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Witness describes shooting scene

Victim 'did not deserve this' in Canton parking lot

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Cheryl Vatcher Martin couldn't sleep after witnessing the aftermath of a Tuesday night shooting in Canton Township.

"It's traumatic to see a gunshot victim," said Martin, who arrived at the Salvation Army store on Joy Road at Morton Taylor just before a man with a gun there tried to steal a woman's vehi-

cle, then shot the woman and fled to a nearby neighborhood, where he stole a car.

"You do not expect to see somebody shot," said Martin, of Belleville. "All I could think about was, 'Why is this happening in Canton?' This poor woman did not deserve this."

The incidents in Canton, which began around 9 p.m. Tuesday, were the first in a series of crimes that took the gunman and police through Plymouth and Northville townships to Highland

Park and Detroit, where, police said, the suspect was found dead on the city's east side Wednesday morning after exchanging shots with officers.

The suspect, identified later as Allan Farris, 56, had multiple gunshot wounds and no law enforcement officers were struck. The Michigan State Police and officers from several local departments were involved in the manhunt.

Martin and her husband, Gerald Martin, both U.S. Army veterans, hadn't been in the Salvation Army store more than a few minutes before the shooting.

"I heard commotion. I heard screaming," said Martin, who had been brows-

ing women's clothing while her husband looked at record albums. "I heard somebody say somebody got shot."

Martin saw the victim on the floor near the cash registers. She was conscious and bleeding from the right thigh, she said.

"It was bad, but she looked like she would be OK," Martin said. Police said the woman was hospitalized and in stable condition.

Martin wasn't sure how the woman got into the store.

"She came running into the store or

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Ryan Cabildo, Jennifer Romero and David Romero are ready to serve you at Karma Coffee & Kitchen in Wayne. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

KARMA IN A CUP

Cafe brings good coffee, food to downtown Wayne

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A sign on the back door beckons customers: Enter for Good Karma.

That's what David and Jennifer Romero want for customers at Karma Coffee & Kitchen, a warm, friendly place in downtown Wayne.

"We want to make people feel better when they leave than they did when they came in," David Romero said.

It worked for customer Tony Miller, who found comfort inside the cozy cafe as he stopped by one dreary, rainy day for coffee and a chicken cordon bleu grilled wrap.



The Good Morning Bowl is ready to be served. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

"I love this place," he said. "It has the best atmosphere."

It should. The Romeros spent a year fixing up a former party store that was left for dead, a vacant eyesore at 35634 Michigan Ave., in Wayne's business district.

They power-washed and scraped clean the original tin ceiling of a building that dates back to 1925. After four coats of metallic gold paint, it's a gem.

"It was so ugly, but I thought it had potential," Jennifer Romero said.

They painted the walls Moroccan red, stacked board games on a shelf for customers to play, brought in an electric fireplace for warmth and made the place as much like home as they could.

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All these eateries in one place? Foodie alert

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Dining out is huge in Plymouth, a town that certainly has no shortage of tantalizing restaurants.

"People are really into dining out now," said Wes Graff, Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce president. "Eating out has become an entertainment."

The chamber is bringing that entertainment to Showcase & Taste of Plymouth, where patrons can sample good from a plethora of restaurants while getting a crash course in Plymouth's business community and what it has to offer.

It all happens 5-7:30 p.m. Monday, April 16, at the Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile. Admission is just \$10 at the door.

Picnic Basket Marketplace owner Al Jonna said he's bringing a hot dish (macaroni and cheese made with four cheeses) and a cold dish (a Greek feta orzo salad).

"Being a small, independent business, you have to be in touch with the customer base," Jonna said, adding that Showcase & Taste of Plymouth gives businesses that opportunity. "Every community should have something like this."

The event last year drew a record crowd of about 700 people, Graff said.

He said about 95 businesses are expected to participate, with many of them giving away small gifts. Patrons can learn about fitness centers, salons, a dog groomer, senior living facilities, banking institutions and nonprofits such as Plymouth Community United Way and the Plymouth Historical Museum.

"We've got a good cross-section of different types of businesses," Graff said.

Food lovers can sample food from Five Steakhouse, Fox Hills Golf Club,

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Pets increasingly becoming divorce battleground

Susan Peck

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When a couple gets a divorce, they divide their assets and generally share custody of their kids — but what happens with the family dog?

Who gets the dog, cat, horse or boa constrictor when the marriage ends is a question that has sparked some ferocious custody disputes and is a growing area of family law in Michigan.

A recent survey of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers noted a marked increase in pet custody cases during the past five years. Dogs fetched the top spot as the most disputed family animal, with a clear majority at 88 percent, while cats came in a distant second at 6 percent, with a combination of horses and others also at 6 percent.

Family and matrimonial lawyer Nancy Stone of Rotter & Stone in Franklin says it's definitely a growing issue in her busy practice.

"I have clients who have worked together to divide million-dollar assets, but they can't agree to a settlement regarding their family dog," Stone said. "The intensity people can invest in a pet is phenomenal, because they view it as a member of the family."



Stone

There is a trend in the law to enact legislation that would treat pets more like children in a divorce. For example, Illinois recently passed a law stating that judges in divorce proceedings can consider the well-being of companion animals and put in place sole or joint custody for the couple.

But Michigan hasn't adopted those laws as of yet. "Laws here still state that pets are treated no differently than personal property, such as a couch, silverware or a painting — and are dealt with under the equitable property division statute," Stone said. "The court doesn't typically look into things like what is the best

interest of the pet or who is the 'better' dog parent."

There may be a few scenarios that Michigan judges would consider in a divorce settlement. Stone says if the dog was a gift from one spouse to the other, that party may have an argument that the dog is their separate property.

"Or if one spouse brought the pet to the marriage and is still the primary caretaker, that could be persuasive," Stone said. "But if the pet was purchased during the marriage with marital funds, there really is no greater right to the pet by one spouse over the other."

For expert advice to successfully handle pet custody issues when divorcing, Stone gives these tips:

■ First, it's best to reach a resolution with your spouse regarding your pet outside of court proceedings. Your lawyer can counsel you as to the current state of the law in Michigan.

■ Then, if you are sharing custody of a pet, draw up a detailed visiting plan similar to what we typically use for children that includes a parenting schedule. Make sure it includes a right of refusal, so that if one party will be out of town, the other party has the right to be with the pet vs. boarding it.

■ An added word of advice is that it's best for the pet to follow the same parenting schedule as the kids. This will make the kids more comfortable, especially during the early divorce transitions.

■ Lastly, don't forget finances. Make sure the plan you put together includes how pet expenses are to be divided between the parties and define what is considered "reasonable" expense. It's not unusual for one party to believe that an extraordinary pet expense such as a certain medical procedure is reasonable, while the other party will find the same expense completely unnecessary.

The goal is to remain "pet-centric," which means thinking about how you can work together for what is best for your dog or cat. Because, Stone said, "That's inevitably what is going to be best for the whole family."

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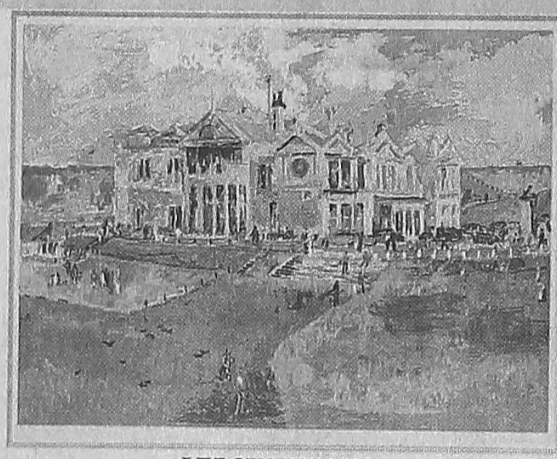
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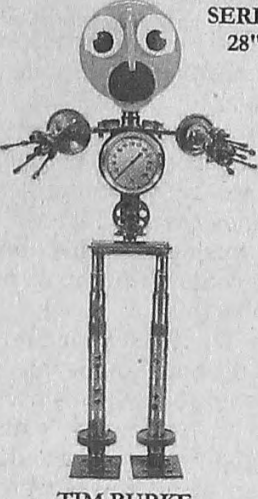
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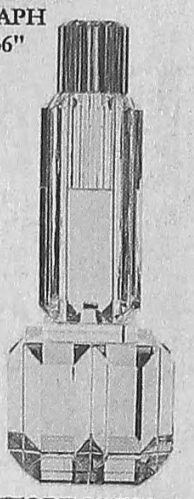
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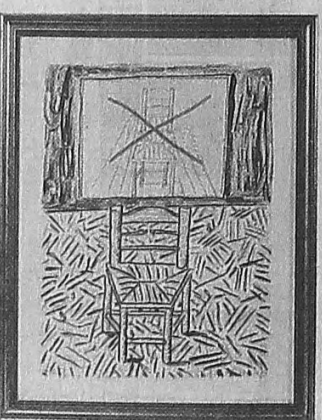
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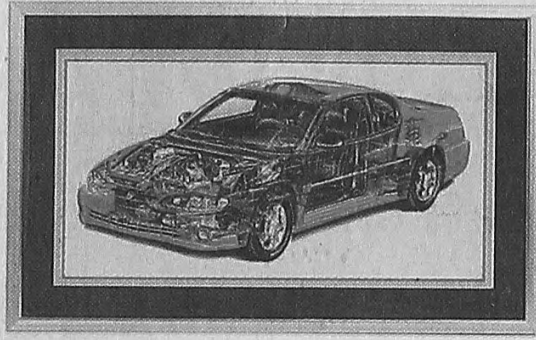
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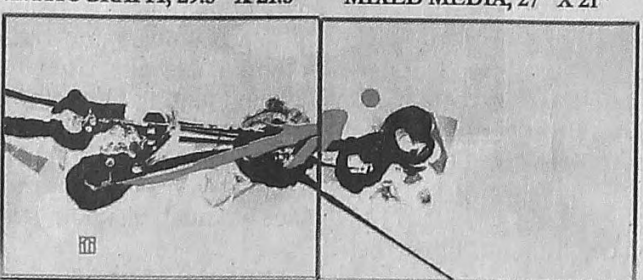
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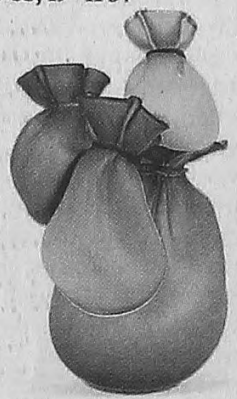
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somebody carried her," she said. "I cannot say for sure."

Martin, who uses a walker, abandoned it to find cushions to elevate the shooting victim's head and legs. She gave them to an employee and they ended up being used, she said. "The people at the Salvation Army were wonderful," she said.

A police officer arrived quickly, followed a minute or less later by paramedics. Martin was grateful for the first responders.

"When somebody's laying there, you don't want another second to go by. But I knew they would be there," she said. "They did an excellent job."

Martin believes she and her husband saw the shooter as they arrived at the store in a rainstorm.

A man was standing outside, pacing; he and Martin made eye contact and "I just knew something was wrong," she said. The couple parked their vehicle and hustled inside.

"I just felt something was off, because people don't usually stand in the dark in the pouring rain," she said. "It just didn't seem right."

Police in Canton couldn't immediately pro-

vide details, but Plymouth Township Police Lt. Dan Kudra that said after the carjacking attempt outside the store, the gunman apparently went to a nearby house in Canton, fired shots there and stole a Buick Regal. A woman was reportedly wounded in that incident but details on her status weren't available at press time.

Officers saw what was thought to be the stolen car on northbound Sheldon, but lost sight of it, Kudra said, then learned the Regal had crashed at Five Mile and Sheldon in Northville Township.

Police set up a perimeter in that area to try to locate the gunman, police said, but several hours later learned he had escaped by stealing a woman's car outside the CVS drug store at the intersection.

The gunman had forced the car's driver to accompany him, Kudra said. Northville Township Police Lt. Mike Burrough said the woman was able to escape from him in Highland Park and contact police there. She was not hurt, Burrough said.

The Detroit Free Press contributed reporting for this story.

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Showcase

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C.J.'s Brewing Co., French Toast, Rusty Bucket, Beyond Borders Latin Street Food, Picnic Basket, Alpine Chocolat Haus, Eats & Sweets Boutique, Edible Arrangements, Happy's Pizza, Jimmy John's and Leo's Coney Island.

Graff said Leo's is among the crowd favorites because of the volume of samples the restaurant brings.

"They bring the house every year," he said.

Chefs also are coming from two senior living facilities: Beacon Square of Northville and Independence Village of Plymouth.

"They are always great," Graff said.

Showcase & Taste of Plymouth is intended to expose local businesses, including restaurants, to people who may not be aware they are in town.

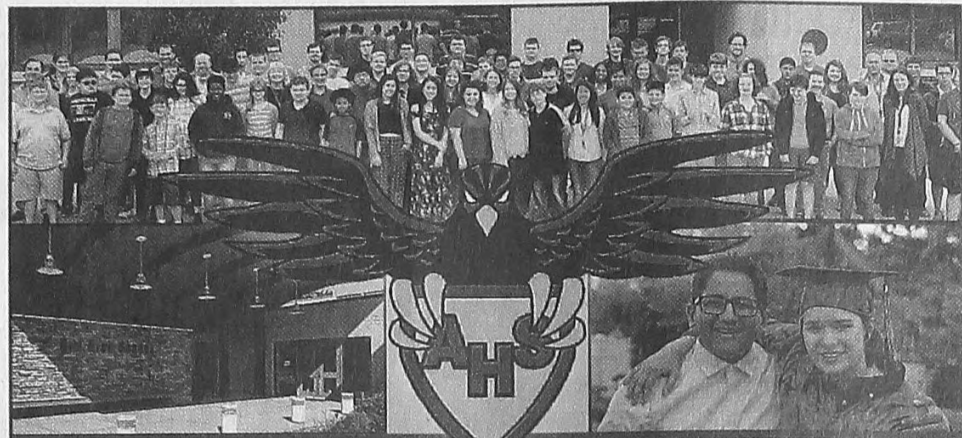
"It's a great way for the businesses to get out there and tell their story," Graff said. "This is a good marketing tool for these businesses."

And for patrons, he said, "It's a great way to find new places and try new things."

Although patrons can pay at the door, those who choose to sign up early may go to the chamber's website at <http://www.plymouthmich.org>, call 734-453-1540 or stop by the office at 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail.

Major event sponsors are Hines Park Lincoln and Community Financial. Other sponsors helping during the event include Sysco, a food service company, Regency at Canton, a rehabilitation and long-term care facility, and Remerica Hometown Realtors.

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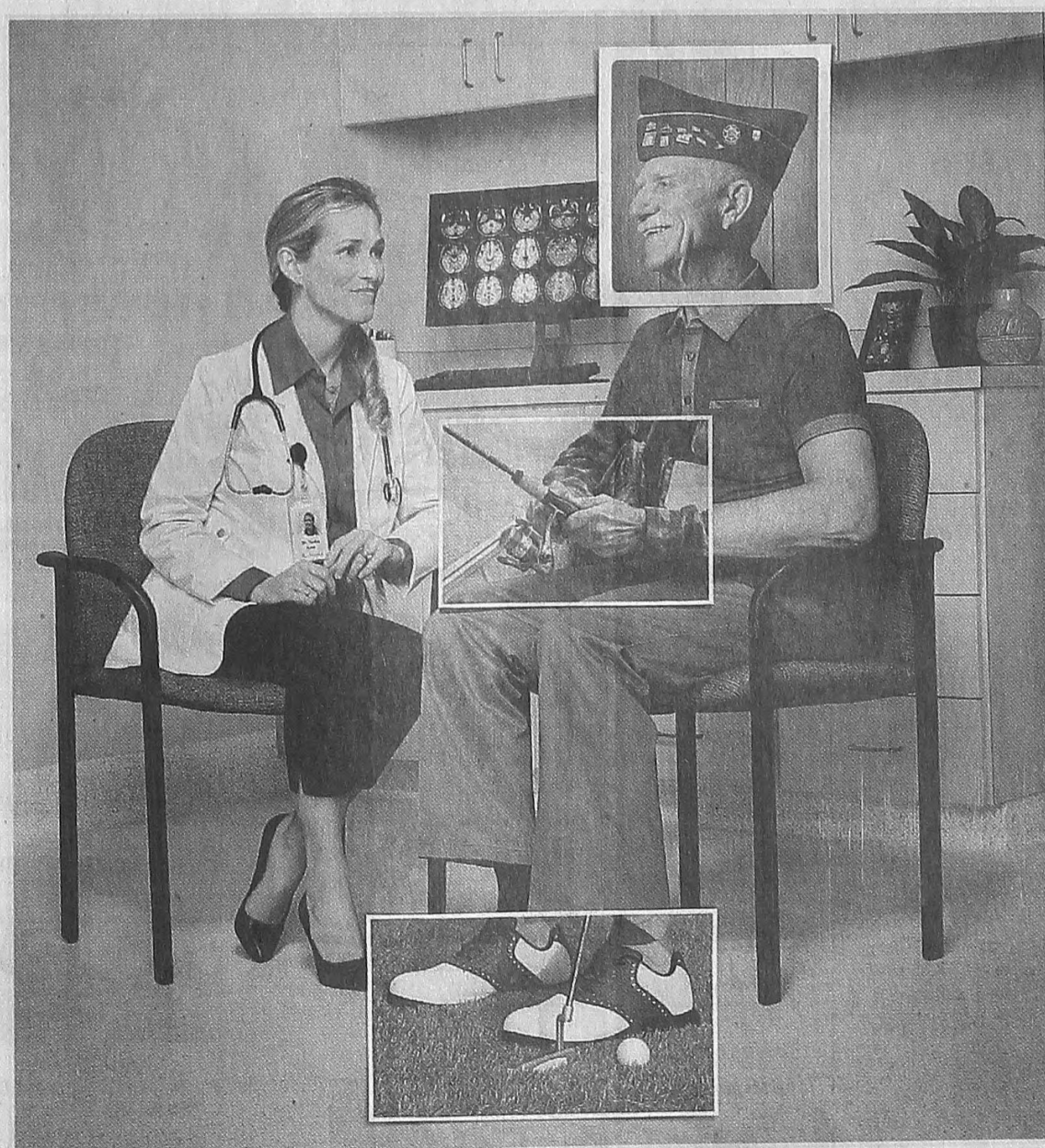
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Karma

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Jennifer Romero said most people spend much of their time at work and at home.

