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Cousins Wally and Dorayd Bacall stand behind the bar at Joe Kool's Bar & Grill, their newest business venture in Novi. SUSAN BROMLEY

## Joe Kool's Bar & Grill ready for opening weekend

The Novi eatery is located at 43200 Crescent Blvd

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NOVI — Joe Kool's Bar & Grill opens this weekend at 43200 Crescent Blvd., welcoming sports fans with a more refined palate.

"We are an upper scale sports bar, not the typical," owner Dorayd Bacall said. "We're not your Irish pub, not fine dining, but we're upper scale."

The Novi location is the third Joe Kool's for Bacall and his partners, Wael Sallan, cousin Samir Bacall and brother Dante Bacall, who plan to add five more Joe Kool's in metro Detroit in the next five years. They remodeled the first Joe Kool's in Troy in 2016 and in 2019 opened a Brighton location.

The sports bar uses high-quality beef for its burgers and steaks, they said, and the menu features an array of appetizers, salads and soups, seafood and pasta entrees, and desserts.

Joe Kool's also serves more than 40 types of beer and high-end liquor and

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## Livonia family goes all out with holiday light display



This house at 15939 Deering St. in Livonia has no shortage of holiday spirit.

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LIVONIA — The De La Fuente-Zukowski household has no shortage of Christmas spirit.

The family's yard at 15939 Deering St. is covered in holiday decorations both traditional and unique. Passersby will see familiar pieces like Santa Claus and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer alongside more unorthodox items like Peppa Pig and a cow.

"It really does bring us all together," Mark De La Fuente said. "The kids are out here playing when this is up. It's a different kind of family bonding — the kids are going to remember setting up Christmas lights. That's the reason we do it."

De La Fuente guesses he has some 6,000 lightbulbs outside his home during the holiday season. The large display started small as a way to make his oldest, Lilianna, smile.

"It started because of the children," he said. "Lili wanted one of the blowup displays, so we started with one of those. We started putting up more and

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From left, Wendi Zukowski along with Isabella, Lilianna, Mark and Zachary De La Fuente in front of their Livonia home that's all decked out for Christmas.

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## EV research facility coming to Novi

With it comes 200 high-paying jobs

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NOVI — The city is set to get a big charge from a multi-million dollar electric vehicle investment.

Scout Motors Inc. announced Tuesday that it will establish an 80,000-square-foot research and development facility at 29293 Haggerty Road, creating up to 200 high-paying jobs.

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Scout Motors is bringing a research and development facility to Novi, an \$11 million investment expected to result in 200 high-paying jobs. COURTESY OF MEDC

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then doing the roof, and then we just got creative. Now, it's like a way of life."

The family's collection has grown so large that some bigger items don't get to come out every year. According to De La Fuente, their garage and shed are full of outdoor decorations for just about every holiday of the year. They put up lights for Valentine's Day, Independence Day, Halloween and more.

"We do add to it every year," he said. "We have some big, monster pieces that don't come out every year, so we rotate those."

Liliana, Isabella and their little brother Zachary clearly love the display. They have their favorite pieces, and their eyes simply light up when they walk into the yard.

De La Fuente said the display is also popular with neighbors and folks who like to drive around looking at Christmas lights during the city's holiday lights contest, Light Up Livonia. The De La Fuente-Zukowski house has won the contest twice and won the city's Halloween contest, Haunt Your Home, once.

People interested in visiting this year's Light Up Livonia entries can view a map on the city's website.

"People drive by here and enjoy it. Kids come play," De La Fuente said. "It's something that kind of gives back to the community."

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## Facility

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The company is investing \$11 million, with support from the Michigan Strategic Fund and is expected to see construction begin at the end of December. A \$10 million Michigan Business Development Program performance-based grant helped seal the deal for Scout Motors to locate the research and development facility in Novi.

"Yesterday's approval further adds to the state's influence in innovating the latest automotive technologies with the announcement of a new research and development facility in Novi from Volkswagen-backed Scout Motors," said Otie McKinley, media and communications manager for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

According to the company's website, Scout Motors Inc. was founded in 2022 to design and manufacture all-electric trucks and SUVs, modeled after the Scout "originally produced by International Harvester from 1960 to 1980, the world's first utility vehicle capable of both off-road adventure and family duty."

The company, backed by Volkswagen, plans to begin manufacturing 200,000 electric vehicles per year by the end of 2026 at a South Carolina factory.

Scout Motors considered Columbia, South Carolina, as well as Charlotte, North Carolina, as locations for the research and development facility due to their proximity to the EV assembly plant, as well as lower up-front capital costs and significant incentives.

However, they were drawn to Michigan because of the automotive engineering talent in the state, according to an MEDC memo, much like Our Next Energy, a Novi EV battery startup.

The MBDP funds are expected to help offset the cost of improvements to the facility and provide support for recruitment. Oakland County also is providing a \$150,000 grant in support of the project.

"This investment is the result of Michigan leading the way in the transition to electric vehicles, and Novi is a premier destination for the future mobility sector," said state Rep. Kelly Breen, D-Novi. "Michigan is open for business, and this announcement is further proof. Thank you to Gov. (Gretchen) Whitmer and Scout Motors for bringing these new, high-paying jobs to Novi."

More information on Scout Motors careers is available on the company's website.

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## Check out these unique local shops when shopping for Christmas gifts

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LIVONIA — Looking for the perfect holiday gift? There's plenty of options close to home.

Those looking to support local small businesses or buy Michigan-made goods can find shops all around metro Detroit.

Here's a few unique local businesses where you can find gifts for different kinds of folks on your list.

## For the diehard Michigander: Detroit Can Company in Livonia

The Detroit Can Company offers gift basket-like cans full of locally-made products from Michigan-based companies. Can theme options range from snacks to personal care items. The small business is especially popular as a gift for employees and "people who have everything."

Aside from enjoying the Sanders chocolate, Carhartt hats or Vernors pop they'll find in their can, people can also keep and reuse the stylized paint cans that contain their gifts.

The company offers shipping from its warehouse in Livonia to anywhere in the world. People who live in the area can also schedule an appointment to pick up their order.

## For the caffeine fiend: Coffee beans in downtown Farmington

Want to wow your coffee-loving friend? Skip the Starbucks and head to downtown Farmington for some beans roasted right here in metro Detroit.

Ground Control Coffee Roasters, 33319 Grand River Ave., and Blue Hat Coffee, 23715 Farmington Road, are both owned by self-proclaimed coffee fanatics who roast their own beans. Ground Control roasts its beans in Farmington, and Blue Hat's beans get roasted in Coldwater.

People can swing into either shop to buy beans in person or order Ground Control's beans online.

## For the one who loves natural skincare: Blue Line Farms in Livonia

Blue Line Farms, 30655 Six Mile

Road, is an urban farm in the middle of Livonia. The charming little farm offers farm visits for kids, events and goat yoga, but it also sells goat milk soap.

Goat milk soap is great for people into natural skincare options or your friend who has sensitive skin. Blue Line Farms also offers a plethora of scents ranging from floral and fruity to musky and earthy, so there's plenty of options for both the guys and the gals on your list.

People can order soap online and choose to either have it shipped to their home or pick it up in-person at the farm on Six Mile.

## For the one with a sweet tooth: Sweet Retreats in Milford

Sweet Retreats Chocolate Shoppe, 314 North Main St. in downtown Milford, offers artisan candy and chocolate. This place is full of treats fit for kids and adults alike.

Whether you're looking for unique treats like brittle and truffles or searching for classics like caramel and peanut butter cups, Sweet Retreats has you covered. The shop also sells special items geared toward the holiday season like handmade chocolate sleds or chocolate-dipped wine bottles.

The shop, a mainstay in downtown Milford that's been around for 30 years, only offers in-person sales.

## For the nerd culture lover: Gotham Night Comics in Livonia

Gotham Night Comics, 37661 Five Mile Road in Livonia, has plenty of gifts for the superhero fan in your life.

The store has a wide range of items fit for any kind of budget. You can find rare comics and Funko toys here, or you can check out the superhero T-shirts and refrigerator magnets.

Gotham Night isn't an average comic book store, either. You won't have to dig through boxes of dusty old books at this shop, and the owner is more than happy to help non-comic folks find the right item for their loved one.

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Customers can buy freshly roasted coffee at Ground Control.

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE  
NOTICE OF ADOPTION  
ORDINANCE NO. 09-18-23

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 09-18-23. The ordinance amends the City of Northville Code of Ordinances Chapter 86, "Utilities", to add a new Article VI. Installation and Maintenance of Grease Interceptors; Discharge Prohibitions. The purpose of this Ordinance is for the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the City through the regulation of proper disposal and/or discharge of fats, oils, and grease (FOG).

The ordinance was introduced for first reading on August 21, 2023, and was adopted by the City Council on September 18, 2023. The ordinance shall become effective December 22, 2023. The complete text of the ordinance is available for public inspection at the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, and the City website [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us).Michael Smith, CMC, City Clerk  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF NORTHVILLE  
2024-2028 PARKS AND RECREATION 5-YEAR MASTER PLANNotice is hereby given that the 2024-2028 Northville Parks and Recreation Master Plan is available for public review and comment. The purpose of the Plan is to assess the needs of the City of Northville and Northville Township for parks and recreation facilities, programs, and services, and to identify the actions to be taken to improve and maintain these facilities and services for the next five years. Copies of the 2024-2028 Plan are available for review at Northville City Hall located at 215 W. Main Street, and Northville Township Hall located at 44405 Six Mile Road. The Plan can also be viewed online at [www.northvilleparksandrec.org](http://www.northvilleparksandrec.org).Comments will be received via email at [recreation@twp.northville.mi.us](mailto:recreation@twp.northville.mi.us) and during a Community Meeting being held for this purpose on Thursday, January 4, 2024, at 6:00 PM at Northville City Hall.

Furthermore, two public hearings will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2024, to hear all persons interested in the 2024-2028 Plan at the following locations:

- Northville City Council will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, and
- Northville Township Board will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road.

Questions may be directed to Wendy Wilmers-Longpre at 248-305-2710 or Derek Smith at 248-349-0203.

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wines.

Bacall says they spared no expense on remodeling the 7,200-square-foot facility, formerly a TGI Friday's. The dining room seats 192, with three walls of windows, above which are mounted 28 75-inch televisions. Additionally, the facility has three large-screen televisions that are 13-by-10 feet.

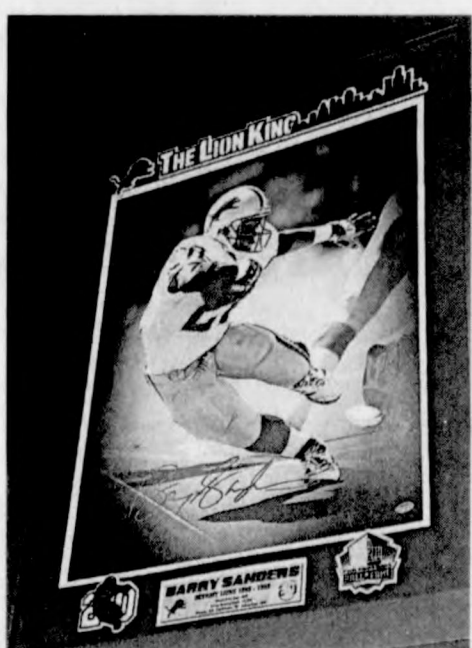
"It's football all day in here," Bacall said.

In addition to football on TV, the sports bar features memorabilia throughout, including framed jerseys and photos throughout. Represented on the walls are not only the Detroit Lions, but also Red Wings greats (Gordie Howe), Pistons (Isaiah Thomas), Detroit Tigers (Al Kaline and Kirk Gibson), Michigan State basketball (Magic Johnson) and Michigan football (Tom Brady and Desmond Howard), along with many more.

