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Police investigate Salem High School fire

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Police are investigating after a fire at Salem High School that activated the sprinklers and led to early dismissal Monday morning.

A notice posted to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools website said the fire was started in the

bathroom of the school's third floor, and that the cause and responsible student had been identified.

Canton Police Chief Chad Baugh said the student is a juvenile.

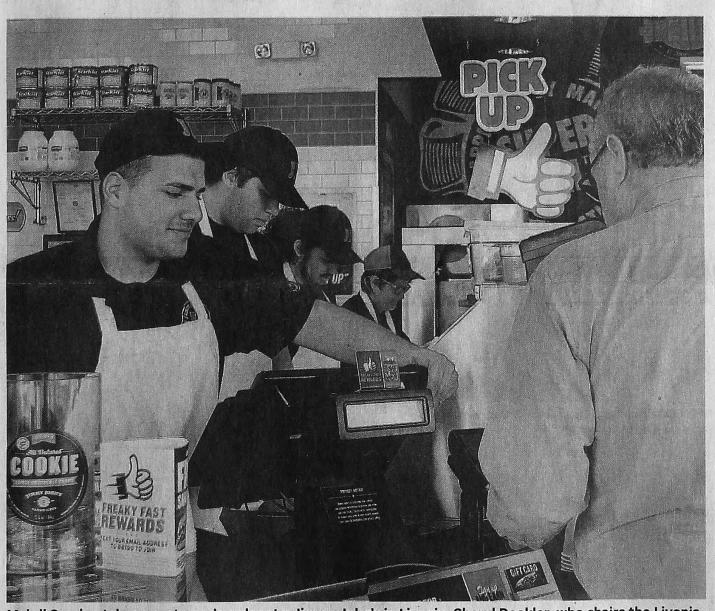
Police are investigating and will present evidence to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office for determination about whether any action will be taken against the student. Due to the ongoing nature of the investiga-

tion, Baugh said, he could not offer any additional information.

The statement from the district said no students or staff were injured during the fire and that an orderly evacuation and early dismissal took place.

Custodians, along with a restoration company, are

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Mahdi Sassine takes a customer's order at a Jimmy John's in Livonia. Cheryl Doekler, who chairs the Livonia Chamber of Commerce board and owns nine Jimmy John's locations, says "it's important ... that everyone feels welcome" at her restaurants. SHELBY TANKERSLEY/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Livonia Chamber commits to diversity and inclusion

Shelby Tankersley Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

Cheryl Doekler apologizes if she "smells like salami."

But, hey, it's difficult to find staff nowadays.

Doelker, who chairs the board for the Livonia Chamber of Commerce, also owns nine Jimmy John's locations. She said she spends most of her afternoons these days helping her staff get through the lunch rush.

She says she's big on diversity and inclusiveness, both personally and professionally. Customers can see that welcoming spirit in action: most of the people who walked out of her 13453 Middlebelt Road store the afternoon of Sept. 13 left with a sandwich in hand and a smile on their face.

"It's important to me as a business owner that everyone feels welcome, not only in my organization but also my customers," she said, adding she does not speak on behalf of Jimmy John's as a whole. "The level of respect and harmony that we try to provide is

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Sellers Buick/GMC celebrates 50 years

Diane Holcomb Special to Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

Farmington Hills car dealership Sellers Buick/GMC reached a milestone, celebrating 50 years in the automotive business.

Bob Sellers, the original owner, opened his Pontiac car dealership in 1972 in Redford. His father owned a Ford dealership in Detroit, located at Southfield and Grand River, and he grew up admiring the car industry.

The oil embargo hit the country in 1973, and Sellers' new car dealership faced its first – one of many – business challenges.

He continued to grow his business over the years through his personal hands-on management style with his customers and employees.

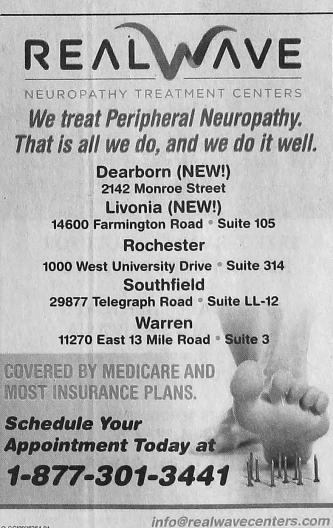
A lot has changed since 1972, from one of his first cars sold, the 1972 Pontiac Grand Prix, to the new electric car being sold at Sellers in 2024, the GMC Hummer EV Pickup and SUV.

A major milestone in Sellers Automotive Group history was Sellers' hiring of Sam Slaughter, first as their car washer when he was 16 on a summer job, to years later after he graduated from the University of Michigan and had worked for General Motors.

Slaughter looked to Sellers as a teacher and mentor in the car ownership business.

In 2006 Sellers gave the keys to his business to Slaughter, who accepted his new role as owner with passion and pride.

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Five Bed Bath & Beyond locations in Michigan among 150 stores to close

Tanya Wildt Detroit Free Press USA TODAY NETWORK

Bed Bath & Beyond released a list of stores set to close in 2022 and it includes five locations in Michigan.

The list, which has more than 50 stores on it, was recently released after the retailer revealed earlier this month it would shutter about 150 locations and lay off 20% of its workforce, according to the Associated Press.

The retailer, based in Union, New Jersey, expects the cuts to save \$250 million in the company's current fiscal year.

The Michigan locations set to close include:

- Chesterfield: 50551 Waterside Drive
- Farmington Hills: 31075 Orchard Lake Road
 Northville Township: 17223 Haggerty Road
- Walker: 3410 Alpine Ave. NW
- White Lake Township: 9050 Highland Road



Bed Bath & Beyond in Northville Township.
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Northville Victorian Heritage Festival celebrates local history

Staff report

Downtown Northville lays the backdrop for the Northville Victorian Heritage Festival, which celebrates the history and small-town charm of the Northville community.

The festival ran Sept. 16-18.

Incorporated as a village in 1867, the next 10 years saw the founding of The Northville Record, as well as the first diploma awarded from the local high school and the opening of Parmenter's Cider Mill.

For the last 155 years, Northville has written a fascinating history as it's grown into the 21st century, while maintaining a cozy, friendly, community.

Much of the city's story is available by speaking with members of the Northville Historical Society and visiting Mill Race Village.

The festival is organized by the Northville Chamber of Commerce and featured a parade, music, food, vintage baseball, Victorian-era church service, vendors and more.



People celebrate local history - and historical fashion - during Northville's 2022 Victorian Heritage Festival. PHOTOS BY KATHLEEN THOMPSON/
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Erich Spohr of Northville tries his hand at archery.



Atlas Qualman and Brandon McCourt of Walled Lake wait for the parade.



Troy and Jillian Stacer, and Amanda and Madeline Brant of Northville take a quick break.



Jamie and Winston Huhn of Northville, ready for the Victorian Heritage Festival parade.



Jordan Duff performs in front of The Northville Gallery.





The Northville High School marching band keeps things festive.



Girl Scout Lily Adams, left, holds a finished painting by Izzy Bailey's dog, Oakley.

What's in a name? Farming, for one thing



People come from everywhere to enjoy the farmers market here in downtown Farmington with new faces arriving every week it seems. The vendors see it firsthand, and volunteers, too. They can tell by the questions people ask: "Do you have a honey vendor?" "Where can I buy eggs?" are easy giveaways. This got me to thinking that the farms that set up at the market also come from "everywhere."

Let's talk just about the big farmers. Bill and Ellen Gass farm up in Ray, east of Romeo. The Goetz Family farm is down south of Dundee in a small hamlet called Riga. The multi-generational Fusilier Family Farm cultivates land out in Sharon Township, southwest of Chelsea. The spread is as wide as 114 miles.

This is the ground my wheels cover when I go out to inspect the farms on behalf of the community. Yes, just like any vendor interested in coming to market, farmer applications must be submitted and vetted out annually. With respect to the farmers, a complete list of everything brought to market must be submitted and then becomes a guide when I inspect the fields. I get to see where food comes from down to the tips of my toes.

