is all of the coaches and friends keeping me on track," said Hartigan, a team captain. "They give me constructive criticism and continue to challenge me to do better."

Teamwork is definitely what led Hartigan to his success.

The first time he recorded in the 1 mile was 5 minutes, 10 seconds. Within a few meets, he had dropped 8 seconds off his time. And then he recorded the first-ever sub-5-minute time at Mead Mill.

The 1 mile is definitely Hartigan's main event. And it has been ever since he ran a 5:54 during a timed run in his fifth-grade gym class. But he never imagined breaking the 2-mile record.

But one of his teammates, seventh-grader Brandon Cloud, had been pushing him all season long. The day Hartigan, who plans on running cross country, swimming and competing in track at Northville as a freshman, broke the 3,200 record, Cloud was neck-and-neck with him for almost the entire race. And then on the final lap, Hartigan pulled away from Cloud and wound up beating the previous record by about 4 seconds.

"He helped me pace my race, and he really did push me for that 2 mile record," Hartigan said. "When I realized I broke the record, I was incredibly excited but also surprised. I was just running my race and trying to stay as dialed in as I could. I was mostly focused on keeping my pace."

Equally as talented as Hartigan is Brohl, who probably could've had his choice in which school record to break had he focused on a specific discipline.

Instead, he was a Jack of all trades for Paputa. He did a little bit of jumping here, and a little bit of throwing there, trying to figure out what he wanted to make his main events.

And, in the process, he became the fastest boys sprinter at Meads Mill.

"Nathan probably could have scored for us in so many events," Paputa said. "He can do the shot put. He can do the long jump. He can sprint. There are so many races that he could excel in so it's not surprising that he broke the record in the 70. In that event, you have to be explosive, even while running through the finish line. He always pushed him-

self like that, despite having a broken-arm injury last year."

The unlikely of the four records to be broken was the girls' 400-meter relay.

Not for a lack of talent or skill because Paputa claims these were the four fastest girls in the middle school.

It was unlikely because of how much the foursome had going against them.

For one, this record was two years in the making. Their group watched another Meads Mill relay team feverishly attempt to break this record a year ago and it just never happened. Which was rough because, as Krikor pointed out, they really looked up to those older girls and strived to be just as good as them. In turn, though, they wound up performing better than their idols and actually snapping that record.

The other issue was timing. Not on the track but with individual schedules.

Vissotski and Connors are also in dance, so they'd miss parts of practices because of it, and Ernst also played soccer, so, she, too, wasn't at every practice.

That meant a lot of extra effort both after practice and away from the track was spent working on things such as handoffs and proper footwork during exchanges.

"In a 4-by-1 race, those two things are so important," Paputa said. "Not only does that set you up to break a record but if you don't do those things well, you might not even win a race or even get to finish it."

Paputa said he wasn't surprised the girls took down the record, but he realized just how special it was watching them do it. These girls were 3 years old the last time it was broken.

As Ernst crossed the finish line as the final leg of the relay, he couldn't wait to tell the foursome the good news.

"When she crossed the finish line, Coach said to us to go find our teammates," said Krikor, who's also a team captain. "He had some important news to tell us, he said. Right there is when we started celebrating by screaming. We knew we had just broken the record."

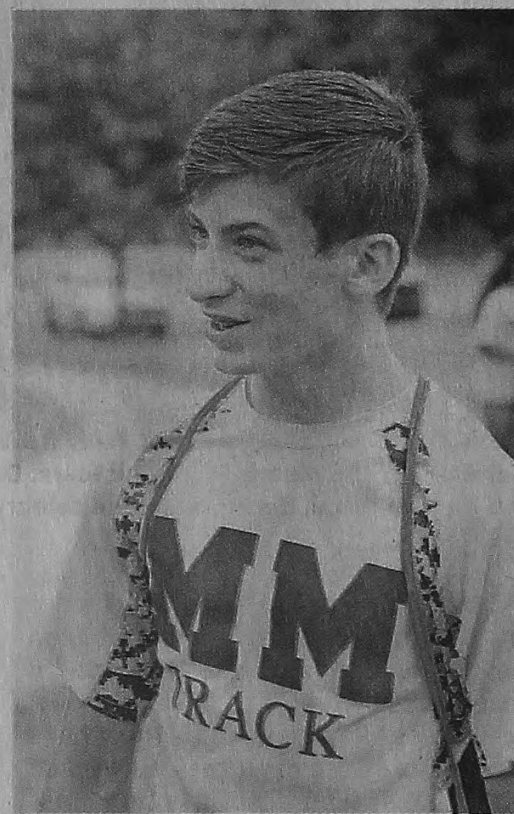
The Patriot Way worked in New England, and it's certainly working at the middle school level for Northville Public Schools. The future is bright for the Mustangs, and, it's almost a sure thing, no program records will be safe when the eighth-graders arrive in high school school.

