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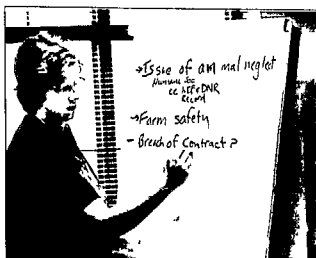


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**Susan Greenlee, president of the Voices for Maybury Farm, begins a list of concerns their group has with the Northville Community Foundation after the firing of John and Norma Beemer, former caretakers of the farm**

### Petitions to be sent to DNR

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Members of the Voices for Maybury Farm decided last week and began circulating a petition that will be sent to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources regarding recent happenings at the Northville farm.

Specifically they are concerned about financial accountability of the Northville Community Foundation which runs the farm, and the lack of community involvement in the farm.

About 30 residents came to the Voices meeting at the Northville District Library Sunday afternoon to discuss the farm and the recent firing of former John Beemer and his wife, Norma, who returned to

work at the farm after a fire, burned down the barn in February 2003.

Board members of Voices for Maybury Farm include Susan Greenlee, president; M.uy McGough, treasurer; Nancy Crinko, secretary; Joyce Stowell, sales and family steward; and Ron Olson, chief of parks and recreation.

Concerning the petition to be submitted to the state, "There's no rule that says something will happen," said Ron Olson, chief of parks and recreation.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources will have to rule what is being asked to our involvement with the farm.

We'll be looking at what's in the agreement between the DNR and the Northville Community Foundation regarding the farm operation, Olson added.

Olson said the DNR staff will take the petitioners request under advisement and then determine the appropriate steps to take.

### Farm management is focus

The mission of the group formed in 2003 is to train and facilitate the restoration and long term operation of community accessible historically run living farm similar to the mission of the original Maybury Park Living Farm.

Voices members who recently spent \$2,000 on new lighting rods for the farm is also offering free membership for a limited period of time.

Greenlee said Voices is "usually a sleepy group."

We didn't have much to do because every time we tried to do something, it was declined by the foundation, she said.

Greenlee said suggested items declined by Shan Peters, director of the Northville Community Foundation included a windmill

sugar shack for the farm's maple syrup operation, community garden, a sign between Maybury Park and the farm and a sleigh.

### DNR can terminate lease

The group discussed the lease that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources has with the farm, which is a 15 year contract that can be renewed twice.

"The lease is pretty basic. Greenlee said. There aren't a lot of specifics in it. One of the provisions is that there be an advisory council. But the DNR staff has not been able to draw whether the council should continue to meet.

### Foundation manages farm

The Northville Community Foundation, under the direction of

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## WON: Darga and Bingham

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Nancy Darga found out this week that it is not so bad winning an election.

She even got a free glass of bubbly at the Statute Quo Saloon on Center Street after learning of her victory in the Northville City Council race just before 9 p.m. Tuesday night.

"The whole entire place cheered loudly and Mary the owner gave me a glass of champagne," Darga said. "We made a toast to a successful election—to everyone who ran and everyone who voted."

Her husband, Michael Darga, and a group of supporters came directly from the polls to the downtown restaurant and tavern to read the results of the ballots showing Darga with the most city council candidate votes at 627.

I am very pleased by the support I got, and I'm looking forward to working hard and serving the city as well as partnering with the township, Darga said Wednesday.

Darga volunteered at Hillside Middle School's parent most tired lunch program the day after the election. She'll be back at work today at her job as president of Fortunate Land Planning & Design in Northville.

The other council seat winner Doug Bingham, who received the second most votes at 615 was back at the office on Wednesday at Raymond James and Associates in Farmington Hills where he

works in investment and financial planning.

I got most of the signs picked up early this morning, he said.

This six week period has been interesting," Bingham said. It's been a humbling experience and quite an education. I think every body should do it. It's a healthy thing to do."

On election night Bingham and his wife, Jacque, spent part of the evening at the home of Northville business owners Bob and Margene Buckhove.

Bingham learned about 8:30 p.m. that he had won. His reaction? "I realized that my ego was more involved in this than I thought," he said. "You want to have a respectable showing. I was very satisfied, excited and somewhat relieved."

