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By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

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Silver Springs students' project honors members of elite squadron

Letters placed in special book

his students' project "took off." When his lifth-graders' letters

reached the Blue Angels, the spirits of members of the 20-year-old organization must have soared.

As a recent class project, Wayne, a teacher at Silver Springs Elementary in Northville, had his students write letters to

the Blue Angels and members of their support staff before they visited Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti List weekend.

The students not only wrote letters but also developed computer-generated graphies to go with their messages

The letters and images were then placed in a spiral-hound book titled "The Blue Angels: Thunder trailing Across the Sky."

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Young Chefs Academy offers 'Camp-Can-I Cook' sessions

Students learn recipes, history

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Think of each session as a "Summer Road Trip 2007."

The new Northville location of the Young Chefs Academy is offering a series of special sessions this summer in its "Camp-Can-I Cook" program.

During the sessions at the new academy, located at 43133 Seven Mile Road in the Highland Lakes Plaza, children learn recipes as well as a little about the history of a particular region in the United States.

"We will explore the cuisine and recipes that are unique from different regions in the United States while learning fun facts about each state and visiting historical landmarks," said Tracey Andrews of Plymouth, who helps run the academy along with her husband. Chris.

The next camp, to be offered July 16-18, is titled "The Midwest."

'We will sample Chicago deepdish pizza, kuchen from North Dakota and Wisconsin cheese soup as we discuss the Great Plains states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa. Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin," Andrews said.

"The Southwest" Camp dates are July 23-25 and will feature recipes with the bold flavors of the states of Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. "We will experience Native American and Mexican influences as we prepare Native American flat bread, mini taco salad with tortilla soup and Southwest Chili over pasta," said Andrews.

Mountain lodge recipes

In "The Rocky Mountains" Camp, offered July 30-Aug. 1. young chefs will learn about the mountainous states of Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming.

"Campers will enjoy Cheyenne Batter Bread, Rancher's Beef Pot Pies and make recipes from local mountain lodges in the Rockies," Andrews noted.

"The Pacific States" Camp from Aug. 6-8 and Aug. 27-29 will include recipes from Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington.

"We will make a hazelnut dish, salmon spread and cook with apples, pears and berries," Andrews said, "as well as use recipes with some of the fresh fruits and vegetables that hail from California."

From Aug. 13-15, young chefs can attend the "The Mid-Atlantic" Camp, which will focus on the states of Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey. New York and Pennsylvania.

"They will make and sample crab cakes from Maryland, choco-

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What the camps include

Camp times at the Young Chefs Academy in Northville are from 9 a.m.-noon or from 1-4 p.m.

The \$135 cost includes an "Camp-Can-I-Cook" Tshirt.

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late from Hershey, Pa., and apple muffins, New York's official state muffin, plus some Italian favorites," Andrews said.

The camp devoted to the food of "The South" runs from Aug. 20-22 and involves the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

We will discover the flavors of Florida Key Lime Pie, Kentucky Burgoo, Georgia Peach Rolls and the distinctive flavors of Louisiana Cajun cooking." Andrews said.

Based in Waco, Texas, Young Chefs International offers children the opportunity to participate in preparing real recipes they get to taste at the end of each class.

Children can start classes any time, since the academy operates on open enrollment. Most classes are geared for those age 5-15, with special class-

BALANCES OF \$50,000

AND HIGHER



Photo courtesy Young Chafs Academy

On June 22, staff from the Young Chefs Academy of Northville hosted an open house in conjunction with Disney/Pixar to promote the recent release of "Ratatouille," the story of a rat who dreams of becoming a chef in a decidedly rodent-phobic profession. Instructor Nikki Moisan of Novi is shown demonstrating the finer points of crepe making to Alison Hige, Carly Bins and Samantha Cantie, all of Northville. The children were encouraged to participate in all aspects of the food preparation and got to taste their own creations. The academy is also offering a series of cooking camps this summer.

es for younger chefs, age 3-4. The academy also offers after-

holiday camps, field trips, play

groups, Scout Troop meetings, merchandise and a membership proschool or private classes, homegram. schooling groups, birthday parties,

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The words "A Tribute to the American Dream" appear on the back cover.

Each person received the individual letter written to them, and Wayne left a copy of the book at the hotel where the Angels staff stayed last weekend.

Wayne said 20 students participated in the project, but 65 letters were needed. So, firstgraders from Kathy Moser's class at Silver Springs helped by creating some drawings for the Blue Angels staff.

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Each of the 20 fifth-graders also received a copy of the book.

Involvement started years ago

Three years ago, Bette Watson, the education coordinator for the Yankee Air Museum in Ypsilanti, coordinated an oral history program for fifth-graders at Silver Springs by having them interview World War II veteran pilots.

Students then took information from the videotaped interviews and used it to write a story.

The class has also had fundraisers for the last two years to benefit the air museum, which was almost completely destroyed by a fire in October 2004.

Members collected almost \$2.400 for the museum over the

two years.

This, year, Watson asked Wayne if his class would write welcoming letters to the mem-Angels squadron bers of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marines that make up the Blue Angels staff.

Wayne used the request as an educational project in which his students learned about writing, graphic design, typography, photos and more.

He even had students bring in old photos of family members who served in the military that he scanned and placed in the back of the Blue Angels book under the title "Heroes of the Past."

Many of the students wrote about Lt. Cmdr. Kevin "Kojak" Davis, 32, of Pittsfield, Mass., who was killed April 21, 2007, during a Blue Angels air show in South Carolina.

"One student even wrote to the flight surgeon because she wants to be a doctor," Wayne said.

"The students' feelings come through in the letters, as does their creativity."

A few students were also able to actually meet the person they wrote their letter to by attending Saturday's air show, "Thunder Over Michigan."

Wayne said the class learned a lot about the entire Blue Angels operation as well as aviation in general during the project.

"Their interest level was high," Wayne said. "It was a great learning experience."

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Letters from Blue Angels fans

Here are some excerpts from letters fifth-graders at Silver Springs Elementary School in Northville wrote to the Blue Angels, their maintenance and support staff members prior to their visit last weekend at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilantı:

Dear LCDR Lambert:

"I would like to be a doctor, but it is hard to make it into medical school. It would be twice as hard for me. I want to become a doctor because I like to help people." Sincerely, Arlexis

Editor's note: Lt. Cmdr. Mark Lambert is the flight surgeon for the Blue Angels.

Dear Blue Angels:

I am very sorry for the loss of LCDR Davis. I bet he would be very happy if he were here in Michigan with his fans and fellow pilots. Sincerely, Spencer

Editor's note: Li. Cmdr. Kevin Davis was killed April 21, 2007, during a Blue Angels air show in South Carolina.

Dear Fat Albert Airlines:

I can't believe you can carry so much in a C-130 and still perform that speciacular stunt at the start each air show. The rocket engines are so cool; I've never seen anything like it. Anyway, good luck at Thunder Over Michigan! I'll be there watching you and your little friends (F-18 Hornets)! Your Friend, James

Dear LCOR Lambert:

When you were little, did you want to be a part of the Blue Angels? One day, when I grow up, I want to be just like you. If you had a different job with the Blue Angels, what would it be? Sincerely, Kelli, Future Flight Surgeon

Summer's roundabout project also involves Novi

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However, the city has already set aside sufficient funds in the major street budget to cover the expenditure.

Gallogly said Taft Road will be shut down for about a month to construct the roundabout. Goals of the roundabout are to slow traffic on the 35 mph road and make pedestrian traffic easier and safer.

"People will have to slow down to about 20 mph going through the roundabout, so this will significantly calm traffic," Gallogly said. Only local traffic will be allowed to access homes through the construction period.

The city of Novi will spend \$668,000 to resurface Taft Road north of Morgan Boulevard to Nine Mile Road, said Brian Coburn, civil engineer for the city.

Novi just awarded the contract, with construction to start in mid-July and lasting about six weeks.

Coburn said one lane of traffic will remain open throughout

Novi's portion of the repaying Modern project.

MDOT will oversee project

approved a standard agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation at the city council's July 2 meeting.

The project is being adminis-tered by MDOT because Northville is using both federal and state funds for the project.

Reconstruction Project has been a high priority for the city for the past three years.

utility companies, the city of Novi and residents in the project's planning stages. "Residents abutting the project

cil.

along Taft Road in advance of the project, and telephone lines which run along the east side of the road will be relocated underground, eliminating the entire pole line.

Roundabout

SOURCE: Road Comm. for Oakland Co

Gallogly said with consulting fees, the total cost of the project will be about \$1 million for the city of Northville.

Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc., of Livonia will do the construction management and engineering for the Northville part of the project for \$96,078.

'It's a substantial project for us," Gallogly said.

"This will be a great improve-ment," said Chris Johnson, mayor of Northville.

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Merchant Coffee Hour Town Square Project kicks off

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Dismantling of the band shell between Helen's Uptown Cafe and Rock on Main will also begin this week. Although the shingled roof won't be saved, city officials plan to store the remainder of the structure at the DPW yard for future use.

Temporary fencing has been installed around the project area. The Department of Public Works has also started removing benches, tree guards, plant materials, brick pavers, the Treble Clef statue, the drinking fountain, news racks and lighting

Last week was also the start of the Merchant Coffee Hour that will take place at 8 a.m. each Tuesday at Great Harvest Bread Company, 139 E. Main Street, during the construction.

Representatives from McCarthy & Smith, Inc., construction managers for the project, the city and DDA will present a project update and let business owners know what to expect in the coming week.

McCarthy & Smith, Inc., staff members have worked closely with DDA members and the design team, led by Grissim Metz Andriese of Northville.

At the July 3 meeting, downtown business owners received a copy of the Construction Tool Kit for the Town Square Redevelopment Project prepared by DDA members for use throughout the construction.

The kit contains a letter to the merchants; contact lists; frequently asked questions; a description of the project's origin; project cost and funding: a project schedule; information about traffic, parking, circulation, loading and deliveries; and marketing and promotions scheduled during the project.

Business owners, city officials and local media are also being updated with e-mail "blasts" each Friday afternoon during the project.

The goal of the project is to make a more vibrant and energetic downtown to get more people downtown and get your registers ringing." Ward told business owners at the first informational meeting.

"This is our kickoff project to get people excited about the downtown area. We want to make this as painless as possible and as exciting as possible," she said

Gallogly said the Taft Road

City staff worked with local

are supportive of the final design, which includes the city's first roundabout," Gallogly said in a letter to the mayor and city coun-

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Whitney Anne McClellan and Calen David Stone are pleased to announce their engagement.

She is the daughter of Keith and Sherry McClellan of Hartland and is the executive director of the Greater Novi Chamber of Commerce.

He is the son of Les and Bev Stone of Oscoda and is the editor of the Northville Record.

An Aug. 4 wedding is planned.

ANNIVERSARY



Maciyn & Sandra Burns

Mac and Sandy (Gotro) Burns of Northville and Sebring, Fla. will celebrate a golden wedding anniversary Saturday, July 21. The evening will be observed with friends and family at the Northville Community Center. The Burns have four children: Bruce and tern Fowler of Grand Rapids; Tonni Bartholomew of West Bloomfield; Doug and Jennifer Pearson of Howell; and Maclyn (Jaby) Burns of Atlanta, Ga They have six grandchildren: Layne, Meredith, Katie, Kyler, Cole and Connor.

BIRTHDAY

Beatrice Barrows will celebrate her 100th birthday on July 20. Born in Ontario, Canada, in 1907, she moved to the U.S. in 1927 and has lived in the Detroit area ever since. She has lived at Wynwood of Northville since 2006.

Beatrice has two sons, John Moran of Richmond, Va., and Richard Moran of Redford Township. Beatrice has nine grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She is an avid reader and attributes her long life to reading the Wall Street Journal daily (she's still actively involved in the stock market).

OBITUARY

CATHERINE B. HOLMAN

Age 91, of Northville, passed away July 1, 2007. She was born February 12, 1916 in Victor, New York to Frank and Mary (Scida) Bongiovanni. She spent her childhood in Northville and graduated from Northville High School in 1935. Catherine was united in marriage to Clarence Holman in January 1942. After she was married she moved to Plymouth, where she was a home-maker. Mrs. Holman returned to Northville in 2000 following her husband s death. Catherine was a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church. She was also a member of VFW Post 4012 Ladies Auxiliary and the Plymouth Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary. Catherine is survived by her loving siblings; Frank Bongionvanni, Joseph (Esther) (Donna) Bongionvanni. Eugene (Mary) Bongiovanni, Angela McKnight, and Irene Bongiovanni all of Northville. She was loved by many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Holman was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and siblings; Anthony, Samuel, Florence Konopaski, and Lucy Austin. A Funeral Service was held Friday, July 6, 2007 at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville. Father Dennis Theroux from Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville officialed the service. Catherine was laid to rest in Rural Hull Cemetery. The fam "Ny would appreciate memorial con-"Inbutions" to Angela Hospice," 14100 Newburg Rd., Livonia, MI 48154.

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'As The Page Turns' bookstore to open at Old Church Square

Local authors, artists promoted

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Nicole Jackson feels being an entrepreneur is about more than making a buck.

"I'm trying to educate and help people better themselves." Jackson said. "I want to create an intellectual environment --- a place that nourishes the spirit." she said.

Jackson, who has run an online business for several years (www.asthepageturns.biz), will soon open a brick-and-mortar version of "As The Page Turns" in Northville's Old Church Square. Her new bookstore and gallery, which will open this month, will be located behind Scotty's Kitchen on the southwest corner of Center and Dunlap streets in the space formerly occupied by Jo Jewels Upscale Bead Shop.

A native of southeast Ohio. Jackson moved to the Detroit area about five years ago.

She earned degrees in mechan-ical engineering and material sciences from North Carolina State University in Raleigh and taught college-level engineering classes. But, she had dreamed of open-

ing a bookstore for years. After talking with Northville businessman Bob Buckhave, owner of Old Church Square, she decided the vacant space at Old Church Square was the perfect spot for her new venture.

"I wanted to start with a space that was already built out," Jackson said.

Her father, Eddie, isn't surprised his daughter's opening a bookstore.

"She's been interested in books ever since she was a little girl," he said

What her store will feature

"As The Page Turns" will offer books for children and adults, titles by international authors and those on the New York Times Bestsellers list.

Current titles include "Culturally Incorrect," "Warriors: A Field Guide to Secrets of the Clans," "Cash Machine for Life" and "Einstein: His Life and Universe.' Other products include CDs,

book bags, journals and greeting cards.

"Open a book, open a mind" wristbands will also be available, and the store will carry environmentally conscious flash cards that teach children about the environment and endangered species.

Another series on hand will be the Putumayo World Music CDs, which feature Celtic, French, Asian, Italian and Caribbean

tunes. Jackson is proactive about

assisting the community's talent.

"Nicole has been very helpful to local authors," said Glenna Livingston, an author and artist who will have several pieces of her artwork on display when the Northville store opens. "She reaches out to people to give them exposure."

Jackson will have book signings and other intellectual gatherings at the store and hopes it will become a gathering place for families, friends and neighbors.

She will host a book club in October and plans to participate in the city's First Fridays events. "I hope to work with the local schools, too," Jackson said. "I

want the store to be a focal point of the community."

Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or at pfleming@gannett.com.

Photo by JOHN KEIDER/ Northville Record Nicole Jackson hopes to have her bookstore/gallery "As The Page Turns" open in Northville's Old Church Square in July.



Upcoming Harry Potter events

Northville bookstore and gallery owner Nicole Jackson will be part of a special celebration at the Village Theater on Cherry Hill Road at Ridge Road in Canton on Friday, July 20, following the release of J. K. Rowling's new Harry Potter book and Warner Brothers movie, "Harry Potter And The Order Of The Phoenix."

