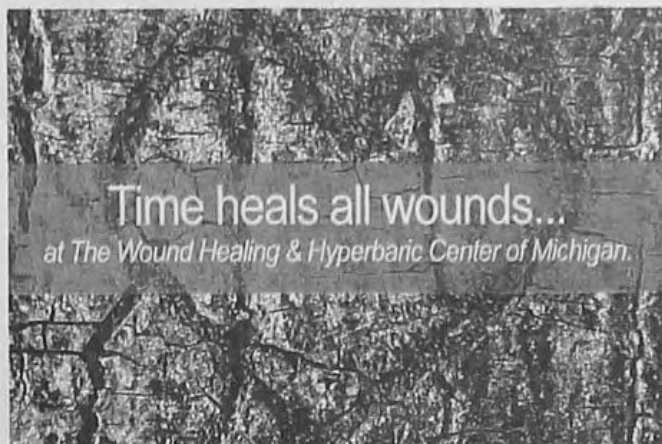




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## Who's running for P-CCS school board?

**Jill Halpin**  
Correspondent

As three incumbents on the Plymouth-Canton school board — Mike Maloney, John Barrett and Sheila Paton — plan to leave, nine newcomers will square off for three six-year seats. Board member Patrick Kehoe, appointed last year, will run opposed as the only candidate vying for a four-year seat. Newcomers include Doug-

las Brooks, Bharat Malhotra, Patti McCain, Patricia Mullen, Pete Puzzuoli, Leonardo Savage, Michael Scopone, Girish Tiwari and Gurunath Vemulakonda. They will vie for three open, six-year terms. Remaining on the school board is President Kim Crouch, whose term is up in 2018, Secretary Kate Borninski and Trustee Michael Siegrist, with terms that expire in 2020. Siegrist, however, is seeking

election on the Democratic slate for Canton Township clerk. He faces Republican Linda Obrec in the Nov. 8 election. Kehoe was appointed in August 2015 to complete the term of Mark Horvath, who resigned in July last year. He has called work on the school board challenging but believes the district — under Superintendent Monica Merritt — is headed in a new and

more positive direction. Though professionally busy in the year following his appointment, Kehoe said he has a new job and when that change came about, "that's when I made a commitment" to continue on the board. "My kids are in the district and I think I can bring a good voice to the board," he said.

Puzzuoli has lived in Plymouth for 27 years and is the father of two grown children, one of whom graduated from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district. He retired in 2015 after teaching in the district for 42 years, including stints at Central Middle School, as well as Field and Gallimore elementary schools. Despite his retirement, Puzzuoli

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KELLY DOBSON

The orange-and-black monarch butterflies received a hearty farewell Sunday.

## MONARCHS TAKE FLIGHT

400 butterflies begin journey to Mexico

**Joanne Maliszewski**  
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**T**his is the season for monarchs — not for kings and queens, but for the popular brilliant orange-and-black butterflies that received a hearty farewell Sunday as they began their long flight to Mexico for the winter months. With an open invite to the fourth annual release at George's Livonia Gardens, families throughout metro Detroit helped feed monarch butterflies, provided by the Michigan Native Butterfly Farm, and watched the release of some 400 butterflies during two sessions. Visitors had the opportuni-

ty to interact — in a tent — with about 50 butterflies. They were given a cotton swab soaked with nectar and it was used to feed the butterflies. Many would land on people's heads and hands. Following a brief explanation about monarchs and how they migrate this time of year to Mexico, visitors learned how to safely open envelopes containing the monarchs and release them. The butterflies had tags on their wings with specific numbers that spotters with high-powered binoculars will record in order to track their location as they head south. The journey will take at least a

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KELLY DOBSON

Emily Kelly, 3, of Livonia feels the delicate tinkle of the butterfly on her arm.

## Art Van reveals design of 'flagship' store in Canton

**Darrell Clem**  
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Art Van Furniture has revealed the new design of what will become a company "flagship" store in Canton — and it's a dramatic departure from other Michigan stores. It marks the first time in 15 years that the Michigan-based company has decided to build a new store "from the ground up" in Michigan, project manager Lana Vrubel said. "It will be considered a 'flagship' store," Vrubel said Tuesday. Construction of the two-story, 71,333-square-foot store is expected to begin early next year on Ford Road, just west of Haggerty, across from IKEA. The store is expected to open in late 2017 and employ about 60 people. The project received the go-ahead Tuesday evening as a supportive Canton Township Board of Trustees approved a site plan proposal for the site, which involves demolishing a medical office building fronting Ford Road and, behind that, a vacant, two-story structure that once housed businesses and a racquetball club. The building's design is the first of its kind in Michigan. "The building facade is very dramatic," Canton Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said. In a move to address traffic issues, Art Van plans to design a driveway that lines up with an existing IKEA traffic light, township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said. Some residents have voiced concerns about ongoing traffic congestion along Ford Road. To be sure, the new Art Van store will be built near Ford and Haggerty, one of the most accident-prone intersections in Wayne County and the state of Michigan. However, officials say the decision to make the IKEA traffic light a full-fledged intersection should help. Diane Charles, Art Van vice president of corporate communications, has said the company chose Canton's Ford Road business corridor because "it's

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oli is eager to get back into education by serving in another way: as a member of the school board.

"I am hopeful that my experience will translate into being an effective board member," he said, adding he is very concerned about the exodus of P-CCS students to charter schools. "There are a number of our children who have left our schools to attend charter schools," he said. "Have the schools put in any effort to determine why they are leaving? This is something that needs to be looked at."

Puzzuoli said he is very dismayed by the secrecy and "behind closed doors" attitude of the school board. "Decisions seem to be made behind closed doors," he said. "I believe we need more transparency; I am



Malhotra



Brooks



Vemulakonda



Savage



Scopone



Puzzuoli



McCoin



Mullen



Kehoe

in full support of public disclosure." Puzzuoli had previously filed an employment lawsuit against the board.

Scopone, a Plymouth stay-at-home dad, is father to three children currently enrolled in P-CCS, in grades 8, 5 and 2. Scopone said it was with the full support of his wife and children that he decided to run for a seat on the school board.

"There are a lot of people who are unhappy and I decided that I needed to step up. It's my turn," Scopone said.

The 2015 closing of Allen Elementary on the district's east side prompted Scopone's entry into the board race. The school board, he contends, made the deci-

sion to close the school without listening to the concerns of parents and students. "Allen was a very high performing school, even though it was a Title One school. That is a testament to the quality of the teachers and volunteers," he said.

"The closing of Allen was very political; it was decided long before it was made public," he said. Moving forward, Scopone believes that it is imperative that the board actively listens to parents. "It is not a requirement that they change their mind after hearing what parents have to say. But they should at least listen," he said.

Canton resident Vemulakonda is a father of two children in the district; one attends elementary school and the other is a middle school student. The Ford Motor Co. engineer is an active volunteer in the district, providing coaching for middle school speech and debate. He is also a founding member of parent run-enrichment program, Brewing Excellence, which promotes excellence in academics and leadership.

Vemulakonda said that, as a parent, he always encourages his children to take leadership roles. "I thought it

was time to take my own advice," he said of his decision to run for school board. The main issue for Vemulakonda is student achievement. "I know from my work as a volunteer that if you provide the right environment and expectations, students do well," he said.

The financial stability of the district is also an area of concern for Vemulakonda. Upon completion of his MBA from the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business, Vemulakonda realized he wanted to use his skill set to help nonprofits. "Financial stability is so important the school district," he said.

Plymouth resident McCoin is the mother of two grown children — both graduates of P-CCS, as well as college graduates. After a career in accounting and auditing, McCoin went back to school for a master's in teaching and now works as a sixth-grade math teacher in the Detroit Public Schools.

McCoin was appointed to the district's sub-committee on policy — a two-year appointment — in October 2015. McCoin said that she has attended most of the school board meetings for the past five years and is very aware of the impact

of district policy in the classroom. The biggest issue the board faces right now is the funding piece, McCoin said.

"The Plymouth-Canton district is funded at the lowest level of per-pupil allowance," she said. "The schools are so inadequately funded that it drives all of the decision-making in the district." Many parents are unaware of the impact of state funding laws on the district and that has to change, McCoin believes. "We need to take action in educating the public of the inadequacies of public school funding" and encourage them to contact their legislators.

An electrical engineer, Tiwari is the owner of a Plymouth Township-based electrical supply and services business. As the father of two grown children — both graduates of P-CCS — Tiwari said he was very pleased with his children's educational experience. His decision to run for a seat on the school board was based on a desire to give back to the community, as well as a strong belief in the power of quality education.

"It is simple: If kids have a good education, they will do better in their life," he said. Tiwari said he is concerned by a drop in school rat-

ings. People are looking for a good, quality education for their children, he noted.

"I have done some research and it indicated that our schools' ratings are declining," he said. "It is not good for our children and it is not good for the community at large."

Additional fact-finding for areas of improvement is necessary keep the schools competitive, he said: "Ensuring a quality education to help students compete on a global level is key."

As the mother of two sons, a P-CCS graduate and junior at P-CEP, Mullen said she had often thought about running for a position on the school board. "I have always been passionate about education" and now that her sons are grown, the time is right, she said. The Canton resident has a background in education and journalism and is a college instructor.

Mullen said that her biggest issue is with class size and the lack of funding necessary for smaller classes. It is important that the public be made aware of the budget process and encouraged to reach "beyond the local level" to advocate for school funding, she said. It is also important to make sure

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a great location." The site is just west of the Black Rock restaurant.

The store will include amenities such as Scott Shuptrine Interiors, a Pure Sleep mattress section, Art Van flooring and a clearance center for budget-conscious customers.

LaJoy has called it "great news" that Art Van decided to build its flagship store in Canton.

The store will be built with brick, glass and architectural metal panels. Art Van developed its plans with the engineering firm Kimley-Horn of Michigan and Neumann-Smith Architecture.

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# Putting the pieces together, one at a time

Archeology students at MSU turn to analyzing their summer finds

**Christopher Hazel**  
Lansing State Journal

The dirty part is almost over. After a summer spent hunting for artifacts at excavation sites across the Michigan State University campus, students in the Campus Archeology Program have begun figuring out exactly what they dug up.

"The puzzle is interesting to me," said Mari Isa, a doctoral student studying forensic anthropology, who sat last week in the group's laboratory with a toothbrush, pail of water and bag of artifacts. "Having pieces of physical artifacts and doing research in the archives and also having this piece of MSU history is very personal to us."

She's spent hours cleaning broken bits of glass, terra cotta and other materials that are among the thousands of artifacts that students pulled from the ground over the summer. Each



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Glass pieces recovered from excavations on Beal's Lab, which burned down in the late 1800s, on Sept. 14 at a lab in McDonel Hall.

piece will be numbered, weighed and cataloged before students can start researching and analyzing their finds.

The hundreds of pieces of glass may not give up their stories easily, but Isa also will spend the semester researching an unbroken jar of paste the group found this summer.

"You learn all kinds of things, like what people might have used it for or why people might have eaten paste," she said. "Somebody died from eating paste because it contains alum ... you get all these random facts and it sort of paints a story about why this was on campus and what people might have used it for."

One of the group's best finds is a doll they

named Mabel, said Lisa Bright, the university's campus archaeologist.

Mabel's cloth body disintegrated over the years, thanks to the acidic "night soil" found in old latrines, but the doll's head and shoulders were found in several pieces.

"I think she was probably whole (when dropped down the latrine)," Bright said. "It was either an accident or a very malicious act, perhaps from an older brother."

Bright said she thinks the doll was made in Germany or France during the Civil War era, but they haven't been able to narrow down the manufacturer.

"We're really documenting the things that don't make it into the history books," she said.



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Men's shoes excavated near the Abbot median Sept. 14 at a lab in McDonel Hall on Michigan State University's campus.

"Those little everyday things that give us a better understanding of where we are today from what we came from in the past."

Bright said digging up artifacts has taught her that some of the university's first students weren't much different than those who walk the campus today.

The group finds lots of plates and other utensils, plus food such as raspberry seeds and fish bones were discovered in the outhouse excavation, so they've been

researching what student meals were like in 1860 and plan to recreate a typical meal next spring.

"What we get is a lot of journals with students complaining about the food, so it hasn't changed all that much with cafeteria issues today," she said.

Outhouses and disasters make particularly good excavation sites, because archaeologists tend to find items people wanted to hide or that were accidentally left behind.

Bright said the group excavated the Saints' Rest dormitory, which burned down in 1876, and some of the first things they found were contraband.

"Students weren't allowed to drink in the dorm and they weren't allowed to smoke in the dorm," she said. "We found smoking pipes and wine bottles and beer bottles. So students haven't changed that much."

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that the schools continue to address student need across the curriculum. The variety (in course selection) that the district is able to offer a student is a gift to the community, Mullen said. "We need to make sure we are supporting all of our programs," she added.

Canton resident Brooks is the father of a ninth-grade student at P-CEP and works as an IT professional in the automotive industry. He

said he is very interested in helping out the school district and the neighborhood kids. "We have a great system and I'd like to help it improve," he said.

A major issue for Brooks is the lack of adequate school funding at the state level. "It is a very big issue," he said. "The schools must have the financing they need to help students learn at their top ability." In addition, the schools also need to market the outstanding programs offered in order to compete with neighboring charter schools.

"We have so many

outstanding programs here in the district that people don't know anything about," he said. In addition to the STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) program and the Arts Academy at the high school, the district boasts top band and orchestra programs, he said. "We need to get the word out."

Savage of Plymouth is a retired quality management professional with a daughter attending sixth grade in the district. He was prompted to enter the board race after learning about the Wayne County regional

educational enhancement millage "on accident," he said. "This is a millage proposal that will be on the upcoming ballot. It will greatly impact our students — almost \$350 to \$400 per student — at a cost of around \$17 per month for residents and people don't know much about it."

