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CONCORDIA FOOTBALL HAS TIES TO ALLEN PARK JAGS



David Cagle at Allen Park. Photos By Keepers By Kelly, and Lisa Rauch.



Alex Hinojosa #7.



Ryan Rish #3.

Dave Merchant
dmerchant9701@yahoo.com
Several Allen Park Jag football players have gone on to play football at Concordia University in Ann Arbor.

Assistant football coach for Concordia Matthew Strzalkowski has worked with these

players. These players include:

Ryan Fish – Class of 2016 Allen Park. Was a 3 year starter, a captain, 2x MSFA All-Conference Selection, recorded 202 Tackles, 17 Pass Break Up's, and 12 Interceptions. Was Honorable

Mention All-American this spring season. Graduated with a degree in Nursing, graduated with honors with being awarded the Integrity Award the Nursing program gives out to a nursing student that displays soundness of moral character, un-

ing transparency, and honesty as a Concordia student.

Alex Hinojosa – Class of 2016 Allen Park. Ryan and Alex have played football together since they were kids. Alex was a 3 year starter, Captain, 2x MSFA All-Confer-

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Allen Park DDA Wins National Award

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The Allen Park Downtown Development Authority received an award from American Express at the recent National MainStreet Convention.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, downtowns across the country have en-

couraged their communities to support local restaurants in creative and engaging ways. American Express recently celebrated the ingenuity of these Main Street programs through its Order In, Help Out Innovation Challenge. The winners

of challenge rallied their communities to support restaurants when they needed it most. Applicants of the Order In, Help Out Innovation Challenge were invited to submit a local marketing campaign they launched to support

Cabrini Teachers of the Year Honored

St. Frances Cabrini Catholic school teachers receive award.



Mrs. Karen Jones pictured with her husband after receiving her award at Comerica Park.



Mr. Josh Jablonski pictured with his nieces and nephews

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Allen Park Police Department Weekly Summary

OWI - Operating W/Intox/ Drugs
Date: 05/10/2021

Location: SB M39 / WB 194
ALLEN PARK
Time: 10:18 PM

2021-00002150
05/08/2021 at 2254hrs
Ofc.
OWi 1st/ Open Intox-Driver/ No Insurance Arrest-Impounded VehicleVYR:
2008 VMA: Nissan VIN:
LIC:
VMO: MAXIMA SE/SL White
City Towing impounded/towed vehicle to APPD Impound lot, TT# 359

Source:
While on patrol the Officer observed MSP and APFD on a call located at SBM39/194 Ramp on a female located in a vehicle passed out behind the wheel on the shoulder. MSP was dispatched to the location and requested APFD to check on the driver.

Circumstances-
The Officer arrived on scene and spoke with the MSP Trooper and advised him he would handle the call and he turned the scene over to him. The Officer spoke with APFD Firefighter after he was done evaluating the female driver, he stated she was possibly intoxicated. He advised me that the vehicle was running when APFD arrived and he had the driver turn the vehicle off before he started to speak with her.

The Officer approached the driver and asked for her license, registration,

and proof of insurance. The female stated that the vehicle did not have insurance and provided him her MI drivers license, the Officer detected a strong odor of intoxicants emitting from her person and the Officer asked if she had been drinking tonight.

She stated that she was "downtown with some friends" and admitted to consuming alcohol. The Officer asked if she was driving the vehicle and she stated "Yes". The Officer then asked if there was anyone else with her inside the vehicle and she stated "No". She had blood shot eyes with a glassy stare and was speaking with slurred speech. The Officer asked her to step out of the vehicle and advised her that the Officer would be giving her some field sobriety test and she agreed to take them. Field Sobriety Test- The Officer asked if she could recite her Alphabet without singing it and she stated "Yes". She performed the test without any issues.

The Officer then asked if she could count backwards from 99-82 and she stated "Yes". She performed the test at a very slow pace and was slurring her numbers while counting. The Officer demonstrated the finger dexterity test for her and

asked if she understood and she stated "Yes". She performed the test failing to accurately touch her fingertips together and performed the test 6 times when only instructed to complete that test 2 times.