The reason for my wanton musing is that, just this morning as I was about to spark up my MacBook, with one bleary eye on the coffee pot, I got a sunrise text from Caroline Wright out at the Good Neighbor Farm in Ann Arbor, reminding that they are looking forward to my coming out to inspect their farm ... today! Which I had completely lost track of. And before I get too far off track, if you missed the market last week, Good Neighbor Farm spent the day with us, setting up on Market Place Street - not ever having been to Farmington before. The idea is to see about joining us next

Caroline and her partner, Seth Schmiedeknecht, have a small two-acre farm somewhere off Pontiac Trail that I will venture out to as fall ushers its way into southeast Michigan's patchwork of



Seth Schmiedeknecht and Caroline Wright of Ann Arbor's Good Neighbor Farm. COURTESY OF FARMINGTON FARMERS MARKET

fertile farm lands. Good Neighbor farm leans to organic practices with an eye toward "no till," which in simple terms means to grow plants and vegetables without disturbing or at least minimally disturbing the soil, for want of protecting the delicate balance of the eco system at work. Among the far-reaching benefits of no-till is reduced soil erosion, increased biological activity and soil organic matter. Caroline and Seth use a "hybrid approach" which I am curious to learn more about as I set my wheels westward on what promises to be a day of September sun.

While I'm out that way, it turns out

that another of our farms, the Green Things Farm Collective, is nearby, so I

will be very busy today. Speaking of new farms, let's welcome to our community another farm family that is very serious about wanting to come to Farmington: Kapolnek Farms out in Carleton. The Kapolneks raise humanely-treated, free-roam, USDAcertified livestock with no growth hormones and or antibiotics. They also were at market last week and fell in love with the welcoming atmosphere that is a vibe uniquely felt in Farmington.

With so many farms and so little time, I better get busy. But before I run off and say "Until next time..." I want to mention how blessed we are to have farms from all over expressing an interest in coming to market here in Farmington. If you didn't know, it's very difficult for markets to recruit farmers. And it's rarer still that farmers come calling. Maybe it's all in the name: Farmington.

So until next time and as always,

here's saying: "See you at the market." Walt Gajewski is the Farmington Farmers Market manager. The market runs 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays in downtown Farmington. Visit www.farmingtonfarmersmarket.com for more.



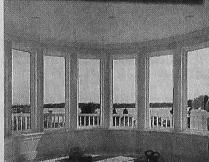


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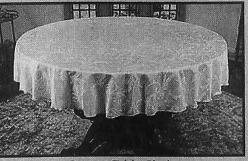
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Wayne, Oakland counties COVID-19 tracker

Mike Stucka
USA TODAY NETWORK

New coronavirus cases leaped in Michigan in the week ending Sunday, rising 15.9% as 18,375 cases were reported. The previous week had 15,854 new cases of the virus that causes COVID-19.

Michigan ranked fifth 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 decreased 7.7% from the week before, with 436,694 cases reported. With 3% of the country's population, Michigan had 4.21% of the country's cases in the last week. Across the country, 24 states had more cases in the latest week than they did in the week before

Wayne County reported 3,427 cases and 38 deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 2,710 cases and 20 deaths. Throughout the pandemic it has reported 480,854 cases and 8,373 deaths.

Oakland County reported 2,485 cases and 22 deaths in the latest week. A week earlier, it had reported 1,947 cases and eight deaths. Throughout the pandemic it has reported 348,751 cases and 4,104 deaths.

Within Michigan, the worst weekly outbreaks on a per-person basis were in Clinton County with 407 cases per 100,000 per week; Dickinson County with 404; and Schoolcraft County with 358.

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 3,427 cases; Oakland County, with 2,485 cases; and Macomb County, with 1,785. Weekly case counts rose in 55 counties from the previous week.

The worst increases from the prior week's pace were in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Across Michigan, cases fell in 27 counties, with the best declines in Huron County, with 27 cases from 90 a week earlier; in Muskegon County, with 211 cases from 248; and in Tuscola County, with 78 cases from 111.

In Michigan, 196 people were reported dead of COVID-19 in the week ending Sunday. In the week before that, 83 people were reported dead.

A total of 2,804,588 people in Michigan have tested positive for the coronavirus since the pandemic began, and 38,317 people have died from the disease, Johns Hopkins University data shows. In the United States 95,658,236 people have tested positive and 1,053,419 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, Sept. 18. Likely COVID patients admitted in the state:

• Last week: 1,307



Fifth-grade students at an elementary school in Oregon play during recess on the first day of school Sept. 6. Students can now play with different classes during recess, a loosening of COVID-19 pandemic-related protocols.

MIRANDA CYR/USA TODAY NETWORK

- The week before that: 1,209 • Four weeks ago: 1,332
- Likely COVID patients admitted in the nation:
 - Last week: 57,618
 - The week before that: 58,248
 - Four weeks ago: 66,210

Hospitals in 15 states reported more COVID-19 patients than a week earlier, while hospitals in 14 states had more COVID-19 patients in intensive-care beds. Hospitals in 22 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.

Sellers

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Slaughter follows three major rules to achieve success in business:

- 1 Don't cheat anyone out of anything.
- 2 You take care of your employees and they will take care of your custom-

3 Be positive. Be the cheerleader and the chief strategist behind the goals of the company.

Forty years ago, Slaughter was washing cars at Sellers. However, that experience helped him to value every job at the dealer, as well as the importance of the company valuing every employee.

The company tag line is "Reputation is Everything," and 50% of Sellers 215 employees have been with the dealership for 10 years or more. That includes their 59 employees at Sellers Subaru in Macomb Township, which was purchased in 2013.

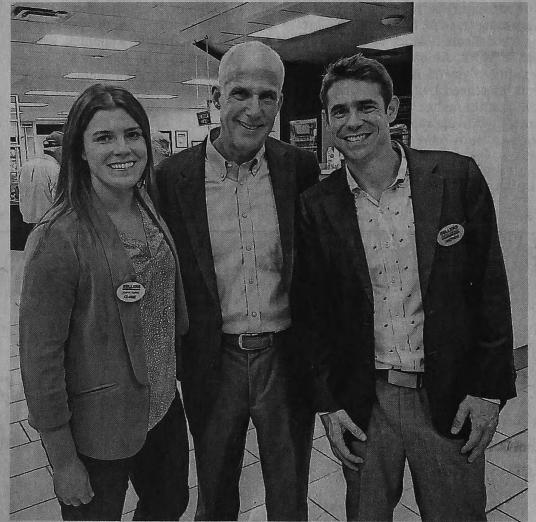
In 2009, Sellers was faced with a critical business dilemma. General Motors was canceling its Pontiac product line, and this model made up 65% of Seller's annual business. GMC contributed 35%, but the loss of Pontiac was devastating.

However, their ability to adapt inside and outside, to believe that their vision and confidence within their management team would help support the marketing changes, set the stage to embrace their new GM Buick product line. In 2005, Sellers sold zero Buicks, and in 2010 it sold more Buicks than any other dealer in the country.

Not only was Sellers transitioning from Pontiac to Buick in 2009, but it also was moving ahead on a \$1.5 million showroom renovation in Farmington Hills. Reinvesting in the community has always been a major focus for the business.

Success today is much different than in 1972. About 95% of the sales today are tied to the internet in some way, through online searches. Phones are ringing instead of customers coming through the front door. Roughly 60% of their business is new car sales, and 80% is leases, which is the preferred method of buying.