Savage said that it is clear that communication is a major challenge facing the district and that parents need to be made aware of the effect that this and other measures will have on the schools. "What I have learned over 30 years in quality management is

that in order to have any measure of success, there has to be cooperation and communication between all parties concerned," he said. Savage said that he is also hoping to raise that satisfaction level for both students and teachers: "At the end of the day, it is the teachers that matter as well as the students."

Canton resident Malhotra is an automotive quality engineer and the father of two grown children, one of whom graduated from P-CCS. Malhotra said that he decided to run for a seat on the board in order to

so something positive for the community. When his daughter attended middle school, he actively volunteered as a mentor for math competitions and recognized the importance of sharing his abilities with children. Malhotra said it is important to examine the schools closely and make a careful determination of what is working and what isn't. The next step is to make and plan and set a date to achieve it, he said. "Once we have a target, we can make a plan to reach our goal. We want to make our schools the best in class," he said.



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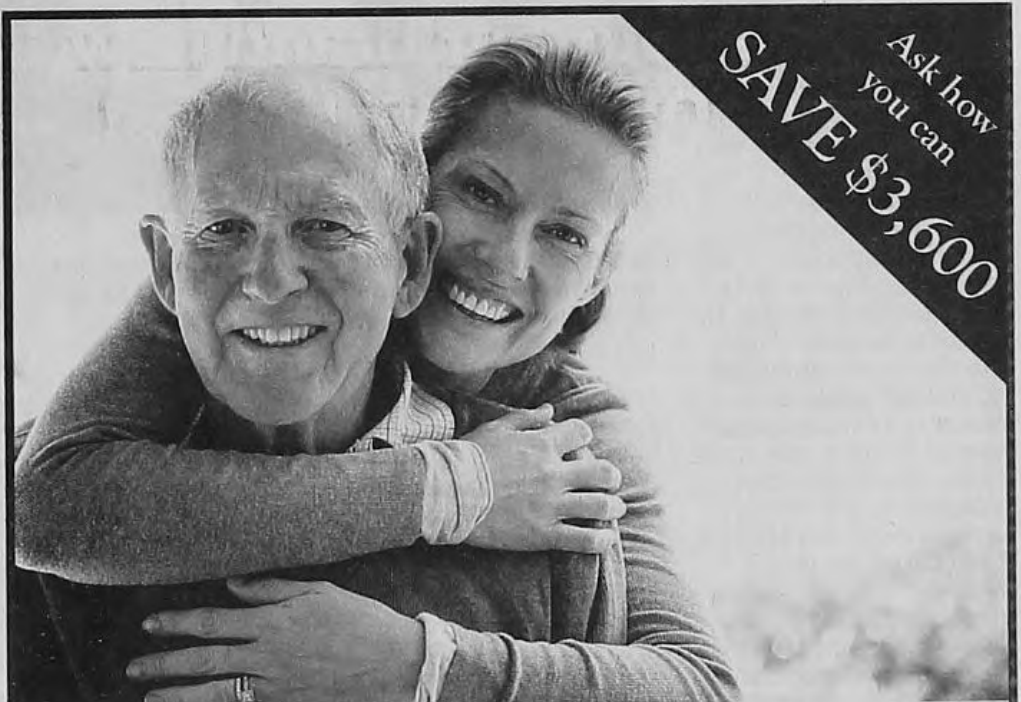
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## Don't rely on anyone else for your personal online security

Another week, another data breach. Yahoo announced last week that, near the end of 2014, it was a victim of a massive data breach. More than a half-billion accounts were compromised. Log-in information, passwords, security questions and other information was compromised. In fact, according to industry sources, this was the largest data breach in history. It seems that we are getting desensitized to data breaches and that too many of us of say, "oh well" and just go on with our business. Unfortunately, we cannot do that. It is important that we take these attacks seriously and do what we have to do to protect our information. Of course, there's not one thing you can do that will 100-percent guarantee that your



**Rick Bloom**  
MONEY MATTERS

account won't be hacked. There are some safety precautions you can take that will reduce the risk and, at the same time, if you are a victim it will lessen the consequences.

The first thing everyone needs to do is to monitor their online accounts. Whether it is bank accounts, brokerage accounts or whatever, it is important that you always monitor these accounts. For example, I have signed up for alerts on my charge card; whenever my charge card is used, I am notified. You need to do the same thing. Furthermore, if there is any unusual or suspicious

activity on one of your accounts, you need to take action immediately. If you get notice that there is a charge on your charge card that you are unsure of, you need to immediately contact the charge card company. Even if it's a nominal amount such as \$1, you still need to take action immediately. You do not want to give the thieves any inroads into your account. Monitoring your accounts does not mean looking at them once a quarter. Unfortunately, you have to do it much more frequently; many times, you have to do it weekly.

To protect yourself, whether you use Yahoo or not, it is important to constantly change your password; also, don't use the same password for all your accounts. You can't just change your

password once a year; you have to do it more frequently. I recognize it is a hassle and it is a pain, but in reality it's no longer optional, it's mandatory.

It also makes sense on a regular basis — particularly if you use Yahoo — to change your security questions. When cyber crooks get information, many times they also compromise your security questions, such as they did with Yahoo.

In addition, something you may wish to consider is that many places now have some sort of log-in verification, where they'll send you a text message or even call you when someone tries to access your account from an unknown computer. In fact, Yahoo offers a service that links your cellphone to the Yahoo mobile app. You

can't access your account without the phone.

If you are like most of us and use the Internet to transact business such as paying bills, doing banking or any type of financial transactions, you need to take cyber security seriously. Millions and millions of Americans have had their identity stolen and accounts compromised. If you think banks and financial institutions are on top of this, think again. After all, Yahoo just announced last week that it was hacked in 2014. We have no idea what the crooks were doing with that information for the last two years.

To say that you are no longer going to use the Internet to transact personal financial business is somewhat unrealistic. In today's world, the

great majority of us have our wages directly deposited into our accounts. Receiving a Social Security check in the mail is long gone. As time goes on, more and more of our business will be transacted online. What we have to accept is that the crooks are working overtime and you and I have to make sure that we take security seriously and do what we have to do to protect ourselves. After all, the old adage is true — an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Good luck!

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## Dad, daughter face-off with bench, dress at ArtPrize 8 event in Grand Rapids

**Susan Bromley**  
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A local father and daughter are facing off against each other at ArtPrize 8.

Samantha Lewis and her dad, Lawrence Lewis, both of Livonia, are among more than 1,500 artists — hailing from 40 states and 44 countries — entered in ArtPrize 8. The extravaganza is billed as the world's largest public art event, with 1,453 entries in all mediums on display now through Oct. 9 at dozens of indoor and outdoor venues in Grand Rapids.

"It's not so much the competition as the fun of the participation," Lawrence said. "I think she feels the same way. You're a true artist if you want to participate."

"We're competing, but it's a friendly competition," said Samantha, who added with a laugh, "We'll see how it is if we get in the finals."

This is Samantha's fourth year entering ArtPrize and the first for Lawrence. The event is open to all artists ages 18 and over who enter during the registration period and are accepted by one of the participating venues to showcase their work, which must be assigned to one of four categories — 2D, 3D, time-based or installation.

Samantha says she learned from her first year entering that she should have a work already in progress by the time she applies in April to be in the fall art extravaganza, as art is something she does most-



"The Gathering" by Lawrence Lewis.

SUSAN BROMLEY



Samantha Lewis and her dad, Lawrence Lewis, show their badges as artists with entries in ArtPrize 8 in Grand Rapids. The pair live in Livonia.

ly for fun. She owns a jewelry design business, but her day job with an Ann Arbor mortgage company pays the bills.

Jewelry was her first foray into ArtPrize in 2013, but for three years now, she has entered dresses. In 2014, it was a stained glass dress honoring Michigan's lakes and rivers. The following year, her entry consisted of five dresses, all featuring playing cards, as well as four pairs of shoes to

match. Those dresses were not only art, but wearable, whereas this year's entry is not, due to its extreme weight and an underlying structure needed for form.

The stunning dress, titled "Hardware Cloth," is just that — hardware cloth used for a base fabric, to which dozens of tools are attached. The gown's corset top features washers, while the full-length skirt with folds is adorned with washers, nuts, bolts and even wrenches and screwdrivers. The entire ensemble has been coated in silver spray paint to glamorize effect and took four months to create.

Visitors to the piece, on display in the Marriott Hotel in Grand Rapids, often approach from a distance and believe they are seeing a wedding dress. Samantha loves the moment when their eyes widen as they realize what materials were used to construct the dress. The fashion is meant as a tribute to the working women of Detroit.

"Women are overlooked in the automotive and steel industry," Samantha said. "They are a minority in those professions and I wanted to give a special call-out to



"Hardware Cloth" by Samantha Lewis.

SUSAN BROMLEY

the women of Detroit that work in male industries."

The tools were donated from The Tool Shop in Canton, as well as from her father, a former steel industry worker himself who is now self-employed.

Lawrence, 57, is new to trying his hand at art, but was getting jealous watching his daughter's creative endeavors. "When she was a little kid, she would take a pile of boxes and turn them into decorations by the time I got home," he said. "Now people want to get rid of stuff and it has to pass through her before I can get rid of it. I have an eye for it now and thought, 'I'm going to try my own gig this year.' Her artistic ability is off the map and it's so fascinating that I started to put my feet in it."

A friend of his that shops garage and estate sales gave him a collection of bicentennial Michigan license plates that honored the nation's 200th birthday in 1976. Lawrence used 20 of the plates to create a func-

tional bench and also used donated golf balls and telephone poles to create "trees" that border the bench. He has titled the work "The Gathering."

Lawrence said his daughter was a coach for his project and they often worked side by side on their respective art pieces. In a switching of roles, he found himself asking for her advice. Over the course of the last eight or nine months, while working on the bench, he said he has learned a lot and is finding his creative side.

"I guess I'm one of those unsure people, but I'm being told I need to get over that," Lawrence said with a chuckle, adding that he has always had a blast with his daughter, thanks to his wife who wouldn't allow him to work overtime in the steel industry while Samantha was growing up. He recalls many of his co-workers telling him they didn't really know their kids, which is a shame to a man who cherishes time spent with his child.

His daughter recently bought a house in Livonia just three miles away and tells her dad the art studio will still be at his house. The studio is something the two plan to continue to use together in their shared hobby and Lawrence plans to enter ArtPrize every year, as long as his coach stays with him. He is excited to have people see his first work, as well as use it. The bench is located outside the Gerald R. Ford Federal Building and signs next to it invite visitors to take a seat.

Lawrence is enthusiastic about the entire ArtPrize 8 event, for which guests can download an app and vote for their favorite works of art.

"The art is great," he said. "ArtPrize has transformed the whole city into a gallery. You can't dismiss any of it; everyone has a different viewpoint. That is what is neat about art, it's not defined as one thing or another. It's all cool."

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# Medical fraud trial ordered for Canton doctor

**Darrell Clem**  
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A Canton-based doctor has been ordered to stand trial for a 22-count medical fraud case involving charges he billed Medicaid and Blue Cross Blue Shield for services he didn't provide.

Barring a plea deal, 46-year-old Bassel Altantawi of Farmington Hills is expected to face trial in Ingham County Circuit Court on nine counts of Medicaid fraud, 12 counts of health care fraud and one count of running a continuing criminal enterprise. If convicted, he could face 20 years in prison.

Altantawi had prac-

ticed at Canton Urgent Care on Ford Road, west of Lilley. A closed sign has been placed on the door and the telephone number has been disconnected.

However, Michael Loepp, a spokesman for the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, said Tuesday that Altantawi still is "actively licensed as a medical doctor at this time."

It wasn't immediately known if he might be practicing somewhere



Altantawi

other than Canton Urgent Care. Officials say the doctor could face new sanctions if convicted.

Altantawi did not respond to earlier phone calls seeking comment.

Charges against Altantawi were announced in May by Michigan Attorney General Bill Schutte and came from the Health Care Fraud Division of his office. Allegations against the defendant arose when Canton police received a tip about potential fraud.

Canton Special Services Lt. Craig Wilsher said Tuesday that Canton police have had no more involvement in the case.

"We turned everything over to the attorney gen-

eral's office and they went forward with it," he said.

Altantawi was ordered to stand trial on all 22 counts against him as he voluntarily waived his right to a preliminary examination Sept. 21 in 54-B District Court in East Lansing. A not-guilty plea has been placed on record for him.

Early on, Schuette had released a statement saying his office would aggressively prosecute such cases.

"We will continue to identify and prosecute unscrupulous health care providers who waste limited health care dollars by fraudulently seeking payment for services

they never provided," he said. "Michigan residents should feel confident that when they see a physician, they receive honest, quality care and accurate billing based on the services provided to them by a physician."

Among the charges filed against Altantawi:

» One count of running a continuing criminal enterprise, punishable by up to 20 years in prison and fines totaling \$100,000.

» Nine counts of Medicaid fraud, punishable by up to four years in prison and fines of \$50,000.

» 12 counts of health care fraud, also punishable by up to four

years in prison and fines of \$50,000.

Altantawi has been free on a \$25,000 personal bond since he was arraigned before 54-B District Judge Richard Ball.

Schuette said Blue Cross Blue Shield fraud investigators assisted in the investigation.

Patients who suspect they have been the victim of Medicaid fraud are urged to call 1-800-24-ABUSE to report it to the Attorney General's Health Care Fraud Division. Non-Medicaid issues should be reported to insurance providers.

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## CANTON CRIME WATCH

### Road rage victim leads suspect to police station

A teen driver trailed by another motorist during a road rage incident led the suspect to the Canton Police Department, where he was slapped with a reckless driving ticket, a report said.

The 17-year-old driver told police he had left Canton High School about 9:50 p.m. Sept. 22 and was driving a Honda CR-V when he noticed he was being trailed closely by a Chrysler 200 on southbound Canton Center, near Ford. He said he changed lanes, but the other driver, later identified as a 19-year-old Canton man, kept trailing him. He told police he was followed so closely at times that he couldn't even see the other car's headlights in his rear-view mirror.