The book will be sold at the theater just after midnight. Fans are encouraged to dress up like their favorite Harry Potter character.

The book will also be available at 12:01 a.m. July 21 following a special screening of a previously released Harry Potter movie at 9 p.m. on July 20 behind Northville Square at Cady and Wing streets.

Those interested in purchasing the book should contact Jackson at (734) 812-1045 so she will know how many to order.

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LANSING WATCH: Proposal could smoke out public areas including bars

By Chris Jackett **RECORD STAFF WRITER**

The air in local bars and restaurants may seem a little posed legislation is passed into law. cleaner in months to come if pro-

Along with bowling alleys, VFW halls and potentially casinos, current state legislation would ban smoking from all of these public establishments.

"I certainly understand the concern for health and safety for nonsmokers," said Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi). "I also have concern for telling businesses what to do or not to do. Consumers can take their busi-

happen. Other states are doing it and some other restaurants in Michigan already do it," said former smoker Garrett Omernik, general manager of Buffalo Wild Wings in Novi. "It hurt Red Robin when they first did it. It hurt especially in the winter because people don't want to go outside. But they're still there and have been doing OK." Omernik said the change

would make places healthier and welcoming to families but could also negatively impact the evening groups that go out to drink.

"It could keep some people out, but bring others in. I think it's going to be a good thing," Omernik said, adding, "It can be

expensive. We have big plasma TVs. Smoke damages the equip-

Buckley said acceptance of the

bill may vary from county to

county, based on views of restau-rants, health and business.

However, parts of the bill are less

it. Smoking and bars go togeth-

er," Buckley said. "Bowling

alleys and more family-oriented

restaurants could be nonsmoking

because they have more kids

The bill is currently waiting on

approval from the Senate's

Economic Development and

Regulatory Reform Committee

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"Different counties might fight

ment."

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youth, not by a statewide law, but by a determined college professor.

"I had a professor in college who said 'there's not many things we have control of in life, but we can control putting a cig-arette to our lips.' Then he described, rather graphically, how that spot on your lung is lung cancer. I quit immediately. I was 22," Cassis said.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/ Northville Record

Lisa Burton lights up at Novi's Post Bar during her lunch hour with Kristin Glachino. The state is considering banning smoking in all public bars and restaurants.



ness where they'd like."

The bill, which was introduced by state Sen. Ray Basham (D-Taylor) would force the aforementioned public locations to snub out anyone lighting up in their businesses. Like the politicians, local owners differ in their opinions of the bill.

"I don't think that'd be a good idea. There's still a lot of smokers out there. I think places would take a hit, initially," said nonsmoker Shaun Buckley, general manager of The Post Bar in Novi. "(The change) would take a while to hit everyone. We'd have to tell people to stop smoking and then they'd get angry."

Some bars and restaurants already make nonsmoking options more readily available to customers. Others throughout the state are smoke free already.

"Basically, I'm for it, mainly because it's going to eventually abruptly halted during her

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before it can be voted on by the Senate. Sen. Cassis said her own experience with smoking was

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REPLACEMENT TAX: To benefit small businesses

By Chris Jackett GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

More than 70 percent of Michigan businesses should see tax cuts as a result of the new Michigan Business Tax.

The recently passed law will take over when the Single

Business Tax expires at the end of the year, after a 29-year run. "It's definitely an improvement. It gets rid of the penalty

creating

Nancy Cassis for

jobs and giving health benefits to workers. It's not 100 percent perfect, but nothing is. It represents a compromise agreement," said Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi). "It's close to revenue neutral. We will look at it very closely over the next 12 months. We're trying to dot our I's and cross our T's.

Under the new tax, commercial businesses will see a 23 percent reduction in personal property taxes and manufacturers will see a 65 percent reduction. Various other options of the Michigan Business Tax will save money for small businesses and nonprofit organizations.

Novi has the largest amount of retail within one square mile in Michigan, from just south of Grand River Avenue to 12 Mile Road. The 23 percent reduction in personal property tax will really help," Cassis said.

Cassis said she hopes the changes will also encourage businesses to move into Michigan.

Research and 'The Development credit certainly will be a big incentive to carry on big



The new tax will also remove the drop-off the Single Business Tax had in place for businesses with gross receipts less than \$10 million (with less than \$115,000 owners compensation) by creating a "phase-in" half rate for tax liability for businesses whose gross receipts are between \$350,000 and \$700,000.

"I'm not sure if it's a great thing for our business. We need to keep (taxes) to a minimum," said Imad Dakhallah, co-owner of Salon Bellezza in Novi. "I know a lot of people who are not really thrilled with it. If it will help the economy, I'm all for it. If it will bring in extra revenue, it could help."

About 111,000 businesses should expect lower tax bills, while 34,000 will see an increase, according to both Cassis and Gov. Jennifer Granholm's office.

Of the 34,000 expected to see an increase, they include banks, real estate agents, out-of-state businesses and insurance companies, which will face a tax premium increase from 1.07 percent to 1.25 percent, which will still be the sixth best in the nation.

"The Michigan Business Tax puts us back on the path to growth. It strengthens the backbone of our economy, the hardworking small- and medium-sized . business taxpayers, while leaving more of our taxpayers' hardearned dollars in their pockets," Cassis said. "We created the Entrepreneurial Michigan Exemption to help those businesses that need a jump-start to get going. They are the gazelles of the business world and are being innovative. The purpose of all this is to support small businesses as the backbone of our economy and diversify the economy."

Michigan Business Tax

Exact wording for the tax can be found by searching for Senate Bill 94 at www.legislature.ml.gov.

However, many small business owners are not sure what to expect.

"I don't know how it will affect us. The original Single Business Tax didn't affect us that strongly," said Nancy Larson, jewelry professional and co-owner of Larson's Jewelry Design in Novi. "The state needs to figure out a much fairer way to tax businesses. It'd be fairer to make a tax with a broader base.

"It's supposed to fix the state of the economy? I don't think so. They need to do something broader to bring down taxes."

Cassis said small businesses will see potentially big benefits from the new tax.

"I think it will help stimulate Michigan's economy and make it more competitive. It really provides small business relief, a total of \$120 million devoted to small business relief," Cassis said.

She also said if there are any problems with the new tax, the state is prepared to tweak the plan.

"We need to see if it raises more than 5 percent more than the Single Business Tax. If it does, it will be returned to the tax payers and put in the rainy day fund," Cassis said.

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Summer in the city

By Chris Jackett GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

With the sun shining and school out, summer is the perfect time to get into a healthter routine. However, summer does come with a few added risks of its own when combining hot temperatures and a good time.

Safety

Whether going for a run or taking a dip in the lake, protection is a major factor.

The summer sun may feel great after a long winter, but it can also damage skin. There are plenty of simple precautions to avoid a bad burn Wearing a shirt, hat and sunglasses are best. The more skin that is covered, the less potential for burns.

The sun is strongest between 10 a m. and 3 p m . so planning activities when the sun is lower will help protect skin from damage.

'If there's a high heat index. maybe in the mid 90s, it may be a good idea not to exercise that day if you don't have to," said Dr. Rami Khory, an emergency room physician at Providence Hospital. Staying hydrated with water or drinks with electrolytes. like Gatorade and Powerade, is also important.

Wearing sunscreen with a palm-sized amount of SPF 30 or higher will also help protect against the sun., Khory said. Applying the sunscreen 30 minutes before going outside and

reapplying every two hours, or after you swim, sweat or towel off, will make it the most effective, according to the Oakland County Health Division.

A lesser known danger of the summer is swimmer's itch - a skin rash resulting from an allergic reaction. Swimmer's itch is caused by parasites found in any body of water. It is more common in marshy areas where snails are found.

"Anyone who swims or wades in natural water may be at risk," said Kathy Forzley, environmental health administrator for County's Health Oakland Division. "Swimmer's itch is not contagious and is more likely to be present in shallow water by the shoreline."

Showering or drying off immediately after leaving the water and not attracting birds to areas where people are swimming are both ways to reduce the likelihood of developing swimmer's itch, according to the county's Health Division.

Symptoms of swimmer's itch include a tingling, burning or itching of the skin, and possibly small, reddish pimples or blisters. The itch is not a major health hazard and will gradually disappear in about a week.

Exercise

Of all the times to be a couch potato, summer is not the time. The great outdoors provides the turf for a variety of options rang-

Taking steps to prevent

deadly West Nile Virus

ing from competitive soccer and baseball leagues to a simple stroll around the neighborhood. There's countless options out there and just as many reasons to utilize them.

Any sort of exercise for 30 minutes, at least three times a week, promotes good summer time health. Walking the dog down the street, in-line skating, jogging. dancing, swimming in the pool or taking the stairs instead of the elevator are all steps in the right direction.

Another option is horseback riding at Wildwind Equestrian Center in South Lyon, which offers camps for kids and lessons for adults in both English and Japanese throughout the year.

Although exercise has its benefits, it is important to get into the flow of things smoothly and with consistency. Exercising should always begin with a three-five minute warm-up period and end with a cool down period of the same length.

Once you're warmed up, make sure not to overdo it. Going long periods without exercise and then starting back up full strength can lead to injuries.

"Everybody's different, but everybody needs to have a warmup and cool-down period no matter if they're a weekend warrior or a seasoned athlete," Khory said.

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It's summer. That means time at the beach, fireworks, camping and mosquitos.

Easily the least favorite feature of a warm summer evening are the mosquitos that crash the party. most often at dusk and dawn. In recent years, the phrase West Nile-Virus has gone hand-in-hand with the pesky critters. "West Nile Virus causes an

infection that results in swelling of the brain," according to Oakland County health reports.

Most cases occur between late July and September, when the mosquito population is highest. However, mosquitos are around

longer than the 80-degree days of summer Residents should take proper caution to ensure their safety

"The way the weather's been

it in that jurisdiction. The first long sleeves and pant legs. Use case in Michigan was a gentleman who got it canoeing in Georgia." Miller said.

The virus is easily preventable. City officials are working hard to cut back on potential risks.

We treat 6,000 catch basins in March on the 28th and go out for a second round August 15. We've been treating storm drains and storm systems. Any pond can breed mosquito larva," said Benny McCusker, director of the Novi Department of Public Works.

We make (the chemical larvaside we use to treat catch basins) available to the Homeowner's Associations to purchase from contractors at wholesale price."

Popular mosquito breeding grounds include bird feeders. water troughs, dog water bowls, gutters, unused pools, tarp covers, buckets, tires, children's toys, boats, ponds created by sprinklers and any container left outside to gather a little water. "I don't think lakes are a real threat," Miller said "Forests and swampy areas where you know there's going to be standing water are more of a threat, especially at dusk and dawn."

repellents containing up to 35 percent DEET if you are an adult. Children ages 2-6 should only use up to 10 percent DEET. Children younger than 2 should never use repellent containing DEET.

We're staying pretty diligent. I still spray my 8-year-old son with repellent, that doesn't have a lot of DEET in it, before he goes golfing," McCusker said "Seniors and young children are more susceptible."

Adults aren't in the clear however, depending on personal health conditions

"(You're) especially (susceptible) if you're already fighting an illness and your immune system is weakened." Miller said. "The stress is preventable. It's up to the individual to be aware of their surroundings, and then you can enjoy the outdoors."

A potential warning sign of the





lately, we might see an early rise of mosquitos. It has been great for breeding conditions," said George Miller, manager of the Oakland County Health Division.

Although this may seem bleak. West Nile Virus is rare, especially throughout Oakland County. This year, no cases have been reported Last year, only three occurred

"Just because they live in a jurisdiction doesn't mean they got

If there's already an obvious mosquito population where you are, wear protective clothing with

virus nearby could be dead birds, specifically American crows.

"Birds are usually affected first by it. Birds are the warning sign and can carry the parasite, McCusker said. However, not every dead bird is a WNV case.

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Are nitrogen-filled tires better?

By Kelly Murad GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

With gas prices high, and alternate forms of transportation low, many Americans are searching for ways to get better gas mileage out of their cars.

And local experts say there is a way to not only improve fuel efficiency, but also extend the life of your tires while enhancing the handling of your vehicle. This answer is also credited for keeping you safer on the road and protecting the environment.

It is the colorless, odorless, tasteless gaseous element known as nitrogen inside vehicle tires that is saving Americans money and possibly their lives.

History of nitrogen-filled tires

For many years, nitrogen has been used to fill the tires of aircrafts and race cars. Since nitrogen is non-flammable, tires used for things such as Nascar don't run the risk of catching on fire when they get extremely hot. It wasn't until recently that retailers and dealers began offering nitrogen-filled tires to the general public.

"The equipment that actually takes the oxygen out of the tire has become more readily available," said Laura Lilac-Tate, Director of advertising and marketing for Belle Tire. About three years ago, Costco Wholesale became the first retailer to offer nitrogen-filled tires in all of its locations throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico, Now, numerous auto and tire retailers will either sell you new tires already filled with nitrogen or empty the oxygen out of your existing tires and replace it with nitrogen.

"GM officially has not endorsed the dealers using it, but they are not against it either," said Troy Wittke, service director of Marty Feldman Chevrolet. "It is more of a customer service thing. It is important for dealers right now to make sure customer service is better."

Benefits of nitrogen-filled tires

Air is composed of 78 percent nitrogen, 21 percent oxygen and 1 percent water vapors and other gases. Out of all of those elements, nitrogen has the largest molecules. Since oxygen has smaller molecules, it can leak out of tires three to four times faster than nitrogen. If tires are filled with 93 to 95 percent nitrogen, the optimal pressure will be maintained longer, which will, therefore, extend the life of the

tires, experts say. "Everybody should still check their tires once a month." Lilac-Tate said. Aside from increasing lifespan,

keeping tires properly inflated also increases a vehicle's gas mileage by 3 to 5 percent. "I use it in my personal vehi-



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Marty Feldman Chevrolet technician Dave Smith hooks up a Chevrolet to the dealership's SafeRide nitrogen tire inflator system. Marty Feldman has been using the system, for customer's cars, and it's said to increase gas mileage and improve the car's ride.

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keeping tires properly inflated. "If your tires are properly inflated, your car is safer." Lilac-Tate said. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration at the United States Department of Transportation. it is estimated that proper inflation of tires could help save 50-80 lives per year, as well as prevent 6.600-10,600 car-related injuries.

The negative side of nitrogen

It seems the biggest negative factor in nitrogen used to fill tires is that it is not oxygen. Many people tend to be scared of the unfamiliar. "At first I was pretty skeptical. but my tires aren't as low, and I've noticed a difference in fuel economy," Wittke said. "I can't find anything negative about it."

Kelly Murad is a staff writer for

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Intervac

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• Digsville

(www.digsville.com): Has about 4,000 homes and apartments in 55 countries. Annual fee is \$45.

• Seniors Home Exchange (www.seniorshomeexchange.com): The only home exchange service exclusive to the over-50 age group. They offer around 2,500 home listings in more than 40 countries. Fees are \$79 for threeyears or \$100 for a lifetime membership.

Craigslist

(www.craigslist.org): This isn't a home exchange site but it does offer a house-swap section --- and it's free.

House sitting

If you don't like the house swapping concept another option is house sitting. This is where you live in someone else's home while they're away. In exchange for the free accommodations, you take care of certain responsibilities such as their pets. lawn. mail, etc. To find these worldwide opportunities visit www.caretaker.org which posts more than 1,000 house-sitting openings per year. (\$30 annual fee to see listings). Also check

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Dealing with the constant pain

By Tracy Mishler GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Sharon Ostalecki used to be an avid runner.