The Officer advised of her PBT rights and she agreed to take the PBT with a result of .115

Based on listed statements/observations the Officer placed under arrest (DL/TC) for OWI. She was placed in the rear of my patrol vehicle and then transported to APPD where she was booked/processed.

During inventory search the Officer located an open bottle of Martell Blue Swift 750ml that had approx 1/4 missing.

At APPD the Officer read her Chemical Breath Test rights verbatim and she agreed to take the test at 2304hours. After 15min constant observation she took the test with a result of .10 at 2326hrs and .10 at 2329hrs.

She was provided copies of her DL-177, Datamaster results, and Cost forms. She was issued Cit #178703 for 1)OWI 2) Open Intox- Driver 3) No Insurance She was then able to make arraignments for transport home and was released from APPD.

LARCENY - OTHER
Date: 05/07/2021

Location: W OUTER DR,
ALLEN PARK
Time: 03:36 PM

2021-02112
Officer
5-7-21
Larceny Narrative
Location/Victim:
23113 Outer Dr (Guitar Center)
Reporting/Manager:
Stolen:
(1) Schecter Guitar Research C7 SLS Elite Black Fade Electric Guitar
(1) Fender 0144562531 Plyr Ser Strat Hss Plus Top

Electric Guitar
Circumstance:
On 5-7-21 at approximately 1700hrs the Officer was dispatched to the above location for a Larceny Report. Upon arrival, the Officer spoke with the Manager . He advised that they discovered the listed guitars missing from their showroom floor. He confirmed this by doing an inventory check.

He is unsure when the guitars were stolen. He believes it could have been as early as January of this year. He is confident it was not an employee. There is no surveillance footage at this point. The Officer placed a copy of the inventory sheets with pictures in the DB Box. He added that all stores do a serial# check upon trade in of any equipment.



Cabrini Teachers of the Year Honored St. Frances Cabrini Catholic school teachers receive award.

From: Natalie Zelenak/Carole Noel, Directors of Advancement and Alumni

St. Frances Cabrini schools honored two exceptional teachers for their dedication and commitment to students. Mr. Josh Jablonski and Mrs. Karen Jones were named Teachers of the Year and received the 2021 Excellence in Teaching Award at Comerica Park on May 17.

Jablonski, or Mr. Jay, as the students call him, is a Physical Education and Health teacher at Cabrini High School but this year also had to take on responsibilities at the grade school. He began his teaching career three years ago and has had to adapt to the protocols and challenges of education in a time of the pandemic.

"Cabrini High School has been so fortunate to have this incredible teacher for all three years of his teaching career. This year required him to overcome so many challenges due to COVID-19 re-

strictions, in some ways more than other teachers have had to deal with. He had to navigate the use of equipment for sports when trying not to share materials, manage the social distancing of students while learning and playing games, and enforce the use of masks while being active," said high school principal Donna Sweeney.

Teaching students ages 5-18 on the same day required great flexibility from Jablonski, who had to manage different strategies for behavior management and lesson planning.

"He has handled the pressures of this year with immense grace," Sweeney continued. "He is an extremely positive teacher who motivates the rest of us to be the same. Josh is always in the hallway in the morning and after school greeting students, calling everyone by name, asking how they're doing, and offering encouragement. His signature greetings, "C'mon now!" and "You got this!" can be heard in the halls

daily. When the school day is done, you will find him attending as many athletic events as he can. The students love him!"

Jablonski also rescued Homecoming 2021 when the football game had to be canceled because the other team was quarantined. He quickly pivoted everyone to a co-ed Ultimate Frisbee game that turned out to be great fun for the whole student body.

Mrs. Karen Jones is a first-grade teacher at Cabrini. She has been a teacher in the Arch Diocese of Detroit for 34 years and has spent much of that time at Cabrini, which also happens to be her home parish. She faced many challenges this year but was still able to provide a safe, comfortable and happy learning environment for her young students despite the COVID protocols that had to be adhered to.

"She is an outstanding teacher who has a passion for Catholic education," said Anthony Sahadi, grade school principal.