The drivers turned on eastbound Cherry Hill and then north on Haggerty, where the 17-year-old pulled into the Eriks-

son Elementary School parking lot. He told police the suspect followed him and then blocked the entrance with his car, forcing him to drive across the grass to escape.

The younger teen called 9-1-1 and drove to the Canton police station with the other driver still in pursuit. Police came outside and questioned the suspect, who said he was trailing the car because he had been cut off on the road and wanted to confront the driver about it.

Police advised him of the dangers of such actions and ticketed him for reckless driving.

### Crowd films cops

A crowd of people yelled at Canton police and used cellphones to videotape officers arresting a man who was accused of becoming combative.

The incident unfolded shortly before 4 p.m. Friday at Canton Garden Apartments, near Joy Road and I-275. It began

when police noticed two black males walking in the area — one of them a suspect known by police for prior incidents and who was wanted for warrants out of 35th District Court, a report said.

The 24-year-old suspect began resisting arrest by pulling away from officers and contorting his body to avoid being handcuffed and taken into custody, police said. He began telling police he had done nothing wrong and was merely walking when they approached him.

Another black male who was with the first began filming the incident with his cellphone, as did a crowd of people who began to gather and yell at police, the report said. The crowd initially refused to listen as police tried to offer an explanation, the report said.

Police called for backup and one sergeant who came to the scene managed to speak with the bystanders. The suspect in question was finally

taken into custody for resisting and obstructing officers, along with warrants for previous incidents involving retail fraud, obstructing an officer, failing to show a driver's license and loitering where drugs were kept, the report said.

### Way too drunk

A 30-year-old Canton man who apparently consumed large amounts of beer and who had an energy drink was found unresponsive by his wife, a police report said.

The man was taken to a hospital for treatment as the incident unfolded about 9:15 p.m. Saturday. A police report said the man had been to a tailgating party for a Michigan State University football game.

Paramedics and police went to the home in the 400 block of Princeton Drive, near Cherry Hill and Sheldon. A report said the man woke up, but still wasn't responding to questions from authorities. His wife told police she had gone to

bed and awoke to the sound of an oven timer that had been set when the man had begun making a pizza. She said she found him unresponsive.

The police report indicated the man had a blood-alcohol level of 0.40 percent — five times what would be allowed by state law if he had been driving.

### School confrontation

A 40-year-old Canton woman was cited for being disorderly and warned not to return to an elementary school, where she was accused of angrily confronting a principal, a police report said.

A police report indicated school officials have had previous run-ins with the woman.

The latest incident occurred about 3 p.m. Friday, when the woman went to Workman Elementary School, on Denton near Cherry Hill. The report said the woman wanted a principal to call county education offi-

cials for a reason not stated in the police report. The principal told police he only got a voicemail message and said the woman became angry and yelled at him in a threatening matter before she left the school riding a bicycle.

Police went to the woman's home, cited her for being disorderly and warned her to no longer trespass on school property.

### Backyard theft

A 37-year-old man who lives in the 7400 block of Embassy, near Warren and Canton Center, notified police after a thief stole two white vinyl fence doors from his back yard. He told police he had removed the doors from a shed so he could have a new concrete walkway installed.

The man told police he had no idea who might have taken the doors. Neighbors said they saw nothing.

— By Darrell Clem



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# Volunteers boost awareness of habitat loss

**Kathleen Lavey**  
Lansing State Journal

Every fall, people who live in the Upper Peninsula's Delta County keep an eye out for flutter clouds of orange and black.

Sometimes there are a handful of monarch butterflies, stopping for a break on their 1,900-mile winter migration to Mexico. Sometimes there are as many as 1,000 or 2,000, settling and folding their wings for the night in the shelter of a northern white cedar tree on the Stonington Peninsula near Escanaba.

From there, in a ritual repeated year after year, they'll fly across the water to Wisconsin's Door Peninsula, then farther south and west until they wind up in the Sierra Madre Mountains outside of Mexico City.

"They're waiting for a north wind to kind of help them across," said Janet Ekstrum, wildlife biologist in the Upper Peninsula's Hiawatha National Forest west unit.

But not before a dedicated crew of volunteers has counted their caterpillars and chrysalises and kept careful track of

## LEARN MORE ABOUT MONARCHS

A couple of good websites include:  
» monarchwatch.org offers access to milkweed plants, butterfly information and activities and much more.  
» monarchjointventure.org includes information, ways to get involved in conservation and more.

People who'd like to lend their name to the effort to make the monarch Michigan's state insect can sign a petition at <http://bit.ly/1n2A3iV>.

## WANT TO HELP A BUTTERFLY OUT?

Monarch butterflies depend on a steady supply of milkweed, where they lay their eggs and where caterpillars feed. Plant milkweed — preferably multiple plants — to provide monarch habitat. Milkweed flower also will draw other types of butterflies and pollinating insects.

Types of milkweed that grow well in Michigan include common milkweed, butterfly milkweed, swamp milkweed, whorled milkweed, tall milkweed and prairie milkweed.

Buy seeds and plant in fall, as they need cold temperatures for at least three months before they germinate.

Planting a variety of native plants including milkweed will help monarchs and other pollinators throughout the growing season.

Get more tips for planting milkweed at <http://tinyurl.com/hwl8w9k>.

migrating butterflies.

It turns out that Michigan's colorful monarchs are getting a boost from more than just a north breeze. People like the Delta County volunteers are working all over Michigan to raise aware of their numbers — dwindling mostly due to habitat loss — and to do something about it.

So far this year, legislators have introduced bills into both the Michigan House and Senate to name monarchs as Michigan's state insect, a move designed to increase awareness of the elegant insect. Conservation groups continue to urge homeowners and landowners to plant milkweed to help the monarchs rear

their young.

Wildlife, conservation and agriculture officials also were scheduled to meet Sept. 21-22 in East Lansing to talk about improving conditions around the state for monarchs and other insects that pollinate crops.

"We're trying to get a variety of folks from across the state to meet and discuss what we're going to do to conserve monarchs and other wild pollinators in Michigan," said Dan Kennedy, endangered species specialist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. "We are going to try to figure out how we can improve cooperation and collaboration."

Besides monarchs, any plan also would include other butterflies, bees, bumblebees and wasps. All of them help pollinate crops as they feed from flower to flower on fruit trees, berry bushes and vegetables.

A long-term decline in monarch butterfly populations is a nationwide concern. Experts point to the use of pesticides and loss of habitat as key areas of concern. Monarch butterflies lay their eggs exclusively in milk-

weed plants and caterpillars eat only milkweed as food. Several conservation groups have petitioned the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to list the monarch as a threatened or endangered species.

"That precipitated a lot of people wanting to get engaged and do good things for monarchs," Kennedy said.

Among them: Karen Meabrod of Keego Harbor. She petitioned the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to list the monarch as a threatened or endangered species. "That precipitated a lot of people wanting to get engaged and do good things for monarchs," Kennedy said.

A monarch butterfly typically lives six weeks or less, except for the last generation of the season in northern states. Those butterflies experienced a delayed maturity that gives them time to fly to their winter grounds in Mexico's Sierra Madre Mountains.

The process doesn't

work the other way. Butterflies returning in the spring will lay eggs along the route, making the spring migration a process that includes several generations of butterflies. They arrive in Michigan around mid-May.

Storms, pesticide use and other hazards along the way can shrink the number of butterflies that successfully make the trip. Volunteers in the Upper Peninsula and more than 1,000 sites in Michigan and the eastern U.S. and Canada help keep tabs on the insects.

"Starting early in May we have a group that goes out and does larval monitoring," Ekstrum said. "Right now we have volunteers that are doing two different counts." They include a count of butterflies roosting in trees before the cross they lake and a count of butterflies seen along the route.

That's part is unpredictable.

"We have people call and they want to schedule their vacation around the migration," she said. "It's really hard to know when they're going to come through."

## MONARCHS

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couple of months, as the butterflies travel more than 2,000 miles to reach Mexico.

Researchers still don't know why they go to the exact location in Mexico. It's "one of nature's mysteries," said Tamera Menas of the Michigan Native Butterfly Farm.

Each person who released a monarch can track their specific butterfly by checking the website [www.monarchwatch.org](http://www.monarchwatch.org) or [www.jnorth.org](http://www.jnorth.org).

Throughout the spring and summer, some three to five generations of monarchs are born. But a majority of the newcomers live only about five weeks. The mon-

archs that take flight for Mexico and warmer weather are typically the last generation of the season and live for about eight months. When spring rolls around again, the monarchs leave Mexico for the southern United States, where they breed to begin new generations.

The event was all about butterflies. But there were plenty of human activities, including food, face painting, cider and doughnuts, as well as hot dogs sold by area Cub Scouts.

For more information about monarch butterflies, go to the National Wildlife Federation at <http://tinyurl.com/jykocla>.

Kelly Dobson contributed to this story.



Julia McDermott and Isabella Jasinkiewicz of Livonia with their winged friends.

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Raquel Cooper of Livonia carefully releases her monarch to perfect sunny weather Sunday at George's Livonia Gardens.

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Laura Walker of Farmington had a few seconds with her monarch before it flew away.

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Wyatt Griffin-Dobson, 2, gets some butterfly kisses.

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Organizer Tamera Menas of Michigan Native Butterfly Farms shows how to safely release the monarchs from the envelopes. The monarchs are not bothered being in the envelopes. They are stored in cool temperatures and because they are cold-blooded, they go dormant. As they warm up in the sun, they wake up and fly away.

KELLY DOBSON



Rebecca Dobson and son Wyatt use a nectar-soaked swab to feed one of the hundreds of butterflies on display in the visitors tent.

KELLY DOBSON



Several varieties of butterflies were on display for visitors to enjoy at George's Livonia Gardens. This butterfly is a painted lady.

KELLY DOBSON

# MURDER ON THE MIND: The hunt for Ally Brueger's killer

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Nikki Brueger believes everyone has a special person in life. Her special person, her daughter Ally, has been taken from her — killed seven weeks ago while running in broad daylight in Rose Township.

Now her grieving mother is pleading with the public to help find the killer. A reward for information leading to an arrest and conviction in the case has reached \$7,500.

"Losing her is incomprehensible to us," Brueger said Monday afternoon at the Rose Township home she shares with husband Frank and, until the end of July, also with Ally. "She was our only child and my best friend. My husband uses the word assassinated because she was shot four times. He's a Vietnam vet and his comment was that he made it through the war and, 40 years later, our daughter is assassinated two miles from our home. This was the route she ran and she never told me that she ever had any problems with anyone."

Alexandra Brueger, 31, was shot in the back four times around 2:30 p.m. July 30 as she ran in the 11000 block of Fish Lake Road.

The quiet gravel road has homes scattered among long stretches of woods. It looks like any other beautiful, peaceful country road, except a homicide occurred here. Now there are sneakers tied to trees, memorializing Ally, a dedicated runner for the past 10 years, who logged 10 miles every day, even before working 12-hour shifts as a registered nurse at Providence Park Hospital in Novi.

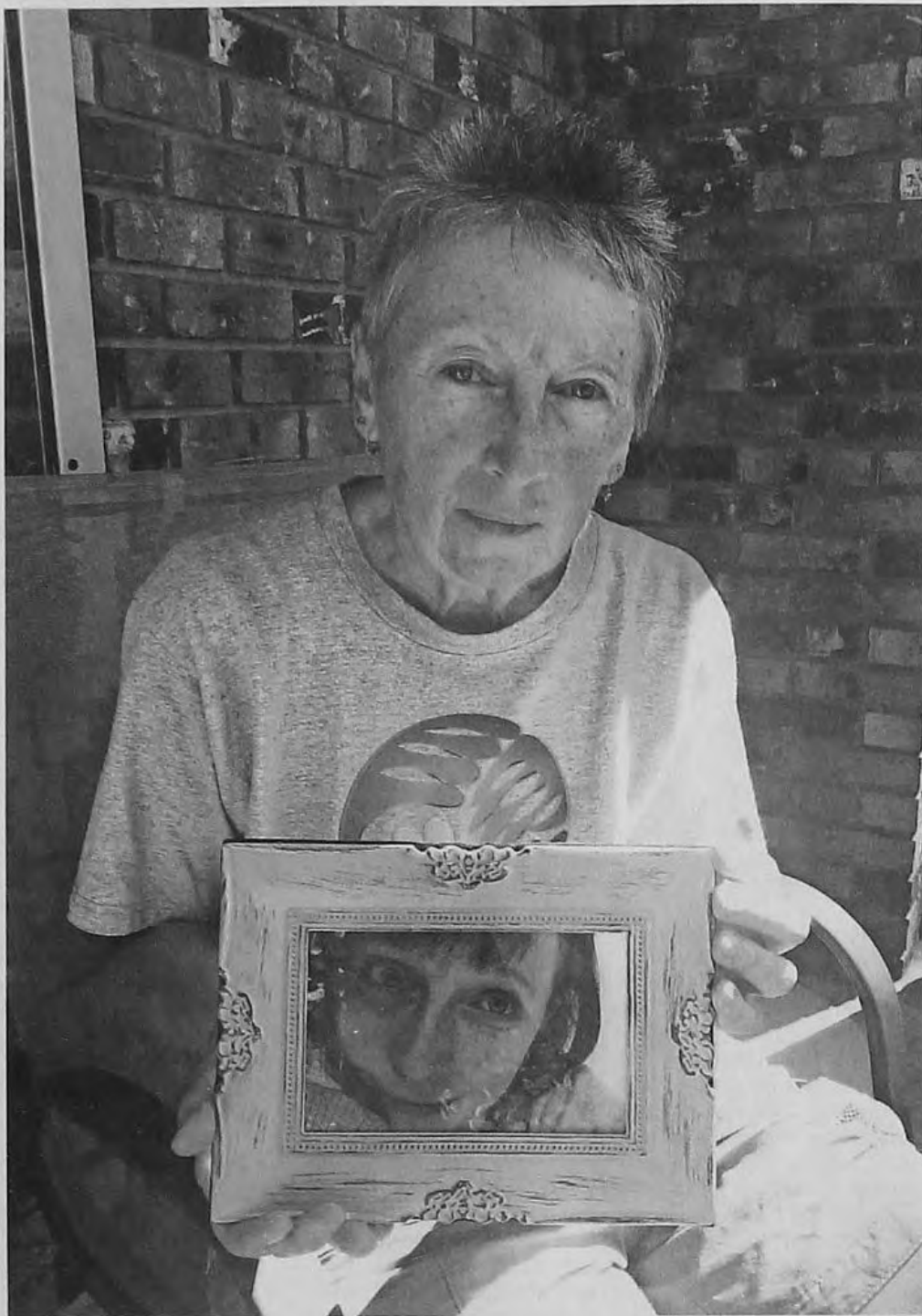
**'Everyone a suspect'**  
Michigan State Police Lt. Michael Shaw said there was evidence at the scene that indicates Brueger likely knew her killer.