But after fracturing her hip almost 20 years ago, running for Ostalecki has never been the same.

The 50-year-old Novi resident developed fibromyalgia. a chronic condition characterized by widespread pain in muscles, ligaments and tendons throughout the body.

Ostalecki said at the time she developed fibromyalgia, many doctors did not recognize the condition and categorized it as a psychological disorder. "I was told I had everything

"I was told I had everything from depression to hormones, to even bad karma," she said. "At that time I knew there was something wrong. You just don't hurt like that all the time."

Ostalecki said she went to several doctors and finally met with a doctor from Beaumont Hospital in 1989 that understood fibromyalgia.

While working on her Ph.D., Ostalecki said she started doing more research on fibromyalgia and understanding the condition better.

Today, as a nutrition specialist, working with chronic pain patients on nutrition and pain management at her office in Novi, Ostalecki is trying to spread the word about fibromyalgia and its affects on people suffering from the condition.

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With help from several physicians from Harper, Beaumont and Providence Hospitals, along with several fibromyalgia patients. Ostalecki put together a book for those looking to learn more about the condition.

Getting the facts straight

Ostalecki described the pain of fibromyalgia as a hes all over, much like the flu. She said the pain can be mild at times or sometimes unbearable.

"It's like a charley horse or like someone is sticking a hot poker in your back," she said. "Your muscles will ache, you might have tingling in your fingertips and headaches."

In, "The complete guide to Fibromyalgia from medical experts and patients," Ostalecki said the book does not need to be read cover to cover.

"Simply pick a chapter or two and get fast and reliable answers," she said. "It takes an average of five years to diagnose fibromy algia because, believe it or not, many doctors are still not adequately informed.

"(The book) is a presentation from those who are living with the disorder and from those who treat it."

Dr. Peter Ianni, Ph.D., director of behavioral medicine at Tricounty Patient Consultants with offices in Farmington Hills, Royal Oak and soon in Novi, said there is no cure for fibromyalgia, just ways to manage it.

"It's a genetic disorder that can be triggered at any time," he said. "(Fibromyalgia) can be triggered by an accident or fall or illness in which part of the body is injured.

"The brain responds to any sustained pain in the body by contracting muscles in the injury. The brain is trying to pull away from the pain. like your hand quickly pulls away from a hot stove."

Ianni, who contributed his expertise to the 330-page book, said patients suffering from fibromyalgia could have either a mild, moderate or severe case of the disorder.

He said a mild case could be kept at bay by taking over-thecounter pain medications like Tylenol or Aleve.

"Moderate cases bring greater amounts of pain and it's probably best to see a doctor," he said. "In severe cases, very few are able to work. Pain can be very severe and very strong medicines are needed to keep it under control."

Seeking help

According to the National Fibromyalgia Association, the condition is seen in 3-6 percent The Complete Guide to PIBROMY ALL GUA From Medical Experie and Patients

of the general population and is most commonly diagnosed in people between the ages of 20 and 50.

"The most important thing with any disease is to educate yourself," Ostalecki said. "Go into your physician's office as an informed patient.

"As patients, we can't call our doctors every 10 minutes. We will never be pain free. We have to learn to manage our conditions and live with it the best we can."

lanni said no two people living with fibromyalgia are the same.

"It's hard for the average person to understand severe pain," he said. "This book was written to help patients and their families understand the condition better.

"The average person needs it broken down into plain English, and we've tried to do that."

Ianni said the book, published May 17 by Massachusetts-based Jones and Bartlett Publishers, will help those with the disease distinguish the differences between mild, moderate and severe cases and offer insights on ways to cope with it.

Ostalecki said she will continue helping patients deal with fibromyalgia and pain and hopes more people will understand the condition with the help of her book.

What to read

Fibromyalgla: The Complete Guide from Medical Experts and Patients

What: A compilation of knowledge from physicians, patients and allied health providers regarding fibromyal-

gia. Contents: 23 chapters and 330 pages

Where to buy: Borders Books, Amazon.com, Target.com and Jones and Bartlett Publishers at www.jbpub.com. List price: \$21.95

"My fulfillment is helping people with fibromyalgia," she said. "People need to learn that this cannot run our lives. You have to have a purpose or the pain becomes your life."

Common symptoms of fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syndrome:

• Pain – The pain of fibromyalgia has no boundaries. People describe the pain as deep muscular aching, throbbing, shooting and stabbing. Intense burning may also be present.

 Faligue – This symptom can be mild in some fibromyalgia patients and yet incapacitating in others. The fatigue has been described as "brain fatigue" in which patients feel totally drained of energy.

• Sleep disorder – Most fibromyalgia patients have an associated skeep disorder called the alpha-EEG anomaly. This condition was uncovered in a sleep lab, but sleep lab tests may not be necessary. If you wake up feeling as though you've just been run over by a Mack truck, it is reasonable for your physician to assume that you have a sleep disorder.

 Irritable Bowel Syndrome – Constipation, diarrhea, frequent abdominal pain, abdominal gas and nausea represent symptoms frequently found in roughly 40-70 percent of fibrornyalgia patients.

 Chronic headaches – Recurrent migraine or tension-type headaches are seen in about 70 percent of fibromyalgia patients and can pose a major problem in coping for this patient group.

• Temporomandibular Joint Dystunction Syndrome – This syndrome, sometimes referred to as.TMJ or TMD, causes tremendous jaw-related face and head pain in one quarter of fibromyalgia patients.

Source: The Fibromysign Network



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Hitting the pavement Bike riders urged to take necessary precautions

By Patrick Pinter GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Now that summer is here, there is no reason to be inside.

The area allows access to some of the best biking trails in the state of Michigan. Many area residents are taking advantage of the situation by taking to the trails such as the Kensington Metropark.

With school out bike traffic will surely increase. With the increase in traffic bike safety takes on even a more profound role.

Wearing the proper equipment and taking the necessary precau-tions can go a long way in helping bikers avoid a serious injury while on the bike path.

'If you spend any time in the emergency room you will see someone who is rolled in on stretcher because of a bike injury where they were not wearing a helmet," said Mark Childs, co-owner of South Lyon Cycle. "I always wear a helmet when I ride, but even if I didn't own a bike store I would still always wear a helmet. Just riding with that helmet on lowers the

risk of injury a great deal." Riding a bike is a lot of fun and it's a great way to get exercise in the summer, but at the same time it can also be dangerous. Most people view a bike as a toy, but in many ways it is just like driving a vehicle.

'One of my best friend's trainers was killed while riding a bike. I used to ride on the road a lot, but I don't anymore," Dave Clay said Monday afternoon after finishing up a ride at Kensington. "I always wear my helmet now when I ride. I think I would feel funny riding my bike without it."

Each year more than half of a million people make trips to the emergency room for bike injuries. Head injuries are the leading cause of death and permanent disability. That's why the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority requires all bike riders and rollerbladers to wear a helmet at the various metroparks.

"I agree with the mandatory helmet rule at Kensington," said Sue Clay. "I feel much safer when I have my helmet on. I have known people who have been hurt in biking accidents before."

Wearing a helmet every single time you get on a bike can reduce the risk of a brain injury by 88 percent, according to a recent study. A bike helmet is the single most important safety gear a biker can

should. Many people say they just ride in a subdivision or short distances. Even if you do ride short distances you should still wear a helmet," said Childs. "People can't plan on not having an accident. An accident is an unforesceable event and that can happen even when you are riding a short distance."

The earlier you start teaching your child to wear a helmet the more likely they are to stick with it. Make it routine to wear a helmet.

"When adults and kids are riding in the summertime, we try to stress the importance of always wearing a helmet," said Childs. "Parents should make wearing a helmet mandatory, and they should get in the habit of setting that example for their children by always wearing a helmet when they ride."

To ensure you make the right choice for a helmet, keep the following in mind when you are buying a helmet: Buy a helmet that meets the national safety standards. Make sure it is the right size and is comfortable when properly positioned. The helmet should sit on the top of the head. Adjust the straps so it is snug but still comfortable.

"You have to take your time when buying a helmet, but also when you get it you need to make sure you are wearing it properly," said Childs. "Too many times you see people wearing a cheap helmet flipped back and not fitted right. When you wear your helmet like that it is giving you a false since of security.'

Along with wearing a helmet other important gear to remember while biking are things like protective gloves and a water bottle to keep hydrated. Also wearing closed toe shoes is quite important.

"I teach a lot of safety classes, and I always try to stress the importance of wearing closed-toe shoes instead of flip-flops," said Childs. "Also wearing gloves to protect your hands and keeping a water bottle or a camelback are some other important tips. You need to stay hydrated while you are bik-

while riding around this summer keep these tips in mind to increase safety. There are plenty of trails around the Huron Valley area to satisfy the most serious biking enthusiast, but at the same time safety needs to be an important issue.

Patrick Pinter is a sports reporter for the Milford Times and have, no matter what the age. the South Lyon Herald. He can be "First and foremost you want to reached by phone at (248) 437find a properly fitting helmet. Not 2011 ext. 263 or by e-mail at ppinas many people wear a helmet that leregannet.com



A biker rider cruises through Kensington Metropark on a recent sunny day. Helmets are required in order to ride at the metropark.

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Bike riding safety tips

Always ride on the right side of the street in the same direction as the traffic. Never ride against traffic.

Try to use bike lanes or designated bike routes whenever you can. Never ride on the sidewalk.

Always stop and check for traffic in both directions when leaving your driveway, an alley or a curb. Some people in cars just don't see cyclists.

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Don't ride too closely to parked cars doors can open suddenly.

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MCL 211.53b (1). Appeals of "Homestead" or "Qualified Agricultural Property", as pro-vided for under MCL section 211.7cc and 211.7ce as amended by PA 237 of 1994.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP **OF NORTHVILLE** NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Act No. 198 of Public Acts of 1974, as amended, the Charter Township of Northville has authorization to designate qualified buildings as "speculative building" in order to permit local industries to obtain exemption from certain real property tax, for a period of years; and WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Northville seeks to improve the marketability of the Ari-El facility located at 15701 Centennial Drive,

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NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY

In accordance with the provisions of Section 18, chapter 1 and 3, Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, the County of Wayne, Michigan, has determined that it was in the best interest of the public to absolutely abandoned and discontinued that the following described alley right-of-way, subject to a reservation of a easement for public utilities and storm water conveyance purposes, situated in the Township of Redford, Wayne County, Michigan, by Wayne County Commission Resolution Number 2007-350 passed on June 21, 2007.

Vacating the remaining portion, Southerly of the vacated Northerly 1099.99 feet of Old Haggerty Road (66 feet wide) as recorded in Liber 39724, Page 102, Wayne County Records, formerly known as Haggerty Road to it's centerline intersection with the Easterly Right of Way of relocated Haggerty Road (variable width), situated in Northville Township, and City of Livonia, Wayne County, Michigan, being more particularly described as: That portion of Old Haggerty Road, formerly known as Haggerty Road, as used by the public in the N.W. 1/4 of Section 6, T.I.S., R.9E., City of Livonia and in the N.E. 1/4 of Section 1, T.I.S., R.8E., Northville Township, Wayne County, Michigan, centered on the line between the above mentioned Sections' Township and City extending from a Point of Beginning. Southerly 1099.99 feet from the North line thereof, Southerly 282.87 feet to a Point of Ending, the West right of way line of Old Haggerty Road being Southerly of said Point of Beginning, 257.71 feet and lengthening of the East right of way line Southerly 400.01 feet, accordingly with the intersection of the portion of relocated Haggerty Road in conjunction with the construction of Interstate 275. EXCEPTING: That portion of the aforementioned parcel of land described as: Commencing at the aforementioned Point of Beginning; thence along the aforementioned East line S01'46'19"E 212.82 feet to the Point of Beginning of said exception; thence continuing S01'46'19"E 59.30 feet; thence S88'13'41"W 26.32 feet to the Easterly Right of Way of Relocated Haggerty Road (variable width); thence N26'39'07"W 15.88 feet along said Right of Way; thence N26'39'07"W 16.98 feet thence N26'13'41'TE 33'00 feet to the N01'46'19"W 44.98 feet; thence N88'13'41"E 33.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

True copies of this notice are served and published in accordance with the provisions of said Act No. 283 of 1909, as amended.

> WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT **OF PUBLIC SERVICES Engineering** Division Real Estate, 3rd Floor 415 Clifford Street Detroit, Michigan 48226

(7-12-07 NR 364184)

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JENNIFER L. SHEPARDSON ASSESSOR/DEPUTY TREASURER

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP **CHARTER TOWNSHIP** OF NORTHVILLE

The Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Northville has scheduled a public hearing to consider amendments to the Zoning District Map. The map change is in response to recent zoning ordinance text revisions and the master plan update. The meeting will begin at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, July 31, 2007 and be conducted at the Northville Township Municipal Building, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan. The map amendment includes rezoning parcels north of 5 Mile, east of Bradner, part of the Ambrose Estates Subdivision, from R-3 to the newly created R-4 zoning district. A copy of the Zoning District Map reflecting the affected area is available at Township Municipal Offices during regular business hours.

(7-12/26-07 NR 364190)

RICHARD ALLEN, CHAIR PLANNING COMMISSION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP **OF NORTHVILLE** NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A REZONING

The Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Northville has scheduled a public hearing to discuss a proposed rezoning. The meeting will begin at 7.30 PM on Tuesday, July 31, 2007 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan,

The public hearing is for a request to rezone 18.13 acres on the east side of Haggerty Road, north of 5 Mile, from OS (Office Service District)

to SH (Senior Housing District). The Planning Commission invites you to attend this meeting to receive information, express your comments or ask questions. Written comments regarding the proposed change will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

(7-12/26-07 NR 364206)

RICHARD ALLEN, CHAIR PLANNING COMMISSION

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Thursday, July 12, 2007-NORTHVILLE RECORD 13A

Friday Night Concert Series presents The Bluescasters at 7 p.m. behind City Hall HOTSTICKETS OMMUNITY CALENDAR Cal Stone, editor Thursday, July 12, 2007 (248) 349-1700, ext. 113 www.northvillerecord.com cstone@gannett.com fax: (248) 349-9832

NORTHVILLE **EVENTS**

Farmer's Market

TIME/DAY: 8 a.m.-3 p.m. every Thursday LOCATION: Corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon roads

Friday Night Concert Series

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Fridays through August 10 LOCATION: Behind Northville City Hall, corner of Wing and Cady streets

SCHEDULE: Friday, The Bluescasters; July 20, The Bel Airs; July 27, Mass Transit Band DETAILS: Sponsored by Main Street Bank, Northville **Downtown Development** Authority

Tunes on Tuesday

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-noon through August 7 LOCATION: Ford Field; when raining at Genitti's Little Theatre,

Main Street DETAILS: Children's concerts; check www.northvilleparksandrec.org for concert schedule

Northville Youth Assistance presents "Powerful Kids!" Program

SCHEDULE: Second-Grade Girls, 10 a.m.-noon July 16-20; Third and Fourth-Grade Boys, 10 a.m.-noon July 23-27; Third and Fourth-Grade Girls, 1-3 p.m. July 23-27; Fifth-Grade Boys and Girls, 1-3 p.m. July 16-20 LOCATION: Northville High

School

DETAILS: Program to increase self-esteem and confidence, encourage self-belief, expect the best, maintain high energy and good health.

CONTACT: Sue Campbell at (248) 344-1618

Grief Seminar

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-noon

Saturday, July 21 LOCATION: Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile and Haggerty roads

DETAILS: One day grief seminar "From Grief to New Hope" presented by Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support; for all adults who are learning to cope after the death of a loved one; no fee and no registration required.

the month through December 8: July 14 "In the Garden;" August 11 "Bugs and Butterflies;" September 8 "Colored Pencil;" October 13 "Print Exploration;" November 10 "Thanksgiving;" December 8 "Christmas."