At 7:30 p.m. next Tuesday a city council meeting will take place in which the new members will be sworn in at city hall. That meeting which is open to the public is held according to city charter.

Normally it would be scheduled on Monday night, but city hall will be closed that day in observance of Veteran's Day on Sunday.

Mayor Chris Johnson who ran unopposed received 847 votes, with 34 write in votes cast. Johnson who will be serving his 11th four year term as mayor was not available for comment at press time.

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## Brian's story



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

United States Army veteran Brian Daniels shows the tattoo he got after being the sole survivor of a four-man crew that was blown apart by an improvised explosive device in Iraq in 2005. The tattoo features depictions of the dog tags of members of his platoon who were killed in Iraq and the day they died and, at the top, a Purple Heart he received for being wounded in battle.

## Returning soldiers deserve better

### ■ 16 are injured for each fatality

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Brian Daniels may be only 21 years old, but in a lot of ways he's lived a lifetime.

His life's been a war zone soldier serving in Iraq two years ago he was the only one of four who survived in their Humvee.

"I was only in for two years, and I spent about 13 months of that time learning to walk, a war, he said.

### Veteran's Day Sunday, Nov. 11

Although he lives in Lansing, Daniels made the trek to Northville last week to tell his story to readers of the Northville Record.

He was encouraged to do so by Mark Sutton of Plymouth and Doug Williams of Mason of the Marine Corps League. Sutton is incoming junior vice commandant of the league's detachment in Northville.

Williams is legislative director for the league and legislative affairs chair for the American Legion in Michigan, representing about 274,000 Michigan veterans.

"Our primary concern is to see to it that these young people who are coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan are taken care of, adequately by the Veterans Administration," Williams said.

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ABOVE: Brian Daniels shows the scars on his leg he received after being injured while in Iraq by an IED. His right foot was blown off and reattached later and he was the only survivor out of four in his Humvee. There is one steel rod, 10 screws and 2 nails holding his leg together. He is in pain every day from the injury.

RIGHT: Iraq War veteran Brian Daniels, 21, of Lansing, talks with Doug Williams of Mason, center, legislative affairs chair, American Legion in Michigan, and legislative director, Marine Corps Detachment League in Michigan; and Mark Sutton of Plymouth, the assistant legislative director, Marine Corps League in Michigan, and incoming junior vice commandant of the league's Northville detachment

## ■ BRIAN'S STORY: Returning soldiers deserve better

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16 or 64,000 soldiers when it comes to those injured," Sutton said.

"We are not a proactive society when it comes to providing for the needs of the people we commit to battle," Williams said. Their needs include housing, transportation, education, medical benefits.

### How he was injured

On Nov. 6, 2005, Daniels' unit was uncovering one of the largest caches from Iraq to date just west of Taji when they heard an explosion. That's when his platoon sergeant was killed, which began a series of unfortunate events for his unit.

On Nov. 15, while traveling between two checkpoints, about a 2-mile route, they decided to do a snap TCP (traffic control point) to check cars for explosives and weapons. After checking a couple of vehicles, they got back in the truck, with Daniels seated behind the driver.

Another Humvee drove across a driveway they'd fall walked across many times with no incident. Then, while crossing the same drive, they were hit.

"Everything slowed way down, and I just heard 'tick, tick, tick,' which is what a Humvee sounds like when it's turning," Daniels said.

When he leaned forward, he saw Sgt. James Estep curled up in a ball. When Estep sat back, his chest exploded. Daniels felt fire go down his throat, then heard nothing else.

"The next thing I knew, I'm looking down at the burning truck from the air, and I passed out," he said.

When he came to a couple of

minutes later, his right foot was next to his left leg, and he was about 150 feet away from the truck in a ditch.

He couldn't feel his right leg and screamed for help. His best friend at the time, Sgt. Clarence Floyd, heard him and came to help him, putting a tourniquet on his leg.

### Receiving the Purple Heart

While in the hospital at Fort Campbell, Ky., Daniels received a Purple Heart for wounds suffered in combat and learned that their gunner, Alexis Roman-Cruz, had died in the air. Because of a sandstorm, the crew couldn't land the plane. The other two in his Humvee had died instantly.

"Everybody in that Humvee died but me," Daniels said.