"We want to be the third place they go to," she said.

Karma Coffee & Kitchen represents a compromise for the couple. She wanted a coffee shop. He wanted a restaurant where he could use the executive chef skills he honed at Oakland Community College.

"This is a melting pot where we could do both," he said.

It's certainly not a typical coffee shop. Sure, customers can find homemade pastries such as Bavarian cream and chocolate turnovers, cinnamon rolls, blueberry lemon parfait muffins and pie bites.

"The cake pops are the best," said Miller, a regular customer.

But customers can find meatloaf, barbecue pork and fried chicken sandwiches, a veggie reuben and a sweet bean burger made with a sweet potato and pinto bean patty and other fixings

on a brioche bun.

Crave breakfast? The cafe serves breakfast burritos, bowls and sandwiches, including the Fit To Be Hog, a two-egg omelette filled with bacon, ham, cheddar and potatoes on a sub bun.

"We make everything here," David Romero said. "I'd say 95 percent of what we serve is made here."

Karma Coffee & Kitchen offers catering and has hosted special parties for Valentine's Day and events such as one that featured a four-course meal based on recipes that the Romeros found in a cookbook by the late horror film actor Vincent Price.

That gave David Romero a real chance to show his culinary skills, using recipes Price gathered from his favorite U.S. restaurants. It featured hot shrimp in a meat sauce, a la Sardi's of New York; endive and beet salad, like the one from Antoine's in New Orleans; Cornish hen with orange sauce, brown wild rice and asparagus, like that made at a Virginia Museum of Fine Arts restaurant; and, for dessert, a hazelnut torte recipe from Luchow's of New York.

Romero plans to use Price's cookbook as the influence for other special



Customer Stacy Tompkins of Wayne ordered the Good Morning Bowl at Karma Coffee & Kitchen. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

animation films, play cards and, of course, dine. And one night each week, one of the regular customers is an older gentleman befriended by the couple's 5-year-old daughter Isabella. The two have dinner together once a week.

Isabella loves being at the cafe. "She's the boss," Jennifer Romero said.

The Romeros once had another coffee shop in Wayne, but they eventually gave it up because they didn't have room to grow and serve food like they can at their new place.

"This allows me to entertain our customers through food and conversation," David Romero said. "It has always been my dream to have my own restaurant."

Their focus is on their customers. Still, it seems they've found a little good karma of their own.

Karma Coffee & Kitchen hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. The cafe can be found on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/karmacoffeeshop/>. The phone number is 734-589-0304.

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parties featuring food from countries such as France, Spain and Italy.

Some customers stop by the cafe just for a cup of coffee, which is locally roasted in Ypsilanti, or for the soup.

"We make a mean tomato soup," David Romero said. Another popular option is the white bean chicken chili.

Each Friday evening, an anime club gathers after normal cafe hours to watch

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The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park color guard recently attended the World Guard International competition and qualified for the finals, one 15 in the country for 2017. Its show is titled "The Artist is Present" and is based on Serbian artist Marina Abramovic. Under directors Seth Williams and Lucas Schmidt, the team this season has won three invitationals at Novi, Rochester and Plymouth, as well as the Flint regional and the Mid-East Power regional held in Cincinnati. It was scheduled April 7 to compete for the state championship at Saginaw Valley State University and then depart April 10 for Dayton. The P-CEP team is ranked No. 2 in the country.

Novi to host dining festival fundraiser

Barbecue, whiskey and music fans rejoice can unite as Hospice of Michigan will host Barley, BBQ & Beats 5-9 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at the Suburban Collection Showcase, 46100 Grand River Ave., in Novi. Tickets are \$40 in advance and are available at www.hom.org/BBB2018.

The festival-like fundraiser will feature a large variety of food and drink vendors, live musical entertainment and a lawn games area in support of Hospice of Michigan's Open Access Fund, which provides end-of-life care to patients regardless of age, diagnosis or ability to pay.

With each admission, guests can enjoy three food servings and three hand-crafted cocktail tastings. Additional tasting tokens will

be available for purchase at the event.

Hand-crafted cocktail tastings will feature whiskeys from Michigan distilleries. The following vendors have been confirmed, with more still to come:

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Barley, BBQ & Beats is patterned after a successful event by the same name in Grand Rapids, which raises funds for Hospice of Michigan services in the western part of the state. The third annual Grand Rapids event is scheduled for May 19 at Van Andel Arena.

Additional event sponsorships are available by contacting Kim Streich at kstreich@hom.org or 734-794-5120.

Community literacy council seeks volunteer tutors

The Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council is seeking volunteer literacy tutors to help improve English literacy skills for adults in Western Wayne County. The vast majority of its students speak English as a Second Language. CLC provides free one-on-one tutors and conversation group tutors throughout the Plymouth-Canton community.

Tutor do not need any prior experience. Tutors receive comprehensive training before volunteering in a setting of their choice for up to two hours each week. The next training class, which includes 12 hours of instruction spread out over two days, will be held 6-9 p.m. Thursday, May 17, and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 19, at Starkweather Academy at Fiegel Elementary, 39750 Joy Road, in Plymouth.

The cost is \$40 for each tutor to cover the cost of training, materials and food. Advance reservations are required and can be made at www.plymouthcantonliteracy.org/get-involved or by calling the literacy council at 734-589-0011.

For more information about ways to get involved or to sign up to be a tutor, go to www.plymouthcantonliteracy.org.

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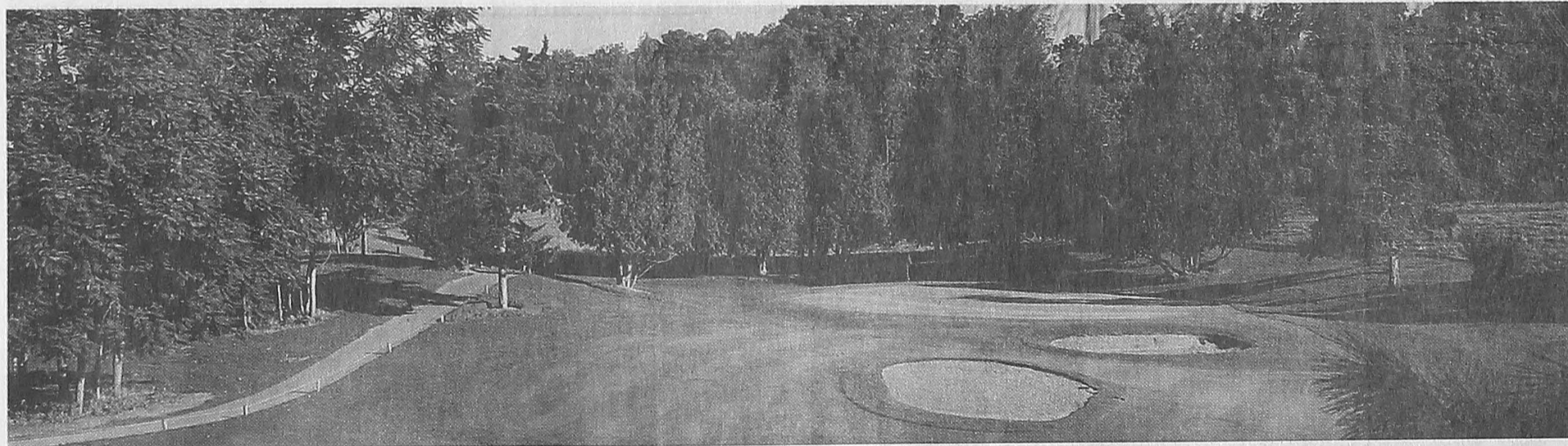
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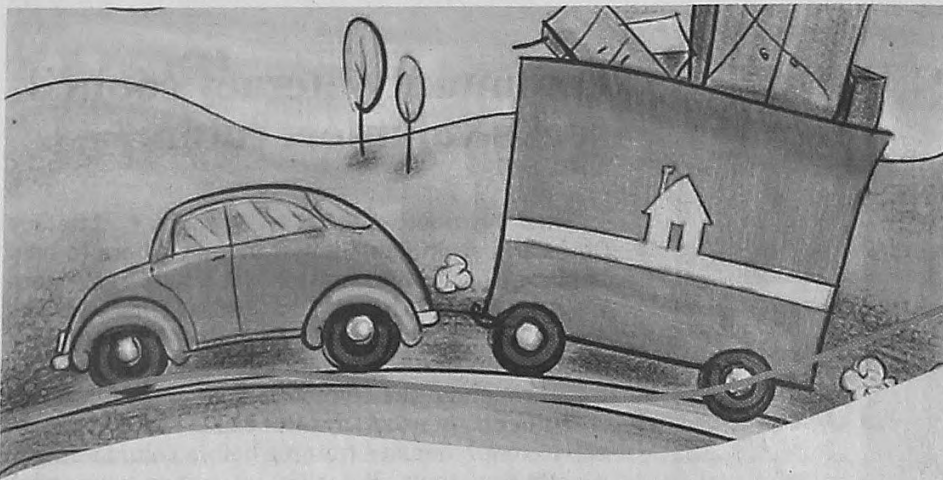


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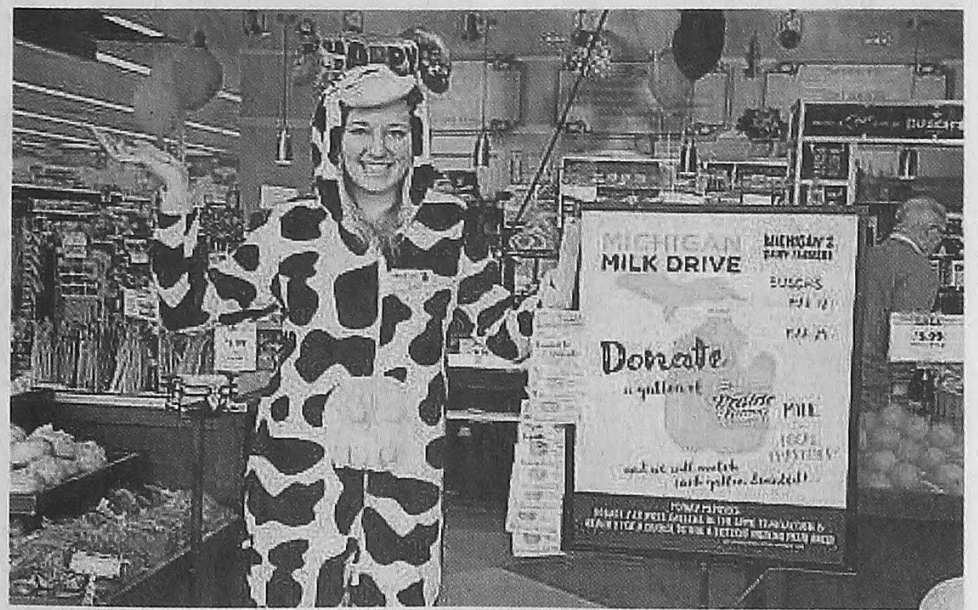
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Busch’s employee Mikalah Roubos gets into the spirit of the milk drive. BUSCH’S MARKET

Busch’s drive has milk pouring into local food banks

Busch’s Fresh Food Market partnered with local organizations, including United Dairy Industry of Michigan and Michigan Farmers, to reduce the need for milk within the community and raised 53,611 gallons of milk.

These donations will go to Forgotten Harvest, Food Gatherers and other local food banks.

“This was a community-based effort,” said Todd Robinson, Busch’s marketing director. “We’re pleased to see such amazing results.”

The drive ran March 12-25 at all Busch’s locations and any MyWay guest who donated two or more gallons of milk in the same transaction were automatically entered to win a Detroit Pistons gift package, which included a variety of fan gear and four tickets to the April 6 game at Little Caesars Arena against the Dallas Mavericks.

Additional store contests were also held among Busch’s employees and

store managers to encourage associates to beat last year’s goals and promote the value of giving back.

“This is over 12 truckloads of milk,” said Kathi Eckler, RDN, executive director, of marketing and communications for UDIM. “This number is unbelievable and truly going to make a difference.”

Doug Busch, Busch’s community development director, said credits for the milk are usually Busch’s credits, but not always.

“They could use credits other than Busch’s, but the smaller food banks, who get the credit, do work with us and get it at Busch’s,” he said. “The bigger groups take various deliveries of the milk and distribute to those in need.”

Busch’s Fresh Food Market, which opened its doors in 1975, has stores in Canton, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Novi, Plymouth-Northville and South Lyon among its 17 locations.

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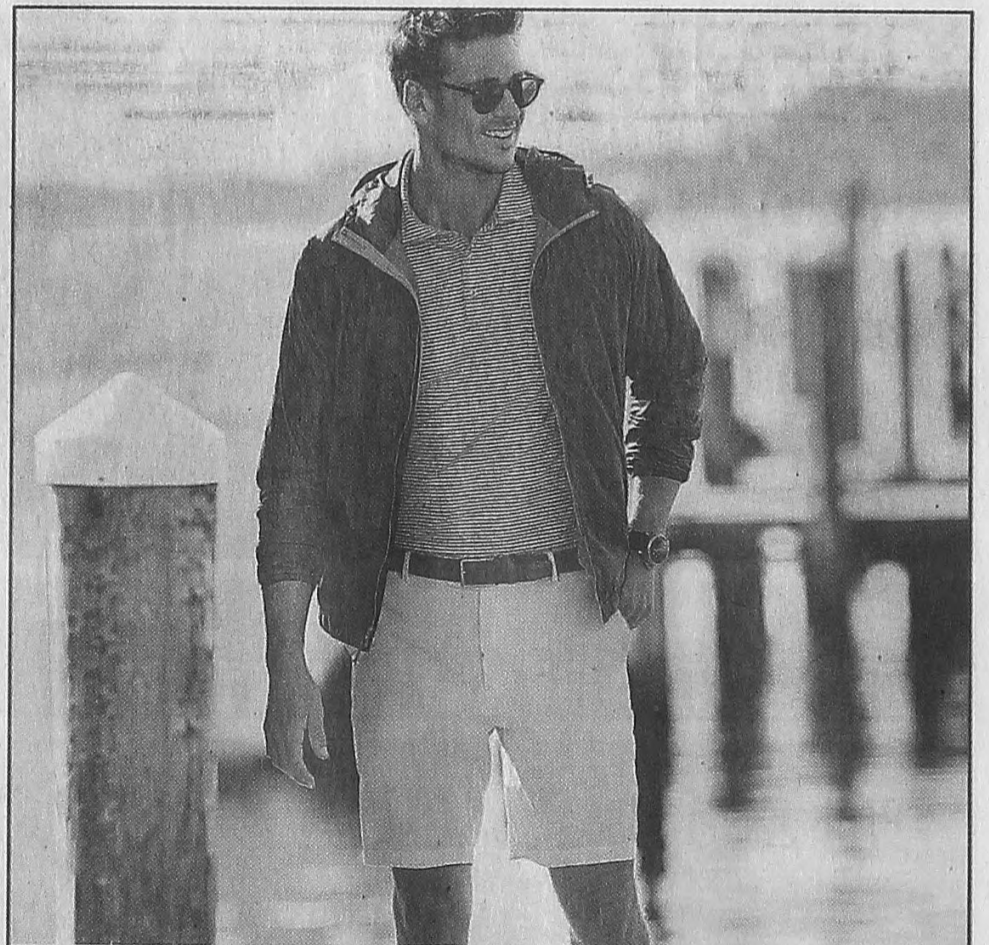


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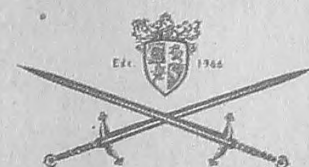
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Schoolcraft asking voters for additional money

David Veselenak
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

It looks like voters in several school districts in northwest Wayne County and southwest Oakland County will have one more item to vote on come November.

The Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees voted unanimously Wednesday night during its regular meeting to send a Headlee override proposal to voters in the college's district. The proposal would restore the college's millage rate to the original 2.27 mills. Today, it collects 1.7766 mills, meaning the override would increase taxes by 0.4934 mills.

College officials say the override is necessary for the school to keep operating at a high level, especially while combating declining enrollment over the next few years.

"We've gotten to the point where it's such a compelling necessity that you have to do it at this time," said Conway Jeffress, Schoolcraft College's president. "It's not a matter of scheduling an ideal time. The first major election timing you have is the Nov. 6 election. That's the first time you can really do it."

This proposal will essentially raise the millage rate less than the proposal the college floated to voters back in 2015. Voters then were asked for a 0.6-mill increase and ultimately rejected it.

This proposal would restore the college's tax levying to where it was when it was originally set at 2.27 mills. The levied tax rate has dropped as property values went down, though the Headlee Amendment, approved by Michigan voters in 1978, limits how quickly those levied tax rates can increase. Schoolcraft College has not levied the full 2.27-mill amount since 1986-87, the first year it was in effect.

If the override is approved, the college projects it could add more than \$6.2 million in revenue for the school, beginning in 2020. The college said the override proposal, if approved, would cost homeowners who own a \$200,000 home less than \$50 additionally a year. Voters across the state will head to

the polls Nov. 6 for the statewide general election, which includes voting for governor, attorney general, secretary of state and state legislators.

This proposal sent to voters by Schoolcraft College will most likely see higher voter turnout, which typically comes in off-year elections. The previous proposal was voted on in November 2015, an odd-year election where only some of the municipalities had regularly-scheduled elections. Townships such as Canton and Northville, for instance, only voted on the millage increase put out by the college that year.

The 2015 proposal was ultimately voted down across the district by just more than 1,000 votes.

Jeffress didn't say exactly whether he expected to see a bigger turnout for the millage proposal, but indicated using his body language he would.

"I wouldn't hope for a thing like that," he said light-heartedly with a smile, crossing his fingers.

Schoolcraft College operates its main campus along Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, in Livonia and also operates a satellite campus, the Radcliff Center, just south of Ford Road in Garden City. The taxing district for the college includes the following school districts: Livonia Public Schools, Clarenceville School District, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Garden City Public Schools and Northville Public Schools. Those districts include all or parts of several communities spanning three counties, including Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Canton, Westland, Farmington Hills, Novi and Salem Township.

Trustee Carol Strom said the proposal is one the college is in need of and hoped those who work at and attend the college would work to try to pass the proposal later this year.

"It is imperative that we get everybody who's at all interested in this topic involved in this campaign," she said. "It's absolutely essential we get this passed for the college."

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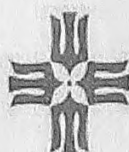
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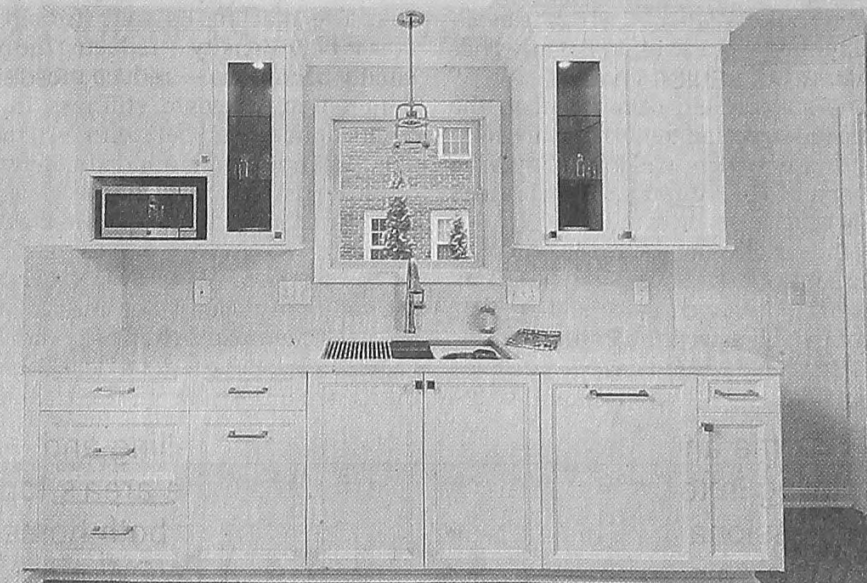
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Dogs vibrate their way to health at pet supply

Sharon Dargay
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Forest, a Labrador retriever, dives, fetches and barn hunts, but is a novice when it comes to therapeutic vibrating.

The canine athlete from Commerce Township recently dipped his paw into the world of whole body vibration by taking a turn on Premier Pet Supply's new vibration platform, which is available for in-store use at its Beverly Hills location.

The six-year-old calmly sat on the platform accepting treats from his owner, Anna Borovich, while the EquiVibe equipment sent vibrations from his toes to his head.

"I thought this might be good for him. He has never been on this, but he seems to like it," Borovich said, adding that Forest, who has won the Purina Incredible Dog Challenge and has been on television, likely will return for another 10-

minute vibration session. "We always come here. This is one of the places that has everything. I saw this (EquiVibe) on their Facebook page and I thought it might be a good idea, because he is an athlete."

According to the store's Facebook post, whole body vibration improves blood flow, which in turn brings more oxygen to tissue, removes toxins and enhances the body's ability to heal itself. The machine is said to help increase bone density — reducing the possibility of injuries — reduce muscle inflammation, alleviate stiffness in arthritic animals and help with ACL tears.

Forest was among approximately two dozen canine customers who gave the equipment a try during its first week in the store.

The platform — which looks similar to a veterinary scale — became available for customer use last week and has gained at least one regular user, according to Samantha Henson, store manager

and pet nutritionist.

"A German shepherd mix, is 15, has cancer and had a session and loved it," Henson said, describing the new user.

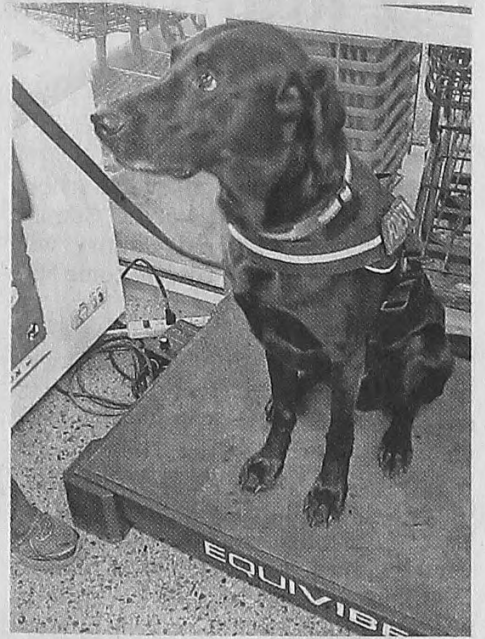
Premier Pet Supply offers a 10-minute session for \$10, four 10-minute sessions for \$30 and one month of unlimited use for \$99. No appointments are necessary and use of the machine is on a first-come basis.

Dog-sized platform

"I had seen it at a horse show years back and thought it was amazing, but it was enormous," Henson said. "I put it out of my mind until I saw it at a pet expo. The unit for dogs is new. A lot of barns in Michigan have it (for horses), but not a whole lot of places have it for dogs."

Magoo's Pet Outlet in Commerce Township also offers EquiVibe sessions

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Forest, a champion dock diver, tries the vibrating EquiVibe platform at Premier Pet Supplies. SHARON DARGAY

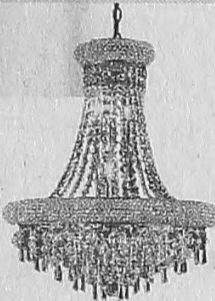
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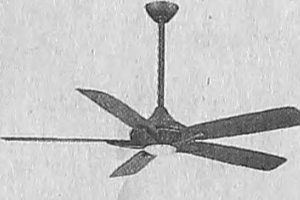
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Matt Reddie of Ferndale tries to get his Siberian husky, Akidoe, to stay on the vibrating platform. Store manager Lauren Blunden lends a hand. SHARON DARGAY

Dogs

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for dogs. Cost is \$20 for 20 minutes.

Store owner Jason Corbett likens the experience to a massage.

"A massage is something that, when you're done, you feel refreshed," he said. "I don't have any experience with cats on it. It's more geared toward dogs with arthritis. Ours is enclosed by a cage. The dog goes in and it's so soothing for them."

Matt Reddie of Ferndale, who let his Siberian husky, Akidoe, 2½, try the Equi-Vibe at Premier Pet Supply, says using vibration to lessen pain and inflammation "makes sense."

"I have nerve damage and vibrations actually work to open up the nerve channels and alleviate pain. That relieves inflammation, too," he said.

Henson said customers can step onto the platform with their dogs if they need to quell canine nerves.

Co-manager Lauren Blunden of Farmington Hills said she stood on the platform for five minutes one day last week to shake off a bad headache.

"It was gone," she said. "I do feel a difference when I stand on it, just for my whole body in general. It's a vibration that goes through your feet and all the way up. I just know it's going to be super beneficial."

How beneficial?

Stephanie Siegrist, a rehabilitation therapy assistant at the Animal Rehab Center of Michigan in Union Lake, said whole body vibration is not used at the center, which offers underwater and on-

land treadmills, therapeutic laser, muscle conditioning and core strength and balance exercises.

"We felt it would not be super helpful for us. I know equine vets use it and it has some merit for dogs," she said, adding that some fitness gyms, such as Planet Fitness, also offer whole body vibration to their human clients.

"It's good for healthy (canine) patients," she added. "It can't hurt, but I'd say for any injured or arthritic patients, consult with a doctor first."

Jim Thompson, hospital administrator at Oakland Veterinary Referral Services in Bloomfield Hills, said he spoke with a surgeon about whole body vibration health claims.

"It is not going to help with ACL tears," he wrote in an email to hometownlife.com.

Hillary Lobar, DVM, works with horses and other farm animals through her veterinary practice in South Lyon, but said she had limited experience using whole body vibration with animals.

"I know it's very popular in high-end sports horses and most horses seem to relax and enjoy the treatment," she wrote in an email to hometownlife.com.

Henson said vibration, which causes muscles to contract, can be used as an alternative to walking outdoors on a frigid winter day or as exercise for dogs that have difficulty walking.

"It works all your muscles," she said. "It's like you've been running 10 minutes without being winded at the end."

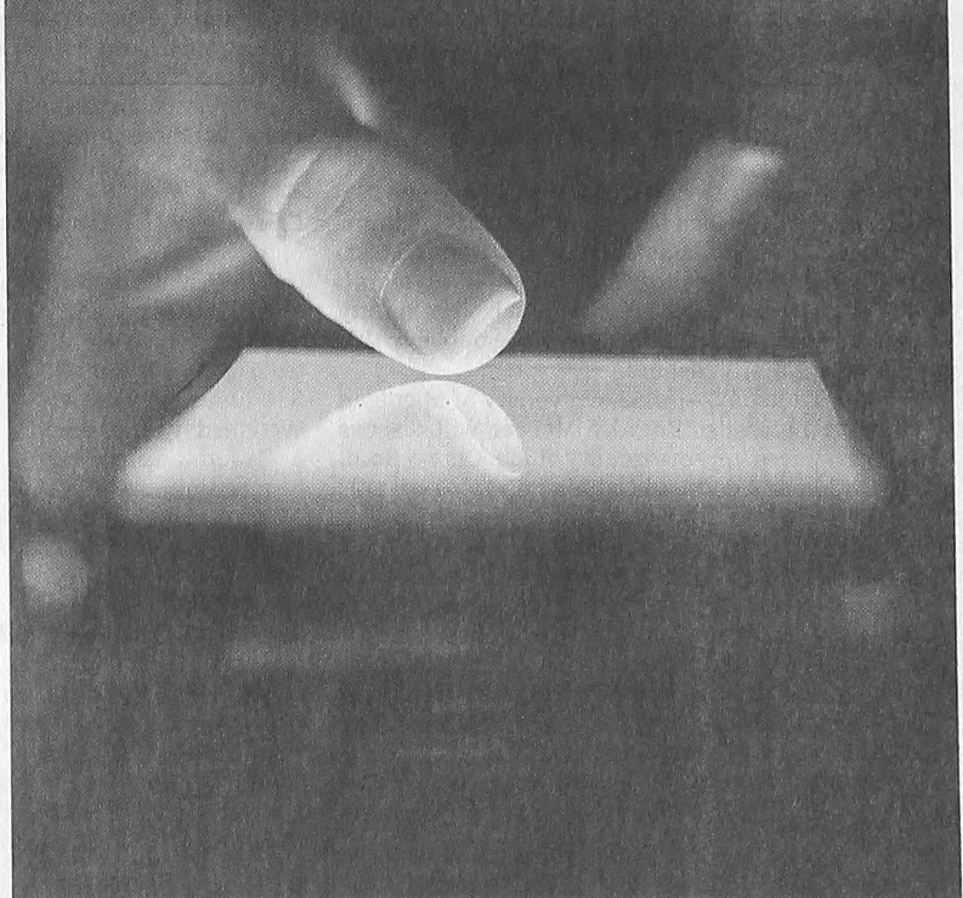
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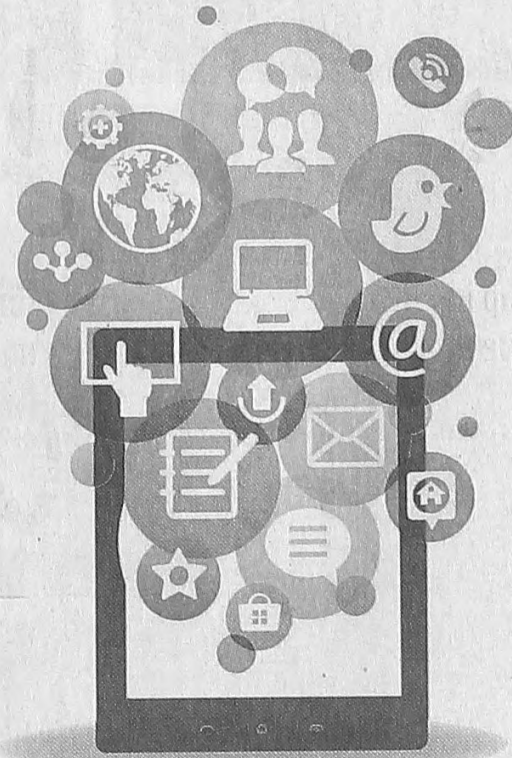
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Noble to host local office hours

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Music at the Elks

Blues @ The Elks happens 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society (www.detroitbluessociety.org). There is a \$5 donation at the door and bring your dancing shoes.

On Tuesday, April 10, the Kathleen Murray Band returns. Joining Murray on vocals are Mike Ferencz on guitar, Craig Scott on bass, Bob Bowman on drums and Evan Mercer on keyboard.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 is at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. For more information, call 734-453-1780, go to www.plyaa325.com or email jazzattheelks@gmail.com.

Miller Woods story at Plymouth library

The Plymouth District Library will welcome the Friends of Miller Woods for two upcoming programs. Fifty years ago, the Friends acquired the woods, located on Powell Road, east of Ridge Road, in Plymouth Township. Co-sponsored by the Bosch Community Fund, these programs will introduce the public to this valuable community resource.

■ 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12. University of Michigan interpretive naturalist Dorothy McLeer will discuss how green spaces improve quality of life. Cheryl Bord, Friends of Miller Woods, will highlight 50 years of citizen involvement and the contribution that the Miller family made in preserving the land in 1968.

■ 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 17. Dr. John Hartig, author of "Bringing Conservation to Cities," will speak on the Humbug Marsh and the role of local citizens in its success. Taylor Myatt of the Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy will share some of the organization's significant land protection projects. He will highlight the Superior Greenway, located just outside Plymouth.

Registration is requested for these programs. Call the library at 734-453-0750, ext. 4, or go to plymouth-library.org.

Mom to Mom Sale

Canton Leisure Services will host its annual Mom to Mom Sale from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway.