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Meads Mill track coach Evan Paputa talks with parents during a special celebration July 1 at the middle school's track.

PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Meads Mill distance runner Ben Hartigan talks with reporters.



Meads Mill sprinter and team captain Danielle Krikor poses for a picture.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BROWNFIELD PLAN OF THE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BROWNFIELD  
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
FOR 9075 GENERAL DRIVE**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time in the Township Hall located at 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan, to consider the adoption of a resolution approving the Brownfield Plan for the Charter Township of Plymouth Brownfield Redevelopment Authority pursuant to Act 381 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1996, as amended.

The property to which the proposed Brownfield Plan applies is the property located at 9075 General Drive, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

The proposed Brownfield Plan would allow the Charter Township of Plymouth Brownfield Redevelopment Authority to capture tax increment revenues to be used to reimburse for eligible costs and eligible activities incurred to prepare the brownfield property for redevelopment and to fund the Local Brownfield Revolving Fund. Eligible costs may include environmental and/or site preparation costs and administrative costs. The property description, maps, and the proposed Brownfield Plan are on file at the office of the Township Clerk for inspection during regular business hours.

At the public hearing, all interested persons desiring to address the Township Board shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the approval of the Brownfield Plan for the Charter Township of Plymouth Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. All aspects of the Brownfield Plan will be open for discussion at the public hearing.

FURTHER INFORMATION may be obtained from the Township Clerk.

This notice is given by order of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth, Michigan.

Jerry Vorva  
Plymouth Township Clerk

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON BROWNFIELD PLAN AMENDMENT #1  
OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BROWNFIELD  
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR 41661 PLYMOUTH ROAD**

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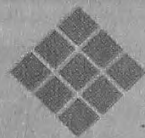


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# Center's upbeat vigil pays off as Wings select him in NHL draft

Helene St. James Detroit Free Press  
USA TODAY NETWORK

MONTREAL — Brennan Ali's irrepressible personality kept him going as round after round passed by in the NHL draft, waiting to hear a team call his name.

It took until the seventh round, at No. 212, when the Red Wings took a gamble on the 6-foot center.

"I was trying to stay positive," Ali said Friday. "Once it got to the seventh, the nerves started to kick in a little bit. But I knew teams were still interested in me and Detroit popped up and I was just so happy."

"It feels so great. I worked so hard to get to this point in my life. It's unbelievable that Detroit wants me."

Ali was the only player drafted by the Wings Friday who was at the event at Bell Centre.

Ali spent the majority of last season at Avon (Connecticut) Old Farms High School, where he posted 15 goals and 19 assists in 27 games. He also played for the USNTDP, registering an assist in two appearances with the under-18 team. He also had two assists in four games with the USHL's Lincoln Stars.

Ali appeared in 11 games with the NTDP in 2020-21, recording three points in 11 games for the U-17 team. The native of Glencoe, Illinois, is committed to Notre Dame come fall. He has been to the state of Michigan regularly for tournaments, and has played at Little Caesars Arena's practice facility.