"There are a lot of things at the crime scene that points us to that she knew who this was," Shaw said. "I can't expand on that, but there is not enough evidence that we can rule out a random event. We think it's someone she knew, but we can't say for certain that she didn't get into an incident with a vehicle in a road rage type of event, either. We have to be careful to not narrow the focus."

For now, after receiving about 75 tips and interviewing approximately 100 people that knew Ally, he emphasized that "everyone is considered a suspect" in this case, which presents a difficult challenge due to the rural environment in which there are a lack of witnesses and no surveillance cameras.

While there are no known witnesses to the actual crime, Ally was often seen by neighbors running on Fish Lake Road in the days and weeks leading up to her death. She had moved back in with her parents in April after what her mother said was an amicable break-up with a boyfriend of 2½ years.

Nikki says neighbors who saw Ally on her daily runs said she often had her head down and it made them think she was not paying attention to her surroundings, but that is an incorrect assumption. On the contrary, while her music-loving daughter ran with earbuds in, she was very observant and would bring home in her hat baby birds, which they would feed with eye-droppers. Nikki shows a picture of a baby turtle near a heart-shaped rock that Ally took while on



Nikki Brueger holds a photo of her daughter, Ally Brueger, who was shot to death July 30 in Rose Township.

one of her runs.

## Kind, compassionate person

Ally's soft-spot for animals was just another part of her kind, caring, compassionate personality, her mother said. Nikki points to Zeus, a white boxer/American bulldog mixed breed that the Brueger family rescued at Ally's urging in January.

"She went out that Saturday to run and she never came back and this poor dog doesn't understand," Nikki said. "When he came to us in January, he had separation anxiety issues and even though Ally was living someplace else, she would come and visit often because she liked to spend time with us and the dog. When she moved back and she would leave for work or to go on runs, I would tell him, 'Ally's going, but she'll come back.' But she didn't come home from that run and her car is out there and she's not in it and she's not in her room. She's missing and he doesn't understand."

Ally's parents don't understand, either. Nikki said their daughter rarely drank, didn't smoke and didn't use drugs. Brueger wasn't raised with any particular religious beliefs, as her mother wanted her to choose her own spiritual path. In 2009, as an adult, Ally did — taking classes at St. Rita Catholic Church in Holly, where her mother believes she ultimately found a career path, influenced by a church member who was a former nurse.

Ally went on to earn degrees with high honors in nursing from Baker College and an online school. She spent one year working as a nurse at Hurley Hospital in Flint before spending the last three years as a registered nurse at Providence.

While former colleagues praised her as an excellent nurse, it was writing that was her passion and for which she was pursuing a master's degree online, with hopes of eventually attaining a doctoral degree.

Like most writers, Ally had a love of reading, which her mother nurtured right from the start. Nikki has a picture from New Year's Eve 1984 showing her reading the newspaper to her 6-week-old daughter. In the early years, Nikki remembers she had to read to her five books a night, every night. Ally's favorites were "Good Dog Carl" and "Good Night Moon." Nikki would check out at least 50 books a week at the Holly Public Library to satisfy her daughter.

Ally grew up to be a fan of authors, including Stephen King, Ray Bradbury and David Sedaris, who she went to see with her mother when he appeared at Michigan State University. She also loved poetry; Nikki retrieves a thick tome titled "The Poetry of Pablo Neruda." She has another book of poetry as well, one in which a poem titled "Pacifier," written by a 17-year-old Ally, then a Holly High School student, was published in a contest, as well as her thoughts on the piece.

Ally explained her poem "came from a general hope for keeping the next generation of children open-minded. In writing it I was reminded of my own childhood, and the kind of life I might like to provide for my future family. In writing I also became aware of how impressionable children are, and how quickly life as a youngster flies by. I tried to capture the most precious moments of a young person's life in the poem, and the effect they have on the witnessing parent."

## A dark place

There is no future family for Ally now and it is a bleak future for the family she has left behind.

"We have nothing now," Nikki said. "We don't have her, there won't be a wedding, there are no grandchildren ... it's the worst thing that could ever happen to me. Nothing else really matters. I could die now and I'd be with her."

Ally's mother often finds herself now in what she calls a dark place. The death of her child is

a preoccupation of her mind and, without answers, she returns again and again to that dark place, unable to move forward.

"She was a nurse; she must have known she was dying," Nikki said. "She didn't run with her phone that day because it had rained that morning. Was she worried about us, knowing we'd be worried when she didn't arrive home? You wonder what went through her mind and it's maddening. You can't go forward until you understand what happened."

She calls the police when she thinks of things that might be important to the investigation, but says they have not reached out to her for a month. Her husband attended the Rose Township board meeting last week in which Shaw had little news to share with a room packed full of frightened residents seeking answers.

## Someone knows

At least one person out there knows the answer and Shaw believes it is very likely that dark secret has been shared. "One good thing for

us, but bad for criminals, is that they don't keep their crimes to themselves," Shaw said. "This person has already confessed or shown remorse. Someone knows."

The MSP has sought help with this case from its behavioral science department, as well as behavioral science analysts with the FBI. While Shaw declined to describe a profile of the killer at this time, the police are asking the public to be on the lookout for changes of behavior in possible suspects, including a change in appearance, quitting of a job, a sudden move, break-up of a relationship, showing remorse or someone who may have sold a white car suddenly for well below the value. A white or light-colored four-door car was seen in the area around the time of the shooting and police continue to consider this a crucial tip. Shaw notes that usually when information about a suspect vehicle comes out in a case, someone will come forward to say the vehicle they drive matches the description and they were in the area. In this case, no one has come forward, making the unknown vehicle that much more suspicious.

Investigators are currently in the process of executing electronic search warrants for telephone records, a lengthy process, for Ally's phone as well as other phones. They are also just trying to get to know Ally as a person.

"She was very private," Shaw said. "It makes it difficult to see how far she reaches out, living in Rose with her parents and driving to work as a nurse in Novi. The advent of social media is huge. There are thousands of people on a Facebook page you've never seen in your life, but you make the wrong one upset and it is someone you would have to investigate."

Although seven weeks have passed without a suspect named, the case is far from being cold. The Michigan State Police has a similar clearance rate to the national average of 60-65 percent, meaning that about six out of 10 homicides are solved, although the length of time varies for resolution.

"This one will definitely take a little longer," Shaw said. "Every case is so, so different. As long as we get tips and leads, we'll keep working it. We consider it a cold case when there are zero leads and zero tips. We have a lot of tips and leads. It's not even close to being cold."

## Pushing down fear

Nikki knows the public is afraid, just as her

daughter was as she ran from her killer, but she hopes they will be brave in the face of evil, as Ally was — not freezing in fear.

"She pushed her fear down and I am asking people to push their fear down as well," Nikki said. "If you have information about what happened to our daughter, you can make an anonymous tip. You might think it is insignificant, but the little thing might be the thing that is most relevant."

Police have increased the reward money in the case to \$7,500 total — \$5,000 from the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and \$2,500 from Crime Stoppers — in the hopes of more leads.

In the meantime, a mother in Rose Township grieves in a very dark place.

"Everyone has a special person, whether your spouse, your son or daughter, a sibling, even a fur baby, like Zeus," Nikki said. "And I am asking the public to stand in my shoes and think about their special person and if this had happened to their special person and how, if someone had information on it, you would want them to speak up. Ally was my special person."

Ally felt likewise about her mother, Nikki, who has eagerly shown many things that were special to her special person, now brings out a card her daughter gave her several months before her untimely death. The front of the small card reads, "I am a part of all that I have met."

Inside, a printed message reads, "I am lucky to know you," followed by a personal message in Ally's scrawl: "You're my favorite human."

Nikki has been strong in a two-hour conversation about her only child, but tears come to her eyes as she says she still feels her daughter's presence.

"There is no explanation for taking someone's life," she said. "Regardless of who and why, there is no reason. But I want to know who and why and I want justice. Someone took her away from us, from her friends, from the rest of our family, from Zeus and she had the rest of her life to live. She was 31, the same age I was when she was born, and I don't want her to be another gun statistic in this violent culture we live in right now. We know her life mattered to the people that she touched."

Anyone with any information related to the death of Ally Brueger is asked to call 855-MICH-TIP or 800-SPEAKUP.

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And if all goes according to plans, Dexter Cider Mill will begin producing hard cider next fall. It will join a handful of cider mills in southeast Michigan that offer an adults-only twist on the fall season — cider with a kick.

Steinhauer hopes it's not too late to join the craft hard cider craze.

"We are hoping we didn't miss the bubble. It's such a hot commodity right now. I think it's struck the right button with everyone. I feel we're a little bit late," she said, while making an early-morning batch of doughnuts last week. "But I think we'll be OK."

More than OK, according to Paul Vander Heide, founder of the Michigan Cider Association.

"Local and regional (hard) cider producers are still growing, even though some national data shows growth slowing," he said. "The interest in cider has grown exponentially over the past three to four years. Most of our members have experienced healthy and significant growth in their cider sales."

Some of the Michigan Cider Association's 30 members also produce wine or beer. Some operate traditional cider mills.

"We are definitely seeing new producers come from the orchard/cider mill side of the industry," Vander Heide said.

Trevor Barkham, whose family has owned Rochester Cider Mill in Oakland Township for more than 30 years,



Northville Winery bartender Ed Montgomery sips some Rockin' Cock hard cider.

hopes to add hard cider to the menu by 2018, maybe sooner, depending on how quickly he can obtain local, state and federal approval. His request for special land use will go before the Oakland Township Planning Commission next month.

"Once I get local approval, I can apply to the state and federal government for licensing," Barkham said. "We see (hard cider) as a nationwide trend. For us to be competitive, it's something we need to do."

His cider mill season runs from Sept. 1 through Dec. 31, but hard cider would enable him to sell product year-round. His family has produced craft non-alcoholic ciders for years, mixing pears, grapes, strawberries, peaches, cherries, blueberries or cranberries with apples, bringing their product a step closer to hard versions.

### On tap

Apple pie-spiced hard cider is among the most popular drinks this season at Northville Winery and Brewing Co., a part of the Parmenter's Northville Cider Mill site. At Blake's Orchard

and Cider Mill in Armada, the fall season brings caramel apple hard cider on tap at the Blake's Hard Cider Co. tasting room and restaurant. Both mills offer a changing menu of ciders at their tasting rooms and a variety of bottled flavored hard ciders that also are distributed to retailers, bars and restaurants.

"We started making hard cider before it was popular," Carina Nelson said. "Now it's everywhere."

When her husband's family bought Parmenter's in 1991, it came with a winery that had been established in 1982. Nelson and her husband Robert took over the winery in 2006 and have since bought the cider mill, which is open for a few months every fall. The tasting room welcomes customers all year for hard cider, wine and beer.

Nelson allows children, accompanied by their parents, in the tasting room, where sweet, non-alcoholic cider sometimes is available on tap. Generally, families visit the cider mill first and then head to the winery.

"It's an interesting

sell, because a lot of people think hard cider is beer. It's technically wine, because you're fermenting a fruit and not cooking anything as you would with beer. There's still constant education needed on what it is and how refreshing it can be," she said, adding that hard cider slush is a popular summer drink. "We do cider with mango and cherries. You can do all sorts of stuff."

### In Armada

Blake's began making hard cider three years ago and expanded its production facility last year. The production building and tasting room/restaurant are located on cider mill property, but are separate from the mill.

"You get people coming here to visit the cider mill and they find their way back to the winery," said Kayla Borgen, brand manager. "We have people who bring their children all the time. We have a full menu and all kinds of different options."

While the kids sip sweet cider, adults can try tasting room exclusives on tap, seasonal



Robert Lauer is cider maker at Blake's Hard Cider Co. in Armada.

favorites and staples from Blake's extensive line of hard ciders.

Borgen said the company produces "classic" sweet and dry apple flavored ciders, but also experiments with a variety of ingredients. Its mango and habanero pepper hard cider, "El Chavo," is available in cans. "Black Phillip," a combination of cranberry and blood orange, was released last month. Pumpkin spice, apple and molasses hard cider is a favorite for fall.

"We like to come up with different flavors," Borgen said. "My favorite is a honey hard cider. I drink it out of a wine glass, it has such a soft, elegant taste."

Nelson believes there's room in the hard cider market for many flavors and more producers, "even if a winery moved in next door."

"Everybody's cider is different," she said. "Everyone is going to want to

taste something different and try new things. It's an easy sell, once you get them to taste it."