More than 60 booths will be on-site, offering great deals on everything that is baby, child or maternity related. Moms will be selling gently used children's clothing and shoes, plus toys, books, DVDs/videos, baby gear, Halloween costumes, water and swim gear and more. Shoppers will also be able to find great deals on furniture, strollers, high chairs and more in the large item area.

Admission is \$2 8-9 a.m. and \$1 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All sales are cash only (note that there is no ATM on the premises). For more information, call 734-394-5460 or go to www.cantonfun.org.

Spring walks in Miller Woods

Celebrate spring with a walk in historic Miller Woods Nature Preserve. Tours will be held 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 22 and 29, leaving every half hour; tours last about 60 minutes. The native spring flowers will be blooming soon and you can enjoy a guided walk through the woods to learn about the flowers, unique trees and the history of the Miller family.

Entrance is on Powell Road, east of Ridge Road, in Plymouth Township. No dogs or strollers. You must be able to walk on unstable surfaces due to large tree roots. For more information, go to millerwoods.com or call Cheryl Bord at 734-459-7666.

Friends of the Library author luncheon

The Friends of the Plymouth Library will host a luncheon featuring author Michael Zadoorian at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 16, at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center, 768 N. Territorial Road, in Plymouth. Tickets are \$30 and reservations will be accepted through noon Wednesday, April 25.

Zadoorian, a native of Detroit, has written three novels and one collection of stories: "Second Hand" (2000), "The Leisure Seeker" (2009), "The Lost Tiki Palaces of Detroit" (2009) and "Beautiful Music" (May, 2018).

Plymouth Oratorio Society

The Plymouth Oratorio Society will open its 32nd season with a concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth. The POS will perform J.S. Bach's "Mass #1 in F-major" and Bob Chilcott's "Requiem." The POS will be joined by the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra and

organist May Ann Balduf.

A free will offering will be taken; no tickets required. For more information, call 734-455-8353 or go to plymouthoratoriosociety.org.

All-sports equipment sale

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department is holding an all-sports equipment sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 2, inside the Plymouth Ice Arena, 525 Farmer Street. Each 10- by 10-foot spot is \$20 and space is limited. You may purchase multiple booths and we will ensure that your spots will be next to each other.

Admission is free. For more information or to register, go to www.ci.plymouth.mi.us or call 734-455-6620.

Plymouth H.S. reunion

The Plymouth High School Class of 1963 is celebrating its 55th class reunion Saturday, Aug. 18, with a dinner at The Summit in Canton. Other activities include a golf outing, a night mixer Friday, Aug. 17, at Karl's Cabin and an indoor picnic Sunday, Aug. 19, at the Plymouth Arts & Recreation Complex. For more information, contact Nancy Richard Earle at 734-634-8974 or nancyearle@comcast.net.

Baseline Folk Society

The Baseline Folk Society continues its 2018 season, at The JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, at 774 N. Sheldon Road. Performances include 10 open-mic artists and then the feature act at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 at the door, including performers. Sign-up for open mic starts at 6:15 p.m. and ends at 6:40 p.m. Performances are the third Saturday of each month, September through May.

The season schedule is available on its Facebook page. For more information, email bfsresident4u@gmail.com.

Diabetes support group

A diabetes support group meets 2-3:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main Street. Facilitator is Fern Vining, R.N., a diabetes educator. The group is sponsored by the Plymouth Lions Club.

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Obituaries

Barbara B. Wolff

FARMINGTON - Age 90, Barbara passed away Wednesday afternoon, April 4, 2018. Born on September 29, 1927 in Chicago, IL, she was the daughter of the late Clifford and the late Mildred (Bucher) BreMiller. Beloved wife of the late Richard T. Wolff to whom she was married



for 66 years. Dear mother of Diana (Carl) Visconti of Howell, Cynthia Richard of Rochester Hills, Karen (David) Noble of NJ and Theresa Smith of FL. Loving grandmother of eleven and great-grandmother of nine. Also survived by her twin sister, Betty Huffman of Farmington and sister in law, Ruth BreMiller of OR. She was preceded in death by her brother, Clifford BreMiller. Barbara earned a bachelor degree from Eastern Michigan University in teaching and master's degree in fine arts with a concentration in weaving. She was a master weaver and taught for the Farmington Adult Education. Barbara put great importance in sharing her love of the arts with all her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed her family and stayed connected with extended family members. A memorial service in honor and celebration of Barbara's life will be held at a later date. Interment will take place at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Memorial contributions in Barbara's loving memory may be made to the Wayne State University Arts Department or the Detroit Institute of Arts. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.macdonaldsfuneralhome.com

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Delores L. Sussex

WARREN - Delores L. Sussex, age 89, of Warren, Michigan died Wednesday, March 28, 2018.

Born September 7, 1928 in Ann Arbor, Michigan to the late Carl and Viola Nevins. She was an active member of the Newburgh United Methodist Church in Livonia. Survived by children Cheryl (Rob) Richardson, Susan (Joseph) Cusmano, Thomas Sussex and six grandchildren. Preceded in death by husband Earl in 2016 and granddaughter Lauren.

Visitation and services have taken place at the Harold W. Vick Funeral Home, 140 South Main, Mount Clemens, Michigan on Monday, April 2, 2018. Burial has taken place at Acacia Park Cemetery, Beverly Hills, Michigan.

Contributions may be addressed to wishes of the family. View full obituary at www.vickfuneralhome.com



Nancy Ann Lorraine (Baranski) Campbell

FARMINGTON - Nancy age 82, entered heavens gates on March 8, 2018. Nancy, a passionate nurturer of souls, is preceded in death by her parents, Stanley and Victoria Baranski, and her loving husband, Arthur "Red" Campbell. Nancy is survived by her siblings, Leonard, Virginia, and Patrick, her children, Shawn Campbell (Barbara), Brian Campbell (Diana), Shannon Zimmerman (Steve), Colleen Read (Rocky) and Dion Campbell (Nancy), 21 grandchildren, and numerous great-grandchildren and adopted family. Please join us for a celebration of Nancy's life, Sunday April 15th from 1:00-4:00 pm to share memories and some of her favorite Polish dishes at the VFW Banquet Hall, 24223 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield, MI



Jean Koss

FARMINGTON - age 90, died Thursday, March 29, 2018. Loving mother of Debra (Daniel) Rodriguez, Donna (Daniel) Sandoffsky, Robert Koss, Jr., Gerald (Barbara) Koss, William Koss, Patricia (Greg) Luger, Mary Maydew and Thomas (Trudy) Koss; beloved grandmother of 17 and great grandmother of 14; fond sister of Kathleen Chiles. Preceded in death by siblings, William, Yvonne, Carol and Patricia. A Funeral Mass was held Saturday, April 7, 2018 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, 23615 Power Rd., Farmington. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery, Flat Rock. Memorial tributes suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.

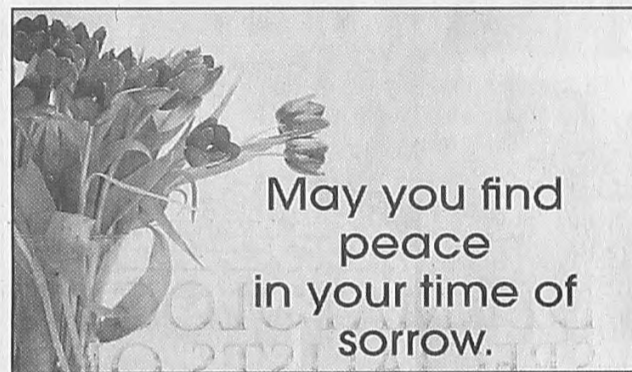
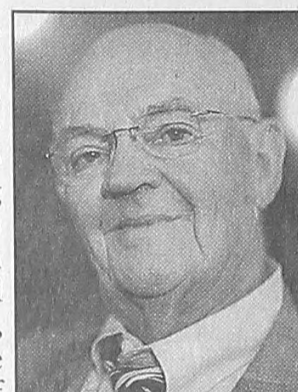
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Wilfred Luoto

LIVONIA - Age 81, was escorted into eternity by Jesus on March 31, 2018. Beloved husband of Diane for 55 wonderful years. Loving father of Wendy (Dave) Johnson and Lee Ann (John) Roe. Cherished grandfather of Austin, Nick, Lindsey, and Jake and great-grandfather of Lukas, Kinley, and Macie. Dearest brother of Elaine (dec Wesley) Hendrickson and Dennis (Randi) Luoto. Will also be missed by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. Visitation is Thursday, April 5 from 4pm-8pm at Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Rd, Livonia. Funeral service is Friday, April 6 at 11am (instate 10am) at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 W Seven Mile Rd, Livonia. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Wilfred's name can be made to the Salvation Army, American Cancer Society, or the Wounded Warrior Project.



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Problem gambling can take a huge toll



Our Mental Health
L.J. McCulloch
USA TODAY NETWORK —
MICHIGAN

The Bible says that when Christ was crucified on Calvary, "The soldiers cast lots for his garments." This may well be one of the earliest recorded references to gambling.

In 1929, Sigmund Freud documented what is considered to be the first account of a case of pathological gambling in his study of the writer Dostoevsky, author of "Crime and Punishment." Freud wrote, "(Dostoevsky) always remained at the gambling tables until he had lost everything and was completely ruined." Freud insisted that the main thing was the gambling itself and that greed for money had nothing to do with it.

In 1980, the American Psychiatric Association defined gambling as a disorder of impulse control characterized by

persistent, maladaptive gambling behavior. In recent times, the latest revision of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association characterizes a gambling disorder as a non-substance related disorder that entails persistent and recurrent gambling behaviors that lead to clinically significant impairment or distress as indicated by, in part, needs to gamble with increasing amounts of money in order to achieve the desired excitement, failed attempts to cut back or stop gambling altogether and reliance on others to provide money to relieve desperate financial situations caused by gambling and often gambling.

A few years ago, I met a prominent researcher, Durand Jacobs, who coined the term, "a general theory of addictions." He saw addictive behavior, of any type, as not only a problem in and of itself, but a symptom of a greater and deeper problem. The task and treatment of problem gambling is to simultaneously address the needs to modify the behavior as well as pursue and resolve,

as feasible, the underlying conflicts, often unconscious, within a person. These conflicts often turn out to be early life traumas. It has been said, "You can't treat addictions without treating the trauma that begets the addictions."

In the mid-1990s, the Michigan Council on Problem Gambling formed and began training professional counselors in Michigan and elsewhere as a response to the influx of the new industry of gambling that came to our state. There are now more professionally trained problem gambling therapists and centers than ever before.

The website of the Michigan Association of Problem Gambling is easily found on Google. This resource is valuable in many ways. It provides a 24/7 problem gambler helpline (800-522-4700), which can be used by anyone looking for help/treatment with a gambling problem. The website contains a useful tool called, Gambler's Anonymous, 20 Questions. This is a relatively simple, "yes/no" quiz, by which one can screen himself/herself with the result-

tant characterization as having a harmless, gambling recreational hobby vs. a problem with abusive gambling vs. a gambling addiction. There is also a listing of problem gambling treatment providers accessed through the website and assistance is available in coordinating an initial evaluation and recommendation for a treatment plan. This also leads to links for local Gamblers Anonymous 12-Step group treatment modeled after other addiction recovery programs.

So if you are one of many caught up in the world of gambling and identify with many of the symptoms in the GA 20 Question screener, you can know that help is available and nearby. For more information, go to <http://www.michapgg.com/> or call 800-522-4700.

Leonard J. McCulloch is a diplomate of the American Psychotherapy Association. He is a certified brain injury specialist. He can be reached for a courtesy consultation at his Farmington Hills office at 248 474-2763, ext. 222.


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Loans to family members always fraught with risks



Money Matters
Rick Bloom
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Q: I made a terrible mistake and I hope you can give me some advice. About three years ago, I sold my house. I am a widow and all the kids were out of the house, so I decided to downsize. My original plan was to sell my house and use the proceeds to pay cash for a condo. I did sell the house and bought a condo, but as opposed to paying cash, I financed the purchase. The condo was brand new and it had some incentives if you financed with them. I took the proceeds and gave it to my daughter and her husband, as they needed the money to start a business. I now need the money back, but my daughter says it was a gift and that they cannot afford to repay the money. I know the business has been struggling and, a few weeks ago, they closed the business. I received a notice from the bankruptcy court that both my daughter and her husband had filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy and I was listed as a creditor. They listed over \$500,000 in debt and assets of about \$10,000. My first question is, why would I get a notice from the bankruptcy court and what should I do? My second question, is the money I gave my daughter gone or do you think I have a chance of getting it back?

A: Let me take the second question first. Obviously, I don't know about the bankruptcy, but in the great majority of Chapter 7 bankruptcies, people in your situation get either very little back, pennies on the dollar, or nothing. Based on their assets and liabilities, I would assume you're not going to receive any money.

The reason you received the notice from the bankruptcy court is the fact that you potentially are a creditor. The issue is, when you gave your daughter and son-in-law the money, what was it? Was it a personal loan that you expect to

be repaid or was it an outright gift to your daughter and son-in-law? The fact that you received notice means that your daughter and her husband were covering their bases, in case it was later determined that the money you gave them was a loan as opposed to a gift. If it was in fact a loan, the bankruptcy would discharge them from their obligation to repay the loan. If it was a gift, they have no obligation to repay.

As a creditor in a bankruptcy, you have rights. For example, if there was fraud involved, it's potentially possible that the court rules that that debt is not dischargeable under bankruptcy. If you think there was some fraud involved or other types of shenanigans, it may be in your best interest to consult a bankruptcy attorney. That being said, you would have an uphill battle.

I cannot stress enough that when you "give" money to a loved one, you must document exactly what it is. If it is a loan that you expect to be repaid, you need to have something in writing that spells out the terms, including an interest and repayment schedule. It is important that the borrower sign the document acknowledging their obligation. In the case at hand, since nothing was put in writing, it would seem that it was not a loan where you would expect repayment, but rather a gift.

Helping children financially is a wonderful thing, but it is important that you look at your own finances first. You need to assure yourself that you have resources to protect yourself, no matter what happens. When it comes to loans to family members, I always tell people they should make the assumption they won't get repaid. I do that because I want to make sure the person is certain they have the resources to loan the money, whether they are repaid or not.

Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like him to respond to questions, email rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