Bacall is planning to invite athletes in to do autograph signings in the future. For now, he is looking forward to welcoming diners who he hopes will become long-term fans of Joe Kool's.

"Come wine and dine and enjoy the games," he said. "Our burgers are very, very good."

Joe Kool's Novi Bar &amp; Grill is open from 11 a.m. to midnight, seven days a



A framed photo of former Detroit Lions star running back Barry Sanders is one of several sports memorabilia conversation pieces lining the walls of Joe Kool's Bar &amp; Grill in Novi. The restaurant opens this weekend.

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week, although hours may expand later on weekends.

For more information, call 248-513-3201.

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# Northville Downs silent on Plymouth Township project

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PLYMOUTH TWP. — With a key deadline quickly approaching, township officials have seen little action by developers who are proposing construction of a new harness racing facility near the corner of Five Mile and Ridge roads.

The Northville Downs in Plymouth Township project is proposed for a 128-acre parcel in the MITC Corridor, but township officials say a planned unit development option expires Feb. 28, one year after it was approved by the township board.

"They could come back and ask for an extension or a renewal," Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise said. "That's a planning commission decision and a board decision and I'm not going to speculate right now on what that would look like."

Heise said he's had "no meaningful contact" with Northville Downs or their representatives since an Oct. 2 meeting focused on negotiation of what he called a "mostly monetary" community benefit agreement.

John Carlo, Northville Downs owner and director of operations, did not return messages seeking comment. At a township meeting in February, Carlo said he hoped to have a new facility up and running by spring 2024.

"Since May of 2023, there just has not been that sense of urgency on their part," Heise said. "That tells me either they are going to make a business decision to go somewhere else, or they can't arrange the financing to make a new racetrack work anywhere. Or it could be the Northville Downs condo project is getting off to a slow start and maybe they've been told they can stick around a few years."

"We have this date coming up on Feb. 28 and that will be a moment of decision for both Northville Downs and the board and the planning commission to decide if we're going to continue this discussion," he added. "Whenever they want to come back and talk some more, we're willing to listen."

The current race facility in Northville is expected to meet the wrecking ball as plans for a \$250 million redevelopment project gets underway in 2024. A demolition date has not been announced.

## A quick start

Plans for the new facility in Plymouth Township got off to a quick start in 2023 before grinding to a halt.

On Feb. 15, the Plymouth Township Planning Commission conducted a contentious public hearing and reviewed the PUD option, ultimately recommending approval to the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees.

The board approved the option by a 6-1 vote just two weeks later at its Feb. 28 meeting.

After sending the proposal back for revisions at its May 3 meeting, the planning commission recommended approval at a special meeting June 1.

The final step was for the township board to approve or deny the site plan and a community benefit agreement, but the project has not appeared on a township agenda since the June 1 planning commission meeting.

## Resident objections

Throughout the process, a group of citizens has consistently attended meetings to speak against the project, voicing concerns over gambling, mistreatment of animals, disruption of the community and other concerns.

Members of a grassroots organization called "Stop the Racetrack" said they collected thousands of signatures from community members opposed to the project, but declined to share the petitions with the board.

At the board's most recent meeting, Dec. 12, a handful of residents again spoke against the project.

Donald Garlit, of Plymouth Township, said he felt the township should "reinforce success and starve failure."

"Horse racing in this state is a failure," Garlit said. "Invest in the future, not the past."

"The American people are turning against animals in entertainment," he added. "Circuses, horse racing...greyhound racing. The American people are not interested in animals as entertainment and those ventures are declining for that reason."

Alice Rainville, who said she is a professor with a doctorate in public health, cited statistics related to problem gambling.

"I urge you to oppose the racetrack because gambling is a public health problem," she said.

Northville resident Marilyn Bertera has been one of few to speak at nearly every meeting in favor of the racetrack, and she takes the negative comments about horse racing personally.

"When I started attending these meetings, I guess I mistakenly thought I could educate these detractors about the positive of harness racing," she said. "What I've discovered over the past several months is they don't want to learn any realities. They want to spew sensationalized headlines they see on TV or social media or spout the statistics they are fed by the animal rights group."

Contact reporter Laura Colvin at lcolvin@hometownlife.com or 248-221-8143.



A rendering shows the proposed racing building at the Northville Downs in Plymouth Township project. COURTESY PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

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Kurt Heise, Plymouth Township Supervisor

### CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ADOPTION STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTIES OF OAKLAND AND WAYNE CITY OF NORTHVILLE ORDINANCE NO. 12-04-23a

#### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 26 OF THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES, "COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT," ARTICLE III, "DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY," SECTION 26-64, "BOUNDARIES," IS HEREBY AMENDED TO EXPAND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

#### THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE ORDAINS:

**PART I.** That Chapter 26 of the City of Northville Code of Ordinances, "Community Development," Article III, "Downtown Development Authority," Section 26-64, "Boundaries," is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### Sec. 26-64. Boundaries.

The downtown development authority shall exercise its powers and duties within the downtown development district, being those parts of assessor's plats no. 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8, City of Northville, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, specifically described as follows:

(1) ALL THE LOTS IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY DUNLAP STREET, ON THE EAST BY CENTER STREET, ON THE SOUTH BY MAIN STREET, AND ON THE WEST BY WING STREET, SUCH LOTS BEING PART OF ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 6. (2) ALL THE LOTS IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY MAIN STREET, ON THE EAST BY CENTER STREET, ON THE SOUTH BY CADY STREET, AND ON THE WEST BY WING STREET, SUCH LOTS BEING A PART OF ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 3. (3) ALL OF LOTS 211, 212, 213, AND 214, AND 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249 AND 250, ALL IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 3, IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY CADY STREET, ON THE EAST BY CENTER STREET AND ON THE WEST BY WING STREET. (4) ALL THE LOTS IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED BY MAIN STREET ON THE NORTH, CHURCH STREET ON THE EAST, CADY STREET ON THE SOUTH AND CENTER STREET ON THE WEST, SUCH LOTS BEING A PART OF ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 1. (5) ALL THE LOTS IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY MAIN STREET, ON THE EAST BY GRISWOLD ROAD, ON THE SOUTH BY CADY STREET AND ON THE WEST BY CHURCH STREET, SUCH LOTS BEING PART OF ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 1. (6) THAT PART OF LOT 718 IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 7 DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 718, THENCE NORTH 01D 35M 15S WEST ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF SUCH LOT 262.55 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 35D 05M 35S EAST 103.70 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 67D 02M 43S EAST 75.63 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 4D 29M 50S EAST SIX FEET; THENCE NORTH 85D 30M 10S EAST 354.78 FEET; THENCE NORTH 85D 29M 53S EAST 62.40 FEET TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF SUCH LOT; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SUCH LOT TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SUCH LOT TO THE P.O.B., IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY GRISWOLD ROAD, ON THE SOUTH BY MAIN STREET AND ON THE WEST BY HUTTON STREET. (7) ALL THE LOTS IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY DUNLAP STREET, ON THE EAST BY HUTTON STREET, ON THE SOUTH BY MAIN STREET AND ON THE WEST BY CENTER STREET, SUCH LOTS BEING A PART OF ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 7. (8) ALL OF LOTS 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683 AND 684, AND 686, 687, 688 AND 689, ALL IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 7, IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY HUTTON STREET, ON THE SOUTH BY DUNLAP STREET AND ON THE WEST BY CENTER STREET. (9) ALL OF LOTS 527 AND 546, 547 AND 548, ALL IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 6, IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY CENTER STREET, ON THE SOUTH BY DUNLAP STREET AND ON THE WEST BY WING STREET. (10) ALL OF LOTS 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, ALL IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 2, ALL OF LOT 72 EXCEPT THE EAST PART MEASURING 19 FEET ON THE NORTH LINE AND 24 FEET ON THE SOUTH LINE, ALL OF LOTS 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, EXCEPT THE EAST 75.89 FEET THEREOF, ALL OF LOTS 80, 81 AND 82 EXCEPT THE EAST PART MEASURING TEN FEET ON THE NORTH LINE AND 10.16 FEET ON THE SOUTH LINE, ALL IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 1, ALL OF THAT PART OF VACATED CHURCH STREET LYING EASTERLY OF LOTS 177 THROUGH 181, INCLUSIVE, AND WESTERLY OF LOTS 75 THROUGH 80, INCLUSIVE, BEING A PART OF ASSESSOR'S NORTHVILLE PLAT NO. 1. (11) THAT PART OF LOT 718 IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 7 DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING NORTH 85D 30M 10S EAST 1171.25 FEET AND NORTH 2D 55M 2S WEST 165.05 FEET FROM THE CENTER ONE-QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 3 FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE SOUTH 85D 30M 10S WEST 417.18 FEET; THENCE NORTH 4D 29M 50S WEST SIX FEET; THENCE NORTH 67D 2M 43S WEST 75.77 FEET; THENCE NORTH 35D 5M 35S WEST 121.81 FEET; THENCE NORTH 1D 35M 10S WEST 24.48 FEET; THENCE NORTH 41D 8M 10S WEST 83.64 FEET; THENCE NORTH 5D 44M 20S EAST 509.61 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86D 6M 50S EAST 111.20 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 5D 44M 20S WEST 58.56 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 22D 40M EAST 320.69 FEET; THENCE NORTH 2D 55M 2S WEST 19.97 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 51D 5M 14S EAST 50.94 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 76D 57M 29S EAST 117.98 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88D 47M 12S EAST 161.98 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 2D 55M 2S EAST 310.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY HUTTON STREET AND ON THE EAST BY GRISWOLD STREET. (12) ALL OF LOTS 738 AND 739 IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 8 AND ALL OF LOT 8 IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 1. (13) ALL OF LOTS 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 AND 14 IN ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO. 1 PLUS THE 2023 DDA DISTRICT BOUNDARY EXPANSION WHICH INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING: A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 3, TOWN 1 SOUTH, RANGE 8 EAST, CITY OF NORTHVILLE, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN BEING PART OF "ASSESSOR'S NORTHVILLE PLAT NO. 2", AS RECORDED IN LIBER 66 OF PLATS, PAGE 44, WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS, ALSO PART OF BEAL AVENUE RIGHT OF WAY AND PART OF CHURCH STREET (VACATED), MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NE CORNER OF LOT 185 OF SAID "ASSESSOR'S NORTHVILLE PLAT NO. 2", SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH LINE OF BEAL AVENUE AND THE WEST LINE OF RIVER STREET, THENCE N 84°12'51" W 171.18 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID BEAL AVENUE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE N 84°12'51" W 266.54 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF VACATED CHURCH STREET, THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE, N 06°16'21" W 25.54 FEET; THENCE N 84°12'51" W 12.71 FEET; THENCE 43.04 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, RADIUS 230.0 FEET, DELTA 10°43'21", CHORD BEARS N 89°34'32" W 42.98 FEET; THENCE S 85°03'47" W 809.73 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF CENTER STREET, THENCE ALONG SAID EAST LINE, N 05°12'42" W 117.93 FEET; THENCE N 84°59'05" E 130.98 FEET; THENCE N 88°09'17" E 273.67 FEET; THENCE N 05°11'03" W 47.62 FEET; THENCE N 84°47'42" E 309.81 FEET; THENCE S 05°04'27" E 128.92 FEET; THENCE N 87°02'43" E 172.13 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF VACATED CHURCH STREET, THENCE ALONG SAID CENTERLINE, S 06°16'21" E 27.90 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF BEAL AVENUE, THENCE ALONG SAID CENTERLINE, S 84°12'51" E 241.0 FEET; THENCE S 14°29'14" E 26.69 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 2.37 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, LOTS 185-191, AND PART OF LOTS 183, 184, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, AND 197 OF "ASSESSOR'S NORTHVILLE PLAT NO. 2", AS RECORDED IN LIBER 66 OF PLATS, PAGE 44, WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS, ALSO PART OF BEAL AVENUE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALL OF THE AFOREMENTIONED BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 185 OF SAID "ASSESSOR'S NORTHVILLE PLAT NO. 2", SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH LINE OF BEAL AVENUE AND THE WEST LINE OF RIVER STREET, THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF RIVER STREET THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) COURSES: 1) S09°44'28"E 227.57 FEET, 2) S15°01'28"E 427.16 FEET, AND 3) S15°34'36"E 462.92 FEET; THENCE S85°45'58"W 238.48 FEET; THENCE N89°00'21"W 384.92 FEET; THENCE N00°59'39"E 30.55 FEET; THENCE 42.08 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, WITH A RADIUS OF 125.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N10°38'17"E 41.88 FEET; THENCE N20°16'56"E 8.36 FEET; THENCE 43.89 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 175.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N13°05'49"E 43.78 FEET; THENCE S84°05'19"E 7.53 FEET; THENCE 43.25 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 59.81 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING S18°34'06"E 42.32 FEET; THENCE 36.29 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, WITH A RADIUS OF 90.49 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING S28°57'39"E 36.05 FEET; THENCE 37.01 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 55.27 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING S36°30'22"E 36.33 FEET; THENCE 28.30 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 65.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING S76°35'17"E 28.08 FEET; THENCE S89°03'37"E 180.08 FEET; THENCE 50.00 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 39.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N54°12'42"E 46.65 FEET; THENCE N17°29'02"E 83.39 FEET; THENCE 183.34 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 239.13 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N12°48'12"W 178.88 FEET; THENCE 46.43 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, WITH A RADIUS OF 60.73 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N12°14'17"W 45.31 FEET; THENCE 75.62 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 179.78 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N05°57'24"W 75.06 FEET; THENCE 59.41 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, WITH A RADIUS OF 82.69 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N04°30'55"E 58.14 FEET; THENCE 15.15 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 48.43 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N11°57'12"E 15.08 FEET; THENCE 49.98 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 145.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N05°16'28"W 49.73 FEET; THENCE N15°08'56"W 33.33 FEET; THENCE 136.24 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 145.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N42°03'58"W 131.28 FEET; THENCE N68°59'01"W 91.46 FEET; THENCE 59.23 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, WITH A RADIUS OF 30.04 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING S54°29'43"W 50.09 FEET; THENCE S85°03'47"W 97.11 FEET; THENCE N04°56'13"W 234.48 FEET; THENCE S84°12'53"E 197.94 FEET; THENCE N05°47'07"E 240.01 FEET; THENCE N14°29'14"W 53.30 FEET; THENCE S84°12'51"E 60.96 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID BEAL AVENUE, THENCE S14°29'14"E 53.30 FEET; THENCE S84°12'51"E 110.22 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID BEAL AVENUE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 6.80 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

