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Running full tilt during a Canton JV girls soccer game is Makenzie Carpenter. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

'Booger Buddies' help kids become inventors

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Automotive engineer by day, author by night, Canton resident Heather Konet is combining both of her careers to inspire children to discover the magic of invention.

An owner of 22 patents, Konet writes and illustrates a series of self-published children's books titled "Li'l Booger Buddies Inventors," which follow the fun and educational adventures of a group of curious green aliens who create inventions by reusing junk they find in outer space.

Konet, a married mother of two, has already sold "a couple hundred" books on Amazon.com. She also distributes free books to schools throughout the area in an effort to spread the word about the satisfaction that can be gained by invention.

"I had always dreamed about writing books for kids," Konet said, when

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POSITIVELY INSPIRING

Health scare doesn't keep indomitable teenager down for long

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How could healthy teenager Makenzie Carpenter suddenly go from full-tilt on the soccer field to not having the strength to move her legs — and then, miraculously, crank it back up to speed once again on the pitch during a six-month span?

In a word: courage.

Navigating a rocky course from two rare disorders that clobbered her last autumn also required crucial 21st century medical know-how, as well as persistence and positive thinking from parents Lori and Doug Carpenter of Westland.

"It's amazing," Doug said. "I think a lot of adults kind of give up in life when they hit hard times. She hit hard times

and she's just relentless."

After being diagnosed with dysautonomia — essentially the shutdown of the nervous system — and later gastroparesis (described as a paralysis of the stomach) — Makenzie couldn't eat without throwing it back up.

It became too painful to sit because of a frail, bruised tailbone. Moving from Point A to Point B required use of a four-legged walker.

Yet here she is, kicking a soccer ball with ferocity in the backyard, getting ready for a Father's Day tryout to make the Canton Celtic travel team.

Can't hold her back

In January, she couldn't walk. A few months later, the Canton High School

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Makenzie Carpenter. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Hometownlife.com to organize live storytelling events

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Hometownlife.com, the daily online site for Observer & Eccentric Media, will host an informational meeting as we look to kick off a series of live storytelling events. We will present the events in the tradition of the USA TODAY NETWORK newsrooms Storytellers Project, a nationwide series of live storytelling events.

If you have ever had interest in participating in a live storyteller event, but not sure of all that is involved, come join us at the Village Workshop, 455 E. Cady Street, in Northville beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 14.

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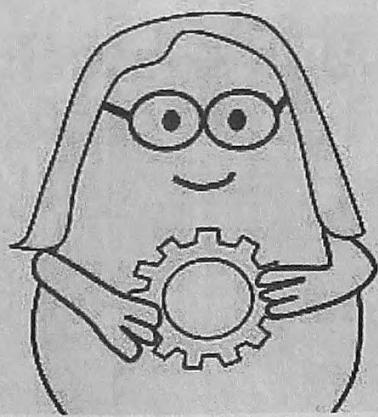
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asked about her relatively new moon-lighting career. "I had heart surgery two years ago — I'm fine now — and a year after that, I felt like it was the time to try it and put my creative-thinking process to work.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed the publishing process. I love sharing what I've learned over my 20-year (engineering) career with kids and giving them an easy step-by-step process to inspire them to invent something themselves."

Konet, an engineer for Nissan at its Farmington Hills satellite office, has incorporated a unique tool to design the engaging characters in her books.

"I actually do all the drawings in PowerPoint," she said. "I also made up some three-dimensional characters that I can take to schools when I read to



Heather Konet uses Microsoft PowerPoint to illustrate her books.
HEATHER KONET

classrooms. They really seem to resonate with the kids.

"Kids are natural thinkers and inventors. The steps in my books are very basic, so the goal is to kick-start kids' imaginations and find out how easy inventing can be."

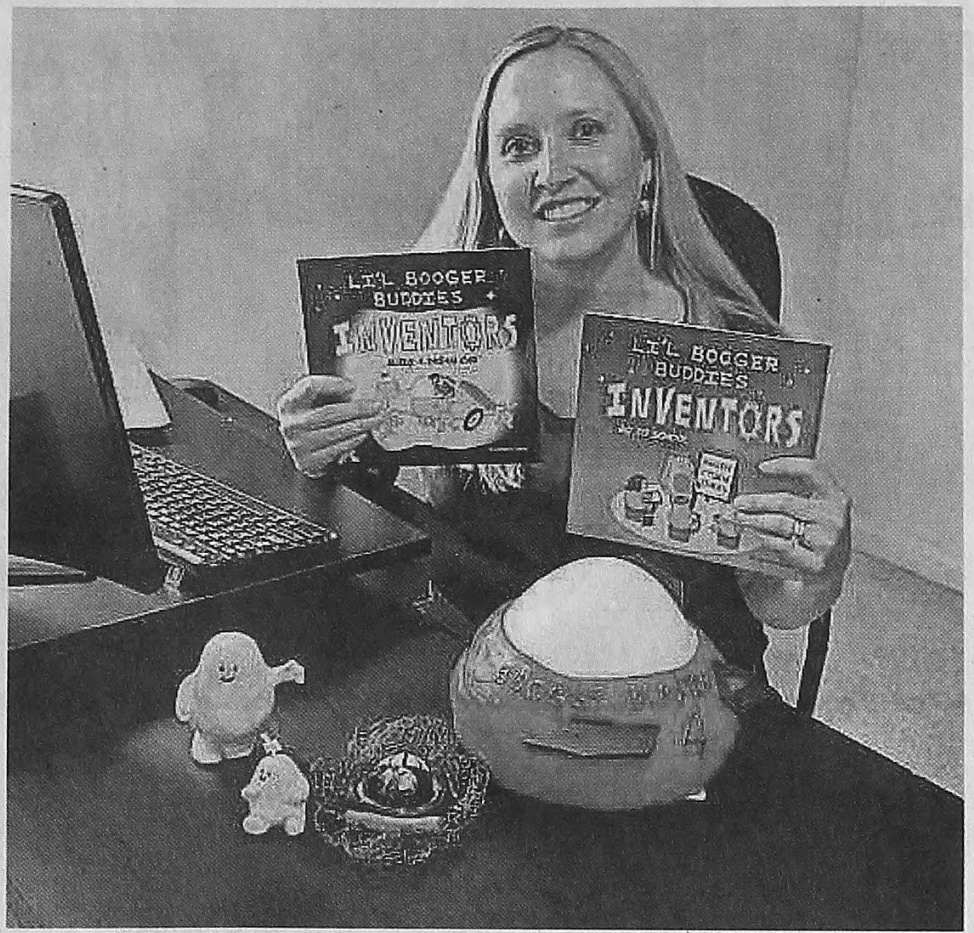
Konet's books are popular at STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) events.

Along with Amazon.com, she markets her products on Facebook and Google.

"I'm doing it all myself, without the help of a publisher, so it's a little challenging at times," she said. "But I'm very happy with how many books I've sold and distributed. I knew this was going to be a marathon, not a sprint."

With two elementary school-aged children of her own, Konet has built-in subjects to bounce her ideas off of.

"I try to write the books as a parent who likes to read to her own kids," she



Canton resident Heather Konet writes and illustrates children's books.

said. "I want them to be fun, not overly instructional and not overly wordy."

"The sweet spot, as far as the books' audience, is probably kindergarten to third grade."

Konet's next book will explain to children how they can publish their own books — a subject at which she has become very accomplished.

"I'm excited how this series of books evolves in the coming years," she said. "I'm open to wherever it takes me."

To check out Konet's website, go to www.stemshorts.com.

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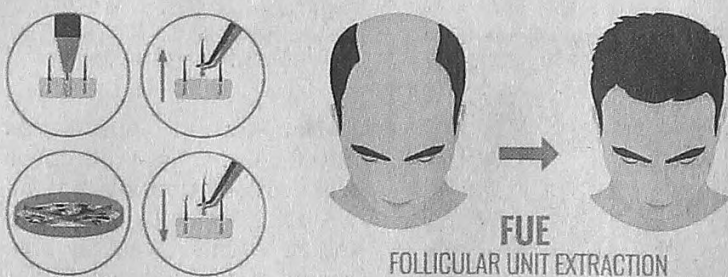
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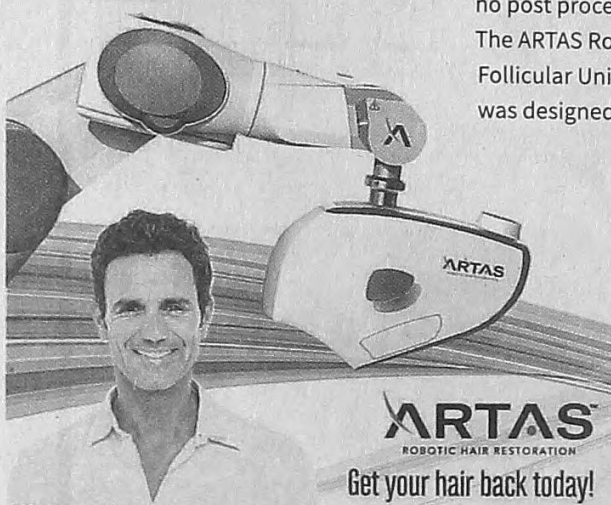
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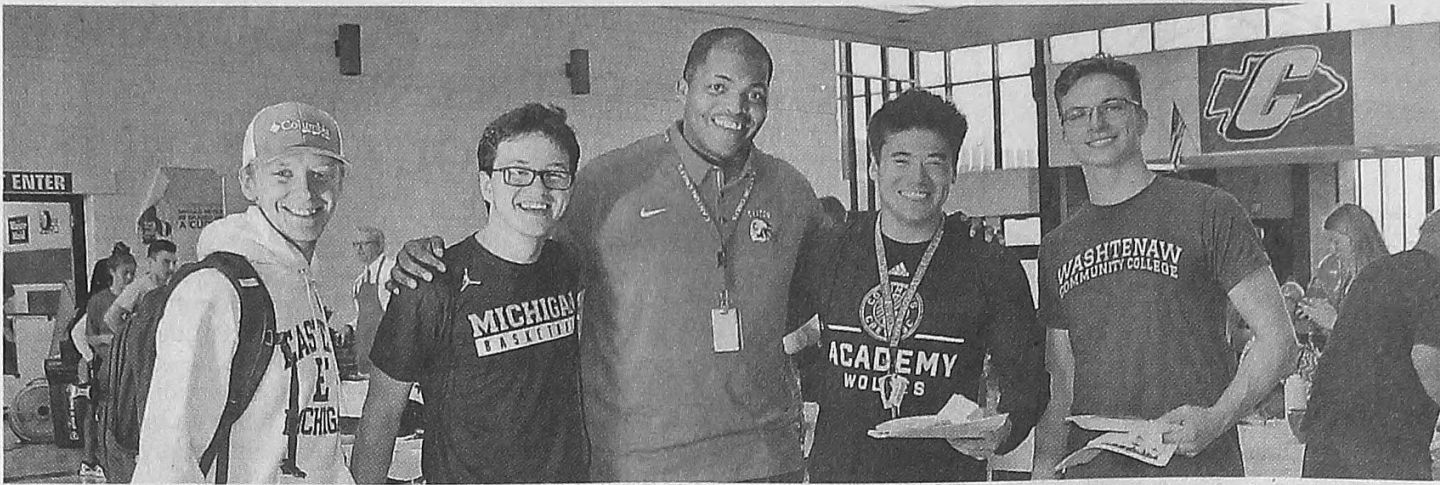
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FAREWELL BREAKFAST

Graduating seniors from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park marked their final day of class May 31 with the annual pancake breakfast, served up by district administration and board members. It is an amazing farewell to an incredible experience with the Plymouth-Canton Community School system. Pictured are (from left): Jack Perry, Ethan Schiffour, Hal Heard (principal of Canton High School), David McGrath and Sabian Ardeleanu.

Area students earn full scholarships to MSU

Five incoming students from metro Detroit have been awarded scholarships to cover full tuition, room and board and a stipend for up to eight semesters of undergraduate study at Michigan State University.

The scholarships – considered among the most competitive awards in the country – are valued at about \$120,000 for in-state students and approximately \$220,000 for out-of-state students.

"This cohort of exceptional scholars is an important component of our historic fall 2018 class," said Jim Cotter, executive director of admissions and recruitment. "These talented young people are among the best and the brightest in the country, and like the university they are joining, they will have a significant impact on campus and around the globe."

All of the students receiving an Alumni Distinguished Scholarship or University Distinguished Scholarship will be members of the Honors College.

"The Honors College fosters flexibility as students pursue a rigorous undergraduate education and encourages students to engage in high-level coursework, research, experiential learning and education abroad," said Cynthia Jackson-Elmoore, dean of the Honors

College. "We congratulate the students on earning these prestigious scholarships and look forward to seeing them succeed at Michigan State University."

Alumni Distinguished Scholars were selected from more than 1,300 of the top high school seniors who applied to MSU, participated in interviews and took an intensive general knowledge exam this past winter.

The Alumni Distinguished Scholars are:

■ Claudia Chen of Canton. Chen is graduating from Salem High School. She plans to major in mechanical engineering in the College of Engineering. Chen has been active in GET-IT (Girls Exploring Together Information Technology), Science Olympiad and Chemistry Olympiad. She is a National Merit Finalist.

"The Honors College is really strong academically, and I also really liked the atmosphere of the engineering department," Chen said.

■ Aneesh Cherukuri of Novi. Cherukuri is graduating from Novi High School. He plans to major in Lyman Briggs College. Cherukuri has been active in violin and tennis. He's a two-time American Invitational Mathematics Exam Qualifier.

"By choosing MSU, I feel like I set my-



Chen

self up in the best position to be successful in the future," Cherukuri said.

■ Anusha Mamidipaka of Northville. Mamidipaka is graduating from Detroit Country Day School. She plans to double major in biochemistry and molecular biology and neuroscience in Lyman Briggs College. Mamidipaka has been active in skiing, writing and painting. She is a National Merit Finalist.

"I chose MSU because the school offers a large number of research opportu-

nities, rigorous courses, and a supportive environment," Mamidipaka said.

■ Cecilia Mikat of Milford. Mikat is graduating from Brighton High School. She plans to major in advanced mathematics in the College of Natural Science. Mikat has been active drumline, musicals and Science Olympiad. She is a National Merit Scholar.

"After visiting the campus I fell in love with the atmosphere. It seems like all the people there are very positive and I'm really looking forward to going somewhere I can put my brains and excitement to work," Mikat said.

■ Kelli Weigold of Farmington Hills. Weigold is graduating from Farmington High School. She plans to major in chemical engineering in the College of Engineering. She has been active in tennis, Quiz Bowl and Culture Shock – an International Dance Exhibition.

"I chose MSU because I want to attend a diverse university with boundless opportunity and the ability to make me feel like more than just a number. In all of my interaction with MSU, I felt wanted. Coming from a large world class university, this impressed me. At MSU, I know I'll be able to have the big school experience while receiving the individual care I'd expect from a much smaller institution," Weigold said.

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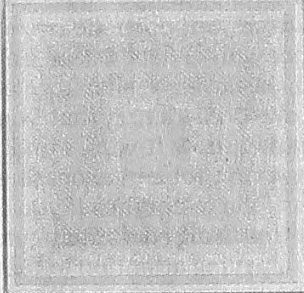
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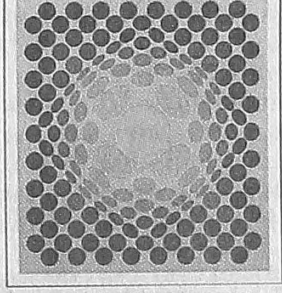
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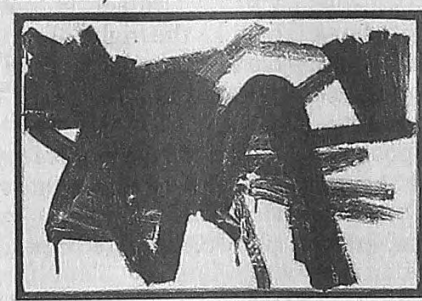
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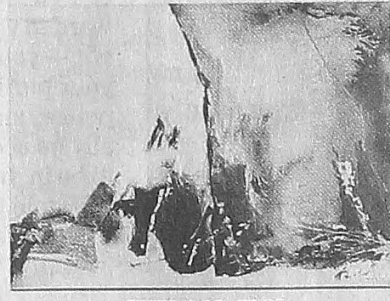
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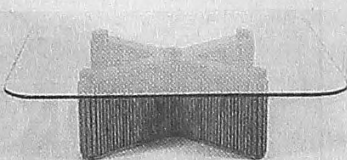
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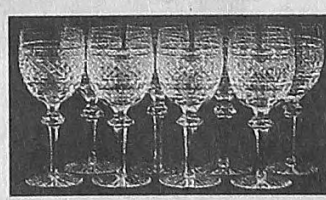
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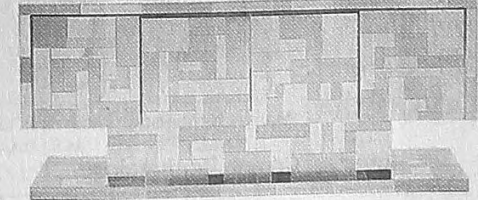
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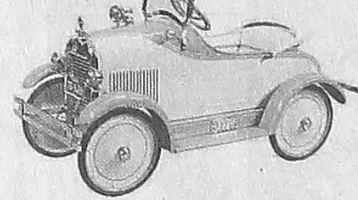
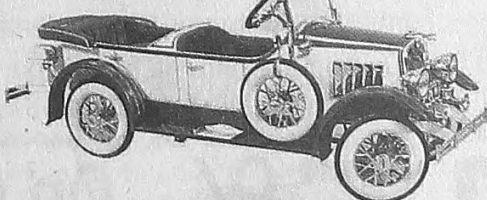
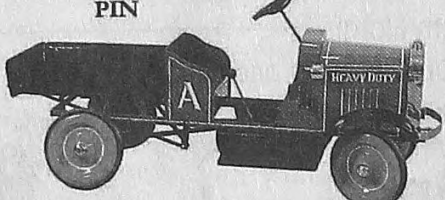
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Sometimes a substitute is exactly what you need



Cultural Relevancy
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It was summer camp and I was a wimpy little kid who had inadvertently broken an important rule, so now I was sentenced to wash all of the lunch pots and pans. Distressed and overwhelmed, I broke down in tears. That's when an older boy, a teenager, stepped in and said it was OK, he would wash the pots and pans. I was relieved and thankful and, to be honest, not quite sure it was legal that he would take my place!

