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LEAGUE OF MIRACLES

Two boys develop bond in special baseball league

Final game will be played this Saturday

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Like most boys his age, Alec Cunningham likes to steal bases and hit home runs.

And he's able to do so with the help of his buddy, Harry Eichholtz, a 10th-grader at Northville High School.

Cunningham, a fifth-grader at Amerman Elementary, was diagnosed with cerebral palsy as an infant and is confined to a wheelchair.

But, with Eichholtz by his side. he can play as part of the Miracle League.

This Saturday will be the local league's final game of the season.

The public is invited to attend the free game which starts at 12:30 p.m. at the Southfield Civic Center ballpark. An awards cere-

mony follows the game. The Miracle League began in Rockdale County, Ga., in 1997 when a youth baseball coach invited the disabled brother of one of his players to join the team.

The following year, the league began with 35 children playing on four teams. Currently, more than 150 leagues exist in the United States.

Southfield, like many communities, has a special rubberized field specifically made for the league.

"It's just a wonderful program." said Debbie Eichholtz, Harry's mother. "Everybody gets to bat. everybody gets to field, and they



DENNIS SHIELDS

Family establishes scholarship fund in honor of beloved coach

Dollars to serve local high school athletes' needs

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Dennis Shields used to don a pair of green tights, dress like an elf and walk around carrying а boom box playing Grandma



The longtime Northville resident, who died June 28 at age 57 after more than a year-long battle with cancer, was the poster child for volunteerism. Those who knew him said he

was always thinking of others.

To continue his legacy of giving, his wife, Peggy; son, Bryan; and daughter, Bethany, have established the Dennis Shields Memorial Scholarship Fund in his honor.

The fund will be used to assist the needs Northville High School students.

Shields was a big supporter of the Northville High School cheerleading, football, baseball and hockey teams.

Remembering his contribution

How to make a donation Dennis Shields' family

does not want the local resident's spirit of giving to end with his death and felt the best way to keep his memory alive was to establish the Dennis Shields Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The fund is held by the Northville Community Foundation and will be awarded to Northville High School student-athletes. Funds will not be restricted to paying for college expenses for students. They can be used to pay for ice time for current high school students or other uses.

If you are interested in donating to the fund please mail your taxdeductible donation to the Northville Community Foundation, 18600 Northville Road, Suite 275. Northville, MI 48168.

Northville Junior Baseball.program for 10 years.

Helped form NHS hockey team

In 1997, he worked with Brian Waineo and other parents to establish the first Northville High School Hockey team.

The next year, he organized



Each team is named after a major league team. Cunningham's team is the L.A. Dodgers. And each player has a buddy like Eichholtz to help them.

Robin Long, an Amerman

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Northville High sophomore Harry Eichholtz helps his buddy Alec Cunningham, 11, in his Miracle League baseball games.

to so many individuals, and in particular the student-athletes at Northville High School, Peggy Shields said since his death a flood of memories has poured in about his participation with Bethany during her cheerleading days and Bryan during his football, baseball and hockey days. Shields was a coach in the

the Northville High School football team's first pre-game family tailgate - a tradition that continues today.

"Everybody's made it a little better each year," Peggy Shields said.

He also began the tradition of

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Come on out to the ballgame

Those who would like to watch the final game of the local Miracle League Baseball can come to the Southfield Civic Center at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Take I-696 east to Evergreen and turn right. Turn left at the first light, which is Civic Center Drive. The field is on the left.

For more information about the league or to learn about volunteering as a helper for a player, visit www.miracleleague.com.

Two boys develop a special bond

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teacher, brought the two boys together, and they've been a team for two years now.

Gives them chance to compete

Eichholtz said it's great to watch her son interact with Cunningham. "It's very touching," she said. "If it wasn't for the Miracle League, some of these people wouldn't have a chance to compete. These students don't have an opportunity to shine in the traditional school sports setting." Eichholtz also gets a kick out of

helping Cunningham.

"Harry just loves it." Debbie Eichholtz said. "He thinks it's so much fun. Alec's face just lights up when he sees Harry.

Mentored by an athlete

Eichholtz is a good person to have on the field, since he's an athlete himself as a member of the NHS junior varsity football team and wrestling team.

"Alec loves Harry," Debbie Eichholz said.

Eichholtz said Cunningham's got a great smile and personality.

"It's fun," he said. "It's nice to see the kids getting to play ball, to see their reaction. They really have a good time."

He said Cunningham got his first home run and stole his first base this year.

"He's totally excited about playing," Eichholtz said. "He's off the wall every weekend he gets to do this. Just to get to go the field is awesome for him."

Summer might be almost over. but that doesn't mean the two won't see each other anymore.

Eichholtz has agreed to mentor Cunningham in religious education classes at Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi, so they'll see each other weekly through the end of the school year

Cunningham is also looking forward to attending Eichholtz's football games and wrestling meets this

Scholarship established in honor of beloved coach Shields

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making scrapbooks for senior athletes, which he started when Bryan was a junior at NHS.

The books have traveled to many college campuses as the NHS alumni recall their high school days. Scrapbooks were made for the cheerleaders and the football and hockey teams.

"He had them fill out questionnaires with fun questions like "What's your favorite TV pro-gram?" What's your favorite food?" "What's your nickname?" and "Who would you invite to dinner if you could invite anybody you wanted?" Peggy Shields said

The scrapbooks are still made for the athletes today.

Our Lady of Providence Center

Shields was also active with the former Our Lady of Providence Center for developmentally-disabled girls and volunteered Bethany and the rest of the Northville High School cheerleaders to give manicures and treat the girls to a special day just for them.

Boys from the football and baseball teams used to help manicure the lawn and shrubs at the center.

The Community Opportunity Center in Livonia also benefited from his commitment as a volunteer, as Shields helped spruce up the center's building.

The Shields met in high school when they worked together at an A & P Store in Redford. He went she went to Redford Union High.

stock boy," she said. They were

gave of himself," she said.

"He was one of those people who was so involved with kids over the years, they'll always remember him. I'm still running into people who said they had so much fun when they were on his team.'

Shields had just retired in February after working for 36 years in purchasing for Ford

Commissioners bless \$34M senior living project

Community center slated

The plan includes two build-

ings with 80 independent-living

apartment units each and a 30,000-square-foot community

"It's a hospitality center with a

dining room, pool, fitness center

and spa," said Laura Hester, sen-

ior vice president of development

for Sunrise Senior Living's

Midwest Region. "It's elegant,

Plans include a two-story

assisted-living facility with 44 units and 24 villas. Extensive

landscaping and walking paths

would also be part of the cam-

A 230,000-square-foot medical

office building with physicians

specializing in geriatric medicine

is also planned on 2.5 acres. This

was not part of the rezoning

request, however, as the area is

club-style living."

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Sunrise wants to build a sen-

ior living project costing about \$34 million north of the Oasis Golf Center. It would feature senior independent living with a small

component of senior assistedliving. The company already has an assisted living facility on Haggerty Road.

"As age takes its toll, you can move to the different facilities," said Dick Allen, planning com-mission chair. "We've been trying to get a facility like this for quite some time."

George McCarthy, planning commission vice chair, said members of the public have told commissioners about the need for more senior housing.

"Many people related stories that Ann Arbor and other places weren't convenient to visit their elderly relatives on a regular basis," McCarthy said. "Our perception is that there truly is a need for this type of facility in already zoned for office use. the community.

The project is estimated to bring about \$1 million dollars a year in tax revenue to the township.

"It's similar to Botsford Commons (in Farmington Hills) or Fox Run (in Novi) but on a smaller scale," Allen said. "I think it's a plus for the community. It will give those who live in Northville and want to stay a place to live."

Members of the township's board of trustees must approve the rezoning before a formal site plan can be presented to the township. Jennifer Frey, community development director, said the request should come before the board at next Thursday's meeting.

"The site plan could come before the planning commission as early as September," Frey said.

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married for 35 years. "He just loved sports and really

Motor Company in Livonia.

Cunninham's mom, Gina, is also thrilled Eichholtz can help her son - both on and off the field.

"It's great to watch them together," she said. "This gives Alec the opportunity to do something all boys can do --- play with his peers."

Eichholtz said it's rewarding serving as a buddy on the Miracle League.

"Just the look on his face is great to see every weekend," he said. "You can tell he's having the time of his bfe out there."

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Council members, neighbors review city's vision for future

Plan separates projects into five distinct subareas

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Common sense dictates that in order to succeed, you must first have a plan.

Northville planners have done their part. Now, the city's master plan

begins its approval process. The Northville Planning

Commission recommended last month to accept a draft of the plan and forward it to city council.

The plan should be discussed at the council's Monday, Aug. 20 meeting.

If council members approve the plan, they will distribute it to the neighboring communities of Novi and Northville Township to solicit comments from these municipalities.

That starts a 95-day review period," said Don Wortman, Northville's planner from Carlisle/Wortman Associates in Ann Arbor.

"When that's over, the planning commission will hold a public hearing in three-four months." No construction is planned at this time.

"It's just a long-range vision for

the community," Wortman said. The plan divides the city into five subareas:

- Cider Mill.
- Seven Mile/South Main. · Cady Street, Racetrack, South
- Center Street. North Center Street and

Cady Town.

Wortman said although city planners have ideas for each of the areas, some common themes run through all of the areas.

These include compatibility with surrounding neighborhoods, quality design. developing areas by the Middle Rouge River and assuring that projects are environmentally sensitive," he said.

The Middle Rouge River cuts through the Seven Mile/South Main subarea and Cady Town, and city planners want to develop this land around the river.

"They've talked about constructing trails and attractive walkways," Wortman said.

Focus on Cady Town now

Jay Wendt, chair of the planning commission, said the master pfleming@gannett com.

plan shows what city leaders would like to see as the city grows.

"The biggest area focused on has Cady Town, with the new Tipping Point Theatre being the focal point of that area," Wendt said.

Plans for Cady Town include restaurants, lofts, specialty food stores and pubs.

"We'd really like to see the Farmer's Market moved near the river in the Cady Town area." Wendt said. "We want the farmer's market closer to downtown."

Wendt has lived in Northville for 37 years and has chaired the planning commission for close to a decade.

He said industrial firms have passed Northville by because its land is too pricey.

So, if the industrial tenants we do have try to sell, the properties will probably be some sort of res-idential use," he said. Wendt said the master plan is

important to anybody who's interested in investing in the city.

"They can see what the vision is for the city."

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PEOPLE OF NORTHVILLE



Families thrilled by perfect match

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

The romance really began when Dan Brugeman picked up a copy of Food & Wine magazine in an airport.

And, as the saying goes, the rest is history.

Brugeman, 35. the son of John and Mary Jane Brugeman of Northville, and Stacey Nield, 32, son of Martha and Jim Nield of Northville, will exchange vows in Petoskey on Sept. 22.

Their impending marriage is the culmination of a long-distance relationship with enough twists, turns and coincidences to turn their love story into a movie.

Grew up in Northville

The two grew up in Northville, and while they were three years apart, they knew each other because their families were involved in some of the same activities.

Dan's dad and Stacey's mom served as president and vice president of the Northville Historical Society, so Stacey and Dan were recruited to sweep floors after the annual Tivoli Fair at Northville Downs.

Dan was also in Boy Scout Troop 755 with Stacey's younger brother, Jeff. Dan was a lifeguard at the Northville Swim Club. where members of the Nield family were members.

Dan left Northville after graduating from Northville High School in 1990, earned an associate's degree from Schoolcraft College, followed by bachelor's and master's degrees in geological engineering from Michigan Tech in Houghton.

Stacey also left Northville after graduating from Northville High School in 1993, earning a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Virginia and moving to New York City. She worked for Food & Wine magazine in New York City and earned a master's degree in food studies from New York University.

In December 2005, Dan and Stacey's parents ran into each other at a Northville Mother's Club Christmas party. Sharing stories about their children, they learned that Dan and Stacey had each gotten out of long-term relationships earlier in the year.

Jokingly, Stacey's dad said to Dan's parents, "Tell Dan he's preapproved."

In a subsequent phone call with Dan, who was living in Colorado. Dan's dad told him about this conversation.

The three-page letter

As the weeks went by following that phone call. Dan found himself wondering how Stacey was doing after so many years.

He wanted to get in touch with her to find out for himself, but didn't want to get his or her parents involved, so he had to come up with a way to reach her on his own.

While traveling for work, he saw a copy of Food & Wine magazine, bought it. looked up the mailing address and wrote her a three-page letter.

"He's incredibly resourceful, so it was very characteristic," Stacey said.

An e-mail friendship develops

In March 2006, an envelope from Colorado arrived at Stacey's office with Dan's letter, business card and a recent photo. He was still the cute lifeguard she remembered. Stacey responded via email with a photo of herself, and an e-mail friendship began.

Their first date in Petoskey

After several months of e-mailing, they decided it was time to meet. They realized that Stacey was going to be in Michigan for a week's vacation at her parents' cabin the same time Dan would be 'aftending his' younger brother Josh's wedding. So, Stacey asked Dan to come

up after the wedding



Stacey Nield and Dan Brugeman, who both grew up in Northville, will marry Sept. 22 in Petoskey. The two have an amazing love story in which fate and circumstances brought them together. Nield is the daughter of Jim and Martha Nield of Northville; Brugeman is the son of John and Mary Jane Brugeman of Northville.

On Aug. 6, 2006, he drove up to the Nields' cabin in Petoskey to see Stacey for the first time in 16 years.

They hit it off immediately and began dating.

Long-distance courtship

The two traveled back and forth to see éach other, with visits in New York, Colorado, West Virginia, Michigan, and even a trip to Belgium and France for fellow Northville friend Leif Coponen's wedding.