TIME: 9:30-11:30 a.m. DETAILS: Two-hour creative exploration for youth, grades 1-5: activities include drawing, painting, sculpture and mixed media in conjunction with current professional exhibits on display; register early; class size limited to 12; cost for member \$18 per session or \$108 for series; non-member \$20 per session or \$120 per series. CONTACT: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or www.northvillearts.org

Downtown Development Authority Meeting

DATE: Tuesday TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: City Council Chambers, 215 W. Main St. CONTACT: downtownnorthville.com

Northville Book Club

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, July 20 LOCATION: Starbucks, 302 East Main St. DETAILS: "An American Tragedy," Theodore Dreiser CONTACT: northvillebookclub@gmail.com

Northville Eclipse Baseball Club

Baseball from the 1860s: Rules, equipment, terminology; Free

TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Sunday, July 22

LOCATION: Ford Field (next to Mill Race Village) DETAILS: Eclipse verses the

Royal Oak Wahoos

Northville Yoga Class DATE: Mondays through August 27, except no class July 23, 30 and August 6; Thursdays through August 23, no classes July 26 and August 2.

TIME: 9:30-11 a.m. Thursdays at Northville Senior Center, 5:30-6:45 p.m. Mondays for all levels; 5:20-6:45 p.m. Thursdays for Yin Yoga; 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays for Yoga II and Thursdays for all levels.

LOCATION: American Legion Hall, 100 Dunlap at corner of Center Street, except Thursday morning class at Northville Senior Center.

Photo by JOHN KEIDER/Northville Record

Tunes on Tuesday

Musician Rick Kelley, left, gets some choral-backup singing help from a line of parents during his July 3 Tunes on Tuesday concert at Ford Field. Kelley and the 'rents were singing "Under the Boardwalk."

Library

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DETAILS: Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members in the Local History Room at the library, also by appointment. CONTACT: Tille Van Sickle (734) 595-7806 or

www.rootsweb.com/~mings

Marquis Theatre

LOCATION: 135 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or www.narthvillemarquistheatre.c

Summer Theatre Camp Registration

DETAILS: Registration for two-week Day Camp or Ducky Camp sessions now being accepted. Contact the theater or go to the Web site for more information on session dates, times and tuition.

Rapunzel TIME/DATES: 11:30 a.m. Michigan Humane Society will discuss basic behavior problems of dogs and how to deal with them.

Tuesday

Crazy!

show only.

Summer Storytime TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Friday

and July 20 and 27 **Mysterious Crafts** TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Thursday,

sundae in the Carlo Room.

Mysterious Animal Magic

DETAILS: Please attend 1

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. or 2 p.m.

July 19 Harry Potter Party

TIME/ DATE: 1 p.m. Friday, July 20 DETAILS: Immerse yourself in

Pottermania with movies, trivia and costumes; snacks and prizes.

him with a five year old boy, Czech with English subtitles; August 20 "Prisoner of the Mountains" Russian with English subtitles. Salem Train Wreck of 1907 TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 25 DETAILS: Learn about Michigan's worst railroad accident with stories and records from the Local History archives. Drummunity

on a confirmed bachelor, leaving

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 31 LOCATION: The park just east

of the Library **DETAILS:** Performance featuring hand drums, percussion

and simple drum circle games; preceded at 5:30 p.m. by workshop for teens. **Movies and Munchies at**

Noon for Kids

SCHEDULE: Tuesday, August 14, "Chicken Run;" Thursday,

Health Walking

DATE: Monday-Friday TIME: 8-10 a.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Bunco

TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. Second Thursday of each month DETAILS: Call the Senior **Community Center at least 24** hours in advance to register; cost is \$1 per person

MAYBURY STATE PARK

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road, between Beck and Napier Roads CONTACT: (248) 349-8390. For Friends of Maybury, contact

(248) 349-3858 or www.FriendsofMaybury.org

Help! My Dog is Driving Me TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Tuesday DETAILS: C. J. Bentley of the

CONTACT: For information call Barb Brace at (248) 374-5943

Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com **Dinner Theater - "In** Stitches"

TIME/DATES: 6:30 p.m. Saturdays through Sept. 8.

DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person; to run through November; call for more dates.

The Bette Midler Tribute From Las Vegas

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, July 20 and Saturday, July 21

DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for the Friday and

Saturday shows. **Elvis Musical Tribute from** Las Vegas

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday,

Aug. 17; 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19

DETAILS: Stars Sherman Arnold; Friday show \$45, Sunday show \$35.

Genitti's Acting Workshops DATE: We will open any date for 10 or more.

DETAILS: Enjoy our famous family-style lunch or dinner, then practice voice and body movement with one of our actors on stage. Play theater games. Take a backstage tour. \$16.95 per person. Everyone gets a Genitti's fun patch. Christmas in July

DETAILS: Stop in this July for a free gift, preview decorations, gift ideas; book a holiday event.

The Art House

LOCATION: 215 Cady St., Northville Piein Air Juried Art Exhibition

TIME/DATE: 1-5 p.m. Thursdays, 1-9 p.m. Fridays, 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through August 12. "Creative Kids" -DATE: Second Saturday of

DETAILS: Summer Session is \$40; unregistered student drop-in rate is \$11/class; registered student extra class rate is \$8/class; make-ups allowed in any Legion class through August 27; scholarships available; start anytime, no charge for first visit.

CONTACT: Diane Siegel-DiVita at (248) 344-0928 or trianglesix@sbcglobal.net

Dinner with a Doctor

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 26 LOCATION: St. John Providence Park, 47601 Grand River Avenue at Beck Road, conference rooms A and B, enter off Beck Road and use the building's southeast entrance.

DETAILS: Free health seminar and dinner; Rob Casalou, President of St. John Health's Novi campus, will provide an update on the new hospital being built; Dr. Jeffrey Zaks, Vice President of Clinical Decision Support for St. John Health will join him; no charge but call (888) 440-7325 to register.

3rd Annual Northville Grub Crawl

TIME/DATE: 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 31 LOCATION: Participating restaurants

DETAILS: Attendees may drive themselves or take advantage of the shuttle service; tickets available at Northville Chamber of Commerce, Good Time Party Store and Gardenviews; \$35 per person.

CONTACT: (248) 349-7640

Northville Genealogical

Society TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Mondays LOCÁTION: Northville District

Saturdays August 11, 18, and 25; 2:30 p.m. Saturdays September 8, 15 and 22; 2:30 p.m. Sundays September 9, 16 and 23.

DETAILS: Tickets are \$8: no children under three please; group rates and reserved seating for 20 or more; attention teachers, school dates are available during the week.

State Rep. Marc Corriveau **Office Hours**

TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. Friday, August 3 LOCATION: Meeting Room A,

Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street

Oakwood Cemetery Walk

TIME/DATE: 5-8 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 14

LOCATION: 215 Griswold Ave. DETAILS: Mail-order tickets go on sale July 15, forms available at Mill Race Village, community organizations and merchants; Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and groups of 10 or more. Register early for specific times; proceeds benefit Mill Race Village and Northville Historical Society.

CONTACT: Historical Society office (248) 448-1845

LIBRARY LINES

LOCATION: 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday; closed Sunday.

CONTACT: (248) 349- 3020 or www.northvillelibrary.org for information regarding programs and library materials.

Ice Cream Social

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TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Saturday **DETAILS: Patron Appreciation** event sponsored by the Friends of the Library; build your own

ller Adam Mellema Ston TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Monday, July 23

DETAILS: Hilarious combination of original stories, familiar titles and peculiar folk tales. Secret Code Comedy Show TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 24

DETAILS: Laugh out loud as Detective Dewey reveals "secret codes."

Get a Clue Final Youth **Summer Reading Party** TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Monday,

July 30 DETAILS: Performance by the Amazing Clark's Magic and Puppet Show; refreshments.

Between the Lines TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., the second Monday of each month DETAILS: Book discussion group for adults and teens: August 13 "The Dollmaker" by Hariette Arnow. Get a Clue at the Library DATE: Through July 31 **DETAILS: Youth summer** reading for ages 2-12; includes activities, Storytime, reading games, weekly prize drawings; register in person to receive summer activity guide; more information at www.northvilleli-

brary.org. "YNK, You Never Know," DATE: Through August 22 **DETAILS: Exciting programs** for students entering grade six through high school; chances to win prizes; register at informa-tion desk and receive schedule of events, includes several video game competitions. Read, Relax and Enjoy

DATE: Through Aug. 31 DETAILS: Offers adults and youth ages 12 and older a chance to win prizes by reading a variety of books; register at

information desk. **Foreign Film Series** TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m., Mondays

DETAILS: July 23 "Kolya", a get-rich-quick scheme backfires August 23 "Zathura

SENIOR EVENTS

Thursday

9 a.m.: Take Off Pounds Sensibly 9:30 a.m.: Yoga 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Massage by appointment Friday 9:30 a.m.: Strength Training 11 a m.: Poker 1 p.m.: Movie "Freedom

Writers" Monday

9:30 a.m.: Strength Training 10 a.m.: Oxycise; Line Dance 12:30 p.m.: Pinochie/Euchre Tuesday 8:30 a.m.: Secretary of State Mobile Unit 10:30 a.m.: Pinochle Tournament 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Wednesday 10 a.m.: Oxycise Noon: Bridge 10:15 a.m.: Red Hat "Matter Of Taste" trip to Union Lake 7 p.m.: Bridge

Co-ed Adult 50+ Volleyball

TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, Friday LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside

DETAILS: All levels of play are welcome. Bring your friends. Cost is \$1. **CONTACT: Northville Parks**

and Recreation (248) 449-9947

Co-ed Adult 50+ Basketball

TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-noon Thursdays LOCATION: Senior **Community Center**

DETAILS: All levels of play are welcome. Bring your friends. Cost is \$1.

CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

Horseback Riding TIME/DATE: April-November DETAILS: Horses for rent for guided trail rides.

Children's Programs DETAILS: Children's pro-

grams offer many different ways to get outdoors and get involved with nature; programs last one hour: parents encouraged to join; free: State Park motor vehicle permit required for park entry; \$6 daily, \$24 annually.

Night Hike

TIME/DATE: 9:30 p.m. Thursday

DETAILS: Find out what Maybury is like and what animals come out in the dark; meet at the Oak Shelter.

Fishing in the Park

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Friday DETAILS: Learn basic techniques of fishing; bring a pole; adults must have a valid fishing

license to participate; meet at riding stable parking lot. Our Leafy Friends

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Saturday **DETAILS: Monthly story time;** children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult; meet near the Concession Building.

Sneaky Snakes

TIME/DATE: 1:30 p.m. Saturday

DETAILS: Find out some super snake facts; meet at Concession Area.

MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village

LOCATION: 215 Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street near Ford Field

DETAILS: Office open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday; archives open Thursday-Friday 9 a.m.-1 p.m

CONTACT: (248) 348-1845

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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Help backpack 'em in

Northville Civic Concern is starting to collect new backpacks and school supplies for its annual backpack drive to assist needy families in the area.

This is an effort that is easy and affordable for most to participate in, and the cause is more than worthy.

Civic Concern is seeking new backpacks for students in kindergarten through 12th; filler paper; spiral notebooks; pencil cases; binders; rulers; scissors; folders; glue sticks; dry erase markers; highlighters; erasers; and similar supplies.

Nothing out of the ordinary or expensive - but all are basic necessities every student needs and should have available.

You can drop these items off at Northville Civic Concern, which is located in the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza on Seven Mile Road, just east of Northville Road.

Hours of operation are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

If those hours don't work for you, right next door at Consignment Clothiers there is a box available for your donations.

You can also make a cash donation; checks should be made payable to Northville Civic Concern (re: backpacks) and mailed to 42951 Seven Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

Many local school children benefit from this worthwhile program - we urge you to be generous.

Correction

. The "Midwest Region II Champs" photo on page 17A of last week's edition incorrectly spelled Ryan Barrett's last name.

Photo of the week



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

Lazy summer day

Jason richards, 10, and his father, Jeff, visit Northville's Fish Hatchery Park pond to get in some angling. The pond contains carp and panfish.

What do you think?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content.

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- Deadline: Letters must be received by noon on Tuesday to be published in the Thursday edition.



Mackinac Bridge – "Mighty Mac" turns 50 ●●● 日本 いたい

Built with 71- tons of structur-al steel, 41,000 miles of cable wire, more than 4 million steel rivets, 1 million bolts, 350 engineers and a record construction cost of \$70.3 million, the Mackinac Bridge turns 50 this year Described as an engineering marvel when it opened on November 1, 1957, the Mighty

Mac still inspires today. More than 3,500 workers were nection of the two Michigans stands as one of Governor Williams' notable accomplishments. The engineering edifice rises as a testament to not only brawn,

brains and bravery but also to imagination, vision, tenacity and perseverance. As you gaze at its

grandeur, imagine the literal blood (five men died during the than the sum of its parts. It is a symbol of the determination of Michigan's leaders and workers to dream the big dream and have the imagination, spirit, enthusiasm, ability and perseverance to turn big ideas into reality. Vision, dreams, persistence

and hard work have been a staple in Michigan for

generations. It should remind us all that by wrapping our hands and our minds around problems, coming together around a shared vision and common agenda, we are able to create a grand and beautiful future for all Michiganians. Certainly, the building of the bridge did not come easy and there have been many detours along the way. Yet, as you approach the Mighty Mac from St. Ignace or Mackinac City, its expanse beckons and inspires. It juts into the sky like the spirals of a cathedral calling out for a moment of silence as its majestic vistas capture your mind and soul.

About Tom Watkins

CEO of TDW and Associates, a business and education consulting company. He served as Michigan's state superintendent of schools from 2001 to 2005. He has a lifelong interest in China and has traveled there many times since his first trip in 1989. Read his internationally recognized report: The New Education (R)evolution at www.nacol.org: He welcomes reader comments at: tdwatkins@aol.com.

employed at the bridge site, working to forge two peninsulas and connect a state. These fearless men worked tirelessly, without safety nets or harnesses, to turn a vision into a reality.

Governor G. Mennen "Soapy" Williams was a moving force in seeing the dream of connecting the two Michigan peninsulas become a reality. Governor Williams once proclaimed, "The bridge across the Straits of Mackinac ranks with the pyramids, the great hydroelectric dams, the skyscrapers in Manhattan and the Panama and Suez canals as one of the wondrous works of the hands and brain of man."

The Mighty Mac's literal con-

construction), sweat and tears that are soaked into something so incredibly beautiful. Yet, the concept, imagination and vision of the bridge is as much of its majesty as the magnificent structure itself.

Connecting the two peninsulas that comprise Michigan was envisioned as early as the 1880s. The opening of the Brooklyn Bridge in New York in 1883 gave local St. Ignace Bridge dreamers the impetus to imagine such a bridge at the straits. Like today's problems, cost, financing and a war delayed the building of the bridge for nearly 75

years. The Mackinac Bridge is more

This year's annual Labor Day bridge walk. led

by Governor Granholm, will be held Sept. 3. This

tradition began because of the enthusiastic response to the first walk, in June 1958, at the bridge's dedication ceremony. Each year Michigan's governors have led this symbolic walk with people who believe in the spirit of our great state. They walk the bridge's expanse of 26.372 feet. or 5 miles, on a roadway approximately 200 feet above the water at mid-span. It is fitting that this walk takes place on "Labor Day," a day to celebrate the "workingmen/women" who have taken us to such heights.