In C.S. Lewis's book "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," there are two groups. The "good" side includes the Beavers, the fauns, various others, and the four kids — Peter, Suzan, Edmond and Lucy. The "bad" side includes the Witch, the centaurs, the wolves, etc. Unfortunately, Edmond gets seduced and falls in with the bad group and, though he desires to, he can't get himself out. Then the all-powerful lion Aslan shows up and you think, "Oh good, he's going to rip the bad guys

to shreds and free Edmond!" But that's not what he does. Instead, Aslan walks meekly into the enemy camp, he lays down, he allows them to tie him up with ropes and to shear off all his fur. And then the White Witch takes a knife and slits his throat and kills him. Edmond is set free. Aslan has traded himself for Edmond.

I remember when I first read "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" as a kid, I hated this part. I remember thinking, "I wish C.S. Lewis had not written it that way." It's so unpleasant. It's emotionally upsetting to read that part of the book or to see that part of the movie. That's not the way I would have done it.

I get the same sense when I read Luke, Chapter 22. It's a cool evening and Jesus has gone to pray quietly in the Garden of Gethsemane. A raucous, hateful crowd arrives with clubs and swords to arrest him. But Jesus uses none of the means at his disposal to defend himself, to beat back the crowd, to at least escape into the night. Instead, he quietly goes with them to a sham trial where witnesses lie and guards slap him in the face. After this illegal trial (because it was held in the middle of the night, against the law at the time), they

take him to government officials and pronounce that he is guilty of matters other than what they had actually tried him for. Jesus never points out their lying and deceitfulness, instead allowing Roman soldiers to beat him to a pulp and lead him to a crucifixion on a hill shaped like a skull outside the city, where he dies after uttering these words: "It is finished."

What was finished? Well, the substitution, the exchange, the ransom paid for the Edmond in each of us. Apparently, our rescue couldn't be accomplished through power or force or calling down fire from Heaven. It came through sacrifice and what's called "substitutionary atonement" — atoning for another's sins by substituting a guiltless person for a guilty one. Like the older boy did for me at summer camp. Like Aslan did for Edmond. What Jesus did for each of us. And I'm thankful he didn't ask me to earn it first, because I couldn't. And I guess that's the point.

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Working out retirement plan can be complicated



Money Matters
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Q: I need your help with an overall allocation for my portfolio. My situation is, I am 58 years old, divorced, with two adult children. I have no dependents and I plan to work until 62. When I retire at 62, I will receive a pension of approximately \$5,000 a month. Other than my home, which is debt-free, I have a 401(k) plan worth approximately \$275,000. My divorce was very costly. I consider myself a moderate risk investor and I think I have a decent understanding of the market. My pension should cover most of my expenses and, at most, I would need another \$300 to \$400 a month extra. You should also know that I am an only child and my mom is in her mid-80s with an estate in the mid-six

figures. My first question is, do you think I should take Social Security when I retire or wait until I can collect my full benefit? My second question is, do you think at my age a portfolio of 50 percent stocks and 50 percent bonds is too aggressive for my goals?

A: In reviewing your situation, the first issue I'd like to address is the inheritance. I generally tell everyone that they should not depend upon an inheritance. You never know how long someone will live and how much their estate will be worth. In the situation at hand, it is possible that your mother could live another 10-plus years — who knows during that time how much she will draw down on her estate? I believe the best course of action is to make decisions based upon what you currently have, not what you may have in the future.

I think it would make sense to delay Social Security until you receive your full benefit. By deferring Social Security, you'll end up receiving about an 8-percent return on your money, which in today's world is a very good rate of return. In addition, since your pension will cover the great bulk of your expenses and at most you may need another few hundred dollars a month, you can easily remove that from your portfolio. Fast forward to when you collect your full Social Security benefit — you'll be in a position where Social Security and your pension will more than cover all your living expenses and, in fact, at that point in time, you will actually be accumulating money, which is a great position to be in. In your situation, delaying your Social Security would be a very good financial move.

With regard to the allocation of the portfolio, first I

believe that age is not the determining factor. Age says nothing about your goals and objectives. In addition, someone's risk tolerance level has nothing to do with age. The real question is whether or not a portfolio that contains half stocks and half bonds is appropriate for what you are trying to accomplish.

I have no problem with a 50/50 portfolio and I think it could work for you. In your situation, I would also have no problem having a portfolio that even had a greater allocation toward stocks. Most of your goals are long term. After all, when you first retire a few years down the road, you'll only need a very small withdrawal from your portfolio to cover your needs. In addition, once you collect Social Security, your income needs will be covered, allowing your portfolio to reinvest and grow. Considering that you said you understand the market, how it works and the risk involved, I would have no problem allocating a greater portion of your portfolio to equities if you choose.

One thing I definitely compliment Rodney on is that he's paying attention to the allocations. Before you invest money, you should establish the proper allocation. As many studies have shown, having the right allocation is one of the keys to being successful as an investor. In fact, in many situations, I actually think having the right allocation is more important than having the right mutual fund.

Good luck!

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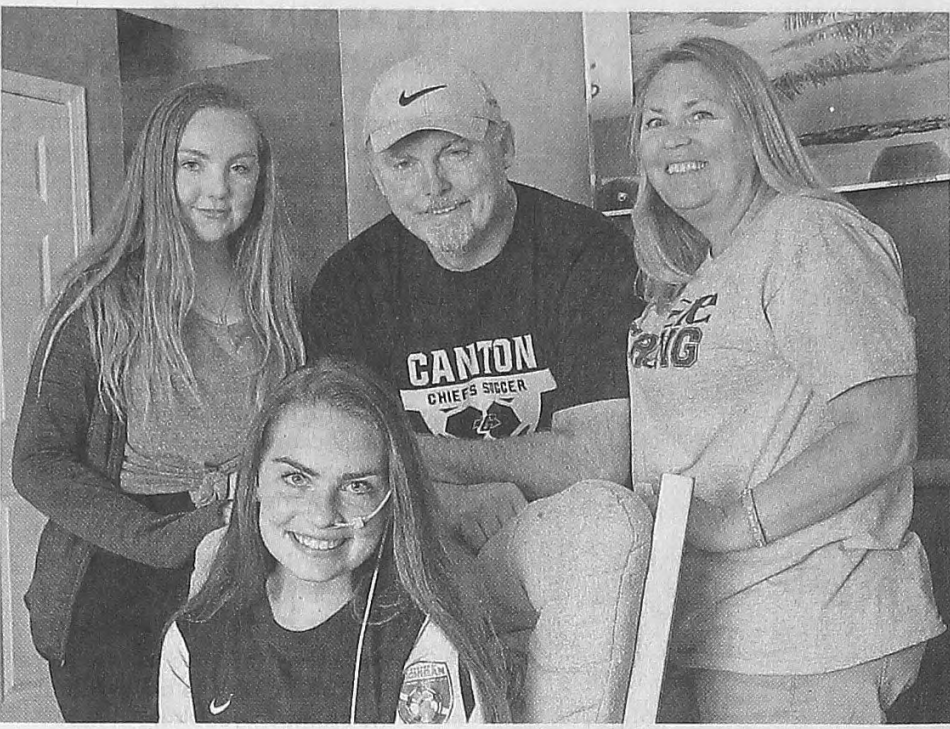
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sophomore logged up to 35 minutes in junior varsity girls soccer games.

"I am surprised, because I thought (soccer) was going to be a lot more challenging, which it was," Makenzie, 15, said about how she returned to the sport she loves so much she wants to play it in college and then professionally. "But I just figured that you only live one life, so you just got to put all the effort in you can, to get back to where you want to be."

Some days are better than others, of course. "I know there were a few days where I was just, like, really out of it and really dizzy and my blood pressure was low. But I just put more water in," she said.

The spunky girl wears a backpack, containing bags of water, liquid food and a computerized contraption that controls how much nutrition can go through the nasogastric (NG) tube — which is inserted through her nostrils and down her throat.

She unhooks the NG tube from the backpack device before playing soccer, but she still is able to inject syringes of water into a portal whenever refreshment is needed.

The family might soon get a break from all that. On June 29, Makenzie will visit her doctors at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital, with the hope that the tube will be removed.

"The main thing is she is starting to keep tiny bits of food down," mom Lori said. "She has to maintain keeping food down. But the water, for however many months we were in and out of the ER dehydrated, she gets three bags of fluid every few days."

An inspiration

To those not familiar with Makenzie's incredible up-and-down journey, it looks as though she probably shouldn't be playing competitive soccer — not with that NG tube braided to her hair.

So when Livonia Stevenson freshman soccer player Kenna Fedrigo first faced Makenzie, she hesitated about how to approach her opponent.

But Makenzie inspired Fedrigo so much that the young Spartan posted an emotional message of respect on Instagram.

"You're a really strong girl and the best thing about you is that you don't wanna be treated differently," she wrote. "I could tell you wanted fair treatment like everyone else because you were aggressive. It surprised me at first, but then I like put two and two together and figured it out and that's honestly awesome. I just wanted to tell you."

Many other people are just as amazed.

"It's her positivity alone. I don't know if I could do it," her mother said. "Every

day, every doctor's appointment, every poke, every tube in the nose and down the throat, the constant puking, she keeps going. She inspires people more than she will ever know.

"I don't think she grasps the concept of how many people she motivates and inspires. Every day, I have someone come up to me, 'How's Makenzie, oh my gosh she's inspired me.'"

Hard to fathom

With a smile and can-do spirit, Makenzie continues to recover from some unfathomable medical setbacks. Last fall, however, the likelihood that she could return to the soccer field was iffy at best.

She found herself stuck in the middle of a terrifying sequence of events that followed a fainting spell during an early October soccer tournament in Indiana.

"They sent us to the hospital in Indiana and told us to find a cardiologist," she said. "I didn't know what was happening. I was kind of confused, I didn't really know what was going on."

The mystifying diagnosis: she had dysautonomia.

According to Wikipedia, dysautonomia is a medical condition "in which the autonomic nervous system does not work properly. This may affect the functioning of the heart, bladder, intestines, sweat glands, pupils and blood vessels."

Lori said Makenzie did have a murmur during childhood, but her heart checked out fine. "It's just her autonomic nervous system doesn't work, which controls everything," she said.

For starters, she couldn't keep food down. Her parents estimated she often vomited more than 30 times a day.

"It was scary," Lori said. "We knew she had a murmur. But everything was fine (with her heart), it's just her autonomic nervous system doesn't work, which controls everything."

Rug pulled out

Then came Nov. 9, when Makenzie lost the use of her limbs.

"I was at home on my bed doing my homework and I went to go get up and I thought my legs were asleep and I started standing up and I couldn't walk," Makenzie said. "When I tried to stand up, it was hurting so much because of the pressure, so I just flopped."

Makenzie's parents quickly took her to doctors at Beaumont. She underwent everything from X-rays to MRIs, trying to find some explanation for her stunning situation.

Ultimately, the Carpenters learned that Makenzie also had gastroparesis, a potentially fatal disorder. She couldn't eat without vomiting. She lost an alarming amount of weight.

But the team of doctors stabilized her situation and the NG tube was inserted.

"The goal (with the tube) was to actu-

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Storytelling

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nity, while developing empathy in that community. Each Hometownlife.com Storytellers Project will curate nights of true, first-person stories from neighbors and notables. Events will feature local tellers of all ages sharing real stories from their real lives, coached by our journalists. Think "The Moth" with a little more time to spin your story or "Mortified" without so much teen angst.

On June 14, will be joined by Ann Arbor storyteller Patti Smith for a laid-back evening when we will answer all your questions. Smith will provide a demonstration and our coaches will be

on hand to walk you through the process. Our plan is to host four to six events over a 12-month period. Themes will include: music, food and culture, new beginnings, tattoo tales, glory days, high school sports and more.

If you're not sure if you are brave enough to be a teller or wondering which story to tell or topic to choose, come join us for a great evening June 14 in downtown Northville. Snacks, pizza and soft drinks will be available for purchase.

For more information and register to attend, go to our event page on Facebook at facebook.com/hometownlife.

Contact Dan Dean by email at ddean@hometownlife.com. Instagram at @HTLeditor.

Attention Back Pain and Sciatica Sufferers!

Back Pain and Sciatica Workshop Reveals How to Naturally Heal Back Pain and Sciatica For Good.

Do you suffer with back pain or leg pain when you stand or walk?

Do you have pain when you sit for long periods or drive?

Do you experience pain, numbness or tingling into your butt, groin or down your leg?

Does your back ever "go out" if you move the wrong way?

Are you afraid your pain will get worse if you don't do anything about it?

If you have answered YES to any of the above questions (or have a stubborn spouse who is in denial) – the Lower Back and Sciatica Workshop may be a life changing event for you...

Testimonial: Debra Says: I was in tremendous pain in my back until I came to Mehul for treatment, I was having hard time getting in and out of car, wake up with pain and stiffness, and cannot walk longer. Everything seems to be getting back to normal after treatment, I started feeling whole again and I'm grateful for this place.

Hello,

Back pain and sciatica can completely ruin your life... I've seen it many times.

- ✓ It can make you lean on the shopping cart when walking through the grocery store (how embarrassing)...
- ✓ It can take your focus away from enjoying your life...like spending time with your children or grandchildren...
- ✓ It can mess up your work or force you to do a job you don't want to do...
- ✓ It can ruin your travel plans...
- ✓ And it can take away your ability to live life...having to rely on others... or to wait for you to sit down for a minute.

And less movement and enjoying of life can lead to depression, increased stress and a sedentary lifestyle (mostly sitting...not moving much) which leads to bigger health problems...and life problems.

We are Sciatica and Lower Back Specialists at ALLY PHYSICAL THERAPY, we've helped 100's of people from right here in Livonia, MI...and the rest of Wayne County...who have suffered needlessly with lower back pain and sciatica...it's our specialty.

So by request, I'm hosting a Sciatica and Lower Back Pain Workshop here at ALLY PHYSICAL THERAPY ON 16TH JUNE 2018 at Canton Location: 7313 N Lilley Rd, Canton MI-48187 10:30 am-11:30 am AND Livonia Location: 32858 5 mile Rd, Livonia, MI-48154 from 2pm-3pm.

If you're confused about what to do and looking for answers, here's some of what you'll learn:

- ✓ The Biggest #1 Mistake back pain and sciatica sufferers make which actually stops them from healing...
- ✓ The 3 Most Common Causes of Lower Back Pain and Sciatica...
- ✓ A Sure-Fire Way to Pick the Right Treatment for the Cause of Your Pain (and save you a ton of time and money)
- ✓ How a problem in your back can cause pain, numbness or tingling in your leg...
- ✓ What successful treatment and permanent relief looks like without the side effects of medications, injections or surgery.

How Do I Register for the Lower Back Pain and Sciatica Workshop?

Call our office to register at **734-525-3000** talk to Jessica or Nancy and reserve your spot today!!!! When you register, we will mail you The Lower Back Pain and Sciatica Worksheet which you will bring with you to the event.

p.s. Please let them know which location you want to register for Canton or Livonia!!!

We only have 15 seats available for the event...and this will be going out in our Newsletter and Facebook page

(<https://www.facebook.com/Ally-Physical-Therapy>).

So if you would like to attend, be sure to register now...

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How Much Is It to Attend?

The Event is Free to attend.

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Therapist regarding their lower Back Pain (to be scheduled on a different day).