The couple took a trip to the hot springs near Salida. Colo, last fall. "We had a lot of fun together." Dan said. "That's when I told her I loved her for the first time."

But he said it was during their trip to Europe for their friend's wedding when he decided she was "the one."

"I knew then that I wanted to be with Stacey," he said. "There was a spark the first time we met on Walloon Lake in northern Michigan. I followed that spark and found the woman I want to share my life with" "We were blessed with all of these funny coincidences." Stacey said.

An Aspen ski trip proposal

During a romantic ski weekend in Aspen, Colo., in March of this year, Dan proposed.

They will marry at St. Francis Xavier Church in Petoskey near the site of their first date.

After a honeymoon in French

Polynesia, they will make their home in Denver where Dan's an engineer for Noble Energy. Stacey hopes to continue her writing and editing.

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They'll share their passions for skiing, hiking, food, wine and, of course, their Northville roots.

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Their union's blessed

by both families

Stacey Nield's and Dan Brugeman's parents are as excited as they are about the couple's impending marriage. Following are their comments:

• "I am so excited and thrilled for the two of them," said Martha Nield. "Their common, Midwestern values and love of family and the outdoors will ensure years and years of happiness."

• "Dan and Stacey's coming marriage is nourished by their wonderful love story that quickly biossomed even though each person needed to travel the 1,800 miles that separate Colorado from New York City," said Mary Jane Brugeman. "It is amazing that these two caring people, both with roots in Northville, found each other from across the country."

• "I think many fathers feel that there is no man who will measure up to all that you imagine in a partner for your only daughter," said Jim Nield. "Well, I must say that Dan Brugeman exceeds any and all expectations. He is a fantastic guy with so many wonderful qualities from a great family, and we are thrilled that Stacey and Dan have found each other. They are a beautiful love story."

• "Dan and Stacey come from good Christian and moral family backgrounds," said John Brugeman. "Both the Brugeman and Nield family paths have crossed many times over the last 35 years or so in Northville. It has been a long distance romance, and I truly believe this marriage was meant to be."



OBITUARIES

HARLAN GILL NELSON

Age 79, of Venice, Florida passed away August 2, 2007. He was born January 22, 1928 in Los Angeles, CA and moved to this area in 2001 from Northville, MI. Mr. Nelson was a retired Salesperson for 3-M Corp. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #772, Free Mason, Scottish Rite and a member the Christ United Methodist Church in Venice. Mr. Nelson served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include his wife Lillian Mary (Barbey), daughters, Debra L. (Neil) McIntyre of Ellicott City, MD; Carol (Neil) Crane of St. Clair Shores, MI; son, David B. of Denver, CO: grandchildren, Rachael McIntyre, Connor McIntyre and Isabelle Crane. Memorial services Friday, August 17. 2007, 10am, brunch to follow at Mentor United Methodist Church, Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH. Memorial donations may be made to TideWell Hospice and Palliative Care, 5955 Rand Boulevard, Sarasota, FL 34238, American Liver Foundation, 75 Maiden Lane, Suite 603, New York, New York 10038 or Christ United Methodist Church, 1475 Center Road, Venice, FL 34292.

GEORGE R. SCHWEIM

A longtime resident of South Lyon died August 5, 2007. He was 64. George was born September 7, 1942 to Walter and Dorothy (Griswold) Schweim in Northville, Michigan. He was a 1961 graduate of Northville High School. He was a skilled toolmaker for Rock Tool Company. He enjoyed gardening. Survivors include his loving children Dawn (Jim) Hammel of Nebraska and Susan (Jon) Tellier of Caledonia; his dear grandchildren Silas Hammel, Ethan Tellier, and Beatrice Hammel; his brothers Walter (Sharon) Schweim and Arthur (Nancy) Schweim; and his sisters Jean Pyle and Ruby (David) O Brien. He is also loved by many family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers Ward Schweim and Charles Schweim. A memorial service was held Wednesday, August 8, 2007 at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. in Northville. Pastor James McGuire officiated the service. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Alzheimer's Association, 20300 Civic Center Drive, Ste. 100, Southfield, Michigan 48076.



ANNIVERSARY

The Stuarts

John and Sally (Perry) Stuart will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Saturday with friends and family at the Plymouth Crossing restaurant. A party will follow at the home of their daughter and son-in-law.

The couple was married Aug. 17, 1957, in Ecorse. They have lived in Northville since 1969.

John was born in Detroit and is currently retired. Sally was born in River Rouge. She is also retired.

Their children are Scot and Venessa Stuart of Colville, Wash.; Todd Stuart and Mauricio Gutierrez of Ferndale; Stacy and John Callahan of Northville; Craig and Jackie Stuart of Huntington Woods; Adam Stuart and Joe Turner of San Diego, Calif.

The couple's grandchildren are Katie and Kevin O'Brien: Cassie and Mariah Stuart; Sage and Treman Stuart; Emma and Abby Callahan.

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The Zeniseks

WEDDING

Carolyn Elizabeth Robar and David john Zenisek were married Saturday, Dec. 2, 2006. at St. John's Chapel, Plymouth, reception immediately followed at this location.

The bride is the daughter of Wayne and Sue Robar of Highland. She is a graduate of Madonna University, Livonia. She wore a white satur Casablanca dress with a chiffon overlay.

The groom is the son of Donald and Dorothy Zenisek of Northville. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and presi-dent of Castle Landscape Company, Northville.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii. They reside in Chelsea

ENGAGEMENTS

Kelly & Steele

John and Michele Kelly of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Ryan Mae Kelly, to James Bryant Steele, son of William and Ann Steele of Novi The bride-elect is a 2001 gradu-

ate of Mercy High School and 2005 graduate of Michigan State University. Ryan Mae is currently a third year law student at University of Detroit Mercy School of Law and will take the bar exam in July 2008.

The groom-elect is a 2002 graduate of Catholic Central High School and a 2006 graduate of Michigan State University. Currently, Bryant is employed with Liberty Mutual Insurance as an account representative.

A Dec. 21, 2007, wedding is planned with the mass and reception at the Inn at St. John's. The couple will reside together

in Novi after their honey moon

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Helzer & Rundell

Lenox Township announce the engagement of their daughter RickieLynn Helzer to Bill Rundell, son of Howard and Jacquie Rundell of Northville.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Richmond High School and attended Macomb Community College. She is currently employed as a home loan profes-

uate of Northville High School. graduating from Western Michigan University in 2000 as an aviation management major. He is currently serving on active duty with the Michigan Air National Guard's 107th Fighter Squadron at Selfridge Air National Guard

An Aug 25 wedding is planned.

Peter and Darlene Daniels of

sional with Cranbrook Loans.

The groom-elect is a 1996 grad-Base as an F-16 pilot.

The bride-elect is a 2003 gradu-ate of Northville High School. currently attending Ferris State University, pursuing a degree in hotel management. She resides in Big Rapids. The groom-elect is a 2002 grad-

uate of Kalkaska High School. currently attending Baker College, pursuing a double major in criminal justice and psycholo-gy. He is also a Clearwater Twp. Fire and Rescue reserve officer for Kalkaska Sheriff's Department, a volunteer for the Big Rapids Fire Department and Marine Patrol. and employed by Maintenance Plus Construction. Inc.

Sharon Burt of Northville

announces the engagement of her daughter Leah Kalane Burt to

Kyle Lee DePeel, son of Don and

Terri DePeel of Kalkaska

A wedding is planned for Aug 18.





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Army Pv1. Michael D. Stafford has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. He is the son of Scott Stafford of Northville, and he's a 2006 graduate of Northville High School.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bay onet training, dnll and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Navy Seaman Recruit Adam R. Blotkamp, a 1997 graduate of Northville High School, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Blotkamp completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

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Woman's body found in pond; detectives search for identity

Autopsy to be done yesterday

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

The big question is "Who is she?" Country Club Village condominium complex in Northville Township turned into a segment from the hit TV show "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" on Tuesday when a woman's body was found in the retention pond near the intersection of Six and Haggerty roads.

A passing motorist called 911 about 3:40 p.m to report that she saw something unusual in the water.

"She was driving by, looking at the ducks in the pond, and observed something that was strange," said John Werth, township director of public safety.

"She pulled up onto Village Run Drive, got out to look and observed that it was a body lying face down."

White female with dark hair

The victum is described as a white female between 30 and 40 years old with dark hair with a reddish tint. She had a purplish pink ring on her

left ring finger, but it did not look like a wedding ring, according to police.

The woman was wearing a turquoise shirt and bra with no clothing on from the waist down, police said.

Reports from neighbors said the body could have been there for as long as a week, but that was not consistent with what police found. Medical examiners will be able to

determine the approximate time and death and how long she had been in the pond, Werth said.

"It's too early to tell, but it doesn't appear she's been in there as long as people are saying that she was."

Wenth said high heat and humidity causes a body to decompose more rapidly.

Sheriff's Office divers on site

The woman's body was removed from the water with the assistance of staff from the Wayne County Medical Examiner's Office.

The woman had suffered blunt force trauma to the front and back of her head.

Det. Bill Helke was on hand for the autopsy performed on Wednesday to collect evidence. Four divers from the Wayne

County Sheriff's Dive Team began searching the 4-to-5-foot deep retention pond for any evidence Wednesday morning. Township evidence technicians were also on the scene.

"We're searching the pond for any physical evidence or clues as to who this woman might have been or any evidence of weapons," Werth said.

Divers perform a grid search in a certain pattern.

"We're doing the right side first because there are drains and piping there in case there were any items that could be pulled to the pump," he said.

Command post set up Tuesday

Police immediately secured the area as a crime scene and set up a command post, with officers and fire department personnel present throughout the night.

The entire pond has been roped off with yellow tape.

"We need to know who this woman is," Werth said, "so we can at least provide some comfort to those who want to know what happened to their loved one."

Police are checking missing per-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

Members of the Wayne County Marine Division Search and Rescue perform a dive at a pond at Northville Township's Country Club Village Wednesday morning after a woman's partially-clothed body was found there Tuesday afternoon.

son reports through the Law Enforcement Information Network and area assisted living facilities, but no one has been reported missing in the area, Werth said.

"We are getting some people calling in, but we don't have any solid leads right now," he said. "It's a CSI puzzle right now. We've got to put the pieces together."

Werth said the last homicide in Northville Township was in the early 1990s when Michael Bebo, a store detective at the Meijer store was stabled to death with a steak knife by a 16-year-old Detroit man.

Resident's reaction to crime

A seven-year resident of the complex, who preferred not to give her name, said all was quiet when she came home about 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday. She heard about the incident from a friend who watched the 5 p.m. TV news.

'I don't like this kind of excitement," she said. "It's mostly older people who live here. To have this kind of thing happen shakes you

George Dimopoulos, owner of the Senate Coney Island Restaurant just inside the entrance to the condominium complex, said, "This is terrible. I can't believe it happened in Northville. I think somebody from far away dropped this body here."

Anyone with information regarding this crime can contact the Northville Township Police Denartment at (248)349-9400.

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Council agrees to help Novi pay for Beck improvements **Beck Road Reconstruction**

Officials admit they should have asked city sooner

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Jim Gallogly said Novi city officials were more than a day late asking for Northville's help on recent improvements to Beck Road

But. according to they Northville Department of Public Works director, they're not going' to be a dollar short.

On Monday night, members of the Northville City Council agreed to pay \$27,350 to the city of Novi for improvements to Beck Road - half of the \$54,700 cost of the new asphalt. Total cost of the project for Novi is about \$92.000. They're only asking for half

the cost of the materials - no labor or rental of equipment costs," said Gallogly.

"If they would have gotten with us last January, we probably would have agreed to pay for half the cost of the materials and labor." Gallogly said. "They understand that they should have brought this to our attention sooner and are asking us to contribute now."

Funding will come out of the city of Northville's street fund. Gallogly said city of Novi DPW crews took about three days to pave a portion of Beck Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads.

This segment of Beck Road is under the jurisdiction of both Novi (on the west side) and Northville (on the east side).

Typically, communities don't share jurisdiction of road rightsof-way like this." Gallogly said. "However, in this case, there is joint jurisdiction.

Major political turmoil

The city of Novi has had several public hearings, as well as an engineering report performed on this major north-south connector.

There is major political turmoil in Novi over improvements to Beck Road," Gallogly said.

Discussions have run the gamut — from just resurfacing the two-lane road to creating a

fiye-lane road. Gallogly said Novi Mayor David Landry supports a fivelane road but may be open to the construction of a full boulevard.

Northville City Council members seem to favor the boulevard approach over a five-lane roadway.

"Beck Road is going to be a major artery in the next 10 years. said Jim Allen, Northville City Council member. "It's an important corridor. But, I don't want a five-lane road next to Maybury Park. 1 think a boulevard would be less noisy."

Less traffic through downtown

Carolann Ayers, Northville Mayor Pro Tem, said Northville residents want Beck Road to be upgraded so motorists don't use

Northville streets, ",", "It is in the city's interest, to ncourage through traffic along Beck Road instead of the Sheldon-Randolph-Taft corridor. which cuts through the heart of the Northville community," Gallogly said.

Homeowners in both communities whose property fronts Beck Road have let their thoughts be known to city officials. A five-lane road would literally place the roadway in some

of their front yards. Gallogly said if Northville city officials want a boulevard on Beck Road, the city of Northville will have to pay for it. Allen believes Northville resi-

dents would feel they had been "consumed by suburbia" if Beck Road is widened to five lanes.

"We do have a say in what happens," Allen said.

Novi has decided to improve its sections of Beck Road in phases, performing some twolane resurfacing, three-lane enhancements and a five-lane portion near Grand River Avenue.

Ultimately, Novi officials hope to secure federal funding to construct a four- or five-lane road from Eight Mile Road to 1-96.