Ali described himself as a "power for-

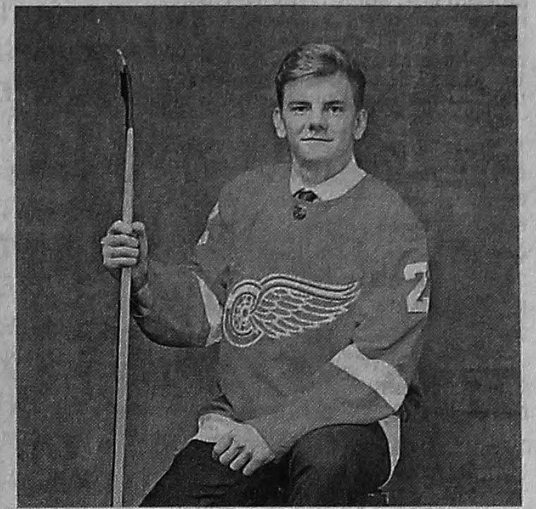
ward, hard to play against. Big, physical, fast. I have a good shot to go with that. I think I can cause turnovers, get to the net, and can score goals as well."

As for having a last name that is famous in the world of boxing, Ali laughs it off.

"My teammates sometimes make fun of me for being related to Muhammad Ali. I'm not related to him, but I wish I was. Great fighter. It's cool."

Ali will be at the Wings' development camp next, and hopes to carry the vote of confidence he received Friday into the fall.

"It definitely gives you a confidence boost that the things you're doing helps," Ali said. "I think it should help me for next year, being drafted by such a good organization."



Red Wings draft pick Brennan Ali poses for a portrait during the NHL draft July 8 in Montreal.  
MINAS PANAGIOTAKIS/GETTY IMAGES

### Notice of Public Hearing

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN PLANNING COMMISSION

**PROPOSED ACTION:** Request for Approval of a Conditional Rezoning (Map Amendment)  
**DATE OF HEARING:** Wednesday, July 20, 2022  
**TIME OF HEARING:** 7:00 P.M.  
**PLACE OF HEARING:** Plymouth Township Hall Offices, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170

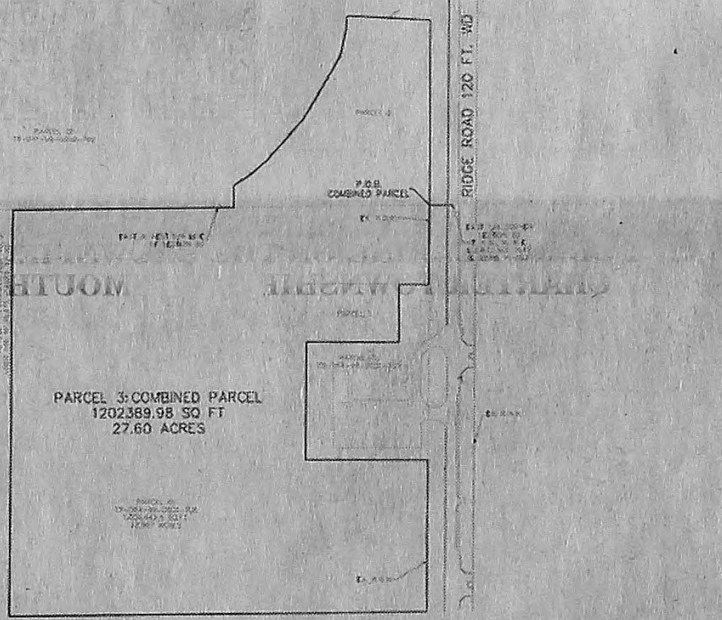
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth has received an application to conditionally rezone Tax ID No.'s R-78-044-99-0001-706, R-78-044-99-0001-707, and R-78-041-99-0002-702 from the R-1-E, One Family Residential District, to the R-1-H, One Family Residential District, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 99. The subject application is for a conditional rezoning (map amendment) to the Township's adopted Zoning Map.

Generally, the subject site is located south of North Territorial Road, west of Ridge Road, north of Powell Road, and east of Napier Road. Access to the site is currently provided from Ridge Road. The property is proposed to be developed as single-family, detached residences, which would require further review and approval by the Township.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that persons interested may attend the public hearing and/or send correspondence regarding the application to Plymouth Township Hall, attn.: Carol Martin. Pertinent information relative to the application is on file at the Plymouth Township Public Services Department (second floor counter) and may be viewed during regular business hours (8:00 AM - 4:30 PM).

Plymouth Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the public hearing upon one week's advance notice by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170; (734) 354-3201.