Want a cider mill experience with an adult twist? Here's where to go for hard cider:

» Blake's Hard Cider Co., 17985 Armada Center Road, Armada; 586-784-9463. Check out its full line of ciders at [blakeshardcider.com](http://blakeshardcider.com)

» Northville Winery and Brewing Co., 630 Baseline Road, Northville; 248-320-6507. Live bands perform and artists paint each Thursday. Open mic with food trucks Friday; [thenorthvillewinery.com](http://thenorthvillewinery.com)

» Westview Orchards Winery, 65075 Van Dyke, Washington; 586-752-3123. The winery is located in the cider barn loft. The tasting room offers hard cider, and wine and food pairings. [facebook.com/WestviewOrchards](http://facebook.com/WestviewOrchards)

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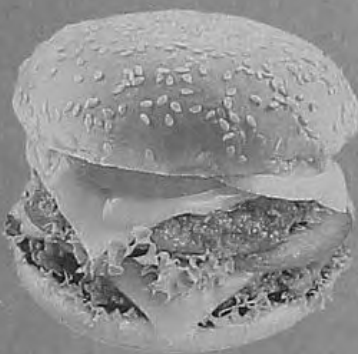
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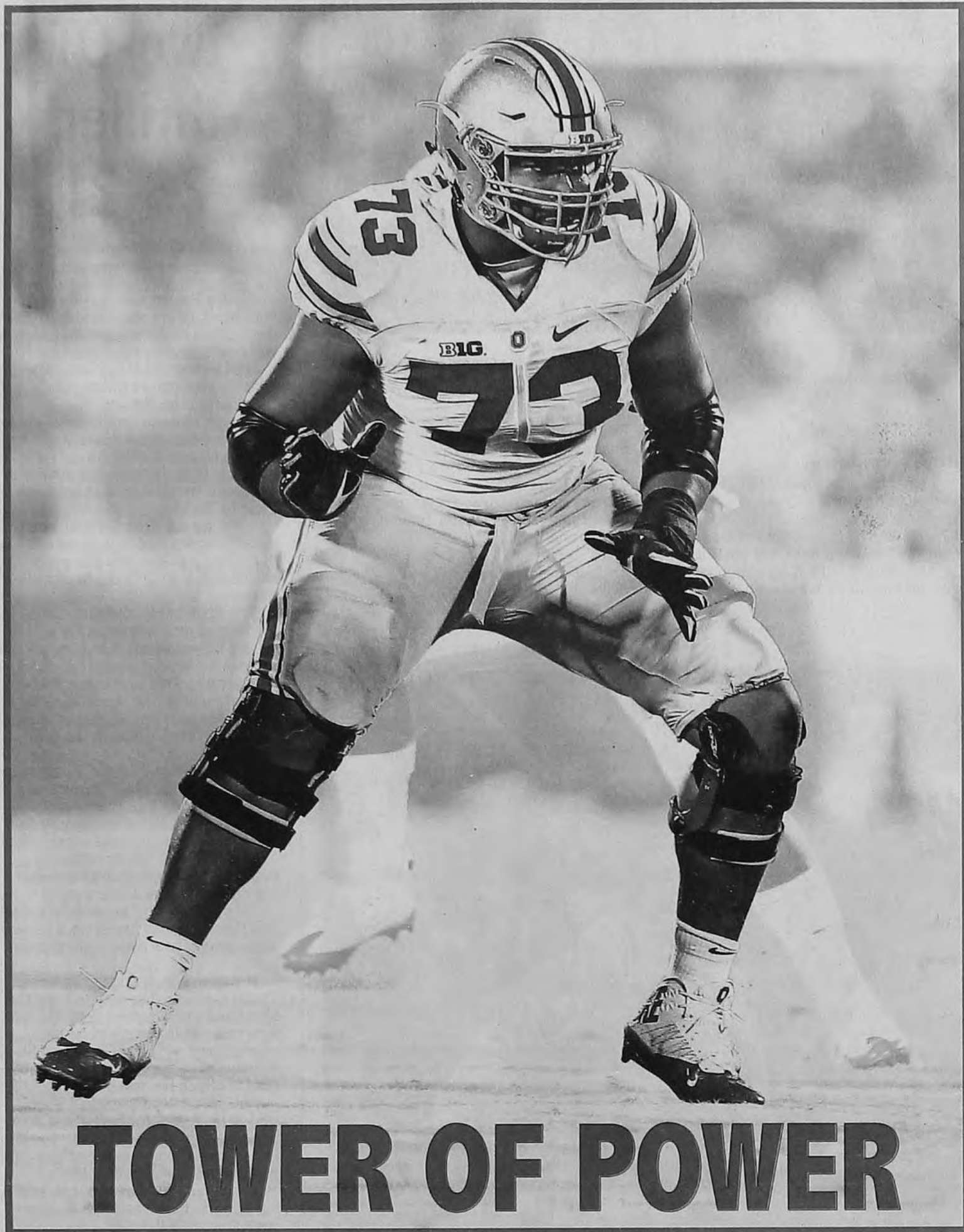
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## TOWER OF POWER

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Already an imposing figure on the gridiron for Ohio State is freshman offensive lineman Michael Jordan, shown in action Sept. 17 against Oklahoma.

Michael Jordan right at home on offensive line at Ohio State, but Plymouth High School graduate isn't about to stop now

Tim Smith  
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**B**ig things are expected of Michael Jordan. He expects them of himself and it doesn't phase him any longer that he actually is starting as a true freshman for the Ohio State Buckeyes.

The 18-year-old Jordan — who left Plymouth High School in December in order to enroll at OSU the following month and begin working toward his childhood dream of playing for the Buckeyes — brushed off initial awe at stepping into 100,000-seat stadiums and is right at home on the Ohio State offensive line.

"The very first time it was very exciting, I was very nervous," Jordan said about the initial rush of adrenaline that came with his Ohio State debut. "But my other teammates got me to calm down and they helped me play throughout the game without noticing that wild atmosphere."

"I think as soon as the first snap happened, I think I got past it."

**Not a rookie now**

Don't misunderstand. The giant of a young man (6-foot-7, 310 pounds) is taking it seriously that he is just the second true freshman to start for Ohio State head coach Urban Meyer. But now, he just wants to play football and have fun.

"Billy Price (an OSU teammate) tells me all the time, he says I'm not a freshman anymore, he says that I've become a little more mature," Jordan said over the telephone, home for the weekend thanks to a break in the Buckeyes' schedule.

**THE JORDAN FILE**

**Who:** Michael Jordan, freshman left tackle for the Ohio State Buckeyes. The 6-7, 310-pound Jordan is the second player to start for OSU coach Urban Meyer as a true freshman.

**Preps:** The 18-year-old went to Plymouth High School, where he was a standout varsity athlete in three sports. In addition to football, Jordan was a wrestler and ran track and field. He credits wrestling for helping him improve strength and endurance, attributes he puts to good use as a lineman.

"Wrestling another guy for six minutes is hard, giving all your energy," Jordan said. "Especially when that guy's just as good as you. Then it comes down to willpower. Who really wants it? That really helped me."

**College studies:** Jordan is studying to earn an international business degree with a minor in Chinese. According to his dad, Ohio State proved to be the perfect choice for Michael because of the mix of academics and football.

**Family:** His parents are K. Michael and Jacquie Jordan of Canton. He also has a sister, Aaliyah, and a brother, Kevin.

**Dreams:** Jordan grew up in Ohio, always wanting to play for the Buckeyes. His next dream is to make it to the National Football League.

"I can't act like a freshman because I have to perform for Ohio State."

"I can't think that, 'Hey, I'm one of the two true freshmen that played for Urban Meyer.' I just got to be one of the guys



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BOYS SOCCER

## Chiefs nip Wildcats in showdown

Canton avenges earlier one-goal loss to Plymouth

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Tuesday night's varsity boys soccer match-up between Canton and Plymouth was just like the one the teams played earlier this month — both physical, hard-fought, well-played games decided by a single goal.

Round 2 of the series between the campus rivals went to the Chiefs, 1-0, with junior forward Justin Forney chipping in the rebound of an in-close shot by senior forward and captain Mohamad Miri with 10:40 remaining.

"Mo made the run in off a pass from (senior midfielder) Joey Chung and he just ripped it," said Forney, who scored his sixth goal of the season. "I knew that the rebound was coming, so I just came in there and finished it."

"It was a big game. They beat us last time 1-0, so it was nice to get this win back."

Just a few minutes before the game's lone goal, the Wildcats came within a whisker of scoring.

Canton junior goalkeeper David McGrath, who was superb all night, dove to his right to block a shot by Plymouth junior forward Scottlar Chakrabarty, whose low, 10-foot shot looked ticketed for inside the left post.

"Their goalie made a great save on that Scottlar shot," Plymouth head coach Jeff Neschich said. "We had our opportunities to tie this one up or even go ahead early."

"I thought the boys did a really good job creating opportunities. It was a close game that could have gone either way. They got the break tonight."

**District match-up is next**

Canton head coach Mark Zemanski praised the aggressive, confident goalkeeping displayed by McGrath (Plymouth senior James Visnav also played an excellent game and could not be faulted on the goal).

"David McGrath did an excellent job in goal for us. He was solid on everything he did," Zemanski said. "He made a real nice save there at the end (against Chakrabarty)."

"He was good in the air and he kept them from being too dangerous because of that."

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Vying for a 50/50 ball Tuesday night are Plymouth's Anthony Iacopelli (left) and Canton's Caleb Moraw.



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CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

# KLAA South girls shine at Jefferson

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The KLAA South Division is showing itself to be one of the area's top homes for girls cross country talent, as four runners finished in the top 10 at Saturday's Monroe Jefferson Invitational.

Among the cream of the crop was Plymouth senior Annie Bonds, who finished fourth overall with a time of 19:24.96.

Right with Bonds on the podium were Livonia Churchill seniors Caroline George (third, 19:20.92), Christina Murphy (fifth, 19:38.41) and Kathleen George (ninth, 20:09.37). The Chargers won the invite with 39 points; Plymouth placed fourth (111) while Salem finished sixth (132).

Other P-CEP girls finishing in the top 20 included Plymouth freshman Lily Tiplady (13th, 20:39.19), Salem sophomore Marnie Waggoner (17th, 20:49.97) and Salem junior Jessica Hughes (18th, 20:55.36).

**JACKSON INVITE:** At the recent Jackson Invitational, Salem finished 10th out of 26 teams with 321 points.

Top performers for the Rocks included senior Erin McCann (53rd, 20:16), sophomores Gabrielle Mancini (60th, 20:25.1), Bridget Nelson (67th, 20:34.2), Madison Grant (68th, 20:37.4), Hallie Younglas (73rd, 20:40.7), juniors Charissa Johnson (74th, 20:41.9) and Madalyn



On the podium at the Monroe Jefferson Invite are medalists Caroline George (Churchill), Annie Bonds (Plymouth) and Christina George (Churchill).

Simko (83rd, 20:54.8).

**Boys roundup**

Featuring seven season's bests and 21 career bests, Canton finished third at the Monroe Jefferson Invitational. The Chiefs, with 57 points, trailed Livonia Churchill (41) and Brighton (56).

Zac Clark was first for Canton and second overall with a season best 16:29.

Right behind him in third place was Shane Andrews at with a career best 16:34. Finishing 10th with a PR of 17:16 was Zach Carey.

Also running career bests were Andrew Lake (17:29), Daniel Jimenez (17:29) and David Kight (17:47).

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## JORDAN

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there and progress further."

Jordan doesn't want to get caught up in any phenom hoopla. His primary goal is to keep working, improving and helping the team he grew up cheering for as a youngster in Cincinnati.

"Every game, no matter how good you are, there's always things you can improve," he said. "So every day, I try to improve on all my mistakes from the previous game so I can get better."

**Learning to relax**

There haven't been many. With Jordan holding up his share of the bargain on the O-line, the Buckeyes are off to a torrid start (3-0, ranked No. 1 in the nation as of Saturday).

Ohio State quarterback J.T. Barrett needed just one game (the Sept. 3 opener against Bowling Green) to rave about Jordan.

"I have no idea what that must feel like being a true freshman coming in there playing in front of 100,000 people," Barrett said. "I thought he did well."

According to Jordan, helping him get over any first-year jitters was offensive line coach Greg Studrawa.

"Before games, I'm preparing to play the game, listening to music and (trying to) focus," Jordan said. "(Strudrawa) comes up to me and says ... he told me to relax and just have fun."

"The reason everybody plays football is because it's fun."

**No surprise**

Watching with pride from Plymouth is Jordan's high school coach Mike Sawchuk, who raves at the work ethic and determination shown by Jordan going back to his freshman year.

"What Michael has done so far does not surprise me," Sawchuk said. "He's a very intelligent, big-hearted, athletic young man. ... He's a great ambassador for our football program."

"I wish every student-athlete would emulate his work ethic and could have seen his improvement from ninth grade to his senior year due to his commitment to the weight room."

Jordan had the chance to say hello to Sawchuk and some former Plymouth teammates Friday, when the Wildcats played Canton.

"He just told me to keep up the good work and keep progressing to get better," Jordan said. "A lot of times, people stop progressing because they get complacent."

**Football and family**

Jordan, always a physically imposing athlete, but now an absolutely towering specimen, said playing at Plymouth turned out to be the perfect primer for Division I football.

"When I got to Ohio State, it was very similar," Jordan said. "I could talk to the coaches very well because coach Sawchuk prepared me for what was mentally about to happen with college football."

An encouraging home life also has paid dividends for Jordan, whose parents are Jacquie and K. Michael Jordan of Canton.

"My mom and dad, they gave me a lot of courage to go out and play sports," he said. "They'd take me to practice every day, so I'm very grateful for that."

During Jordan's visit home with the Buckeyes in a bye week, family time remained a top priority. On Sunday, he attended younger brother Kevin's football game with the Canton Lions. The 13-year-old is a defensive back, prompting Jordan to note that Kevin is "much faster than I was at that age."

**Best place to be**

Swelling with pride about his son's fast ascent, K. Michael Jordan chalked



BARBARA J. PERENIC | COLUMBUS DISPATCH

Michael Jordan lines up in front of quarterback J.T. Barrett during Jordan's first game for Ohio State against Bowling Green.



JORDAN FAMILY PHOTO

Michael Jordan's family went to Columbus to show support for the freshman Ohio State lineman. In the back row, he is flanked by parents K. Michael and Jacquie. In the front row are brother Kevin and sister Aaliyah.

it all up to charting a plan and sticking to it.

"My son never seems to choose the easy path," said the elder Jordan, who also had an on-the-field role in helping Michael improve, working as his offensive line coach during formative years. "He received offers from schools that all but guaranteed that he would start as a true freshman."