Buyers search for the best car options at the most affordable cost, and they shop around to different dealers. During



Sellers Auto Group's Claire Slaughter, director of operations; Sam Slaughter, owner; and Andrew Haller, president, prepare to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Sellers Buick GMC in Farmington Hills. COURTESY OF DIANE HOLCOMB

Sellers Buick/GMC is located at 38000 Grand River Ave. in Farmington Hills. Reach it at sellersbuickgmc.com or 248-579-4398.

the COVID-19 pandemic Sellers bought two flatbed trucks so employees could deliver cars to the buyers' homes, eliminating the need for them to come into the dealership. Although new car inventory is low for all dealers, Sellers found that their used car market, including selling existing leased cars that were ready to be turned in, helped to continue to meet the current market needs.

Slaughter said that the future vision of Mary Barra, chair and chief executive officer of General Motors, has been a driving force to the success of the GM brand. The GM electric car technology will continue to deliver cars and trucks that meet the demand of the public.

Sellers already has five new Hum-

mers sold, and more than 200 on a waitlist for the 2024 electric Hummer pickup and SUV, being sold through their GMC product line.

Fifty years in business doesn't happen by accident. Sixty percent of Sellers' business is "repeat buyers" when there are 22 other local dealers selling the same products.

Slaughter is a valued member of the Farmington Hills Economic Development Committee, and his company's 50 years in business is a template for other businesses to review.

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Chamber

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something that is important to me."

Doelker has advocated for the chamber to help its members show customers they're inclusive, and now that's become a reality. Business owners who attend the Chamber's Western Wayne Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Experience event Sept. 22 will receive a window sticker saying "We Welcome Everybody" for their business. Attendees to the Nov. 3 Inclusion Roundtable will also get one.

"'We Welcome Everybody.' It's a simple enough concept, but, if nothing else it gets people to think about being more inclusive and more aware of others," said Dan West, president and CEO of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce.

West said his organization, which has 960 members, has been promoting inclusion since 2016. He said the chamber members feel it's important to focus on inclusiveness given the reputation Livonia has as a former sundown town.

That reputation was recently revisited when a Black woman alleged she was discriminated against by a bank in the city when she brought in casino winnings. The bank has denied any wrongdoing.

"Livonia has got a history. Society has its history of not necessarily being the most inclusive," West said. "Our business community does want to be viewed as inclusive."

West said the initiative is unrelated to a nondiscrimination ordinance Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan proposed over a year ago. That ordinance would need to be approved by Livonia's city council, but the nonpartisan board has not formally discussed the proposal. However, the majority of its members have expressed concerns with the ordinance as proposed.

The chamber is also nonpartisan, and while it has endorsed the concept of a nondiscrimination ordinance, it does not endorse specific policies, according to West. He said being welcoming is simply good for business.

"City council writes laws. We encourage best practices," West said. "Our focus is to encourage our business community to use best practices so their business can be the best it can

Doelker said she's looking forward to her businesses sporting the stickers

"This place is full of signs, right? I recognize the power of signage," she said. "It's part of our branding. You can have all of this stuff on paper, but customers don't see it unless you put up a sign. I'm hoping that it conveys what we already have in our manuals."

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Fire

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still working to repair damage caused by the building's sprinkler system.

Nick Brandon, the district's executive director of communications and marketing, said a full assessment of the damage is not complete, but the incident impacted areas on the third floor,

where sprinklers were triggered by smoke. That water trickled down to areas on the second floor, he said.

The fire was contained to the bathroom, he said.
"We are fortunate that this situation

"We are fortunate that this situation was identified quickly and taken care of without harm or injury, but we ask that you take some time to talk with your students to reinforce how vital it is that everyone does their part to create a safe, healthy learning environment for all

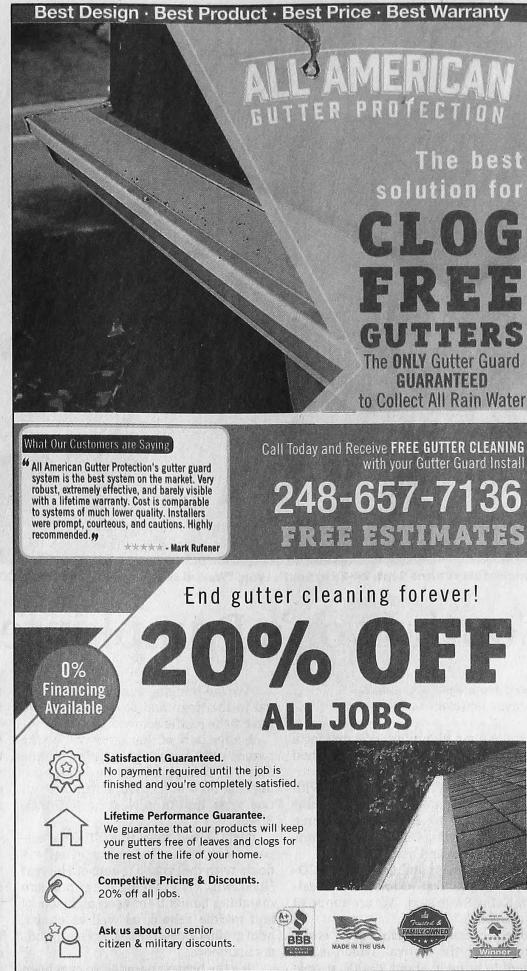
students, every day, without exceptions," the district statement said. "The safety and well-being of our students and staff remains the number one priority at Plymouth-Canton Community Schools."

School was back in session Tuesday, but adjustments were made to classroom locations as cleanup continues.

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Pumpkinfest returns Sept. 24-25 in South Lyon. "We are slowly coming back from COVID," Pumpkinfest Committee President Kathy Swan said. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE

South Lyon's Pumpkinfest continues comeback

Susan Bromley Hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

South Lyon Pumpkinfest is making a comeback after being largely squashed by the pandemic.

The festival returns Sept. 24-25 with a much-anticipated parade and contests that haven't been seen in three years. Still missing will be a main entertainment stage and beer tent.

"We are slowly coming back from CO-VID," Pumpkinfest Committee President Kathy Swan said. "We are about 90 percent back."

She is excited, and scared, too, as she prepares for the festival, which is expected to bring in about 22,000 people over two days, an increase of about 5,000 people over last year's extremely scaled back festivities.

"We are bringing a humongous festival to the town and to do it right, you have to be a little scared," she said.

A large part of that draw will be the parade at 10 a.m. Sept. 24. The parade starts at Centennial Middle School, going east on 9 Mile Road, north on Pontiac Trail, and then west on McHattie Street.

It will feature more than 1,700 participants. Out of 56 entries, nearly half are floats with this year's theme of Harvest Hoedown. Also playing a big part are marching bands from each high school and middle school, as well as choirs, pom groups, dogs, horses, first responders and more.

"It's the biggest parade I've ever been involved with," Swan said.

Dozens of booths will line the streets, with artisans offering their wares, and

non-profit groups providing games for the kids.

Pumpkinfest welcomes back "Pumpkin Carving Guy" John Angevine, the Ultimate Air Dogs, Wonderjump, which will bring multiple inflatables, and Escape Room Novi, with a 15-minute experience.

Pies will bring a lot of excitement, too — kids in three age groups can race to see who can finish the treats donated by Grand Traverse Pie Company the fastest. Adults can compete to see who can bake a pumpkin pie the best.

These contests are on the family entertainment stage, which will also host magic, music, and dance acts throughout the weekend.

While the beer tent and main stage may be missed, Swan hopes they will return in 2023 with resolution of supply chain and cost issues that made it prohibitive for the non-profit festival this

There will continue to be many food and beverage options from not only the restaurants downtown, but also from food trucks.

Swan is looking forward to all of it and expressed her gratitude to all who have worked together to bring the 37th annual Pumpkinfest to the streets of downtown South Lyon.

"I just want to thank the board members and committee, they come and do everything under the sun to make it happen," she said.

For more information and a full Pumpkinfest schedule, visit southlyon-pumpkinfest.com.