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The Allen Park Firefighters will be hosting our second annual charity softball game against the Allen Park Police Dept. The event will be taking place Sunday August 8th 2pm at Millward Park. We are asking for monetary donations to assist us with purchasing supplies for the event. With all proceeds going to charity, we try our hardest to keep expenses to a minimum. We appreciate your support on a daily basis and hope you consider donating to this great cause. We completely understand if a monetary donation isn't possible, but we ask that you help spread the word to the community to attend the event.

The money raised will be split between the Allen Park Firefighters and Police Officers Charity Funds which are used for various charitable events. In the past Allen Park Firefighters Charities have donated to:

- St. Francis Cabrini for Thanksgiving dinners
- Meijer Shop with a Hero at Christmas time
- Highschool scholarship for students pursuing careers in the fire service
- Monetary donations to local families in need
- Toys For Tots donation center

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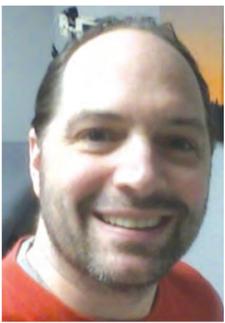
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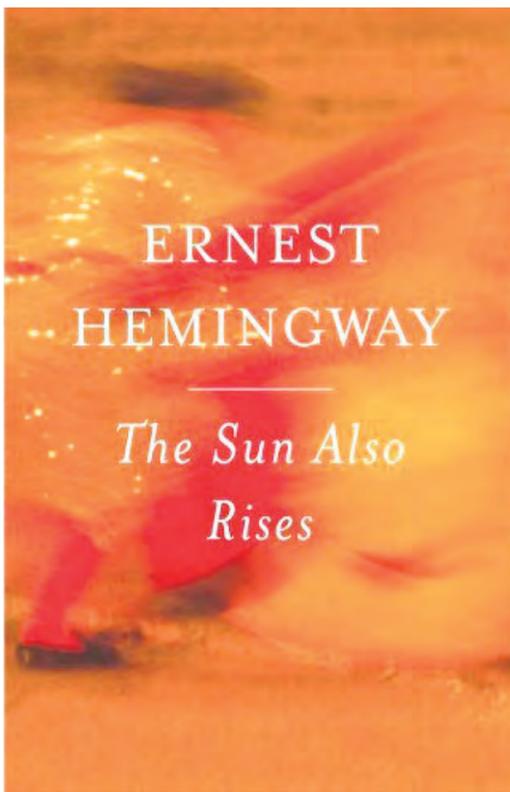
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I need a vacation. I'm sure I'm not the only person out there who echoes that sentiment.

It's frustrating and a bit tedious being the only working fool in my friend group and throughout my immediate family who hasn't had a vacation in over a year. I don't know what I'm doing wrong. Like me, most of my friends and family members have had to work throughout the entire pandemic. Unlike me, most of my friends and family members have been able to take time off at least once, if not twice, in the past year.

I'm so envious. As I type this column, my sister and brother-in-law are soaking up the sun, sand and surf in gorgeous St. Augustine, Florida. Though both are hard-working, blue-collar-type individuals who totally deserve their vacation and trip down memory lane -- they met and fell in love in St. Augustine close to 30 years ago -- I have to admit, I wish I was down there with them enjoying some much-needed "R & R."

But, of course, that's not how my life is at the moment. I'm convinced I'm not alone, but my life



Ernest Hemingway's "The Sun Also Rises" takes place partly in the beautiful city of Paris.

currently consists of three things -- work, work and, um, let me think, oh yeah, work. Does it ever end? I certainly don't see a light at the end of the proverbial tunnel. In fact, it's quite the opposite. Sadly, the train I'm currently on has completely stopped in its tracks in the dark tunnel and has just lurched backward as I type this sentence. As the legend himself Bruce Springsteen so eloquently sung many years ago, "One step up, two steps back..." It's one of my favorite songs and perfectly sums up my existence at the moment.

