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STERLING HEIGHTS

The end ... AND LIKELY A NEW BEGINNING



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From the second floor, the stage/fountain is bare a week before Lakeside Mall formally closes its doors.

WARREN

Officials mull climate initiative

Supporters say proposal fits with Master Plan sustainability objective

By Susan Smiley
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Warren is exploring the possibility of developing a proactive plan to address climate change and sustainability in the city.

District 5 Councilman Henry Newnan introduced a climate action proposal at the June 25 City Council meeting that calls for the city to declare a climate emergency. It would call for officials to hire and empower a sustainability manager and adopt a climate action plan.

“Our award-winning Master Plan calls for a climate action plan to be developed and if you look at our Master Plan there is a section on sustainability with community studies and maps that identify the most vulnerable populations in our city,” said Newnan.
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ELECTION 2024

Despair in the air for many voters

Biden-Trump debate means a tough choice just got tougher

By Calvin Woodward
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON » The sound you might have heard after the presidential debate this past week was of voters falling between a rock and a hard place.

Apart from the sizable and pumped-up universe of Donald Trump’s supporters, the debate suddenly crystallized the worries of many Americans, a portion of President Joe Biden’s supporters among them, that neither man is fit to lead the nation.

Heading into the first debate of the general election campaign, voters had faced a choice between two strikingly unpopular candidates. They then watched as Trump told a stream of falsehoods with sharpness, vigor and conviction, while Biden struggled mightily to land debating
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CHANGE MADE TO NEWSPAPER COMICS

In today’s newspaper comics, readers may notice a change. As a response to reader input, we have opted to cease publishing Macanudo and replace it with the classic comic Beetle Bailey by cartoonist Mort Walker. This change will be reflected in both the print editions and the package found in the e-edition of your Sunday paper.

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— Jeff Payne,
Regional News Editor

Today is final day for Lakeside Mall

By Mitch Hotts
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Standing in the expansive parking lot earlier this week, with hundreds of cars driving along Lakeside Circle, it seemed hard to believe Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights was soon closing due to lack of foot traffic.

But as of 6 p.m. Sunday, life as we know it for the longtime mall — once a thriving regional destination shopping center and social magnet — will come to a close when the facility shuts its doors forever.

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Sterling Heights City Manager Mark Vanderpool and Mayor Michael Taylor stand alongside of a sign advertising the future use of Lakeside Mall as Lakeside Town Center as part of a \$1 billion redevelopment.

‘Lakeside always was and is about the people’

Shoppers recall some of their favorite mall memories

By Mitch Hotts
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The closure of Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights after 47 years as a destination spot for shopping, eating and socialization has stirred up fond memories for many Macomb County residents.

From going to see first-run movies to shopping for new seasonal wardrobes to roaming with friends through the 1.5 million square feet of retail space spanning two floors, the shopping center seemed to have something for everyone.

We asked Macomb Daily readers to share some of their memories of the facility on Hall Road (M-59) and received dozens of thoughtful responses, along with a few flip ones.

What follows is a sample of the responses, which have been edited for space and clarity.

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COURTESY STERLING HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY
Sterling Heights city officials lead a hard-hat tour during construction of Lakeside Mall during Mayoral Exchange Day in Jan. 1976.



MACOMB DAILY FILE PHOTO, COURTESY CATHERINE GAVIN

Above: Kendra Kiser with her mother, Julie, at JC Penney in Lakeside Mall on Thanksgiving, 2018. **Below:** Catherine Gavin and her son Matthew pose with Santa Claus at Lakeside in 2007 when Gavin was 9.



Above: Lakeside Mall offered free drive-up COVID-19 testing three days a week in 2022. **Below:** A synthetic ice rink was added at Lakeside Mall in 2020. The mall also had an ice skating rink from the 1970s into the 1980s before it was removed.