He later learned Floyd had been shot in the back of the head by a sniper when he decided to take over someone's guard shift 15 minutes early.

"He saved me, and then he was gone," Daniels said.

He's got a rod, 10 screws and two nails in his foot, which hurts all the time. He can't feel the bottom of his foot, has flashbacks almost daily, horrible nightmares, is on medication, sees a psychologist and attends group therapy through the Veterans Administration.

He has a new girlfriend, Karis Olney of Lansing, that he met after his former high school sweetheart and he broke up.

"I became a different person after I got injured," he said.

As a soldier who made it back from Iraq, his message is to be thankful that our young men and

### How you can help veterans

Doug Williams of Mason, who represents thousands of Michigan veterans as legislative affairs chair for the American Legion in Michigan, said citizens can help the plight of injured soldiers returning from the war in Iraq. Here's how:

- Write legislators to stop cutting funding for veterans.
- Elect legislators who support veteran funding.
- Donate to local veterans' groups, such as the Marine Corps League, American Legion, VFW and others.
- Hire veterans.

women are serving their country. "You can't be for the troops and against the war," he said.

Now, the Lansing native, whose had 10 surgeries on his foot, works parttime at Whitehall Jewelers in Lansing and will start on a political science degree next fall. He hopes to serve his country as an elected official some day.

"We hope he can come back and make some changes where they need to be made," Williams said.

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# Local WWII vets take Honor Flight to capital

■ More than 100 go to Washington

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

It's not often that World War II veterans receive recognition in today's world.

But several area residents were honored with a trip to Washington, D.C., Oct. 13 through Honor Flight of Michigan, Inc., in Royal Oak.

Supported by private donations, the sole mission of Honor Flight of Michigan is to fly veterans to Washington and give them guided tours of the great war monuments at no charge.

Veterans Don Sherman and Harry Hartshorne of Northville were on the flight, along with Howard Behrman, who lived in Northville's King's Mill for years until he moved recently to Independence Village, a Plymouth Township retirement home.

Behrman is the father of Cathy Clough, executive director of the New Center for Grief Support in downtown Northville.

When the three returned, Sherman wrote about their experiences in an essay he titled, "My Visit with History." Following are excerpts from the work:

"It was a brilliant day in mid-October when Dave Cameron, the leader of our group, asked me in which branch of the service I had served.

"Navy, sir!" he responded. Then Cameron asked, "Would you care to participate in the laying of the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns?" in Arlington National Cemetery.

"I'd be more than honored," Sherman replied.

### Laying of ceremonial wreath

The Tomb of the Unknowns is perhaps the most hallowed ground at Arlington National Cemetery, and the changing of the guard and laying of the ceremonial wreath at the tomb are truly awe-inspiring, whether you are a citizen or a war veteran, Sherman said.

Before a crowd of about 2,000 other veterans and spectators, Sherman and two others chosen for the laying of the wreath were at the final resting place of more than 300,000 service men and women who had made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

After the wreath was laid, the lone cry of the bugle sounded the mournful tones of "Taps."

The Michigan group of more than 100 WWII veterans averaged more than 80 years old.

During the day-long event, the group saw the new World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Wall, the Korean conflict tribute, and an area dedicated to soldiers who have died in Iraq and Afghanistan in Arlington National Cemetery.

### Crowd greeted with applause

Behrman said his greatest thrill on the trip was the round of applause from a large group waiting at their gate when they landed at Reagan National Airport.

"We were stunned to say the least," Sherman said. "Somebody really cared."

After lunch, the group met former vice president and presidential candidate Bob Dole.

"He spoke to many and seemed genuinely pleased to share his time with fellow veterans," Sherman said.

Following the wreath ceremony, the group made a final tour of Arlington Cemetery, which included a stop at the Iwo Jima Monument.