All reality begins with a dream

Today we need visionaries that can "walk the talk" and inspire our state to build a new bridge to the 21st century knowledge economy. The 21st century will depend less on concrete, steel, and strong backs; it will be built with knowledge, innovation. creativity, talent, entrepreneurship and the ability to compete in a transformational, disruptive. technologically-driven global economy. We need to recreate the persistence, hard work and the ability to look fear unflinchingly in its face just as the visionaries.

engineers, politicians and ironworkers displayed in completing the Mighty Mac 50 years ago.

These are tough times we are living through today in Michigan As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the building of the grand expanse connecting Michigan, all of us should use it as an inspiration to think big, dream the impossible and begin the hard work necessary to make a new dream a reality.

We need to give thanks to Michigan's leaders in the early 1950s who dreamed big and believed the impossible was possible.

Happy Birthday, Mighty Mac!

Michigan's "North Coast" boasts our best

I've just returned from a week at my cabin on the south shore of Lake Superior. And as usual, I've come away bowled over at how extraordinanily fortunate we are to have the remarkable natural resources we do in this beautiful state.

Sure, there are lots of wonderful. lovely places in this country. The East Coast is historic and rocknbbed but very expensive and ternbly overcrowded. Florida is warm and sunny, but it's very expensive, also overcrowded and much too humid for my taste.

The Pacific Northwest is blessed with tall pines, great views and delicious seafood; but it's ever so chi-chi and getting more and more trendy and pricey every day.

But in Michigan, we've got the Great Lakes (representing more than 90 percent of all the drinkable fresh water in this nation) miles and miles of coastline, thousands of pristine inland lakes, countless miles of sparkling rivers and who knows how many acres of deep green forests They're all within easy driving distance for everybody, no matter where you live. And they're still within the means of most.

What this means is that the quality of life we have available right

here in Michigan, along our "North Coast" is unmatched.

That's important to remember in charting our economic future. It is a maxim that any economic development strategy worth considering. whether for a business or a state. requires identifying and preserving that entity's distinctive and competitive assets --- and then investing in their promotion and development.

Our North Coast assets represent the best of what we've got going for us. They have to be an essential part of any economic strategy we develop and must be seen as essential to the firm foundation we must construct to create Michigan's future prosperity.

But so far, the news is decidedly mixed.

On the down side, the legislature in its frenzy to "balance" the state's hudget without raising taxes, has managed to cut support for travel advertising promoting "Pure Michigan" This year, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the lawmakers added \$15 million to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's travel promotion budget. But next year, we're back to \$5.7 million, which puts us in the bottom third of competing states. Promotion expenditures pay off big-time and quickly, so it's

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hard to understand why the legislature is so hell-bent to pull money out of a program that's been proven cost-effective.

But on the plus side, Democrats in the Michigan House of Representatives last week introduced a package of bills calling for much improved water conservation practices for big users such as utilities and cities The proposed legislation also gets into the complex issue of bottled water. How much should bottling companies be allowed to take from springs and rivers? How much should be exported away from the Great Lakes basin?

All this raises another big question: Why don't we have better statistics on water use, when the task of writing a sensible policy demands a solid base of factual information?

I doubt there will be instant agreement on what the House Democrats are proposing, but they re stirring the pot in a useful way

While we're at it, Michigan needs to formally ratify the Great Lakes Basin Water Resources Compact with our fellow Great Lakes states and Canadian provinces — as soon as possible. This past February, bipartisan



About Phil Power

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics and education issues in Michigan, and was a regent of the University of Michigan from 1987 to 1999. He is also president and founder of The Center for Michigan, a moderate thinkand-do tank. These opinions and others expressed in his columns are his own 9. and do not in any way represent official policy positions of The Center for Michigan. Phil would be pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcnnet.com.

bills to do that were introduced in both houses of the legislature, but they've gone nowhere. (One of the Democrats' water protection bills also calls for ratification.) Minnesota and Ontario have both moved forward, while Illinois awaits nothing more than the governor's signature. Come on. lawmakers! We should be ahead of the pack on this, not dragging up the

rear. Lastly, and maybe most importantly, the National Wildlife Federation, whose Great Lakes Office is located in Ann Arbor, led a group of conservation organizations last month in planning to file a suit against shipping companies that operate in the Great Lakes.

They will demand compliance with the Clean Water Act. The lawsuit is aimed at stopping the invasion of aquatic invasive species

such as the zebra mussel, the lamprey eel, and a score of others that enter our lakes when ocean-going ships dump their ballast water in our harbors. The result is ruining the ecology of our waters.

We're initiating legal action today because invasive species are killing the Great Lakes," says Andy Buchsbaum, the director of the wildlife federation's Ann Arbor office. 'The threat is urgent, the solution is clear, and the law is straightforward."

He says the federal Clean Water Act prohibits vessels from discharging pollutants, including biological materials, into U.S. waters without a permit. The suits will charge that the shipping companies have illegally dumped hallast water into the Lakes for years.

According to the National Wildlife Federation, there are at least four effective, commerciallyavailable treatments available for ballast water, including chlorine, treatment similar to that used in municipal water treatment plants. There is absolutely no reason why ships cannot treat ballast water," says Joel Brammeier, associate director for policy for the Alliance for the Great Lakes.

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Here's hoping they start - and that our lawmakers make sure they do so. Our legislature needs to move now to treat our precious North Coast resources with the respect they deserve.

And the courts --- and all the rest of us -- need to move quickly to 1 say enough and stop ships from implanting unwanted species and, fish-killing diseases like the new VHS virus, all of which are, in the process, destroying our most priceless asset, the Great Lakes. Ťτ

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Thursday: 9 a.m. archives open; Garden Walk

Friday: 9 a.m. archives open: 3 p.m. rehearsal; 7 p.m. rehearsal

Saturday: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. wedding*; 3-6 p.m. wedding

Sunday: 10 a.m. Mill Creek Church; 1-4 p.m. Village open Monday: 10 a.m. Girl Scout

Meeting Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang Wednesday: 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m.

Mill Creek Church Grounds closed to public

GOLF OUTINGS

Novi Lions Club 14th Annual **Charity Golf Outing**

DATE: Today TIME: 9 a.m. shotgun start LOCATION: Beacon Hill Golf Club, 6011 Majestic Oaks Dr., **Commerce Township**

DETAILS: Proceeds go to Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor. Cost is \$100 per person. Includes 18 holes of championship golf with cart, continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, steak dinner; \$25 for advance dinner/silent auction tickets only; register by July 1. CONTACT: Terri D. Taylor (248)

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NHS Reunion Golf Outing

DATE: Saturday TIME: 7:30-8 a.m. tee-times LOCATION: Brae Burn Golf Club, former home course of NHS team

DETAILS: Open to all residents and NHS alumni; Registration deadline July 13; \$50 per golfer, payable to Terry Taylor at Visions, 511 N. Center St.; includes prizes. CONTACT: Mark Hlohinec, Class of '71, (248) 449-3735

Hope Evangelical Ministries CMOG Annual Golf Outing

DATE: Saturday TIME: Registration 8 a.m., start

9 a.m. LOCATION: Gateway Golf Club, Romulus DETAILS: Includes bucket of

balls, 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch, dinner; \$75 per golfer;

sponsorships available. CONTACT: Michael Davis (313) 643-3723, Dorian Taylor (734) 709-0733 or Kevin Young (313) 908-3320

Third Annual "Get in the Game" Golf Outing

DATE: Thursday, August 2 TIME: Shotgun start 10 a.m. LOCATION: Links of Novi **DETAILS: Sponsored by Novi** Parks Foundation and Tom Holzer Ford to benefit City of Novi Parks, **Recreation and Forestry** Department, Includes 18 holes of golf, cart, breakfast from Moe's on Ten, box lunch, steak dinner. Cost for foursome is \$500, single golfer \$125, dinner only \$50. **CONTACT: Novi Parks** Foundation, PO Box 1169, Novi, MI 48376; www.noviparks.org; (248) 347-0405

20th Annual Tycoon Tee-Off **Golf Outing**

DATE: Wednesday, August 8 LOCATION: Moose Ridge Golf Course, 11801 Doane Road. South Lyon DETAILS: \$145 per person.

CONTACT: (248) 349-3743 or www.novichamber.com

Brighton Hospital Annual Golf Classic

DATE: Monday, Aug. 13 TIME: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. LOCATION: Lakelands Golf and Country Club, 8760 Chilson Road, Brighton DETAILS: Sign up early for an extra round of golf. Sponsorships available.

CONTACT: www.stjohn.org/Brighton

CHURCH **EVENTS**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church LOCATION: 201 Elm St. CONTACT: (248) 349-3140 Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. Blended, 11 a.m.

Contemporary, 11:30 a.m. Traditional

First Presbyterian Church of Northville LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0911

Sunday Worship TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m. Single Place Ministries DETAILS: Thursday evenings; 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m. program; \$5 CONTACT: www.singleplace.org Walking Group TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. Saturday LOCATION: First, second and fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel Shop, 2334 Farmington Road,

Farmington: third Saturday. Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grand River Ave., Farmington DETAILS: This is a walking/social group. Everyone is invited.

Cornedy Night DATE: Tonight DETAILS: Matt Perry is funny without compromising his faith. There will be open mic. time; share a funny story. **Being Understood** DATE: Thursday, July 19 DETAILS: Ted Easterly presents. Picnic, Light and Lively Concert

DATE: July 26

DETAILS: Held on the back terrace of the church; menu includes grilled bratwurst and burgers, baked beans, potato salad, ice cream; concert featuring Torn and Julie Firth singing songs of "Summer in the USA." In case of rain, concert to be held in Fellowship Hall; reserve your soot by noon, July 26; picnic \$10, concert \$5.

First Baptist Church of

CONTACT: (248) 348-1020 Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. and 6

Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first

Detroit First Church of the

LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty

CONTACT: (248) 348-7600 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:50 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible Study, Youth & Children Ministries

Meadowbrook Congregational LOCATION: 21355

Meadowbrook Road CONTACT: Rev. Ed Willingham, Interim Minister (248) 348-7757 or visit www.mbccc.org or gmccc@arounddetroit.biz Sunday Worship TIME: 10 a.m.

Ward Evangelical **Presbyterian Church** LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile

Road CONTACT: (248) 374-7400 Sunday Worship TIME: 9 a.m. and 10:20 a.m. Traditional, 9 a.m. Contemporary and Evening Worship (July only) 7 p.m. 20s and 30s Women's Bible Study

DATE: Tuesdays TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. LOCATION: Room C317-319

DETAILS: Study Scriptures in this 12 week program through "Breaking Free," a video series by Beth Moore. Reserve workbook. **CONTACT: Women's Ministries** (248) 374-5978

Preschool Enrollment Open DETAILS: Enrollment for the 2007-08 school year is now available. Morning and afternoon sessions for children ages 3, 4 and 5 by Dec. 1 are open. Tuition and schedule information can be viewed at www.wardchurch.org. CONTACT: Carol Nowacki, (248) 374-5911 or e-mail carol.nowacki@wardchurch.org

Single Point Ministries for single adults 40 years and

older CONTACT: (248) 374-5920 Every Sunday: 11:30 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments,

Knox Hall Every Monday: 7 p.m. Learner's Bible Study, Room A101 Second and Fourth Monday: 7 p.m. Study of Ephesians, Room C309

Every Tuesday: 6:30-9 p.m. Volleyball at Rotary Park on Six Mile Road between Farmington and Merriman roads; 7 p.m. Praying Together, Sanctuary Every Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Single Adult Ministries office; 7 p.m. Ward School of Christian Learning for Single Men, Room C350; 7 p.m. Single Parents, Single Adult Ministries Office; 4-7 p.m. Tennis, Rotary Park (Six Mile Road between Farmington and Merriman roads)

Every Thursday: Co-ed Softball, includes shirt and tournament;

\$30

Every Saturday; 10 a.m. Bicycling Group starts from various locations; geared towards tourist level rider; all levels welcome; helmets required; lunch half-way through ride at your own expense.

Every Saturday-Sunday: 1-5 p.m. Tennis, Rotary Park Every Sunday: 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Tennis for beginners, Stevenson High School, Six Mile

Road west of Farmington Road

First United Methodist Church of Northville

LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile

Road CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 Sunday Worship TIME: 8:30, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Coffee hours following both

8:30 and 10 a.m. services

Healing Service

DATE: First Monday of every month

TIME: 4 p.m. Suicide Loss Support Group See New Hope Center listing below under "Support Groups" Habitat for Humanity DATE: Saturday, July 21

DETAILS: Sponsored by the Men's Group and Church and Society.

CONTACT: Brooks Kelley at (248) 380-0969 or BrooksK@soscs.org

Annual Potluck for Adults DATE: Thursday, August 16 DETAILS: Rev. Ritter presiding.

VOLUNTEERING

Ladies Auxiliary VFW 4012

DETAILS: In September, the Ladies Auxiliary is sending goody boxes to our men and women in the military. Please mail your donations or loved one's address to Barbara Cook or Karen Frazer, VFW 4012, 438 S. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-5982

Cemetery Walk 2007

DETAILS: Event planners, reception presenters, publicity distributors, tour leaders and bakers are needed for this fall's annual Cernetery Walk. **CONTACT: Barbara Davies** (734) 454-4287

Midwest Rabbit Rescue and Rehome

DETAILS: This organization houses, treats and adopts out rabbits to new homes. They would appreciate donations to support their efforts in the responsible care and treatment of indoor pet rabbits. To make a donation call Dominique Moroz (248) 348-8519. For more information on Rabbit Rescue and Rehome visit www.rabbitrr.org. Pet rabbit shelter is open 12:30-4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment.

Beautiful Singles Hiking

TIME/DAY: 9:30 a.m. First and third Sundays of the month

LOCATION: Maybury State Park DETAILS: Join singles of all ages for hiking and other activities

CONTACT:

http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/B SHiking/

Maybury Farm

DETAILS: The farm needs help in the following areas: Clean the barn Mondays and Tuesdays and feed the animals; four people to work part-time on weekdays and weekends assisting with havides (must be experienced); docents to assist with the school programming. Call (248) 374-0200.

Volunteers Needed for Visiting Nurse Association **Hospice Program**

DETAILS: In as little as two to four hours a week, volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family members or provide office support. A free, 18-hour/three-day training program is provided. CONTACT: (800) 882-5720 ext.

8361 or (248) 967-8361 or visit www.vna.org.

Moms in Touch

TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m. Thursdays

LOCATION: Members' homes DETAILS: These mothers form a college/career, interdenominational prayer group that gathers for one hour each week to pray 🐭 for their adult children.

CONTACT: Kathy Petlicke (248) 348-1691 or www.momsintouch.org

Susan B. Galli Angel Fund **DETAILS: Hidden Springs** Veterinary Clinic has created a



Northville LOCATION: 217 N. Wino p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Saturday of every month

Nazarene

Road



fund to assist families in need with medical expenses for their pets. The fund is in memory of one of their longtime clients and friends, Sue Galli, who passed away in November, Hidden Springs welcomes all donations from the community to help build this fund and help as many pets as possible. Please make checks payable to Hidden Spring Vet Clinic SGA Fund, and mail to: 48525 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

CONTACT: (248) 349-2598

Friends of the Northville **District Library**

DETAILS: There are openings for the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Northville Library. The Friends is a volunteer organization that promotes reading, supports programs in the library and provides financial support to projects not covered by the library's regular budget. Board members attend a monthly meeting and are also expected to serve on a committee. The only requirement for becoming a Board member is an interest in the library and a willingness to serve as a volunteer. Those interested should send a letter to James Morche, President of the Friends, c/o Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., Northville, 48167.