"Ohio State was very honest in telling him that, 'You will get your chance, but will you be ready when it comes?' Ohio State did not even say that he would get his chance this year during recruiting."

"My son just told me that he wanted to be the best offensive lineman in the country and he thought Ohio State could best prepare him for that."

And now, it's back to Columbus and back to the trenches for Jordan. But he is looking forward to the next time he'll be back in Michigan — Nov. 19, when the Buckeyes visit Michigan State University.

"Most definitely, I have a couple friends on MSU's team," Jordan said, listing the name of freshman long snapper Collin Cafilisch, a Canton Chiefs alum. "So it's always fun to have friendly competition with a bunch of great athletes."

Jordan probably will have fun that day, too. For him, there's nothing better than being on the gridiron.

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PREP FOOTBALL

# CC edges Rice in two-OT thriller, 28-21

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Austin Brown was certain coach Tom Mach didn't mind him throwing the football on first down in the second overtime Saturday night.

And how could Mach be upset with his sophomore quarterback, considering the result?

Brown's toss to a wide-open Matt Young produced the winning points in Novi-Detroit Catholic Central's thrilling 28-21 victory over rival Birmingham Brother Rice at Hurley Field in Berkley.

"Coach said: 'Run the ball, don't pass!'" Brown said. "Obviously, I didn't listen to him, but I'm pretty sure he's happy with the decision I made."

The Shamrocks had just scored in the first of two overtimes for a 21-21 tie and stayed on offense to begin the second.

Brown started to run, but there was no room on the one side, so he scrambled to keep the play going until he spotted Young in the end zone.

"To be honest, I forgot Young was going out on that play," Brown said. "When I turned the other way, I didn't know what I was going to do. I was about to run it to the other cone."

When he saw Young without a defender near him, Brown couldn't get the ball to him fast enough.

"My eyes lit up," he said. "He was just there with his hands up. I knew it was going to be a good night after that."

It was the second straight week Young made the big play to keep the Shamrocks undefeated (5-0). He did it on defense in the previous game, an overtime win over Cleveland St. Ignatius, intercepting a fourth-down pass to clinch the win.

"It's just a desire to win," Young said of his knack for being in the right place at the right time. "I just found myself wide open and caught that ball. It was unbelievable."

He added the Warriors, too, made big plays in their second-half comeback from a 14-0 deficit.

"We had to respond, but we failed to do that in the fourth quarter," Young said. "In overtime, that's where we stepped up and made the big plays."

**End-zone view**

On the touchdown catch, the 6-foot-1, 220-pound junior lined up at a right wingback position and made his way to the left side of the end zone.

"Coach said: 'We're going to run the boot and he's going to go right in,'" Young said, referring to Brown. "I was going to try and get all the defenders to one side. Once I saw him keep the play open, I got to the most open space I could. I knew he was going to throw the ball. Perfect throw! We score!"

The extra point by CC senior Jacob Nichols made it 28-21, but the Shamrocks still had to stop the Warriors on defense. Rice ran the ball for a pair of 3-yard gains on first and second downs.

"Everyone was all in," Young, who plays linebacker on defense, said. "I could see it in everyone's eyes, everyone wanting to get this 'W.' We stepped up and executed."

Senior defensive back Chris Jakubik made big plays on the last two Brother Rice plays to make sure CC got the victory.

On third down, he tackled Rice sophomore quarterback Mariano Valenti for a 3-yard loss. On fourth down, he stepped forward in the end zone to break up a pass and end the game.

**The scoring plays**

In the first overtime, the Warriors scored on third down with a 5-yard pass from Valenti to junior Matthew Jordan.

Three CC running plays put the ball as close to the goal line as possible without it being a touchdown. Junior Cameron Ryan's fourth-down plunge into the line made it official.

The Shamrocks dominated the first half with their famous ground game and scored on their first two possessions. Senior Nicholas Capatina ran 12 yards for the first touchdown and Ryan charged 4 yards through the middle for the second.

Brother Rice (3-2) turned it around in the second half, moved the ball much more effectively and was able to contain the CC rushing attack.

In so doing, the Warriors tied the score with Valenti's 4-yard TD toss to Jordan and a 2-yard scoring run by sophomore Marcellus Gaines. Junior Quinton Kulak added the crucial extra points.

USA HOCKEY

# NTDP teams enjoy winning weekend

Both U17 squad and U18 team open 2016-17 season with victory

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When John Wroblewski took over as head coach of the U.S. National Team Development Program's Under-18 hockey team, he promised a fast, relentless style of play.

Led by forward and Oxford resident Josh Norris, the U.S. team delivered Saturday night with a 5-3 victory over Youngstown at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth. It was the season opener for the U18 squad.

"We're working towards that (relentlessness)," Wroblewski said after posting his first NTDP win. "I don't think we're going to be happy with a performance until April ... we're going to continue to try to push the envelope with these guys."

Norris, who had assisted on the game's opening goal (scored in the first period by Brady Tkachuk) snapped a 1-1 tie with 17:36 to go in the second period, burying a wrist shot over the glove hand of Youngstown goaltender Darion Hanson — seconds after the U.S. buzzed the Phantoms' net on a power play, directing five rapid-fire shots at the goalie.

"That's his ability. We're going to look at him to be a leader in a lot of ways," Wroblewski said when asked about Norris, the game's No. 1 star. "I think steadfast is the adjective I would use to describe him."

"There's just a lot of composure out of the young man; (he) wants to do everything that he's asked. He's got a skill level in all departments. He can play a power game with his skating and his shot and he's got some finesse and vision to his arsenal."

After U.S. goalie Dylan St. Cyr (Northville) preserved the 2-1 lead with an in-close stop against Tommy Apap (Bloomfield Hills), Jacob Tortora chipped in the puck off of Hanson's leg to make it a two-goal U.S. lead with 10:36 remaining in the period.

Before the second period ended, the U.S. scored again when Evan Barrett re-directed defenseman Max Gildon's blast from the point. Also assisting on the goal was forward Logan Cockerill (Brighton).

The diminutive St. Cyr played big between the pipes, especially in the second, when he stopped all 11 shots he faced (including a nifty glove grab of a shot by Max Ellis during a Youngstown power play).

In the third, St. Cyr (23 saves) denied a point-blank attempt by Nicolas Werbik and the U.S. skated down the ice and made it 5-1. A slap shot by Gildon was tipped in by Graham Slaggert, positioned near the blue paint in front



U.S. Under-18 defenseman Tommy Miller of West Bloomfield spars with a Youngstown player in front of goalie Dylan St. Cyr (Northville) during Saturday's regular season opener.

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U.S. forward Josh Norris (left) watches teammate Randy Hernandez hit the crossbar behind Youngstown goalie Darion Hanson.

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of Hanson.

### Sticking together

The home crowd made its biggest cheer of the night with 4:23 left, when Tkachuk and Eric Esposito took turns throwing roundhouse swings while other players paired off near the U.S. blue line.

That intense sequence came shortly after another scrum along the boards resulted in off-setting minor penalties.

"I couldn't tell if the guy had (U.S. forward Sean) Dhooghe lined up," Wroblewski said. "I like a team that sticks together. I don't know if we went in there and started the fight or if we just got in there to show support for a teammate."

"If emotions bubble over, that's part of a situation where you get a lopsided situation on the scoreboard. I was glad that our guys stuck together." Youngstown made the final score

much closer with two goals in the final minute, including one by Chase Gressock on the power play.

The U18 team won't return to USA Hockey Arena until Oct. 29, when Princeton University visits. Until then, Wroblewski's squad will play eight road games, from Michigan to Massachusetts.

**NTDP U17, MUSKOGON 2:** On Friday at USA Hockey Arena, the U.S. NTDP Under-17 team opened the regular season with an offensive show against the Muskegon Lumberjacks.

A three-goal outburst in the first period sparked the victory. Scoring were Spencer Stasteney, Oliver Wahlstrom and Patrick Giles, as the U.S. connected on three of its seven first-period shots.

All told, the U.S. scored seven unanswered goals, with two more in the second (by Jake Pivonka and Joel Farabee) and two in the third (by Bode Wilde and Farabee) before the Lumberjacks got on the board at 7:01 of the third. Scoring to spoil Keegan Karki's shutout bid was Matt Steeves, while Keenan Suthers scored a power-play goal at 16:52 to close out the scoring.

Karki stopped made 29 saves, while Adam Brizgala and Keith Petruzzelli split goalkeeping chores for the Lumberjacks.

The U17 team returns home for 7 p.m. games Friday and Saturday against Youngstown.

PREP HOCKEY

## CC grad Kiefer was hard-working goalie

Michigan State University freshman killed in accident on Interstate 96

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The Detroit Catholic Central High School hockey family lost one of its own Sept. 19, when goalie Mitchel Kiefer, a member of the Shamrocks' MHSAA Division 1 state championship team last season, was the victim of a fatal car crash.

According to the Ingham County Sheriff's Office, the 18-year-old from Northville, a freshman at Michigan State University, was traveling westbound on Interstate 96 at 8 a.m. in Leroy Township, when his vehicle was rear-ended near Dietz Road, causing it to cross the median, where it collided with a truck hauling an empty horse trailer traveling eastbound.

The driver who caused the initial collision in the westbound lanes was transported to the hospital for minor injuries, while the driver of the truck was treated at the scene, according to Detective Sgt. Greg Harris in an email to the Lansing State Journal.

Officials closed a stretch of the freeway for several hours after the crash and the sheriff's office said the accident is still under investigation.

The 2016 Catholic Central grad was studying neuroscience, according to the MSU's online directory.

"Mitchel was a fun loving kid who was always happy, always had a smile on his

face," former CC hockey captain and teammate Brian Kearns said. "He was always a very hard worker when it came to anything he did. He always found a way to get things done. He worked extremely hard, just a great kid."

Kiefer was a backup to starter Alec Calvaruso on CC's run to its 14th state title in school history.

"He was a goalie battling for a spot and worked super hard over the summer and he got the position," said Kearns, who also attends MSU. "We were hanging out a little bit on Friday and we were hanging out all night Saturday. It just doesn't seem real because I was just with him and now he's gone."

Catholic Central coach Brandon Kaleniecki said Kiefer played a valuable role during his senior year on the hockey team.

"He was just a really good kid, that's kind of the underlying thing," Kaleniecki said. "All the kids were such good kids on last year's team. That's why it was fun to coach that team. They were all really good kids and Mitchel was an example of it. He was a great team guy, a great teammate. Those are the things that stand out the most when you look at an individual like Mitch. He was a really bright kid, extremely smart, so you knew he was going to do well for himself." Kiefer is survived by his



Catholic Central's Mitchel Kiefer was 18.

father Steven and mother Paula, along with sisters Julianna and Alexa and brother Blake.

Christopher Haxel of the Lansing

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SCHOOLCRAFT ROUNDUP

## Ocelots pull out 2-1 soccer win

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A second-half goal by Belal Khouliani enabled visiting Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team to earn a 2-1 victory Sept. 22 over Jackson College.

Khouliani broke a 1-1 deadlock at the 61:43 mark. He finished off a play by Felipe Lupion, who collected an assist.

The Ocelots (3-3-0 overall, 2-2-0 in the MCCA) opened the scoring just under two minutes into the contest. Scoring was Michael Machilla, from Hector Morales.

Jackson tied the game on a penalty kick goal by Hooh Aljabaly, who beat Schoolcraft goalie Cameron Gwinn about five minutes into the second half.

Gwinn was strong otherwise, making six stops.

### Women kickers prevail

Six players each scored a goal Saturday as the Schoolcraft College women's soccer team won 6-1 over Moraine Valley Community College.

Scoring for the Lady Ocelots were Sophia Shumylo, Colleen McKay, Elliss Jenkins, Lauren Wynns, Katie Vitella and Jamila Thomas. Helping the attack with two assists each were McKay and Jenna Smith.

Schoolcraft improved to 5-2-0 overall.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

# Plymouth's dramatic rally fuels victory

Wildcats wipe out 10-0 deficit in set-two triumph

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The defining moment of Tuesday night's Livonia Franklin-Plymouth volleyball showdown was either epic or demoralizing, depending upon which color jersey you were wearing.

Leading 1-0 in sets, but trailing 10-0 in the second, the black-and-silver clad Wildcats stormed back to overcome their double-digit deficit to win, 25-21.

The comeback proved to be a lightning rod for Plymouth, which carved out a 3-1 triumph over the Patriots.

The Wildcats' 25-19, 25-21, 24-26, 25-20 victory improved their record to 4-2 in the KLAA South Division, while the Patriots slipped to 2-4.

Although it lost, Franklin showed plenty of resilience of its own, especially in the third set, when it rallied to win the final three points to post a stirring 26-24 win.

Plymouth was powered by a strong core of seniors, particularly middles Lydia Bell and Alexa Ebeling, all-around standout Jordyn Kuchka and defensive specialist/serving star Adrianna Touma.

"Our middles have been effective all year," Plymouth head coach Dave Nichols said. "Our issue has been that our first contact has been really erratic, which makes it tough to go on runs."

"This is a hard-working group of girls, but they still struggle with their confidence. So to come back from being



Tipping the ball over the net Tuesday is Plymouth's Kaitlyn Rocker (No. 5).

down 10-0 in set two was nice to see. We really showed some fortitude in that set."

Franklin's forte this season has been its phenomenal defense and that was the case Tuesday as the Patriots' court-covering prowess made Plymouth work for everything it got.

Sophomore Bella Facione was especially effective, picking up would-be kills like a Swiffer Sweeper.

The Patriots' most glaring downfall is their lack of a dominating swinger whose hits can put dents in the opponents' side of the court.

"I'm a former defensive player, so I take pride in the fact that we are a good defensive team," Franklin head coach Kellsey Poston said. "Now I'd like to see our offense pick up. We need to improve about two levels."

"Our go-to girls are Paige Brothers and middle Hannah Nordstrom, both of whom played really well tonight."