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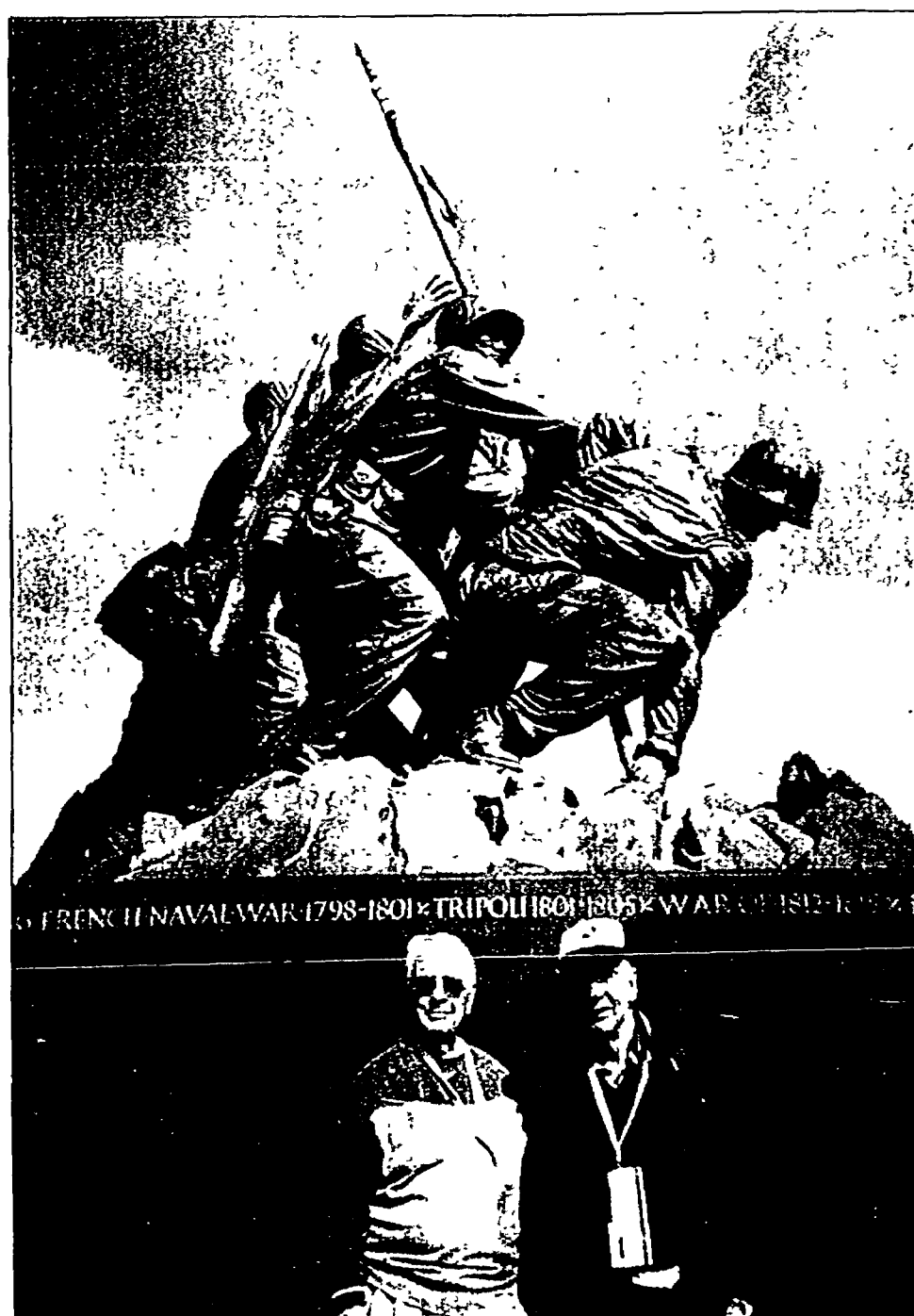
Howard Behrman, left, a former resident of King's Mill in Northville who recently moved to Independence Village retirement home in Plymouth Township, met former vice president and presidential candidate Bob Dole, right, during the Honor Flight of Michigan trip in Washington, D.C. Dole is also a WW II veteran.

Iwo Jima was the site of one of the bloodiest battles in a Pacific war filled with blood-laden battles with fanatic Japanese troops, Sherman said. The monument depicts the flag-raising ceremony on Mt. Suribachi, immortalized by Joe Rosenthal's photograph.

Sherman said the memory-laden day was a once-in-a-lifetime experience for him and his fellow veterans, who fought and died to preserve our freedoms and way of life.