**PART II. Severability.** Should any section, subdivision, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or in part, shall not be affected other than the part invalidated.

**PART III. Savings Clause.** The amendment of the Northville Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance does not affect or impair any act done, offense committed, or right accruing, accrued, or acquired or liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment, pending or incurred prior to the amendment of the Northville Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance.

**PART IV. Repealer.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**PART V. Effective Date.** The provisions of this Ordinance are ordered to take effect following publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Northville.

**PART VI. Adoption.** This ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Northville City Council in a meeting thereof duly held and called on the 4th day of December 2023, in order to be given publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Northville.

The ordinance was introduced for first reading on October 2, 2023, and was adopted by the City Council on December 4, 2023. The ordinance shall become effective December 22, 2023. The complete text of the ordinance is available for public inspection at the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, and the City website [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us).

Michael Smith, CMC, City Clerk  
City of Northville

**FIND THE WORDS**

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated at right. Find the listed words in the grid. They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once. Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 15 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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|------------|----------|---------|--------------|
| Apple      | Fold     | Peel    | Skim         |
| Beef       | Grind    | Pies    | Steep        |
| Biscuits   | Jams     | Pinch   | Stir         |
| Boil       | Knives   | Popular | Stove        |
| Braise     | Lamb     | Porc    | Tart         |
| Cakes      | Lean     | Purée   | Tasty tricky |
| Cheese     | Mango    | Recipe  | T-bone       |
| Corn       | Meatloaf | Salad   | Toss         |
| Cuts       | Mint     | Setay   | Veal         |
| Dust       | Offal    | Sausage | Whip         |
| Eggs       | Pan-fry  | roll    |              |
| Experiment | Pare     | Shred   |              |
| Fatty      | Pear     | Sift    |              |

**TODAY'S ANSWER**

Smells delicious

**Food preparation**

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**NEWSDAY CROSSWORD**

**ACROSS**

- Some *Wheel of Fortune* answers
- Shakespearean general
- Step-by-step guide
- Refinancing option
- A waste of time
- Musical pause
- Help a Hero Scholarship provider
- Prepares
- Catered to
- "Count on me"
- Yarn spinner's product
- Coin depicting Atatürk
- Corporation's quarterly report
- Needing cheering
- Hydroacoustic device
- Patrolling, perhaps
- Andrew Jackson opponent in the Creek War
- Surf sound
- Nature
- Pulley with teeth
- Game show regular
- Brit's "boot"
- Considerably advanced
- Not at all ordinary
- Chow
- Speck on a screen
- Feet, so to speak
- Part of a clown costume
- "Father of Modern Science"
- Powerful sticks
- Cook, as pasta for lasagna

**DOWN**

- Stipulation
- Surname shared by different Best Actor Oscar winners
- Stormed about
- Word frequently following "further"
- Needing lowering
- Relents
- States
- Falcons' fouls
- Rice was often found there circa 2010
- Symbol of Ireland
- Banyan cousin
- Idle
- About as high on the organization chart
- Why some risks are taken
- Stern
- They're fired for thinking
- Shrank from
- Word before clerk or company
- Be helpful
- Run on
- Small specimen
- Topped off
- It's handled in the kitchen
- Plain
- Big Ten team as of 2014
- Prepare for piloting
- Full-voiced
- Accept, as Certified Mail
- Prepare for piloting
- Pleasant change
- Activist admired by Edison
- To be played slowly
- Intent
- Site of the only royal palace in the US
- It's about as old as the club
- China's largest ethnic group

**TODAY'S ANSWER**

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**PUZZLES & POSERS**



**GLOBE TROTTER**

A MAN HAS "1" YEAR TO TOUR THE GLOBE. DURING THIS TOUR HE WILL BE MAKING "27" STOPS. TO DO THIS HE HAS SELECTED "2" NUMBERS TO CREATE A SCHEDULE. (EX: IF ONE NUMBER IS "25" THIS MEANS HE WILL MAKE "25" STOPS SPENDING "25" DAYS AT EACH STOP.) ~ WE ARE LOOKING FOR THE TWO DIFFERENT NUMBERS WHICH WILL TOTAL "27" STOPS AND USE "365" DAYS.

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Insert numbers 1-9 in each box with every row, column and 3x3 box containing the digits just once. Difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest) **RATING: BRONZE**

**TODAY'S ANSWER**

9	2	6	4	8	1	7	5	3
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# Keeping child care centers open an 'impossible choice'

Owners aim to keep costs low and pay workers more

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USA TODAY NETWORK

Deata McLemore scowled just a bit as she pulled up an email from the state, the one informing her that Bottles-N-Backpacks, the child care centers she runs in Ypsilanti, did not receive the latest grant for which she applied.

The grant that would have added a little breathing room in her center's bare-bones budget now that federal aid had dropped off of what experts were calling a child care funding cliff.

McLemore had been looking forward to getting that grant to help pay her staff a little more — small bonuses to combat the allure of those fast food jobs she knew offered better pay than taking care of children. She knew she'd have to spend the grant money within a year; it didn't offer even a whisper of sustainability. But she'd had a plan for it, and not getting it was disappointing.

## New centers boosted; existing centers struggle

The hustle of trying to turn even a slim profit in a broken industry is nothing new for McLemore, who has worked in child care for more than two decades. "We're used to the struggle," she said. "We're used to maneuvering and making things work."

But the fact that her business, like that of many providers, has been in survival mode for so long grates at a time when Michigan is investing heavily in opening new facilities. Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's office proudly announced last month it had opened 1,089 new child care centers since May 2022, a full year ahead of its stated goal.

Child care providers recognize the government's massive efforts to pull them back from the brink of closure during the COVID-19 pandemic, and the ongoing investments on the part of the state to make child care more accessible to families.

But some have trouble understanding why it helped more than a thousand centers open their doors while existing providers have been waving their white flags, shouting for help.

"We need more child care; we don't have enough spots," said Etta Heisler, executive director of Apple Playschools, a nonprofit child care organization with two facilities in Ann Arbor. "But opening 1,000 centers, if we don't have a long-term plan for how those staff are going to be paid, for how their wages will continue to increase and for how we're going to keep the cost of that care accessible to the families who need it, long term is not going to make the difference we need to make."

## Impressive growth amid urgent calls for funding

During the pandemic, Michigan issued three rounds of stabilization grants totaling \$700 million to more than 6,000 providers, according to Emily Laidlaw, director of child care licensing at the newly opened Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential. Many home and center-based programs say they couldn't have stayed open with-

out it. At the end of the fiscal year on Sept. 30, federal stabilization money that kept child care centers from collapsing during COVID-19 stopped coming, and Michigan dropped the pandemic-level rates that it reimbursed facilities for children subsidized through the Child Development and Care program.

Child care experts and advocates warned that without another massive federal investment — or complete overhaul of the industry — the loss of those funds would spell doom for up to 70,000 programs and more than 3 million children.

The Biden administration requested \$16 billion in supplemental funding to sustain the child care sector, with Michigan set up to receive \$443 million — the 11th highest in the country and an amount that would benefit 6,400 providers. "As ARP funds dry up, the sector urgently needs more support as parents are at serious risk of paying more or losing access to care altogether," the White House wrote. Congress did not oblige.

Just two months later, Michigan announced its child care industry's impressive growth.

## Dividing up the resources

Laidlaw said the new facilities were launched with support from the Caring For MI Future initiative, which helped create 1,157 center and home-based facilities and expand 2,000 others.

It provided business support for new providers, including \$50 million allocated for sustainability grants they could put toward minor renovations and building improvements. The program helped with staffing by providing Child Development Associates and T.E.A.C.H. scholarships. And it offered professional development and one-on-one consultation — something Laidlaw said also was made available to existing providers.

"We've tried to divide up the resources we had between the need for new providers — there's just not enough care across the state — (and) the need to support current providers," Laidlaw said.

It's unfortunate that all that investment in the way of stabilization and facilities improvement grants came to an end at the exact same time as the expiration of American Rescue Plan dollars that lifted the subsidy rates, according to Annette Sobocinski, executive director of the Child Care Network.

"It's sadly not great timing," she said. "Do I want the state to invest more in the subsidy funding? Yes, I definitely do. But that takes the legislators to support allocating money to that, so it's not anything that any one entity in the government can do on their own."

"I don't think it's necessarily a priority at the moment, which it should be," said Sobocinski.

## Rolling full force in the wrong direction

The leadership of Huntey's Clubhouse, which has six early learning and child care centers across west central Michigan, did not raise salaries with pandemic money. They used the relief funds for bonuses, teacher training and to invest in a curriculum program and enhance facility security.

But their fiscal prescience hasn't spared them from the huge impacts of the drop in federal subsidy rates, which around half their enrolled children use to pay for care. "With 50% of our children being subsidized, a 25% decrease off the top line with absolutely no change in our costs is incredibly painful," said Tyler Huntey, CEO of Huntey's Clubhouse.