Kendra Barberena,  
Secretary, Planning Commission



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### Notice of Public Hearing

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN PLANNING COMMISSION

**PROPOSED ACTION:** Request for Approval of a Special Land Use  
**DATE OF HEARING:** Wednesday, July 20, 2022  
**TIME OF HEARING:** 7:00 PM  
**PLACE OF HEARING:** Plymouth Township Hall Offices, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth has received an application to for a drive-thru coffee shop at 1303 and 1311 Ann Arbor Road (Tax ID No.'s 78-059-03-0042-000 and 78-059-03-0039-300). The site consists of two parcels of land at the southeast corner of Ann Arbor Road and Marlow Avenue. Pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 99, drive-thru facilities are a special land use in the subject zoning district, the Ann Arbor Road Corridor (ARC) District, and require a public hearing with the Planning Commission.

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE

#### STATE PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022

Notice is hereby given that a Presidential Primary Election will be held in the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, on Tuesday, August 2, 2022. The Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

#### PARTISAN SECTION:

**Please note:** There are two party sections on the ballot: Republican Party and Democratic Party. Select the party section of your choice. You may vote in one party section only; you cannot "split your ticket." If you vote in more than one party section, your partisan ballot will be rejected.

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- County Commissioner – 9th District
- County Commissioner – 10th District
- Delegate to County Convention

#### PROPOSAL SECTION:

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Plymouth Township residents will be voting on the following millage proposals as presented and listed below:

#### WAYNE COUNTY PROPOSAL:

##### Proposition J JAILS MILLAGE RENEWAL

To renew the millage authorized in 2012, shall Wayne County be authorized to continue to levy this millage at the 2021 rollback rate of .9358 mills (about 94 cents per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) for ten more years (2022 through 2031) for any of the following previously authorized uses:

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Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office, 9955 N Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, telephone: 734-354-3224. A sample ballot may be viewed at <https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/PublicBallot/Index>.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations should contact the clerk's office.

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

#### POLLING LOCATIONS ARE:

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Precinct 10	NorthRidge Church	49555 N Territorial Rd
Precinct 11	Risen Christ Lutheran Church	46250 Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 12	Pioneer Middle School	46081 Ann Arbor Rd

Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained during regular business hours, which are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170.

On Saturday, July 30, 2022 the clerk's office will be open; 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., to issue absentee ballots to qualified voters in person.

On Monday, August 1, 2022 qualified voters may be issued an absentee ballot in person, and shall vote them in the clerk's office until 4:00 p.m.

On Tuesday, August 2, 2022 a voter who registers to vote on Election Day by appearing in person at his or her clerk's office is also eligible to obtain an absent voter ballot to vote in person at the clerk's office until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

To comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available on audio tape and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats can be made by contacting the township clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

Jerry Vorva, Clerk  
Charter Township of Plymouth

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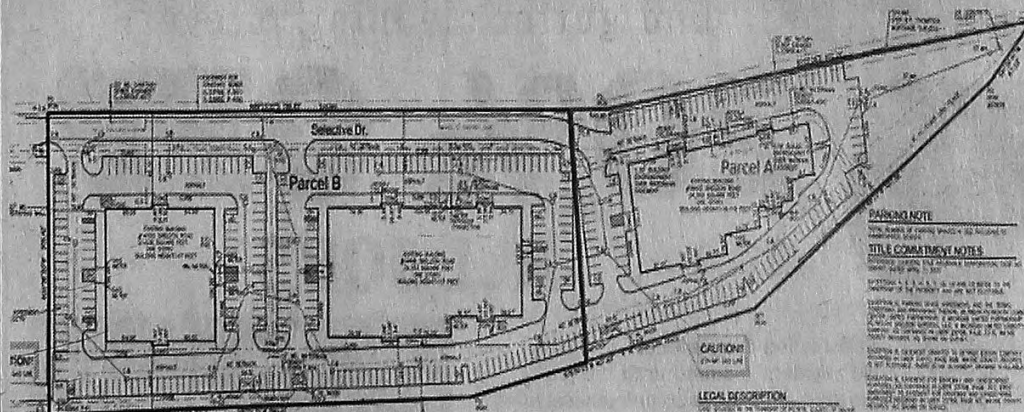
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**TIME OF HEARING:** 7:00 PM  
**PLACE OF HEARING:** Plymouth Township Hall Offices, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth has received an application to for a Montessori school at 14492 Sheldon Road (Tax ID No. 78-016-99-0001-704). Pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 99, private school facilities are a special land use in the subject zoning district, the Mid-Rise (MR) District, and require a public hearing with the Planning Commission. The subject site consists of several office buildings, one of which is proposed to be repurposed into the school facility (outlined in red below, "Parcel A"). A land division for the subject site from the remaining office buildings on the parcel is currently under review by the Township.