PARKS AND RECREATION

LOCATION: 775 N. Center St., back entrance of Hillside Middle School

CONTACT: For registration and information on camps, classes and activities call (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

Parks and Recreation Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of every month TİME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Fish Hatchery Family Campout

DATE: July 21-22 TIME: Set up 3-5 p.m. July 21; clean up by noon July 22 LOCATION: Saturday at

Maybury State Park

DETAILS: Fees are \$25/\$30/\$35 per family of four; enjoy crafts, create-your-own sailboat race, s'mores; discounted tent rental at REI; register at Parks and Rec. Office.

7th and 8th Grade Girls **Volleyball Clinic**

TIME/DATE: 1-4 p.m. Aug. 27-30

LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside

DETAILS: Designed for athletes who are interested in learning volleyball, and plan to try out for Hillside and Meads Mill teams; residents \$80, Novi residents \$85; register now at 700 W. Baseline Road; Aug. 3 deadline, after which first come, first served and interested 6th graders, if space allows.

Group Fitness Classes

DETAILS: Classes include Yoga, Pilates Ball, Aerobics, Step, Kickboxing, Cycle and overall strength training. The class schedules are flexible and vary. A monthly calendar is available at www.northvilleparksandrec.org or call (248) 349-0203. The fees are \$5 for drop-ins or \$45 for an unlimited monthly resident pass. Classes will be held at Hillside **Recreation Center or the Senior** Community Center. All fitness levels are welcome to participate and certified instructors are there to provide safe and fun workouts.

Open Basketball

DATE: Every Sunday TIME: 6-9 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: The fee is \$3 per person.

Open Family Basketball

DATE: Every Sunday TIME: 4-6 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: There is a fee of \$2 per person. · / · ...

Open 40+ Basketball

DATE: Every Wednesday TIME: 7-9:30 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: The fee is \$3 per per-

Open Volleyball

TIME/DATE: 7-10 p.m. Thursdays LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside DETAILS: There is a fee of \$4 per person.

Open Badminton DATE: Every Tuesday and

Friday TIME: 7-9:30 p.m. LOCATION: Recreation Center

at Hillside

DETAILS: Competitive style badminton is available. All skill levels are welcome. The cost is \$7 per night.

Netball

DATE: Fridays TIME: 7-9 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center DETAILS: British game based loosely on basketball rules; \$3 per person.

Table Tennis

TIME/DAY: 6-10 p.m. Monday; noon-4 p.m. Saturday LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road DETAILS: Eight tables available; all skill levels welcome; \$5 per day.

CLASS REUNIONS

Northville High School-Class

of 1971-1975 DATE: Saturday TIME: 3 p.m. LOCATION: Classmates Farm, 51825 Eight Mile Road

DETAILS: Friday the 13th Night on the Town at Poole's Tavern, 6 p.m., 157 E. Main St.; Starting Gate Saloon later, 135 N. Center St. On Saturday reunion is Pig Roast/Barn Party; cost \$35 per person and includes food, pop, beer and wine; checks made out to "NHS 70s Reunion" must be received by June 15; mail to ... Visions, 511 North Center St., Northville, MI 48167.

CONTACT: 1971nhs71reunion@gmail.com; 1972nhs72reunion@gmail.com; 1973poolorphan@yahoo.com; 1974nhs74reuinion@gmail.com; 1975nhs75reunion@gmail.com

Northville High School-Class of 1987

DATE: Saturday, July 28 LOCATION: Dirty Martini, Novi **DETAILS: Purchase tickets and** make hotel reservations online beginning in May. Details to come. CONTACT: Chris (Hornberger) Noles, (248) 449-7597

Northville Class of 1977,

DETAILS: It's been 30 years. Anyone working on a reunion? Anyone want to join me in forming a committee to plan a reunion? Hope to hear from some classmates soon. **CONTACT: Teresa Folino (248)** 349-3391 or Northville46@aol.com

Belleville High School Class

of 1982 DATE: Aug. 3-5 LOCATION: Eagle Crest

Marriott, Ypsilanti CONTACT: For more information, Richelle Fales (734) 844-8704 or brotary@comcast.net

Fundraiser DETAILS: In a fund-raising effort to support their educational

Plymouth High School Class of 1972

DATE: Saturday, September 8 LOCATION: Ernesto's in Plymouth

CONTACT: Gary Wales at wales2@aol com or (248) 644-5636

Detroit Cody High School Class of 1957

DATE: Friday, October 5 LOCATION: Embassy Suites, Livonia

DETAILS: Our 50th reunion open to all 50s graduates; cost is \$90 per person; includes dinner, open bar, memory book, champagne toast and more; register early as seating is limited. **CONTACT: Loretta Nedwick at** (800) 859-9502 or loret@wideopenwest.com

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BeckRidge Choraie

and charitable activities, BeckRidge Chorale is selling 2008 Entertainment Books at \$20 each: books will be available Aug. 12; pre-order now to receive a complimentary 2007 book. CONTACT: Stanley Kovacheff (734) 459-6829

Schoolcraft College

LOCATION: Schoolcraft College, Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mde roads

CONTACT: For more information and to register call (734) 462-4438

Write a Business Plan: Your Road Map

TIME/DATE: 9.30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Wednesday **DETAILS: Session provides**

overview on elements for a dynamic, realistic business plan.

Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Northville Record, 104 W. Main, Suite 101, Northville, MI 48167. Items must be received by noon on Tuesday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

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by JOHN HEIDER/Northwile Re Right-hander Bryce Jenney fires to homeplate during a Mustang home game in mid-April

Mustang Bryce Jenney leads strong group of baseball players

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville baseball coach John Kostrzewa rarely had to worry about his pitching staff and senior Bryce Jenney was a major reason why

about no presence as major reason why as a major reason why as sufficient a couple of losses early in the year but rebounded strongly and helped the Mustange (25) of the an amazing 27 game winning stress blore long in the distinct finals. His best pitch was has ability to throw a fastball." Kostress and The secondary pitches only complement smootes if they can establish and locate a fastball. He finished 7 with three saves and a 177 ERA Jenney strick out 69 batters which allowing 39 hits and 25 walks in \$1 [J3]

innings. He was equally as strong at the plate leading the Musiangs with a 332 burning average (43-for 89) fut, home, runs 30 runs betted in and 22 walks More than anything it is his passion for the game Kostrzewa said He really works hard at becoming the best he can be pos-tionally offensively and pichung wase He really as student of the game _energy commuted to Western Kennecky University before his sintor reason

Kentucky University before his source season Just being able to see him improve and his personality change over time was great" Kostrzewa said "That's what coaching is all about — not just developing players but people

she had are what makes her the 2007 All Area Softball Player of

2007 All Areas Solidal Physics of the Year. "She has done it all She had just an incredible career said Lakeland head coach for Alsoy She was consistedly one of auri-bed point of the same said of the bed point of the same said of the cally beford gaths our itsam". Memmer was a starter for four years at Lakeland, she sat the same said of the same said and KVC All Divitrict and All Region for four years Darnag her time at Lakeland, she sat the same said wins in a cancer with 147.

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All-Area Baseball

Player of the Year Bryce Jenney, Northville sr

First Team Bret Spencer, Northwile sr Dommo: Benavdes N-velle sr Joe Mitchell Northwile jr Billy Hardin CC sr Part Schenke Nov jr Brett Glover, Nov sr Ruckay Samuel Lakeland soph Luke Heiman, Lakeland sr Ruchard Millis Milford sr Nate Sarkussan S Lyon sr Dan Vess, S Lyon jr

Second Team Gerard Powell, Northville sr Mike Deluca, Northville sr Nock Balow, Northville sr Youg Haymond CC sr Jake Hansen CC jr Brandon Schwarz, Now sr Mark Heard Now jr Mark Heard Now jr Mark Heard Now sr Cody Leaverworth Lakeland sr

Honorable Mention Cory Amble, CC ir Tony Thomas CC soph Steve Anderson, Northville ir Boss Right, Northville ir Ross Richt, Northville jr Danny Kilger Novi soph Tyler Scott, Novi jr Dan Gretebeck, S Lyon jr Nolan Nunez, S Lyon jr Jake Smith S Lyon jr Josh Norns, Lakeland sr

Memmer leaves records in dust

Miss Softball honors go to Lakeland star

By Patrick Pinter and Jeff Theisen GANNETT SPORTS WRITERS

Even though Lakeland sentor Lauren Memmer didn t come away with a state championship during her four years as a Eagles softball player she has nothing to

softball player she has nothing to regret The star pitcher will always bu-remembered as a true champion by her coaches and it.ammates Coming to uch game and com peting to her fullest along with the piles of success and honors

147 At the plate she had just as much success She finished with a career batting average of 425 and continued on 2

All-Area Softball

Player of the Year Lauren Memmer Lakeland sr

First Team Brooke Ward, Lakeland sr Krysia Schlack, Lakeland sr Lisa Maxweli Lakeland jr Kalle Burlick Midrot jr Lindsay Quiroz S Lyon jr Sarah Rounsifer Northwile soph Jeana Dumbleon, Northwile ir Jenna Dumbleton Northville jr Allison Holmes Northville jr Amanda Diacono Novi senior Brittany Luka, Novi sr

Second Team Lauren Shelar Novi soph Carle Meek Lakeland ir Carlee Meek Lakeland dr Andie Dawson, Lakeland soph Emily Pesci S Lyon jr Jessica Pawloske, Millord sr Emma Wise Northville sr Kirstyn Wildey Northville sr Brittary Brdsal Northville jr Second Team

Honorable Mention Aubrey Quinley, Novi soph Nicole Vess, S Lyon sr Danielle Pizzo S Lyon sr Kelsey Lewis Northville jr





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Emily Esbrook, right, gets a hug from Stephanie Crawford after the first goal of the state finals

Ms. Soccer Esbrook Ali-Area

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First Team FiniSt I Ioann Stephanie Crav, ford, Novi sr Jessica Barndt, Novi sr Kate Chaklos, Novi pr Erin Zeno Novi soph Kristen Chaklos, Novi sr

Player of the Year Emily Esbrook, Nova sr

sits atop loaded field of soccer stars

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The final week of Emuly Exbooks Now career had to be a dream ending The Wildcass capped off a string of three straight Division I state titles But for Exborok, it was even sweeter when she was voted Muchigan s NS Soccer "It was a nice compliment more than anything Esbrook said. Ekbrody was once of the Amus

said. Eshrook was one of five Novy seniors to end her career with three straight Division 1 state tutles The Wildcats knocked off previously unbeaten and No 1 ranked Rochester 2 1 in the finals.

Kristen Chaklos, Non sr Stephane Jansens, Non sr Sanalle Toney, Northväle sr Sanah Stem, Northväle sr Kristen Stack, Northväle sr Alitson Zemaats, Milford sr Onelsea Strewsbury Milford j Megfan Morad. St Jyon sr Second Team

Second Team Jame Frato, Noa r Shannon Cody, Noa r Jenra Caroso, Noa r Jenra Caroso, Noa r Le Watz, Northwile sr Anna Tasse, Northwile or Kosty Backies, Northwile or Katsy Wandek Silyon r Laura Eckler, Silyon r Kaby Pohlmar, Miland sr Jessica Martens, Milford sr

Homerzhie Montuen Julie Biaszczak, Northville yr Camlle Junc, Northville yr Camlle Junc, Northville spol Lindsay Aliward, Milford sr Leah Moßee S Lyon fr Kristen Hermanson, Llŵnd sr Rachael Hogerh, Lakeland soph Lawren Dahl, Lakeland soph Lawren Dahl, Lakeland soph Page Schwartz, Lakeland yr

Headlining the All Area First Team is Northville's all time goal scorer Danielle Toney She aniassed 94 goals in her four years for the Mustangs. Total

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Lakeland s Lauren Memmer is voted the All-Area softball Player of the Year







South Lyon's Kelsey Kaminsky leads Lions to regional final

By Patrick Pinter GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

For Kelsey Kaminsky and the South Lyon girls lacrosse team, the 2007 season was one giant step forward.

The South Lyon junior and her team advanced to the regional final with a 9-8 win against the defending Division 1 state champs, Grosse Pointe South.

"Last season was a dramatic change from the year before," said Kaminsky. "We lost one of our best defensemen so we didn't really know what was going to happen. Hopefully we can comeback and work hard and go even further than we did this year.

Kaminsky scored six goals in that game. The win was a landmark for a program that was struggling to find postseason success and a coming out party for player that is heading for special things.

"We definitely wanted that game more," said Kaminsky. They came in and thought they could walk out with a easy win. We were more focused and we knew we could win."

Honorable An All-State Mention selection, Kaminsky led the Lions in goals with 47 and points with 49. She also provided the team with solid defense while causing 19 turnovers, the second most on the team. Kaminsky's goal scoring prowess and her abil-ity to create offense are what make her the 2007 All-Area Girls Lacrosse Player of the Year.

"As a player last season was satisfying. I felt like I could have done better," said Kaminsky. "I know I have some things I can work on over the summer."

Players earning All-Area First Team honors include Tarrah Debord, South Lyon junior: Rachel Iturralde, South Lyon junior; Rachel Curmi, South Lyon junior; Briana Smotherman, Huron Valley (Milford) freshman and Brittany Pobur, Huron Valley (Milford) senior.

DeBord was a First Team All-State and All-Kensington Valley Conference selection this year. She helped guide the Lions to one of their best seasons ever. DeBord appeared in 20 games this season and registered 20 goals. She led the team in shooting percentage while at 59 percent.

Iturralde was also an All-KVC First Team selection. She finished the season with 22 goals and 43 points in 15 games. Curmi scored 23 goals this season for the Lions and was a All-KVC First Team selection. She was second on the team in shots with 62 and picked up three assists to go along with her 23 goals ..

Pobur was one of Huron Valley's most consistent players. She had a team-high 59 ground balls and completed 92 percent of her passes. She also had a shoot-

ing percentage near 60.



South Lyon's Kelsey Kaminsky earns All-Area Player of the Year honors.

team and had the second highest number of shots on goal with 76 percent going on net.

Area players collecting Alt-Area Second Team honors were Samantha Szegedi. South Lyon junior: Shannon Kennedy, South Lyon sophomore: Kim Fix. South Lyon junior: Hannah, Gorman, South Lyon freshman; Courtney Smith. South Lyon junior and Sarah Kilbourn. Huron Valley (Lakeland) sophomore

The All-Area Girls Lacrosse Dream Team is selected by the sports staffs at the South Lyon Herald, the Milford Times, the Novi News and the Northville Record and is comprised of the best players from South Lyon, Milford, Lakeland, Northville and Novi.

Patrick Pinter is a sports reporter for the Milford Times and the South Lyon Herald. He can be reached by phone at (248) 437-

All-Area Girls Lacrosse

Player of the Year Kelsey Kaminsky, S. Lyon jr

First Team Tarrah Debord, S. Lyon jr Rachel Iturralde, S. Lyon jr Rachel Curmi, S. Lyon jr Briana Smotherman, Huron Valley (Milford) fr Bruttany Pobur, Huron Valley

(Milford) sr

Second Team

Samantha Szegedi, S. Lyon jr Shannon Kennedy, S. Lyon soph

Kim Fix, S. Lyon jr Hannah Gorman, S. Lyon fr Courtney Smith, S. Lyon jr Sarah Kilbourn, Huron

SOCCER: Toney, Stern, Slack make First Team

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that with 36 assists, and she sits second only to Lauren Hill (144) for all-time points with 129.

It used to be that she was just a pure scorer, that she didn't get many assists," Northville head coach Ron Meteyer said. "Every year she's improved on the number of assists and the plays that she sets up.