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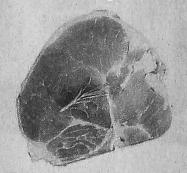
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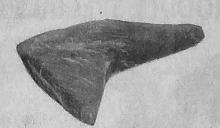


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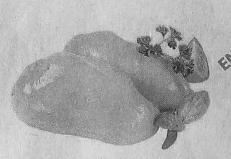


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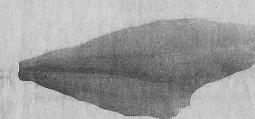
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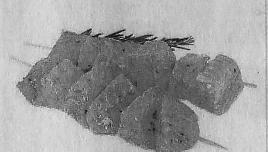
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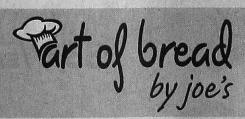
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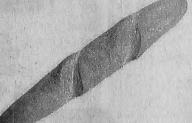


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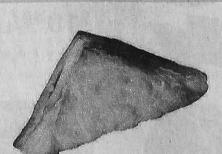
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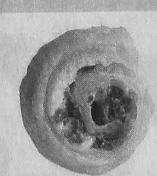
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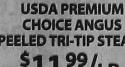


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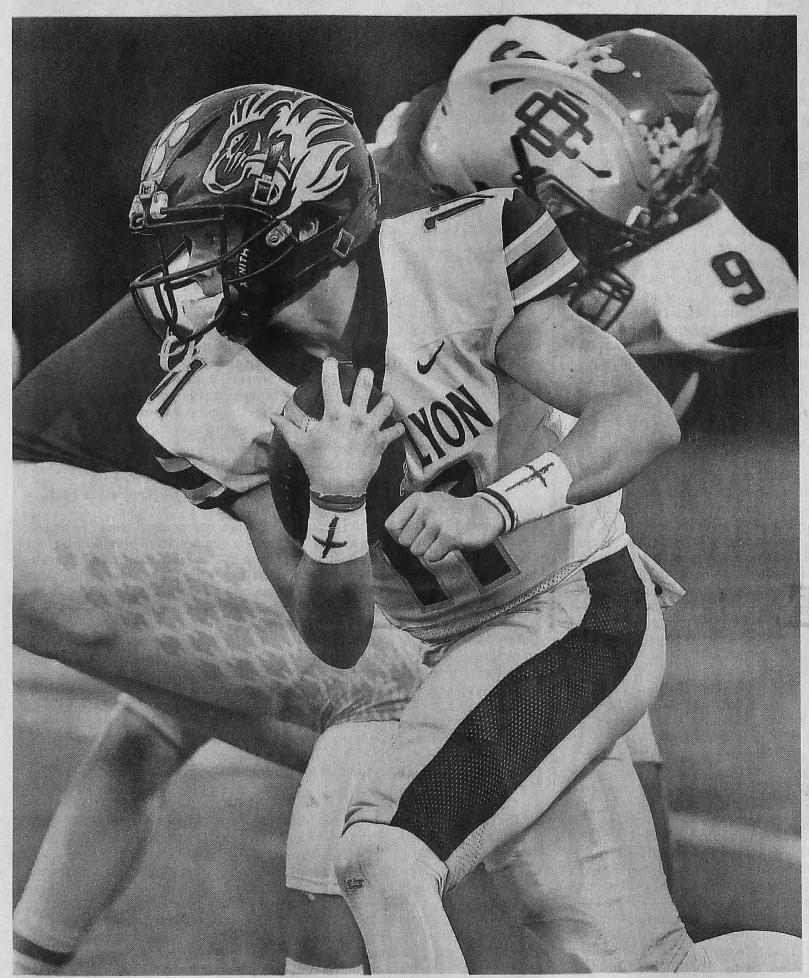
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SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SOUTH LYON 42, DETROIT COUNTRY DAY 21



South Lyon's Braden Fracassi rushes against Detroit Country Day on Sept. 16 at Detroit Country Day. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Interceptions don't shake Lions' confidence in QB

Brandon Folsom Hometownlife.com

USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

South Lyon quarterback Braden Fracassi could do nothing but watch as Detroit Country Day's Gabe Zeldes intercepted his pass in the flats and returned it 32 yards untouched for the game's opening score Friday night.

The senior didn't pout about it.

Nor did he complain. Heck, even coach Jeff Henson didn't

Seriously.

give the gaffe too much thought.

If anyone can bounce back from being punched in the mouth like that, it's Fracassi. That's something he's been doing his entire career with the Lions.

Time after time, Fracassi has been thrown into adverse situations only to lead the Lions through the storm and have them come out of it in better shape than they were when they started their journey.

Take last year's season opener, for

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The 5 biggest matches coming in Week 5

Brandon Folsom Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Sports reporter Brandon Folsom breaks down the five biggest matchups taking place during Week 5 of the MHSAA football season.

All games kick off at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23.

Brighton (4-0, 3-0) at Northville (4-0, 3-0) (KLAA-West)

The Mustangs have a chance to make a statement as well as secure their future in Week 5.

Brighton and Northville are tied for first place in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association-West. The winner moves one game ahead of the other in the standings. And, honestly, if the Bulldogs win this one, they'll likely cruise to a KLAA championship berth. They've already played the meat of their schedule, including beating Novi, 41-6, a week ago.

The Mustangs, which haven't started 5-0 since 2015, cannot afford to play catch-up to Brighton should they lose this home game. It's best to beat the Bulldogs now instead of praying for them to be upset by Canton, Plymouth or Howell, three teams that have won four games combined through four weeks.

Milford (3-1, 2-1) at Walled Lake Western (4-0, 4-0) (LVC)

We were told by a reliable source that the secret to beating the Warriors is great quarterback play. Sure enough, South Lyon East was right in the game a week ago thanks to QB Nico Campo playing out of his mind. But the senior went down with an injury, and the Cougars' chances of upsetting Walled Lake Western went with him.

Well, this might be great news for the Mavericks, who happen to have a stellar QB. Ryan Allen is one of the top dual-threats in metro Detroit. When the passes aren't there, he can tuck it and run.

He can do it by design. And he can do it when plays break down. He accounted for three TDs in last week's 26-0 win over Walled Lake Central (one passing, two on the ground).

The Warriors are one of the best teams in Michigan. But it wouldn't be a shock if Milford upsets them. Our guess is Allen will have a say in it happening.

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Our Week 5 HS football rankings

Brandon Folsom Hometownlife.com **USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN**

Sports reporter Brandon Folsom is back with his Week 5 top-10 football rankings:

10. Detroit Country Day (3-1; Last week: No. 7)

For the Division 5 Yellowjackets, there's no shame in losing to a D-2 state semifinalist, a South Lyon squad that has just over double your enrollment. There are several more schools just as large coming up on your schedule, but it wouldn't be a shocker if you lose just once or twice more. You're a playoff

9. Farmington (3-1, 2-0 OAA-Blue; **Last Week: Unranked)**

Welcome to the rankings, QB Dominic Pesci, running back Cameron Pettaway and the rest of the boys. Since losing to Ypsilanti Lincoln in Week 1, you've been taking care of business. All I ask is for you to stay undefeated in the Oakland Activities Association-Blue until that Week 8 matchup against Birmingham Seaholm. Last year's Blue finale, a game between Bloomfield Hills and Troy, featured a pair of undefeated teams. I want to see that trend continue.

8. Birmingham Seaholm (4-0, 1-0 OAA-Blue; Last week: No. 10)

I can officially anoint the Maples as Folsom's "Surprise Team of the Year." During your whole nine-game schedule in 2021, you scored just 136 points, your worst point total since 2009 (101 points forced). You eclipsed that with a 35-0 win over Troy Athens, and it was only Week 4 (157 points). I've already set my schedule for the rest of the regular season, but I might have to amend it to watch you play Farmington for the Blue championship in Week 8.

7. Birmingham Groves (3-1, 2-0 OAA-White; Last week: No. 9)

The Falcons toughed out an impressive one-score victory over Bloomfield Hills, last year's Blue champions. But we're going to find out just how good Birmingham Groves is in Week 5. Enter Southfield A&T and three-star Isaiah Marshall, one of the top junior QBs in the country. And don't sleep on Warriors' receiver Xavier Bowman, another three-star who transferred to Southfield from Brother Rice.