**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that persons interested may attend the public hearing and/or send correspondence regarding the application to Plymouth Township Hall, attn.: Carol Martin. Pertinent information relative to the application is on file at the Plymouth Township Public Services Department (second floor counter) and may be viewed during regular business hours (8:00 AM - 4:30 PM).

Plymouth Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the public hearing upon one week's advance notice by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170; (734) 354-3201.

Kendra Barberena,  
Secretary, Planning Commission

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This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated at right. Find the listed words in the grid. They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once. Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 19 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

- |         |               |            |        |
|---------|---------------|------------|--------|
| Admired | Ferrari       | Lottery    | Relax  |
| Bank    | Flight        | Lucky      | Riches |
| Betting | Gain          | Luxury     | Risk   |
| Boat    | Gamble        | Maid       | Shares |
| Cards   | Gold          | Mortgage   | Shop   |
| Cash    | Grandchildren | News       | Spoils |
| Debts   | Great         | Nice       | Sunny  |
| Draw    | Holiday       | Open house | Tour   |
| Envy    | Investments   | Party      | Visit  |
| Excited | Jewels        | Poker      | Wept   |
| Faro    | Kids          | Quit       | Winner |

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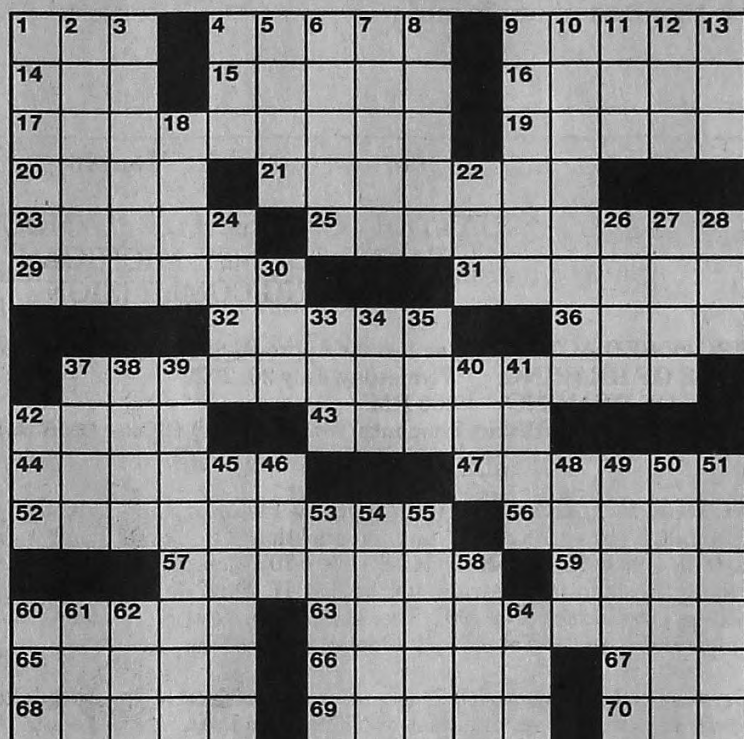
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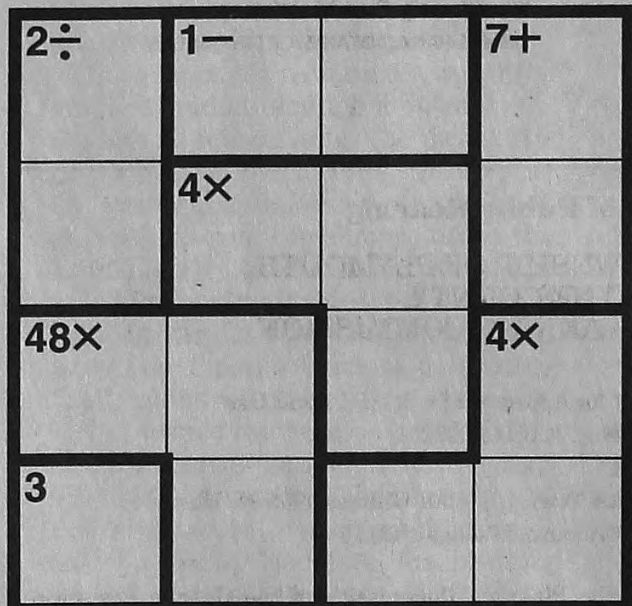
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 I W A R D S R T E O G V Q E C  
 W I N N E R Y D P A R T Y N N