"As the (Civil War) General (William Tecumseh) Sherman once said, 'War is hell.' But the human spirit laid bare by war is living and dying proof that freedom sometimes comes at a terrible price," Don Sherman said.

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Northville residents and World War II veterans Don Sherman, left, and Harry Hartshorne, stand next to the Iwo Jima Monument in Washington, D.C. Iwo Jima was the site of one of the bloodiest battles in the Pacific during World War II. The monument depicts the famous flag-raising ceremony on Mt. Suribachi, immortalized by Joe Rosenthal's photograph. The two toured the capital Oct. 13 on an Honor Flight of Michigan trip.

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## Beemer denied unemployment

John Beemer reported Wednesday morning that he had been denied unemployment by the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

He said he applied for unemployment compensation around the end of October and received the letter from the MESC about the denial around the first of November.

Beemer declined to discuss details of the denial.

"This is only the second job I've ever had and the first one I've been fired from, so this is a whole new experience for me," he said.

He plans to appeal the decision. Currently, the Beemers are getting their Stockbridge farm, that they purchased in January 2003, ready for winter.



A larger-than-expected group gathered for last Sunday's meeting of the Voices for Maybury Farm group at the Northville District Library. The group met to mostly discuss what it could do to help the farm after the dismissal of farmer John Beemer by the Northville Community Foundation.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

## 'Voices' wants NCF investigated after firing of Farmer Beemer

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Peters controls the management of the farm. As a nonprofit organization, it has to meet certain legal requirements to the Internal Revenue Service under the Nonprofit Corporation Act.

The foundation came under fire by Voices members for not making meetings open to the public and having board members who are not elected or chosen by the community but rather appointed by Peters.

It was also noted that Peters is not her real name, although she signs foundation documents under this name.

"We've been in frequent contact with the DNR and have written the governor a letter," Greenlee said. "We want an investigation to be done."

"People are screaming for action," said one member of the audience.

Peters said Wednesday she knew nothing about the meeting and had no comment about what went on at the meeting.

"The Northville Community Foundation and its many volunteers have worked diligently to rebuild Maybury Farm, and we're very proud to have opened it in 2005," Peters said.

"We will continue to be success-

ful with the help of so many friends from many areas. We invite anyone who would like to assist us to please call us. We look forward to seeing everyone in March of 2008 when we reopen, weather depending. Our plans have never been secret. We so appreciate everyone who has helped us rebuild. We are so grateful."

### Don't want farm to be sold

What Voices members don't want, however, is for DNR officials to end the lease and sell the farm.

"We have to be careful that we stay within our mission, which is the management of the farm," Greenlee said.

Greenlee also passed around photos of the recent Corn Maze at the farm, which was basically some sheets of plastic organized in a pattern in a cleared cornfield.

"Beemer was embarrassed by this year's maze," Greenlee said. "He

called it 'the plastic maze.'"

A button declaring "Support Farmer Beemer" was displayed during the meeting, and Voices members would like to see Beemer and his wife return to the farm.

They are currently living on their farm in Stockbridge after being forced to move out of the house on the farm by Oct. 12.

Concerns about the safety of the farm were also addressed, such as open light bulbs in the barn being a potential fire hazard.

Voices members are also worried about the safety and well-being of the animals, with the farm closing to the public on Nov. 1.

It was noted during the meeting that Peters receives a salary as foundation president in excess of \$50,000 a year, that the farm allegedly takes in about \$250,000 a year but that it only costs about \$125,000 a year to run the farm.

"It's confusing to the community

on what the foundation is and where the money is going," Greenlee said.

Voices members said the foundation may be in violation of its own bylaws, which require that an annual report be distributed to a daily newspaper, radio or TV station.

It was mentioned that the foundation recently started including a financial statement on its Web site, northvillecommunityfoundation.com, which Voices members said was a step in the right direction.

Other issues discussed were the number of historic farm implements at the farm that Voices members are afraid might be sold as scrap; the lack of an extensive written plan for the future of the farm; and how much money will go to the farm from the Nov. 16-17 foundation home tour.

Voices will meet again Dec. 2.

## Voter turnout 'typical' for a council election

■ Only 1,100 ballots cast Tuesday

By Jason Carmel Davis  
STAFF WRITER

A small portion of voters in the city of Northville hit the polls during Tuesday's city council election.