6. Milford (3-1, 2-1 LVC; Last week: No. 6)

Wyatt Lesnew and Danny Sternberg are two of my favorite defenders in the state. So I'm eager to see just how well they do in Week 5 on slowing down Walled Lake Western, which seems hellbent on winning the Lakes Valley Conference. South Lyon East might have unlocked the blueprint to beating the Warriors a week ago. Until QB Nico Campo left the game with an injury, Western couldn't separate from the Cougars. Just how tough are you, Mavericks?

5. Northville (4-0, 3-0 KLAA-West; Last week: No. 8)

The Mustangs have started the season 4-0 for the first time since 2015. Starting 5-0 means they'll have to upset undefeated Brighton, which just absolutely dismantled Novi, a program that was on the rise. This game likely decides the Kensington Lakes Activities Association-West champion. No game in the area has higher stakes.

4. Redford Union (4-0, 3-0 WWAC; Last week: No. 4)

It is surprising the Panthers' defense just pitched their first shutout of 2022 in Week 4 because they've given up just 20 points combined in their other three wins. A buddy of mine in the Blue Water Area says he wants to see Croswell-Lexington face Redford Union in the playoffs. If the Panthers continue winning, they'll likely be hosting the Pioneers for a regional

Livonia Franklin (4-0, 3-0 KLAA-East; Last week: No. 3)

The Patriots had no trouble taking care of rival Livonia Churchill to remain undefeated. They're now one win away from capturing the Livonia City Championship. But they get a real test in Week 5. They visit Westland John Glenn. Yeah, the Rockets have been a punching bag for years. But this is definitely a trap game. Like a college football team preparing for Army, Navy or Air Force, Livonia Franklin now has to figure out how to stop the Rocket's double-wing offensive attack.

2. South Lyon (3-1, 3-1 LVC; Last week: No. 2)

I will keep writing this every week: I'm so mad the Lions were forced to face Western in Week 1. That should've been the LVC finale for both teams. The Lions have nothing to play for the rest of the way except for an 8-1 record and home-field advantage in the playoffs. And with Campo now injured at East, the crosstown rivalry has lost some sheen. South Lyon is about to put together a ho-hum near-perfect season. Expect the stakes to get better in the playoffs.

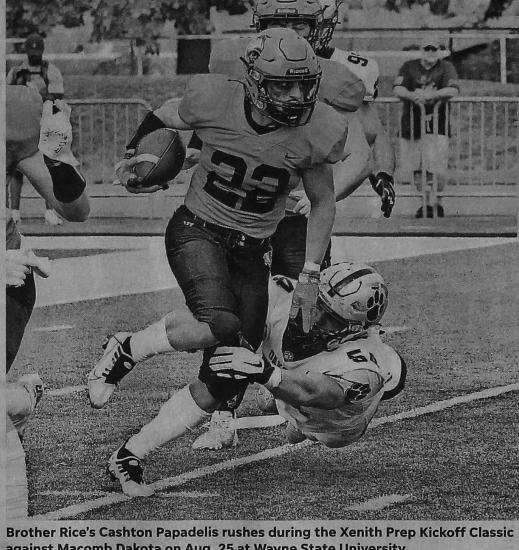
1. Detroit Catholic Central (3-1; Last Week: No. 1)

The Shamrocks open their threegame Catholic League-Central slate with a Week 5 matchup against rival Brother Rice. And, with the Warriors upsetting De La Salle a week ago, the league appears to be wide open. It's been a challenging schedule, and the games won't get any easier. But don't rule them out as league contenders. The Boys Bowl against the Pilots should be a must-see game in 2 weeks.

Out of the top-10 rankings: Novi (2-2, 2-1 KLAA-West).

Also being considered: Brother Rice (2-2, 1-0 CHSL-Central), Livonia Clarenceville (3-1), South Lyon East (3-1, 3-1 LVC), Westland John Glenn

(2-2, 2-1 KLAA-East).



against Macomb Dakota on Aug. 25 at Wayne State University. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Our Week 5 picks

Brandon Folsom Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Sports reporter Brandon Folsom picks the winners from the five biggest matchups of Week 5 of the MHSAA football season. He went 5-0 picking games last week and is 15-5 on the sea-

All games kick off at 7 p.m. Friday,

Livonia Franklin (4-0, 3-0) at Westland John Glenn (2-2, 2-1) (KLAA-East)

This Patriots squad is a special one. And that's saying something because they made it to the Division 2 state semifinal a year ago. They should be favored to beat the rebuilding Rockets, but Westland John Glenn is capable of upsetting another team from Livonia.

I'm excited to see Franklin's Cordell Mabins Jr. and Tyler Garrett take on John Glenn's Damon Powers and Xavier Spadacini. What a matchup of great backfields. If you see me roaming the sidelines of this one, say hi. Hometown Life will be covering it.

Folsom's pick: Livonia Franklin 28, Westland John Glenn 14.

Brighton (4-0, 3-0) at Northville (4-0, 3-0) (KLAA-West)

Except for a close-call win vs. rival Hartland, the Bulldogs' offense has been pouring it on against every team they've faced. That included a 41-6 victory over Novi a week ago.

The Mustangs will be challenged defensively. And the likes of Hunter Ladach should be up for the task. But Northville needs to make sure its offense can keep up after each Brighton TD. Can QB Luca Prior get his teammates into the end zone?

Folsom's pick: Brighton 22, Northville 17.

Canton (1-3, 1-2) at Novi (2-2, 2-1) (KLAA-West)

The Chiefs have shown fight in each game, including their 16-0 loss to Plymouth in Week 3. So this matchup isn't a runaway win for the Wildcats, who are in desperate need of a bounce-back performance. Novi is likely out of the KLAA-West championship race with Brighton and Northville still undefeated. But it can't afford to be upset by Canton either.

Folsom's pick: Novi 24, Canton 21.

Detroit Catholic Central (3-1) at Brother Rice (2-2, 1-0) (CHSL-Central) (Lawrence Tech)

A few weeks ago, I would've projected the Shamrocks to blow out the Warriors in this matchup. But after seeing Brother Rice upset defending state champion Warren De La Salle in Week 4, I'm second-guessing my thoughts on a blowout actually happening.

After struggling the first two weeks without three-star running back Nolan Ray, the Warriors have looked great since. If they can upset their rivals this week, this could be a dangerous team entering the Division 3 playoffs. But I still like Detroit Catholic Central, my No. 1-ranked team, in this one.

Folsom's pick: Detroit Catholic Central 31, Brother Rice 21.

Redford Thurston (0-4, 0-3) at **Garden City (2-2, 2-1) (WWAC)**

The Eagles almost picked up their first win in the post-Bob Snell era a week ago. Except it was Dearborn Heights Annapolis pulling out the tough 22-21 victory. So the Cougars must enter this matchup on upset alert. Garden City cannot sleepwalk through practice in Week 5, or it could hand Redford Thurston its first win.

Folsom's pick: Garden City 26, Redford Thurston 21.

Matches

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Canton (1-3, 1-2) at Novi (2-2, 2-1) (KLAA-West)

This matchup features two squads at a crossroads in their seasons.

The Chiefs are still rebuilding after returning just two starters from a year ago. But they've proven they can run the ball effectively with several 100-yard rushers. They just haven't been consistent in the other phases of the game. An upset win over Novi would give them momentum as they try to close out the season on a high note while preparing for next season.

The Wildcats couldn't keep up with Brighton a week ago and are likely out of the race for the KLAA-West title. It'd take a domino effect of Northville beating the Bulldogs and Novi beating the Mustangs to help the Wildcats get back in the hunt. And that seems unlikely at this point. So they must take care of business going forward. Their next three games against Canton, Plymouth and Howell each could be looked at as trap games. Good teams win these



the Xenith **Prep Kickoff** Classic against Macomb Dakota on Aug. 25 at **Wayne State** University. BRANDON FOLSOM/ **HOMETOWN** LIFE.COM

Brother Rice's

Blake Marrogy

passes during

games. Is Novi a good team? We're looking forward to finding out.