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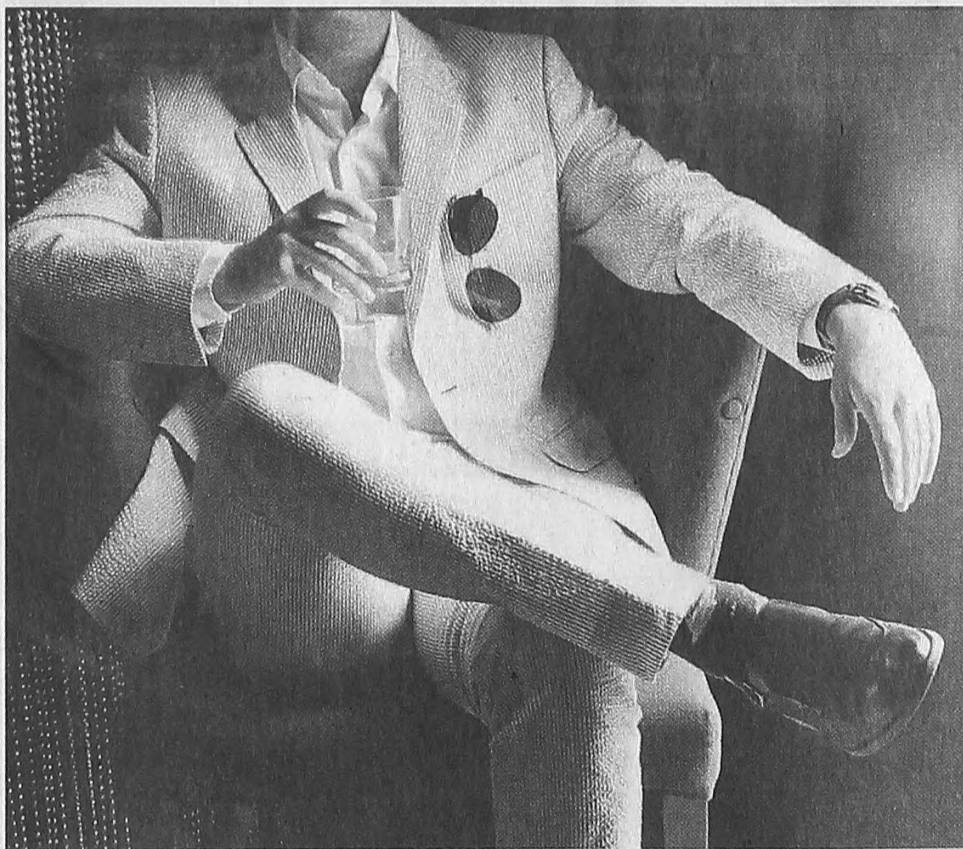
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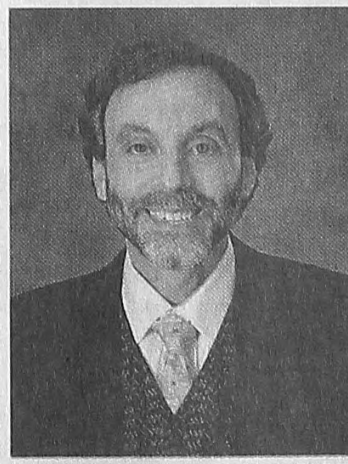
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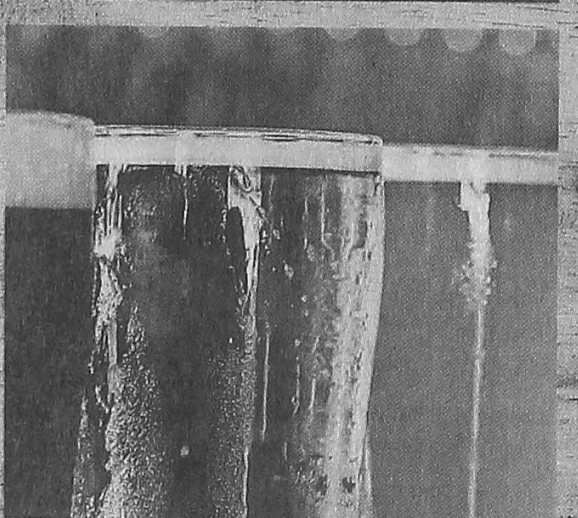
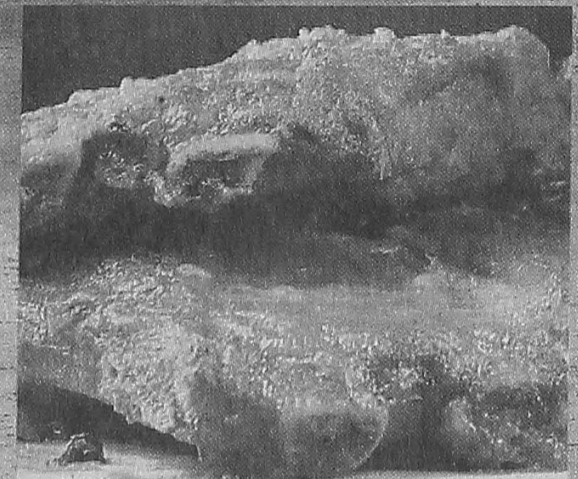
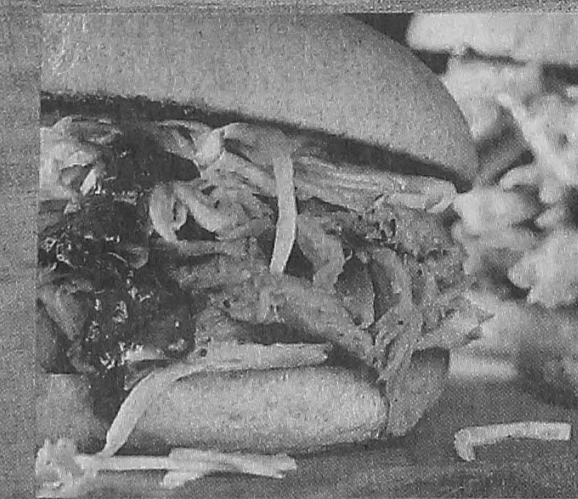


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Sports

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Notre Dame's Butler cuts down the nets

Brad Emons
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Maureen Butler's first season as a walk-on with the Notre Dame women's basketball team went beyond her wildest dreams.

The Livonia resident, a 6-foot-1 junior forward from Dearborn Divine Child, found herself with a pair of scissors in her hands cutting down the nets after the Fighting Irish beat Mississippi

State, 61-58, thanks to Arike Ogunbowale's last second 3-point shot April 1 at Nationwide Arena in Columbus, Ohio.

The game-winner came right in front of the bench and Butler was standing there perched with a bird's-eye view.

"I thought it was good when it left her hands," Butler said. "It was quite a shot."

It's been quite a journey this season for Butler, who saw action in 20 games, scoring 15 points on 6-of-9 shooting from the floor and 3-of-4 free throws.

"It was more than I imagined," Butler

said. "I was so lucky to be on a team that was so dominant. We'd be up so often that I was able to get in a lot of games and even score few points here and now. I was really lucky."

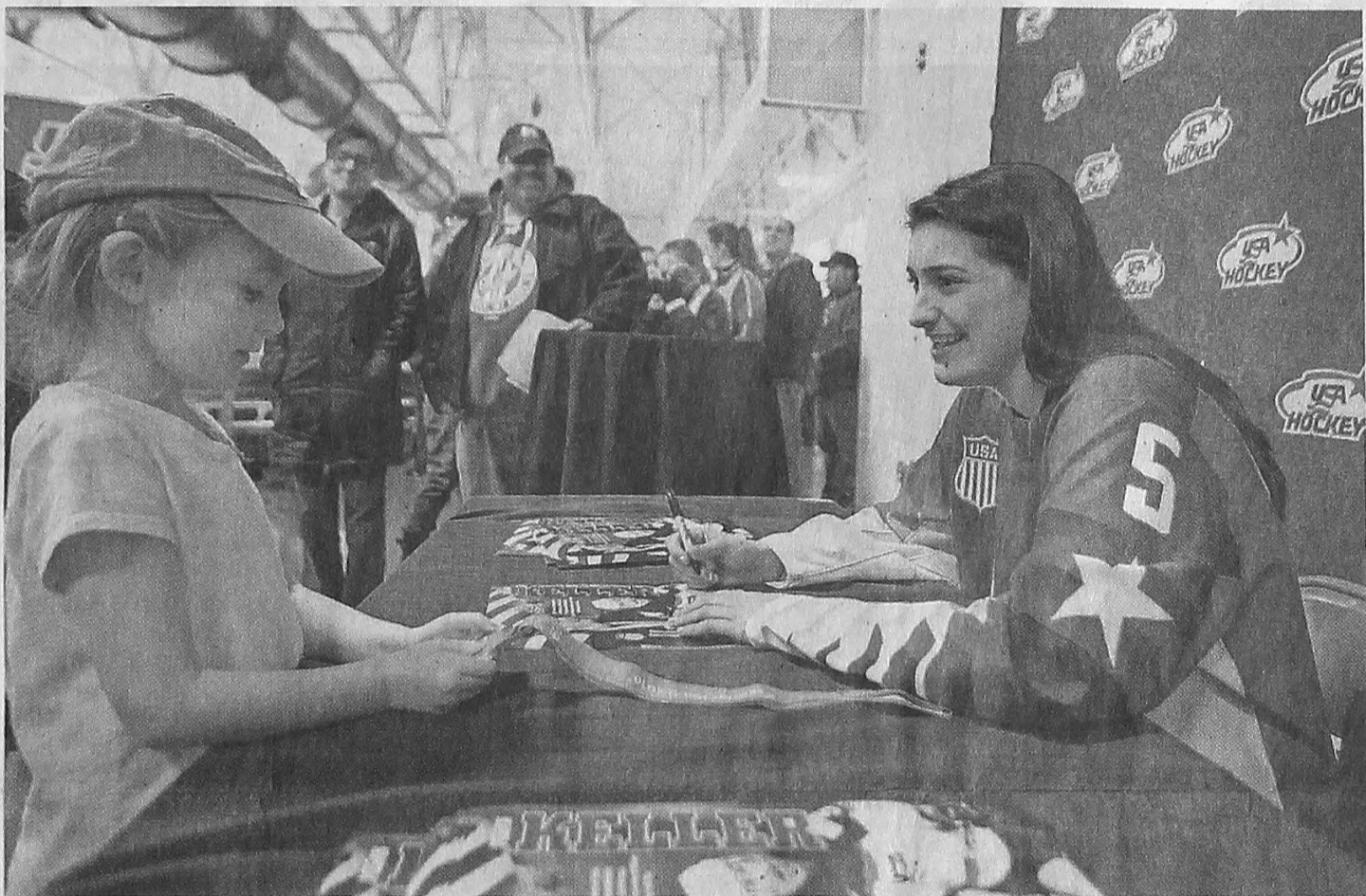
Notre Dame's ride to the national championship was nothing short of remarkable. The Fighting Irish, who finished 35-3 overall, did it with only seven available scholarship players. Four were lost for the season with torn ACL inju-

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Notre Dame walk-on Maureen Butler kisses the NCAA Division I women's basketball championship trophy.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY



Fans of all ages came to meet Megan Keller and admire the gold medal she won as a defenseman for the U.S. women's hockey team. RENA LAVERTY

AMATEUR HOCKEY

Wilde heads off to U-18 world tourney

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The U.S. National Team Development Program has been a breeding ground for a number of current National Hockey League stars.

Auston Matthews of the Toronto Maple Leafs. Clayton Keller of the Arizona Coyotes. Cam Fowler, a Farmington Hills native now with the Anaheim Ducks. Bryan Rust, once a student at Brother Rice, a key component with the Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins.



Bode Wilde would one day like to end up in the NHL like those standout NTDP alums.

The former Birmingham resident is on the right path as a defenseman for the highly-regarded development program based out of the USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth.

Wilde will soon head to Russia with his NTDP teammates to participate in the 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation U-18 World Championship tournament.

The IHF world championships take place April 19-28 in Magnitogorsk, Russia. The American squad will compete in Group A, alongside Canada, Belarus, Switzerland and Sweden.

Opening against Canada

The Americans, coached by Seth Appert, are slated to open play April 19 against Canada.

The U.S. has won three of the past four U-18 world titles and has taken home 10 gold medals since the tournament's inception in 1999. The team has finished among the top three in each of the past 14 tournaments.

The Americans enter the 10-team tournament as the defending champions. Wilde, whose billet family is Aaron and Shannon Bartley from Plymouth, is excited to be part of the action.

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GOLD NUGGETS

Keller's post-Olympic days a whirlwind of activity and adulation

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It's an understatement to say it's been a whirlwind for Megan Keller since her gold medal conquest at the 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea.

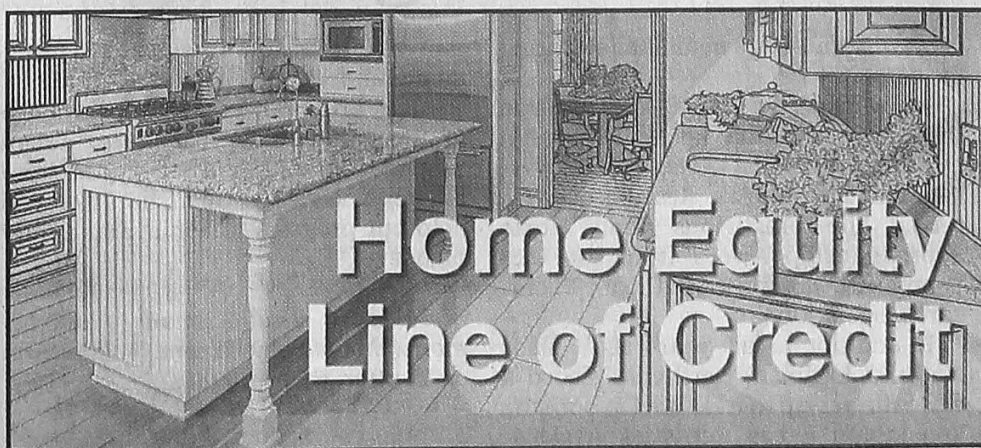
The 21-year-old Farmington Hills resident helped the U.S. women capture their first Olympic hockey gold medal in 20 years — second overall — as the young Americans defeated arch-rival Canada, 3-2, in another international classic decided via shootout.

Since returning from PyeongChang in late February, Keller and her Olympic teammates have crisscrossed the country like Hollywood movie stars. She's hardly been able to spend any time at home to recap Olympic adventures with her parents Lynn and Gregg and older brother Ryan.

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Olympic gold medalist Megan Keller from Farmington Hills dropped the first puck at the recent U.S. NTDP U-18 hockey game against Youngstown in Plymouth. RENA LAVERTY



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HOCKEY BENEFIT



Players and coaches unite after the recent benefit hockey game between Schoolcraft College and the Michigan State Police. The contest, won 5-4 by the MSP, took place at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth. RENA LAVERTY

WHAT TROOPERS!

Schoolcraft College and Michigan State Police team for charity game

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Schoolcraft College hockey coach Rob Lindsay loves it when his team wins a game, particularly if it means a playoff spot or championship.

But all of those things would pale in comparison to what Lindsay and his Ocelots experienced March 3 at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth.

That afternoon, Schoolcraft faced the Michigan State Police hockey team in a benefit contest for the MSP Fallen Trooper Memorial and Trooper Assistance fund.

And although Schoolcraft lost, 5-4, it was all good because players on the police team included Lindsay's sons Rob Jr. and former Ocelots player Andrew.

"This was actually the highlight of my 27 years of coaching," Lindsay said. "It was more thrilling than any championship my teams have won. No game can compare to this community service event. I am so proud of my two MSP trooper sons and the Michigan State Police."

The second annual benefit game raised about \$3,600 and that money already is being put to the best of uses.

Lindsay cited a few examples of how the dollars are helping the MSP cause: Assisting families with funeral expenses, easing the financial burden for the family of a slain Detroit officer and providing financial help for families of troopers who suffered severe injuries after being shot on duty.

Money also is helping benefit the MSP Training Academy's Fallen Trooper Memorial and contributing to educational efforts to stop bullying in Michigan schools.

"I'm proud of my two boys being troopers," Lindsay said. "And I think that's one of the reasons we're doing this event. Andrew really got it started."

"The MSP says they drew more money from the hockey game than all other events they do."

This was the second benefit game between the Ocelots and MSP; in 2017, an estimated \$6,500 was raised. Andrew Lindsay was an active player for Schoolcraft during the 2015-16 and 2016-17 seasons before leaving to join the MSP



Schoolcraft College hockey coach Rob Lindsay (right) embraces son Andrew, who is a Michigan State Police trooper and former Ocelots hockey player. RENA LAVERTY

academy. He became a trooper in late November.

To the next level

What about year three for the benefit game?

"Our goal for next year, we're going to shoot for \$10,000," Rob Lindsay said. "We're going to go after 10,000 bucks for them."

"The players have to do a better job selling tickets, getting advertisements, fundraising part of it. I think if we can get the (Schoolcraft) criminal justice program involved with it, that would be huge."

"They all want to be cops, right? They really should jump on board, it would look good on their resumes that they helped raise funds for the MSP."

Another boost will come from having MSP trooper Jon Tibaudo on board as a Schoolcraft hockey assistant coach. Tibaudo played with Rob Lindsay Jr. on Saginaw Valley State University's ACHA championship team.

"I love having a guy like that," Lindsay said. "He's got great character and

integrity, we know that already.

"And I think that will be good for the players and it will be great for the fundraiser next year because he'll be right with us, he'll be able to talk to the players and tell his side, about what they're doing with the Michigan State Police."

Team also on rise

Lindsay, a former coach at University of Alabama-Huntsville and a teacher at Trenton High School, also is optimistic about the Schoolcraft hockey program.

The Ocelots just finished their third season, with the team going 17-13 and nearly making the American Collegiate Hockey Association Division III playoffs for the first time. The Ocelots dropped out of a spot in late January.

"In the first year, we had a team we probably had a handful of hockey players at Schoolcraft," Lindsay said. "We got out and started promoting the team and we got a lot more hockey players. We had 35 kids try out two years ago. Last year, we had 45 kids come out."

"Of course, we couldn't take them all. So all those kids actually stayed at

Schoolcraft and took classes, so it helped Schoolcraft with enrollment. Our team is getting better every year."

Team leaders included defenseman Andrew Nowak and forward Vinnie Glenn, who were the captain and assistant captain, respectively. Both are Livonia Stevenson alums.

"(Nowak's) a great leader in the locker room and a great leader on the ice," Lindsay said. "He gets a little upset with the players sometimes when they're not listening to him."

"Vinnie Glenn's the same way. Vinnie's very intense, he's a leader at practice, too."

Lindsay would like to see Schoolcraft hockey become an official varsity sport (rather than a club offering), but that might not happen until 2019-20.

A key hurdle is a September millage which, if successful, will enable Schoolcraft's student activities department and led by Todd Stowell (which operates the hockey program) to continue.

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BOYS TENNIS

Keating takes Northville coaching reins

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The Northville boys tennis program, coming off a sixth-place finish in the 2017 MHSAA Division 1 state finals, will have a new coach for fall 2018 as athletic director Bryan Masi announced the hiring of Trey Keating.

A teaching pro at Deer Lake Athletic Club since 2008, Keating has coached the Clarkston girls tennis team the past three seasons.