SPACES ARE LIMITED! All 15 attendees for the Sciatica and Lower Back Pain Workshop will receive a Special Report: "The Top 10 Burning Questions for Sciatica". Looking forward to seeing you there on 16th June 2018 at 10:30am Canton Location and at 2pm at Livonia Location!!!

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ally increase her weight, so that the pressure is relieved off of that nerve in some of the stomach," Doug said. "The intestines, they were on the way to collapsing."

"Now, with the extra nutrition, they've expanded and, hopefully, the pressure's off so she won't throw up as much, or at all."

Kicking it

Where Makenzie really started to take a step in the right direction was Probility Physical Therapy in Canton. Her training began in December and her progression slowly went from using a walker to leaning on a cane.

Recovery then took an incredible next step. Not surprisingly, soccer had something to do with that.

"She actually kicked a bunch of soccer balls while she was going to Probility, that was amazing," Doug said. "I knew she had the drive to do it (come-back), I just didn't know ... this was, like, in January when she was just learning how to walk again."

"Soccer tryouts were in March. She had to act quickly and she did. She was relentless and just kept trying, trying, trying."

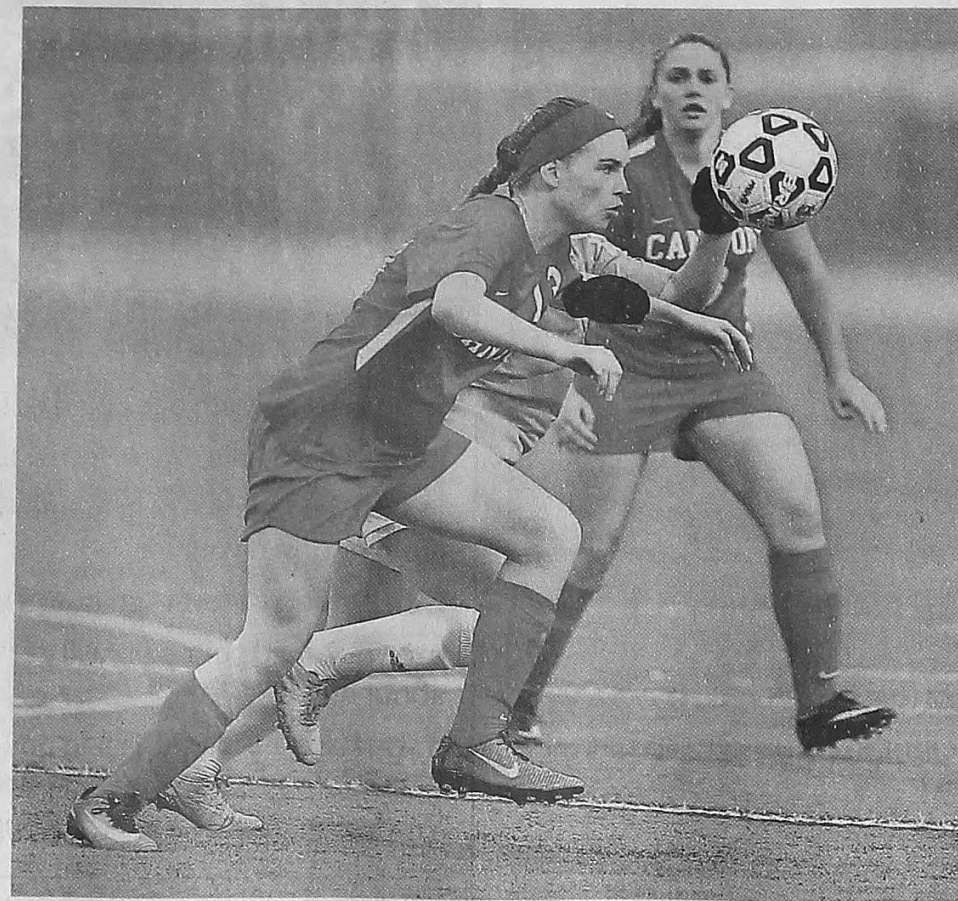
Each day, Makenzie got stronger physically and mentally. Her will to play soccer again had never been questioned.

"Yeah, a lot of people were surprised," Makenzie said about actually making the JV Chiefs roster. "My coach didn't know how I was going to do, so at first he made me a manager. And then he said I did pretty well at tryouts, since it was my first time exercising. He said I did OK, so I could make the JV roster."

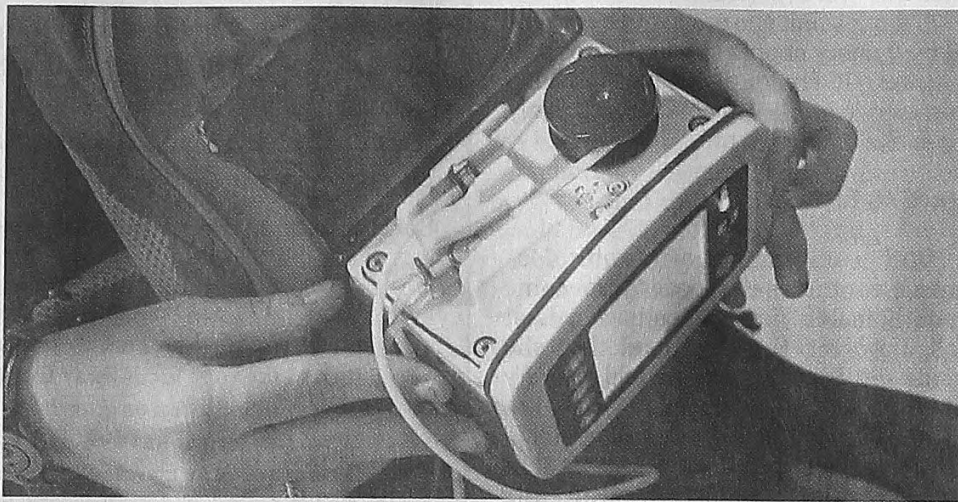
"Then I was just doing practices and then he said I was doing really good at practices, so then I could play in the games. I think I only missed two games."

And she doesn't plan on stopping now, with hopes of playing travel soccer this summer and perhaps being on the Canton varsity team in 2019.

"I really love soccer and I don't want really want to give that up," Makenzie said, her face lighting up. "And I love exercising. Part of the reason I keep being



Staying focused on the ball is Canton sophomore Makenzie Carpenter. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO



The nutrition pump rides in a backpack and feeds Makenzie through a nasal tube, up to 15 hours a day. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

positive about everything is my friends.

"Without friends, I don't know what I would do. But they're always positive and everything and I like being around positive people."

Anybody spending just a few minutes with Makenzie Carpenter might

realize she is the personification of positivity.

Contact Tim Smith at tsmith@hometownlife.com. Follow him on Twitter: [@TimSmith_Sports](https://twitter.com/TimSmith_Sports).

ALL ABOUT KENZI

Who: Makenzie Carpenter, 15, who goes by the nickname "Kenzi." She is finishing her sophomore year at Canton High School, where she played junior varsity girls soccer.

Ordeal: The teen, a Westland resident, made a remarkable return to the playing field just a few months after not being able to walk due to medical issues.

Nutshell: Makenzie was diagnosed in late 2017 with dysautonomia and gastroparesis. According to Wikipedia, the former is a medical condition "in which the autonomic nervous system does not work properly. This may affect the functioning of the heart, bladder, intestines, sweat glands, pupils, and blood vessels."

Gastroparesis is defined as "a medical condition consisting of a partial paralysis of the stomach, resulting in food remaining in the stomach for an abnormally long time."

Sports: In addition to playing for the Canton Chiefs, Makenzie has competed in youth soccer since age 4. She has experience with the Canton Celtic club team and is hoping to make the program again this year. She wants to continue playing soccer in college and wants to play the sport professionally. She had to give up competitive volleyball, which she played as a freshman at her high school.

Family: Her parents are Lori and Doug Carpenter and she has a younger sister, Chelsea (Liberty Middle School). The Carpenters also have a retired service dog, Chester, who is a therapy dog for area schools.

Awareness: Lori Carpenter is an internet moderator for Dysautonomia Connect of Michigan, where she tries to lift up spirits.

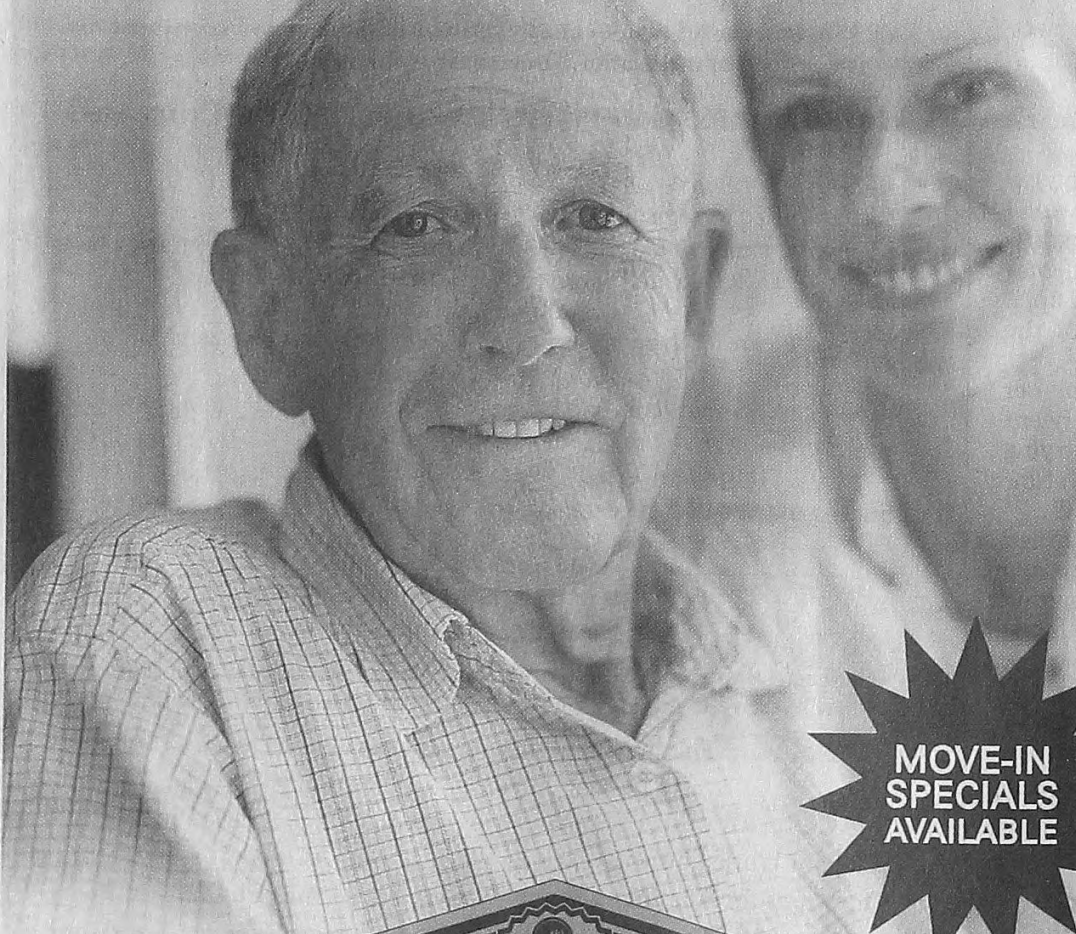
"All kinds of things can go wrong with their body at any time," Lori said. "Their stomach doesn't work, they have problems with their heart, whatever it might be. But try to find the positive things of each day. Because as Kenzi and I have noticed, there's a lot you have to filter through. There's a lot of negative."

Info: Go to www.dinet.org or www.dysautonomiasupport.org for more information about the disorder.

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Schoolcraft College adds pharmacy tech program

David Veselenak

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Several changes are coming to the national standards for pharmacy technicians in 2020. With those changes, the leadership at Schoolcraft College decided now was the right time to launch the college's new pharmacy technician program.

"We've been working on this for just about two years," said Joe Ringer, an instructor at Schoolcraft College and the man behind creating the new program. "That's what drove Schoolcraft to putting this kind of program together."

In the fall, several dozen students will have the opportunity to take the classes at Schoolcraft College in order to obtain a pharmacy technician certificate in about nine months.

A pharmacy technician is different from a pharmacist: technicians still work with the prescription drugs in places like a community pharmacy or in a hospital, but don't make calls on how what drug or how much of it is used by a patient.

"Technicians do all the administrative things that don't require professional judgment," Ringer said. "They still need to know pharmacology — they're the ones that do all the calculations for medications going into IVs or other dosage forms. Those are the things we have to teach them."

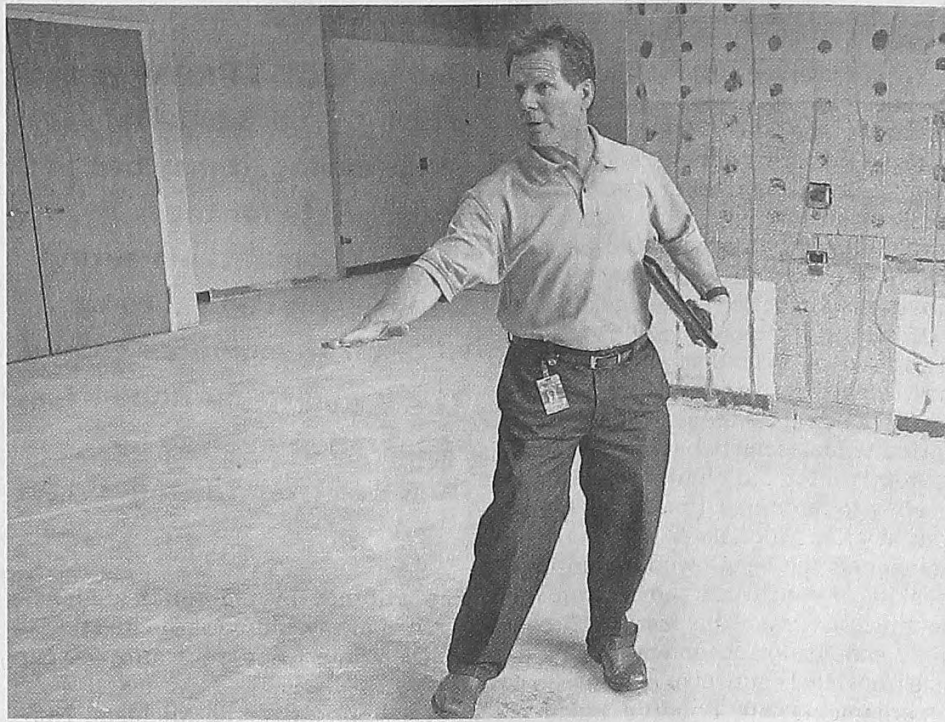
While other schools in the area, like Henry Ford College and Washtenaw Community College, offer pharmacy technician programs, Ringer said Schoolcraft's will take the program one step further than most. Students who complete the program will also have their state exam.

"The last course, they'll sit for the certification exam," Ringer said. "If they pass, the very next week, we'll help them apply for their license."

"All they do is come into the program, be successful in the curriculum and leave with a license."

Program for the future

The pharmacy technician program joins the pre-pharmacy program at Schoolcraft College, though Ringer said



Instructor Joseph Ringer describes the pharmacy that students will use, complete with programmed distractions like phone calls. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Associate dean Bonnie Heckard-Farmer considers the program to be very hands-on, in style. BILL BRESLER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

the courses needed for the technician program are unique and none apply to the pre-pharmacy degree the college currently offers.

It's one, Ringer said, that's needed nationwide. Employment of pharmacy technicians is expected to grow by 9 percent through 2024, requiring more

employees in the field.

The new program, which launches in the fall and will be taught completely at the college's Radcliff Center in Garden City, will have its own dedicated space in the building. Crews continue to work in the classroom, which will have space for teaching and space for simulated exercises. That includes a pharmacy setup like you'd see at Meijer, Walgreens or CVS, as well as a hospital pharmacy set-up.

In addition to Ringer teaching, other instructors with pharmacy technician experience will be in the classrooms instructing students. Once students make it to the second semester, they'll head out and work in the community, with Ringer saying he's securing partnerships with hospitals such as St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, as well as the Beaumont hospitals in Wayne, Farmington Hills, Dearborn and Taylor. Students will also get to work at pharmacies in places like Meijer, CVS and Walgreens.

Work continues on the lab, which is scheduled to be done later this summer before students arrive for the 31-credit hour program.

Bonnie Heckard-Farmer, associate dean of college centers, said the space is being designed with the students' learning in mind.

"We just know what the best practices are that we want for our students," she said. "They got to do hands-on practice."

Ringer said with additional duties coming to pharmacists in the future, having experienced technicians will be critical. With that in mind, Ringer said, Schoolcraft College can create a program looking at the future of the industry instead of just its current state.

"What's exciting is that we get to create a program for the future of pharmacy," Ringer said. "Pharmacists are going to take on a lot more responsibility to managing chronic diseases. They need to be freed up. The only way to free them up is to have good, qualified educated technicians. That's what we teach for."