'That's been a big plus."

Joining Toney on the First Team is Sarah Stern and Kristen Slack.

Slack could be seen at both ends, shutting down an opponent on defense or flying through the air to head in a corner kick.

"Kristen is the best defender than I've ever had," Meteyer said. "She communicates well. She is very athletic and very hard to knock off the ball."

Stern, a midfielder, was also seen all over the field throughout a game.

Sarah was always 150 percent hustle," Meteyer said. "She never has a down game. She plays in many respects above herself.

'She'll beat you in the air. This is a kid that can elevate 30 inches off the ground."

The rest of the All-Area First Team includes Novi's Seniors Stephanie Crawford, Jessica Barndt, Kristine Chaklos and Stephanie Janssens, Katie Chaklos and Erin Zerio; Milford's Allison Zemaitis and Chelsea Shrewsbury; and South Lyon's Meghan Morad and Angie Bond.

Second Team

Northville's Liz Watza, Anna Tasse and Kelsey Baskins help lead the All-Area Second Team. The rest of the team includes Novi's Jamie Fratto, Shannon Cody and Jenna Carosio; South Lyon's Sarah Struthers, Kelcey Wautelet and Lauren Eckler; and



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Mustang Danielle Toney leaves Northville as the alltime leader in goals with 91.

Milford's Kelly Pohlman and Jessica Martens.

Honorable Mention

The All-Area Honorable Mention team includes Northville's Julie Blaszczak. Julia Bawden and Camille Junca.

Lindsay Allward of Milford; Leah McGee of South Lyon; and Lakeland's Kristen Hermanson. Rachael Hogarth. Lauren Dahl and Paige Schwartz.

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SOFTBALL: Mustangs place three on First Team

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was an All-State selection three years in a row, along with being selected as the 2007 Miss Softball winner.

"Getting the career wins record was something very special to me. It was something I was working toward during the last two season," said Memmer. "I was feeling extremely excited after I got it. It was a great experience."

Memmer will continue her softball career next season as a member of the University of Detriot Mercy softball team while on an athletic scholarship.

First Team

Northville lands three players on the All-Area First Team: pitchers Jenna Dumbleton and catcher Sarah Rounsifer. It really didn't matter who

Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

Mustang catcher Sarah Rounsifer works behind the plate during an away game at Canton High.

Dumbleton earned included All-District, All-Division and will be a captain next year. Both pitchers are juniors.

Rounsifer, just a sophomore, had a huge season both behind and at the plate. She batted .437 with a .546 on base percentage.

and Kirstyn Wildey.

Wildey played every game at third base, hit .338 and picked up an All-Division and Team Most

Improved honors. Birdsall brought another potent bat to the lineup, hitting .323 and knocking home 20 runs

Smotherman scored 19 goals this year for the Huron Valley ppinter@gannett.com

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BASEBALL: Northville's Jenney heads All-Area

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"Year by year he became not only a better player, a better leader and was just an all-around great kid to have on the team."

First Team

The other ace pitcher for the Northville Mustangs, senior Bret Spencer, lands on the All-Area First Team.

Spencer finished the season a perfect 7-0 with two saves and a 0.67 ERA. He struck out 67 batters and allowed 40 hits and 23 walks in 52 innings. Spencer also racked up a .352 batting average with 26 runs batted in, 21 runs scored and 21 walks out of the clean-up position.

"He really, really wants to do well," Spencer said. "He's been a part of winning teams in basketball and our success. He knows what it takes to win and lose games.

"He's got to have one of the highest success rates of any athlete to come out of that school with the combination of basketball and baseball. It's no coincidence that he's a major factor in both of those."

Also on the First Team are Northville's Dominic Benavides and Joe Mitchell.

Benavides batted behind Spencer and reaped the benefits to the tune of a .356 average. He knocked in 22, scored 26 times and struck out just seven times in 90 at bats.

"Another three-year guy that's been great to see him get better and better," Kostrzewa said. "From his junior year to his senior year he really made a big-time jump offensively.

"Playing short, he was a twotime defensive player of the year for us."



Mustangs Bryce Jenney, left, and Bret Spencer provided a potent 1-2 punch on the mound.

Mitchell carried the second highest average for the Mustangs at .374 (34-for-91). He was third in runs with 32 and walks (19) and second in stolen bases with 28

"He hit in the two-hole, a left handed hitter." Kostrzewa said "He did a fantastic job defensively and hit over .350"

The rest of the All-Area First Team includes Billy Hardin, from Catholic Central, Novi's Pat Schlenke and Brett Glover, Lakeland's Rickey Samuel and Luke Heiman: Richard Millis from Milford and Nate Sarkissian and Dan Vess of South Lyon

Second Team

Northville lands three more on the All-Area Second team. Gerard Powell, Mike Deluca and Nick Balow.

All three had strong seasons, with Powell batting .350 and swiping a team-high 35 bases, Deluca went 5-0 on the mound, and Balow hit .364 in 33 at bats along with a 4-0 pitching record with two saves.

The rest of the Second Team includes Catholic Central's Doug Raymond and Jake Hansen: Novi's Brandon Schwanz, Mark Heard and Mike Slack and Cody Leavenworth of Lakeland.

Honorable Mention

The All-Area Honorable Mention includes leam Northville's Steve Anderson, and Ross Richl; Cory Amble and Tony Thomas from Catholic Central; Novi's Danny Kilger and Tyler Scott, South Lyon's Dan Gretebeck, Nolan Nunez, Austin Darket and Jake Smith and Josh Norris of Lakeland.

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Northville coach leryn Chrzanowski sent to the mound, Holmes and Dumbleton were going to keep the Mustangs in the game.

Holmes finished 12-3 with a 1.09 ERA. She struck out 104 batters with 17 walks (three of those were intentional). She picked up WLAA Honorable Mention, the Team Coaches Award and a caption for next year.

Dumbleton went 10-4-1 with a 1.29 ERA. She struck out 103 with only 15 walks (four intentional). She was equally as strong at the plate, hitting .350. Awards

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She knocked in 26 runs and scored 23. Her awards included All-Conference, All-District, Team MVP and voted a captain for next year.

The rest of the First Team includes Novi's Amanda Diacono and Brittany Luka; Lakeland's Brooke Ward, Krysia Schlack and Lisa Maxwell: Milford's Kalie Burdick; and Lindsay Quiroz of South Lyon

Second Team

Northville placed three more on the All-Area Second Team-Emma Wise, Brittany Birdsall

Wise hit at a .341 clip, scored 21 runs and had 12 of 28 hits go for extra bases.

Also on the Second Team are Lauren Shelar of Novi: Lakeland's Cayla Meek, Carlee Meek and Andie Dawson; Emily Pesci of South Lyon and Milford's Jessica Pawloske.

Honorable Mention

Making the All-Area Honorable Mention team are Northville's Kelsey Lewis: Aubrey Quinley of Novi and South Lyon's Nicole Vess and Danielle Pizzo.





Undefeated

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The Lookouts celebrate their undefeated season and first-place finish in the NBSA Girls Primary League tournament after a 14-10 championship victory over the Lugnuts.

Front row, from left, Alison latrate, Arielle lafrate, Maggie Wasvary, Catherine LoSchiavo, Alison Hige and Jordan Schmidt. Second row, from left, Isabella Corsi, Emilia Hilliard, Kelsey Clay, Emma DeClue, Molly DeDona, Halle Bins, Megan Sebest and Rachel Gold. Back row: Assistant coach Ken Clay, assistant coach Chip DeClue, head coach Jim lafrate and assistant coach Don Sebest.



Runner-up

The Northville Broncos 14&under team was the runner-up at the Livonia Storm Tournament on June 23-24. First row, from left, Christy Pattison, Meredith Williams, Lisa Rice, Rachel Lahiff, Allison Rohlf. Second row: Jim Ritz, Katelyn Lewis, Natalie DeMuro, Dave Jerome, Karly Fisher, Krista Oldham, Natalie Grimmer, Shannon Timm, Dave Timm and Katie Fenech.

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3-on-3 Micro-Soccer Shootout

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Registration forms can be found at www.umsoccer.com. For further information, call (734) 647-1201 or e-mail Idurkee@umich.edu. Forms must be postmarked by July 12. All proceeds benefit Michigan Men's soccer

The Summer Basketball Academy

Area players will receive the best individual instruction available in a camp setting. Three weeks to choose from: July 16-19, July 23-26 and July 30-Aug 2. The Academy will involve play-ers in three hours of highly intensive skill development training per day. Limited enrollment guarantees players, ages 10-18, will rapidly and dramatically improve in all phases of the game. Basketball teaching professional, Coach Paul Tripp, will personally evaluate and instruct each player in shooting, footwork, offensive moves and defensive instruction. He has trained some of the top players in the area from middle school to college level. The camp fee is \$135.

Contact Coach Paul at coachpaul@baskethallworkshop.com or call (248) 563-0858 for registration information.

4-Star Basketball Camp

Former Novi basketball coach Pat Schluter is teaming up with South Lyon head coach Daren Clayton to run the All-Area 4-Star Basketball Camp at Livonia Stevenson High School.

The camp is for grades 5-8 from 8:30-noon and grades 9-12 from 1-4:30 p.m July 16-20.

Each camp cost \$165 and is aimed at improving the serious basketball player. Space is limited to 100 campers per session. Visit www.allareabasketballcamp com for more information.

Wildcat basketball camps

Former Novi boys basketball coach Pat Schluter is hosting three summer basketball camps.

The Boys basketball camp for grades 2-5 will run 8:30 a m -noon and grades 6-9 will be 1-4:30 p.m. July 18-22 at Novi Middle School. Cost of the camp is \$140 and will include all aspects of basketball and player development. Participants will also receive a T-shirt and outdoor basketball.

The boys and girls shooting camp for grades 2-5 will run 12:30-2 p.m. and for grades 6-9 2:15-3:45 p m. July 23-27 at the Novi Middle School. The camp costs S68 and will concentrate on all shooting aspects with awards being given to contest winners.

The boys and girls K-2 camp will run 8:30-10 a.m. for one class and 10:15-11:45 a m. for another class July 23-27 at Novi Middle School The cost is \$68 for each class and will teach the basic skills of basketball.

Gym clothes and gym shoes are required for all camps. Registration begins April 16 by calling Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.

Please send submissions for Sports Shorts to sports writer Jeff Theisen at jtheisen@gannett.com or at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.



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Help End Childhood Hunger in **America With** a Bake Sale

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light childhood hunger by baking something healthy and sweet. Join Share Our Strength's fourth annual Great American Bake Sale, raising dough from your kitchen for programs that take a bite out of childhood hunger in America.

Enjoy the fun and make your bake sale a success:

- Publicize everywhere; get the kids to make attractive fliers, announce it in newsletters and community listings in the newspaper and on local radio.
- Wrap goodies for sale with hunger stickers, downloadable at www.greatamericanbakesale.org, which provide information on childhood hunger in America.
- Price in round figures so it is easy to make change. or, offer baker's dozen deals.
- **Take orders ahead** of time and offer delivery for a small charge.
- Wrap singles or double cookies or bars for immediate, eat-now impulse purchases.
- Contact a local shelter or charity as potential recipient for any leftover baked goods.
- Happily accept cash donations to fight childhood hunger through education

More than 12 million children in the United States are at risk of hunger. Share Our Strength's programs address this crisis. Proceeds from this year's Great American Bake Sale will support summer and after school feeding programs and nutrition education for low-income families. Follow suit by baking healthy goodies that not only taste good, but are good for you, too. Bake your favorite healthy goodies or try these yummy made-over treats from Food Network

To register for Share Our Strength's Great American Bake Sale, visit

Made-Over Chocolate Chip Cookies

- Makes: 26 cookies
 - 3/4 cup packed dark brown sugar
 - 3/4 cup sugar
 - 2 large eggs
 - 1/2 cup canola oil
 - teaspoon pure vanilla extract cup all-purpose flour
 - cup whole wheat pastry flour
 - 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
 - teaspoon fine salt
 - 6 ounces semisweet chocolate chips or chunks
 - 4 ounces dried cranberries or dried cherries
- 1. Evenly position 2 racks in middle of oven and preheat
- 2. Whisk sugars, eggs, oil and vanilla in large bowl until smooth.
- '3. Whisk flour, baking soda; and salt in another bowl. Stir dry ingredients into wet ingredients with a wooden 3 spoon; take care not to over mix. Stir in chocolate and dried fruit.
- 4. Scoop heaping tablespoons of dough onto prepared pans. Wet hands slightly and roll dough into balls. Space cookies about 2 inches apart on pans. Bake about 12 to 15 minutes, until golden but still soft in the center, Transfer hot cookies to cooling rack. Serve.

Cook's Notes: Store cookies in a tightly sealed container up to 3 days.

Nutrients per serving: 146 calories, 6g total fat, 1.4g

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king sneets with parchment pa or silicon sheets. (If you only have I baking sheet, let it cool completely between batches.)

saturated fat, 23g carbohydrates, 1g fiber, 1.7g protein Courtesy: Food Network Kitchens

Made-Over Deep Dish Brownies

Makes: 16 (2-inch) square brownies

- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 2 tablespoons canola or other neutral-tasting oil
- ounces semisweet chocolate, coarsely chopped
- 3/4 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/4 cup white sugar
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon fine salt
- 2 large eggs, cold 1 tablespoon cold brewed coffee
- 1/4 . cup cocoa powder
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1. Position rack in lower third of oven and heat oven to 325°F. Use an 8- by 8-inch silicon baking pan or line a similar-sized metal or glass baking dish with foil or parchment paper so it hangs over the edges about 1 inch. Spray prepared pan.
- 2. Put butter, oil and chocolate in microwave-safe bowl and heat 2 minutes at 75 percent power. Stir; microwave again until completely melted, about 2 minutes more. (Or, put chocolate and butter in heatproof bowl. Bring a saucepan filled with 1 inch or so of water to a very slow simmer; set bowl over water, not touching, and stir occasionally until mixture is melted and smooth.)
- 3. Stir sugars, vanilla and salt into chocolate mixture with a wooden spoon. Add eggs and coffee and beat vigorously until fully incorporated and batter is thick and glossy. Add cocoa, flour and baking soda and stir just until they disappear.
- 4. Pour batter into pan; bake about 30 minutes (40 minutes if not using silicon), until top is crispy and toothpick inserted into center comes out clean.
- 5. Cool brownies in pan. Lift out using foil liner, if needed. Peel off foil and cut into 2-inch squares. Serve, Store extra brownies in a tightly sealed container at room temperature up to 3 days.

Cook's Notes: These brownies were made healthier by cutting out more than half the butter. To keep the fudgy quality, canola oil was added. Then the eggs and sugar were reduced by half. To keep the richness and liquid, a combination of semisweet chocolate and cocoa powder was used instead of unsweetened chocolate. The flour was reduced, and coffee and more vanilla extract were added for rich flavor. To make up for the missing texture of the eggs, a little baking soda was added to get a better rise. Also, a silicon baking pan was used instead of a lined and buttered baking pan. The result? A brownie that is still rich and fudgy with a gorgeous crackle top - and one you can feel much better about eating.

Nutrients per serving: 155 calories, 6.5g total fat, 3g saturated fat, 23g carbohydrates, 2g protein, 1g fiber, 105mg sodium

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Ready to up the ante on your veggie consumption? The great news is all forms count - fresh, frozen, canned, dried, and 100 percent juice. Fresh, frozen, canned and dried veggies can be easily incorporated into main dishes like Italian-inspired Chicken Vegetable Rollatini. This recipe uses fresh bell peppers, frozen spinach and a package of rice mix made with two full servings of vegetables, including broccoli and carrots. Moreover, Greek Chicken With Rice is a recipe that also calls for fresh vegetables and a package of rice mix made with two servings of veggtes for convenience and added flavor. A simple Asian Noodle Salad is a tasty choice for a nutritious part of a lunch or light dinner.