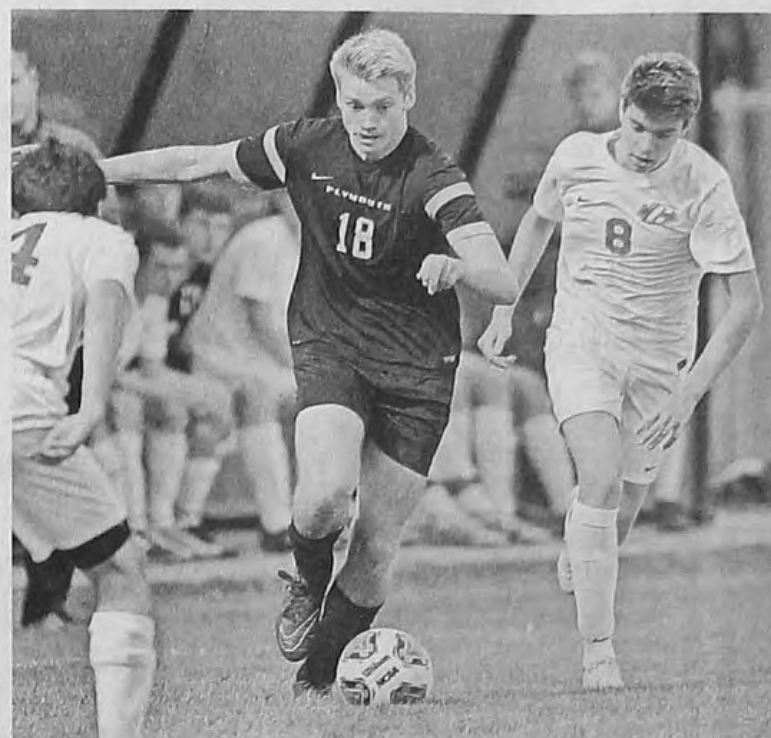
Kuchka led the Wildcats' offense with 17 kills. Bell knocked down 12 for the winners.

With the fourth set deadlocked at 20-20, Plymouth ran off the final five points behind the serving of Touma, who contributed an ace, and one kill apiece from Kennedy White, Kuchka, Jordan Schamp and Bell, who delivered the match-ender from the middle.

### Canton rolls

The Chiefs swept a three-set match Tuesday against Wayne Memorial, winning 25-9, 25-13, 25-10.

Abby Zelenak had 14 assists for Canton. Other standouts included Sabrina Giacomini (six kills, eight digs), Kassie Tanana (seven kills), Katelyn Page (nine kills, six digs, three aces), Lexi Granowicz (six digs, two aces), Hailey Domzalski (three aces) and Sammy Pashigan (two aces).



Canton's Ethan Schiffour (left) and Avery Olson converge on Plymouth's Scottlar Chakrabarty.

## CHIEFS

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When the teams renew acquaintances again, it will be in the opening game of the Division 1 district, also at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"Now that they have one win and now that we have one win, it's going to be a huge showdown the next time," Miri said.

Also looking forward to the so-called rubber match is Plymouth senior Anthony Iacopelli.

"When it comes down to that third game, I think we're going to give them a run for their money," Iacopelli said. "We're looking to make history this year. We'll see what happens."

Tuesday's contest was pretty important, too. The Chiefs and Wildcats began the night tied atop the KLAA South Division standings with a record of 4-1-1. With the win, Canton improved to 11-1-2 overall and 5-1-1 in the division. Plymouth dropped to 6-4-5 and 4-2-1.

After a scoreless first half, the Wildcats turned up the offensive heat early in the second, only to be denied by McGrath.

With about 34 minutes to

play in regulation, senior Ryan Dickerson sent a feed to Iacopelli inside the 18-yard box. But the resulting laser of a shot was tipped over the net by the leaping keeper.

"I think the biggest part of these games, you're never going to get a bunch of opportunities," Iacopelli said. "But when you have them, you have to capitalize. I thought we did a good job of creating the chances, just the finishing part wasn't there."

The game remained scoreless until Chung threaded the ball along the right side of the pitch to Miri, who pivoted into the box and drove the ball into the midsection of Visnaw.

But the rebound bounced right to Forney, who made no mistake.

And for the final 10 minutes, the Chiefs were content to work the perimeter and work the clock.

"You got to keep fighting for the ball, you got to make sure every single opportunity counts, especially in the last 10-20 minutes of the game," Miri said. "You score one goal and then you waste time in the corner. That's how you win the game. All it takes is one goal for these big games."

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BOYS SOCCER

# Wildcats triumph 7-1 over Patriots

The Plymouth varsity boys soccer team fired on all cylinders Sept. 22 in a 7-1 victory over KLAA South Division opponent Livonia Franklin.

Scoring two goals each for the Wildcats were seniors

Keaton Hegarty, Ryan Dickerson and junior Bennett Brooks, while the seventh goal was chipped in by junior Brent Brownrigg.

Collecting two assists each for Plymouth were senior

Anthony Iacopelli and junior Nicholas Yoshioka, with single assists by sophomores Justin Wojcik and Alex Bowsler.

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# The Polish Muslims, a different kind of Oktoberfest band

**Anne Erickson**  
Lansing State Journal

None of the members of the Polish Muslims are German, so vocalist and guitarist Dave Uchalik has no idea why they keep getting booked to play Oktoberfest gigs.

"I wish people would stop booking us for them, because we're not a German band, we're a Polish band!" he said, half-joking.

The Polish Muslims play the Lansing area's Old Town's Oktoberfest this weekend. The Hamtramck band is a regular there.

Uchalik said Old Town is an exception to his "I wish people would stop booking us for Oktoberfest gigs" statement.

"I think Old Town itself is really a cool entity," he said. "It's an oasis surrounded by a larger city."

"It's an opportunity for us to play in front of a largely college-age crowd and it's cool to see that it's possible for that age group to still have fun coming out to hear our music. That's a big kick for us."

Oktoberfest is set for Friday and Saturday. The community festival, presented by the Old Town Commercial Association, brings live music, dancing and authentic German food and beer.

Vanessa Shafer, Old Town Commercial Association executive director, said the Polish Muslims are a go-to band because "they deliver an energetic performance while not taking themselves too seriously, allowing people to relax and have a great time."

The Polish Muslims got their start back in 1981. The band began as a one-time group to play a benefit show for the Reruns, a band with some of the same members as the Polish Muslims. The Reruns had equipment stolen from a rehearsal hall, so the Polish Muslims formed to help out with the benefit.

"Seriously, we were cutting edge," vocalist and guitarist Ken Kondrat said. "We were punk new wavers forming a no-rehearsing polka rock band with music to which you can sing and dance."

Things went well, so they decided they needed a band name.

"A bunch of us started kicking around silly names and were coming up with different oxymora," Uchalik said. "At that time, thinking of a Muslim being Polish seemed outrageous. We said the name and started cracking up and we settled on that."

They kept going. And going. They'll pass the 35-year mark in December.

"At this point, it's



The Polish Muslims will celebrate their 35th anniversary this year.

## HOW TO GO TO OKTOBERFEST

**When:** 6-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, and 3-11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1  
**Price:** Single-day tickets are \$22 at the door. Weekend passes run \$40 at the door. A ticket includes admittance to the tent, a souvenir beer mug and food/drink tickets.

**Where:** Old Town Oktoberfest is located in the park and parking lot on the corner of Turner Street and Grand River Avenue. Old Town Oktoberfest is a benefit for the Old Town Commercial Association.

**Online:** [www.oldtownoktoberfest.com](http://www.oldtownoktoberfest.com)

easier to stay together than to break up," Uchalik said. "We're old and lazy and just want to keep playing."

No, none of the band members are Muslim. Yes, many of them are Polish. Three band members — Uchalik, Kondrat and bass player Al "Phife" Przeklas — are 100-percent Polish.

The guys perform mainly polka parodies, plus some classic rock covers.

One thing is certain: The guys have a sense of humor.

"Close your eyes and try to imagine whatever your favorite music is in the world and whatever makes you feel most at peace with yourself and

the universe and we're the opposite of that," Uchalik said.

How would they describe their polka parodies?

"Destructive," Kondrat said. "We've ruined more good songs making folks forget the original versions and only remembering ours."

While they've rarely done original music, one track, called "That's Why God Invented the Polka," appears on a 1993 compilation release, "Polka Comes to Your Haus," out via Restless Records.

Some of the Polish Muslims' favorite gigs over the years have been at the Detroit Institute of Arts, Ann Arbor Summer Festival and the

*"At this point, it's easier to stay together than to break up. We're old and lazy and just want to keep playing."*

**DAVE UCHALIK**  
vocalist and guitarist

Hamtramck Labor Day Festival.

And, yes, the many, many Oktoberfest shows.

"It's still quite a rush cranking it up on rocking tunes and having newbies laughing at us the first time they seen us," Kondrat said.

"We get to play a lot of shows in front of a lot of people at Oktoberfests," Uchalik said.

"And for those members in the band who happen to drink beer, it's an opportunity for them to drink some beer."

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### LYNCH

**MATTIE C.** Age 92, September 23, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Lavern T. Lynch. Loving mother of Peter (Donna), John (Denise), Peggy (the late Dan Guerrero), Jayne Joyce, Patricia and Janet. Dear grandmother of Cathy Hendrian, Peter Lynch, Jr., Kaitlin Maricle, Sara Matusz, Tim Matusz, James Joyce, Jamie Guerrero, and John Lynch III. Great grandmother of Matthew, Joshua, and Reese Hendrian, Riley and Aidan Lynch. Visitation at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Monday from 1 - 9 p.m. In state at St. Michael Catholic Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia, Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. Memorials may be directed to Grace Hospice, Troy, Michigan. Please share a memory by signing her guest book at [www.rggharris.com](http://www.rggharris.com)

### SHILCUSKY



**ROSEMARIE** Nobody expected Rosemarie Shilcuskay to go to college. She was the only daughter of a single mother in the tiny town of Minersville, Pennsylvania, and she lived on a second floor flat above the 5th Street Bar and Grill. Because Shirley Temple was the most famous girl in America in the 1930s, Rosemarie learned to dance and play the piano as a child. But it was books and literature that she loved best, and in time she became a beloved Catholic school teacher and librarian whose creative approach to teaching affected thousands of students in Plymouth, Michigan. Born on June 19, 1930, she grew up as Rosemarie Ives, and after graduating with honors as the valedictorian of Minersville High School in 1948, she was the first in her family of Italian immigrants to attend college, graduating from West Chester Teachers College in 1952 and eventually earning a M.A. in education at Eastern Michigan University. With her vivacious sense of humor and intellect, she was lucky to get married to her high school sweetheart, John Shilcuskay, who was captain of the football team. They moved to Plymouth, Michigan where she became an elementary school teacher at Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLCG) parish in Plymouth, Michigan, working there for 32 years until her retirement in 1996. Mrs. Shilcuskay was well-known and well-loved by many of her students. She taught 6th grade English, History and Geography and later worked as a middle-school teacher in the school. Many of her former students continued to stay in contact with her for 20 years or more. As a progressive educator who valued culture and the arts, Mrs. Shilcuskay developed community assembly programs for the school, including international festivals, arts and theater programs. In the early 1980s, she launched the school's first computer education program, which included learning Basic, a computer program. She learned to program games for math, English, history and geography. Over the years, she helped integrate educational technology activities into the school. Rosemarie Shilcuskay was an avid reader and sought for ways to engage students in reading and writing. In 1968, she helped create the OLCG school library for the parish, collecting donations from local parents and recruiting parent volunteers to staff the library.

She defended students' intellectual freedom by standing up to challenges regarding books that were considered controversial. She networked with other Catholic school librarians across the state in her search to learn best practices in librarianship. Although she was not a professional librarian, she served as the president of the Michigan chapter of the Catholic Library Association. Under her leadership, the organization developed a professional development program in library services for volunteer parents. After her retirement to South Dennis on Cape Cod, Massachusetts, she enjoyed serving as a leader of the Polish Society of Cape Cod and the Islands, where she launched a monthly online newsletter. Her husband John Shilcuskay died in 2008. She enjoyed spending time with her two children and five grandchildren. Her children are Renee Hobbs, a professor of communication and education at the University of Rhode Island and Steven Shilcuskay, director of information technology and facilities at the New England Historic Genealogy Society in Boston. Among her five grandchildren are the children of Renee and Randy Hobbs, her husband. Roger Hobbs is a best-selling crime writer and Rachel LeCure is a middle-school English teacher in Philadelphia where she lives with her husband, Joshua LeCure. The children of her son Steven Shilcuskay and his wife Veronica Barrett include Nicholas Shilcuskay, now a sophomore at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth; Alexander Shilcuskay, a high school senior; and Gabrielle Shilcuskay, a high school junior, both at Foxborough High School. What the grandchildren will miss most is Rosemarie's devotion to Scrabble: when playing with her grandchildren, she noted particularly high-scoring or important games (with good words played) on the back of the game box. Rosemarie Shilcuskay died peacefully in her sleep on September 19, 2016. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to support the school library at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School, 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

### VanHEUSDEN

**VALERIE** September 24, 2016. Loving mother of Laura and Brian. Attentive daughter of John. Thoughtful sibling to Carole (Alan) Piotrowski and Robert. Affectionate aunt of Kristen and Marisa and great-aunt of Veronika. Warm and kind-hearted to all those in her life. Visitation at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Friday from 1-8 p.m. In state at St. Michael Catholic Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia, Saturday from 10 a.m. until her Funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. Please obtain memorial donation information and share a memory of Valerie at [www.rggharris.com](http://www.rggharris.com).