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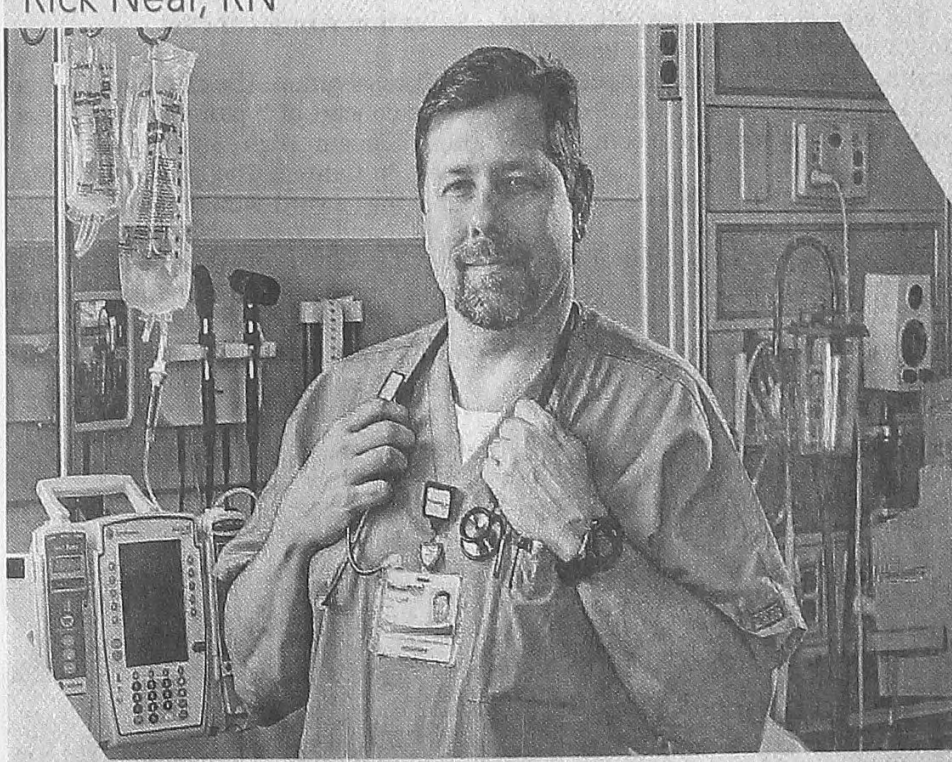
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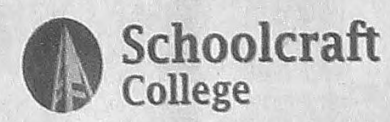
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What to do about unruly board meetings



Condo Living
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Q: We have an unruly co-owner in our condominium association who is always disruptive at the annual meeting of members. There is time allowed for individuals to address the membership and we have set a three-minute limit for each speaker, but he always goes over time and interrupts other speakers, including board members. What can we do — fine him, kick him out, anything else?

A: If it has not already done so, the Board of Directors should vote on a resolution adopting formal parliamentary procedures, such as Robert's Rules of Order. A recent check shows that abridged and full versions may be available on Amazon anywhere from \$8 to \$19, for example. While alternative forms of parliamentary procedure exist, I recommend Robert's Rules.

It is necessary to adopt some form of parliamentary procedures, because even though your bylaws likely provide for things like who can call and attend meetings, when regular meetings happen and notice of meetings, they likely do not contain detail about how those meetings should proceed. But to be clear, any parliamentary procedures that you may adopt would be subject to your bylaws and, in the case of any con-

flict between the two, the bylaws would control.

I have never seen bylaws that provide for fines or suspension of membership privileges (e.g., use of amenities like pools or gyms) as penalties for unruly member behavior at meetings. There is good reason for this, as what would constitute unruly behavior would be subjective, so enforcement of those types of provisions might be easily challenged.

However, Section 61 of Robert's Rules of Order deals with disciplinary procedures for disruptive members at a meeting. Depending on the degree to which the individual is misbehaving, it may be appropriate for the chairperson of the meeting to put a question to the members in attendance as to whether the member should be allowed to continue speaking or even to be removed from the meeting. That said, this last resort certainly should not occur without guidance from legal counsel or a professional parliamentarian. Robert's Rules of Order also empower the chairperson to deal directly with non-members and members who are "obviously hostile to the announced purpose of the meeting," in which case disciplinary questions do not have to be put to the members in attendance.

If you expect a contentious meeting, be sure to have your experienced community association attorney or, at the very least, a professional parliamentarian in attendance. If a disruption occurs out of the blue which will not allow the meeting to proceed and you can't reach

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your attorney by phone for guidance, you can always adjourn the meeting to another time when your attorney can join you.

And remember, the Michigan Non-profit Corporation Act allows your bylaws to provide that members can take action by written ballot without a meeting, so be sure to amend your bylaws to take advantage of same if you have not already done so.

Q: We are thinking about buying an apartment-condo in either Amsterdam or Cape Town, South Africa. Do you have any information about the markets there?

A: The young people are moving into

flats and apartments in Amsterdam in growing numbers. Construction is very expensive because of the flooding issues and all or most of the buildings lean forward because of the nature of the construction. Homes or condos on the canals can go for as much as \$3,000 a square foot. The market is strong, as the economy is prospering.

In Cape Town, while the area is much more spread out, new apartments and condominiums are extremely expensive along the coastline, which resembles Southern California in view and cost. Apartments in Cape Town themselves can be purchased along the waterfront, but in the millions of dollars.

Both locales provide excellent real estate investments, as both markets are strong based upon my observations. You are best to hire a local Realtor in each locale, as well as a lawyer to assist you in making any investment. Again, exchange rates may be important, but the dollar is strong in both locations.

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AREA EVENTS

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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.detroitbluesociety.org). There is a \$5 donation at the door.

The legendary Kenny Parker Band, with special guest Jim McCarty returns Tuesday, June 12. Joining them will be Dan Devins on vocals and harmonica, Mike Marshall on bass and Dave Marcaccio on drums. Parker and McCarty are Detroit Blues Society Lifetime Achievement Award Honorees.

Jazz @ The Elks happens 7-9:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres.

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.

3D Photography Club

The 3D Photography Club of southeast Michigan will hold its next meeting at 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, at Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington. The program will include a presentation of the best 3D images made by club members this season and the annual awards presentation.

The meetings are free to attend and visitors are always welcome. Stereo cameras, 3D movies and educational videos are available for members to borrow or rent. For more information, go to www.Detroit3D.org or call Dennis at 248-398-3591.

Lions Club pancake breakfast

The Canton Lions Club Foundation will hold its annual pancake breakfast in conjunction with Liberty Fest 8-11 a.m. Saturday, June 16, in Heritage Park, 1150 Canton Center Road. There cost is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children ages 12 and under.

The Canton Lions Club is a diverse group of men and women who have come together to earn funds to support those who are less fortunate. The Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. each Monday at Rose's Restaurant, on the corner of Canton Center and Cherry Hill roads. For information, call Bill Van Winkle 734 254-9404 or email govbill@wowway.com.

Salvation Army concert

The Salvation Army will host a free brass concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 16, at Salem High School, 46181 Joy Road, in Canton. The concert will feature the award-winning Motor City Brass Band, along with performances from The Salvation Army Eastern Michigan Divisional Band and The Salvation Army Youth Beginner Brass. Donations will be accepted to support the local Salvation Army music program.

YMCA Father's Day run

The Plymouth Family YMCA will be holding its annual Father's Day run Sunday, June 17. The program includes a quarter-mile fun run, a one-mile run, a 5K run/walk, a 10K run and a triple, which is competing in the one-mile, 5K and 10K and combining results for all three races for an overall time.

To learn more or register for the race, go to plymouthfathersdayrun.org or call the Plymouth Family YMCA at 734-453-2904.

Wings & Wheels Show

Yankee Air Museum and presenting sponsor Hagerty Insurance will hold the inaugural Wings & Wheels Show on the tarmac at historic Willow Run airport, 801 Kirk Profit Drive, in Ypsilanti from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 24.

Admission is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the gate for adults. Children under age 15 are free. Tickets can be purchased online at www.yankeeairmuseum.org/events/ or via Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/yankee-air-museum-wings-wheels-tickets-41921661819>.

Trailwood Garden Club walk

The Trailwood Garden Club will present its 22nd annual tour of several Plymouth-Canton yards and gardens from noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 26. Chat with the homeowners, get horticultural tips from master gardeners and shop the treasures sale for vintage, gently used and handmade garden and floral items. Purchase inexpensive perennials potted up by Trailwood members from their own gardens and enjoy complimentary refreshments, valuable door prizes and more.

Admission is \$10 per person; ticket with enclosed tour maps on sale via Eventbrite and at Plymouth retailers Specialty Pet, Sideways and Little Black Heart Boutique. For more information, go to TrailwoodGardenClub.com.

Wounded Warrior benefit

Old Glory Flags and Flagpoles of Canton and Canton Leisure Services have joined forces to host The Lynn M. Bentley Memorial Walk, Talk and Yoga Event To Benefit The Wounded Warrior Project, with Dan Nevins, set for Saturday, July 28, in Heritage Park, adjacent to the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

This fundraiser is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.; participants are asked to arrive by 8:30 a.m. for check-in or registration. Nevins is a motivational speaker and nationally recognized Wounded Warrior and a retired U.S. Army staff sergeant.

All proceeds will go to benefit Wounded Warrior Project. Tickets (\$20 online, \$25 the week of the event and \$30 on-site the day of the event, a portion of which is tax-deductible) are on sale at www.cantonfun.org. Veterans

will be admitted free.

For additional information, go to www.cantonfun.org or call 734-394-5360.

Mother-Son Tigers game

The Plymouth Recreation Department will sponsor its inaugural Mother-Son outing Sunday, July 29, when the Detroit Tigers host the Cleveland Indians. A charter bus will leave from the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street, at 10:30 a.m.

Event price (\$35) includes tickets to the game, as well as transportation to and from Comerica Park. Your little guy (ages 14 and younger) can enjoy free carousel and Ferris wheel rides throughout the day and at the end of the game kids can run the bases. Advance ticket purchase is required because space is limited.

Registration can be found online at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us or by calling 734-455-6620 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Optimist Club Detroit River cruise

The Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club will be hosting its second annual dinner cruise at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, aboard The Diamond Belle on the Detroit River. It will depart from the Stroh's River Place dock for a 2½-hour cruise at sunset.

Dinner will be served and the cruise will include a cash bar and raffle opportunities. Tickets are \$49.25 per person, including secure parking. All proceeds go to support the youth programs the Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club provides to the community. This is an adults-only cruise and accommodations are available for handicapped cruisers.

To reserve tickets, contact Pamela Batcho at PlymouthCantonOptimist@gmail.com or 734-502-5776. Reservations must be made before Wednesday, Aug. 1, and payment must be received by Wednesday, Aug. 15.

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.

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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Karmanos starts massive \$47.5M expansion

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For years, patients at the Karmanos Cancer Institute's Lawrence and Idell Weisberg Cancer Treatment Center in Farmington Hills who needed something as simple as a blood transfusion have had to go down to the Karmanos facility in Detroit to get it.

When the \$47.5 million expansion to the Weisberg center is complete — by 2021, Karmanos officials said — that won't be necessary.

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute announced it will expand the Weisberg Center into a full-service, outpatient oncology center by 2021. It's a move officials have really known would be needed almost since the Weisberg Center opened its doors in 2001.

"Nearly as soon as we opened, there was recognition we needed to provide for a full-service center we weren't able to provide at the Farmington Hills location," said Dr. Justin Klamerus, president of Karmanos Cancer Hospital and Network. "There's been a demand for services we haven't been able to meet with the current capacity."

Karmanos established a presence in Oakland County when it opened the Weisberg Center in 2001. With the expansion, Weisberg will become nearly four times as large, increasing its current footprint from 17,700 to 69,100 square feet.

The first phase of the project — to expand the radiation area to offer the latest advancements in radiation oncology, imaging bays and additional services, including research — got started this week. Procedure rooms and an interventional radiology suite will also be added.

Klamerus said the expansion will allow Karmanos to expand its radiation services, allowing for five-day-a-week biopsies, MRIs and positron emission tomography (PET) scans (an imaging test that allows doctor to check for diseases in a patient's body) that were more limited before.

The expansion will also allow for an ambulatory acute care center, which Klamerus likened to "an oncology urgent care," so patients who have toxicities to treatment after hours can come into the Weisberg facility and "save themselves a trip to the ER," Klamerus said.

Integrative support services programs, such as a wellness center for survivors, support groups and healing arts programs, will now have room to grow.

"Many of those (programs) that have been space-limited will now have the space where we can hold them in Farmington Hills," Klamerus said.

The first phase started when crews began taking down a wall and trees on the south side of the property, located on Northwestern Highway. While trees are coming down, part of the approval from the city of Farmington Hills was an agreement to put trees back up elsewhere.

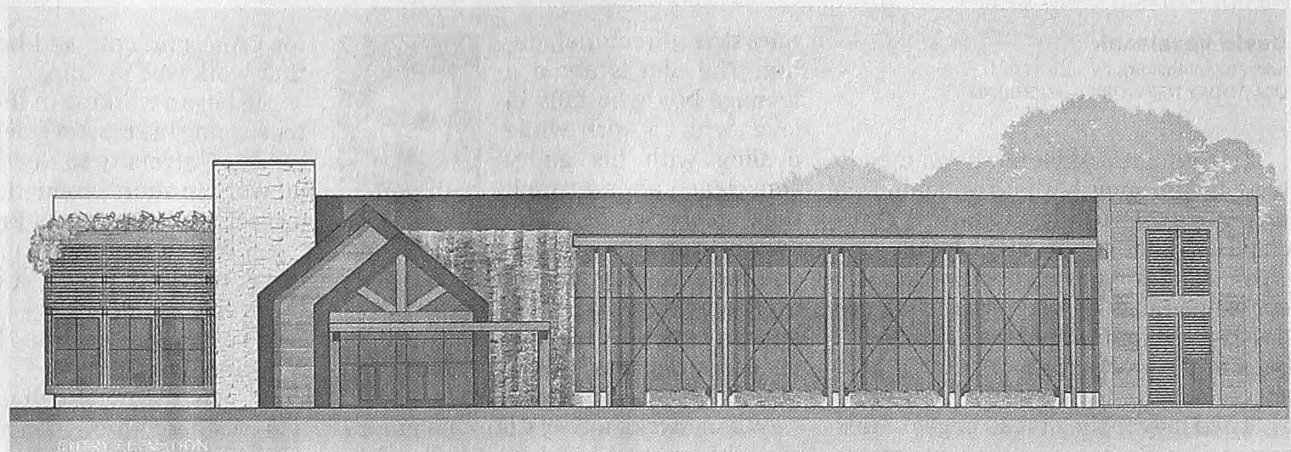
"Any tree we take down, we have to put one up somewhere on the site and we're happy to do that," said Ellen Monterosso, project manager for the expansion. "It's such a pleasant atmosphere for our patients. When you're sick, you want to have that beautiful area to look at."

Phase I of the expansion is expected to be complete by April 2019, with Phase II expected to start shortly thereafter. The expanded Weisberg Center is expected to be complete by mid-2021. The Weisberg Center is expected to continue to service patients throughout.

When it's done, Klamerus said, Karmanos expects the Weisberg facility to maintain its "holistic, homey environment."



Tristan Stierley works the sledgehammer and Terry Benedict runs the excavator while removing a wall and several trees on the south side of the building. BRAD KADRICH | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



An artist's rendering of the expansion of the Lawrence and Idell Weisberg Cancer Treatment Center in Farmington Hills. ACWAYNA

"One thing that's incredibly important to us ... the Weisberg facility is very conducive to patient support," Klamerus said. "We want that same sense and same feel to be present. We don't want this to feel like the typical sterile health care facility."

Klamerus hailed the advancements in the treatment of cancer, which have allowed for "more cancer survivors every year."

"A larger facility will enhance the experience for our cancer patients and their families, making services more accessible during their cancer journey, as well as maintaining follow-up after their cancer treatment has ended," Klamerus said.

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The poster for *All Summer's End*, directed by Churchill High School alumnus Kyle Wilamowski. KYLE WILAMOWSKI

Churchill High alumnus returns home to debut first feature film

David Veselenak
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Kyle Wilamowski knew he wanted to work in film since his days of talking his way into a CAPA-only program at Churchill High School back in the 1990s. This week, all that work and dedication will come to a head as he returns to his native Livonia and premieres a film that's been in the works for more than a decade.

"I had maybe the first 30 pages of this screenplay already done" when graduating from the University of Michigan in 2003, Wilamowski said. "I've been at it for almost 15 years now."

The film, "All Summer's End," is Wilamowski's directorial debut.

The film is about a teenage boy who falls in love with a girl while dealing with his guilty conscience after a prank that goes wrong. The movie stars Tye Sheridan, who recently starred in "Ready Player One," and Kaitlyn Dever, who's known for her work in the television shows "Justified" and "Last Man Standing."