Livonia Franklin (4-0, 3-0) at Westland John Glenn (2-2, 2-1) (KLAA-East)

Nothing says "trap game" like having the Rockets sandwiched between games against your rivals.

The Patriots handled Livonia Churchill, 35-13, a week ago, but they can't get caught looking ahead to the Livonia

City Championship finale against Livonia Stevenson in Week 6. They've got to get ready for Westland John Glenn and its double-wing offense this week.

The Rockets are one of the hottest teams in the KLAA. No longer the league's doormat, they're beating teams few in the media predicted they'd beat. They've already got wins against Churchill and Dearborn Fordson. They could ruin Livonia Franklin's chances at winning the KLAA-East with another upset win in Week 5.

Detroit Catholic Central (3-1) at Brother Rice (2-2, 1-0) (CHSL-Central) (Lawrence Tech)

The Warriors looked rough against Macomb Dakota in Week 1, and it might be unfair to criticize their performance in the Xenith Prep Kickoff Classic. Not only were they without three-star running back Nolan Ray but they were also facing one of the best teams in Michigan.

The Cougars were ranked No. 8, regardless of division, by football blog The D Zone over this past weekend.

And Brother Rice had an even more heart-breaking performance in Week 2 at East Kentwood, losing on a walk-off field goal.

But it has since sorted itself out with back-to-back wins against Brownstown Woodhaven and defending state champion Warren De La Salle.

Detroit Catholic Central will have its hands full with the new-and-improved Warriors. QB Blake Marrogy has found his rhythm on offense, throwing three TDs to Henry Garrity and rushing for another against the Pilots. If he can have another stellar day, expect this rivalry game to be a must-see matchup this week.

Lions

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example. QB Dawson Skupin, arguably one of the best athletes to ever walk the hallways at South Lyon, left its Lakes Valley Conference matchup against Walled Lake Western with severe cramps in the third quarter. Henson threw in Fracassi behind center, and on the backup's first snap, he raced 44 yards for a TD, ensuring the Lions would beat the Warriors, 48-28.

A few weeks later, Skupin went down with a season-ending injury as South Lyon clung to a 6-0 record and hopes of winning a league title. In came Fracassi to take the reins. And, of course, it wasn't that easy. After leading South Lyon to a pair of shutout wins in his first two starts, he was forced to miss its game at Waterford Mott because of CO-VID-19 contact tracing. And that was a game the Lions needed to win to clinch at least a share of the LVC title. So he remained at home as third-stringer Coy Plummer pushed them past the Corsairs, 28-6.

But, again, Fracassi bounced back. He closed out the season, helping them win both Division 2 district and regional championships. The Lions' playoff run ultimately ended with a tough loss to Traverse City Central in the state semifinal.

But Fracassi, the youngest of three boys in one of those stereotypical All-American football families you see in the movies, had proved his worth. Not only was he rifling throws with limited pre-season reps to prepare him to play in one of the toughest conferences in Michigan, but he was doing so in the shadows of his two older brothers.

His oldest brother, Connor, is currently a QB at John Carroll University and was well-respected when he played for South Lyon. And then the middle brother, Quinn, was an absolute stud at receiver. Whether it was designed running plays or catches on shallow routes, Quinn was just too tough to tackle. So much so that he signed with Eastern Michigan University. Quinn still shows up to South Lyon games to watch his former team and root for his brother.

What's more, the boys' father, Todd, is also on the coaching staff.

The pressure Braden has felt to carry on the Fracassi tradition at South Lyon



South Lyon's Tommy Donovan rushes Sept. 16 at Detroit Country Day. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

has been immense. That's why he doesn't have time to sulk about turnovers. He has games to win.

"I didn't really think about it too much," the senior said about throwing an interception on South Lyon's first drive at Country Day. "I knew we had it. I just knew. Our defense was locking down on the first drive. We got 10 yards on our first play, and then that (the interception) happened, and I was like, 'OK, that happened. Shake the jitters off,

and we're good. We're ready to run.' I had confidence in my team and in myself, and we were still working."

On the ensuing drive, it took South Lyon just three plays to score, as Alex Stoyanovich caught a 19-yard TD pass from Braden.

One series later, the Lions scored on their first play. Braden lasered another strike to Stoyanovich, only this time the receiver needed to juke one defender before scooting into the end zone for the

56-yard score.

Braden threw two more TD passes in the second quarter. The first was on a 59-yard screen play to Simeon Mardossian. The other was a thing of beauty. Braden bobbled a snap twice before finally securing the ball and tossing it to Tommy Donovan, who raced 72 yards down the near sideline for six points.

Braden had put his team in a 7-0 hole with a bad throw to open the game. He finished it going 11 of 14 passing for 327 yards and four TDs, leading the Lions to a 42-21 victory.

"It's one play. It's one play," Henson said about Braden's early pick. "We have all the confidence in the world in Braden to do the job, and we're not going to deviate from our game plan because of one mistake. We didn't lose our confidence in him."

Donovan iced the win for the Lions in the second half. He scored on a 49-yard running play as well as returned a forced fumble by Mardossian 32 yards on a scoop-and-score play.

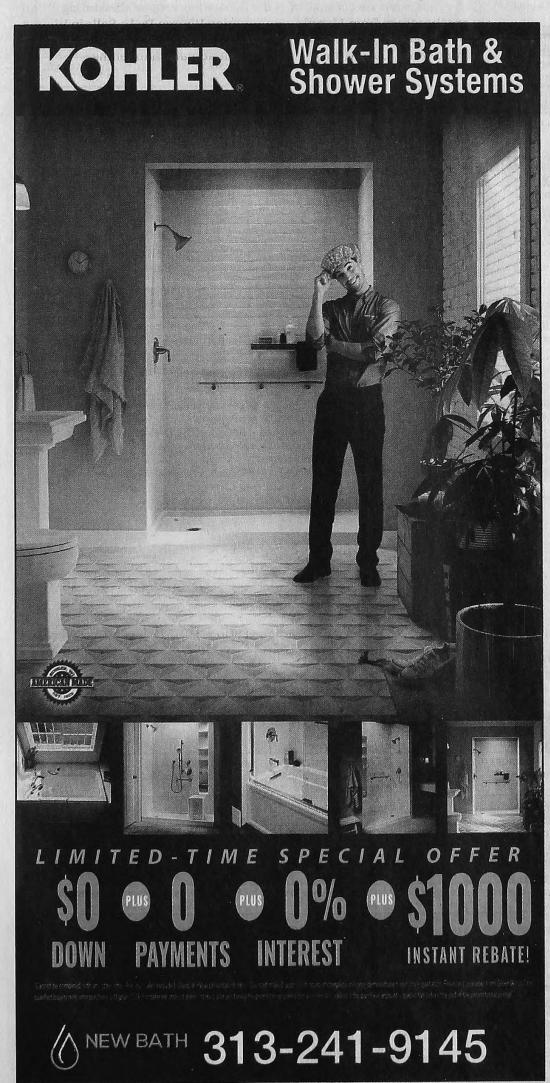
But Braden's passing in the first half opened up those running lanes for Donovan. And Stoyanovich, who was Quinn's backup a year ago, was thankful for how well Braden was throwing the ball.

"Braden had a hell of a throw down the middle, so I had to do what I did to get into the end zone," said Stoyanovich, the nephew of former NFL kicker Pete Stoyanovich. "We've been close friends forever. The chemistry is there. We just had to find it (entering this season), and we found it tonight. It was awesome."

South Lyon (3-1, 2-1) dropped its season opener to Walled Lake Western thanks to cramps and injuries taking out some of its players in the second half. But Braden and the boys have battled back. The Lions will likely finish the regular season 8-1 and have home-field advantage in the playoffs.