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CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLICE REPORT

Items lifted from store

At about 4:05 p.m. on July 27. the owner of Moon and Me. located at 116 E. Main St., reported a woman had taken several items from the store without paying for them.

City of Northville police were dispatched to the scene about 4:20 on the day of the incident. The store owner alleged an Asian female with long, black hair wearing a flower dress and a white blazer took a blanket and some clothing from the shop.

The responding officer found a woman who matched the description inside Scottie's Kitchen, but there was a language barrier.

The woman said she was visiting her husband, who is working in Novi. She then called her husband and asked him to come to the scene. She repeatedly denied taking anything from Moon and Me, but the owner said she wanted to prosecute the woman, who returned to Japan last Saturday.

The officer and store owner

conducted a search to locate the items, but were unable to locate any of the pieces.

Man cited for disorderly conduct

A 24-year-old Northville man was cited for urinating in public (disorderly conduct) after an officer observed him relieving himself outside the Wagon Wheel Saloon, 212 S. Main.

A city of Northville police officer was performing a routine check of the rear of the bar's parking lot, when he observed the 24-year-old on the northwest portion of the lot, facing west.

His posture led the officer to believe he had been urinating in the bushes along the edge of the parking lot. His belief was confirmed upon getting closer to the man, who was also found to be intoxicated.

The man's court date has been set for 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 16.

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Northville man's 'pour' invention ready for market

Pour Thing becomes a reality 10 years later for Straub

By Nathan Mueller STAFF WRITER

John Straub was sitting on his couch one evening about seven years ago when the idea struck him — again.

He wanted to invent a device that would help people have an easier time pouring products such as milk or a two-liter bottle of pop. He rushed to his garage and formed the first prototype - out of plywood - of what eventually became the Pour Thing, a refrigerator bottle-pouring device.

"There is nothing else like it on the market," Straub said. "I'm surprised no one else has done this."

Straub first thought of the idea 17 years ago while camping with a friend. They had a five-gallon container of water, and it was impossible to pour without spilling. At the time, he wondered what could be done to make it easier, but did not have the concrete plan to act on it.

That is why when it hit him 10 years later, he didn't hesitate. The Northville resident is not money to the product.

an avid inventor. His house is not full of possible ideas that didn't make it. He is just a person with a creative mind who had a vision and followed through with it.

"People went crazy over it when they saw it," he said. "Kids love it."

Pour Thing is an apparatus that holds a liquid container and allows it to pivot and pour. It is designed to help people pour their gallon or two-liter container with ease and without making a mess. It is especially helpful to chil-

dren and the elderly, as they often cannot maintain a good grasp on the container.

Straub said he read that one percent of new inventions get on the market and 1-in-20 actually make money. The odds aren't in his favor, but he believes Pour Thing will be the exception.

"Judging by the response I've gotten from people, this is the one of 20." he said.

Even if the product doesn't make it, it will have been worth the hassle. Straub got the patent for the product about three or four years ago, and that was the easy part, he said.

After getting the patent he had to market Pour Thing and get it manufactured. He sent the product to manufacturers such as Rubbermaid, Whirlpool and KitchenAid for about five years, but no one wanted to commit

One day Jen Groover, an on-air guest host with QVC and creator of the television show "A Mom's Life." called Straub about Pour Thing. She set him up with a friend of hers who directed him to a company that would manufacture the product.

The product was released about four weeks ago and Straub is still searching for a venue to sell the product in. A medical supply company already has Pour Thing in its catalog and the manufacturer is coming up with a Web site to promote and sell the product.

Straub said he has shown the product to about 2,000 people and only three said they did not care for it.

"It targets everyone," he said. The fact that a lot of people like it is very rewarding."

The product got its name from a five-year-old girl who overheard Straub talking with her mother about naming the product and that is what she shouted out.

There are currently two variations of the Pour Thing. One is suited to hold gallon containers and the other for two-liter bottles. Both can be purchased for \$19.95 each by contacting Straub at (248) 446-0206 or by e-mail at buartsj@aol.com.

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The Pour Thing, a device that helps people pour their drinks without making a mess, was invented by Northville resident John Straub. Straub started working on the invention seven years ago, and it just recently hit the market. Cost is \$19.95 each.

Several new tenants soon to fill some of downtown's vacancies

Marketing has helped pave way

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Lori Ward said Northville residents can look forward to some grand openings in the downtown area soon.

The former American Spoon store on the corner of Main and Center streets has a new tenant. Script in the City, which will sell cards, custom invitations, stationary, gifts and other items.

Tanya Rynicke of Brighton, who currently works as an interior designer at Images Interior

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Design Center, 107 N. Center Lots of space still available Street, and her business partner, Azia Suerth of Grand Rapids, plan to open the store by the end of September.

Rynicke is the daughter of Linda Krause, owner of Images. 'Our mission is to create

unique and lifelong memories for all occasions," Rynicke said. Although she can't release

specifics yet, Ward said a new tenant has expressed interest in occupying some space in the Long Building across from Northville Square on west Main Street.

A new tenant may also be moving to Mary Alexander Court south of the new Town Square Redevelopment Project soon as well.

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Although the vacancy rate is still than higher Downtown Development Authority staff would like for it to be, "We're starting to pick up steam with the holidays coming," Ward said. Helen's Uptown Cafe's lease also

expires in about five months, so a new restaurant may be moving in there, too.

The Chase restaurant in Northville Square is scheduled to open its doors in the near future, too, as soon as some details are worked out concerning the transfer of the owners' liquor license.

The big push this week in the Town Square Project on Main Street between Center and Hutton streets has been the finishing touches on

the north side of Main Street.

We will be finishing up this week and will change over to work on the south side of Main by the end of the week," said John Hasinski, field superintendent from McCarthy & Smith, Inc, of Farmington Hills.

The new curb layout should begin soon on Mary Alexander Court on the south side of the project, with the pedestrian walkway being switched to the side by the Rock on Main clothing store.

Work will also begin this week on the footing for the fountain, with the sidewalk on the south side of Main Street closing.

Hasinski said the fountain will take about two and a half weeks to construct.

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Meanwhile, the honey locust

trees that will go in the large planters are being cared for at a local nursery.

Ward said last weekend's Annual Sidewalk Sale was very successful, and that 18 dozen hard hats have been given out so far to area children and others, compliments of McCarthy & Smith. "The kids just love them." Ward said.

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Sarunus Mingela of Northville, adjunct professor in the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences at Wayne State University, earned Fellow status in the American Industrial Hygiene Association. The distinction is given to those who have made significant contributions to the field of industrial hygiene; only 5 percent of the AIHA membership qualifies for the status.

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in Michigan is proud to announce that David P. Robison of Northville has successfully completed the necessary documentation of his ancestry to qualify for membership in the Society of Mayflower Descendants. He was able to link his heritage to passenger George Soule, who arrived in the harbor near Plymouth, Mass., on the Mayflower ship in November 1620. Soule of the Mayflower was one of the adult male passengers that signed the immortal Mayflower Compact on Nov. 11, 1620.

Sue Hillebrand, Northville Township clerk, is a new member of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks Board of



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Hillebrand achieved her Certified Municipal Clerk status in 2003 and has attained the first level of the Master Municipal Clerk designation.

She is an accredited election official and has completed the State of Michigan Accredited Election Inspector Training. Hillebrand will serve as direc-

tor of the state association's Ways & Means/Media Relations, has chaired the Clerk of the Year committee for two years and is a member of the education committee.

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Administrative proposal could cut utility costs

District could save more than \$3.5 million over seven years

By Jason Carmel Davis STAFF WRITER

A recommendation made by Public School Northville Assistant District Superintendent of Administrative Services Dave Bolitho could cut district energy costs and effectively reduce consumption.

Bolitho proposed the Energy Consultant Recommendation to the Northville Administrative Services Subcommittee at the Aug. 7 subcommittee meeting. The district board of education will vote on Bolitho's proposal during its regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Old Village School, located at 405 W. Main St. If approved, the measure would save the district more than \$3.5 million over a seven-year period. Bolitho will also recommend the hiring of a

part-time energy manager. "This plan will reduce expenditures and help offset some of the dismal future revenue issues we continue to see until the economy turns around," Bolitho said.

District natural gas, electricity, and water costs have

increased exponentially since the 1999-2000 school year. In an effort to cut costs. Northville administrators implemented a two-year initiative that was supported by joint project divisions that would have cut energy costs, Bolitho said. He added the district fell just short of its goal.

Bolitho said it's difficult to determine day-to-day usage in each building. He said the district looked at energy cost per square foot at one time, too.

Some changes that have been made include the implementation of daytime and evening lighting in each district building.

"You don't need the lights on all day at all the buildings," Bolitho said. "There were times when a custodian would come into a building and turn the lights on in the cafeteria at 6 a.m. when no one would be in there until 7:30 a m. for breakfast.

Motion sensors have also been installed in district classrooms as a part of a new lighting system, Bolitho said. If there is no movement in a room after about 10 minutes, the system shuts off.

'Each principal looked at everything and revised building needs and we came up with a plan." Bolitho said.

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Energy costs within the Northville Public School district have increased at a high rate since the 1999-2000 school year. Here is an estimated look at where costs were eight years ago, as opposed to where they sit now.

Year	Natural Gas	Electricity	Water
1999-2000	\$155,000	\$968,000	\$82,000
2006-07	\$741,000	\$1.36 million	\$113,000

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Surplus 2004 bond funds could go toward building modifications

School district has between \$1 million and \$1.5 million left over

By Jason Carmel Davis STAFF WRITER

Northville Public School District Administrative Services personnel is putting together a priority list of how remaining funds from its 2004 bond should be spent.

Several projects from the \$35.7million bond issue have been completed under budget, leaving the district with between \$1 million

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Vanderbilt University

The following students graduated from Vanderbilt University's Peabody College of Education and Human Development during spring commencement cere monies.

Michael Edward Gabrys, son of Edward and Dr. Elizabeth Gabrys of Northville, received a bachelor of science degree with majors in secondary education and biological sciences and was a member of Kappa Delta Pi, an education honorary society.

Carolyn Arnold Dobson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Dobson formerly of Northville and now of Vadnais Heights, Minn, received a bachelor of science degree, summa cum laude, with majors in human and organization eevelopment and French. She was a member of Pi Delta Phi, the National French Honor Society, and received the Dean's Award.

Northwood University

Lauren E. Brackel, daughter of David and Erin Brackel of Northville, graduated this spring with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Jeffrey W. McCullough, son of J. W. and Patricia McCullough of Northville, graduated with an associate's of arts degree and a bachelor's of business administration degree this spring.

Kenyon College

Laura K. Goehrke, daughter of Sally Carroll of Northville and Robert Goehrke of Chesterland, Ohio, has been named to the Merit List at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio for the second semester of the 2006-07 academic year. A student must achieve a minumum grade-point-average of 3.45 to be named to the Merit List and \$1.5 million in bond funds. The remainder of the projects are set to be completed by the end of the summer, according to district Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services Dave Bolitho.

Although the funds are available for the district to use, the money can't be used on items that weren't included in the approved bond proposal. Bolitho said.

"We had some people from the (American Disabilities Association) come in and said we didn't meet certain requirements," Bolitho said. 'They told administration some modifications needed to be made. If we're able to, we'll go ahead and add that to the priority list."

Mill Middle School and Silver Springs and Winchester elementary schools, along with mechanical controls projects at Hillside Middle School, will be completed by the start of school on Tuesday, Sept. 4. He added the growth that has taken place within the Northville Public School district is amazing.

"We've made improvements and renovations at all the schools in the district," Bolitho said "We built Northville High School and Ridge Wood (Elementary School), too. What has transpired in that period has been incredible."

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Focus Tina Nouaime, 5, carefully watches the moves of her oponent during last week's chess camp at the Recreation Center. The week-long camp was taught by Jon Herron, who wanted the campers to remember mostly to "think before you act."



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Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences

Jami Tei Jackson received the doctor of osteopathic medicine degree (DO) on May 20. Dr. Jackson is the daughter of Michael and Jody Duhaime of Northville.

She is a 1997 graduate of Novi High School; received her bachelor's degree in biological sciences in 2001 from the University of Southern California, Los Ángeles; and a master's degree in public health in 2003 from the University of California, Los Angeles.

Dr. Jackson will complete a postdoctoral residency in pediatrics at Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, Mo.

Adrian College

The following Northville students have been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester: Brett Asher, Emily Karr, Lindsay N. Tomasak.

Bowling Green State University

The following Northville students have been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester: Alison M. Thorpe, daughter of Brian and Diana Thorpe; Leo R. Svoboda, son of Kenneth and Kathleen Svoboda; Jennifer J. Davis, daughter of William and Shirley Davis; and Simone B. Toney, child of Frederick and Cynthia Toney.

Ohio State University

Adam Konst, 2003 graduate of Northville High School graduated cum laude on June 10, receiving a bachelor of science in business administration degree. He is currently employed at New York Life Insurance Company.

Ferris State University

Amanda Didyk and Adrianne Thelen of Northville were awarded bachelor's degrees from Ferris State University in May.



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Civic Concern sponsors 15th backpack drive

Donations to benefit Northville Public School **District students**

By Jason Carmel Davis STAFF WRITER

Sharon Eidsness, wife of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Pastor Joel Eidsness, said their church, located at 40000 Six Mile Road, runs by a specific mission.

The church has been a part of the Northville community for about 10 years, Eidsness said, and has been involved in a number of community service projects.

"Our feelings are our presence should be felt and our absence should be missed." Eidsness said. That motto led to a meeting

with Northville Civic Concern Chair Marleen Kunz. Kunz convinced Eidsness to take part in the group's annual Backpack drive. which will benefit school-aged children in grades K-12 of Civic Concern clients. Kunz estimates the group will distribute more than 100 backpacks on Friday. Aug. 24, just a little more than a week before school starts Tuesday, Sept. 4.