Wilamowski, a 1999 Churchill graduate who spent his early childhood in Milford, said he struck an interest in film-making in high school after a friend showed an interest. He then was able to talk his way into a class typically only



Wilamowski

for CAPA students and began realizing that work was for him.

He began working in the industry after earning his master's degree from Columbia University in New York, picking up work in short productions and other projects. "All Summer's End" is his first jump into major motion picture-making, a movie that was shot more than four years ago.

Wilamowski described it as the hardest thing he's done.

"It was the most exhausting thing I had ever been through in my entire life," he said. "It is the hardest work I have ever had to do."

Writing the film focusing on the issues of teenagers was something Wilamowski wanted to do while giving more

of a voice to those young people, whom he said don't get nearly the complex roles that adults get.

"I just wanted to make a film that spoke to young adults, rather than talking down to them," he said. "Most of the films I saw about teenagers didn't have them in the forefront of the film."

For those who are not able to view it in theaters, the movie is also available to purchase or rent on several video-on-demand sites, including Amazon, Google Play, YouTube, iTunes and Vudu.

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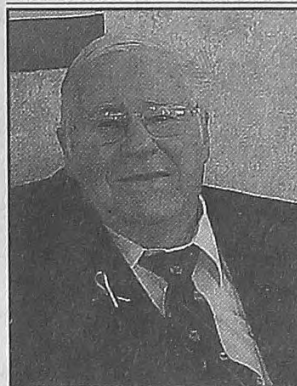
Obituaries

William J. Bogard

PLYMOUTH - William Joseph Bogard, age 79, of Plymouth, Michigan, died peacefully with his wife and children at his side on May 28, 2018, following a courageous struggle with cancer. Bill was born August 18, 1938 in Palestine, Illinois, the son of William Earl and Myrtle (Higgins) Bogard. He was a graduate of Palestine High School and received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He continued his studies at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago and received a Doctor of Medicine degree in 1964. After a year internship at Saint Francis Hospital in Peoria, Illinois, he was conscripted into the US Army where he served as a Captain in the Medical Corps during the Vietnam War. Following active military duty, he enrolled in a psychiatric residency program at a state hospital in Ypsilanti, Michigan. He later practiced medicine in Ann Arbor and at the Reichert Health Center at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. He finished his career as the Inpatient Director of Psychiatry at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center in Mattoon, Illinois, not far from where he was born. He retired from medicine on April 1, 2006 and lived in Plymouth, Michigan until the time of his death. Dr. Bogard was a member of numerous national, state, and local medical societies and a frequent psychiatric consultant. Earlier in his career, he was an instructor and clinical professor at the University of Michigan and Michigan State medical schools. Bill was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Richard Earl Bogard. He is survived by his loving wife, Ginger, of Plymouth, Michigan, his daughter, Sheri Zoeller (John) of Arlington Heights, Illinois, and his two sons, Scott (Kelly Kempter) and Doug (Jan), of Ann Arbor, Michigan. He has eight grandchildren: Christian, Sarah, James, Hannah, Eric, Jahri, Rose and Erin. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Susan Ankney, several nieces and nephews, and many caring friends. Bill's ashes will be interred at the family gravesite in Palestine, Illinois. A graveside memorial service will be held at the Palestine Cemetery. For those who wish to honor Bill further, donations may be made to Angela Hospice (Livonia, Michigan) or the Humane Society of Huron Valley (Ann Arbor, Michigan). Bill loved his dogs.



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Charles O. Olsen

WESTLAND - Passed away June 3, 2018 at the age of 94. Beloved husband of Barbara M. Dear father of Steven (Marilee), Martha Joy (Keith) Campbell and Kevin (Carol). Loving grandfather of Christopher (Lauren), Mari-beth, Emily, Abby, Lara (Zack), Kristin (Mike), Kaitlyn (Ash) and great-grandfather of Nathan, Theo, Adelaide and Bellamy. Resting at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, 7707 Middlebelt Rd. (S. of Ann Arbor Tr.) Monday, 2:30-8:30 p.m. Funeral visitation Tuesday, 10 a.m. until time of service at 11 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to New Life Ministries, at www.newlifeministries.jp Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at griffinfuneralhome.com



Carol White

- - Carol Ann (Robertson) White, passed away on May 25, 2018 at the age of 78. Mother of Timothy and Ted (Kathy). Grandmother of Jacob, Brittany, and Daniel. Sister of John, William (Barbara), and the late Judith Neihoff and Thomas. Sister-in-law of Shirley Robertson and loving nephews Mark and David. Also loved by many, many friends. Visitation was held May 31 and the service was held on June 1, at Harry J. Will Funeral Home of Livonia. Memorial donations can be made to Michigan Polio Network Inc (501c3), 1530 Fairholme Rd, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. Visit www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com for more information.

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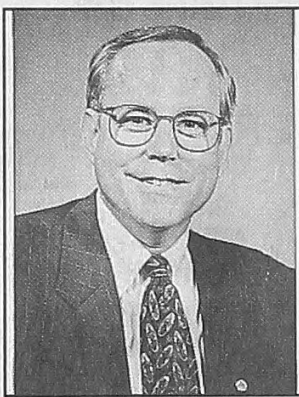
Cornelius (Neil) DeStigter

LIVONIA - Age 93, passed away peacefully January 5, 2018. Beloved husband of Priscilla for 64 years, who preceded him in death, March 2017. Loving father of Helen Geglio (Michael), Alice de Stigter (Louis Mitchell), Beth Jorgensen (Scott). Cherished Grandfather of 8 and great-grandfather of 4. Neil was a proud World War II Army Veteran, Dearborn Public School teacher, and UCC Minister. A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, June 16, 10:30 AM at Salem United Church of Christ, Farmington, with a visitation at the church one hour before the service. Memorial contributions are suggested to Salem United Church of Christ Memorial Fund.

Daniel M. DeBoer

- - May 20th, 2018 of Southfield. Dan is survived by his wife and two children, two brothers, a sister, two nephews and five grandchildren. Dan graduated from Central Michigan University and began his career working at the Birmingham Y.M.C.A. as a Youth Director. As a "Friend of Youth", Dan joined the Birmingham Optimist Club and remained a member until his passing; he was also a member of the Birmingham Senior Men's Club. In later years, Dan worked with schoolteachers and police officers as a Registered Financial Advisor. A Memorial Service will be held at the Beverly Hills United Methodist Church, 20000 W. 13 Mile Rd., Beverly Hills, 48025 on Saturday July 14th at 10:00 a.m. Memorial tributes may be made to the Birmingham Y.M.C.A., 400 E. Lincoln St., Birmingham, MI 48009. A.J. Desmond & Sons (248) 549-0500.

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Shirley Horner Weller

LIVONIA - age 89, died Wednesday, May 30, 2018. Surviving are her children, Deborah (Bob) Stojkovich, James (Corinne) Horner, Dr. Gerald (Kathleen) Horner and Thomas (Mary) Horner; grandchildren, Mike, Steve, Chris, Robb, Ashley and Tamara. A Funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, June 4th at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Farmington. Interment Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington. heeneysundquist.com

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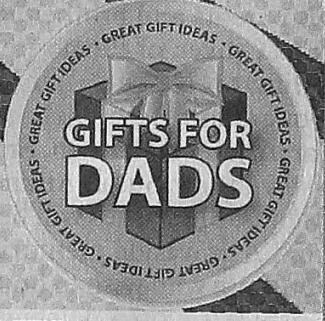
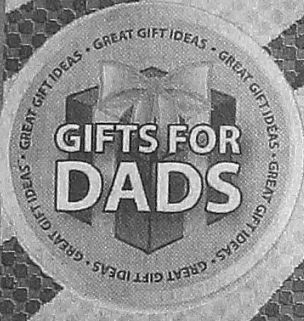
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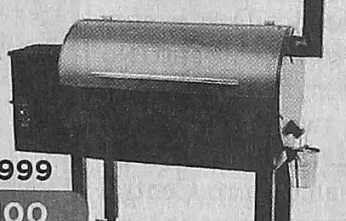
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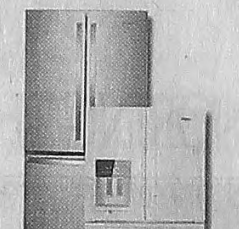


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Sports

PREP SOFTBALL

Title run is on Bressler's radar

Plymouth senior wins Gatorade award as top player

Tim Smith
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Just in case there were any doubts about who should be named the 2017-18 Gatorade Michigan Softball Player of the Year, Plymouth senior Jenny Bressler delivered the ultimate exclamation point June 3 in the districts.

Bressler threw a no-hitter — nearly a perfect game — and also slammed a three-run homer as the Wildcats pounced on Salem, 11-0.

Early the next morning, the 18-year-old Bressler received an email from Gatorade that she indeed was the first winner of the 33rd annual award from Plymouth High School.

"They sent me an email Monday

morning, so I found out through that, then it was all over Twitter," Bressler said before Wednesday's practice in preparation of the June 9 Division 1 regional at Southgate Anderson. "Then I was getting all those notifications on my phone."

The Canton resident is taking all the acclaim in stride, largely because her team has more work to do. Plymouth will be looking to win a regional for the first time since Bressler was a ninth-grader.

"It is such a great honor to be named Michigan's Gatorade Player of the Year," Bressler said. "It really shows that all of my hard work is paying off, but I couldn't have done it without my coaches push-

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Jenny Bressler is all smiles about winning the Michigan Gatorade Softball Player of the Year Award. TIM SMITH | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

GIRLS TENNIS



Bloomfield Hills junior Tia Mukherjee captured the No. 1 singles title in the Division 1 girls tennis state tournament. MARTY BUDNER

A LOVE STORY

Area teams sweep to three state championships

Marty Budner
hometownlife.com
USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

Once again, the Birmingham-Bloomfield area dominated the Michigan High School Athletic Association girls tennis state tournaments June 2.

For the third time in four years, area schools captured state championships in three of the four divisions. And, in Division 1 where there was no area team champion, an individual state championship at the prestigious No. 1 flight sin-

gles emerged. The team state champs included Birmingham Seaholm (Division 2), Detroit Country Day (Division 3) and Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart (Division 4). The individual state champion was Bloomfield Hills junior Tia Mukherjee.

Following are the state-meet recaps:

Division 1

Northville won the title outright this year after tying Midland Dow for the ti-

tle last year at the Greater Midland Tennis Center.

The Mustangs scored 32 points, while Dow was right behind with 30. Bloomfield Hills registered 28 points and placed third for the second straight season.

While it was Northville that soared to its second straight crown and third in four years, it was Mukherjee who soared to her first individual state crown.

Seeded second to Northville senior Shanoli Kumar, Mukherjee won four

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PREP FOOTBALL

Reed hired to replace Britnell as Salem coach

Rocks' new coach was an assistant at Royal Oak, De La Salle and Sterling Heights Stevenson

Brad Emons
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USA TODAY NETWORK — MICHIGAN

A new era of Salem High School football will be ushered in for the 2018 season with the naming of Justin Reed as the fifth varsity coach in school history.

Reed replaces Kurt Britnell, who stepped down in early May citing increased family commitments after he posted an overall record of 28-54 with one playoff berth (2017) in nine seasons.

"The committee felt Justin was the best fit to continue the Salem football tradition and culture building off what Kurt and his staff has done," Salem athletic director Brian Samulski said.

The 34-year-old Reed spent the past two seasons as defensive coordinator at Sterling Heights Stevenson.

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Justin Reed has been named the new varsity football coach at Salem High School.



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BOYS LACROSSE

Brother Rice takes down Bloomfield Hills

Marty Budner

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Brother Rice's incredible postseason streak remains alive, while Bloomfield Hills' historic tourney run ended.

That's the quick summary of Rice's 10-4 triumph over Bloomfield Hills in an intense Division 1 boys lacrosse state semifinal game contested before more than 800 energized fans Wednesday at Birmingham Seaholm's Maple Field.

Brother Rice, the 13-time defending state champ which now has the opportunity to extend that incredible streak, held a 6-3 lead over Bloomfield Hills after three quarters. The Warriors iced the triumph with a 4-1 advantage over the game's final seven minutes.

The game between the neighboring schools was a lot closer than the final

six-goal victory margin might indicate.

"We didn't know a whole lot about (Bloomfield Hills) until Saturday morning and then we knew a lot," Brother Rice head coach A.J. Chawla said. "We have a tremendous coaching staff that scouts very well.

"We knew if we shut down (Bloomfield Hills offensive stars Paul Mucci and Trevor Callaghan) today, they weren't going to beat us," he added. "And we did that. Our goal was go keep those guys under four together and we knew if we did that, we'd walk away with the victory."

Rice defense is difference

Bloomfield Hills, which had never won more than one tourney game in the

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Bloomfield Hills junior Isaac Leader (bottom) continues to cradle the ball on the turf as Rice midfielder Connor Marsh moves in for the steal. MARTY BUDNER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Tennis

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matches en route to the title.

Mukherjee, a state runner-up at No. 1 singles last spring, opened with a straight-set win over Novi's Jamie Fu, 6-0, 6-4. She then defeated Midland Dow's Jessica Brown, 6-3, 6-2, and, in her only three-set match, took care of No. 3-seeded Angie Zhou of Ann Arbor Pioneer, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

In the finals, Mukherjee, a Michigan State University commit, dominated Kumar, who survived a bruising semifinal win over Plymouth's No. 4-seeded Jessica Braun, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (2). Mukerjee did not drop a game against Kumar, winning 6-0, 6-0.

"Tia played well the entire season. I always considered her the best player in the state regardless of her record or what she was seeded going in," Bloomfield Hills head coach Chris Dobson said. "She was extremely driven and focused on winning that state title and I felt confident of her chances doing so going into the tournament.

"The bottom line is, she played the best match the season in the state finals," he added. "She was completely relaxed and play the caliber of tennis that simply couldn't be matched."

Bloomfield Hills' Jenna Silverman was top seed at No. 4 flight singles and lived up to her billing. Silverman rallied to stop Dow's second-seeded Hadley Camp in three tough sets, 3-6, 6-4, 7-6 (1).

The No. 2 doubles team from Bloomfield Hills, Alandria Bellamy and Kaela Bernard, placed second.

"The team had a fantastic season and phenomenal tournament," Dobson said. "I couldn't be happier with the way the girls played. Even though we are graduating a few strong seniors, we have some new talent coming in next season and I feel we will be strong again."

Division 2

Birmingham Seaholm soared to its sixth state championship in program history, the first under head coach Casey Cullen.

The Maples swept the four doubles flights and finished with a singles flight champion to win with 34 points at Kalamazoo College. Neighborhood rival Bloomfield Hills Marian, the 2016 state champion, was second with 27 points, while East Grand Rapids was right behind with 26.

Seaholm's doubles champions were the teams of Layla Bellissimo and Emily Hirsch (No. 1), Brooke Forte and Lilly Trinch (No. 2), Jessica Buechner and Lea Cazaudumec (No. 3) and Charlie Kuchman and Sofia Manzo (No. 4). All but Forte and Trinch, who were seeded second, were top seeds.

In singles, Seaholm's second-seeded



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Greta Albertie upset top-seeded Yana Semerly of Okemos in straight sets by 6-1, 6-1 scores at No. 4. Seaholm's Sofia Gryzenia placed second at No. 2 singles.

Marian did not have a flight champion, but did produce four runners-up.

The Mustangs lost to Seaholm in three of the four doubles flights. Those second-place doubles teams included Madison Dering and Gigi Kalabat (No. 1), Claire Stechow and Ariana Kotsakis (No. 3) and Emma Albertie and Kathryn Torak (No. 4).

Birmingham Groves scored 11 points and placed seventh in the 23-team tournament.

Division 3

Playing in Holland, Detroit Country Day claimed its third consecutive state

championship under head coach Jessica Stencil.

The Yellowjackets won seven of the eight flights and won with 38 points in a dominating performance over runner-up and arch rival Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood, which scored 22 points. It was the second straight year DCD has won by 16 points, defeating Grand Rapids Christian last spring, 39-23.

DCD swept the singles competition — all were top seeds who logged straight-set wins and lost just seven games combined — behind the efforts of Julia Fleigner (No. 1), Monique Karoub (No. 2), Elle Hartje (No. 3) and Alexis Nardicchio (No. 4). Karoub won last year at No. 1 singles and Nardicchio defended her No. 4 crown.

The winning Country Day doubles

teams included Heather Zimmerman and Nina Khaghany (No. 1), Maya Nassif and Ruhe Nayak (No. 3) and Anushri Radhakrishnan and Maria Sicilia (No. 4).

Cranbrook Kingswood's lone flight champion came at No. 2 doubles, where the top-seeded duo of Sophia Moustakas and Abby Foltyn who won in straight sets over second-seeded Emma Philippus and Nicole Galloway of Allegan.