"Northville has always had a great tradition with their tennis team," Keating said in a Northville Athletic Department press release. "I am honored that the tennis committee and Mr. Masi have chosen me to lead this program. I am looking forward to meeting and working with everyone who was part of the program last year and in the future."

Keating has extensive experience playing and coaching tennis at the high school and collegiate levels.

He attended Troy High School, where he was a two-time regional champion

and two-time state semifinalist during his career.

He went on to play at Wayne State University, where he was ranked as high as No. 6 in the NCAA Division II Midwest Regional for doubles. Keating also received the prestigious Jean Hoxie Sportsmanship Award from the U.S. Tennis Association's Southeast Michigan Association.

In addition to last year's sixth-place state finals finish, Northville placed a close runner-up to rival Novi in both the Kensington Lakes Activities Associa-

tion and Division 1 regional tournaments under coach Andres Torres.

"Trey brings an extensive knowledge of the game as both a player and a coach," Masi said. "We believe his experience, knowledge and character will help our program to achieve at a very high level."

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Have a fun and safe time as you play ball



Dr. Joe
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Even though winter does not want to end, Detroit Tigers baseball is upon us.

If you're lucky enough to be a part of this timeless tradition down at Comerica Park this year, it's sure to be a "win" regardless of how the Tigers perform. Opening day is now history and that also means the baseball season is here for all of our high school athletes and Little League players.

Personally, I always look forward to the beginning of baseball season.

It's a time to enjoy the spring weather — when it arrives — and it's also a time to enjoy "playing ball" at all levels, from T-ball to the church or city softball league to the pros.

In the sports medicine world, it also means that baseball injuries will hit their yearly peak.

More than 40 million people across the country will hit the diamond this season and roughly 500,000 will suffer baseball- or softball-related injuries. While baseball and softball can't exactly be equated with professional bull riding as one of America's riskiest sports, there are certainly a variety of injuries that do occur. These injuries can be divided into throwing injuries, running and sliding injuries and those injuries that occur when a player is struck with a bat or ball.

If you want to take a trip around the bases — and not a trip to the doctor's office or emergency room — you'll want to read the following recommendations.

Throwing injuries

Many injuries occur when players

overuse their arms. This time of year, my practice is swamped with Little League and high school pitchers who have "overdone it." In my practice, I see kids with Little League elbow and Little League shoulder every day during the baseball season.

These conditions occur because the throwing motion irritates, and can even fracture, the growth plates of a young thrower's elbow or shoulder. What's troubling is that the number of young throwers flocking to doctors' offices with sore shoulders and elbows has risen dramatically over the last decade. What's even more alarming is that the incidence of shoulder and elbow surgery for problems in young throwers has skyrocketed.

To combat this, most leagues have put in place some sort of rule that involves pitch counts or limiting the number of innings pitched in a week — that's because it's really important. Your child really doesn't want a "spent" shoulder or elbow by the time he or she's in college.

Based upon its expertise and review of existing studies, the USA Baseball Medical & Safety Advisory Committee makes the following recommendations for minimizing a pitcher's risk of future serious arm injury: Recommended limits for youth pitchers are as follows:

Recommended limits for pitchers ages 9-10: 50 pitches per game; 75 pitches per week; 1,000 pitches per season; and 2,000 pitches per year.

Recommended limits for pitchers ages 11-12: 75 pitches per game; 100 pitches per week; 1,000 pitches per season; and 3,000 pitches per year.

Recommended limits for pitchers ages 13-14: 75 pitches per game; 125 pitches per week; 1,000 pitches per season; and 3,000 pitches per year.

By using some additional guidelines, that include things like not throwing

breaking balls before high-school age, as well as pitching a maximum of nine months out of the year, many injuries and problems can be avoided.

With that being said, young pitchers are still running into trouble because they are pitching for multiple teams and they are often pitching too many months of the year by being involved in travel leagues and specialized clinics. The bottom line is, if a pitcher at any level experiences significant pain with throwing, it's probably time to get it checked out.

By the way, we did a really cool study that was published in the American Journal of Sports Medicine in 2014.

We found that if your young pitcher is pitching with a tired or sore arm, the risk of serious injury goes up exponentially. If your young pitcher is not taking at least one-third of the year off from pitching — or engaging in other sports during the year to break up the repetitive stresses that pitching invokes on the growing shoulder and elbow — his risk of injury goes up significantly. If your young pitcher is not adhering to the commonly accepted guidelines regarding pitch counts and rest as outlined above, then his risk of injury will also skyrocket.

When in doubt, just remember Dr. Joe's Rule of Ones:

- One game at a time ... don't pitch in two games in one day

- One day at a time ... don't pitch on consecutive days

- One-hundred pitches is the absolute upper game limit for even our more developed young pitchers

- One position at a time ... don't play pitcher and catcher on the same team

- One team at a time ... don't play on teams with overlapping pitching schedules

- At least one other organized sport

or one season off

- One complaint of arm pain or tiredness equals one week off

Other baseball injuries

Other injuries occur while players are running around or sliding into bases.

Proper sliding techniques, coupled with breakaway bases, can significantly reduce the risk of injury (unfortunately, we can't do much about the "strawberries" that occur while sliding on our lovely gravel fields here in southeast Michigan). In addition, players should always survey the surrounding field for holes, glass or other debris before play begins.

Finally, appropriate protective equipment can help prevent the catastrophic injuries that occur when a player is hit by a bat or ball. This is a no-brainer and appropriate equipment is a must when it comes to organized baseball and softball.

So whether you're down at Comerica Park this summer, watching your son or daughter or playing in your own softball league, have a fun and safe time as you play ball.

If you want more info on injury prevention in youth sports, go to www.aossm.org.

Our recent research is part of a huge effort by our sports medicine society to educate the public on ways to prevent injuries in young athletes and its website has useful links and information.

Dr. Joseph Guettler is an orthopedic surgeon who specializes in sports medicine, as well as surgery of the knee, shoulder and elbow. His practice, Performance Orthopedics, is located in Bingham Farms. Guettler also specializes in the treatment of baseball and softball injuries in growing athletes.

Butler

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ries and Butler was one of three walk-ons.

Meanwhile, the 91-89 national semifinal win over previously undefeated UConn, the preeminent power in women's college basketball, proved to be another signature win during a roller-coaster of emotions.

"I can't put it into words, just extreme excitement followed by, 'Oh no, what the heck?'" Butler said. "That was just crazy."

The Irish had squandered a five-point lead with 21 seconds left in regulation, only to regroup and win in overtime on Ogunbowale's buzzer-beater to upend the Huskies.

"It's our competitiveness," Butler said. "Even if we were down at the half, time and time again we'd come back and overcame it. We had the mental toughness and the grit to get through whatever problem it was. I would say that's definitely got us to where we are."

So how did Butler get to this point?

It started early last September, when she received an email sent to all Notre Dame female undergrad students about open tryouts for the women's basketball team.

"I was with my roommate at the time and I was, like, 'Ha, ha, that would be funny if I tried out for the team,'" Butler said. "She was like, 'Mo, you've got to do it.' I have a couple of friends who are practice players on the team, like, the guys that we practice against every day and they were also encouraging me to do it."

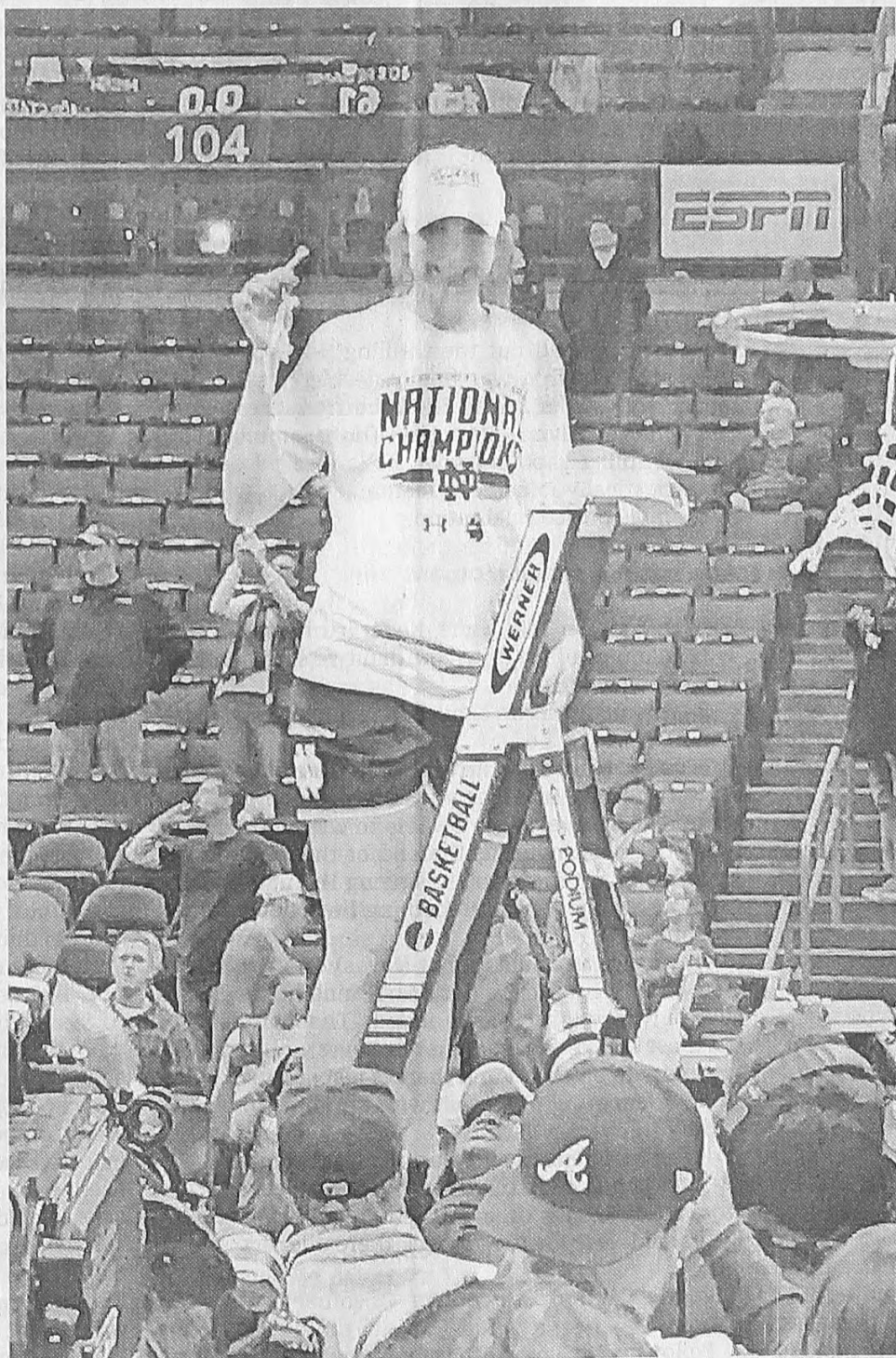
Butler spent her sophomore season as the student manager for the women's softball team. She had applied to be a manager of the women's basketball team, but there wasn't an opening at the time.

"I said, 'I guess I'll do that,' but, obviously, I really wanted to do basketball," Butler said. "I guess the way for me to be involved with basketball and couldn't be a manager, I'd have to be a walk-on on the team."

After a month-long tryout process, Butler made the final cut. She previously played for her dorm team, Farley Hall, and was a member of the school's intramural championship co-ed basketball team.

"We won the whole thing, but that kind of pales in comparison to this one," Dillon said with a laugh.

During her first season, Butler served primarily as a scout and practice team player, while occasionally appearing at the end of games in mop-up time. During practices, she usually guarded starters Jessica Shepard or Kathryn Westbeld in the post, "which is definitely



Livonia native and Dearborn Divine Child grad Maureen Butler cuts down a piece of the NCAA championship net after Notre Dame's 61-58 win over Mississippi State.

some hard work, because they're very strong," Butler said.

Butler served wherever coach Muffet McGraw needed her.

"Learning my role is definitely a huge part of the process, just knowing I'm there to bring positive energy, bring hard work and toughness, even though I'm not going to get recognized for it a lot," Butler said. "Just work hard every day and know it's my job."

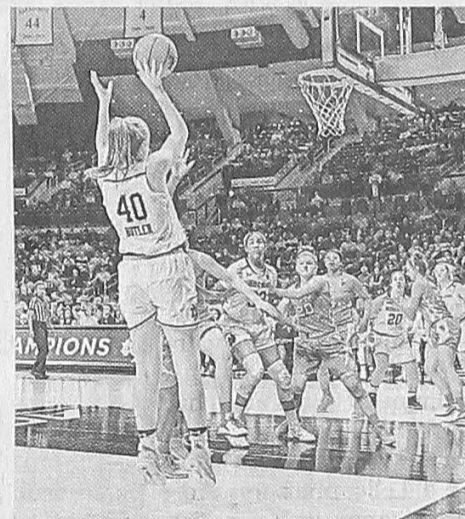
Playing under McGraw, who was inducted last fall into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame, has proven to be a treat for Butler as well.

"When you talk about her coaching ability, it's definitely something special," Butler said.

Butler, who is majoring in international economics with a minor in Spanish, also had to juggle her rigorous schedule between her commitment to a Division I basketball program and keeping up her studies in a very challenging academic environment.

A day prior to the national semifinal, Butler had to take a macro economics test on the road. During the three-week NCAA tournament run, she missed several classes.

"That was definitely the biggest adjustment, for sure," she said. "I was the manager on the softball team and I said, 'Oh, I'll be fine. I know how to balance my time.' I knew how much time I had to budget every day for softball and I could



Notre Dame's Maureen Butler goes up for the shot during a 92-64 victory Feb. 1 over North Carolina. NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

do it for basketball, too. Once basketball started, it was just this whole mental thing, too. The traveling, too, was pretty crazy. But as the season wore on, I learned how to manage it, for sure."

Butler was a three-sport athlete at Divine Child who also played golf as well as competing in track and field in the jumps and sprints. She graduated summa cum laude and was a National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society member.

After playing under coach Mary Loney at DC, Butler entertained thoughts of continuing her basketball career at the NCAA Division III level, but when she was accepted into Notre Dame, her heart led her to South Bend. (Butler's uncle Andy, who ran track and cross country at Notre Dame, is a 1984 graduate.)

"I couldn't turn down the academics and all the opportunities," Butler said. "I never thought I'd walk on the basketball team here, but here I am."

Butler had plenty of fan support that weekend in Columbus. Her mother (Marybeth), father (Patrick) and younger brother (Sean) were all in attendance, along with an aunt, uncle and school friends.

A day after winning it all, Butler and her teammates bused back to South Bend, awaiting a hero's welcome on campus. There was plenty of celebrating still to be done.

Butler, who hopes to return for her senior season with the basketball team, is soaking up all the hoopla that surrounds a national championship team.

"The last couple weeks, I've had to pinch myself and say, 'Am I really here?'" Butler said. "It's crazy."

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SPORTS SHORTS

Celebrate America's pastime

For all the baseball lovers out there, the Detroit Institute of Arts is currently hosting an exhibit titled Play Ball: Baseball at the DIA.

The exhibit, which runs through Sept. 16, features artworks from the DIA's collection, plus rare baseball cards, memorabilia and collectibles from the Rochester-based E. Powell Miller collection.

The highlight is a complete collection of more than 500 baseball cards known as the T206 White Border Set, produced in color lithography and released from 1909-1911 by the American Tobacco Co.

The collection is not only rare, but in superlative condition and, according to Professional Sports Authenticator, is ranked third in the world. The top two cards are said to be the extremely coveted Honus Wagner and a Joe Doyle "error" card.

The exhibition, organized by the DIA, coincides with the 50th anniversary of the Detroit Tigers 1968 World Series championship.

For information, call 313-833-7971.

USPBL tickets on sale

The United Shore Professional Baseball League's third season begins May 11 at Jimmy John's Field in Utica.

Officials from the four-team league recently announced that mini-game packages and single-game tickets are now on sale.

The three- to seven-game mini packages start at \$36 (for three games) and run to \$84 (seven games) and include theme nights such as Ladies Night Out and Willy Wonka Night.

The three-game plans include Winning Wednesdays and Thirsty Thursdays. The seven-game plans are called Fireworks Friday, Super Saturday and Sunday Fun Day.

The Birmingham-Bloomfield Beavers, coached by Chris Newell, are the defending USPBL champions.

Fans can purchase mini-game or single-game tickets by calling 248-601-2400, ext. 2

Optimist Junior Golf

It may not be golf weather now, but it should be in another month, so it's time to start planning for the annual Opti-



Olivia Perkins (center), a senior at Farmington Harrison High School, received the Scholar-Athlete Award on March 24 in East Lansing. She is flanked by Don Simon, executive vice president of Farm Bureau Insurance, and John E. "Jack" Roberts, executive director of the MHSAA.

mist International Junior Golf Championship tournament.