But something is going to go wrong during the next five games. It always does. That's football. But Braden will be there to stop it from derailing the Lions' season. That's what the QB has done over the past year. And it's what he's going to be remembered for when he graduates. Overcoming adversity is his superpower. And he's ready for the next storm.

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







CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2022 6:00 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT

BY CHAIRMAN MICHAEL CARLIN

ROLL CALL:

Steve Bassett Timothy Boyd Michael Carlin Don Schnettler Jerry Vorva

ITEM NO. 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting – August 4, 2022
 Special closed session - September 19, 2022

ITEM NO. 2 - NEW BUSINESS

Application No. 1647

Ron Shunia 12212 Hillside DR Plymouth MI 48170

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78-036-04-0156-000 R-1-S Zoning District

RE: Zoning Ordinance No. 99, Article 20 Sec 20.1 Height, Area, Lot Coverage, Yard Requirements and Floor Area (as amended 10/25/07).

Variance	Zoning Ordinance	Location	Minimum Rear	Proposed Rear	Variance
No.	Section/Standard		Yard Setback	Yard Setback	Required
1647	Ordinance 99, Article 20, Sec 20.1	12212 Hillside DR	Fifty Feet (50')	Forty-two Feet (42')	Eight Feet (8')

The applicant is requesting one variance:

1. The applicant is in an R-1-S zoning district and is requesting one variance to construct a (14' x 21') screen room that would reduce the rear yard setback to forty-two (42') feet whereas fifty (50') feet is required. Variance requested is eight (8) feet of rear yard setback.

(ZBA meeting dates 2023)

Submission Deadline	Meeting Date
December 7, 2022	January 5, 2023
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December 6, 2023	January 4, 2024

Zoning Board to vote on approval of submission and meeting dates for 2023.

ITEM NO. 3 - OLD BUSINESS (This matter has been remanded to ZBA for further consideration in light of the lack of specificity of the reasons for the denial of the requested variances from November 4, 2021 per the 3rd Circuit Court Case #22-001008)

Application No. 1637 West Billboard Sign Latif Oram (Representing) International Outdoor INC 28423 Orchard Lake RD #200 Farmington Hills MI 48334

Location -

Vacant parcel East of Ridge/South of Halyard

Tax I.D.

Tax I.D. #78-007-01-0002-003 TAR Zoning District

RE: Zoning Ordinance No. 99, Article 25 Sec 25. 2 (2) (b) & Sec 25.8 (1) (2) (4) & Sec 25.9 (1) (b) (c) (d) (g) (6) (a) (b) (d) Sign Regulations; Area, Height and Placement, Ground/Monument Signs

Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Signs Prohibited in all Districts	Proposed West Billboard Sign	Variance Required	
1637	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.8 (1) (2) (4)	West Sign 78-007-01-0002-003	Expressly prohibited: flashing lights/ intermittent lights & scrolling message, moving parts	1 West Billboard Sign with scrolling messages, lights and moving parts	1 West Billboard Sign with scrolling messages, lights and moving parts	
Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Ground Sign Greater than 200 Feet of Frontage 20' from Setback	Proposed West Billboard Sign	Variance Required	
1637	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.9 (1) (b)	West Sign 78-007-01-0002-003			60' in height and 615' square feet of sign face area for a 2-sided sign	
Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Pole Sign may be permitted by Planning Commission	Proposed 1 Pole Sign	Variance Required	
1637	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.9 (c)	West Sign 78-007-01-0002-003	Pole sign may be permitted by Planning Commission	To be allowed on the West end of the vacant parcel	To allow 1 pole sign on the West end of the parcel	
Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Number of Ground Signs on a Parcel	Proposed Ground Si	. Variance Required	
1637	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.9 (d)	West Sign 78-007-01-0002-003	1 Ground sign per parcel	2 Ground signs on the same parcel, 1 at the West end the other at the East end	To allow 2 ground signs on the same parcel	
Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Ground Sign shall have Brick/masonry Base	Proposed West Billboard Sign	Variance Required	
1637	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.9 (g)	West Sign 78-007-01-0002-003	Ground signs shall have a brick or masonry base	Super 70' pole base with no brick/ masonry base	Super 70' pole base with no brick/ masonry base	
Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Changeable Copy Signs	Proposed Ground Signs	Variance Required	
1637	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.9 (6) (a)(b)(d)	West Sign 78-007-01-0002-003	Letter height not to exceed 4" & Changeable monument sign prohibited	Will have digital changeable copy	To allow West billboard sign to have digital copy	
Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Illumination	Proposed Ground Signs	Variance Required	
1637	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.2 (2) (b)	West Sign 78-007-01-0002-003	Signs shall not be illuminated between 11 PM and 7 AM	West billboard sign will be illuminated 24 hours a day, 364 days a year	. West billboard sign to be illuminated 24 hours a day, 364 days a year	

The applicant is in a TAR zoning district and is requesting several variances to construct a pole billboard sign that will be 2 sided, illuminated with digital copy and 70' tall at the West end of the property:

1. Variance requested, Section 25.8: variance to permit the technologically superior digital faces on each side of the billboard whereas signs not expressly permitted are prohibited. No signs are allowed which incorporate any manner of flashing or intermittent lights. Any sign which involves scrolling messages or visible moving parts.

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 Variance requested, Sec 25.9.6: to allow electronic changeable copy whereas electric changeable copy is prohibited, letter size shall not be larger than 4" inches and the base must

be brick/masonry.

4. Variance requested, Sec 25.2.2 (b): to allow signs to be illuminated 24 hours a day 365 days a year whereas signs shall not be illuminated between the hours of 11 PM and 7 AM.

Application No. 1638 East Billboard Sign Latif Oram (Representing)
International Outdoor INC
28423 Orchard Lake RD #200
Farmington Hills MI 48334
Vacant parcel Ridge/Halyard

Location – Tax I.D.

Vacant parcel Ridge/Halyard
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Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Signs Prohibited in all Districts	Proposed East Billboard Sign	Variance Required
1638	Ordinance 99, Article XXV Sec 25.8 (1) (2) (4)	East Sign 78-007-01-0002-003	Expressly prohibited & flashing lights/intermittent lights & scrolling message, moving parts etc	1 East Billboard Sign with scrolling messages, lights and moving parts	1 East Billboard Sign with scrolling messages, lights and moving parts
Variance No.	Zoning Ordinance Section/Standard	Location	Ground Sign Greater than 200 Feet of Frontage 20' from Setback	Proposed East Billboard Sign	Variance Required
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Hartland RB breaks out with win over Salem

Bill Khan Livingston Daily USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

CANTON - Hartland was able to reestablish running back Joey Mattord as a big-play threat Friday night in a 35-10 victory over Salem.

Mattord ran 12 times for 270 yards and three touchdowns after being held in check by strong Novi and Brighton defenses the previous two weeks.

He had 76 yards on 26 carries the last two weeks after opening the season with 135 yards against Westland John Glenn.

Mattord opened the scoring by running 52 yards for a touchdown off a fake punt. He scored on runs of 12 and 76 yards in the second quarter to make it

"He did well," Hartland coach Brian Savage said. "It was good to see. He's obviously a main part of our offense. We're just trying to get him going and obviously get our offensive line moving and get everybody on the same page."

Hartland took to the air for its fourth touchdown, as James Butzier hit Mitch Cavanaugh with a 26-yard scoring strike. Sophomore Matt Flynn scored his first varsity touchdown on a 12-yard

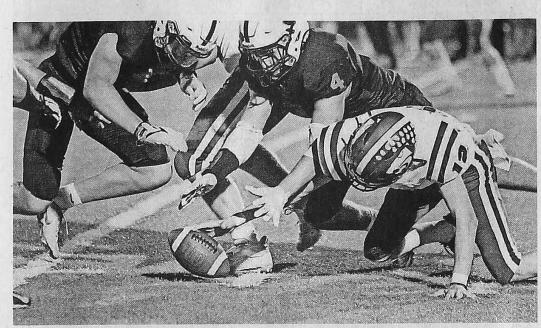
A safety off a high snap from punt formation gave Hartland a 35-3 lead before Salem scored a touchdown late in the game.