"This is a really special project for (Ward) to be involved in. Eidsness said.

Several Northville churches and civic groups have already enlisted for the effort, and Ward will serve as the site where the backpacks will be filled with essentials, such as notepads and highlighters, and other items like Crayons, markers, and Kleenex, A supply list will be taken from teachers in the area so the children will have everything they need

Like Eidsness, Margaret Zonca is new to working with Civic Concern. Zonca helps out Civic Concern's neighbor in the Highland Lakes Shopping Center, Consignment Clothiers. She said she's surprised to hear how many people are shocked to hear about the benefit efforts going on in the community.

"I don't know how many times I've heard people say. "there's poor people in Northville." Zonca said. "There's all income levels in Northville. This is something that can help out the kids whose parents don't have extra."

"The things that go into a backpack can cost \$100 easy," Kunz said. "What's going on (at Civic Concern) can help free up money for utility bills and gas and other necessities."

The group is asking for dona-tions of backpacks and/or school supplies and healthy snacks that schools are asking for. Gift cards from retailers such as Target and Meijer will also be accepted and can go toward the purchase of school shoes and clothes, Zonca said.

The packing will take place from 9 a m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 20 at Ward. Donations will be accepted through Sunday. Aug. 19 at both Civic Concern and Consignment Clothiers, along with a number of churches in the area.

Joy Bloxam is participating in her initial backpack drive, too. Although the four communityoriented women expect to pack about 120 bags, Bloxam said the event will be a learning experience.

"Hopefully, it'll just take up one day, but we could be packing for a couple of days," she said. "It'll be fun, though. We just want to get the bags to the kids before registration for school starts."

School supplies will be accepted through Sunday, Aug. 19. Items included: boxes of Kleenex, anti-bacterial wipes and hand gel. disinfecting bleach wipes, sets of eight markers, sets of 24 and 48 Crayons, sets of 12 colored pencils, wide and collegiate ruled filler paper, one- and three-subject notebooks. composition note-books, index cards, red pens, dry erase markers, pink pearl erasers, highlighters, pencil cases and sharpeners, metric and inch rulers, fine-point felt-tip markers. dou-tang folders with pockets, notebook divider tabs, three-ring binders, clear-view three-ring binders, standard size (8.5" x 11") clipboards, and post-it notes.

Gas and gift cards from stores such as Target, Meijer, Kohl's and Wal-Mart will be accepted, as well. Civic Concern is also accepting non-perishable foods, such as canned meats, cereal, and peanut

Drop-off points

Civic Concern, in conjunction with a number of Northville-area churches and civic groups, is sponsoring its 15th annual Backpack drive. Here is a list of places where donations can be dropped off through Sunday, Aug. 19.

 Consignment Clothlers (Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza)

42947 W. Seven Mile Road

• First Presbylerian **Church of Northville**

200 E. Main • First United Methodist Church

777 W. Eight Mile Road Northville Civic Concern (Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza) 42951 W. Seven Mile

Road Our Lady of Victory **Catholic Church**

770 N. Thayer St. • St. Paul Lutheran Church 201 Elm St.

• Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church 40000 Six Mile Road

butter; and miscellaneous supplies, which include diapers, paper products, cleaning supplies, bar soap, toothpaste, and sham-**D00**

While the Backpack drive runs through the month of August, Civic Concern continues to accept food donations. The group asks that prospective donors check the dates of the items they wish to donate, as they cannot distribute out-of-date items.

For more information on the Backpack drive, call Zonca at (248) 348-5283.

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Pf JOHN Novi Henry Ford Health Center doctor Steve Millas checks on patient Robert Maurer, 15, during a recent visit to the Eight Mile Road facility

Henry Ford Health System sets up second local location

New medical center to span 130,000 sq. ft.

By Chris Jackett

Henry Ford Health System will open a new medical center in late November on the northwest corner of 12 Mile and Haggerty roads

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Court correct to uphold requiring photo ID

Despite the cries of Democrats who evoke images of poll taxes and intimidation, the state Supreme Court was correct when it upheld a 1996 state law that requires voters to present pictured identification, such as a driver's license, at polling places.

Although we agree with the ruling, we are most troubled by the apparent partisanship that has gripped the state Supreme Court. The vote on this case was 5-2 on strictly political lines.

Supreme Court decisions are supposed to be based on law and not according to the wishes of the political party that nominates the justices. It's not clear that the court is operating in that matter.

This is not a Draconian act; after all, people routinely produce a driver's license whenever they board a plane or when they make even a minor purchase on a credit card at a store. Shouldn't the accurate identity of a voter be as important as a DVD purchase at Best Buy?

The law has never been enacted because attorney general opinions called it unconstitutional. The Supreme Court ruling - produced because of a state House resolution introduced by State Rep. Chris Ward (R-Brighton) - trumps those decisions.

Those who oppose the requirement of photo identification charge that the act amounts to a poll tax, a reference to Deep South tactics of denying votes to blacks with the use of impossible-to-overcome barriers --- such as excessive fees or impossibly difficult literacy tests.

But those who don't have or who cannot afford a driver's license or other photo identification merely have to sign an affidavit that confirms their identity. That's not a difficult' hurdle.

A more serious concern is the allegation of voter intimidation. Democrats create images of busloads of Republican operatives streaming into Detroit to intimidate cowering inner-city voters. It's not as far-fetched as it sounds. Republicans roared into Florida and produced what some called a mob scene during the infamous 2000 presidential recounts.

Such intimidation would be abhorrent, illegal and a threat to our constitutional democracy. If it occurred in any form, the solution is to prosecute vigorously. The threat or fear of illegal actions is no justification, however, for failing to ensure that only qualified people cast ballots.

Another argument from photo identification foes is that such legislation is unnecessary because there is no widescale example of election fraud. That's not a very serious argument, since few people voluntarily admit they've been casting illegal ballots. Besides, it doesn't take universal corruption to turn an election. In the Northville area alone, we've had several key elections in the last decade that have been decided by a thin margin. Our system is better served if the public has confidence that only eligible voters made the decision in such close races. As it is, a voter in Michigan need only fill out a sheet with his or her name, address and birth date, which is all easily obtainable information. Producing a driver's license --- or other photo identification - is an unobtrusive step that will increase the legitimacy of elections. The demagoguery of Democrats in opposing this move is troubling and hurts the party's cause since it lets Republicans argue that Democrats might have something to gain if phantom voters are casting ballots. Better both parties united to ensure fair and accurate election results.

Bush said it would be difficult

Irene Piccone ("Help bring troops home" 8/2/07) thinks that instead of spending \$10 billion a month on war, we should be helping the helpless, and she goes on to urge Congressman Thaddeus McCotter to support her position.

Irene, of course, is a classic pacifist. If people like Irene had prevailed in the 1940's, the world today might well be run by Nazi Germany and Imperialist Japan. We would have saved the money spent on World War II and the lives of our soldiers, but who knows how many death camps would have popped up in the U.S. to handle people who refused to go along with the regime. This, of course, is hypothetical because in 1941 we declared war, we fought, good men and women died, we won and we remained free.

Since then, our record has been somewhat tarnished due to people, who, like Irene, would rather "get along" at all costs with our enemies.

In 1950, the North Koreans attacked South Korea. We fought the war to a stalemate and negotiated a "peace agreement." We did not defeat the enemy. Why? Because, the many pacificsts brought political pressure on our government to negotiate with the enemy. Thus, North Korean aggression was never defeated and still exists today.

In 1964, we had Vietnam. It lasted 10 years, 58,000 good men and women died, and due to political pressure from the pacifists in our country, we pulled defeat from the jaws of military victory. As a result, litterally millions of people from Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos were executed by the Communists.

The latest threat to our peace is terrorism. It started in 1983 when several hundred Marines were killed by a bomb in Lebanon. Our response was to ignore the threat. During the 1990's, there were numerous terrorist bombings of American interests throughout the world. We responded like Irene would have liked us to by either ignoring the threat, complaining to the UN, or by firing a missle or two in the general direction of the Middle East. Our enemies were laughing at us. We were the "paper tiger who was afraid to fight."

Then came 9/11 and 3,000 innocent citizens were summarily executed in New York City. I wonder how sorry Irene felt for those families? This time, we did not take it laying down like the pacifists wanted. President Bush said it would be a very long and difficult war, unlike anything we experienced before. He was right! We need to defeat these people no matter how long it takes, and if we do, the "helpless" will have been helped far more than they would have been by one more welfare program to compliment the ones that already exist. Thank goodness Congressman McCotter understands this.

> John Hamann Northville

Down the road syndrome

After reading yet another commentary about our state legislators' reluctance to do their job and fix the state buget, I would like to offer a possible answer.

As a construction worker, I have at times had difficulty finshing a project at home, much to my wife's displeasure. While I know of no studies to substantiate, when asked, four out of five construction worker wives that getting their husbands to finsh a job around the house can take a long long time. A possible reason for this is that in our paying jobs as construction workers, we know that when the job is finshed we must go. Some may go to the next job; some just go 'down the road.' Granted, this should not apply in private life, yet that thought of no longer being needed can still be there. This could be what is keeping our legislators from doing what we sent them there to do (this 'down the road' syndrome) - that if the job is finshed, we will no longer need them.

The difference in construction is if we don't do our jobs, we can be sent down the road at any time. Too bad we have to wait for the next election for them.

> **Charles Tindall** Novi

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What happens in Detroit impacts us all

In a recent interview with newsman Chris Wallace on "Fox News Sunday," Newt Gingrich, a rumored Republican presidential candidate and former Speaker of the US House said, The Detroit public school system currently graduates 22 percent of its entering freshmen on time and fails to serve 78 percent of the young people in Detroit. "We should basically, fundamentally replace the Detroit school system with a series of experiments to see if they'll work."

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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 life-long 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: towatkins@aol.com.

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percent graduation rate in 2005, the last year for which figures are available. That's right, 68 percent. Makes you feel warm and fuzzy inside knowing that only 32 percent of the kids did not finish high school. There are disputes about whether this figure American kids. means 32 percent did not graduate or they moved to another district. Regardless, even if this number were cut in have it does not bode well for the future of Detroit, the region or state. One child not graduating from high school in this hyper-competitive world its one child too many. Let's remember, this is more than a statistic, this is someone's child who will be without an adequate education to survive, let alone thrive, in the 21st century, technologically-driven, global knowledge economy. The children of Detroit are not simply competing with the kids in Novi and Utica or Ohio and Florida ---they need to be ready to compete against the children of the world.

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the dropout problem in this state and nation were considered a public health issue, it would be an epidemic. The dropout crisis is worse in our urban centers and affects far too many African-American, Hispanic and Native

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issue when I started serving as state superintendent of schools in 2001. Legislation has been offered to change this law. It has languished in committee for years - but nothing happens. Why? Politics being what it is -it is easy to shoot the messenger. However, Gengrich has provided an opportunity for Michigan to take action to prevent this educational genocide with our children. A child without a quality education is more likely to end up in prison and on the public dole. This is a tragedy that impacts us all. Newt Gingrich is fond of saving, "Real change, requires real change." As the old motor oil commercial used to say. "You can pay me now or you can pay me later." Doing nothing has a major moral and economic impact on all of us. Bashing Gingrich will do nothing for the many children without the education and skills necessary to succeed in this tough world. How about a little change for our children?

Corrections

In a column on page 9-A of the July 26th issue Dian Fossey's name was misspelled. Also, the movie made about her, "Gorillas in the Mist," portrayed her as being killed by gorilla poachers.

In an article on page 10-A of last week's issue about a girl who was allegedly bitten by a dog at the Community Dog Park, it said Community Dog Park is near the post office. It's in Northville Community Park at Five Mile and Beck roads.

Gingrich also went on to blame union control of teachers and other public employees for Michigan's overall economic problems as a reason why Michigan sticks out like a sore thumb as other states prosper.

I am not a public school/union basher or a member of the Newt Gingrich fan club. But I am troubled by the by the bobbing and weaving that resembles Muhammad Ali in his prime when it comes to addressing the dropout crisis in Detroit, in Michigan and in America. The first part of problem solving is admitting you have a problem. Detroit, we have a problem!

As expected, there were quick howls from the Detroit Community. Many responded by telling the Republican presidential wannabe to butt out of Detroits business. Dr. Jimmy Womack, president of the Detroit school board and a decent man, challenged the dropout statistics used by Gingrich. According to the Michigan Department of Education, the district had a 68

Our children deserve better

This problem is not contained to Detroit. If

To make matters worse, Michigan has a law that makes it legal for a child to drop out of school at the tender age of 16. Drop out to what? Those good high-paying factory jobs? To work on the family farm? To the streets? This law is statesponsored stupidity at best, and institutional racism at it's very worse. If we had the same dropout statistics in our white middle class communities as we do in far too many minority communities there would be a rush to solve the problem.

Raise hell - raise the dropout age

Gov. Jennifer Granholm has supported raising the dropout age (there is a corresponding need to develop alternative pathways for success for these kids) since I pushed the

State Senator Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) represents the 15th Senate District, which

LANSING CONNECTION

Bill to expand drugcomparisons Web site approved by Senate

Legislation to expand and improve a Department of Community Health (DCH) Web site listing prices for the most commonly used prescription drugs recently passed the Senate. Senate Bill 525 will ensure the

www.michigandrugprices.com Web site includes the top 150 prescribed drugs in Michigan (as reported by the state's Medicaid program), as well as any other commonly prescribed prescription drugs used to treat major illnesses and diseases so that consumers can compare prices of their medications.

The bill states that if a brand name drug is listed, the site must include that drug's generic equiv-

alent, if available. Currently the Web site does not list generic equivalents. Until recently, the DCH Web site listed only 30 prescription drugs.