The Royal Oak Golf Club will once again host a Junior Golf Championship qualifier, set for 9-10 a.m. Saturday, May 12, open to boys and girls ages 10-18.

The low male and female scorer in each age division will earn sponsorship to the district level. Others may qualify for the district — at their own expense — by posting the qualifying score or lower.

Registration forms are available at the Royal Oak Golf Club (248-549-4653) or Royal Oak Golf Center (driving range, 248-554-0019) or at www.royalookopti-mist.org.

For more information, contact Mike Ripinski at 248-789-2735 or email mripinski@yahoo.com. The local qualifier is presented by the Royal Oak and Birmingham optimist clubs.

Scholar-Athlete Award

Farmington Hills Harrison senior Olivia Perkins recently was honored by the Michigan High School Athletic Association as a Scholar-Athlete Award winner.

Perkins, one of 14 student-athlete winners from Class A member schools, earned a \$1,000 college scholarship. She was honored at halftime of the Class C boys basketball championship game held March 24 at the Breslin Center on the Michigan State University campus.

Scholar-Athlete Award winners must carry a 3.5 grade-point average and have won a varsity letter in an MHSAA-sponsored sport. In addition, applicants must show active participation in other school and community activities, plus produce an essay on the importance of

sportsmanship in educational athletics.

Perkins played four seasons of varsity basketball — she played her senior season this past year at North Farmington, since Harrison did not have a girls basketball program. She also played two years of varsity volleyball and one each of soccer, track and tennis. She is also a member of Harrison's National Honor Society.

Following is a quote from her essay:

"While winning is a marvelous feeling, I've grown the most through the multitude of losses that I've experienced over the years. Losing has allowed me to reflect on myself, and try to come out of a game with new and more developed insight of the team."

Emily Rooney (Birmingham Seaholm) in Class A and Kate Cao (Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood) and Lucas Misra (Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood) in Class B, were award finalists in their respective divisions.

Groves news and notes

■ Birmingham Groves Athletic Director Tom Flynn is looking for a boys hockey varsity head coach. Anyone wishing to apply can send a resume and cover letter to Flynn at TFlynn@birmingham.k12.mi.us

■ Birmingham Groves will have its own day at Comerica Park on Sunday, April 22, during the Detroit Tigers game against the Kansas City Royals. All Groves fans who purchase a ticket will also receive a Detroit Tigers baseball hat with a Groves logo on the side. Donations also will be made to the Groves High School baseball program. Game time is 1:05 p.m. For more information, go to www.tigers.com/Groves

Evans Scholarship winners

A total of 25 Michigan high school seniors — eight with ties to the hometownlife.com coverage area — are 2018 Evans Scholarship winners.

Leon Braisted (Birmingham Brother Rice High School) out of Oakland Hills Country Club, Sean Butler (Livonia, University of Detroit-Jesuit High School) out of the Western Golf & Country Club, Brendan Neary (Livonia, University of Detroit-Jesuit High School) out of the Detroit Golf Club, Anna Vento (Livonia Stevenson High School) out of

Meadowbrook Country Club, Riley Fisher (Novi, Walled Lake Northern High School) out of Orchard Lake Country Club, Christian Atabong (Southfield, Royal Oak Shrine High School) out of Franklin Hills Country Club, Evan Harwood (West Bloomfield, Bloomfield Hills High School) out of Orchard Lake Country Club and Katherine Miller (Clarkston, Lake Orion High School) out of Bloomfield Hills Country Club are the area winners.

Braisted, Miller, Fisher, Harwood and Abatong will attend Michigan State University. Butler, Neary and Vento will attend the University of Michigan.

Evans Scholarship winners receive a full, four-year housing and tuition college grant. The scholarships are valued at more than \$100,000 over the four-year period and are offered to eligible and criteria-meeting golf caddies who are attending either Michigan or Michigan State.

"Each of these deserving Evans Scholars epitomizes what our program has been about since its creation in 1930," Western Golf Association chairman Frank Morley said. "Their dedication, hard work and sacrifice is humbling and we are honored to be able to help them pursue their dreams."

Venos earns national honor

Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice boys swimming head coach Mike Venos was one of 23 coaches nationwide selected as the 2017 National Coaches of the Year by the National Federation of State High School Associations Coaches Association.

Venos has coached swimming for 32 years, the last 19 at Brother Rice, where he has more than 165 wins. He has led the Warriors to six state championships — four straight from 2014-17 — and 18 Catholic League championships, the most in CHSL history.

In 2013, Venos was named the Michigan High School Coaches Association Swimming Coach of the Year. He has had more than 50 swimmers who have gone on to compete at the college level and his Warriors are perennial top five members of the Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association's All-Academic teams.

Venos also coaches the Farmington Hills Mercy girls team.

Keller

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For instance:

■ Keller has been part of ceremonial puck drops at NHL games in Tampa, Los Angeles, Detroit and Boston.

■ She's made television appearances on the Ellen DeGeneres show in Los Angeles and Jimmy Fallon in New York.

■ She was part of the Stadium Series hockey game in New York, where she met Serena and Venus Williams.

■ Keller signed autographs and did a puck drop ceremony March 30 at the USA Arena in Plymouth at the USA Hockey's NTDP U-18 game against the Youngstown Phantoms.

"There are so many things that we've done — too many to count. People are always asking: 'What's your favorite? What's your favorite?'" Keller said. "Each time, it's something new and each one tops the other and, to be honest, I can't choose."

"I never thought it would be this amazing of an experience. Just to see the support from everyone. Everywhere we go, there's always somebody who recognized the team and was so excited about the game, whether they watched it or followed it."

"So I think that's probably been the best part," she added. "Just seeing all of that excitement from everyone wherever we go."

Cementing her reputation

Although Keller has been a member of the three women's world championship teams — including 2017 at the USA Arena in her own backyard — this was her first Olympic experience. The 5-foot-10, left-handed shooter cemented her reputation as one of the country's top defenders with an outstanding tournament.

Keller, who still has one year of eligibility remaining at Boston College, where she will resume her studies in communications this fall, helped the U.S. win four of the five Olympic games it played.

The U.S. opened pool play with victories over Finland (3-1) and the Olympic Athletes from Russia (5-0). Keller and her teammates dropped their first encounter with Canada in the final round of pool play by a goal (2-1).

In the semifinal round, the Americans blanked Finland (5-0) to earn another shot at the Canadians in the much-anticipated gold medal game. The rematch absolutely lived up to the pregame hype.

The U.S. opened the scoring with a late first-period goal, only to have Canada score twice in the second to take a 2-1 lead into the final period. The Americans tied it with seven minutes remaining in the third and that's the way regulation ended.

Neither team scored in the overtime, but Keller was penalized for an illegal hit with 1:35 left in the period, which caused for some anxious moments. Canada,

however, did not score and the game went into a shootout.

The U.S. pulled out the thrilling 3-2 victory in a tense shootout that was finally decided in the sixth round, with Keller forced to watch from the penalty box. When Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson scored the game-winning shootout goal, Keller skated out and enthusiastically joined her teammates in a wild and memorable on-ice celebration.

An exciting, proud moment

In that gold medal game, Keller led her team with 29:05 minutes of ice time. She had two shots on goal, both in the overtime.

Keller said it was an exhilarating and proud experience.

"The game was a whirlwind. We were ahead, then we were down — and then we went to a shootout," Keller said. "But, I mean, to be able to win a gold medal with your teammates at the end of the day and see your flag go up while you're singing the national anthem with them, it was something I will never forget, for sure."

"It was a crazy ending, but (I was) excited that we were able to get the job done and bring home gold to share it with every one," she added. "These are some of the most talented players that I've ever gotten the opportunity to play with and there is just so much belief in confidence among us that we were going to be able to do it."

Keller's Olympic debut was one for the ages. "I never had more fun than those two weeks (at the Olympics). I don't know if anything will ever top it," Keller said. "Maybe if I get back there one day."

Favorite Olympic moments

Following are some other memories from her fortnight in Asia outside of her hockey-playing moments:

■ **Favorite Olympic moment:** "Having this (as she pointed to her gold medal) put around my neck by Angela Ruggiero (a former U.S. player and current member of the International Olympic Committee) and standing next to my teammates. Outside of hockey, it was probably the opening ceremony. It was, like, the

first taste and, being with all the other USA athletes and getting to walk into the stadium and see the seats lit up with the United States of America, it was really surreal."

■ **Favorite Olympic sport to watch:** "Speedskating. Short track. We got to see it live, a few of us. I mean, the South Koreans are really good at it. We got to see a few of them win gold and the place erupted. And one of our team USA athletes won silver and we got to see that. I mean, the sport is just so fast and they're cutting each other off and it's always changing who's in first. It is just crazy. It amazed me, too. I don't know if I could skate on those (tracks)."

■ **Favorite Korean food:** "My parents got to eat more Korean food than we did. We kind of stayed to the American food track just in competition to stay healthy and make sure nobody had any bad reactions. But after the tournament, I had quite a bit of McDonald's from the village."

■ **Favorite experience with family:** "Probably just going to the team USA House up in the mountains and the time I got to spend with them and see them ... after the games, they were the first people that I wanted to see and that I was able to see. Just to see the smiles on their faces made the entire experience better."

■ **Top celebrity or personality you met:** "We met (U.S. snowboarder) Chloe Kim in the mountain village. We were actually lost, because there are two separate villages and we were down in the coastal one, so we were up there and trying to figure our way around. She had a competition that day, but she knew we were lost and that we didn't belong up there. She asked if we needed help. She was super-nice. Then we got to see her win gold. That was pretty cool. She was awesome."

■ **The North Korean cheer contingent:** "One of our teammates (Hannah Brandt), her sister (Marissa Brandt) was on the Korean hockey team. So we tried to watch a lot of her games and show support for them. We saw (the North Korean cheer contingent) at those games. Yeah, they were always in sync and they were loud. I mean, it was cool to see that they were there and wanted to cheer on the team."

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Wilde

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"I'm pretty focused on finishing the season right and coming home with that gold medal," Wilde said March 30, following the team's final regular-season game.

Wilde, a 6-foot-2, 195-pound right-handed shooter, had a stellar season for the NTDP squad, which finished first in the United States Hockey League Eastern Conference.

The 18-year-old Wilde registered 36 points over the 52-game schedule with 11 goals — including three game-winners — and 25 assists. He's scored four power-play goals and is plus-28 on the season.

He credits the NTDP with improving his overall hockey skills.

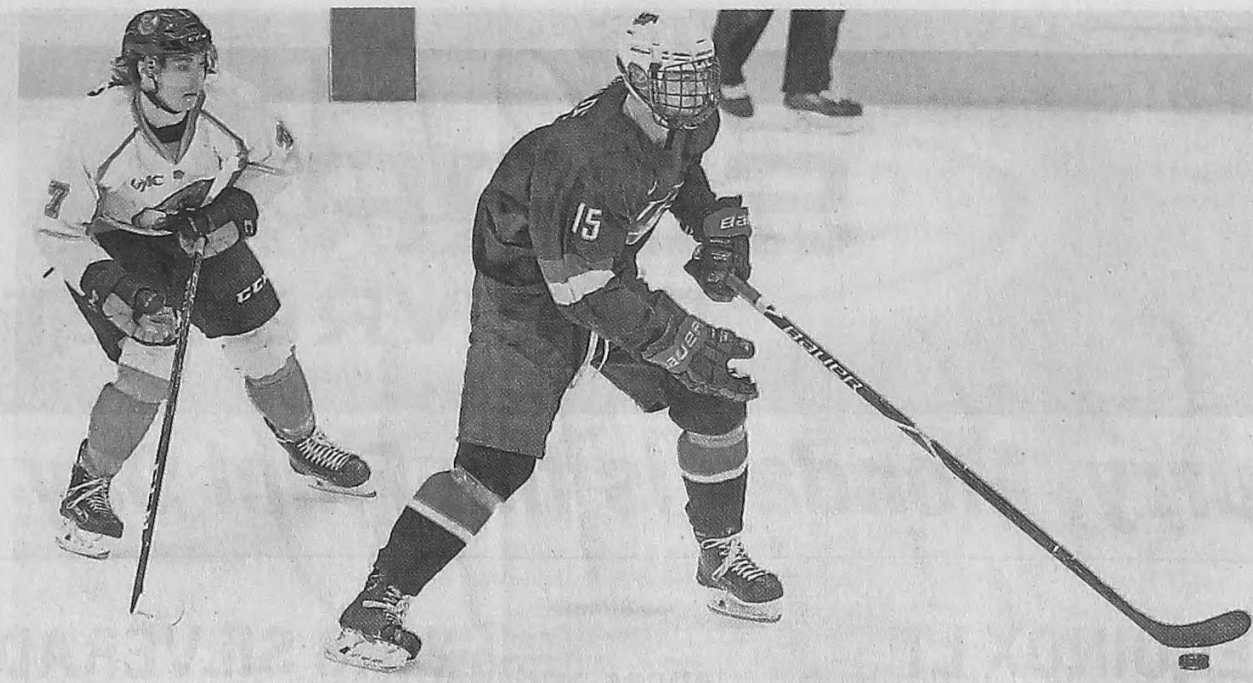
"I'm satisfied with where I'm at as a player, but you always want to do a little more," Wilde said. "The big reason I wanted to come (to the NTDP) was because I wanted to develop my game on the defensive end more than anything. I've always had success offensively through instinct and natural talent.

"But I'm a defenseman first and I wanted to develop my game and become the most complete defenseman that I could. That's probably the biggest part of my game that has changed and gotten better.

"But overall, this place has done wonders for me as a player," he added. "I've really been able to round out my game as much as I could and achieve a lot of the goals I set for this season."

Projected first-round pick

More importantly, he's progressed to the point where he is expected to be a



Bode Wilde (right) is a top defender for the U.S. NTDP U-18 team that will compete in the world championships later this month in Russia. RENA LAVERTY

first-round pick in the 2018 NHL draft, scheduled for June 22 in Dallas. In fact, Wilde is one of three current NTDP players projected to be among the top 15 picks.

"I'm an offensive defenseman. I like to create offense," Wilde said. "And, for a big guy, I skate pretty well, so that helps me, too. I can skate up the ice quickly and join the rush.

"I came here and rounded out my game. I want to get to the NHL one day and do the same thing there," he added. "I just want to be a sponge and try to develop, so I can make the jump to the NHL as fast as possible. As a kid, I always thought about the NHL, but never thought about where I'd play it to get there."

Wilde grew up in Montreal, but his family moved to Birmingham, where he

attended Derby Middle School for a couple of years and joined the Belle Tire hockey program. His hockey development took him to Canton and then the Chicago area, where he played with the Chicago Mission before returning to Michigan, where he joined the NTDP two years ago.

"It was really a good time living in Birmingham and I enjoyed myself there," said Wilde, who would have attended Seaholm High School. "A bunch of my friends still go to Seaholm and I go back there and hang out with them whenever I can."

Next fall, it's on to the University of Michigan, where Wilde will continue his hockey career in Ann Arbor. The Wolverines this year skated into the Frozen Four and Wilde is looking forward to watching them challenge for the nation-

al championship.

"My first college hockey game I ever went to was at the University of Michigan and that's pretty special to be going there," Wilde said. "I'm a die-hard Michigan fan and I've always been a fan of all their athletics and just the school in general. The school is unbelievable and Ann Arbor is beautiful.

"It's pretty exciting for them (to be in the Frozen Four) and I'll be watching," he added. "I know a couple of those guys who have played here (with the NTDP) in the past. I'm excited for what they are doing this year, but I'm really excited to go and play with them next year."

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Novi's Traveon Maddox, Jr. has proven this boys basketball season he has ice in his veins.

The 6-foot-5 senior guard, who was voted Hometown Life Prep Athlete of the Week, made the game-winning shot with only 2.8 seconds left to give the Wildcats their first-ever Class A regional title to beat previously unbeaten Ann Arbor Skyline, 61-59, March 16 at Salem.

And he did it again Tuesday night with a buzzer-beater in the state quarterfinal at the University of Detroit's Calihan Hall to knock off Belleville, 75-73, as Novi earned its first trip in school history to the state semifinals on Friday at Michigan State's Breslin Center. (Game time is 2 p.m.)

In the five games during Novi's state tourney run, Maddox is averaging 18.6 points with highs of 22 each against Belleville and Northville (in the district final when he had five dunks).

"He's a special player," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said following Maddox's clutch performance in the quarterfinal. "I've mentioned it before, he's made big-time plays in big-time games and is a big-time player. He's a Division 1 player who is going to do a lot of great things at the next level."

Maddox, who was also a three-year standout wide receiver for the Novi varsity football team, is headed to play basketball next year at Oakland University.

This season he's averaging 19.5 points, 4.7 rebounds and 3.0 assists per game. He's shooting 48 percent from the field, including 33 percent from three-point range, and is a 75 percent free throw shooter.