And, my goodness, Facebook and all the other online self-absorbing sites certainly don't help as I struggle with the daily grind of my current situation. If I see one more photo of an ex-girlfriend's freshly painted pointed toes stretched out on

some chaise lounge on some glorious, sun-soaked, sandy beach with crystal-clear blue ocean in the background and the tag line -- "Ah-hhh, it's five o'clock somewhere, cheers!" -- I think I'm going to puke. Or if I see another selfie of one of my old college buddies hiking Bryce Canyon National Park (or any national park for that matter) with "the fam" and the hashtag -- #IN-EED'THIS (or some other cringe-worthy and annoying slogan) -- I think next time I see them I'm going to shove their phone up their... oops, sorry, those are inner thoughts, my bad.

Anyhow, I guess I shouldn't be so jealous. Even if I took a vacation, where would I go? I'm still a few hundred stimulus checks away from affording that "see Paris at night" trip.



This columnist is tired of seeing everyone's vacation photos on Facebook.

I'm currently reading Ernest Hemingway's "The Sun Also Rises" and so far the entire story takes place in Paris. Hemingway makes Paris sound so delightful and alive, at all hours of the day and night. As opposed to Hemingway taking his Lady Ashley (his great love in this book) to swanky bars and outdoor cafes all over Paris, the best I could do at the moment is take my "Lady" to Denny's (I love their biscuits) down the street and then pizza at the corner Speedway (it's not your father's gas station pizza, ya know).

I actually have a week off coming up soon. I know, how'd that happen? Sssshhh, don't say anything, I think my boss has yet to realize his right hand man will be off duty, unavailable, missing and gone in a few weeks. I'm thinking of splurging and going somewhere exotic, some place fun, like Hemingway taking the bull by its horns and just throwing caution to the wind. Yeah, that won't be happening. Unlike Hemingway, I have a house to attend to. I have shutters to put up, lava rock to lay down, bushes to plant and Quikrete to fill in the cracks of my driveway.

No, sadly I'm quite sure my upcoming "vacation" will consist of me working outdoors during the day and then taking that "exotic" journey into my recliner at night. I hear there are cable channels that have photos of the sea and the sounds of the ocean. Maybe I can move my recliner, in the lounging position, to the front of the TV, channel surf to a beautiful sunny still photo of the ocean

on my screen, cross my feet at the ankles, my big toe sticking out of a hole in my dirty socks, take a photo, post it to Facebook with the caption -- "Ahhhh, I have no life, buuurrrppp, good night." Hashtag -- #IMTIRED.

I need a vacation.
I need new socks.
One step up, two steps back.
I need to get off Facebook...

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ence, Defensive Player of the year as a Senior for the MSFA, recorded 169 Tackles, 33 Tackles For loss, 16.5 Sacks, and 2 Interceptions. Was 1st Team All-American as a Senior. Alex will become a Pastor after graduation. His older brother Mario Hinojosa graduated class of 2010 at Allen Park and played 4 years for the Cardinals.

Nick Patton – Was

a Freshman for Concordia this year. He is a class of 2020 graduate from Allen Park.

David Cagle – Incoming Freshman for Concordia, Class of 2021 Allen Park. Will play defense for the Cardinals.

“We are very excited to add David to our defense. Allen Park has produced outstanding defensive players for us in the past, and we look forward to David being the next great

defender from Allen Park for us,” Matthew said.

Matthew played at Concordia from 2010-2013, and has been with the program since it started. “I have been coaching at Concordia since 2014, the last 4 years I have spent being the Special Teams Coordinator, Co-Defensive Coordinator, and coaching the Safeties,” he said. “I met my wife at Concordia, Jordyn Fryz who was

a 2013 graduate of Cabrini, and who was an starter at 2nd base for the Monarchs who made it to the State Semi-Finals her senior year.”

Matthew had this to say about Ryan: “Ryan is the kind of player that is a coaches dream to have. I loved every second coaching him, and he was a tremendous leader of our football team,” he said.

Matthew added this about Alex: “Alex

will go down as one of the best defenders in Concordia history. He is an outstanding young man, that had a positive impact on our football team every day he was on campus.”

Concordia University Ann Arbor Football accolades while Ryan and Alex played: 17-0 at home during their 4 years.

All-Time record of 33-9 during their time at Concordia, which included wins over

Division 2 Opponents Davenport, Malone, and Kentucky Wesleyan.

Made the NAIA playoffs for 4 straight seasons.

Only team from Michigan that has made the NAIA playoffs.

