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## Pulisic a cut above even in Mich. years

Time in state helped lay foundation for U.S. soccer's brightest star

BY ANGELIQUE S. CHENGELIS  
The Detroit News

It was a hot day in June, Father's Day weekend two decades ago, when the Michigan Rush youth soccer team in Northville was holding its tryouts.

There were kids running around, going through drills, parents were lobbying for their sons, and Mark Zathay, then the club's technical director, his face beet red with only minutes on the clock to pick his team, was approached by an unassuming dad wearing a polo shirt and Dockers.



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Christian Pulisic and Team USA take on Bosnia and Herzegovina today.

Mark Pulisic had just moved to Plymouth after becoming head coach of the Detroit Ignition, the now-defunct Major Indoor Soccer League team. His wife, Kelley, also a soccer player, and their two kids, in-

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cluding then-8-year-old Christian, were still in England. Pulisic did not introduce himself as a soccer coach or share anything about his background, though. He simply told Zathay he had identified the Michigan Rush as the team for which he wanted his son to play, even though it meant playing with kids at least a year older.

"He just smiled and goes, 'I know you've heard this 1,000 times before, but my son's pretty good,'" said Zathay, who coaches at Madonna University. "So he's asking for his kid to play a year up, and he's like 8 years old. I say, 'Listen, man, you're asking a lot,

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## Supreme Court upholds birthright citizenship

Trump urges Congress to take action after executive order's rejection

BY JUSTIN JOUVENAL  
Washington Post

Washington — The Supreme Court on Tuesday affirmed the principle that almost everyone born on U.S. soil is a citizen, a major decision that rejects a push by President Donald Trump to fundamentally redefine who is American in ways not seen for more than 150 years.

The justices struck down an executive order by the president that said citizenship would not be granted to children born to parents who are in the country illegally or those on temporary visas for work, travel, school or humanitarian reasons.

Trump's order would have had sweeping political, economic and social ramifications, changing the definition of citizenship in the most significant way since the 14th Amendment guaranteeing citizenship to formerly enslaved people was ratified shortly after the Civil War.

The ruling reaffirms the long-settled understanding that the 14th Amendment automatically confers citizenship on any child born in the United States, with limited exceptions for children of diplomats and other rare cases. The principle was established in a landmark 1898 high court decision that found that Wong Kim Ark, a man born to Chinese immigrants in San Francisco, was a citizen.

Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. wrote the majority opinion for the ideologically mixed group of justices that included the court's three liberals, as well as conservative Amy Coney Barrett.

Conservative Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh dissented from the 5-4 majority in ruling the executive order violated the 14th Amendment, but he joined the 6-3 majority in finding the order violated federal law.

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## HOT ENOUGH YET?



Dillon Proctor, center, shows some water skills as the South Lyon Fire Department used their ladder truck to hose down kids to beat the heat.

Photos by Daniel Mears  
The Detroit News

## 'IT'S SWELTERING OUT HERE': EXTREME HEAT SETTLES IN

BY CHARLES E. RAMIREZ, ANNE SNABES AND MAX REINHART  
The Detroit News

An intense heat wave gripping southeast Michigan will maintain its hold through much of the week, as meteorologists said temperatures could hit triple digits in parts of the state on Wednesday.

The National Weather Service issued an extreme heat warning Tuesday for all of southeast Michigan, which will stay in place until 8 p.m. Thursday as temperatures are slated to stay in the 90s and above across the region.

A National Weather Service forecaster at the agency's office in White Lake said Detroit reached 92 degrees by mid-afternoon, missing the June 30 daily re-



Charlie Stanboulian and daughter Peyton, 6 wander through the sea of kids. Temperatures in the region are predicted to push toward 100 degrees.

cord of 96 degrees, set back in 1931. The normal high for the city on June 30 is 83.

The next three days will all be close to tying or setting new records, said meteorologist Steve Considine.

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## Without state budget, uncertainty trickles into Michigan schools

BY JENNIFER PIGNOLET  
The Detroit News

Garden City — Having fallen a few credits behind, 18-year-old Malachi Davis had to watch his Cambridge High School classmates graduate without him this spring.

Davis said it felt like "a slap in the face" — but it motivated him, too. He is spending his summer catching up on courses through Cambridge's summer extended learning program for students who are missing credits. His principal commented on how much the staff has noticed an improvement in Davis' focus and effort.

"I've been putting in that work," Davis said.

He's only able to do that work because of the state's Section 31a grant dollars that allow Cambridge to extend its school year for students who are behind. But the money for that program for next year is uncertain, because there is no state budget yet.

By Wednesday, all school districts in Michigan had to approve their 2026-27 school year budget. But they had to do it again without state lawmakers having passed their own budget for K-12 schools and other departments, meaning every

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## In D.C., Ford pulls into station for 250th bash

BY GRANT SCHWAB  
The Detroit News

Washington — Ford Motor Co. is throwing a Capitol Hill party for the United States' 250th birthday, and everybody is invited.

The guests of honor include the 15-millionth and final Model T ever made, a 1934 Flathead pickup on loan from comedian Jay Leno, a champagne bottle from Dale Jarrett's 1999 NASCAR Winston Cup Series win, a miniature of the iconic Jurassic Park Ford Explorer and many, many more historic arti-

facts and vehicles.

The Blue Oval automaker — which touts its status as the "most American" company out there — wanted to make a splash for the nation's landmark anniversary and will do so starting Wednesday with a free, two-week exhibition celebrating how deeply intertwined its own hundred-plus-year history is with American mobility, manufacturing, military might and the rise of the middle class.

"You wouldn't see America the way

America is today without Ford Motor Company," archivist and heritage brand manager Ted Ryan told The Detroit News ahead of the exhibition's opening. "We could boil the ocean, we have so much material to pull from."

Ford's pop-up is taking place in Union Station's main hall — a grand room with marble floors, vaulted ceilings and gold adornments inside one of America's most

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The 15 millionth Ford Model T ever produced sits in Washington Union Station.



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