Of the 4,795 registered pollsters in the city, only 1,111 — or a little more than 23 percent — exercised their right to vote Tuesday.

Only two questions were posed on the ballot: Voters were to select two of four candidates for two open seats on the Northville City Council, while Mayor Chris Johnson, who won his 11th term Tuesday, ran unopposed in his race.

It's possible more voters would

have turned out had some resident elected to oppose Johnson, but City Clerk Dianne Massa said Tuesday's small turnout is typical for a local election.

Another issue could have new mandates requiring anyone who shows up to vote to show a form of identification. Anyone who hit the polls must have had a valid state-issued license, identification card or sign an affidavit. Forms of ID include U.S. passports, military ID with photo, student ID with photo, or tribal ID with photo.

"It's not unusual for the city to have this kind of a voter turnout for a city council election," she said. "But in Nov. '06, during the gubernatorial race, we had more than 3,200 people come out."

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### City of Northville Unofficial Election Results

Candidate	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Percent	Total
Mayor - vote for not more than 1; two-year seat				
* Chris Johnson (inc.)	436	411	96.14	847
Write-in	23	11	3.86	34
Council - vote for not more than 2; four-year seat				
Carolann Ayers (inc.)	210	256	23.34	466
* Doug Bingham	350	265	30.80	615
* Nancy Darga	347	280	31.40	627
Fred Fisher	184	104	14.42	288
Write-in	0	1	.05	1

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# Bring nonperishables to first 'Holidays in the Village' drive

## Northville Civic Concern to give food to local needy

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Marlene Kunz wants to help residents clean out their overflowing food pantries.

That's because the first annual "Holidays in the Village" Food Drive is just around the corner.

Nonperishable food from the drive will be collected and distributed to the area's needy by Northville Civic Concern under Kunz's direction.

The drive is being sponsored by the stores of Northville Village at the northwest corner of Haggerty and Six Mile roads in Northville Township.

Stores will collect canned goods during normal store hours on Friday, Nov. 30; Saturday, Dec. 1; and Sunday, Dec. 2.

"The businesses are so excited about this," said Renee Miller, office manager for H & R Block at Northville Village. "They are really running with this."

Large receptacles will be visible throughout the shopping center for new, nonperishable items.

An easy drive-up and drop-off area will be available from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, and from noon-4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 2 behind H & R Block, near Cross Road. Look for signs.

### Special events on Friday

Senior citizens can look forward to several special events on Friday, Nov. 30. Bring a bag of nonperishable food items and attend a Fashion Show for Ladies at 11 a.m. at Ward Presbyterian Church off Six Mile Road.

The show will feature clothing from Loehmann's and Beauty First.

Seniors can also receive a discount of 10 percent and a free soft drink at Applebee's. Many of the stores will have sales. A story time will take place at 12:30 p.m. Friday at Barnes & Noble.

### Weekend-long activities

Activities that will take place throughout the weekend include:

- a scavenger hunt (find the snowflakes, win a gift bag from area businesses);
- a raffle (tickets are \$5 each and will be sold at H & R Block; winners will receive one of several prizes from area businesses);
- Santa Claus for the children at Kroger;

## Holidays in the Village details

Stores in Northville Village at Six Mile and Haggerty roads will sponsor "Holidays in the Village," on Friday, Nov. 30; Saturday, Dec. 1; and Sunday, Dec. 2.

A food drive benefiting Northville Civic Concern will have a drop-off area from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 and from noon-4 p.m. Sunday behind H & R Block.

Those who would like to attend the Nov. 30 fashion show at Ward Church need to reserve a seat by Nov. 23 by calling (248) 374-5956. Food will be a sampler buffet from restaurants in the village.

Men and women interested in serving as models can also call this number. "We need 13 senior ladies and two senior men with an interest in wearing fabulous clothing and walking the runway," said Renee Miller, event organizer. Beauty First will provide hair and make-up services for the models prior to the show.