Huntey's operates in a mostly rural area of the state, where incomes are lower and options for child care are scarce. For providers in his area, the funding cliff is real.

"Rural communities are feeling this pain and it's even more impactful because typically, you're one of two or the only center-based provider in that community," Huntey said. "When they say, 'I can't do it,' and they have to shut their doors, the impact is huge."

Huntey wasn't surprised that the state opened more than 1,000 new centers. "Our governor has high aspirations, and she wants to check all the boxes that she said she was going to check," he said. But the depressed federal subsidy rates means that for smaller, rural or inner city providers, the system is constantly on life support.

## Child care centers are closing at a normal rate — for now

Since the relief money ran out, no more child care facilities have closed than in any typical month, according to Laidlaw.

But some believe it's only a matter of time.

"Programs are doing their best just like they've always done to kind of struggle along," Sobocinski said. "We haven't seen a ton of closures yet, but I don't think that means that there's not a big risk of people closing in the coming months because of this change."

Groups of providers, parents, policymakers and economic development professionals have coalesced around the state to get a handle on the changing child care landscape — with funding from Caring for MI Future. One of those coalitions, in Livingston and Washtenaw counties, surveyed 250 child care providers during the summer of 2023 and found that 64% were concerned with keeping their business afloat and more than a third would consider closing if they do not receive ad-

ditional staffing or funding support.

## A 'broken,' unethical system

Apple Playschools' Heisler said she was in that category. She grabbed every federal dollar she could during the pandemic, increasing teacher pay by 25% or more and adding medical benefits for the first time.

Frankly, she's wondering if that was a mistake. But it would feel wrong and counterproductive to take it away.

"As a nonprofit organization that has inclusion and equity in our mission, there's no possible way I could do that from an ethical perspective," Heisler said. "I don't know how I would sleep at night."

But she's already not sleeping much. Apple Playschools, one of the few programs in the area that offers profit-losing infant and toddler care, may not survive another season.

One month ago, Heisler finally ran out of options and announced a massive midyear tuition hike for her families.

She won't cut back on wages, she already raised tuition and she hasn't been successful in getting all the grant money they'd need to acquire buildings and do the renovations to add tuition-generating spots.

In Washtenaw County, where Apple Playschools are located, data shows more than seven kids in line for every one licensed child care spot, and that at least 20% of those spots go unfilled because there aren't enough child care workers. There are hundreds of children on Heisler's wait list.

Heisler said child care has always relied on unpaid and underpaid labor. But in this day and age, she considers a broken system that relies on grant funding to fund the salaries of people who care for babies to be unethical. And, she said, it has been a conscious choice on the part of lawmakers to keep it that way — a decision to, as she said, "divest in the essential infrastructure that providers have spent the last several years holding together with duct tape and zip ties."

"We feel abandoned," she said.

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# SPORTS

## BOYS BASKETBALL

# With Pettus in the post, Canton wins KLAA/OAA Challenge game in OT



Canton's Devon Pettus boxes out Birmingham Groves' Brandon Brown during a KLAA/OAA Challenge boys basketball game on Dec. 14, at Canton High School. PHOTOS BY BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWN LIFE

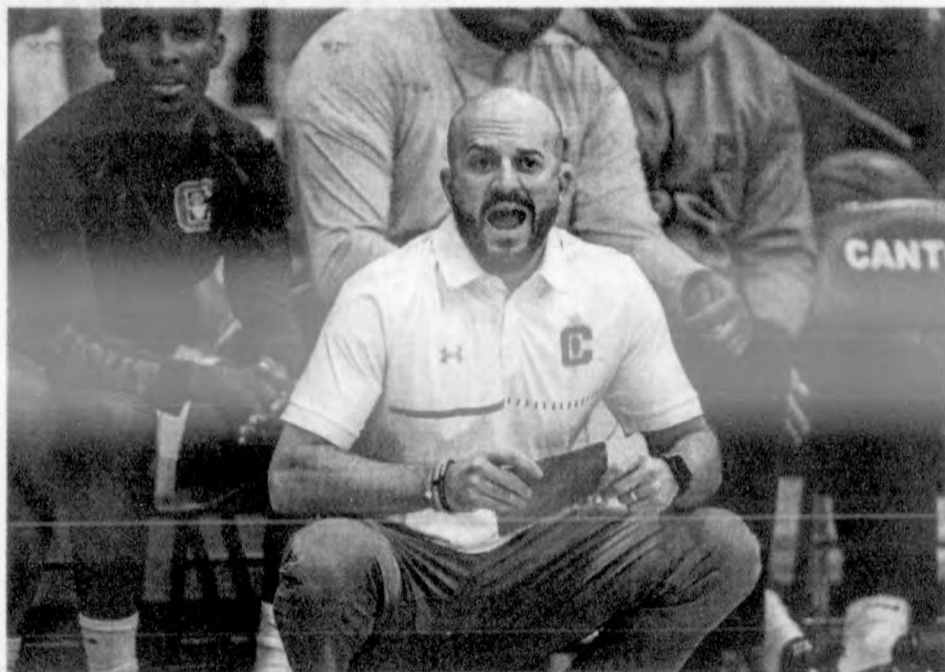
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Devon Pettus has unfinished business.

Because had the 6-foot-1, 230-pound Grand Valley State University football commit not returned for his senior season, the Canton boys basketball team would've been in trouble.

The Chiefs lost their two best post players from last year's Kensington Lakes Activities Association championship team to graduation in 6-8 center Dante Favor, who's playing at Siena Heights University, and Omar Suleiman. While Suleiman, who is now at Lake Superior State, wasn't a traditional big man, his 6-6, 185-pound frame made him a matchup nightmare for opponents who tried to defend the small forward in the post.

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Canton coach Jimmy Reddy yells to his defense during a KLAA/OAA Challenge boys basketball game on Dec. 14, at Canton High School.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL



Detroit Country Day's Jayla Jackson attacks the basket during a game on Dec. 12, at Northville. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWN LIFE

# With Jayla Jackson healthy, Yellowjackets could win state title

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Jayla Jackson has returned just in time.

Because the Detroit Country Day girls basketball team is arguably the top team in Division 2 and should be a favorite to win a state championship when March rolls around.

So where has the sophomore been? On the bench, nursing an assortment of injuries, mostly.

She missed the beginning of last season with a broken hand. After rehabilitating that injury, she played a limited role off the bench before she was back to 100% health.

Except that 100% never came because she suffered a knee injury that once again kept her out of the lineup. That injury turned into a lingering one, which resulted in her getting surgery during AAU season this past summer.

She missed most off-season activities with the Yellowjackets, including fall league in Sterling Heights, but finished her nearly six-month rehabilitation just in time for the season opener a week ago.

Jackson has not disappointed in her return because she's not taking this opportunity for granted. She has a renewed motivation. Being sidelined for

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## HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

# 'It's different, but it's the same': Stevenson beats new rival Red

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When it comes to winning the city championship, it was already tough enough for the Livonia Stevenson hockey team to combat the uproar of the crowds that nearby Churchill and Franklin brought to the rivalry.

But to combine both the Chargers and Patriots fans in the same stands? That could spell disaster for the Spartans.

It almost did Dec. 13 during the first-ever meeting between Stevenson and the Livonia Red Stallions, the upstart

co-op that is keeping hockey alive and thriving among the Churchill and Franklin communities.

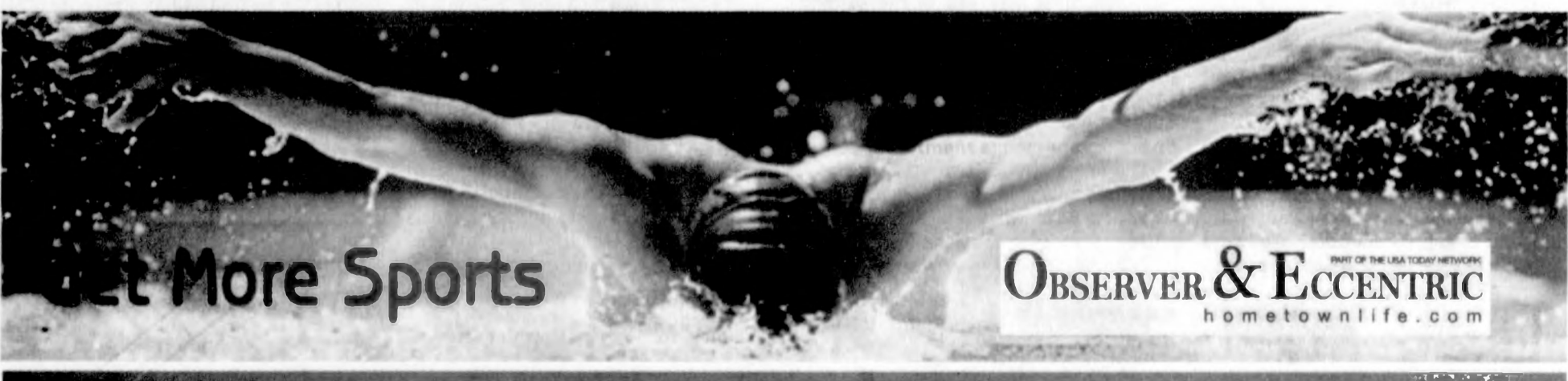
Stevenson (5-3, 3-0 KLAA) couldn't drum up any offense in the opening period that ended in a 0-0 tie. Then it was Ethan Slesak flipping in a breakaway goal just 32 seconds into the second period to give the Stallions a 1-0 edge and the very first goal in what should be another competitive rivalry.

"Boy, they got that first goal, and they had us on our heels," longtime Stevenson coach David Mitchell said. "We just needed to settle it down. And I think

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Livonia Stevenson's Caden Mason celebrates a goal during a hockey game on Dec. 13, at Eddie Edgar Ice Arena. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWN LIFE



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## BOYS BASKETBALL

## Why Brother Rice doesn't need to replace John Blackwell

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Had John Blackwell played for a lesser team, he likely would've won the Michigan Mr. Basketball honor last season.

But he didn't because Brother Rice's roster was loaded with future college basketball players. From four-star Curtis Williams (Louisville) to big man Xavier Thomas (Toledo) and shooting guard Warren Marshall (Oakland University).

Sure, Blackwell dominated games from time to time, but there was no need for him to do that every night. The Warriors just had to share the wealth and, in turn, they won big games, including the Catholic League tournament.

That's why it's not surprising to see Blackwell have so much success at Wisconsin. Heck, the point guard has already been named a Big Ten Freshman of the Week this season. He's truly a gifted player.

So when it comes to replacing him at Brother Rice, the Warriors aren't even trying to.

Meet David Williams, who is technically Blackwell's replacement in the starting lineup, but the 6-foot-2 junior brings an entirely different skill set to the position. The offense doesn't run through him. But it is his job to bring the ball up the floor, start the offense, facilitate passes to his playmakers and play hard-nosed defense.

Brother Rice started 5-0 and reached No. 3 in The D Zone's most recent top-25 rankings, and a lot of that has to do with how well Williams is playing in his debut season as a starter.

"I'm David Williams, just a way different player than Johnathan Black-

well," Williams said following his team's 71-47 victory Dec. 9 at Auburn Hills Avondale. "He's Division I. I'm just trying to be good for my teammates by facilitating, getting them open and helping them hit their shots so they can get some energy going."

So far, so good. In the season opener, Williams totaled 13 assists and no turnovers, which is tied for fourth all-time in program history for most assists in a single game. For perspective, No. 1 on the list with 16 assists is BJ Armstrong, a former first-round draft pick by the Chicago Bulls who won three NBA championships. And Williams got his name on the leaderboard against Ferndale, a team that just won a Division 2 state title in 2022-23.

Williams has continued to put together strong, no-turnover performances since, which will be needed once CHSL-Central play starts Friday against Detroit U-D Jesuit.