The Cranes were second at No. 1 doubles (Kate Cao and Amelia Smith) and No. 4 doubles (Simrin Nagaraju and Mia Inakage).

Division 4

Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart has been on quite a run the past few years under veteran head coach Judy Hehs.

The Gazelles had little trouble securing their fifth state title over the past seven years, winning all five flights where they had finalists and finishing with 32 points in the state finals at Novi High School. Traverse City St. Francis was second with 25 points and Jackson Lumen Christi third with 20.

"Five titles in seven years. We take nothing for granted," Hehs said. "I think that the upperclassmen and the returning players play a large role in the success of the team. In years when the players take responsibility for out-of-season practice and play, we are that much better in March when tryouts begin."

Sacred Heart swept the doubles competition.

The teams of Sara Gerard and Annie Keating (No. 1), Kathryn Monahan and Serena Seneker (No. 3) and Hannah Karos and Kate Myers (No. 4) all won as top seeds. Sacred Heart's No. 2 tandem of Nolween Crosnier and Kelleigh Keating won as a second seed, defeating the top-seeded squad of Genna Goist and Ryan Perry of Ann Arbor Greenhills in a three-set classic, 7-6 (5), 6 (3)-7, 7-5.

Sacred Heart's lone singles champion was Reagan Beatty, who took the No. 3 crown from the fifth-seeded position. Beatty, who defeated Clarkston Everest Collegiate's top-seeded Sarah Schmidt in the semifinal, rallied to take down Monroe St. Mary's Catholic Central's sixth-seeded Taylor Kennedy in three sets, 4-6, 6-4, 6-0.

"We have traditionally strong doubles teams. Every single flight did what they needed to do," Hehs said. "If everyone played to their seed, we were looking at 29 points or something like that. But when you add to that the way Reagan played at No. 3 singles. She blew through the second seed and then showed determination and maturity when she came back from a set down to win her finals match."

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Reed

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He's also had previous stops at Warren De La Salle as a linebackers coach (2014-15), while being a part of a Division 2 state championship team (2014) there.

He started his high school coaching career at Royal Oak, where he served as JV head coach (2011) and defensive coordinator (2012-13).

"In the past, I've been a part of some successful programs and been around some great head coaches that have taught me well, so that's kind of what attracted me, first of all, to the position

I'm in," Reed said. "Getting to know the community members and families there is really what solidified the decision for me."

Nicknamed J.J., Reed met with Salem players and their families May 30.

"I think the biggest thing I want to bring to Salem is a mentality of physicality, as well as some discipline and having fun," Reed said. "I think we'll be multiple on both sides of the ball. It's been less than a week since I've taken the position, so I'm still getting to know the kids there."

Reed said he is currently working on hiring defensive and offensive coordinators.

"We've already started our condi-

tioning program," Reed said. "They'll be continuing that throughout the summer. We've kind of rolled over the practice and camp schedule that Kurt Britnell had already in place. And what I'm trying to do is, personally, play catch-up so the kids don't have to. I want to keep the values coach Britnell has established."

A 2002 graduate of Jension High School, Reed played football at Hope College and graduated from Grand Valley State University with a bachelor of science degree in secondary education.

He also has a master's in athletic administration from Ohio University. He has held multiple physical education position in both Wayne and Oakland

counties. He and his wife Laura live in Royal Oak.

"I'm an educator and looking to get into the district after this summer," Reed said. "There's some anticipated openings for me there."

Reed becomes the second new varsity coach at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, as Canton earlier this year hired assistant Andy Lafata to replace Tim Baechler. Plymouth is also searching for a new coach after Mike Sawchuk stepped down last month as well.

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GIRLS LACROSSE

Cranbrook steamrolls Mercy in D-2 semifinal

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In a hurry to get to the school prom, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook made quick work of Farmington Hills Mercy in Wednesday's MHSAA Division 2 girls lacrosse state semifinal at Novi.

Senior Sophia Milia and junior Jessica Geiger both scored five goals as the Cranes earned their second straight trip to the state finals with a dominating 22-4 triumph over the Marlins.

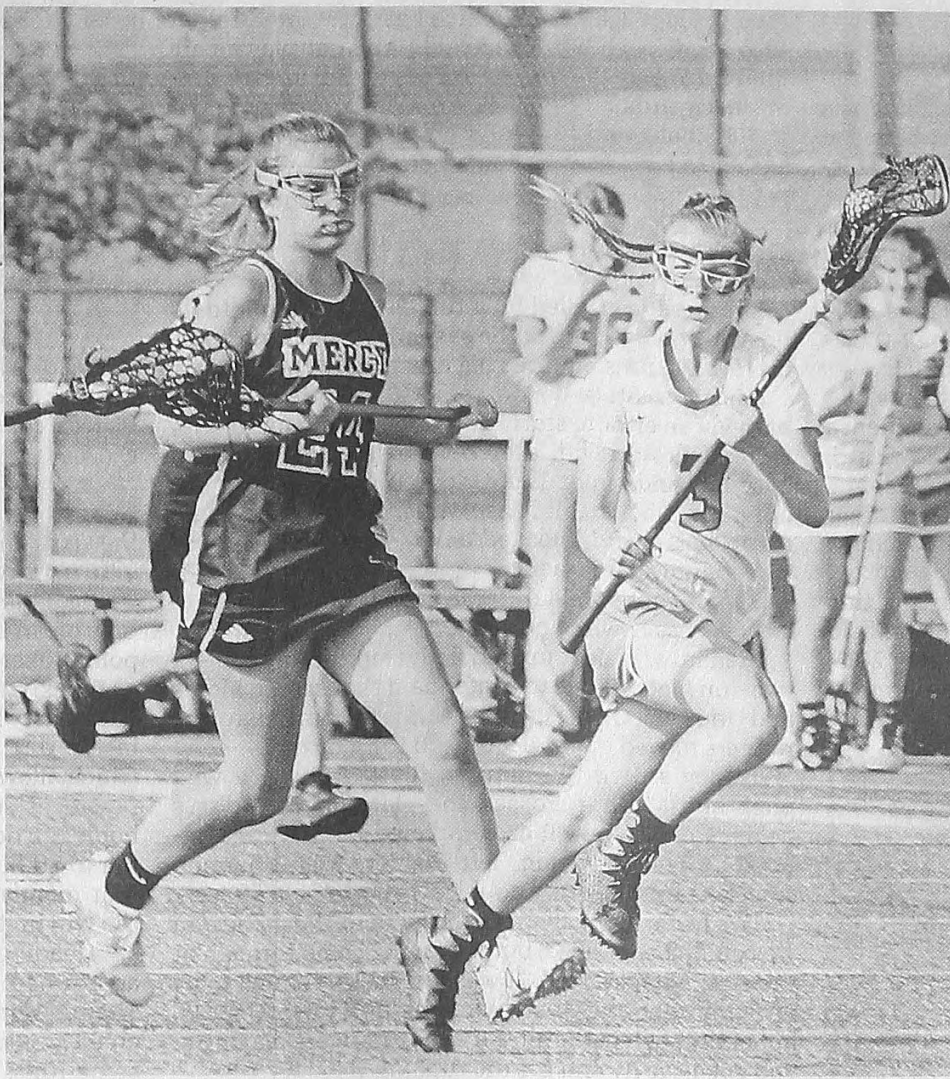
With the win, Cranbrook (15-2-1) will be gunning for its second straight D-2 title against Okemos, which ousted last year's finalist East Grand Rapids in the other state semifinal, 10-9.

Last year, the Cranes captured their first title in school history, ending East Grand Rapids' string of five consecutive state titles with a 17-16 triple-overtime win.

"Oh God, I can't put it into words we're so excited," first-year Cranbrook coach Evan Foulsham said. "We treat every game, that every game is a formidable opponent and we came out today with that attitude and I think we earned our spot for Saturday. We're really, really excited ... hoping another round two for the state championship."

On April 19, Cranbrook defeated Mercy, 22-9, and the rematch proved to be more lopsided as the Cranes jumped out to a 15-4 first-half advantage. The final 30 minutes were played under a running clock, giving the players a chance to board the bus ahead of schedule and make it to the prom on time.

"Each game is different," Foulsham said. "Different conditions, different weather, different time of day, everything. We had a couple of girls come back from injuries, so I think today we wrangled the strength of every individual on our team, brought it together and played as one."



Cranbrook's Olive Stevens (right) goes on the attack ahead of Mercy defender Jillian Smith. MAUREEN ELECTA MONTE

All-America player Isabelle Skane, who has signed with Northwestern, and fellow senior Angelina Wiater both added three goals and one assist for the Cranes.

Other Cranbrook goal scorers included Grace Coleman, Grace Aikens, Lilly Ghesquiere and Georgia Hinnant. Milia

chipped in four assists to make it nine points on the night, while Geiger added two.

"We had various scorers today," Foulsham said. "I think that's what makes our team very strong, is that we can count on any individual on this team to make a play, not just one. It works really

well for us to be able to have that kind of individual who can play."

Meanwhile, Cranbrook goalie Brigitte Ballard made seven saves.

Mercy (11-4) found itself down 8-0 at the start before freshman Jillian Smith broke the drought with 15:19 remaining in the first half as she scored the first of her four first-half goals to run her final season total of an astounding 136.

But the Marlins went scoreless during the final 37:20 and never made a significant dent to the Cranbrook lead.

"It's just winning the draw, it's a possession game," Mercy coach Lindsay Hoyt said. "And a couple of times we had possession, we shot it right at the goalie, dropped a few passes, which gave turnovers right back to Cranbrook, so that was on us. Couple of communication issues where we had a girl right in front of our goalie in eight ... but they had a lot of eight-meter shots on us, which is tough on our goalie (Zabrina LeVasseur). Our goalie is brand new this year, never played lacrosse ... so just the experience of a goalie in there, especially in a high-stakes game like this, was tough. But I thought she played well and kept her heart in it."

The Marlins, denied their first trip to the state finals, will regroup for next season.

"I have 12 seniors, so it's going to be a tough break for us, because they played so hard for the last couple of years," Hoyt said. "But there's always room for improvement and that's what we're going to look for, still working on some of our defensive setup and different things. But we're coming back next year and looking to compete. I had three freshman starters out there today and looking to gain more talent next year."

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Bressler

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ing me to be the best that I can be."

According to a Gatorade press release, the award recognizes athletic and academic achievement "and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field."

Bressler, graduating June 10 with a 3.81 grade-point average, has volunteered with the Miracle League of Plymouth as well as at a nonprofit youth softball tournament.

Her softball statistics also are pretty incredible. Through 32 games, the Canton resident is 18-3 with a 1.20 ERA and 194 strikeouts in 128 $\frac{2}{3}$ innings. At the plate, she is batting .456 with 15 doubles and 37 RBIs.

Props for the team

Bressler, whose parents are Dan and Joan, is a two-time Division 1 first team all-state honoree and a virtual lock to be named a third time.

Yet the soft-spoken blonde would rather direct the accolades and attention to her teammates and coaches.

"Our success on the field this year has been a team effort, both offensively and defensively," Bressler said. "I personally have had a lot of success on the mound, but my team has had my back making



Plymouth senior Jenny Bressler throws a pitch during the Division 1 district semifinal against Salem. She not only threw a no-hitter, but hit a three-run homer that broke the contest wide open. MICHAEL VASILNEK | SPECIAL TO HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

plays for me in the field."

She also said the guidance of head coach Lauren Evans and other coaches

is a big reason the Wildcats have won four consecutive district championships.

"I believe we have been so successful because of the way our coaches push us in practice and put us in pressure-type situations so we know how to handle our nerves in a real game," Bressler said.

Another key to the success that Bressler enjoys is a year-round commitment to the sport.

"In the off-season, I go to pitching lessons and hitting lessons once a week," she said. "I also do weight training and conditioning two to three times a week."

Later this year, Bressler will go to the University of Nevada-Las Vegas on a NCAA Division I softball scholarship.

"I'm really excited to start there in the fall," Bressler said. "I'm really looking forward to it. I love the coaches there. I think they're going to be great people to play for."

Actions speak loudest

Before moving forward, however, she doesn't want to forget about the past.

When Bressler, was a freshman on the 2015 Plymouth team (which made it to quarterfinals), she had a mentor in then-senior Brittney Miller.

"(Miller) was a senior and she took me under her wing and kind of showed me how things were," Bressler said. "She would give Jess (Tucci) and Whitney

(Holden), all freshmen at the time, rides to practice and made us all feel very welcomed.

"My experience on the team wouldn't have been the same without her."

Now that Bressler is a senior, she is ready and willing to be a sounding board for current freshmen Elissa Simmons and Allison Boka.

"I try to offer them rides all the time, but they don't take me up on it," Bressler said with a smile. "I just try and talk to them, make them more comfortable."

But more than anything, she wants all her younger teammates to pick up on how she carries herself on and off the field.

"I am a strong believer in actions speak louder than words," Bressler said.

"Just play the game and let your success speak for you. If you put in the work and trust your teammates, then that will take you a long way."

Gatorade award or not, Bressler continues to drink in her rousing high school experience. And she doesn't want the ride to end this weekend.

"My goal has always been to make it to the state finals and win a state championship," she said. "But we have to keep taking it one game at a time, one pitch at a time and not look too far ahead into the future."

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Lacrosse

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program's five-year history, averaged 12 goals in its four previous tournament games. However, the Black Hawks could only hit the back of the net four times against the defensive-minded Warriors.

Mucci and Callaghan, Bloomfield Hills' two leading scorers this year with more than 100 goals between them, both scored once in the second half for their only goals of the game.

"I think our guys were ready to go and we started out well," Bloomfield Hills head coach Jerry Meter said. "I have to give Rice a lot of credit. They are a well-coached team and, early on, it was close and they just kept punching away."

"I thought our kids played well. We probably had the ball on the ground a few too many times," he added. "But I'm just real proud of the kids and the way they hung in there the entire game."

Bloomfield Hills got off to a strong start by scoring 15 seconds into the game on a nice shot by junior attack Ed-

die Dyla that beat Rice's senior goalie Jack Michael. Rice junior Justin Glod then scored twice before Bloomfield Hills' Isaac Leader scored late in the opening quarter, which ended in a 2-2 draw.

Rice scored three unanswered goals in the second — two by Pat O'Hara and one by Jordan Hyde — for a 5-2 halftime lead.

Each team scored once in the third quarter, Hyde for Rice and Callaghan for Bloomfield Hills, as the Warriors led 6-3 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

Fierce and intense battle

The teams battled fiercely and emotions ran high through the first five minutes of the final quarter, but neither team scored. Finally, with Bloomfield Hills pressing a bit in the late going, Rice received goals from O'Hara, Glod, D.J. Dixon and Mike Cosgrove to close out the scoring. Mucci countered with Bloomfield Hills' lone goal over that span.

Both goalies — Michael for Rice and senior Jack Gagonis for Bloomfield Hills

— came up with remarkable saves.

"Six-on-six, we've got a heck of a good defense," Chawla said. "We've got some of the best players in the state out there on defense. I thought we played great defensively today."

"Possession is huge in a game like this and we owned a lot of possessions. Other things we did really well today, we were a great riding team today. We didn't give up; we sold out. That's what I remember as being Brother Rice lacrosse."

"We were going to go out and sacrifice our bodies for ground balls and we did that today," he added. "You've got to hand it to our guys. They hustled, they played with a lot of heart and they did great."

It marked just the third state tournament meeting between the programs in 14 years since the Michigan High School Athletic Association began sponsoring the state tournament in 2005. The Warriors registered lopsided wins over what was then Bloomfield Hills United back in 2011 and 2012.

Bloomfield Hills entered this year's landmark game with much more confi-

dence.

The Black Hawks enjoyed a stellar regular season and then captured the program's first regional championship with an 8-7 victory over Lake Orion. They defeated Rockford, 12-9, in the quarterfinal and advanced to its first ever semifinal against the Warriors.

Although it was not the desired outcome, it was the start of what Meter hopes is a boys lacrosse renaissance at Bloomfield Hills.

"I hope this game today was educational for our players to understand the things they have to do to become a next-level team," said Meter, whose team finished 15-3. "Hopefully, the lacrosse community in Bloomfield understands that we can do this."

"We just need to keep kids in the program and keep working hard and training and do the things we need to do," he added. "I think it's a good lesson for our kids to see what the competition is and what they have to do to get better."

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PREP BASEBALL

Rice sweeps local rivals to capture district title

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Mac Menard does not live in Birmingham, but he's close enough to understand the sports rivalry between Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice and the neighboring Birmingham Public Schools district.

The Warriors senior played a key role June 2 in leading Brother Rice to a thrilling come-from-behind 7-3 victory over host Birmingham Groves in the Division 1 district championship game. The Orchard Lake resident also helped the Warriors to a nail-biting 1-0 victory over Birmingham Seaholm in the semifinals.

"It was tough going through both those teams, because we know a lot of those guys and we play them a lot in the districts and stuff so it was fun," said Menard, a three-year varsity player. "I'm not from Birmingham, but I know a lot of guys on the team played with other guys and know other guys from around here. So I know what (the rivalry) is about."