Serve these dishes enhanced with the convenient dried vegetable mix and make a habit of adding appropriate portions of fresh veggies and sliced fruit to your lunch or dinner table. Before you know it, you'll be well on your way to creating your own veggie and fruit dynasty.

Based on 2005 USDA Dietary Guidelines for a 2,000 keal pattern

Asian Noodle Salad

6 servings

- Prep Time: 20 minutes / Cook Time: 10 minutes 1 package Knorr Sides Plus Veggies -Teriyaki Noodles with Asian Style
 - Vegetables 1/4 cup rice wine vinegar
 - tablespoon Skippy Natural Creamy Peanut Butter Spread
 - teaspoon vegetable oil (optional) 3 cups coleslaw mix
 - 1 cup thinly sliced red bell pepper

Greek Chicken With Rice

4 servings

Prep Time: 15 minutes / Cook Time: 25 minutes

- 2 tablespoons Bertolli Olive Oil
- pounds boneless, skinless chicken 1-1/4 breasts, cut into 1-inch pieces
 - small onion, chopped
 - 1 medium red bell pepper, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano leaves, crushed
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- bag (10 ountes) baby spinach leaves
- 2-1/4 cups water
 - 1 package Knorr Sides Plus Veggies -**Roasted Chicken Rice with Harvest** Vegetables
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice 1/4 cup crumbled reduced fat feta cheese (optional)

Heat 1 tablespoon onve oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat and cook chicken about 5 minutes, until chicken is thoroughly cooked, stirring occasionally. Remove chicken and keep warm

Add remaining olive oil to skillet and cook onion, red pepper and oregano over medium heat about 4 minutes, until vegetables are tender, stirring occasionally. Add garlic and cook 1 minute. Add spinach: toss to coat. Cover and cook about 2 minutes, until spinach is partially wilted, stirring occasionally.

Stir in water and packaged side. Bring to a boil Reduce heat and cook covered about 10 minutes, until rice is tender. Stir in chicken and lemon juice Sprinkle with cheese.

Nutrition information per serving: Calories 430. Calories From Fat 110, Saturated Fat 3g, Total Fat 12g, Cholesterol 95mg, Sodium 310mg, Total Carbohydrate 41g, Sugars 6g, Dietary Fiber 6g. Protein 40g

These recipes meet Produce for Better Health Foundation (PBH) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) nutrition standards that maintain fruits and vegetables as healthy foods as well as Unilever's Eat Smart Drink Smart recipe program which helps consumers identify better-foryou recipes using products from Unilever. For information on Unilever's Choices Program, visit www.unileverusa.com.

For more tasty recipes starting vegetables, visit www.knorr.com.

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Chicken Vegetable Rollatini

5 servings

Prep Time: 30 minutes / Cook Time: 35 minutes

- 1 package Knorr Sides Plus Veggies -Cheddar Rice with Broccoli and Carrots
- 2 large red bell peppers, chopped
- 5 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves, pounded 1/4 inch thick (about 1-1/2 pounds)
- 1/4 cup Japanese-style panko bread crumbs
- 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan chcese
- tablespoon Bertolli Olive Oil small yellow onion, chopped
- clove garlic, chopped
- box (10 ounces) frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry

Preheat oven to 375°F. Prepare packaged side according to directions, omitting spread. Stir in 1 chopped red pepper; let cool 10 minutes.

Top each chicken breast with about 1/4 cup rice; reserve remaining rice and set aside. Roll chicken and secure with wooden toothpicks. Combine bread crumbs with cheese in shallow dish, then coat chicken. Heat olive oil in large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat and brown chicken. Arrange chicken in 11 x 7-inch glass baking dish. Bake 20 minutes until chicken is thoroughly cooked.

Meanwhile, in same skillet, cook remaining red pepper and onion with 2 tablespoons water, covered, over medium heat 5 minutes, until tender, stirring occasionally. Add garlic and cook 30 seconds, stirring. Stir in spinach and reserved rice and cook 3 minutes, until spinach is heated through, stirring frequently. Remove toothpicks and serve sliced chicken over spinach mixture.

Nutrition information per serving: Calories 340, Calories From Fat 60, Saturated Fat 1.5g, Total Fat 7g, Cholesterol 80mg, Sodium 490mg, Total Carbohydrate 32g, Sugars 6g, Dietary Fiber 5g, Protein 39g

1 cup thinly sliced cooked chicken or pork 1 small cucumber, peeled, seeded and diced 1/4 cup thinly sliced red onion

Prepare packaged side according to directions; cool. Stir in vinegar, peanut butter and oil Stir in remaining ingredients. Chill about 1 hour before serving.

Nutrition information per serving: Calories 350, Calories From Fat 90, Saturated Fat 1.5g, Total Fat 10g, Cholesterol 50mg, Sodium 420mg, Total Carbohydrate 40g, Sugars 11g, Dietary Fiber 5g, Protein 25g



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Home Owners... Do You Know **Proper Swimming Pool Safety?**

Always be aware of any issues such as gates not closing properly, safety equipment in the prop-er place, proper operations of filter and heating systems, and safety rules and issues for use of swimming pools for your family protection.

SPECIAL WRITER

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can provide --- from bright fruits and veg-

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Byron Muonio who owns and operates the

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IT'S SAFETY FIRST AT THE POOL THIS SUMMER

It's summertime, and that means pool season is here. While it's fun to take a refreshing dip, swim a few laps, or just watch the kids splash around, homeowners need to take extra precautions around their backyard pool. Unfortunately, drownings and pool-related injuries occur each year, affecting thousands of families. Prevention starts with some practical ideas for protecting pool users:

• Anyone using the pool should now how to swim. An experienced swimmer should always be present if anyone is still learning to swim.

• The pool should be enclosed on all sides with a fence that is a minimum of 4' high. Gates should be self-closing and self-latching, with the latch inaccessible to small children. However, homeowners should check to see if their municipality has stricter requirements for pool enclosures.

 An adult must always be present when children are in or around the pool. For younger children, the adult should be at the poolside. It is not enough to simply look out a window or door to check on them.

 Diving should be limited only to in-ground pools with a diving board that has sufficient water depth beneath it. Always dive hands-first, and jump feet-first. Water-depth markings inside the pool let users know what to expect or where to stay away from.

· To avoid possible injury, children should be kept away from pool filters. Keep pool surrounds (decking, etc.) free of toys and other objects that could be stepped on. And walk, don't run, around the pool.



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ens that are raised over a full 48 weeks, not the 12 weeks that frozen food specialists sell," Byron said. "Chickens raised in 12 weeks are given a lot of chemicals and antibiotics to speed up the process. It's the same with the fish we sell. They are oceanfarmed and there are no growth hormones used to treat the fish."

Lyon's Marketplace also carries 75 varieties of Dietz & Watson premium deli products and Dearborn Sausage Company's hams and hot dogs. They makes their own chicken sausage three different ways. Ovenready entrees are made daily for busy customers who want to take home meals of city chicken, pasties, stuffed peppers, egg rolls, pasta dishes, pierogis and much more.

And speaking of oven-ready entrees, meat cutter Don Feldpausch is happy to create any custom order. "I can cut anything a cus-tomer wants, from sirloin tips to a pork ast," he added. An experienced butcher, Byron still cuts roast," he added.

meat himself, along with several other cutters. The professional cutting means that customers will great a great cut of beef that is lean but juicy. The cutters make lean ground beef and hand-shaped burgers.

The 24-foot cheese case holds dozens of cheeses with dips and salsa. A 12-foot case

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wall behind it is lined with racks of fresh baked bread stocked daily by Cantoro's Italian Bakery.

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FAMILY-STYLE PRICES

As parents of five children, Byron and Cami know that it is challenging for families

to afford the cost of buying healthy food. Junk food is usually cheaper.

So Lyon's Marketplace is committed to making healthy food more affordable. They don't inflate prices just because the meat is all natural or the fruit is hand-selected.

The Muonios work hard to get high quality foods at reasonable prices so they can sell them at prices people can afford. The small size of the market allows the owners to go through every shipment of meat and produce, to make sure it is right, instead of paying a private label to make the selections.

When you walk into our store, I want you to be able to pick up your staples for a low price every day," said Byron. "They are things everyone needs all the time, so I'm not going to jack up the prices."

A HEALTHY DELI

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With good prices, and healthy food, customers come in droves to Lyon's Marketplace, even driving from out of town, and sometimes across the state. Many stop in three times a week for fresh produ meat. The Muonios note a growing customer base of people originally from the U.K. "They tell us we're what they're used to, much more so than the large chains fresh meat, fresh bread, fresh produce daily." Those who want to make sandwiches at home can select from dozens of cheeses and deli products, which contain no MSG and are gluten-free. They're top-quality deli meats that make any sandwich nutritious. The deli also prepares lunch and dinner items, which can be eaten in the deli, or taken home for the family. Hot meals that are made by the staff at Lyon's Marketplace are as good as a home-cooked meal. Pot roast, com beef brisket or roast chicken are perfect to pick-up on the way home on a busy evening. Customers also stop by to see what fresh products baker and coffee maker Mark Taylor is creating each day. South Lyon is a growing community, but it still is a small town at heart. We want to keep that hometown feeling alive," said Cami. "We've become attached to many of our customers and have gotten to know them personally." Lyon's Marketplace is located at 601 S. Lafayette, between Nine and Ten Mile Roads in South Lyon, directly across from the historic buildings at McHattie Park.

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Top building sales, marketing pros lauded

The top residential building industry sales and marketing professionals in southeastern Michigan were recognized on May 16 at The Community House of Birmingham, when Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BIA) Sales & Marketing Council hosted their 2007 Sales & Marketing (SAM) Awards banquet.

Receiving awards in the individual achievement category, Salesperson of the Year, were Justin Smith of Moceri Companies, Gold Winner, and Ed Schlager of ADCO Group, Silver Winner.

In the Marketing categories, winners were as follow:

Best Brochure Under \$250,000 50 Homes or More

Digital Image Studios for Oak Pointe - Gold Winner

Best Brochure For A Community Between \$250,000-\$500,000 **Crosswinds Communities for Legacy**

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Boerema Chaben & Company for Golf Ridge Villa Homes - Gold Winner Best Web site for a Builder or Community

J & J Slavik, Inc. for Harbortown - Silver Winner

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"I am very honored to list the winners among the membership of the BIA. All of the winners should be proud of their sales and marketing efforts as well as their dedication to the residential construction industry," said SAM Chair Kim Bommarito.

Headquartered in Farmington Hills, BIA is a trade association representing more than 2,000 builders remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multifamily residential construction industry. BIA is affiliated with the Michigan Association of Home Builders in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. Membership nationwide includes more than 235,000 individuals and companies.

No bona fide purchase under a forged deed

Q. Unfortunately, my mother took a deed from someone by way of quit claim and it turned out to be a forged deed to acquire the property. Does she have any chance to get the property which she bought in good faith?

A. No, because there can be no such thing as a bona fide purchaser under a forged deed as a matter of law. The holder of such a deed cannot claim any rights to the land even if he or she takes a deed for value without notice. She should obviously pursue the person who gave her the forged deed if that's at all possible.

Q. In this changing economy, our board does not wish to change its collection policy to increase the late charges and accelerate the time when we begin foreclosure proceedings



and/or put a lien on the unit. I am trying to explain to them why that's necessary. What do you think?

A. Each association must adopt its own collection policy in accordance with its bylaws. On the other

hand, the board must be resolute in ensuring that it has an aggressive and uniform collection policy that ensures that it is taking the maximum steps necessary to collect the assessments for the benefit of the association as a whole. In short, the longer the association delays in taking aggressive action to collect the assessment that is delinquent, the longer it will take

to collect the assessment and, indeed, the association may lose out on its secured interest in being able to force the payment of the assessment. It is probably a good idea, therefore, for your association to re-evaluate its collection policy with the benefit of good legal advice.

Robert N. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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Senior Mortgage Event

Free information on senior mortgage benefits. Good credit not needed. The session will be 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, at 1200 S. Sheldon, Suite 150, Plymouth. Call Vince Lee to RSVP at (734) 259-0640.

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Auction July 25

The Auction Services Group of Benj. E. Sherman & Sons, a Chicago-based national real estate auction company, will be conducting the sale of eight single family homes, seven condominiums and 56 home sites throughout metro Detroit. The auction will be held in the ballroom of the Troy Marriott, 200 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 25.

Neumann Homes Inc., a Chicagobased national home builder, has elected to auction these properties to reduce the marketing time necessary to sell them in a slow marketplace. "We have experienced the same slowdown that other builders have experienced throughout metro Detroit," said Neumann President and CEO Kenneth P. Neumann. "We've made a business decision to utilize the accelerated sales method to complete a close-out of several of our communities which will allow our team members to concentrate their efforts on our most recently developed communities in the four regions around the country that we are building in."

"This will be the second auction that we will have conducted for Neumann Homes in metro Detroit," said Robert Roggeveen, president of The Auction Services Group of Benj. E. Sherman & Sons. "Last year, we sold 66 properties for over \$8,000,000."

All of the homes and condominiums will be open for viewing during the following scheduled open house dates and times:

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To receive an auction brochure, call the company auction line at (888) 442-8008.

Pre-license class

Oakland Builders Institute is presenting a 16-hour comprehensive seminar to give students the help needed to pass the Michigan state builder's license examination. The seminar is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 21 and 22, at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hills, 1919 Star-Batt Drive, Rochester Hills.

The course is for those who want to subcontract the construction of their own homes, real estate investors and developers and building trades people who want to work legally in Michigan.

The cost of the seminar is \$205 and includes the manual, sample questions and the test application. A \$25 deposit is required no later than Thursday, July 19, to Oakland Builders Institute, 1277 Dutton Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48306. Call tollfree (800)-940-2014 or (248) 651-2771 to register Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or register online at www. buildersinstitute.com

This seminar is comprehensive, teaching math as well as blueprint reading. Oakland Builders Institute teaches building courses in 16 school districts in Michigan. For a free brochure and current schedule of all classes including evening sessions, call toll-free (800) 940-2014 or (248) 651-2771.

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The event will begin with registration and continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. and a steak dinner at 4 p.m. Door prizes will be offered, as well as a 50/50 raffle.

Registration fees, including 18 holes of golf cart, lunch, dinner, four drink tickets and golf competitions are \$130 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, guests and nonmembers; \$60 for dinner only, \$200 for a hole sponsorship and \$250 for a hole sponsorship with dinner. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.



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Location lures buyers

One doesn't have to look too long to be told, "It's a buyer's market" in metro Detroit real estate. But once they've determined what they want to spend, buyers focus on amenities, and SkyLofts MarketSquare in downtown Royal Oak offers a package like no other.

development in town," said New Homes Manager Michelle Harrier. "They ask sharp questions and they pay attention to the details. But what is it they say at Syms? 'An educated consumer is our best customer.' All the important things they want are included in the package here."

Prices at MarketSquare begin in the \$220s. All lofts are fully built out with what were initially upgrades, including granite countertops, stainless steel appliances and hardwood or bamboo floors, and each of the lofts includes a fireplace. The fact that all of the lofts are finished means that buyers won't be tripping over construction crews, Harrier pointed out. They can also obtain a mortgage that covers the complete cost of the loft. When buying an unfinished space, buyers often have to pay up-front for their upgrade selections.





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