"My favorite player is Kobe (Bryant) and I try to pattern my game after Kobe," Maddox said of the retired Laker great. "So, I watched so much of Kobe Bryant... I've seen he plays inside and outside. He can go to the basket whenever he wants to. He can shoot the jump shot whenever he wants to. His pull-up game is nearly unstoppable. And that's one thing I really, really worked on in the off season was my pull-up game, attack the basket a lot stronger and finish over people."

Maddox credits his family and fellow Novi senior classmate Xavier Martin for putting him in the position where he is today.

"I have a sister, but he's my best friend, I call him my brother," Maddox said. "Outside of basketball he keeps me level headed and supports me through everything. I really appreciate him for that. My mom (Alisha Thomas) and my dad (Traveon Maddox, Sr.) have also pushed me all the time."

A preseason top 20 team, Novi stumbled out of the gate going 1-5 at the start, but has now won 11 of its last 12 and stands 17-8 overall heading into the Final Four matchup Friday against Holland West Ottawa (24-2) at Breslin.

And Maddox believes there is one big reason why the Wildcats turned their season around and have earned their first-ever Final Four berth.

"Just getting our brotherly connection, trusting each other," he said.

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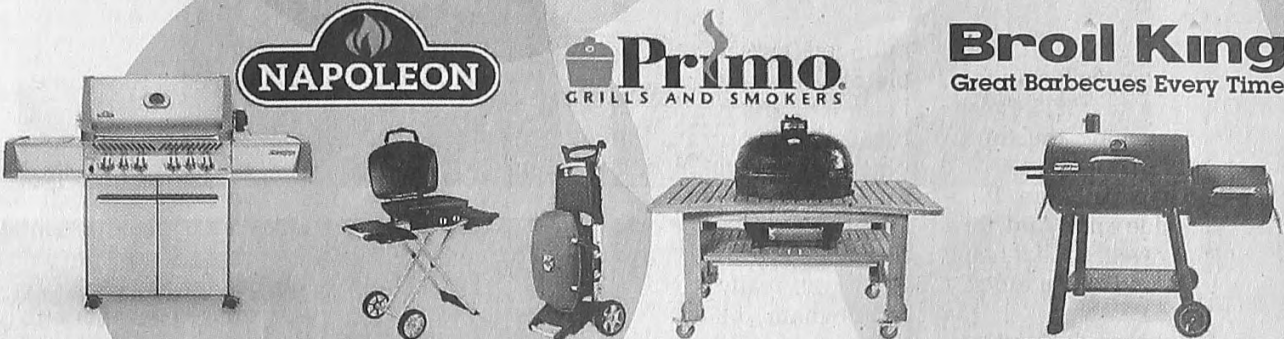
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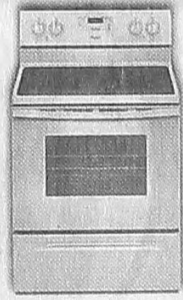
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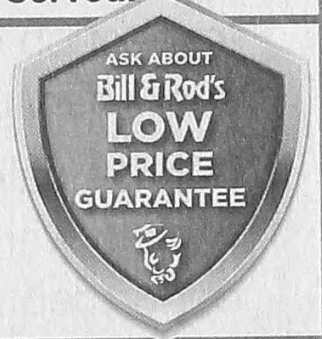


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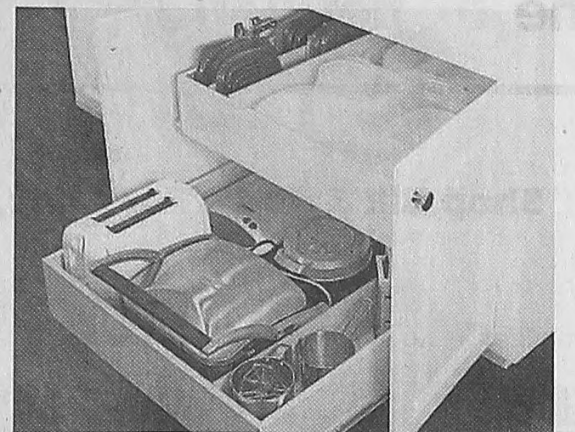
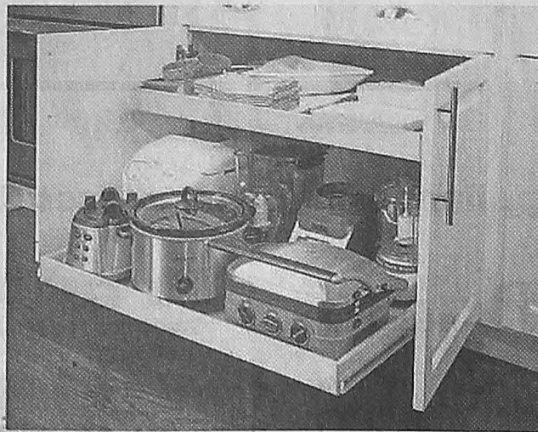
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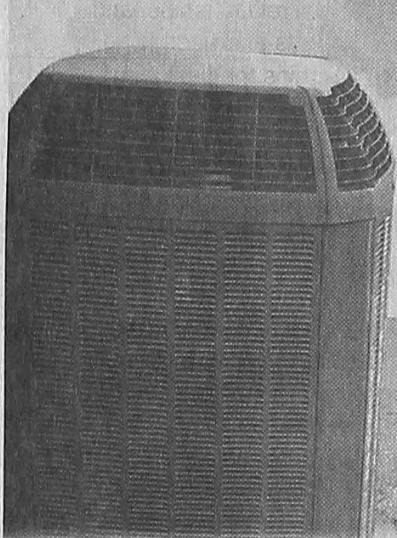


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6 steps to set yourself up for career success

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Most of us strive for happy, successful lives. However, what success means personally is based on our specific desires and goals. It also changes over time for each of us: Your professional goals and metrics for success at the beginning of your career path will probably look differently than when you're older and further along in your journey.

Forbes published an article, "The Top 6 Actions That Promote Career Success" by Kathy Caprino, that highlights some helpful actions that you can take to achieve career success. According to the article, "No matter what your professional goals and visions are, there are six core actions that will support you to achieve greater success and fulfillment over the long arch of your professional life."

Consider these strategies to set yourself up for success:

Make a solid plan

Defining a clear goal for yourself — one that will potentially deliver happiness and fulfillment when reached — will help you gain clarity and allow you to carve out steps to achieve it. Don't be afraid to set a specific goal out of fear that you'll be handcuffed



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to it forever. Remember, your goals will likely change over time. Also, don't be afraid to fail. A life well lived often contains a series of successes and failures. The goal is to learn from both.

Transform your depression

Depression can stop progress in your life. Caprino's article discusses turning your depression into inspiration: "This

is a vitally important endeavor — to move away from feeling desperate, victimized and out of control in the face of your professional challenges. The key is to learn how to be more accountable, responsible and capable — viewing what's happening as a way for you to learn and grow."

You are going to face setbacks and failures, and they can drag you into a funk. Fight against it the best you

can. Assess why you're down, what went wrong and how to avoid the same situation in the future. Action gives you control, which can make the skies seem clearer.

Enforce boundaries

Once you have set a clear path toward success for yourself, it's up to you to set boundaries to stay on track. Keep away habits, people and behaviors that will drag you down. Depending on your goals, these boundaries will comprise your personal "mission statement" — capturing the steps needed for you to learn, grow and move forward. Stick up for yourself and what you need.

Commit yourself fully

The key difference between those who eventually achieve success and those who give up before they reach their goals is often commitment. Put in those extra hours. When you fail, try again. When you get rejected, apply somewhere else. Keep your plan and goal in mind and don't stop when you veer off course.

Learn to communicate with power

Your voice can be a powerful tool as you advocate for yourself in the professional world. Successful individuals in all walks of life make

sure they are clearly and confidently articulating their ideas, thoughts, visions and goals, and are constantly their own best advocates, striving to create positive outcomes whenever possible.

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We are all part of a collective of individuals whom we support and draw support from, and nurturing these relationships is often a crucial step toward achieving success. "Highly successful professionals understand that they cannot achieve their visions alone or in a vacuum," writes Caprino. "They invest time and energy in building mutually-beneficial relationships, and solid bonds and energizing partnerships that last over time." If you're relatively new to the world of work and are in the early stages of your career path, following these helpful guidelines may help you either define what a successful future looks like for you, or to help you achieve the goals you have set for yourself and find success.

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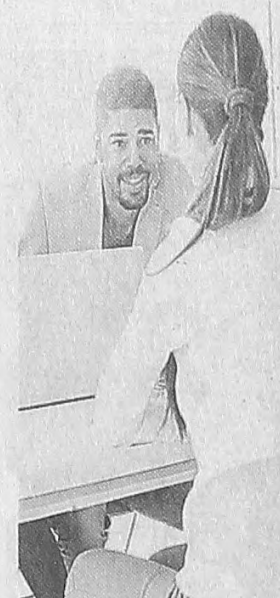
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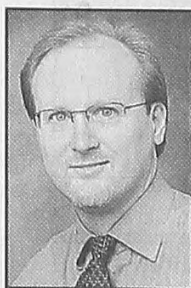
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Car Report

GMC'S FROM-THE-GROUND-UP NEW TERRAIN CROSSOVER GETS THE FORMULA RIGHT IN COMPACT SEGMENT WHERE THE ACTION IS



By Dale Buss

There's no question that General Motors is making hay while the sun shines when it comes to expanding and refining its lineup of sport-utility vehicles and crossovers to take advantage of a strong economy and the flip in the American market to one that is dominated by utilities and trucks instead of sedans.

And specifically, the GMC brand is taking best advantage of that trend of all four GM brands, because all GMC has ever sold is trucks and SUVs. In fact, sales of GMC crossovers in February were up by 19 percent overall, in increasingly competitive segments.

Sales of the new 2018 GMC Terrain were up by 17 percent year-over-year, reflecting both the strength of the brand and the fact that the fully redesigned vehicle has become a more competitive entry in the segment.

Driving the new Terrain for a week, I was thrilled to find it ticked all the important boxes for me when it comes to a small to mid-size SUV: sharp handling that makes you forget you're not driving a sedan; height and visibility from the driver's seat; plenty of interior room and flexibility; and contemporary exterior styling.

It's a plus when those vehicles can deliver exemplary fuel economy — which Terrain also does. And while prices for the upscale Denali version of Terrain can push \$40,000, the nameplate starts at under \$25,000, which makes the new Terrain very competitive in a prolific segment where consumers are getting more



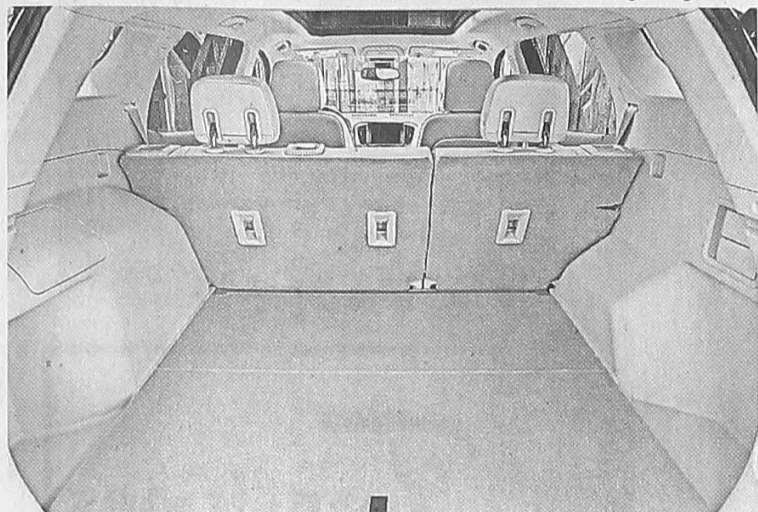
New design for 2018 GMC Terrain features distinctive window treatment.

redesigned Terrain, and the attention paid off in front seats that are very comfortable and supportive, while the cabin keeps wind and road noise levels nearly imperceptible.

I drove the top-of-the-line Denali version of Terrain, and its delights were considerable. There are added luxuries such as ventilated seats, for instance, and unique interior trim and styling cues, as well as 19-inch wheels (versus standard 17- and 18-inch wheels for other versions of the vehicle) and LED headlights.

The Preferred package in the Denali version includes options such as a panoramic sunroof and Driver Alert safety system that boasts active collision-avoidance features.

There were a couple of notable things I didn't like about the new Terrain: the tabs in the front console that you must pull toward you to get the car into and out of gear — very annoying — and how the side design narrows the windows to a tiny strip at the rear of the vehicle. Not only doesn't it look good, it needlessly obstructs the driver's views.



Cargo room in new Terrain meets a variety of needs.

choices all the time. The previous generation of Terrain was getting a bit long in the tooth as GMC addressed and upgraded other key nameplates such as the Sierra pickup and Yukon large SUV. So the new version nicely closes the gap to state of the art for its drivability, technology and interior quality.

For instance, there's plenty of head room all around, and the rear seats fold flat with just the pull of a lever. In fact, redesigned from the ground up, the new Terrain sacrificed only about an inch of head and legroom and only a titch of maximum cargo volume while shrinking by just over three inches in length and 400 pounds from the previous generation.

Equipped with a turbocharged, 1.6-liter diesel engine, one of a range of attractive powertrain options, that means the 2018 Terrain can get a smashing 40mpg on the highway. The diesel is paired with a six-speed

automatic transmission.

The standard powertrain is a 1.5-liter gasoline engine with front-wheel-drive, and reviewers say that acceleration is decidedly overwhelming with the standard powertrain.

But the 2018 Terrain also is available with a turbocharged 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine that yields 252 horsepower and 260 lb.-ft. of torque, as well as dual exhaust tips and larger wheels.

All-wheel drive is an option with all engines, and a knob in so-equipped Terrains allows drivers conveniently to switch between all-wheel and front-wheel drive on the fly.

Interior comfort was a top priority for GMC as it



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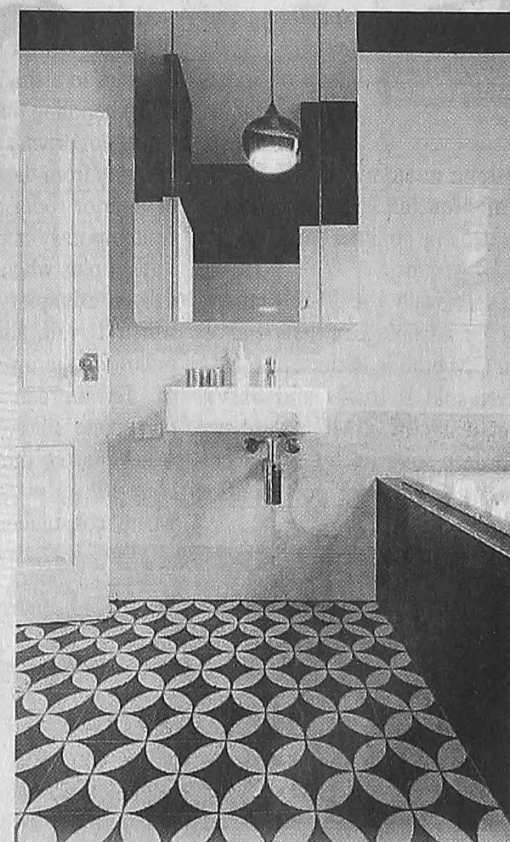
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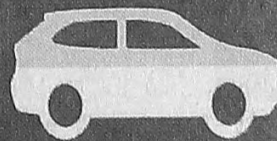
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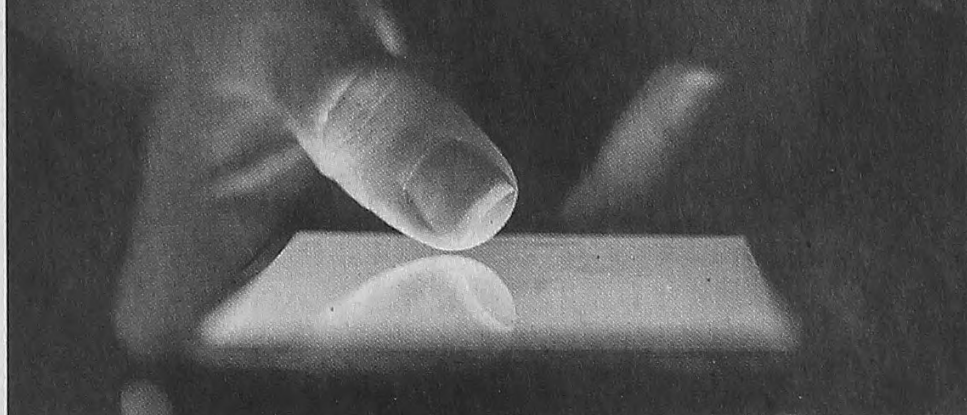


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