SB 525 also guarantees the site includes:

· A minimum of five links to other useful Web sites that can provide assistance to consumers:

• The MDCH's toll-free number that Michigan residents can call to find out what prescription drug programs they may be eligible for including free and discounted prescription drug programs; and

· An advisory statement alerting consumers of the need to tell their health professional and pharmacist about all the medications they are taking so that know how to avoid harmful interactions between medications.

The legislation will ensure the site is properly maintained and expanded to include valuable information such as listing generic drugs and their prices. With today's Senate approval, Michigan is one step closer to having one of the most comprehensive drug information Web sites in the country.

The legislation now heads to the House for consideration.

Bill protecting consumers at the pump introduced in Senate

Senate Republicans introduced a bill that will protect consumers by holding gas gougers account-able. Senate Bill 631 will add a fine of up to \$1,500 for a first violation for gas gouging and not more than \$3,000 for a second offense. If an individual persistently and knowingly violates the measure, the court may assess a



Orchard Lake, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom.

civil fine of up to \$25,000.

In addition to the added fines, the legislation, dubbed the Consumer Bounty on Gas Gougers Act, rewards individuals with up to 50 percent of an assessed fine if they provide information that leads to a gas gouging conviction. The bill also empowers the attorney general to issue an injunction blocking an

individual from selling gas if there is an indication that person engaged in gas gouging. SB 631 has been referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

Currently, if you have a concern on price fixing or gas gouging, you can file a complaint with Attorney General Mike Cox at: 1-877-765-8388. To report

excessively high gas prices, contact the U.S. Department of Energy at the following Web site: http://gaswatch.energy.gov.

As always, I look forward to your comments. You can contact me by e-mail at senncassis@senate.michigan.gov, or toll free at 1-888-38-NANCY.

HOT TICKET: Friday Night Concert wrap up with the rockin' blues of Randy Brock Group at 7 p.m. Cal Stone, editor (248) 349-1700, ed. 113

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NORTHVILLE EVENTS

Farmer's Market

TIME/DAY: 8 a.m.-3 p.m. every Thursday LOCATION: Corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon Roads Chef's at the Market Series TIME/DAY: 8:30-9:30 a.m., third Thursday of every month

through Oct. 18 DETAILS: Each session in the series features a local chef and walk through the market to examine and choose fresh produce, cooking demonstration, chat with the chef, samples and a recipe

card to take home. Session is free

Waish College Business Institute Hot Topics Workshop

and no registration required.

DATE: Today TIME: 8:30-11:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Walsh College Novi Campus

DETAILS: Topic is "What Every Business Owner Needs to Know about Strategic Business Leadership." Program will provide information on planning processes and methods for small and mid-sized businesses for increased success; tickets \$45 for Walsh alumni and partner members, \$15 for students, \$90 for all others. Register at https://www secure.waishcollege.edu/forms/Co rporateServicesForms/CorpEv.

Friday Night Concert Series

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

SCHEDULE: tonight, Randy Brock Group.

DETAILS: Sponsored by Main Street Bank, Northville Downtown **Development Authority**

First Friday Art and Fashion Walk

DATE: Friday TIME: 6-9 p.m. LOCATION: Downtown Northville

DETAILS: Experience art exhibits, art demonstrations, fashion and related events strolling through Northville: visit http://downtownnorthville.com/W hatsGoingOn/FirstFridays.htm.

Northville Mustang 2007 **Kick-Off Gala**

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m.-midnight



Tricks of the trade

A Flying Aces Frisbee team member gets some helping in spinning one of their discs during their Monday visit to the Northville District Library. The team was there as part of the library's summer reading program for young readers, and introduced everyone to a wide variety of flying discs and some of the tricks of the trade.

"Thanksgiving;" Dec. 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

Getting Kids Involved with Butterflies

TIME/DATE: 7 p m. Wednesday, Aug. 15 LOCATION: Nankin Mills, 33175

Ann Arbor Trail DETAILS: Hosted by Southeast

Michigan Butterfly Association; parking on Hines Dr. or Ann Arbor Trail; kids free, \$3 non-member

Northville Library and Novi Civic Center

DETAILS: Visitors welcome. CONTACT: (248) 231-2334 or www.gardenersnorthville-novi org

Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or Dinner Theater - "In Stitches" TIME/DATES: 6:30 p.m. Saturdays through Sept. 8; 6:30 p.m. Monday, August 13; and 6

Vegas

17: 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19 DETAILS: Stars Sherman show \$35.

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. nuð vchæ DETAILS: Do the La-Di-Da; lunch and show; \$35 per person. 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 oatch.

\$40; student drop-in rate \$11 per class; registered student extra class \$8; make-up allowed in Legion class through Alg. 27; scholarships available; start anytime, no charge first visit. CONTACT: Diane Siegel-DiVita

at (248) 344-0928 or trianglesix@sbcglobal.net

Barnes & Noble 17111 Haggerty Road Author Kirk Lignell TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22 LOCATION: Children's Department DETAILS: Lignell will read from his book "Listen to the Raindrops," perform "The Storm Song," and sign books. As The Page Turns Bookstore

Event LOCATION: 149 N. Center St.,

Suite 102, Northville **Book Signing**

Discussion

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Monday DETAILS: "Books, Chat and Chow for Teens" joins adult group "Between the Lines" to discuss "The Dollmaker" by Harriette Arnow. This classical novel tells the story of a Kentucky family who migrates to Detroit to work in the factories during World War II. Movies and Munchies at Noon

for Kids SCHEDULE: Tuesday "Chicken Run;" Thursday, Aug. 23 "Jimmy Neutron, Boy Genius" DETAILS: Bring your lunch;

snack and beverage provided; all ages welcome; children up to age 4 must be accompanied by caregiver.

Foreign Film Series TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m.

Mondays DETAILS: Aug. 20 "Prisoner of the Mountains" Russian with English subtities.

YNK, You Never Know,"

DATE: Through Aug. 22 DETAILS: Exciting programs for students entering grade six through high school; chances to win prizes; register at information desk to receive schedule of events; includes several video game competitions. **YNK Final Party**

TIME/DATE: 1 p m. Wednesday, Aug. 22

DETAILS: Join us for fun, food and video game extravaganza: DDR, X-Box 360 Racing and PS2 Guitar Hero; register at Information Desk or call (248) 349-3020.

Board Meeting TIME/DATE: 7:30 p m. Thursday, Aug. 23 DETAILS: Public welcome. **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.

SENIOR **EVENTS**

Thursday 9 a.m.: Take Off Pounds Sensibly 9:30 a.m.: Yoga 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Massage by appointment 9:30 a.m.: Strength Training

Friday 11 a.m.: Poker

Saturday, Nov. 3

www.genittis.com p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29 DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person; running through

November. Elvis Musical Tribute from Las

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. Amold; Friday show \$45, Sunday

Big Daddy's One Man Show

Oakwood Cemetery Walk

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

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LOCATION: 215 Griswold Ave. DETAILS: Mail-order tickets on sale July 15, forms available at Mill Race Village, community organizations and merchants; Admission \$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.

Novi Civic Center and the

DETAILS: Visitors welcome.

visit www.gardenersnorthville-

CONTACT: (248) 231-2334 or

Northville Library.

CONTACT: Historical Society office (248) 348-1845

Mustang Stampede of Pride TIME/DATE: 7-11 p.m.

1 p.m.: Movie "Letters from Iwo Jima"

LOCATION: Laurel Manor. 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia

DETAILS: Evening includes hors d'oevres, dinner, dessert, dancing, live performance by Ultra Violet, open bar, silent auction, raffle for a \$2,000 necklace and a jersey, \$75 per person; 21 and over; please register by Aug. 1; information and forms available at www.northvillemustangs.com; proceeds benefit the Northville High School Football Program.

CONTACT: Barb Eckhout (248) 348-5934 or visit www.northvillemustangs.com

Northville Eclipse Baseball Club

Baseball from the 1860s: Rules, equipment, terminology; Free. TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 19

LOCATION: Ford Field, Mill Race Village

DETAILS: Eclipse verses the Mighty River Hogs of Midland County (Aug. 11) and the Wood County Infirmary Inmates (Aug. 19).

The Art House

LOCATION: 215 Cady St. Plein Air Juried Art Exhibition TIME/DATE: 1-5 p.m. Thursdays, 1-9 p.m. Fridays, 1-5 pm. Saturday and Sunday Wow! That's Colored Pencil? TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7; 1-5 p.m. Thursdays; 1-9 p.m. Fridays; 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through Sept. 29 DETAILS: An exhibition high-

lighting the versatile medium of colored pencil; features the work of award winning area artists; during First Friday Art Walk, light refreshments will be served.

"Creative Kids"

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DATE: Second Saturday of the month through December 8: Aug. 11 "Bugs and Butterflies;" Sept. 8 "Colored Pencil;" Oct. 13 "Print Exploration;" Nov.10

aguns; register number of kids at (734) 326-0578 or www sembabutterfly.com.

Wade Show Carnival

TIME/DATES: 4-10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16; 4-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17; noon-11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18; noon-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19 LOCATION: Northville Downs

DETAILS: Carnival features rides, games, amusements; free admission to the midway, \$1 each ride tickets; \$18 per day "Pay one Price:" discount coupons available at Northville Chamber office; sponsored by Northville Downs and Northville Record.

Downtown Development Authority Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, August 21 TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: City Council Chambers, 215 W. Main St. CONTACT: downtownnorthville.com

Northville Book Club

TIME/DATE: 7 p m. Friday, Aug. 24 LOCATION: Starbucks, 302 East Main St DETAILS: "Gone With the Wind", Margaret Mitchell CONTACT: northvillebookdub@gmail.com

"Don't Dress for Dinner"

DATE: Saturday, Aug. 25 LOCATION: Tipping Point Theatre (Cady and Griswold) DETAILS: Opening night of the new theater. CONTACT: (248) 347-0003

Gardeners of Northville and Novi

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. second Monday of each month, Sept.-May LOCATION: Rotate between

Marguis Theatre

LOCATION: 135 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or www.northvillemarquistheatre.co m

Summer Theatre Camp Registration

DETAILS: Openings for session 4 (12:30-6 p.m. Aug. 6-17) and session 5 (8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Aug. 20-31); boys and girls age 8-14; call theatre for information. Rapunzel

TIME/DATES: 10:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 6-10, 13-17; 11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Aug.11,18, 25; 2.30 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 8, 15, 25; 2 30 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 9, 16, 23

DETAILS: Tickets \$8; no children under age 3 please; group rates and reserved seating for 20 or more. Teachers, school dates available weekdays.

Northville Yoga Class

DATE: Mondays through Aug. 27 (no class Aug. 6); Thursdays through Aug. 23 (no class today). TIME: 5:30-6:45 p.m. Monday, all levels; 5:20-6:45 p.m. Thursday, Yin Yoga; 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Yoga II; 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, all levels; 9:30-11 a.m. Thursday, Northville Senior Center. LOCATION: American Legion Hall, 100 Duniap at Center Street. Note Thursday morning class held at Northville Senior Center. **DETAILS: Summer Session**

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7

DETAILS: Cynthia Furlong Reynolds of Ann Arbor will sign copies of her new children's books: "Grammie's Secret Cupboard" and "Across the Reach."

Passport Fair

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 LOCATION: Northville Township

Offices, corner of Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

DETAILS: Applicants must apply in person, minors must be present. Each applicant must have: Proof of American citizenship, valid photo I.D., two recent identical photos of applicant (available for \$15 per person at fair). Both parents must be present with minor child. Fees: Adults 16 and older \$67, need check or money order payable to U.S. Department of State (\$52 for 15 years and younger); also cash or check payable to Northville Twp. for \$30; total cost \$97 per adult, \$82 per child. Applications available at township offices or download from http://travel state gov.

Northville Genealogical Society

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Mondays LOCATION: Northville District Library

DETAILS: Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members in Local History Room at library, also by appointment. **CONTACT: Title Van Sickle** (734) 595-7806 or www.rootsweb.com/~mings

Gardeners of Northville and Novi

DATE: Second Tuesday of month, September through May TIME: 6:30 p.m. LOCATION: Rotates between

DETAILS: Community event to benefit NHS athletes; food, music, silent auction; donations needed; \$25 per person; plan for proceeds posted in high school athletic office.

CONTACT: Michelle Mamo (734) 254-1164 or Julie Felicelli (248) 380-5691

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.

The Hat Show

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. tonioht DETAILS: Lori Hoffman, the "Hat Lady" presents a history of women's hats from the 1800s-1950s (inspiration for Victorian Festival).

Multi-Generational Book

Wade Show Carnival next week

The carnival midway comes to Northville in mid-July with plenty of rides, games, and other amusements. The four-day car-nival will be located at Northville Downs and will feature midway rides, games and other amusement attractions.

The Carnival midway is a Wade Shows production; Wade Shows strives to create a park-like setting in the midway, providing clean grounds, an abundance of plants, shrubbery and other landscape materials that give the feeling of visiting a permanent theme park. Plenty of benches are provided for resting and food courts feature clean, comfortable tables.

Admission is free to the midway with individual rides tickets \$1. "Pay One Price" wristbands will be available each day for \$18; discount coupons are also available at the Chamber office.

The carnival is sponsored by Northville Chamber of Commerce, Northville Record and Northville Downs.

SHOW TIMES:

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Thursday, Aug. 16, 4-10 p.m. • Friday, Aug. 17, 4-11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, noon-11 p.m. • Sunday, Aug. 19, noon-5 p.m.