Cavanaugh had an interception for Hartland, which is 2-2 heading into a home game against Plymouth at 7 p.m. Friday.

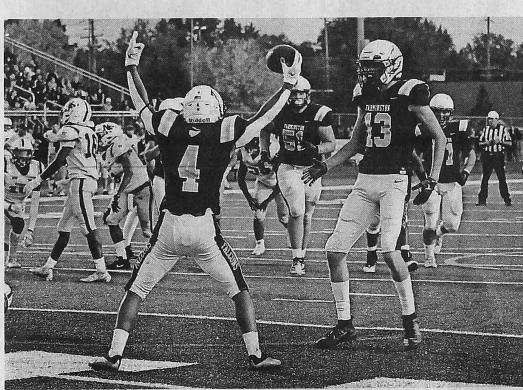
At right, Hartland's Joey Mattord ran 12 times for 270 yards and three touchdowns in a 35-10 win over Salem. TIMOTHY ARRICK/FOR THE LIVINGSTON DAILY



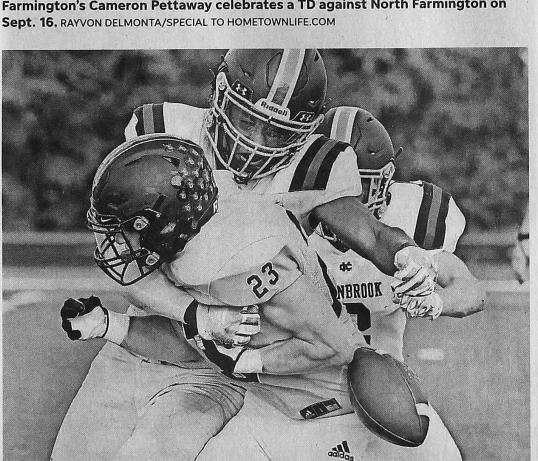
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Brighton's Kyle Sica (4) pounces on a Novi fumble Sept. 16. GILLIS BENEDICT/LIVINGSTON DAILY



Farmington's Cameron Pettaway celebrates a TD against North Farmington on



Cranbrook's John Kersh strips the ball from Bishop Foley's Gus Toppi on Sept. 17.



Livonia Churchill's Jayden Allen catches a TD pass Sept. 16 at Livonia Franklin. TOM BEAUDOIN/ SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Livonia Franklin's Dominic Simpson celebrates a TD against Livonia Churchill on Sept. 16. TOM BEAUDOIN/ SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



North Farmington's Thomas Balazovic looks to pass Sept. 16 at Farmington. RAYVON DELMONTA/SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

City of Plymouth **Zoning Board of Appeals Notice** Thursday, October 6, 2022 - 7:00 p.m. Located at Plymouth City Hall

201 S. Main Street Plymouth, Michigan 48170 Website: www.plymouthmi.gov Phone: (734) 453-1234 ext. 232

A regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall to consider the following:

> Z 22-12 Non-Use Variance Request for 948 Dewey Side Yard Setback Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential Applicant: Don Iacovoni

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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the following: Maureen Brodie, ADA Coordinator 201 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 234

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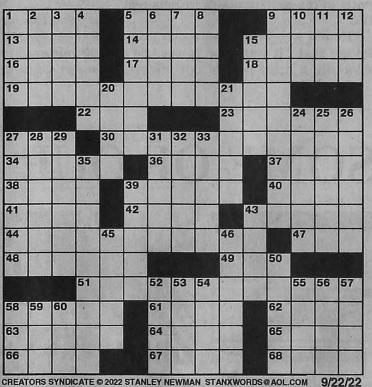
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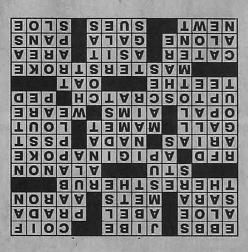
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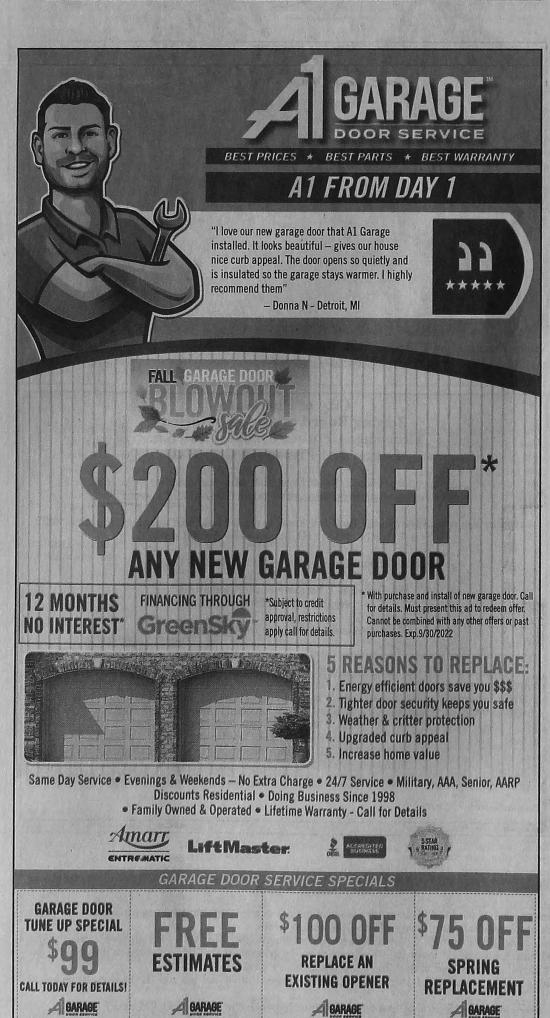
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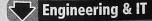
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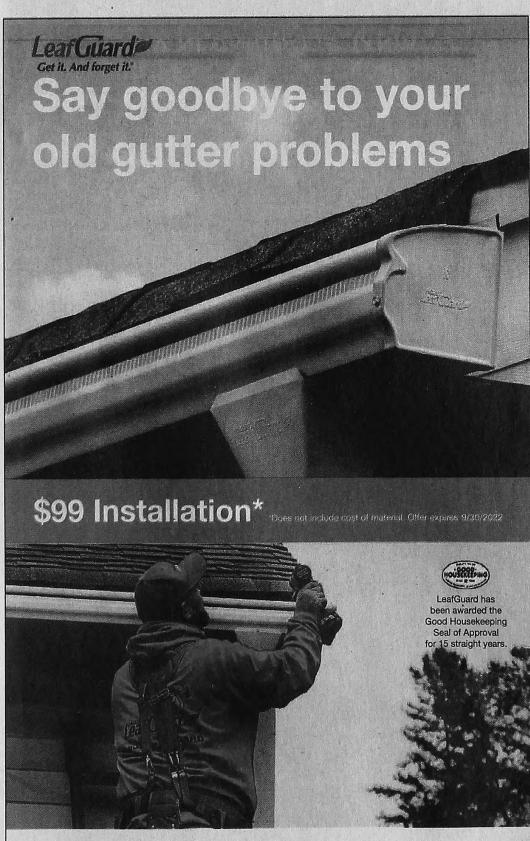
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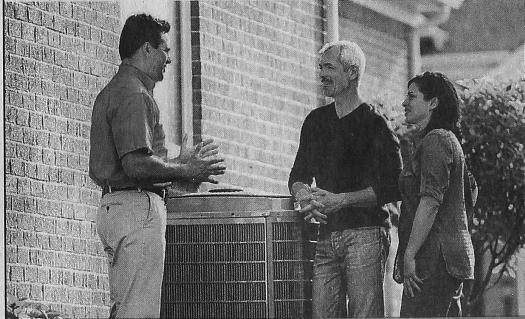
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