**NEWSDAY CROSSWORD**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Reservoir creator
  - 4 "Ditto!"
  - 9 Heavy metal
  - 14 \_\_\_ out a living
  - 15 Neo-Druid, for one
  - 16 Of municipalities
  - 17 Certain contractual conditions
  - 19 Tweak in committee, say
  - 20 Issue forth
  - 21 Thankless one
  - 23 Wind down
  - 25 Nostalgic ice-cream brand
  - 29 It's south of Ann Arbor
  - 31 Response to "Gracias"
  - 32 Pro hoops venue
  - 36 Heavy metal
  - 37 Parliamentary leader
  - 42 Numerical suffix
  - 43 It means "beyond"
  - 44 "Rats!"
  - 47 Yom \_\_\_
  - 52 Football finale
  - 56 Window dressing
  - 57 Transmission addition
  - 59 Global cartel
  - 60 Snowman accessory
  - 63 Germany's national dog (really!)
  - 65 Western Pacific nation
  - 66 As \_\_\_ (usually)
  - 67 Golf scorecard abbr.
  - 68 In any fashion
- DOWN**
- 18 Imitation indicator
  - 22 Explain further
  - 24 Wax-covered cheese
  - 26 Mule's dam
  - 27 Sniffer's whiff
  - 28 Managed
  - 30 Form of gold
  - 33 Bird on Australian coins
  - 34 None at all
  - 35 Aesopian saver
  - 37 Amazon Basin nation
  - 38 Garner
  - 39 Intrinsically necessary
  - 40 Exasperate
  - 41 Put into words
  - 42 Reasons for
  - 52 Across cheers
  - 45 Peevish
  - 46 Schedule placeholder
  - 48 Urge to act
  - 49 Tropical fruit
  - 50 Turns topsy-turvy
  - 51 Break in court
  - 53 Callopie cousin
  - 54 Get into a stew
  - 55 Recent USMA grad
  - 58 Film composer
  - 59 Schiffrin
  - 60 Cruise ship amenity
  - 61 Hisser when angry
  - 62 Emulating
  - 64 Business card letters



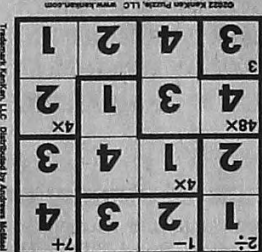
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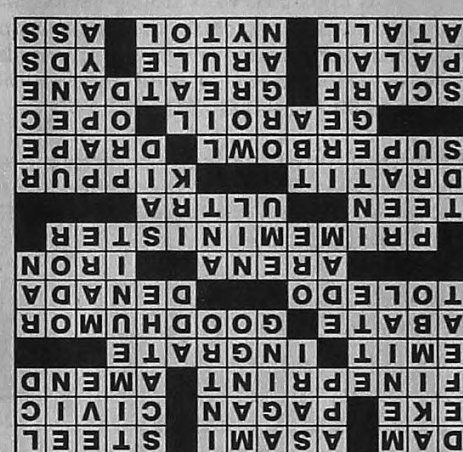
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3	9	6	7	8	4	2	1	5
7	1	8	9	2	6	8	3	4
5	8	6	7	9	3	1	2	4
6	1	2	5	6	7	8	4	3
8	7	4	9	5	8	3	6	1
1	4	6	3	1	9	5	2	8
2	8	3	7	9	4	1	5	6
4	6	7	9	1	5	2	3	8
2	4	5	1	8	6	3	7	9

4	5				3		9	2
6		9		5				
		7		4	1			6
		6		1				8
3		8		4		6		1
1			7		4			
8		7	9		1			
			2		8			7
5	1		4				6	3