Monday

9:30 a.m.: Strength Training 10 a.m.: Oxycise 11:30 a.m : Line Dance Picnic

Party

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre Tuesday 10 a.m.: Blood Pressure Check

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

Wednesday

8 a.m : Cash & Cruise Trip 10 a.m.: Oxycise; Legal Assistance

noon: Bridge 7 p m : Bridge

Co-ed Adult 50+ Volieyball

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

at Hillside

DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1. CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

Co-ed Adult 50+ Basketball TIME/DAY: 10 a m.-noon Thursdays

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Governor proclaims Aug. 6-12 to be "Farmers' Market Week"

Northville Farmers' Market to welcome special guest today

By Jason Carmel Davis STAFF WRITER

To raise awareness about farmers markets and encourage Michigan residents to buy local food, Gov. Jennifer Granholm has declared the week of Aug. 6 to be "Farmers' Market Week" in Michigan. The celebration coincides with National Farmers Market Week as proclaimed by U. S. Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns

"I encourage the people of the

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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LOCATION: Senior Community Center DETAILS: All levels of play wel-

come; bring your friends; \$1. CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

Health Walking

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

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TIME/DATE: 12 30 p.m second Thursday of each month DETAILS: Call Senior Community Center 24 hours in advance to register; S1 per person.

Senior Olympics

DATE: Aug 20-24 **DETAILS:** Communities from Western Wayne County will participate: golf, swimming, pinochle, billiards, bocce ball, bowling, biking, table tennis, baking, 5K Run and Fun Walk.

CONTACT: Northville Senior Adult Services (248) 349-4140

MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village

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

DETAILS: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday, Office open CONTACT: (248) 348-1845 Thursday: 9 a.m. archives open Friday: 9 a.m. archives open Saturday: 1 p.m. Eclipse

United States to celebrate the ben-

efits of farmers markets and the

bountiful production of our

Nation's farmers with appropriate

During this week, farmers mar-

kets across the country are to be

recognized as outlets for agricul-

tural producers who act as the

stewards of our land. Farmers

markets offer consumers farm-

fresh, healthy products; serve as a

link among urban, suburban, and

rural communities; and support

tocal anti-hunger initiatives. Granholm specifically acknowl-

edged farmers markets for their

contribution to Michigan's econo-

my and the overall health of

Sher Watkins, marketing man-

ager for the Northville Chamber

of Commerce, said she thinks

Granholm's proclamation will

help attract people who haven't

Michigan citizens.

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Johanns said.

and activities,"

Baseball Sunday: 10 a.m. Mill Creek Church; 1-4 p.m. Village open; 1 pm. Heirloom Rug Hookers; 4 p.m. Private Party Monday

7 p.m. Lions Club Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang Wednesday: 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m. Mill Creek Church Grounds closed to public

MAYBURY STATE PARK

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier roads) CONTACT: (248) 349-8390; Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or

www.FriendsofMaybury.org. Horseback Riding TIME/DATE: April-November

DETAILS: Horses for rent for quided trail rides. **Children's Programs**

DETAILS: Children's programs offer many different ways to get outdoors and 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. **Animal Tracks** TIME/DATE: 1 p m. today

experienced Farmers' Markets. Heritage Variety corn, which has She added she admires the governor for her active participation in promoting farmers and farming issues in Michigan.

"Farmers' Markets are a great way to get people in local communities to eat local food and support local farmers," Watkins said. "Everything is always fresh. and the markets are great community experiences."

Watkins said she has visited several Farmers' Markets across the state. She didn't hesitate to tout Northville's, either, as she said there's so much available each week for buyers to purchase.

Watkins added that between 60-72 vendors flock to the Northville Farmers' Market, which is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Thursday. Michigan farmer Archie Jennings will be in attendance today, displaying his

Friday Fishing in the Park

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Saturday

DETAILS: Bring blanket and

favorite stuffed animal; children

under 10 must be accompanied

by adult; meet near Concession

Astronomy! Reading the

TIME/DATE: 10 p.m. Saturday

DETAILS: The annual Perseid

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.

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Building.

Night Sky

meet at Oak Shelter.

Evening Story Time

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday

Story Time

some varieties that are more than 100 years old.

Jennings will also demonstrate grinding techniques with his antique grain grinder as a way to show Farmers' Market patrons how flour was made years ago.

"We're excited to get this kind of recognition by the state to bring farmers markets into the public eye," said Dru Montri, project manager for the Michigan Farmers Market Association (MIFMA).

MIFMA is a statewide organization developed to advance farmers markets to create a thriving marketplace for local food and farm products. It places farmers markets at the forefront of the local food movement and works to ensure all residents have access to healthy, locally grown food and that Michigan farmers markets receive policy support.

Residents can also consider joining MIFMA to participate in the statewide effort of advancing Michigan farmers markets. Membership information can be found

www.farmersmarkets.msu.edu by clicking on the "Join MIFMA" tab.

For additional information about Michigan farmers markets, including a directory of market locations, visit www.farmersmarkets.msu edu.

The Michigan Farmers Market Association is supported by a grant from Project for Public Spaces, Inc., with funding provid-ed by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

Northville Record staff writer Jason Carmel Davis can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext 108 or jasondavis@gannett.com

Chef event slated Aug. 16

The next event in the Northville Chamber of Commerce's Chefs at the Market series will take place from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 16.

Chef Susan Pitzenbarger-Allie and her friends will share appetizer recipes, fod styling techniques and serving tips for entertaining.

There is no charge, and registration is not necessary. For more information, call the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640.

DETAILS: Wear shoes for getbe accompanied by adult; bug ting muddy; one-hour program; spray, proper footwear recommeet at Riding Stable parking lot. mended; meet at Concession Area.

Beaks Feet & Feathers TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Monday

DETAILS: Learn basic fishing techniques. Bring a pole if you DETAILS: Learn about birds; have one; meet at Riding Stable create bird feeder from recycled parking lot. Adults must have materials; meet at Concession valid fishing license to partici-Area.

"Life Cycles"

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Tuesday DETAILS: Prepare to hike in sun with bugs; parents welcome to join; one-hour program for ages 6-12, meet at Concession Buildina.

Terrific Turtles TIME/DATE: 1:30 p.m. Tuesday

DETAILS: Find out about turtles; meet at Riding Stable park-

Backyard Birds TIME/DATE: 10 a m. Wednesday

identifying birds; one-hour program for all ages; parents encouraged to join in; meet at

GOLF **OUTINGS**

Brighton Hospital Annual Golf Classic

DATE: Monday

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

"Good Grief" Golf Outing

DATE: Saturday, Sept. 8 TIME: 10 a.m. LOCATION: St. John's Golf and

Conference Center, Plymouth **DETAILS:** Proceeds from this outing will benefit the New Hope Center for Grief Support. The cost

for a four-person scramble, which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch, dinner, contests and prizes is \$125 per person. Dinner only is \$35 per person. Sponsorship

opportunities are available. CONTACT: Patti Bingham, (248) 348-0115 or go to www.newhopecenter.net

16th Annual Fall Golf Scramble

DATE: Friday, Sept. 14 TIME: 9 a.m. registration, 10 a.m. shotgun start

LOCATION: Brentwood Golf Club, 2450 Havenwood, White Lake

DETAILS: 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch at turn, prime rib dinner, contest, awards, hole-in-one contest, and prizes; \$95 per golfer paid by Sept. 7, \$105 after Sept. 7; hosted by Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce.

Old Village & Cooke Schools Golf Fundraiser

TIME: 7:20 a m. Registration; 8 a m. shotgun start

- DATE: Saturday, Sept. 29 LOCATION: St. John's, 44045
- Five Mile Road, Plymouth DETAILS: All proceeds benefit*

handicapped students from 17



STRESS FRACTURES

The number of stress fractures is on advancing exercise regimens slowly. called stress fractures, develop most to crack. For additional information often in the legs and feet. The risk of this about anything discussed in today's col-

the rise. Women are particularly vulner- Upper body stress fractures usually able because they are more active than occur when there is repeated movement ever before and more prone than men to or impact to a certain area. Tired musthis type of injury. Microscopic breaks in cles may also lead to stress fractures, the bone result from excessive loads since weakened muscles transfer the being placed on the bone. These breaks, stress to bones and joints, causing them



GEMOLOGIST

DETAILS: "Frogs and Toads:" one-hour program designed for ages 3-6; make and take activity; Oak Shelter. brief hike or game; children must LET'S TALK GARY S, WEINSTEIN:

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as a public service. If you, or any member of your family, has continued difficulty

P.S. Year-round or seasonal allergies? Visit our website for further information.

look forward to helping you.

www.allergyinfo.org

Midsummer Night's Flights

Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 8:00pm at Mezza Mediterranean Grille in Novi From July 18 through August 22

Sample a set of wines (~5) with hors d'oeuvres

- Learn about interesting wines from 8TB representatives
- A new selection every week
- Enjoy summer evenings on Mezza's deck
- · Featured wines can be ordered at special pricing that night

Price: \$20 per person plus tax & gratuity

No reservations or advance tickets required Mezza: 42050 Grand River, Novi, between Novi & Meadowbrook roads

> For details on this week's wines... call: By the Bottle 248-344-8992 visit: www.bythebottlenovi.com



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P.S. Stress fractures produce pain that may mirry other types of injuries, making professional diagnosis imperative.

www.northvillephysicalrehab.com



districts in Wayne County, supporting music therapy and art programs, leisure and recreational programs, special events, student equipment needs. Hole sponsorships and donations needed. Golf and dinner \$100 per person; dinner only \$30; hole sponsor \$100, contest sponsor \$50; raffle/door prize donations of any value needed. Make checks payable to Old Village School, deadline Sept. 12.

CONTACT: (248) 344-8460 or (248) 344-8489

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 Baptist Church of Northville

LOCATION: 217 N. Wing CONTACT: (248) 348-1020 Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

St. John Lutheran Church LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road,

Farmington Hills, between Grand River and Freedom Roads CONTACT: 248-474-0584

First United Methodist Church of Northville

LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 Sunday Worship

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TIME: 8 30,10 a.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 under "Support Groups."

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

Annual Picnic & Softball Game

DATE: Sunday DETAILS: Kids Game 2 p.m., Adult Game 3 p.m.; picnic to follow, hamburgers, hot dogs and ice cream provided; please bring dish to pass, table service and favorite beverage. CONTACT: (248) 207-7897

Detroit First Church of the Nazarene

LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty Road

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

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 20s and 30s Women's Bible DATE: Tuesdays TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. LOCATION: Room C317-319 DETAILS: Study Scriptures in 12 week program "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 available;

Lawrence Tech at Schoolcraft College

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.

morning and afternoon sessions for children 3, 4 and 5 by Dec. 1: tuition and schedule information 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, 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)

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Margy.Burkhart@wardchurch org LOCATION: Emeritus Room (upper level) DETAILS: Various topics and speakers Networking/Midlife

347-1063.

CONTACT:

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- DATE: Aug 23 DETAILS: Robert Scanlan
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Cells: Free emergency lifeline for seniors

By Tracy Mishler SPECIAL NEWS WRITER

Gloria Baskey only needs her cell phone for emergencies.

And though she's never even turned it on, the 79-year-old Meadowbrook Commons resident knows her link to emergency support is just three numbers away.

The Novi Senior Center offers free cell phones to seniors for emergency situations.

The cell phones, donated Monday through Friday at the center, have been wiped clean of their memory and only dial 911.

"I've never wanted one," Baskey said. "When I came here, I was asked if I wanted to carry one. I thought it was handy to have."

Like Baskey, many seniors primarily want cell phones in case of an emergency.

Jan McAlpine, senior center coordinator, said people feel more comfortable having them while driving and walking.

"If there is an accident or they feel ill, it's a relief to know they can get assistance," McAlpine said. "It's absolutely an added precaution."

The Novi Senior Center has offered the free cell phone program for the past three years and McAlpine said the seniors are grateful to have them.

She said more often than not. cell phones are bought for seniors by their children.

"Most of the people I know have them primarily for emergencies," she said. "Most seniors would rather have land-line phones and not deal with the hassles of cell phones."

Public safety applauds

Novi Chief of Police David Molloy said the free cell phone program is a tremendous effort of the City of Novi in providing additional protection for the growing elderly population.

"Anytime we can provide senior residents with the resources to activate emergency services, the better off they will be," Molloy said. "During a medical emer-



Novi Meadows residents Virgene Radtke, Evelyn VanOver, and Connie Cronin all have and use cell phones.

gency, seconds and minutes are critical and if we can get our medical first responders there as quickly as possible, the benefits are immeasurable."

Other neighboring communities also offer free cell phones for seniors in case of emergencies.

The Northville Police Department has been working with the Northville Senior Adult Services to provide free cell phones for seniors and those with special needs.

Those interested in receiving a phone should contact officer Matt Clemence at the Police Department.

Phone services on all donated cell phones have been deactivated and only dial 911.

Know your location

Northville Township Director of Public Safety John Werth said those using the emergency cell phones must remember to tell the 911 operator their locations when calling

"I think senior citizens need to be educated; these phones do not tell us where they are at," Werth said. "A lot of people are under the impression that once you dial 911 their location comes up automatically.

This is false. Only on house phones we can (track locations.) A lot of seniors dial 911 and lay the phone down. (Seniors) need to be reminded to stay on the line and tell the dispatcher their location and what the problem is." McAlpine said most seniors don't want to pay the monthly charge to have a cell phone either. They can be expensive," she said. "And transmission is not as

good sometimes than with a land-line phone." Lt. Victor Lauria, of the Novi Police Department, said the free cell phone programs for seniors is a fantastic program, as it is an immediate link to emergency services.

"Not only does it provide you with instant access, it also benefits the larger community." Lauria said. "Seniors are out there in the community and are a very observant group.

"One of the most important aspects of police work is gathering information. Most of the information in crimes that we come across come from people calling us and telling us about different problems and instances that have occurred."