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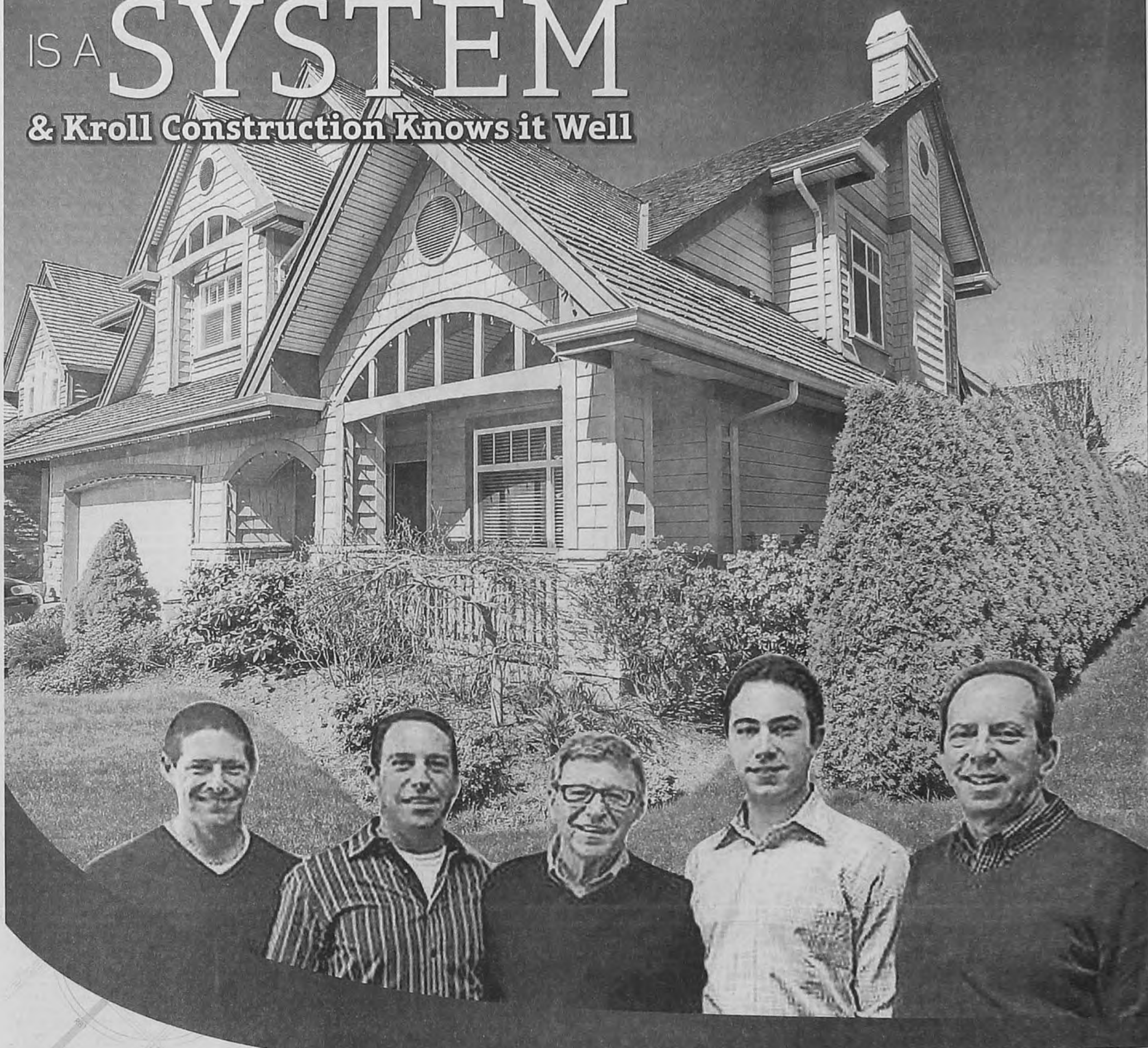
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**Effective on or after November 1st, 2016**, the following new channel positions will be added to the channel lineup:

- GOLTV HD - channel 1709
- MundoMax - channel 1807
- GOLTV - channel 1960
- Cine Latino - channel 1974

**Effective September 1st, 2016**, the following channels were removed from the channel lineup:

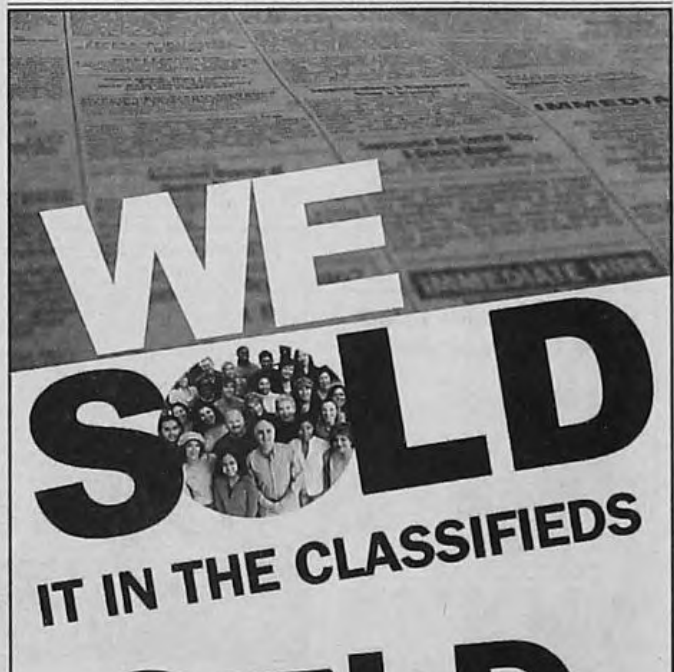
- ESPN College Extra 1 - channel 850
- ESPN College Extra 2 - channel 851
- ESPN College Extra 3 - channel 852
- ESPN College Extra 4 - channel 853
- ESPN College Extra 5 - channel 854
- ESPN College Extra 6 - channel 855
- ESPN College Extra 7 - channel 856
- ESPN College Extra 8 - channel 857

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These services will not be available on uni-directional retail devices as of the date(s) noted above. If you want to receive this service, you will need a digital set-top box or tuning adaptor from Bright House Networks. Customers may continue to use their uni-directional retail device and CableCARD to receive video programming other than the programming delivered on the SDV system. Customers who also utilize a digital set-top box or tuning adaptor will be able to receive video programming delivered on the SDV system. Customers will be notified in advance of any other programming changes.

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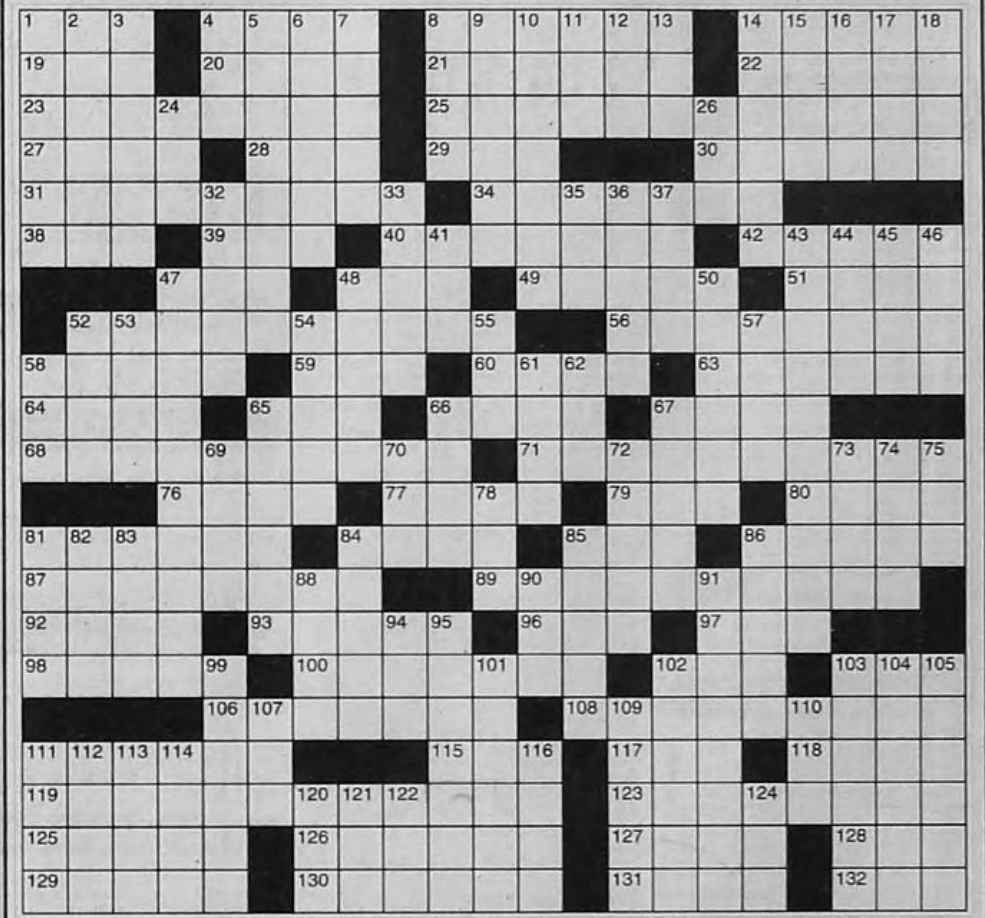
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**THURSDAY PUZZLE CORNER**  
**CROSSWORD PUZZLER**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Nest item
  - 4 Funny Mort
  - 8 Casual top
  - 14 Cape, e.g.
  - 19 British lav
  - 20 Jal —
  - 21 Its capital is Roma
  - 22 Berry of "The Call"
  - 23 \* Group for motorists
  - 25 \* Turn a profit, say
  - 27 Jogging pace
  - 28 Scheming
  - 29 Drench
  - 30 On the other side of
  - 31 \* "La Vie en Rose" singer
  - 34 \* Amass wealth
  - 38 Aug. hours
  - 39 Bonn "one"
  - 40 Nail file materials
  - 42 As dry as —
  - 47 — Man defense
  - 48 "Rugrats" father
  - 49 Baddie's look
  - 51 Son of Eve
  - 52 \* 2009 R. Kelly song
  - 56 \* Stay calm
  - 58 10,000,000 ergs
  - 59 Lend support
  - 60 Tip sheet statistics
  - 63 Compares
  - 64 Askew
  - 65 Guevara the guerrilla
  - 66 Greek diner menu item
  - 67 Lushes
  - 68 \* Fulfill, as a promise
  - 71 \* What you don't need a return ticket for
  - 76 Only
  - 77 Skew
  - 79 Cat paw part
  - 80 Speed test
  - 81 Crucial arteries
  - 84 — noise
  - 85 D.C. VIP
  - 86 Like
  - 87 \* "No noise allowed" Amtrak area
  - 89 \* Kids' chemistry set, e.g.
  - 92 Fed. of Brezhnev
  - 93 Deliver an address
  - 96 Walk — (small parts)
  - 97 Chemical ending
  - 98 Nuclear trial, for short
  - 100 Run-of-the-mill
  - 102 "Inc." relative
  - 103 Start for marital
  - 106 \* 13th-century pope
  - 108 \* General Mills cereal
  - 111 Cascade Range peak
  - 115 — kwon do
  - 117 Squirmy fish
  - 118 With 104-Down, cure concocted by Mom
  - 119 \* The mineral citrine, e.g.
  - 123 What the first and last letters of 13 answers in this puzzle proceed through
  - 125 Lowest point
  - 126 Lift
  - 127 Printer's unit
  - 128 Chemical ending
  - 129 Gives applause
  - 130 Capital of 95-Down
  - 131 Harper of Hollywood
  - 132 Seaport of Scotland
  - 1 Highly happy
  - 2 Pumpkins, e.g.
  - 3 "Get busy!"
  - 4 Body pouch
  - 5 Pumpkin pie ingredient
  - 6 Cart off to the jailhouse
  - 7 Tripoli's land
  - 8 Quirky mannerisms
  - 9 Moe or Larry
  - 10 Impedes
  - 11 — du Diable
  - 12 — de Oro
  - 13 Frat letter
  - 14 Mamba relative
  - 15 Actor Bert
  - 16 Roll topper
  - 17 Sad cry
  - 18 Adidas rival
  - 24 Sluggo Mel
  - 26 Tic — -toe
  - 32 Fling
  - 33 Regaled
  - 35 Element #50
  - 36 Smells nasty
  - 37 "Ahh, OK"
  - 41 Post-rain dirt
  - 43 Swimming specialty
  - 44 Woodwind instrument
  - 45 Gas in lights
  - 46 Pipe elbows
  - 47 Leisure suit fabrics
  - 48 Recoiled (from)
  - 50 Add ammo
  - 52 Des Moines' state
  - 53 Wait secretly
  - 54 Western lake
  - 55 Happiness
  - 57 Feel for
  - 58 Clog
  - 61 Let go of
  - 62 Put on
  - 65 Big name in old video game consoles
  - 66 Itty-bitty biter
  - 67 Football Hall of Famer
  - 69 Butting beast
  - 70 Be in debt to
  - 72 Foll relatives
  - 73 Shankar with a sitar
  - 74 "Law & Order: SVU" actor
  - 75 Ballpoint, e.g.
  - 78 In medias —
  - 81 Blue-green
  - 82 Force to go
  - 83 Go skyward
  - 84 "Well done, dival"
  - 85 Raw power
  - 86 George of "Cheers"
  - 88 Saudi, e.g.
  - 90 Turning tooth
  - 91 Bean trees of India
  - 94 Fifth of fifty
  - 95 African country
  - 99 Teaches one-on-one
  - 101 2009 James Cameron film
  - 102 Sobieski of Hollywood
  - 103 Great fear
  - 104 See
  - 118-Across
  - 105 New Hampshire prep school
  - 107 Unedited
  - 109 Bodily pump
  - 110 "— ching!"
  - 112 Get well
  - 113 Alan of TV and film
  - 114 Tiny mistake
  - 116 Poet Pound
  - 120 Sine — non
  - 121 Increases
  - 122 Ulna's
  - 124 Royal Navy inits.



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

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

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HARMFUL SHIELD  
HAVEN SUPPRESS  
INJURY SURVIVOR  
INSURANCE WEAKEN  
INVOLVEMENT WORRISOME

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

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