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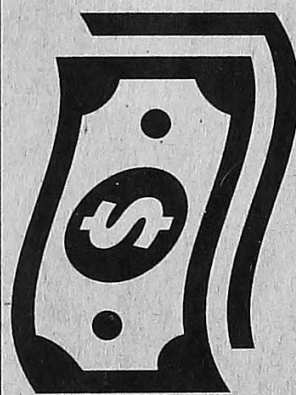
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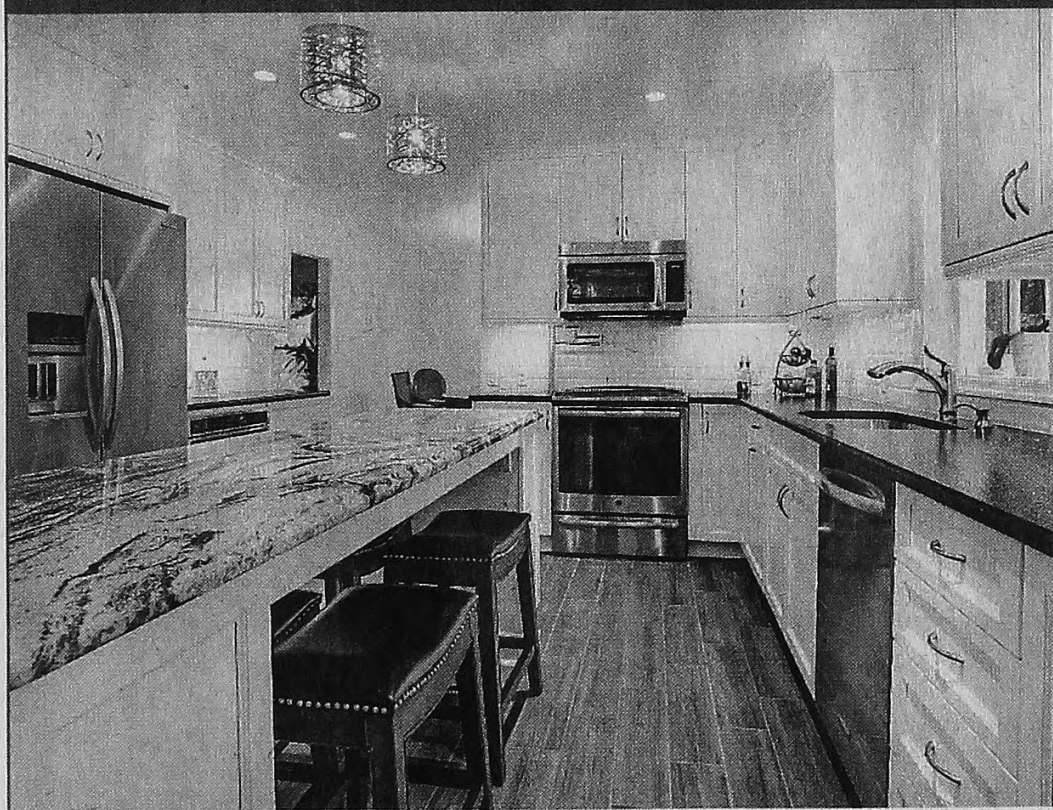