"I think people didn't know his name to start, but I think he's shown that he's one of the best guards in the state," said Marshall, the team's top returner. "I don't know how many point guards who have 13 assists and zero turnovers. But every day, he shows up. When in doubt, he scores and does everything you need. Defensively, he takes on some of the best guards in the state, locks them up and is here making the shots when we need them."

Marshall said he first noticed Williams' growth at point guard during summer league. He said Williams had recognized his opportunity to become a leader and that Williams "wanted to take his game to the next level."

The junior has certainly put in the work.

He's added a few pounds in the



Brother Rice's Warren Marshall attacks the basket during a boys basketball game on Dec. 9, at Auburn Hills Avondale. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWN LIFE

weight room and hasn't missed an off-season activity. He still gets to school for 6 a.m. shootarounds and workouts every day.

While he might never become a future Big Ten Freshman of the Week, he's turning himself into one of Brother Rice's most reliable players. And that's important as they look to make a deep playoff run after losing to Orchard Lake St. Mary's in last year's district tournament.

"We don't need him to be John, and we've changed some things that we do (to facilitate Williams' style of play)," coach Rick Palmer said. "Last year, things were played through John. Dave knows he's just got to get us up the court and get us started. John probably had to

finish our offense. We're doing things differently offensively, he's not trying to be John either. He's just trying to be a good version of David, and he's not trying to do too much."

"That's why I think he's had the success he's having. He's just trying to be solid, and he's played really well as a result."

Williams will have plenty of talented players to get the ball to.

Chief among them is Marshall, obviously, who should be a Mr. Basketball finalist by season's end.

Brother Rice has welcomed in two key sophomore transfers in Trevor Smith, who is already receiving D-I offers, and Elijah Williams, a five-star recruit who is also the son of Detroit Pistons coach Monty Williams.

Stepping into a bigger role is center Luke Salkowski, who, at 6-7, is one of the most improved players in Michigan, while other former role players are also earning more playing time such as guards Jacob Lamb and Logan Hama, small forward Jeremiah Caffey and big man Chase Van Ameyde, a Notre Dame baseball commit.

"I love it so far," Williams said about getting the ball to so many playmakers. "I love having the team — not necessarily on my back — but having them follow my lead. I like being a leader, the outspoken person who talks on the court and is doing everything out there."

Blackwell did a lot of great things for the Warriors, but he never led them to a state championship. Williams has a chance to lead them to one over the next two seasons. And that's created a lot of excitement among Brother Rice fans.

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## HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY



Brighton's Charlie Burchfield (26) battles Detroit Catholic Central's Stefan Fonda battle for the puck on Dec. 9. TIMOTHY ARRICK/FOR THE LIVINGSTON DAILY

## Detroit C.C. routs shorthanded Brighton

**Bill Khan** Livingston Daily  
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LIVONIA — Brighton hockey coach Kurt Kivisto would have been more alarmed by a 7-1 loss to Detroit Catholic Central on Dec. 9 if he had a full complement of players.

Instead, he was able to almost shrug off a rare lopsided loss, having arrived at Eddie Edgar Ice Arena almost expecting this type of outcome.

The first sign Brighton was in trouble was when first-team all-state forward Lane Petit was in street clothes taking the stick rack to the bench shortly before the players took the ice to warm up. Another concerning sight for the Bulldogs was second-team all-state defenseman Ryan Watkins hanging out outside the dressing room with his arm in a sling.

They were among four Brighton players who didn't suit up for a rematch of the last two state Division 1 championship games in the Adam Mitchell KLAAMIHL Showcase.

As a result, the Bulldogs went with a short bench, using Charlie Burchfield and Cam Duffany on nearly every face-off.

"We expected it going in," Kivisto said. "We knew Charlie and Duff would be playing every other shift the whole game. It's not something you want to do. You want to keep them fresh. We knew going in it was going to be like that, based on the injury report."

It was the first time Brighton has allowed seven goals in a game since a 7-0

loss to Catholic Central in the same event on Dec. 14, 2019.

The second-ranked Bulldogs (7-2) have lost nine straight games in what has been the top rivalry in Division 1, last winning 2-1 in the state semifinals on March 9, 2018.

"We're not reading anything into it," Kivisto said. "We know we'll be better next time we play them if we have everybody available."

If there's another meeting between the teams this season, it will be in the state semifinals or finals in March at USA Hockey Arena.

"It's one of those, if you try to read too much into it, I think you're overanalyzing," Catholic Central coach Brandon Kaleniecki said. "It's a game that happened in December. If we meet again in March, however things line up, they'll be a different team and we'll be a different team. There's a lot of buildup going into these games, and we understand that's part of the fun of high school hockey, but at the same time it's one game in December."

Having scored only four goals in their nine straight losses to the Shamrocks, the Bulldogs were pretty much out of it after falling behind 3-0 after one period.

The score was 5-0 when Brighton scored its only goal, a power-play tally by Aiden Seiter with 10:46 left in the game.

Peter Sanin had two goals and three assists, while Nolan Galda had two goals and two assists for Catholic Central (8-0).

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Trojans are competitive with Horsch sisters in the post

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Surprisingly, the Horsch sisters do not have a nickname yet.

But give it time. One will likely come about soon. Livonia Clarenceville's 59-46 victory Dec. 8 over visiting Redford Thurston was just its second game of the season after all.

Though, there's no denying it: The Trojans (2-0) should be competitive in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference-Red when league play begins Jan. 9 against Novi Christian Academy because of their new dynamic duo in the post.

That would be 6-foot-tall sisters Raeleigh and Rakell Horsch, whose combined strength and size are creating quite the advantage for Clarenceville's offense.

That was evident as the Trojans battled back and forth with the Eagles.

It was a 23-23 score at halftime, but the two sisters accounted for 12 of their team's 20 points in the third quarter on six hard-fought field goals in the paint.

That effort set up Clarenceville to take back the lead once and for all in the fourth, as the Trojans used a 16-2 run to close out the game. Leading the way were guards Jennevee Coogan, who buried a crucial 3-pointer late and finished with a game-high 17 points, and Diavian (Dee) Robinson, whose runner in the waning moments gave Clarenceville its first double-digit lead.

Rakell, just a freshman, totaled 16 points, while junior Raeleigh chipped in six.

"They're good girls, they listen and practice real, real hard," said second-year coach Bob Ostrowski, the former longtime assistant athletic director at Wayne State University. "You can see how when we penetrate, when Dee has the ball, they collapse on her. They (the sisters) come up from underneath, and we're able to give them a dish, and that's something we are working on right now."

It's definitely a pick-your-poison scenario for most defenses.

Robinson, a MIAC-Red first-teamer a year ago, is a ball-dominant point guard. She has no trouble driving to the hoop for a tough layup, drawing fouls or, best of all, sucking in the defense and zipping passes to the Horsch sisters on the backside for easy baskets. The junior did that multiple times, including twice in the opening period, which helped Clarenceville secure a 14-8 edge entering the second quarter.

And if the backside passes aren't available for Robinson, who scored 15

points and was 7 of 9 shooting from the foul line, she can still get the ball to her outside shooters such as Coogan and senior Nya Woods, the Trojans' other returning all-conference player.

And if there are any misses, the Horsch girls are there to clean them up with put-back baskets.

"We do like playing in this offense because we move the ball around so much, and you can see that because we shared 59 points tonight," Raeleigh said. "It feels crazy playing with my little sister because our ages are so different. I'm a junior, and she's a freshman. But we have always been excited about playing together in high school."

Ostrowski said the Trojans look rusty, which makes sense. It is the opening week of the season after all.

But you can tell the team already has some chemistry. Some of that has to do with the Horsch girls living down the street from Robinson. The trio often plays pick-up hoops or practices together.

So much so that Rakell calls Robinson her "other" sister.

She's excited about having the chance to play with both her older sister and Robinson.

"It's something I've dreamed about," the freshman said. "I was always scared that we'd be against each other (at separate high schools), but we really work together, and it's just been something I've always dreamed about because I've always looked up to her. We're really close. We don't really fight. We just work really good together."

While Thurston is without Samara Mackey, one of the best sophomore guards in metro Detroit, who transferred to Cass Tech this past off-season, the Eagles did return 6-footer Makayla Hughes.

And the senior power forward did not disappoint.

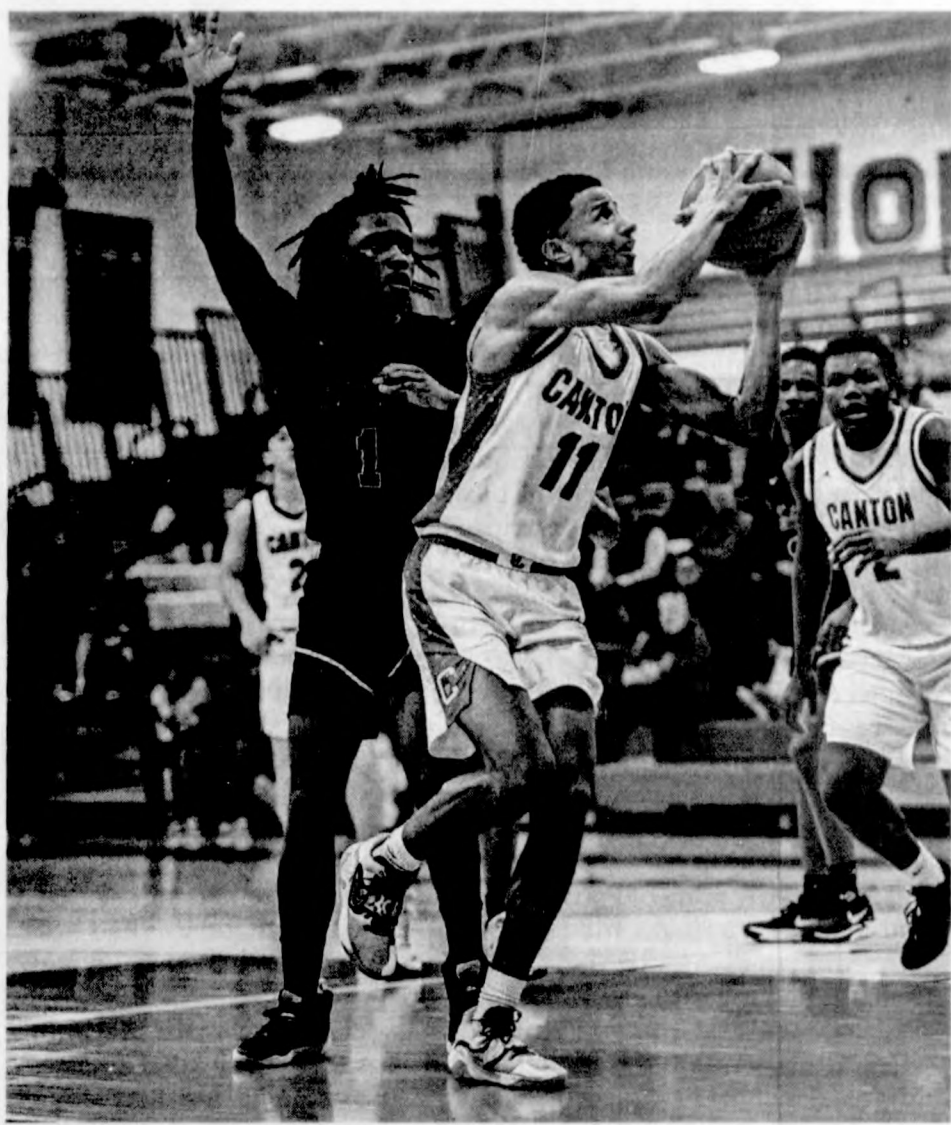
She battled down low early on, drawing six trips to the foul and putting the Horsch sisters in foul trouble. She scored all 12 of her points in the opening half but a lingering injury kept her sidelined for most of the second half.