Lauria said he encourages everyone to call 911 if there is an emergency or when noticing something public safety personnel should be made aware of.

"Cell phones are important in the community," he said. "In terms of medical emergencies alone, if you have a cell phone, it could be a life saver.'

Cell phones Where: Novi Senior

Center Location: 25075 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

Available: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Price: Free to seniors

and those with special needs

Donations: Cells phones can be donated daily, but must include a battery and charger.







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Some of the Mustang defense takes a breather during Monday's start of varsity football practice.

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Football practices begin for Michigan high schools

By Jeff Theisen NEWS SPORTS WRITER

Eootballs are flying all over the state of Michigan

High school football practice began Monday All other fall sports are soon to tollow, but football gets an early start because the first games will take place Aug 24 for Northville, Catholic Central and Novi

While practice started Monday, it really begins today in most coaches eyes. The first three practices are non-contact without pads Today, the real hitting begins, and the coaches can get a much better assessment of their players.

Mustangs

Northville head coach Ryan Hockman returns a boatload of upperclassmen from last year's team that struggled to hang with senior-laden opponents.

The team isn't necessarily the biggest on the block, but the experience and knowledge of the program are sure to help Hockman and his assistants get things rolling quickly. "The best thing in our case is we've got so many more seniors than we've had." Hockman said. "There's a big difference between juniors and seniors. Having more seniors is a big difference." Having the players out allows the coaches to finally know exactly who they have to work with, but they won't know everything until the pads come out "It's dancing until you put the pads on." Hockman said. "We can find out who the players really are (in pads)." Hockman said the offense is a little further along than the defense with a full load of receivers, three starting offensive lineman and a quarterback that saw significant playing time - all returning. The beginning of the day is a bunch of clerical work, dispensing equipment, get-ting the names down and taking care of the physical cards, but getting on the field was the best part for Hockman "I told the players. 'I was driving in this morning and I was thinking I have to do this, this and this," Hockman said, "But then I thought, shoot, this is football. This is great."

Wildcats

Novi head coach Tab Kellepourey had around 50 kids come out for the varsity team Monday. He uses the first few days of practice to remind all the players how to do

things from the basics on up Once all the paperwork was done, the Wildcats took to the field for the first of many two-a-days.

Today is opening day for us, but it really is learning how to play football in a safe condition." Kellepourey said. "In the first three days we go back and refresh the kids memories about how to tackle and how to block and how they learn to play so they can obviously play football"

Each practice tells Kellepourey and his assistants more and more about his players.

"We're evaluating our kids right now --how they respond to their coaches, how they respond to their teammates, how we

Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northwile Record A Mustang wideout catches a pass during Monday morning's opening day of practice for the upcoming season.



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Coed 2s champs

The Serve & Hope team of Noelle Chomos and Tom Teeters (pictured) won a thrilling champlonship match over the Double Down team of Lindsay Wiercinski and Ted Powell two games to one. Double Down won the first game 25-15 but Serve and Hope came back and won two exciting games, 25-23 and 26-24.

Final Standings

- 1. Serve & Hope
- Double Down
 Orange Juice
- 4. Killing Game
- 5. Crashers
- 6. No D
- 7. Shockers
- 8. Team Knezek



Best of the Coed 4s

Team Manager Sarah Appelt and the Irish Setters team won the Coed 4s Wednesday league with a 2-0 championship win over Team Manager Dave Mantei and the Trickle team that had been in first place

all season. Irish Setters won 25-17 and 25-21.

Pictured, from left: Jason Dinsmore, Miki Pierson, James Stepke and Sarah Appelt.

Final Standings

- 1. Irish Setters 2. Trickle 3. Dig It
- Mooseknuckle 7. Triple D's

6. Team

- 8. Team NorthRidge
- 4. Shockers 5. Spiked Punch

■ PRACTICE: High school teams take to the fields

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put them in position and see if they understand offensively or defensively." Kellepourey said. "We try to put them in the best situation that they can participate with the team."

He also is looking forward to getting the pads on for a better look.

"(Today) is what we consider to be our opening day." Kellepourey said. "Opening day, your making cracking sounds with the shoulder pads.

"It's great to get our season going right now."

Shamrocks

Monday marked the start of Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach's 31st year with the Shamrocks.

He admits he might not get as fired up as some younger coaches, but he certainly looks forward to getting on the field.

"Our kids have been working real hard since December." Mach





said. "It's good to actually get to the point when you could actually work with a football. It's a lot more fun for everybody getting in actual football plays."

The Shamrocks started with around 85 players last year. This year. Mach and his coaches are teaching to around 65 players, a number much more manageable.

"We put a little more emphasis in the offseason with making your workouts," Mach said. "It's kind of worked out better (less guys). It's a much more manageable group."

Mach doesn't waste any time getting things rolling. Despite the no-contact conditions early, he's already working on drills, basic techniques and working in plays.

"You want them to be able to do it before they actually get hit doing it," said Mach with a laugh. "We're trying to get as many reps in to as many people as we can. take a look at them and see who has the potential to play their positions."

First game

The learning curve has to go pretty quick for all high school teams. After today, teams have two weeks of practice before taking the field for their first game.

The Northville Mustangs open up at home against South Lyon. The Novi Wildcats start on the road at Farmington High. Catholic Central starts at home against Detroit Southeastern

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Mustang lineman battle each other during Monday's practice.

Bummin' around

Four Northville HS volleyball players, the Beach Bums, finished runner-ups in The 3rd Annual High School Summer Challenge, a 3-on-3 sand volleyball tournament at the Wayne Co Parks & Rec sand courts Aug. 5. The Beach Bums in the picture are Madison Owen, Kristy Mueller, Alaina Ryzner and Emily Ryzner. The girls got through pool play with a 4-2 record to qualify for the playoffs. In the semifinals, the Beach Bums won 17-25, 25-18, 15-3 over KJS. They lost in the finals to Sandy JANs (from Okemos/Dexter/Ann Arbor) in a close match, 25-23, 25-18.





Another title

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The Northville Travel 16u girls fastpitch softball team were the champions of the WWCL League. Including winning their league, the team won two tournaments this summer on their way to compiling an impressive overall 27 and 7 record. This team is a community team whose members are all attending Northville High School. The teams they competed against all summer were made up of players hand picked by their coaches from various high schools for that particular team.

First row, from left: Kristen McNamara, Alyson Varley, Alexandra Kaszuba, Nara DeMuro and Kelsey Whelan. Second row: Kelsey Lewis, Megan Sklut, Jamie Cotrone, Coach Jim Long, Allison Holmes, Samantha Doud, Brittany Birdsall, Megan Hofmeister.

Missing: Lisa Haverkate, coaches Teryn Chrzanowski and Megan Colligan.



Indians

On Friday, July 13th, the Northville Baseball had their championship game in F-league baseball, which covers ages 13-14. It was a very competitive game, with the Indians beating the Yankees, 15-12.

Front, from left: John DeSilva, Robert Zuerlein, Travis Compo and Tom Wagner. Rear: Bob Wagner, Rick Zuerlein (assistant coach), Kevin

De Coste, Nick Peper, Stephen Champagne, Alex Bush,

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Northville Alumni Race

The Northville cross country teams will host an Alumni Cross Country Race 9 a m. Aug. 18. at Cass Benton. This is an opportunity for all alumni cross country runners and Northville High School alumni to come back and race on the home course. Contact girls coach Nancy Smith at smithna@northville k12 mi.us for more info-

Youth Baseball Camp

The Northville baseball coaches, along with former players in the minros or Division I. will hold a camp for kids entering the sixth grade and younger. 9 a m -noon Aug. 18-19 at the varsity fields. The fee is \$75. To Pre register, contact coach Bill Flohr at pteridactyl@sbcglobal net or (248) 761-9694.

Mustang Stampede of Pride

The Northville Athletic Booster Club will host an auction 7-11 p m Nov. 3 with all benefits going to Mustang athletics

Donations of all kinds (event tickets, providable services or travel vouchers to name a few) will be accepted for the auction Tickets to the auction are \$25

and include entry, entertainment and food. For more information, contact

Michell Mamo at (734) 254-1164 or Julie Felicelli at (248) 380-5691

Novi Heat

The Novi Heat travel baseball team is holding tryouts for the

2008 team. Kids ages 9-14 can tryout 9-11 a.m. Aug. 18 at Community Sports Park (Eight Mile and Napier) In case of bad weather, the tryouts will be moved to Sunday.

For more information, go to www.noviyouthbaseball org or tome@palmermoving com

Novi Tastefest

The Novi athletic boosters invite everyone for the "ultimate tailgate" at the Sept 21 home football game.

Several restaurants will offer their specialties from 5 p m to halftime. All proceeds will benefit Novi High School. Tickets will be available for purchase for use with the food vendors of choice.

For more information, contact Marianne Mikkelsen at (248) 921-9163.

Novi's Fratto returns to Lions postgame shows

Novi's Bernie Fratto will once again be a part of the Detroit Lions broadcast team, co-hosting the postgame shows following Lions games on 97.1 FM. In addition, he will assist on pregame shows, coaches shows. and file reports from Lion's Headquarters in Allen Park.

"It is a privilege to be back in this role," Fratto stated. "Working with some of the best talent in the business and being

part of a first class organization is a responsibility that I hold in high regard." During his tenure with 97.1

FM. Fratto has also covered the NBA Finals and the MLB All-Star game as well the 2006 World Series last fall between Detroit and St. Louis.



Jon Ferrer, Brian Wildey and Ray Wildey (coach). Not pictured: Austin Lightner, Nathan Lightner and Connor Flayer.





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here's nothing quite like the deficious flavor of food cooked on a grill and enjoyed with family and friends to make a meal feel like a celebration. The same old burgers and dogs may get tiring after a while, though If your barbecue fare needs a little flur, try adding in veggies. Now more than ever, a variety of foods are being enjoyed on the grill It's never been easter to serve up healthful and delicious dishes for a backyard barbecue

Whether you're entertaining friends or preparing a pleasing family dinner, there are plenty of vegetarian guilled recipe options to tempt your taste buds. Sensational veggie side dishes, zesty burgers and veggie skewers add a twist to the traditional barbeque.

Celebrity chef and cookbook author Curtis Aikens uses seasonal vegetables like peas, peppers, potatoes, corn and beans in summer, and squash, broccoli, carrots and onions in autumn to liven up his menu

"It's so easy to make great veggie foods all yearround," Aikens said "I want people to see veggies differently because there are so many delicious recipes and flavors available, your taste buds will never get bored!"

Chef Aikens suggests a tangy combination of fresh baby spinach, tomatoes, cheeses, garlic, basil and olive oil to dress up grilled vegetarian Chik'n Parmesan sandwiches. Bring some paella to the party with his colorful vegetarian dish that uses vegetable stock as a flavortul base. Looking for a refreshing twist on a traditional wrap? Chef Aikens recommends creating a zesty mixture of marinated vegetables with either strips of Morningstar Farms Spicy Black Bean Veggie Burgers or Garden Veggie Patties and wrapping them in a flour tortilla.

For more easy recipes and fun food ideas, visit www.seevergiesdifferently.com

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chef and cookbook author Curtis tikens





Grilled Rustic Roll-Up

Chef Aikens' Party Paella

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Time to Table. 35 minutes

Makes+ 12 cups, 8 servings

- 2 cups finely chopped fresh green beans
- 1 1/2 cups chopped onion
- cloves garlic, minced
- teaspoons olive oil or vegetable oil
- cups vegetable broth or reduced-sodium chicken broth
- cups chopped tomatoes
- cups long grain rice
- teaspoon paprika
- teaspoon ground turmeric
- 8-ounce package Morningstar Farms Meal Starters Chik'n Strips
- 1. In 12-inch nonstick skillet, cook and stir green beans, onion and garlic in hot oil over medium-high heat about 5 minutes, or until tender.
- 2 Carefully stir in broth, tomatoes, rice, paprika and turmeric Bring to boil; reduce heat. Simmer, covered, about 18 minutes or until rice is tender and liquid is nearly absorbed.
- 3. Stir in Chik'n Strips. Cook, covered, over medium-low heat 2 to 3 minutes or until heated through. Serve immediately.

Grilled Rustic Roll-Up

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Time to Table: 90 minutes

Makes: 8 servings

- 2 small yellow summer squash (3 to 4 ounces each)
- 1 medium eggplant (about 12 ounces) 3 1/2-inch-thick onion slices
- 1/2 cup reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- tablespoons olive oil or vegetable oil
- 4 Morningstar Farms Garden Veggie Patties (with more veggies) or Morningstar Farms Spicy Black Bean Veggie Burgers (with roasted corn)
- 8 9-Inch flour tortillas, warmed
- 2 cups chopped romaine lettuce 1/2 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese with peppers (2 ounces)
- 1. Cut each squash lengthwise into 3/8-inch-thick slices. Cut eggplant lengthwise into 12 slices. Place squash, eggplant and onion slices in large rescalable plastic bag. Drizzle with soy sauce, orange juice and olive oil; scal bag. Place in shallow pan; refrigerate 1 to 12 hours, turning occasionally. Drain vegetables. Discard marinade.
- 2. Coat cold grill rack with nonstick coating; preheat grill. Place burgers and onion slices on grill rack over medium

heat; grill 3 minutes. Add eggplant slices to grill rack; grill 3 minutes more. Add squash slices to grill rack Continue grilling 5 to 6 minutes or until vegetables are tender and burgers are heated through, turning once.