The win lifted Brother Rice to its third district title over the past four years. The Warriors beat Bloomfield Hills in the championship game last year and in 2015. In 2016, Brother Rice lost in the district title game to Groves.

"The (players from the Birmingham schools) are fired up a lot against us, which I get," veteran Brother Rice head coach Bob Riker said. "And our players are fired up to play them as well. They are all in each other's backyards."

"(Seaholm and Groves) are well-coached and they both do a good job," he added. "They are always competitive against us."

The decisive rally

Brother Rice trailed by a run, 3-2, heading into its final at-bat in the top of the seventh. The Warriors rallied for five runs on three big hits to earn the crown.

Michigan State-bound senior Gabe Sotres got on base via an error to start the winning rally. Junior Tito Flores followed with a rocket single down the third base line and junior Jack Orłowski followed with another hard shot to third base, which Groves third baseman Chaise Ford knocked down with his chest and turned into a force out.

Senior center fielder Reese Trahey then walked to load the bases with one out.

Menard was next up and delivered the key hit — a two-run bloop single to center field that scored Flores and Orłowski. On the ensuing throw to home plate, the runners moved up to second and third base.

Trahey scored the inning's fourth run on a wild pitch and Menard crossed the plate on J.D. Allen's fielder's choice out. Rice completed its five-run outburst when freshman left fielder Will Shannon smacked a run-scoring double.

"We had a lot of chances throughout the game and we couldn't capitalize, but we finally came through at the end," Menard said. "I was just lucky enough to be up in the right spot. I was just thinking try to hit it hard, hopefully get it in the air, because they were playing in and get a sac fly and get the run."

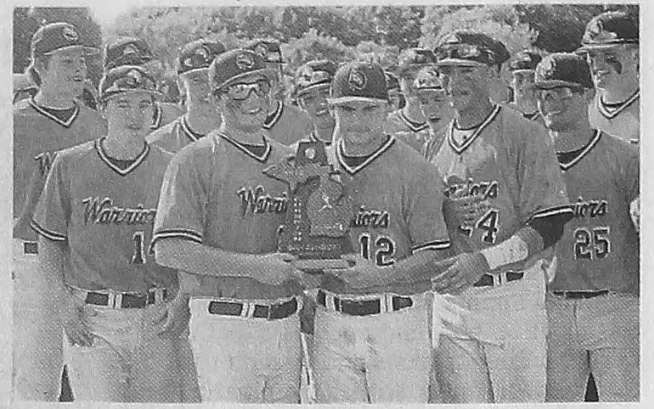
Rice clinched the four-run victory as Groves went down in order in the bottom of the seventh.

"These guys never quit, which is nice," Riker said. "We often stressed that you have to take one pitch at a time and from the first pitch to the last pitch. It's never over until it's over. Even when we went up, I knew that (Groves) would come out swinging in the seventh."

"Our kids fought hard. They played hard and there were a lot of goofy plays and a lot of goofy calls, but that's what usually happens when we play over here," he added. "We were able to overcome that and, in years past, these were games we don't win. So we found a way to get it done, which is good."

Groves' fleeting joy

Brother Rice did not have exclusive rally rights in the hard-fought, emotional game. Groves faced a 2-1 deficit heading into the bottom of



Brother Rice players celebrate the program's third district championship in the past four years. MARTY BUDNER

the sixth inning, but came through with a pair of runs to take its one-run lead into the seventh.

Rice starter Allen got Groves outfielder Harrison Cole on an infield grounder to start the inning. At that point, Riker brought in lefty Jack Brockhaus in relief.

Brockhaus first faced Roger Motley, whom he struck out a nasty breaking pitch. However, the ball bounced in the dirt and got away from Rice catcher Sotres, which allowed Motley to sprint safely to first base.

Groves senior Chaise Ford followed with a clutch home run down the left field line that managed to stay fair to lift his team into the lead. However, the thrill of that moment was shortly doused when Rice earned the win in its final at-bat.

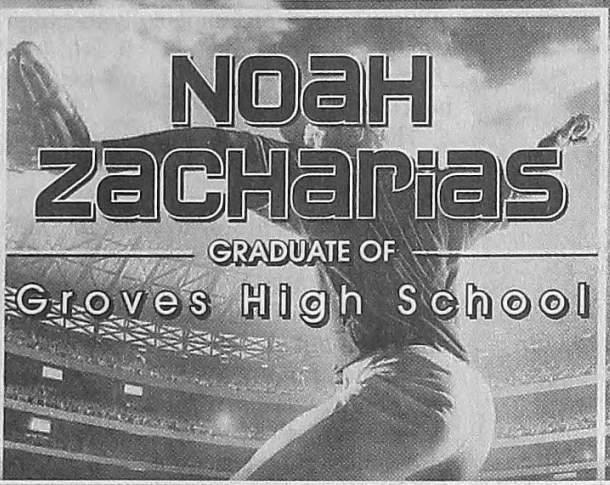
"Heading into the seventh with a one-run lead is exactly where you want to be," said Groves head coach Shawn Morrison, whose team finished 26-10. "Give credit to Rice for being able to get guys on and plate some runs. Obviously, we would have liked to have things unfold a little bit differently than it did, but it is what it is, I guess."

District semifinal results

Brother Rice defeated Seaholm in the opener thanks to a brilliant pitching performance by junior right-hander Tyler Sarkisian, who picked up the win. Brockhaus, the eventual second game winner, earned the save against the Maples.

Seaholm's Nick King suffered the hard-luck loss. Groves advanced to the district championship game with a less-tense 7-1 victory over Auburn Hills Avondale. Roger Motley paced the offense with three hits, including a three-run home run which broke the game open.

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PREP ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



SAM CHERNEY

SENIOR
SOFTBALL
NORTH FARMINGTON RAIDERS

Being the lone senior on North Farmington's softball team this spring, pitcher-first baseman Sam Cherney has not shied away from being the team leader.

The 6-foot-2 senior right-hander, who was voted Hometown Life Prep Athlete of the Week, has certainly shown the way after leading the Raiders to only their second Division 1 district championship in program history with three sterling mound performances.

In a 4-2 pre-district win May 29 over Farmington, Cherney struck out 13. She was also was the pitcher of record with a combined nine strike outs in the district semifinal and final wins over Farmington Hills Mercy (10-3) and Livonia Stevenson (4-2), respectively.

In the district championship win against Stevenson, Cherney helped her own cause collecting two hits, including a homer and three RBIs.

In the Athlete of the Week poll, Cherney garnered a total of 2,380 votes (69.37), while Novi's Hannah Hood-Blaxill, the Division 1 state girls high jump champion, was runner-up with 585 votes (17.05 percent).

"It's just amazing it's voted on by your peers as well, and it's amazing all my friends and family just banded together to help me win this award," Cherney said. "It's just very cool to see them united and helping to support me."

Cherney has figured in all 31 of North decisions on the mound this

season as the 22-9 Raiders will be making their first regional appearance since 2012 when they face Lakes Valley Conference co-champion South Lyon beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 9 at Novi.

"The team is great all-around . . . from the starters, to the people that help out courtesy running, to the bench," said Cherney, a four-year varsity starter. "It's just a great thing to have and a great attitude towards the game. We all really enjoy each others' company, which makes for a lot of fun. And we all just want to win."

In 156½ innings pitched this season, Cherney has racked up 175 strikeouts with an earned run average of 3.00. She is also hitting .375 as the Raiders finished third this spring in the Oakland Activities Association's tough Red Division.

Cherney also puts up impressive numbers on the basketball court. She averaged a double-double last season for the Raiders and has accepted a scholarship to play next year at Wayne State where she plans to study chemical engineering.

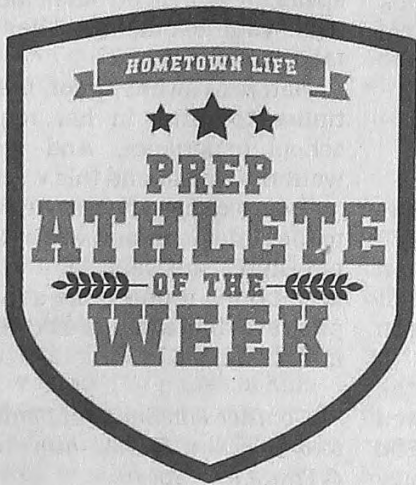
Cherney, whose favorite subjects are science and chemistry, will go through commencement exercises this weekend at USA Hockey Arena leaving North with a perfect 4.0 grade-point average.

"Sam is one of the hardest working athletes I know," said Dave Brubaker, who is in his 32nd season as North's varsity coach. "Her competitive attitude is second to none. The leadership of Sam, as the only senior, was well received by the underclassmen. We will miss her and her talents."



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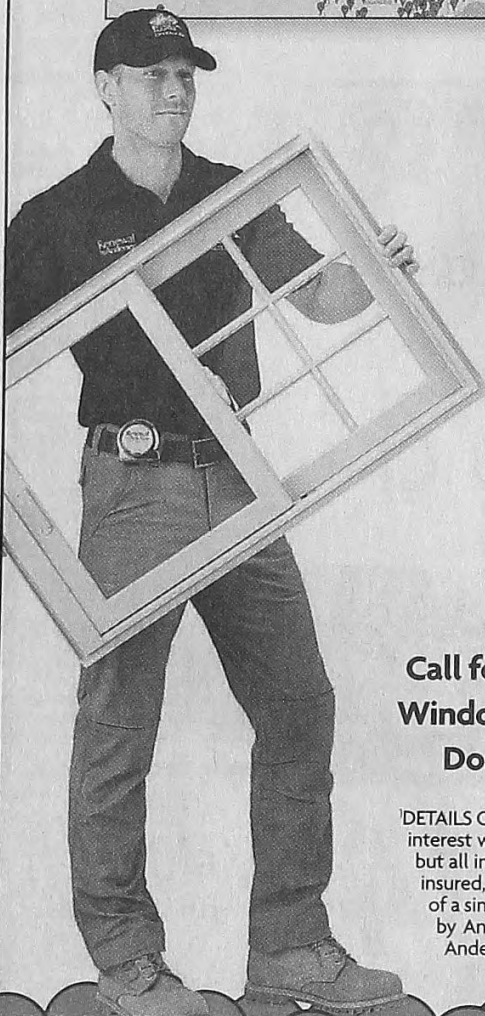
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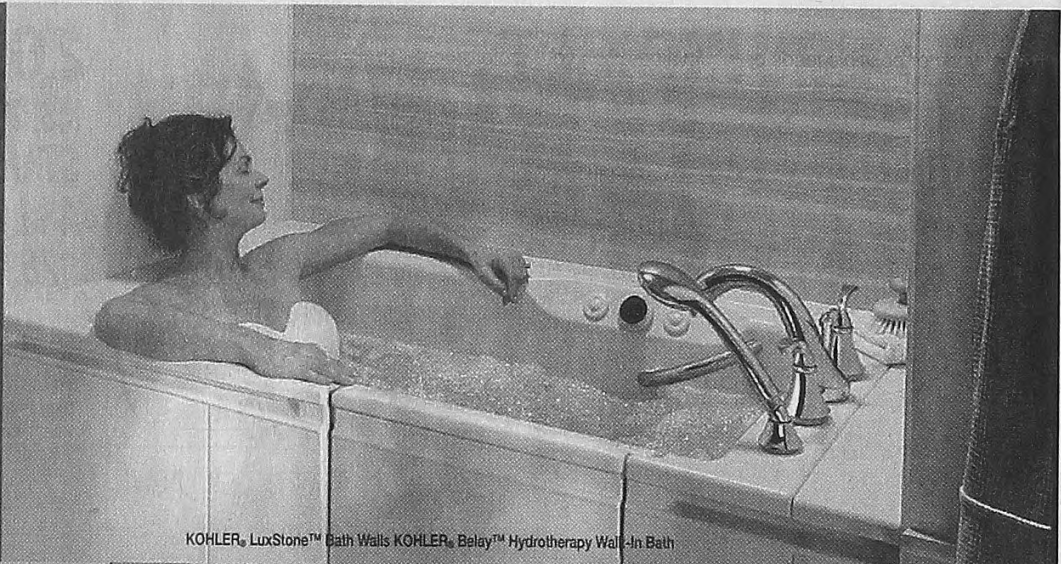
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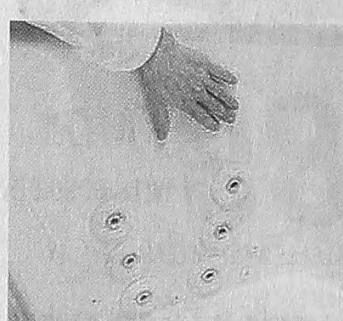
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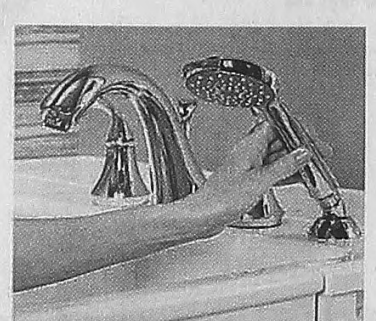
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5 simple job search tips you're probably forgetting

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There's a lot to keep straight when you're looking for a job. Things you must put on your resume. How to build your brand so that you don't seem hopelessly out of date. The nuances of interview questions you're likely to face when you get through the door. And because you're human, you might be forgetting some painfully obvious things that need to be checked off as well.

Let's look at some of the most commonly forgotten job search to-dos.

1. Go offline sometimes

Yes, most companies have some form of online application submission these days. Yes, you want to maximize your resume and cover letter for the keyword bots. But don't make those your entire focus. We can get so mired in the online application machine that we forget to look up and see what else might be available. Don't forget to work your network for possible leads or reach out to recruiters to see what they may have.

2. It's OK to let your personality shine

As a rule, it's good to be a little wary of your full everyday self — warts and all



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— becoming part of the job search process. You want to be evaluated on your professional merits, not your Facebook timeline. But don't be afraid to make (appropriate) jokes in an interview, or show some personality in a cover letter. Your interviewers and readers are people too, and they would appreciate getting to see more

of who you are, in addition to the points on your resume.

3. Tailor your resume for the job

Getting back to the online application engines: It can be easy to forget that you're not just uploading a PDF to a portal. You're not just a jumble of keywords; you're trying to show

that you're a great and obvious fit for the job opening.

That means taking the specific job description and making sure your application materials line up with it.

If the hiring manager has to work to make a connection between you and the job, that usually means a fast track to the "no thanks" pile.

4. Treat your LinkedIn profile as a living resume

Let's face it: Anyone who's thinking of bringing you in for an interview is also likely to do a little internet sleuthing. And one of their first stops is likely to be your LinkedIn profile. That means you need to invest in your profile's upkeep. Make sure it at least matches your current resume, but don't hesitate to add things as they come up so that anyone who's looking for you can see that you're not only evolving all the time, you're also on it with your online presence.

5. Manners matter

Sure, sending a handwritten thank you note on fancy paper has fallen out of favor in our fast-paced, everything-digital-always society. That doesn't mean you're off the hook for basic courtesy like thank you notes.