Chance Childers also recruited Ryan and Alex, he has lived Downriver and his children played basketball at Trenton High School.

ALLEN PARK SOFTBALL



Left to Right • Top Row: Riley Kish, McKenzie Badillo, Molly Hool, Avery Garden, Morgan Sizemore, Bailey McCallister, Maddie Ramey. Bottom Row: Lexi Soliz, Autumn Bridges, Faith Peschke, Mia Hool, Maddie Hool, Mia Nightingale. Photos By Jim Jacek

APHS SOFTBALL

By Jim Jacek

The Allen Park HS Softball team played Southgate Anderson on May 17th. The team wore special uniforms to promote cancer awareness. Mia Nightingale was honored after the game, being the only senior on the team.



Mia Nightingale (center) with her parents Colleen and Steve Nightingale.

Dr. Mark S. Latkovic



Photos By Jim Jacek

From: Jim Jacek

Dr. Mark S. Latkovic loved to walk. No matter the weather, he was going to walk. He was a theologian, author and poet and would write in his head while he was out on his daily walk. It was never a stroll; it was always a six to seven mile power walk that most

people would never attempt to do with him. His wife, Christine, did it once on a bike!

On his daily walk, Mark would wind his way through the Allen Park neighborhoods that were bordered by Pelham, Ecorse and Allen Roads. Friends, family and strangers would always wave,

honk or shout a hello to him as he passed by. His walking presence was a fixture in the Allen Park community which he so loved.

On May 6, 2020, Mark took his final power walk. Shortly after the walk he collapsed at home and passed away from a cardiac event.

After grieving this first year with incredible support from family, friends, seminary colleagues, and the Allen Park/Cabrini community, the Latkovic family held a memorial fun walk on May 8, gathering at Champaign Park and following a modified three mile route. Christine said if anyone felt a breeze, it was Mark "racing" by!

After the walk, a brunch and toast in honor of Mark was held at Bierkeller Tavern and Eatery in Taylor. The Latkovic family plans to have this event each year to honor Mark's legacy.

The Latkovic fam-

ily found this walking poem in his collection and thought it would be perfect to start the summer in Allen Park.

Strolling about in June by Dr. Mark S. Latkovic June 2, 2016



We're winter time walking
Out singing the blues
But nothing beats talking
While strolling in June/
With so much to see
And not just the moon
You need to be careful not to wear
out your shoes
When all around you is nature's
cocoon/
So keep walking and talking
from morning till noon
Heck, if you must, even belt out
a tune
But whatever you do, do it in
twos/



CABRINI ATHLETICS

CABRINI GIRLS SOCCER

CABRINI SOCCER DOING WELL

By Steve Dolunt

On May 8th, the Cabrini Girls soccer travelled to Chesterfield Township to face Austin in a CHSL contest. The Monarchs came away with a 5-1 victory. Sophomore Krista Mantlow scored the first goal unassisted. The second goal was scored by fellow Sophomore Elaine Teed on a penalty kick. The play started when Sophomore Isabella Roa fed Senior Allison Bolinger with a pass who was then fouled in the box, and the Monarchs were awarded the penalty

kick.

Yet another Sophomore, Niamh O'Connell, scored the next three goals, giving her 11 on the year. Two were unassisted and the third came off an assist from Freshman Ava Teed. Junior Riley Lieboda was once again solid in goal.

On Thursday, May 6th, the Monarchs travelled to Riverview to face league rival Gabriel Richard. In a tough defensive game Cabrini came out with a 2-2 tie. Though the Monarchs controlled the game for the most part, the Pioneers, who kept five players

back on defense, were able to thwart several Cabrini scoring opportunities. Richard scored first on a penalty kick. Cabrini came back with a score of its own on a penalty kick by Elaine Teed. Teed scored again to put Cabrini ahead 2-1, when Teed hit a 16 footer deep into the far right corner. Richard came back with a little over a minute to go, when they scored on a free kick that escaped the hands of the Cabrini goalie. A very soggy and physical affair ended in a tie.