She certainly challenged the Horsch girls early on. Facing a player such as Hughes, who should be an All-Western Wayne Athletic Conference player by the end of the winter, should help prepare the sisters for more battles in the post in future games.

Ariyanna Tomala drained five 3-pointers and led Thurston (1-2) with 15 points, while Mariya Plata scored 11.

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Canton's Bradley Eziuka drives past Birmingham Groves' Brandon Brown during a KLAA/OAA Challenge boys basketball game on Dec. 14, at Canton High School. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWN LIFE

## Canton

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It would've been easy for Pettus to forego playing his senior basketball season to avoid any possible injuries that could cost him his football future. Heck, he's still recovering from a left-hand injury that he suffered in the fall. No one would've been upset had he made a business decision to sit out.

On paper, Canton would've had just one returning big man, 6-4 senior Joey Pierson, had Pettus not come back. Or, you could say two returning big men if you count Bradley Eziuka, the 6-4 Kalamazoo College signee who would normally play shooting guard had there not been a need for additional height in the paint.

But Pettus is, indeed, back.

And his presence down low and reliable shooting from the free-throw line ensured the Chiefs (2-2) a hard-fought 55-51 overtime win over Birmingham Groves during Thursday's KLAA/OAA Challenge boys basketball matchup.

"I really came back because the last two years we came up short with Cole getting injured and, last year, losing to Northville," said Pettus, who scored 16 points, including going 7 of 8 from the foul line in the final 12 minutes. "I just wanted to come back, go out there and win this year."

The Chiefs have experienced some turmoil over the past two seasons.

They were the runaway favorites to win the KLAA two years ago until Cole Vickers, arguably the best player in the league, suffered a season-ending knee injury. All the eventual Ferris State signee could do was watch from the bench as Hartland ripped the championship trophy out of their hands in their own building.

Canton made up for that loss last winter, though, as it had no trouble taking down Livonia Franklin in the league championship game. But then its season abruptly ended with Northville upsetting the Chiefs for a second straight year in the playoffs and ultimately going on to win just its second district title in 25 years.

Once again, here we are: The Chiefs are predicted to win the KLAA-West, per the preseason coaches poll, but it's safe to say they wouldn't be looked at as highly without Pettus on the floor.

"He's one of the best players in the league, I think," longtime Canton coach Jimmy Reddy said. "He's been awesome. We lost two in a row before this, but in both games, he's been a tough cover. He didn't get enough shots against Hamtramck (in a 71-66 loss on Dec. 8). But that was our fault for not getting him enough shots. He also had to bring the ball up a little bit against their pressure because he can do a lot of things."

Pettus certainly can.

So much so that Reddy made a half-time adjustment to get Pettus and Eziuka the ball more in the post in the second half against Groves, which carried a 22-21 lead into the locker room. The Chiefs came out swinging, with Pettus scoring down low and drawing an and-one free throw to kick-start the third quarter.

The two squads played back and

forth, trading two- and three-point leads for the rest of regulation.

But it was Pettus' free throw that knotted the score at 39 with 4:04 left. Shortly afterward, he got the ball in the high post, made a move to his right and found Eziuka open on the block for an easy two points. And then Pettus went back to the line for two more free throws.

"It's essential," said Eziuka, who also scored 16 points, about his chemistry in the post with Pettus. "Our ability to work with each other and create for each other and our teammates is definitely important and it helps get our offense going. We're confident in each other. We enjoy playing with each other, and we do have chemistry. Playing in the high-low post, sometimes he's in the high, sometimes I'm in the low, and sometimes it's vice-versa, but we're interchangeable and it helps us get some scores and execute on offense."

It looked like Pettus had sewed up the victory by driving to the basket and making a tough shot to put Canton ahead by two points with 37 seconds remaining, but Groves junior John Simpson responded by scoring from the right block 17 seconds later to force overtime.

In the extra period, Caleb Williams, who finished with 11 points, scored on a tough drive to the hoop to put Canton ahead, 50-48, and then the Chiefs secured the win from the foul line the rest of the way.

Groves needed to foul to get back in the game. The obvious choice was to foul Canton's big man, but Pettus went 4 of 4 in the final 11 seconds. He was 8 of 9 from the foul line all night.

"He's a good free-throw shooter, and more importantly, he's always good down the stretch," Reddy said. "His percentage at the end of games is high. People probably think it's a good foul right away, but we're glad he's getting fouled because he's going to step to the line. He's got a high level of confidence, and he goes in and knocks them down."

Reddy said the win was big for the Chiefs, who had lost two close calls entering Thursday night. Aside from the loss to Hamtramck, they also lost to Saline in overtime almost two weeks ago.

How Canton closed out the win in overtime against the Falcons is something Reddy knows will help prepare the team for potential March Madness-type games ahead.

And those matchups will be here soon. Canton opens KLAA-West play against Northville on Dec. 21. Being able to close out games like those with be key if the Chiefs want to repeat as league champions.

Fortunately for them, they have their big man back for the ride. And Pettus isn't taking his role in the paint for granted either.

"It's pretty fun," Pettus said with a smile. "Banging down low, you're trying to bring the physicality to basketball. But it's just like playing football, you're just out there outworking everybody who's taller than you."

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## Stevenson

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that (giving up a goal) settled us a little bit, right? It settled us and got us back to playing hockey. We were pressing a lot, but I give them (Red) credit for forcing us to press.

"They started in more of a 1-2-2, a little more of a trap, and that gave us some fits in the beginning. But once they scored, I do think it settled us down a bit."

It certainly did.

Stevenson responded by scoring three goals to end the period with a 3-1 lead. Then it scored another six unanswered goals in the third to activate the mercy rule with 8:18 remaining in regulation.

The Spartans secured the 9-1 victory thanks to Connor Buchanan netting all three of his goals in the span of 8 minutes and 23 seconds in the third period. Jackson Sholler also notched a hat trick.

Stevenson scored four straight in the opening 3 minutes of play in the final period. Also scoring were Tyler Breitbach, Caden Euchanan and Garrett Teahan.

Goalie Lucas Rorabacher earned the win.

"Once we got rolling, we started to get back to what we do best," Mitchell added. "It's nice for us to get the first one (win) in this newfound rivalry, but that program (Red) is only going to continue to grow and get better."

In past years, it'd be Stevenson vs. Churchill or Stevenson vs. Franklin, one at a time.

But to face both of your biggest rivals on the same sheet of ice?

## Yellowjackets

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almost an entire year was rough on her mentally and emotionally.

So much so that she once believed she'd never get back to playing the way she used to before the knee injury. There were moments when she relied on her mom, sister and grandmother to mentally pull her through some dark times.

But the hard part is over. She is back in the lineup. And the Yellowjackets, which already had an incredibly deep roster, should benefit from having a future college star in the lineup.

"It was hard trying to get back to playing because there were moments after my surgery where I felt I couldn't do it anymore, but I just had to stay motivated," Jackson said following her team's 72-39 win Dec. 12 at Northville.

Fans should be excited about her addition to the team because of how much better she makes her surrounding cast, which is saying something because DCDS has some of the best players in Michigan in the lineup.

Its top returner is Jaidyn Elam, a recent Oakland University signee who should be a Michigan Miss Basketball nominee when the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan announces its finalists in a few months. She's been a four-year starter at small forward and is a matchup nightmare for most defenses. She excels on the perimeter but also has the strength and size to take on most bigger post players.

The senior had 24 points, including making a pair of 3-pointers, against the Mustangs, and she played sparingly. There was no need to keep her on the floor once DCDS went up by 30 points.

Also back is shooting guard Naiya Krispin, a smooth ballhandler and an even better shooter. She earned an offer from Eastern Michigan University before she even made her debut with the Yellowjackets as a freshman.

And then there's the Arico sisters. Yes, that Arico, the daughters of University of Michigan women's basketball coach Kim Barnes Arico. Senior Emma is arguably the program's most improved player. She went from being a timid role player as an underclassman to a confident point guard last year. The senior is signed with U-M's lacrosse team but is the Yellowjackets' top ballhandler and likely their best leader. She's a true floor general.

Emma's younger sister, Cece, is only a freshman but is already showing glimpses of being a future all-state post player. As an almost 6-footer, she can battle with the toughest post players for hard-fought points and trips to the foul line. But she also has a strong mid-range shot that makes her tough to guard with traditional post players. It wouldn't be a surprise if she ends up playing in the Big Ten four years from now.

"It's different, but it's the same," Mitchell said. "I give a lot of credit to those players, those families and the coaching staff for putting that together and coming together."

Co-ops like the one Churchill and Franklin have started might become more of the norm across the state if participation dwindles and interest in the sport wanes.

But, fortunately for the Livonia hockey community, the two schools had the foresight to not only save the sport from going away at both high schools but strengthen a program like Churchill's that already had decent numbers.

Coach Jason Reynolds had led the Chargers for the past 11 seasons before the merger. While about 2/3 of the Stallions' roster is Churchill kids, the half-dozen or so Franklin guys give the team plenty of depth.

Most importantly, though, it keeps the city championship rivalry alive and thriving.

"It's outstanding, it's awesome," Mitchell said. "I think everybody wishes we could have three teams, but I'd rather see those kids have the opportunities that they have because there are some really good hockey players at Livonia Franklin, and to now combine them with Livonia Churchill? That's awesome."

"Livonia has got a really rich history of high school hockey between both Churchill and Franklin with coaches like Terry Jobbitt (at Franklin) and Pete Mazzoni (at Churchill), and they are both storied programs. It's definitely a benefit to give those kids an opportunity to participate."

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Detroit Country Day coach Amber Deane talks to her players during a game on Dec. 12, at Northville. BRANDON FOLSOM/HOMETOWN LIFE

The Arico sisters' father, Larry, is an assistant coach with the team.

Junior Ari'Yana Wiggins, who has started plenty the past two years, is back and can compete as both an outside shooter and a post player. She already has recruiting interest from NAIA schools.

Other returners include seniors Julia Younges and Peja Liles, two of the team's most reliable bench players, while freshmen Sanyiah Blackwell and Alina Younes should also help off the bench this winter.

Adding Jackson into the lineup only makes the Yellowjackets better.

Jackson, who received her first Big Ten offer in middle school, is a coach's dream.

She's one of the team's top passers, but she also has no problem driving to the hoop for buckets, knocking down 3-pointers and playing tough defense.

"But, most importantly, she's just so fun to watch," second-year coach Amber Deane said. "It's so fun for her to be playing again and to be healthy. Basketball brings her so much joy, so to see her back on the floor and moving again is exciting. It also excites our team. She's just so fun to watch."

"She's dynamic. She can pass. She can score at every level. She does, obviously, give us a lot, but we're just happy that she's healthy, safe and out there doing what she loves to do."

Jackson scored nine points against Northville but, honestly, she could've had 25 had Deane asked her for it.

But Jackson said she thrives most when her teammates are playing well. When everyone is playing well, it makes it tough for defenders to pick who to slow down.

She enjoys getting everyone involved with her passes.

"It's fun seeing your whole team eating, having fun and moving the ball, playing as a team," Jackson said. "Everyone knows how to play well and play as a team here. It's not just one person eating but the whole team eating, and we just make sure that everyone is having fun."

You know what else is fun? Winning a state championship.

The Yellowjackets already had a talented enough roster to compete for one, but getting Jackson back only increases their chances of getting it done. The last time they looked this good? They wound up winning three state titles in a four-year span from 2015-2018.

With Jackson healthy, this could be the beginning of another dynasty in Beverly Hills.

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# Obituaries

## Elizabeth Daniel Dickinson

ALEXANDRIA - Elizabeth "Libby" Ann Daniel Dickinson of Sanibel, FL and Bloomfield Hills, MI passed away suddenly, but peacefully on November 21st, 2023 in Alexandria, VA.