Again, there's a lot going on in your job search, but if you pay attention to some of the smaller details along the way, you're increasing your chances of success.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Good enough
 - 9 Biblical talking beast
 - 12 Chimed
 - 16 Game show VIPs
 - 19 — acid (vitamin C)
 - 20 At any place
 - 22 Grain morsel
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 25 Joanne of "Abie's Irish Rose"
 - 26 Hide-hair connection
 - 27 Tooth in a machine
 - 28 Professional wrestler Flair
 - 29 Oater
 - 31 Furtive action
 - 35 Movie-archiving gp.
 - 37 River in a Best Picture title
 - 39 Shah's land
 - 40 Riddle, part 2
 - 44 Tropical rodent
 - 47 Former Russ. state
 - 48 Folk rocker DiFranco
 - 49 Exterior
 - 50 Bremen loc.
 - 51 Intuit
 - 53 Camera for a pro
 - 55 Tongs, e.g.
 - 58 Riddle, part 3
 - 62 Reference book's "Look here, too"
 - 63 — profit (lucratively)
 - 64 "Can — true?"
 - 65 Leaning Tower's city
 - 69 Play for time
 - 70 Gym tops
 - 72 Vents vocally
 - 73 Atoll part
 - 74 Sit next to
 - 76 Stage design
 - 77 Grows molar, e.g.
 - 79 Riddle, part 4
 - 82 Hold down
 - 86 Rural rest stop
 - 87 Exotic berry in fruit juices
 - 88 Writer Deighton
 - 89 Giant in foil
 - 90 See 3-Down
 - 92 Nov. lead-in
 - 94 Very focused
 - 96 End of the riddle
 - 101 Tennis legend Björn
 - 102 Election analyst
 - 103 Gods, to Livy
 - 104 Use one's lungs
 - 108 Under control
 - 110 Soft & —
 - 112 Classical introduction?
 - 114 Au — (roast beef option)
 - 115 San Francisco's — Valley
 - 116 Riddle's answer
 - 122 Taxing gp.
 - 123 Playwright McNally
 - 124 Submarine
 - 125 Cougar, e.g.
 - 126 Mgr.'s helper
 - 127 Salon colorer
 - 128 Admiration taken too far
- DOWN**
- 1 Expendable chessmen
 - 2 Take — at (attempt)
 - 3 With 90-Across, frighten away
 - 4 Drunk
 - 5 Jackie's hubby #2
 - 6 Small ammo
 - 7 Brittle-shelled Chinese fruit
 - 8 Back talk?
 - 9 Grain bristle
 - 10 Actor Omar
 - 11 Shipping rig
 - 12 Match official
 - 13 Declaration
 - 14 Water nymph
 - 15 Mardi —
 - 16 Not extreme
 - 17 Indy 500
 - 18 Eye-catchers
 - 21 S'pose
 - 24 "Bejabbers!"
 - 30 Keep busy
 - 32 Clerk on "The Simpsons"
 - 33 Drop
 - 34 Judges, e.g.
 - 36 "The Day of the Jackal" novelist Frederick
 - 38 Orville and Wilbur of aviation
 - 41 Main port of Norway
 - 42 Give an alert
 - 43 Luxurious
 - 44 Tennis legend Andre
 - 45 Civets' cousins
 - 46 Long trial
 - 52 Broody music genre
 - 54 Intermediary
 - 56 BBQ piece
 - 57 Fit as a fiddle
 - 59 Flexible card
 - 60 Vicious
 - 61 Clever
 - 65 Bikeway, say
 - 66 Fill one's lungs
 - 67 Tyler of rock
 - 68 Green light
 - 70 End up
 - 71 Rudolph's facial feature
 - 72 Joins again
 - 74 "Selma" director DuVernay
 - 75 — Mir Bist Du Schön
 - 77 Quirk
 - 78 "Evita" star Paige
 - 79 Part of QED
 - 80 "Back to the Future" bully
 - 81 Bit of power
 - 82 Of Jewish scholars
 - 83 Stage actress Duse
 - 84 Least abundant
 - 85 Difficult
 - 91 Bring up until able to fly, as a bird
 - 93 Tianjin locale
 - 95 Baking meas.
 - 97 12 in a foot
 - 98 Impostors
 - 99 Sheer folly
 - 100 In the area of
 - 105 — Called to Say I Love You
 - 106 Writer Godden or actress Willis
 - 107 Analytic work
 - 109 Comics' Kett
 - 111 Rip apart
 - 113 Prefix meaning "the same"
 - 117 Tate displays take
 - 118 Agent's take
 - 119 Flurry
 - 120 Minister's field: Abbr.
 - 121 Levin or Gershwin

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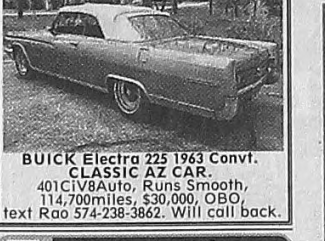
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TOPPED BY THE 840-HORSEPOWER DEMON, DODGE CHALLENGER IS A PERSUASIVE MUSCLE-CAR THROWBACK -- IN ALL THE GOOD WAYS



By Dale Buss

Dodge has been doing a great job of reviving the muscle-car era with its Challenger and Charger models. Not only have they become the sinewy DNA of the re-comprised Dodge brand, but they also manage to fool a few people into believing that they're the Hemi-fueled beasts of old. At least my grandson, anyway. He's only three years old, but he's already seen a few Woodward Avenue Dream Cruises. So when we were bouncing a ball on my driveway recently within reach of the 2018 Dodge Challenger GT sitting there, with Army-green exterior, he said, "Watch out, Papa - you don't want the ball to hit your old car."

Out of the mouths of babes, for sure. And when I drove the Challenger to Flagstar, I barely got in the door before Melissa, one of the managers at the local branch, called me out on the "great car." If she'd had the time I probably could have talked her into taking a ride in it. Moral of the story? Challenger is one of those few cars in modern-day lineups that you either get, or you don't. Others on that list include the Nissan Leaf and the Kia Soul. And if you get Challenger, you love it. If you don't, you might figure it's a waste of sheet metal and rubber. Prices for Challenger start at about \$27,000, so this is not a plaything for the casual consumer. If you want a muscle car as your everyday vehicle, making a type of statement virtually everywhere you go, you can pay as much as the mid-\$60,000s and above for the highest-priced, most powerful versions.

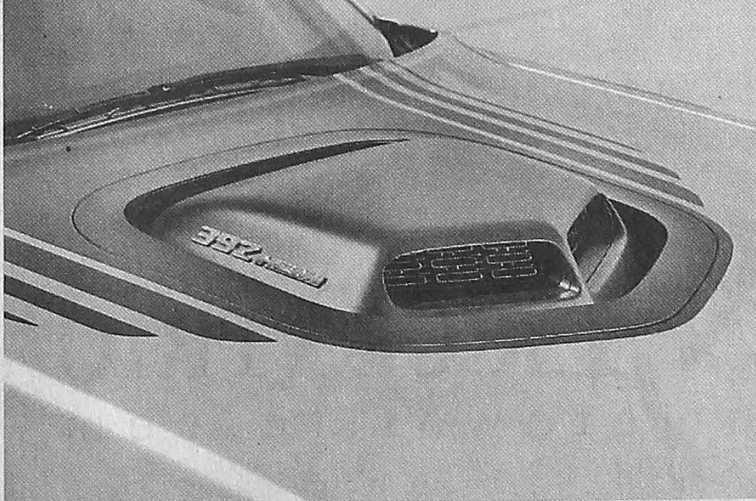


The 2018 Dodge Challenger 392 Hemi Scat Pack Shaker.

It is actually possible to evaluate Challenger on some rather objective criteria that don't have to do with its retro design, strange colors or the new 840-horsepower engine that just joined the Challenger lineup this year in the form of a Demon version that's designed mainly to win at the drag strip. And on criteria that it shares with most other vehicles, Challenger holds up pretty well. It gets 27 mpg on the highway in the version with the 3.6-liter, six-cylinder, 24-valve engine that I drove, which isn't awful. It's got the advantage of housing the latest generation of FCA's Uconnect infotainment system, which is holding up pretty well against industry rivals even though every automaker is upping its game in that arena. Though a coupe, Challenger's interior room, particularly in the back seat and trunk, is pretty voluminous. It has more interior space than most other sports cars, though the interior has more hard plastics than you'll find in some rivals.

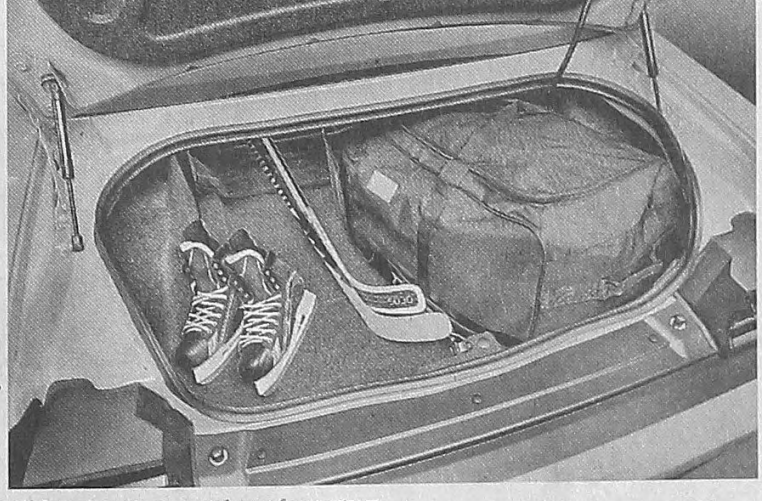
16 cubic feet of trunk space, which is enormous for a nameplate in its segment. That's enough space for a dozen shopping bags or four sets of golf clubs, although the high liftover height of the trunk lip can make it difficult to load heavy objects into the bay. Other standard features are pretty, well, standard: dual-zone automatic climate control, two USB ports. Available features include a power sunroof, satellite radio, a six- or nine-speaker Alpine audio system, an 18-speaker Harman Kardon audio system and an upgraded Uconnect system. Challenger also drives and handles quite well even when you're not

going as fast as you can in a straight line. And for 2018, Challenger has added a touch screen for the base model as well as Apple CarPlay and Android Auto. But also for 2018, Challenger has added the explosive SRT Demon trim and the new SRT Hellcat Widebody model. And for a car that's ultimately a performance vehicle above anything else, by a mile, Demon and Hellcat are where the action is for Challenger. The base engine is a 305-horsepower V6 that's powerful enough and provides pretty quick acceleration. The least powerful of the four V8s available puts out 375 horsepower. But when you get into the upper range - well, the Demon's supercharged Hemi produces a whopping 840 horsepower, with 770 pound-feet of torque. That kind of power is an anomaly in any era: today or in the era that Challenger is trying to recall.



It's all about power for Dodge Challenger.

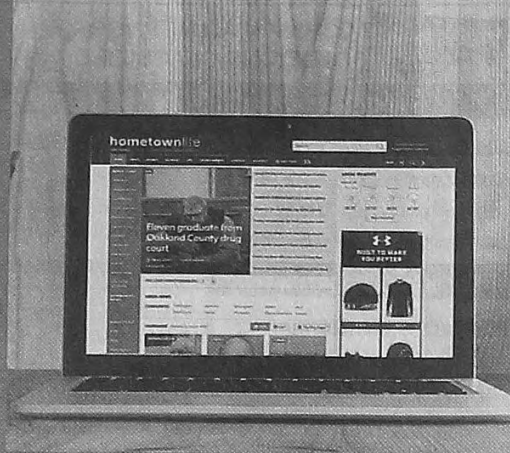
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Challenger boasts immense trunk space for a sports car.

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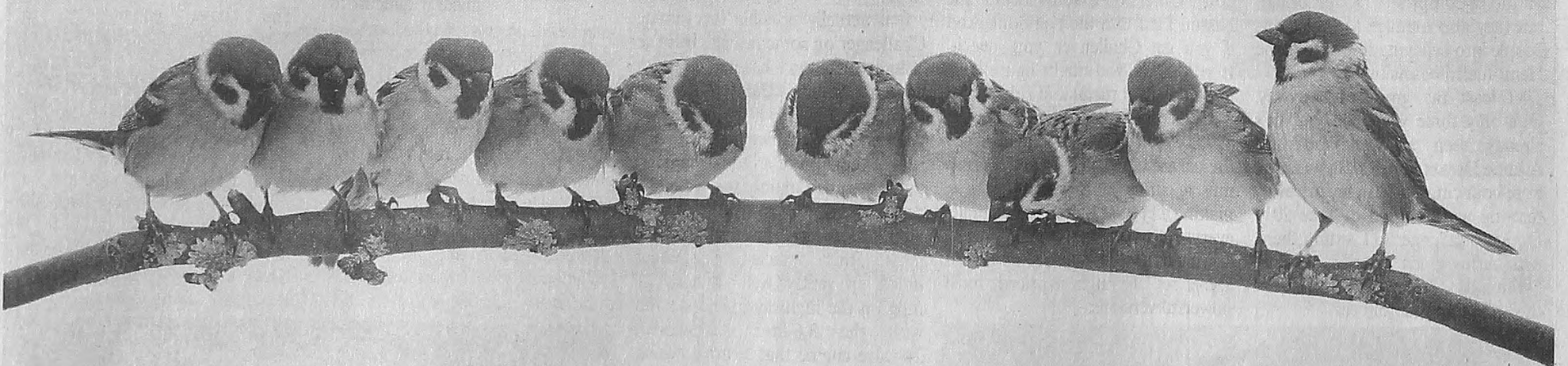
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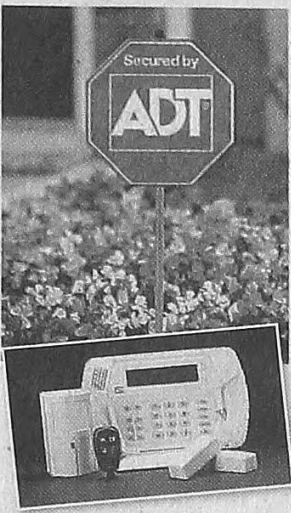
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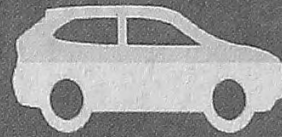
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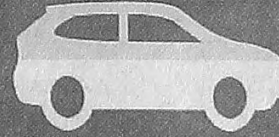
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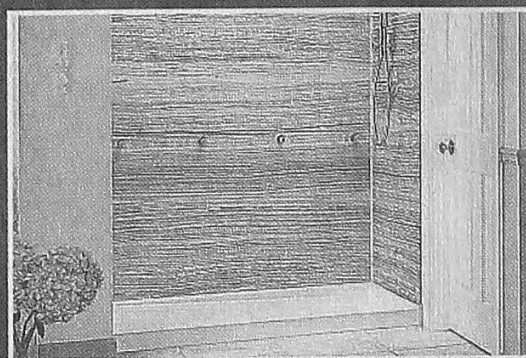
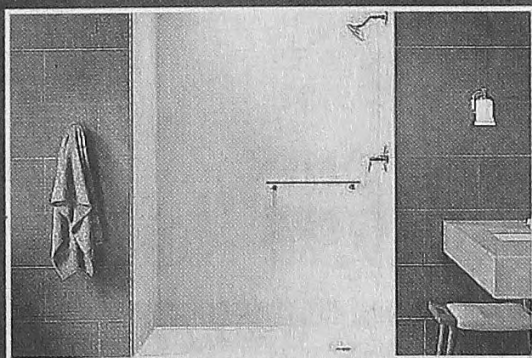
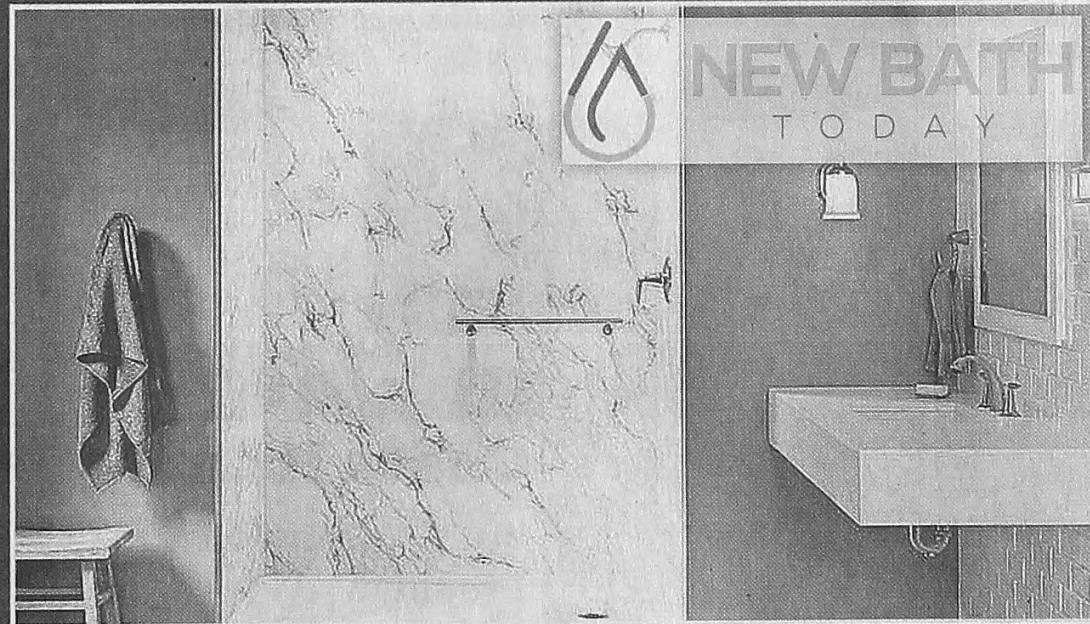


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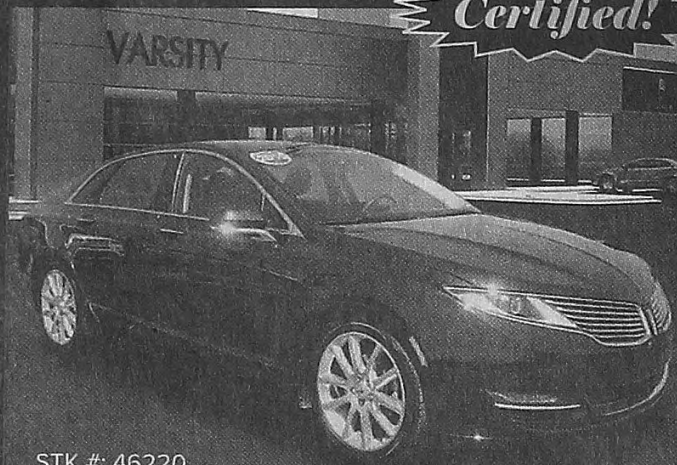
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