CABRINI TRACK & FIELD

CABRINI TRACK & FIELD SUCCEEDING

From: Steve Dolunt

The Cabrini Track and Field team has made the most of their season thus far. Although only having a few competitions the boys team find themselves ranked second in the region. On the boys side, athletes such as Sophomore Christopher Russelburg who is currently first in the region in the 1600 meter run and the 3200 meter run. Senior Billy Eigmann is currently leading the region in Shot Put. Fellow Senior Thomas Day finds himself second in the region in both the 110 meter hurdles and the 300 meter hur-

dles. Rounding out the team, the 4x400 meter relay consisting of Senior Max Iglesias, Sophomore Brayden McKay, Day and Junior Bram Wolf is looking at a 2nd place finish at the regional championship. Along with regional rankings Russelburg is ranked in the state in both the 1600 meter run (25th) and the 3200 meter run (24th). Day is currently ranked 23rd in the state in the 300 meter Hurdles.

The girls team is also putting up strong performances. Freshman Ava Teed currently leads the region in the 3200 meter run and is second in the 1600 meter run. Se-

nior Mary Dziewit is currently second in the region in both the 100 meter Hurdles and the 300 meter hurdles. Fellow Senior Alana Maffesoli leads the region in Shot Put as well as Discus. The 4x800 meter relay consisting of Maffesoli, Teed, twin sister Nikki Teed and Junior Lily Heath are currently first in the region. In addition to regional rankings, Ava Teed is state ranked in the 1600 meter run (10th) and the 3200 meter run (5th). Likewise, Maffesoli is state ranked in Shot Put (12th) and Discus (16th).

CABRINI GOLF

GREAT WEEK FOR CABRINI GOLF TEAM



Hayden Kieltyka driving on #1. Photo By: Rob Teed.

From: Steve Dolunt

Last week the Cabrini Monarchs Golf Team competed at the Catholic League Championship. The 18 hole match was held at Oakland University on the Katke-Cousins course that played 6500 yards. The Monarchs were represented by the team's two top players; Junior Hayden Kieltyka and Senior Chris Courtright. These two golfers

have consistently been at the top of the leaderboard for the team all season.

Both players did not disappoint and shot under their averages that day. On the back nine,

Kieltyka shot exceptionally well and fired a round in the low 40's.

As the Catholic League season comes to an end, it was great that these two golfers were also recognized by the

league. Kieltyka was named All-League and Courtright was named All-Academic.

Congratulations to them and all the Cabrini golfers this season.

CABRINI GIRLS TENNIS

CABRINI TENNIS WRAPS UP SEASON

From: Steve Dolunt

The Cabrini Tennis team participated in the State District Tournament on Saturday, May 15th. The team as a whole placed 7th and 4th in Division 4. On an individual level, Junior Isabella Wolney medaled for 3rd place in her #2 singles flight,

won 5 of the 8 matches she played and was named All-Catholic. Sophomore Clare Villarreal placed 4th in her flight. Additionally, she received All-League for her overall finish for the season. The #1 doubles pair of Junior Cassidy Glazier and Sophomore Grace DeBerardino fin-

ished 5th in their flight. DeBerardino won the most doubles matches for the season and also was awarded All-League. Senior Savannah Manungas did a great job playing #1 singles as a senior. She won CHSL All-Academic for her overall academic achievements.

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Scoops Day



Angelina's



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Several Allen Park businesses were treated to ice cream on Scoops Day May

6. Kelton Kaye purchased 50 scoops from Culver's in Allen Park, and Diane Jacek took them to the businesses.



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Motor City Irish Fest is on for 2021

From: Marc Harlow

The Motor City Irish Fest (MCIF) has announced that the Festival will take place this year, after a one-year absence. The MCIF is the premier Irish-themed event in Southeast Michigan, and features up to 15+ bands playing Irish and Celtic music in two tents. This year's headliner band will be the internationally renowned Byrne Brothers, originally from Ireland and now residing in Florida. The MCIF will take place Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 11 - 13, 2021, at the Greenmead Historic Park in Livonia, Mich.

Organizers were thrilled when it was announced that the threshold for outdoor event attendance was raised. After consultation with Greenmead officials, and though certain restriction are still in place, organiz-

ers felt that by following state safety guidelines, that they could field a safe and entertaining event.