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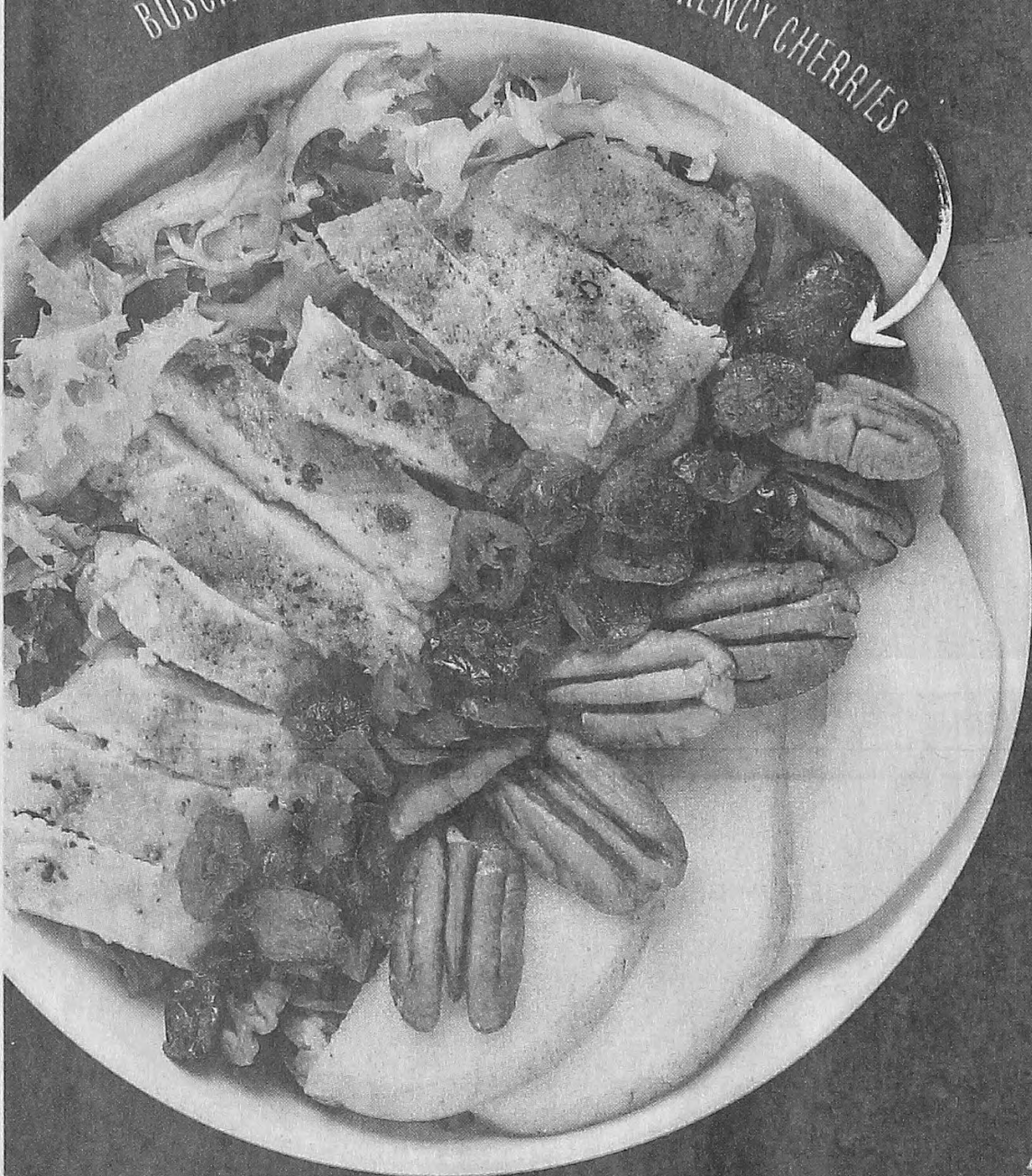
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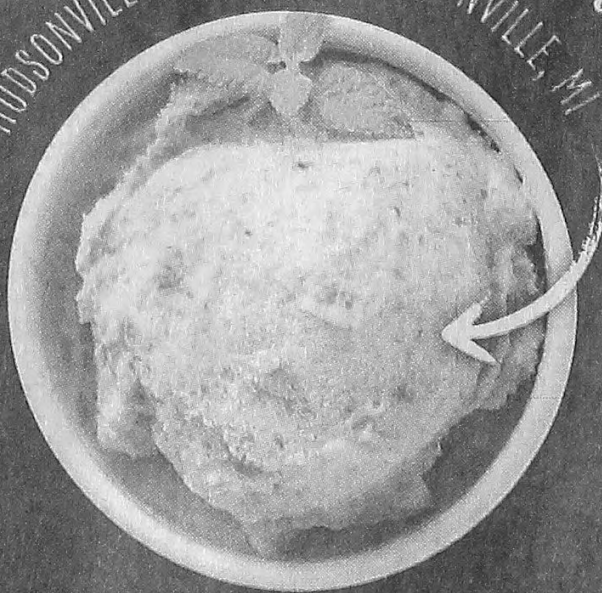
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