Libby was born May 24, 1939, in Gastonia, NC, the only child of Mary Alice (Culp) and Charles Daniel. She attended Duke University where she graduated Phi Beta Kappa in 1961. It was at Duke where she met her college sweetheart, Gary W. Dickinson '60. They were married in the Duke Chapel on Feb 6, 1961 and moved to Michigan to begin Gary's career with General Motors. Their incredible life together moved them to many places including Milford, Rochester Hills, Boyne City, and Bloomfield Hills, MI, Granada Hills, CA, McLean, VA, Kokomo, IN and Sanibel, FL. Libby was a dedicated civic volunteer, working for such organizations as Meadowbrook Hall, Hospice of Michigan, First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, Birmingham Community House, Duke University Board of Visitors, Sanibel Big Arts and Chapel by the Sea. Libby and Gary had two children, Debbi Kelly (John) and Jeff (deceased 2010) and were later blessed with two grandchildren, Jack (19) and Julia Kelly (16). Gary passed away in 2000.

Libby met Dale S. Hanson through mutual friends on Sanibel Island. The couple were married in Minnesota in 2006. Dale passed away in 2013.

Libby was an avid reader, loved to travel, peruse/collect antiques and spend time with her grandchildren. She was elegant, meticulous and impressively intelligent. Because of her southern upbringing and incredible memory for details, she sought out conversations with friends and strangers alike on just about any subject. And although she was technologically challenged, she had the most beautiful penmanship - preferring to write in cursive versus print. Libby lived her life filled with laughter, adventure, community, friendship, and love. Her infectious smile and bright, aquamarine eyes will be forever missed.

The first of several services will be held Fri, Dec 22, 2023, 10am at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Alexandria, VA. Celebration of Life services will also be held in Sanibel Island, FL and Birmingham, MI at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) on Sanibel Island.



## Patricia S. Neff

NORTHVILLE - Patricia S. Neff, age 79, of Northville, passed away on December 12, 2023. She was born on October 20, 1944 in Highland Park, Michigan; daughter of Henry and Joyce (Anderson) Patterson. She graduated from Madison High School in Madison Heights, class of 1962. She then went on to earn her associate degree in business from Ferris State University. While attending Ferris State University, Patricia met the love of her life, Robert. They wed on September 24, 1966 and spent the next 53 years together until his death in 2019.

Patricia's professional journey began in the retail sector, where she showcased her skills at Hudson's bridal department and later ascended to the position of store manager at Winklmans. A woman of versatility, she then transitioned into the realm of real estate, starting with Realty World. Her career reached its pinnacle when she became a respected Real Estate broker for Bonadeo Builders, where she dedicated over two decades of her life.

During the early years of Patricia and Robert's life together, they shared a profound love for animals and embarked on adventures aboard their boat. After residing in Plymouth, they settled in Northville, where they lovingly started and nurtured their family.

Patricia's warm and inviting spirit endeared her to many in the neighborhood, creating lasting and treasured friendships while raising her children. The dear ladies of her bridge group held a special place in her heart, remaining her closest friends until the end. Patricia's zest for life manifested in family vacations strategically planned to incorporate her love for casinos, while her family enjoyed skiing. Lake Tahoe, Nevada, held a special place in her dreams, a destination she hoped to retire to one day.

Patricia is survived by her daughters, Stephanie Neff (Mark McCarthy) and Shannon Neff; her grandson, Connor; her sister Judi Markos and many treasured nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her sister Kitty Rippetoe.

A graveside service will be held on Thursday, December 28, 2023 at Noon at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. Rev. Dr. James N. McGuire with Christ Presbyterian Church will officiate the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorial contributions to the Michigan Humane, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4507.



## Jo Ellen Odom

FLORENCE - Jo Ellen Odom, 85, wife of Bill Odom, has joined her parents in the Lord's house. She passed away Dec 7, 2023, at the serene McLeod Hospice House following a battle with pneumonia.

Jo Ellen was born Feb 1, 1938, daughter of the late Oscar Anderson, Jr. and late Sybil Granger Anderson. The family attended the Lake City Presbyterian Church where she was baptized.

She attended Lake City High School graduating in 1956, where she was Valedictorian and President of her class. She then attended Flora McDonald College in Red Springs, NC, thanks totally to a scholarship from the James F. Byrnes Foundation that awards merit scholarships to high school graduates who have lost one or both parents. Jo Ellen lost her father in December of her senior year.

She married Bill whom she dated from tenth grade. They celebrated their 65th anniversary last September. They moved a lot as Bill's jobs took them from South Carolina to Charlotte to New York City to Chicago and finally to SE Michigan where they lived for 31 years. (well, one year in Houston)

Jo Ellen had three loves; family, church and travel. As they moved, she made home a loving place and she guided and molded the family and acquired interior design skills along the way. The First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth (Michigan) was very important to her. She served two terms as the chair of the Worship Committee of this 1000 plus member congregation.

Travel, yes, all fifty states and seventy-two countries. There was family travel, business travel with Bill and a great deal just the two of them in later years. What a joy to do a European river cruise and take family members along. She also made a few trips with the U.S. Delegation for Friendship Among Women (U.S. State Department) visiting places such as Bangladesh, Bhutan, Morocco and Oman. In the early 2000's, she and Bill returned to Lake City as a retirement home.

Surviving are her husband, Bill; son, Vince (Jo-Ann) of Brownstown, Michigan; daughters, Susan Odom of Suttons Bay, Michigan and Joyce Odom (Peter Davies) of Bali, Indonesia; grandson, James (Kirsten) of Columbia; and sisters, Loretta Tallevast of Hilton Head, Brenda Martin (Jack) of N. Charleston; and brother, Thomas Anderson (Sandra) of Wilmington, NC; and niece, Erika Slagel-Perry (Ashley) of Blacksburg, Virginia. She was predeceased by nephews Freddie Perry and David Martin.

Funeral Service, directed by Carolina Funeral Home, was held at 11:00 AM, Monday, December 11, 2023, at the Lake City Presbyterian Church, followed by a private burial.

Memorials may be made to Lake City Presbyterian Church, PO Box 1747, Lake City, SC 29560.

(Please sign our guest book online @ [www.carolinafuneralhome.net](http://www.carolinafuneralhome.net)).



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## Lucille M. Hubbard

NOVI - Lucille M. Hubbard, a beloved sister, aunt and devoted family member, passed away at the age of 99 on December 5, 2023 surrounded by the love of her family. She was predeceased by her parents, Thomas Lawrence Hubbard and Mary Reynolds Hubbard.

Lucille grew up on a farm on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, enjoyed her career in Baltimore, MD, retired to the Eastern shore and spent the last 20 years in a retirement community in Novi, Michigan.

Lucille was the cherished sister of Florence Tarr, Henrietta Latimer, and Andasia Haglund. She leaves behind a legacy of love and warmth in the hearts of her nieces and nephews: Jim Tarr (Sue), Brian Tarr (Kathleen), Andasia Latimer, (Bill Soens), Chris Latimer (Patricia), Kurt Haglund, the late Ellen Haglund and Lawrence Latimer, as well as many great nieces and nephews.

Lucille will be remembered as a woman of incredible kindness, generosity and philanthropy. Her unwavering devotion to her family and friends was a testament to the love she held in her heart. She found joy in the simple pleasures of life, taking delight in her hobbies, charities and other interests.

A skilled seamstress, Lucille expressed her creativity through sewing and crafting her own clothes and suits. She enjoyed the challenge of solving puzzles, whether it be jigsaw puzzles, crosswords or other word and numbers games. Her artistic talents extended to the world of watercolors where she found solace in painting.

Lucille took great pride in her impressive 43-year career at Baltimore Gas and Electric where her dedication and hard work left a lasting impact. Her commitment to her profession mirrored her loyalty to her family and friends, both of which she held dear to her heart.

For the past 20 years, Lucille lived at Fox Run in Novi, Michigan where she enjoyed living with her beloved sister Henrietta and dining with friends. One of her favorite activities was volunteering for an organization that benefited veterans. She also liked taking long walks throughout the community where she was greeted by staff and many neighbors along the way.

Lucille's love for her heritage and family roots was evident in everything she did. She had a deep affection for the Eastern Shore of Maryland, a place that held a special significance in her heart. Her spirit will live on through the memories shared by those who were fortunate enough to know and love her.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made in Lucille's honor to the Fox Run Benevolent Fund at [www.ericksonseniorliving.com/fox-run](http://www.ericksonseniorliving.com/fox-run) (or Fox Run Senior Living Community, 41000 W 13 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48377) or to the Angela Hospice at [www.angelahospice.org](http://www.angelahospice.org) (or to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154).

May she rest in peace, and may her memory be a source of comfort and inspiration to all who knew her.

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## Components of successful business plans

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The entrepreneurial spirit strikes millions of people every year. The latest data from the United States Small Business Administration indicates there are 32.5 million small businesses in the U.S., which underscores just how many people aspire to be their own boss.

There's no formula that entrepreneurs can follow to ensure their start-up is successful. However, devising a strong business plan is a great place to start. Such plans can serve as a road map for entrepreneurs as they try to turn an idea into a business and are often a necessity for prospective business owners who will be seeking funding from lenders or investors. The career experts at Indeed note that effective business plans are made up of various essential components that all entrepreneurs can utilize as a framework when starting their businesses.

· **Executive summary:** As its name suggests, this provides an overview of the business plan. Executive summaries typically contain the mission statement and include information about the products and services the business will offer. Curiously, though the executive summary could be the first thing lenders and investors read, Indeed recommends writing it after all other components of the plan have been mapped out. Doing so ensures the summary will reflect a full and clear understanding of the business.

· **Business description:** This section



should include a detailed description of products and services and information about target customers. It also can help to identify the industry the business will be in and include an analysis of industry trends. The description can include information about how the company is organized, noting information about key personnel, including their histories and roles in the start-up.

· **Market analysis:** The experts at Indeed note that the purpose of a market analysis is to identify the company's primary target audience, including its demographic, and where to find that audience. This portion of the plan should include how the business will

meet the needs of its target audience and the best avenues to connect with that audience (i.e., social media, in-store, etc.).

· **Marketing and sales strategy:** The experts at Growthink, which has provided strategic advisory and investment banking services to emerging and middle market companies since 1999, note that the marketing and sales plan should detail how a business will penetrate its target markets. Information regarding promotional strategies, pricing strategies and potential marketing partnerships are just some of the details to share in the marketing and sales strategy.

· **Financial plan:** This section will include significant information about the company's finances, including detailing how much capital the business will need to meet its objectives. The financial plan should include a detailed account of how revenue will be generated, and entrepreneurs should include financial statements and projections regarding cash flow.

These are not the only components to include in a business plan. However, they can serve as a useful foundation for entrepreneurs on the cusp of starting their own businesses.

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### City of Novi Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **January 9th, 2023, at 7:00PM** in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

**PZ23-0066 (Primrose & Swim School) 43455 Ten Mile Road, south of Ten Mile Road, west of Novi Road, Parcel 50-22-27-200-003.** The applicant is requesting variances from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.12.D for a reduction in required side yard parking setbacks to 0 ft. (10 ft. minimum, a variance of 10 ft.) This variance will enable a proposed lot split in which the proposed parking lot will be divided between the new parcels. This property is zoned Office-Service (OS-1).

**PZ23-0067 (Orchard Development & Construction LLC) 30551 Novi Road, south of Fourteen Mile Road, west of Novi Road, Parcel 50-22-02-177-037.** The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 4.19.1.E.i for an increase in garage square foot coverage to 1,559 sq. ft. (850 sq. ft. maximum, variance of 709 sq. ft.) This variance would accommodate a garage addition. This property is zoned One-Family Residential (R-4).

