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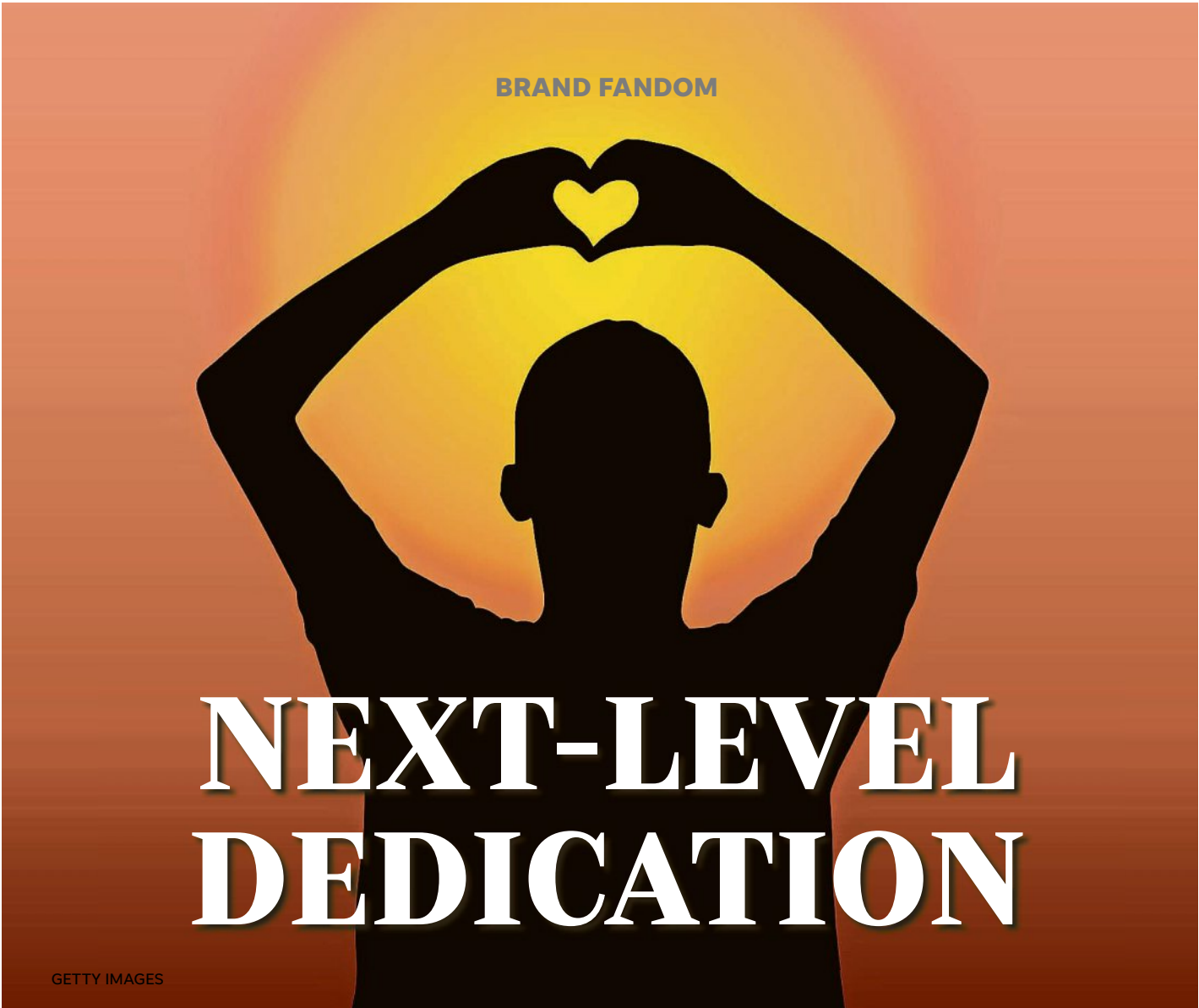
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More and more, companies are showing personality and drawing devoted ‘superfan’ followers

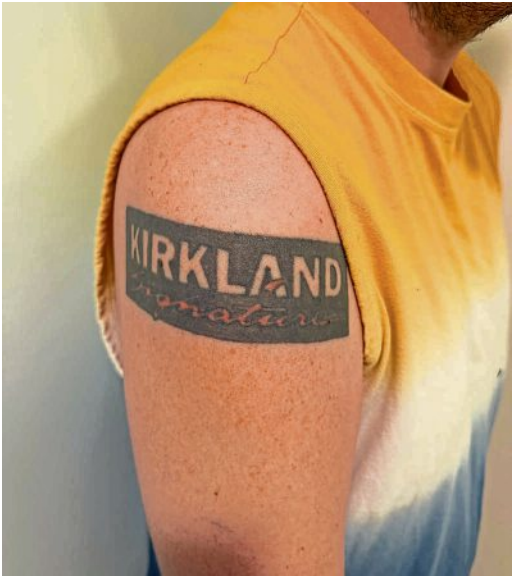
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The proof of Max Ellinger’s Costco fandom is his only tattoo, inked on his right arm. It’s the Kirkland Signature logo – the Costco house brand for everything from rotisserie chicken to laundry detergent.

Ellinger got it in 2019 after a friend convinced the Costco bakery to make a cake with the company logo by telling the staff Ellinger was such a big fan, he had a tattoo. When Costco asked for a photograph, Ellinger slid into a tattoo parlor chair and turned the white lie into a permanent reality.

Like many Costco members, Ellinger’s devotion stems from weekly shopping treks with his parents. Roaming the familiar warehouse aisles in a new city comforted him after he left home. He became known around school as the guy who shepherded his college classmates there.

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▲ Tom Salokov of Toronto, Canada, sports a tattoo celebrating Costco’s \$1.50 hot dog deal on his arm. PROVIDED BY TOM SALOKOV

◀ Max Ellinger is such a big fan of Costco that he got a Kirkland Signature tattoo. PROVIDED BY MAX ELLINGER

Adrian voters to decide fate of Point of Sale Ordinance

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Adrian voters will decide Nov. 4 whether to repeal a controversial ordinance enacted in 2024 requiring exterior inspections of homes before they can be sold — a measure city officials say combats blight, but critics argue burdens homeowners and complicates real estate transactions.

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Thousands of Michigan kids may lose free child care

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Nine Michigan Head Start programs — and the nearly 3,000 kids they serve across the state — that were expecting to receive federal funds by Nov. 1 are at risk of losing these dollars if the federal government shutdown continues into next month, according to the executive director of the Michigan Head Start Association, Robin Bozek.

Head Start provides free child care and early education to kids living in

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