"We are absolutely thrilled to be able to offer the MCIF to the public this year," said Kevin Murphy, MCIF committee co-chairman. "It has been a tough go over the last year, with so many of our favorite events being cancelled. We hope that presenting the MCIF in a safe and responsible manner will help our guests feel that things are gradually returning to normal."

In addition to The Byrne Brothers, some of the best in local and regional Irish music will be featured from bands including: The Corktown Popes, Blackthorn, The Codgers, Wakefire, CrossBow, McSpillin, Kish Celtic Band, Black Murray, Jamrocks, Bill Grogan' Goat, Shamrock Shore, McLaughlin's Alley, the

Metro Detroit Police and Fire Pipe and Drum Band, and Dublin-born singer-songwriter Enda Reilly.

The family-friendly event also features a Cultural Tent that explores the history and culture of Ireland, and activities such as traditional Irish dancing featuring many local Irish Dance Schools. Also offered are dancing lessons, Irish football demonstrations, Hugh Irwin - The Kilted Magician, Pipe Bands, a .001-K Run, a Kid's Tent featuring crafts and tin whistle lessons, vendors of Irish and Irish-themed goods and clothing, beer stations, a whiskey tent and whiskey tastings. Hours of the festival will be: Friday - 5 - 11 pm, Saturday - Noon - 11 pm, Sunday - Noon Mass, Festival from 1 - 7 pm.

The 11th year of the festival, and now in its fifth year at the spacious



Culver's in Allen Park held a scoops day on May 6, 2021. Scoops of ice cream were sold for \$1, with the proceeds going to the Allen Park Citizens Civic Fund. A check for \$250 was presented to Kurt Mazag from Culver's representative Sean Carleton, with Allen Park Mayor Gail McLeod attending.



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Greenmead Historic Park in Livonia, the MCIF promises to be bigger and better than

any Irish Festival in Southeastern Michigan, and a premier event in the entire Midwest. For

more information, including ticket prices, visit motorcityirishfest.com.

Allen Park DDA Wins National Award

American Express Selects DDA Contest as an Exemplary Restaurant Promotion

continued from page 1 local restaurants.

The Allen Park Downtown Development Authority (DDA) launched its "Takeout to Win Contest" days after the March 2020 shutdown closed all indoor dining. Daily Facebook posts encouraged customers to post photos of their take-out, curbside, or delivery meals from any downtown restaurant, tagging the establishment. The DDA then randomly selected an entrant and awarded a

\$25 downtown dining gift certificate every day. The DDA kept up enthusiasm with the colorful graphics and videos for "Whatca Eating Wednesday", "Thirsty Thursday", and "TGITO (Thank God It's Take-out Friday)" to encourage participation. The Take-Out to Win Contest coordinated well with the DDA's "Comfort Food Times" campaign, an online downtown dining directory. The program injected \$1,875 in DDA-fund-

ed downtown dining gift certificates into cash-strapped restaurants at the beginning of the pandemic. Participants spent an estimated \$5,000 in carryout purchases through the contest. Entries were judged on strategy; innovation and engagement; feasibility; need/response to COVID-19; and results and impact. The other national winners from Michigan were Rochester and Royal Oak.

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Tally Dental Excellence



Photo By Jim Jacek

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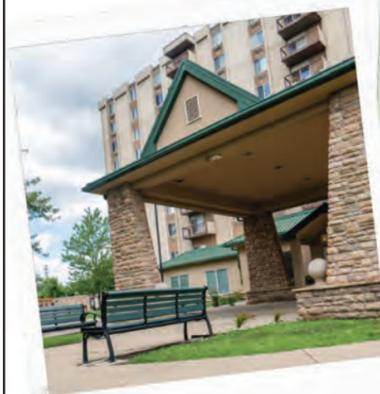
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Allen Road in front of Thunderbowl Bowling Alley finally opened on May 17, 2021. The bridge in which Ecorse Creek flows under was replaced. The project was started in August 2020.

Mother's Day Prize from Allpoint Construction



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Tracy Hale from Lincoln Park won a Mother's Day prize package from Allpoint Construction, including an outdoor oven, 6 foot metal rooster yard ornament, and a pink metal pig.

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