3. Cut burgers into strips. Separate onion slices into rings Cut squash and eggplant slices into strips. Top tortillas with burger strips, onion rings, squash strips, eggplant strips. lettuce and cheese; roll-up. Horizontally cut each in half

Note: Recipe makes 18 tablespoons marinade. Three tablespoons of mannade is absorbed by vegetables; remaining marinade is discarded (but is needed to coat vegetables)

Pollo Pomodoro Panini

Prep Time: 15 minutes Time to Table: 25 minutes

Makes: 4 servings

- 2 tablespoons finely shredded or grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil
- cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4-inch-thick slices firm-textured tomato
- 8- to 9-inch focaccia, cut into fourths and split horizontally*
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- Morningstar Farms Chik Patties Original
- 4 slices mozzarella cheese (about 1 ounce each) (optional)
- 1 cup baby spinach leaves
- 1. In small bowl, combine Parmesan cheese, basil and garlic Sprinkle over one side of each tomato slice. Set aside.
- 2. Brush cut sides of focaccia with olive oil; set aside.
- 3. Coat cold grill rack with nonstick coating; preheat grill. Place patties on grill rack over medium heat. Grill 6 minutes, turn patties, grill 2 minutes more. Top each patty with cheese slice, if desired. Place tomato slices, Pannesan side up, and bread pieces, oil side down, alongside patties on grill rack. Grill about 2 minutes more or until cheese begins to melt and bread begins to brown **
- 4. Arrange spinach on half of the bread pieces. Top with patties, tomato slices and remaining bread pieces. Serve immediately.
- *If desired, substitute one ciabatta loaf for the focaccia.

**If desired, prepare in oven. Bake pattics according to package directions. Top each patty with cheese during the last minute of baking, if desired. Remove from oven; keep warm Place tomato slices, Parmesan side up, and bread pieces, oil side up, on shallow baking pan. Broil 4 inches from heat 3 to 4 minutes or until cheese begins to melt and bread begins to brown. Assemble sandwiches as directed above. Serve immediately.

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Mid American Studio offers pom, dance, yoga and fitness classes for all ages

By John R. Hall SPECIAL WRITER

If there were ever a model for a one-stop dance and fitness facility, it would probably look a lot like the Mid American Studio of Farmington Hills. Located inconspicuously at 24425 Indoplex Circle, among the many industrial and manufacturing buildings, Mid American Studio stands out from its competitors both by the services it offers and the convenience it brings to children, adults, and families who are interested in learning various dance disciplines, fitness workouts, and a healthier lifestyle. When the studio opened in 2002 under

When the studio opened in 2002 under the direction of owner Karen Blazaítis, there were 10 weekly dance classes on the schedule. That has grown to 32 dance classes and 25 fitness classes, serving upwards of 350 young students from age 3 to high school seniors and 250 adults of all ages.

Prior to the opening of the studio, Blazaitis had 23 years experience in the industry as the founder and director of Mid American Pompon camps and competitions. She combined that knowledge with her extensive fitness background to create Mid American Studio. This is perhaps one of the reasons for the studio's steady growth and business model.

There are many reasons Mid American has grown to this capacity. Danielle Adam, instructor and director of both Youth Programs at Mid American Studio and Mid American's Summer Pom and Dance Camp Program, explained some of the reasons.

"The kids can take classes in 13 week sessions," she said. "They are not tied down to a full year of dance."

That works well for young students who are committed to other outside activities such as sports programs, pompon, and cheerleading. The studio also offers short six-week

The studio also offers short six-week sessions in the summer to keep kids busy and fit when school is out.

Adam noted that young children have the advantage of a smaller teacher-to-student ratio, which is very important to the



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Short, 13-week dance sessions give students the opportunity to enjoy dance classes without a year-long commitment, which is ideal for girls who participate in sports or other activities at school.



added "Michigan teams and their coaches learn from our staff during summer camps hosted at Northwood University."

Mid American Studio offers both recreational dance classes, as well as an All Star Performance Program, where students are able to perform in front of large groups of people, but not necessarily in the competitive atmosphere that is encouraged at other dance studios.

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"We try to ensure that our 3-5 year olds are in a class where there are no more than 10 students for every instructor," she said. "This type of atmosphere helps young students to learn social skills, as well as dance technique."

Adam said that the largest age group at Mid American Studio is made up of girls from 7th grade to 9th grade who are trying out for their school's pompon teams

"The pompon program we established is used by teams throughout the state" she Memorial Day Parade in Farmington.

"We want our kids to have the opportunity to perform in front of others," Adam said.

Another way that the studio keeps its name out there is to provide a retail outlet for students to purchase all of their dance and pompon team gear.

The retail store is also open to area schools

Teams can call the studio to receive star treatment from the staff who will travel to their school and get them set up for the

"Our main goal at Mid American Studio is for our clients to stay active. We want to keep people of all ages moving, to help them learn to maintain a healthy lifestyle."

> — Danielle Adam Director and Instructor

Mid American Studio offers summer pom and dance camps and has a retail store for all of the team's needs. They also have an All Star Performance Team that provides talented girls with the opportunity to perform in parades and at the Detroit Pistons game.

season in an organized fashion.

Visitors to the facility are impressed with the state-of-art equipment, clean work-out atmosphere, and friendly personnel.

The 12,000-square-foot building has three full studio rooms, two private instructional rooms, a television/waiting room where parents can watch their children via closed-circuit cameras, and workout rooms featuring equipment for aerobic/cardio conditioning, weight and resistance training, Pilates, and Yoga.

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"All of the equipment is provided for our clients," Adam said. "They don't have to bring anything."

She noted that there are discounts available for families with more than one member enrolled in at the studio. Children enrolled in multiple classes also receive a discounted rate.

"Our main goal at Mid American Studio is for our clients to stay active," Adam said. "We want to keep people of all ages moving, to help them learn to maintain a healthy lifestyle."

With the variety of choices available to youths and adults, is it any wonder that Mid American Studio is quickly becoming the place to be in the Farmington Hills area?

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Young ballet students receive instruction in one of four themed studios at Karen's School of Dance in Highland.

Karen's School of Dance takes dance moves across the world

By Sally Rummel SPECIAL WRITER

> tudents who dance in this spacious 6,000-square-foot dance studio can travel the world even if their feet never leave the ground.

With themed studios from New York, Paris and Disney World, Karen's School of Dance allows its students to "dream big," while practicing their dance steps in Highland.

Large murals depicting "The Big Apple" and "Parisian Scenes" form an inspiring background for both competitive and recreational dance students - all of whom receive the same quality adds Kern, who has been teaching instruction from a staff that numbers six teachers, including studio owner Karen Kern. The younger students really enjoy the Disney-theme studio, while the Signature studio offers a place for guest teachers and graduating seniors to "leave their mark" on its walls. In addition to Karen Kern, teachers include Stacey Harrison, Jennifer Smith, Kathy Clark, Stephanie Fica and Liliya Ruhukya. Ruhukya, who was trained in Russia, serves as the studio's ballet director. The studio's full-time manager is

Maureen "Moe" Hoye and receptionist is Nancy Moffitt.

"Whether you're looking to pursue a professional career or just love to dance, there's a place for you at Karen's School of Dance," says Kern.

Her love of dancing, which began when she was only $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old, was what turned this passion into her lifelong career.

A graduate of the Interlochen Fine Arts Academy, Kern danced with the Lakes Area Ballet Company in southeastern Michigan, and was trained by many Master Teachers in all different styles.

"We're a technique-based studio," dance in the local area for more than 24 years. "We offer a progressive program so that each student builds his or her previously learned skills." With a student roster of 760 dancers representing approximately 400 families, Karen's School of Dance is one of the largest in the area - and also one of the most successful. Many dancers performed in national competition at the recent Kids' Artistic Revue in Chicago and brought home a number of major awards, including Miss Dance America 2007, Mr. Dance America 2007, First Overall in



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Many students have gone on to pursue professional careers, including one who recently earned a coveted scholarship to The Edge Studio in Los Angeles.

She will be featured in an upcoming edition of 'Dance Spirit' magazine as its Future Star award winner," says Kern.

On the local level, students from Karen's School of Dance have also earned scholarships from the Huron Valley Council of the Arts.

Others have gone on to perform with groups such as the Young Americans, as well as on cruise lines and for entertainment companies.

Students attend Karen's School of Dance from Novi, Milford, Highland, White Lake, Davisburg, Holly and Fenton.

They enjoy using "The Homework Room," a break area that provides an

opportunity to study, snack, watch TV or use the computer in between classes.

While parents wait for their students to complete their class time, they may watch their progress from closed-circuit TVs in the lobby or through viewing windows. A large outdoor covered porch area is another place for parents to gather.

A total of 140 classes are taught Monday through Saturday during the school year.

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Northville 248-348-6430 Many beutifu upgrades 5 BR 42 BA COLONIAL Krtchen w dbl n, cherry cabinets, finished bsmt w/daylight windows, cedar deck, landscape

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Easy carefree condo living in Commercel Neural decor Vo this 2 br, 2.5 ba home Cozy fp in Ir Mstr has private ba All app incl. Relax by the pool Nice balkony 14

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248-348-6430 Commerce DELIGHTFUL CONDO Wonderful location for this lovely two-story condo w/2 bedrooms & 2.5 baths/miting decor w/Berber carpeting. Master w/private bath & view of pond from (26208036) \$164,000

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Farmington Hills

Attention investors And first time home buyers. This is a rare find in this highly desirable sub. Many updates. Large finished basement Don't miss it!



Highland 748-684-1065 Waterfront home on 3.4 acres. 3st fir mstr w/2 WICs & marble ba w/ whielpool. GR w/ fp. Kit / cherry cabs, granite & bit in appls. Hdwd w/ cherry caos, gr. firs Fin W O w/ lut



248-348-6430 Highland Inglinand Constraints and the set of the set



Highland 248-684-1065

Totally rebuilt in '98 w/ deeded take front on Granite kit cntrs, euro cabs, conv oven & sub zero ref Pella wndws



Highland 248-684-1065 Highland Inground pool

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2 Yeta 734-455-7000 Milford Milford Country home on 2.13 acres.

Private lake setting surrounded by wetlands Beautiful landscaping. Custom built home on 383 acres. Huge eat in lut. Lg.GR overlooks bla

Lg deep 72 acre lot Historic home 27x8 covered porch w/ deck above Rear deck porch 32x10 Upper decks w/ D W from brs. Kit open to FR w/ hearth. 20x34 den

Ranch style home w/updated firs & newer roof Gas fp in kg, cath ceil FR. Open fir plan, Rec/TV rm in mostly fin bsml. 2 car att gar

Maford Charming ranch in village Spacious futchen and eat in dining area. Huge fenced in

\$514,900

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\$264,800 (27045374)

back yard w/ brick patio

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248-851-1900 Novi

MOPULAR VILLAGE OAKS SUB 4 BR 2 baths. Walking distance to elementary school & playground Many updates including new neutral capet Lo, never windows, beautiful oak brichen w ceramic fir \$224,900 (27132290)



Plymouth 248-851-1900 OUFERN ANNE STYLE Addition/femodel in 2001 New M8R suite, breakfast & family rooms, 1st fl laundry 2 HUAC systems, wood floors, stainless appliances, deck, fenced.



248-348-6430 Plymouth DOWATOWN PLYMOUTH CHARMER Charming 3 b; 1 1 ba bungalow close to park, fountain, shopping & restaurants. Hdwd firs newer ac, furnance. h20 htr, & some windows Nice brickspace patio in backyd (26126509) \$199,900



313-255-1483 Redford Clean & neat as a pin & ready to more in Awesome 3 bd, 1 5 ba brick ranch on secluded cal de sac. Newer windws, dris, hr, bath, hwh, hydwd under carpet Florida im FP 2 5 car gar Allappi & warranty (27089685) \$143,000



734-326-2000 BEAUTIFUL BRICK RANCH 3 Bedroom ranch on an extra large corner los. Coty Florida room is located off the dining room. Hugh partially finished basement with glass block windows.

South Lyon Cozy 3 bedroom colonial* Home has finished basement with dry cedar sauna. Very peaceful yard backs to wooded area. Enjoy bonfires in the evening and vegetable from your garden. (27135663)

(27064301)



South Lyon 248-437-3800 Great curb appeal! This very cute updated ranch is in an established sub with a great location! Large fenced in yard. A must see!

A 842 3 South Lyon 248-437-3800 White Lake ZAB-348-6430 LOVELY RANCH ON A NICE CUD E SAC Great home, Great Price, Great location Freshly painted Lr GR without ceiling, nice kit & bridst, 3 brs, 3 full baits, find bsmt, 2 car attid side entry gar Location, Location' Set deep in this sub on 107 Acres this colonial wekome the most discriminating buyer Large open kitchen wi island fullifin walkout, Many updates!



South Lyon

Country Living on 5 Acre This park like setting is set-up for horses. Unique home w/4 bedrooms, living room w/wood burning store, large lutchen/during are and much more

Immaculate End Unit! This condo has 3 spacious bedrooms and 3 big baths, with a first floor master suite. Also large relaxing jacuzhin the finished basement.



South Lyon

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\$240,000

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\$214,900

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\$165,900

Gorgeous home on cul-de sac. Beautiful hdwd firs, new pant, surrip, fin bsnrt & Indscp Huge prnate yard w' fre prt, deck & pano. Natural bnck fp in FR.

White Lake



White Lake 248-684-1065

Alstr. br. w² 9x6 W/C w² D³W to balcony. Nice open foyer 1g GR w² marble fit Nat fp & D W to yard. End unit Located on cut de sac. No pets Peaceful setting.

(27106571) \$700

248-981-6348 Whitmore Lake Charming 3 Bedroom ranch! Perfect for the first time home buyer 3 bedroom ranch with grat curb appeal Doorwall from breakfast nock to dack. Comenient location!

\$166 900

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Wixom THE PERFECT CONDO This detached unit has a spacious & elegant look. There are 3 ig branchuding a Ig mist ste on the 1st fir 3 full BA give added convenience 1st fir laundry

\$234,900







Redford

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