**PZ23-0068 (V's Barbershop) 47972 Grand River Avenue, north of Grand River Avenue, west of Beck Road, Parcel 50-22-17-226-020.** The applicant is requesting variances from City of Novi Sign Ordinance Section 28-5(a) to allow an additional wall sign (maximum of one wall sign is allowed for this tenant, a variance of one additional wall sign), Section 28-10(b)(4) to allow an animated sign (animated signs are prohibited). These variances would accommodate an animated barber pole sign. This property is zoned Community Business (B-2).

**PZ23-0070 (Colucci Properties LLC) 40255 Grand River Avenue, south of Grand River Avenue, east of Haggerty Road, Parcel 50-22-24-451-005.** The applicant is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance Section 4.19.2.f.iv to allow the location of a dumpster enclosure within the required 10 ft. rear yard setback. The existing dumpster from the adjacent property encroaches 2.5 ft. onto the property. This variance would clarify the location of the dumpster for any future project proposals. The property is zoned Non-Center Commercial (NCC).

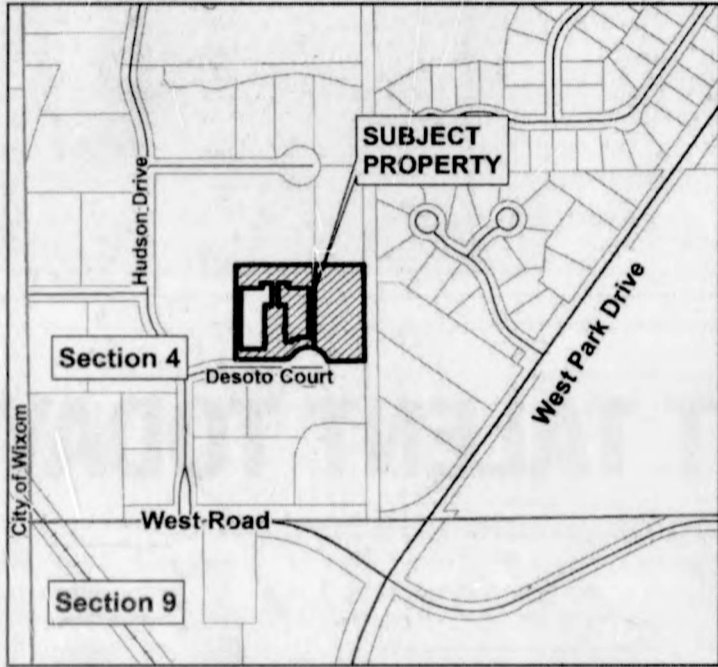
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### CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.** in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **JSP 23-32 TREK ADDITION FOR SPECIAL LAND USE, PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVALS.** The subject property totals approximately 3.95 acres and is located in Section 4, north of West Road and east of Hudson Drive in the Beck North Corporate Park. The applicant is proposing a 27,743 square foot addition to the existing 15,550 square foot building for the existing tenant's warehouse use in the I-1 Light Industrial District.

Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department during regular business hours (8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.).



**Subject Parcel ID:** 50-22-04-379-002, 50-22-04-379-003, & 50-22-04-378-009

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., **Wednesday, January 10, 2024.**

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### INVITATION TO BID NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS 9475 -Northville High School 2024 Synthetic Turf Baseball and Softball

The Board of Education of Northville Public Schools is accepting firm prime contractor trade specific bids for all labor, materials, equipment and all other services to complete the Synthetic Turf Baseball and Softball at Northville High School.

Plans and specifications may be obtained electronically and are available for review at the office of AUCH Construction, 65 University Dr., Pontiac, MI 48342 on or after Wednesday December 13, 2023. The bidding documents consist of plans and specifications as prepared by Foresite Design. Complete sets of printed documents may be purchased from ARC Document Solutions, 1009 W. Maple St., Clawson, MI (248-288-5600) or email [Michigan.troy@arc.com](mailto:Michigan.troy@arc.com). Contract Jasmine Jefferson or Kirsten Vincent for download instructions at 248-334-2000.

A pre-bid meeting will be held for the project at noon on December 21, 2023. The meeting will be held on site at the baseball and softball fields at the back of Northville High School. This meeting is not mandatory, but highly recommended to all bidders.

Bids will be accepted via Building Connected (electronic bid submission). Hard copy sealed bids will be accepted, however, we strongly encourage using Building Connected submission process. Please upload the appropriate proposal forms provide by the construction manager in the submission. If hard copy bids are delivered they must be sealed bid on the forms provided. An envelope must show your company name, project name and category of work. Hard copies can be delivered to Northville Public Schools at 405 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167. **Bids are due no later than January 10, 2024 at 12:00pm NOON.** Any late bids will not be considered.

Bids over the State threshold of \$29,572 must be accompanied with either a certified cashier's check or a U.S. treasury listed security bond in the amount of 5% of the bid amount. Include this in the submission. Bids received without this guaranty will not be read or considered. Electronic scans of the cashier's checks are not accepted. All cashier's checks must be delivered prior to the due date and time. Cashier's Checks will be returned to the bidder upon execution of the contract. All proposals shall be firm for a period of ninety (90) days.

All contracts to be entered into by the Northville Public Schools must and will comply with the equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan.

All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with MCL 380.1267 and attach this information to the bid proposal. The bid proposal will be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Northville Public Schools, Board of Education or the Northville Public Schools, Superintendent. The District will not accept a bid proposal that does not include this form.

Bids will be opened and read at a public meeting convened on January 10, 2024 at 1:00pm via Zoom.

Successful bidders whose proposal of \$50,000 or more will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance and Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of their bid. The cost of this bond shall be included in each proposal.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award contract to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the owner.

Kimberly Campbell-Voytal, Secretary  
Northville Public Schools, Board of Education

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### INVITATION TO BID NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS 9549 - Elementary Playground Equipment

The Board of Education of Northville Public Schools is accepting firm prime contractor trade specific bids for all labor, materials, equipment and all other services to complete the Elementary Playground Equipment at Moraine Elementary, Silver Springs Elementary, and Winchester Elementary.

Plans and specifications may be obtained electronically and are available for review at the office of AUCH Construction, 65 University Dr., Pontiac, MI 48342 on or after Wednesday December 13, 2023. The bidding documents consist of plans and specifications as prepared by TMP Architecture. Complete sets of printed documents may be purchased from ARC Document Solutions, 1009 W. Maple St., Clawson, MI (248-288-5600) or email [Michigan.troy@arc.com](mailto:Michigan.troy@arc.com). Contract Jasmine Jefferson or Kirsten Vincent for download instructions at 248-334-2000.

A pre-bid meeting will be held for the project at 4 pm on December 20, 2023. The meeting will be held on site at the playground at Moraine Elementary. Site visits to the other schools will follow this initial meeting. This meeting is not mandatory, but highly recommended to all bidders.

Bids will be accepted via Building Connected (electronic bid submission). Hard copy sealed bids will be accepted, however, we strongly encourage using Building Connected submission process. Please upload the appropriate proposal forms provide by the construction manager in the submission. If hard copy bids are delivered they must be sealed bid on the forms provided. An envelope must show your company name, project name and category of work. Hard copies can be delivered to Northville Public Schools at 405 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167. **Bids are due no later than January 10, 2024 at 12:00pm NOON.** Any late bids will not be considered.

Bids over the State threshold of \$29,572 must be accompanied with either a certified cashier's check or a U.S. treasury listed security bond in the amount of 5% of the bid amount. Include this in the submission. Bids received without this guaranty will not be read or considered. Electronic scans of the cashier's checks are not accepted. All cashier's checks must be delivered prior to the due date and time. Cashier's Checks will be returned to the bidder upon execution of the contract. All proposals shall be firm for a period of ninety (90) days.

All contracts to be entered into by the Northville Public Schools must and will comply with the equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan.

All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with MCL 380.1267 and attach this information to the bid proposal. The bid proposal will be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Northville Public Schools, Board of Education or the Northville Public Schools, Superintendent. The District will not accept a bid proposal that does not include this form.

Bids will be opened and read at a public meeting convened on January 10, 2024 at 1:00pm via Zoom.

Successful bidders whose proposal of \$50,000 or more will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance and Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of their bid. The cost of this bond shall be included in each proposal.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award contract to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the owner.

Kimberly Campbell-Voytal, Secretary  
Northville Public Schools, Board of Education

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### CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ADOPTION STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTIES OF OAKLAND AND WAYNE CITY OF NORTHVILLE ORDINANCE NO. 12-04-23b

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 26 OF THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES, "COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT," ARTICLE IV, "DEVELOPMENT AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN," SECTIONS 26-86 THROUGH 26-90, ARE HEREBY AMENDED TO ADOPT AN AMENDED DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCE PLAN FOR CONSISTENCY WITH AN EXPANSION OF THE DISTRICT**

**THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE ORDAINS:**

**PART I.** That Chapter 26 of the City of Northville Code of Ordinances, "Community Development," Article IV, "Development And Tax Increment Financing Plan," Sections 26-84 through 26-90 are hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 26-86. Definitions.**

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Act 57* means Act No. 57 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2018 (MCL 125.1651 et seq.), as amended, the Downtown Development Authority Act.  
*Amended and Restated Plan*, means the amended and restated Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan, TIF District #1, TIF District #2, TIF District #3, TIF District #4, dated December 4, 2023.

*Authority* means the downtown development authority, as established by city ordinance adopted on August 3, 1978.

**Sec. 26-87. Findings of fact.**

- (a) The city council has taken into consideration the findings and recommendations of the development area citizens council.
- (b) The amended and restated plan, dated December 4, 2023 meets the requirements set forth in the Act.
- (c) The proposed method of financing the development is feasible and the authority has the ability to arrange the financing.
- (d) The development is reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act.
- (e) The land included within the development area to be acquired, if any, is reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes of the amended and restated plan dated December 4, 2023 and the purposes of the Act in an efficient and economically satisfactory manner.
- (f) The development plan portion of the plan as amended by the amended and restated plan, dated December 4, 2023 is in reasonable accord with the master plan of the city.
- (g) Public services, such as fire and police protection and utilities, are or will be adequate to service the project area.
- (h) Changes in zoning, streets, street levels, intersections, and utilities, to the extent required by the amended and restated plan dated December 4, 2023, are reasonably necessary for the project and for the city.

**Sec. 26-88. Public purpose determined.**

The city council hereby determines that the plan, dated December 4, 2023 as amended and restated, constitutes a public purpose.

**Sec. 26-89. Best interest of the public.**

The city council hereby determines that it is in the best interest of the public to proceed with the amended and restated plan, dated December 4, 2023 in order to halt property value deterioration, to increase property tax valuation, to eliminate the causes of the deterioration in property values, and to promote growth in the Downtown District.

**Sec. 26-90. Approval and adoption of plan amendments.**

The amended and restated plan, dated December 4, 2023 is hereby approved and adopted. A copy of the amended and restated plan and all later amendments thereto shall be maintained on file in the city clerk's office.

**PART II. Severability.** Should any section, subdivision, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or in part, shall not be affected other than the part invalidated.

**PART III. Savings Clause.** The amendment of the Northville Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance does not affect or impair any act done, offense committed, or right accruing, accrued, or acquired or liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment, pending or incurred prior to the amendment of the Northville Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance.

**PART IV. Repealer.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**PART V. Effective Date.** The provisions of this Ordinance are ordered to take effect following publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Northville.

**PART VI. Adoption.** This ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Northville City Council in a meeting thereof duly held and called on the 4th day of December 2023, in order to be given publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Northville.

The ordinance was introduced for first reading on October 2, 2023, and was adopted by the City Council on December 4, 2023. The ordinance shall become effective December 22, 2023. The complete text of the ordinance is available for public inspection at the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, and the City website [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us).

Michael Smith, CMC, City Clerk  
City of Northville

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