- Carolers from Ward Presbyterian Church;
- Workshops at REI and Golfsmith;
- a free climbing wall from 12-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at REI;
- fire truck visits and appearances by D.A.R.E. officers;
- health assessments from American Home Fitness;
- free tax seminars at H & R Block;
- gift wrapping for a donation at Barnes & Noble;
- and a 5K Run sponsored by Running Fit at 8 a.m. on Saturday.

"The run will be around the complex, and first, second and third places overall will be awarded," Miller said. Runners can pick up an entry form at Running Fit, REI or American Home Fitness. Parking with free shuttle service will be available at Ward Presbyterian Church.

All proceeds from the raffle and gift wrapping will go to Northville Civic Concern.

Visitors can also vote for the business with the best decorated window.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Northville Village at Haggerty merchants Anthony Savona and Renee Miller will be welcoming carolers from Ward Presbyterian Church (Karen Egan, Donna Smith, and Ken Casey) to their plaza this upcoming Christmas season. The Village will also encourage its visitors to donate for the needy and will have bins ready for goods.

# Three young artists announced as winners of coloring contest

## Each to receive \$25 to spend at local businesses

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Three budding artists have learned that their talents can pay off.

The winners of the three age divisions in the Northville Central Business Association's Scarecrow Coloring Contest were announced last week.

Each child will receive a \$25



S. Mittino

gift certificate to spend at a downtown Northville business.

Sofia Mittino, 3, of Lansing, won the birth-age 3 division.

Maya Malouin, 7, of Northville, won the age 4-7 division, and Mary Ellen Nyhus, 11, of Columbia, Tenn., formerly of Shelby Township, won the age 8-12 division.

Sherri Mewha, owner of Sherris Gallery of Fine Art and "Awakening...The Artist Inside," judged the entries.



M. Malouin

Mittino lives with her mother, Sarah, a school teacher, and her father, Adam, a lab technician.

She attends Childtime Learning Center in

Lansing and enjoys puzzles, music and anything concerning princesses. Her favorite color is pink.

She can often be found at her grandmother Beverlee Lindeen's shop, Northville Candle & Gifts, where she plays tea party, colors and eats ice cream from



E. Nyhus

Rebecca's. She also likes to go to Parmenter's Cider Mill and feed the ducks, Lindeen said.

The daughter of Curt Malouin and Joan Wang of

Northville, Maya Malouin is a second-grader at the Northville Montessori Center. She loves dancing, painting and taking art classes at "Awakening...The Artist Inside" in the Northville Square.

She also takes Japanese in school and can read and write Chinese.

"She's thrilled about winning," said her mother.

Nyhus is the granddaughter of Kathy Brown of Plymouth, formerly Kathy Nyhus and a retired art teacher from the Plymouth-Canton School District. She was visiting her grandmother when they picked up a coloring contest entry in downtown Northville.

"We always do a lot of art when she's here, and we love to visit Northville art stores and galleries," Brown said.

Nyhus loves art, water skiing

and is on the yearbook committee at Whitthorne Middle School in Columbia, Tenn. She is the daughter of Mary and Charlie Nyhus of Columbia.

This past summer, Ellen Nyhus enjoyed painting pieces of wood cut into the shape of a flip flop with a peg attached to make a necklace holder with her cousin Sydney Gutowski of Plymouth and sisters Erin and Ellie Nyhus at her grandmother's home in Plymouth.

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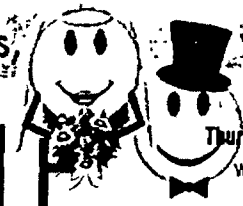
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## ENGAGEMENTS



### Sywak-Oslecki

Mike and Barb Sawyer of Shelby Township announce the engagement of their daughter Theresa Marie Sywak of Royal Oak to Matthew Joseph Oslecki of Royal Oak, son of Larry and Maureen Oslecki of Northville.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Bishop Foley High School and a 1999 graduate of Oakland University where she majored in finance. She is currently employed at Chrysler Financial, Farmington.

The groom-elect is a 1993 graduate of Northville High School and a 1997 graduate of Western Michigan University. He is currently employed at CB Richard Ellis.

A wedding is planned for March 1, 2008, at the Detroit Zoo Wildlife Interpretive Gallery.



### Scavnicki-Yaekle

Dr. Gary and Judith Roman Scavnicki of Troy announce the engagement of their daughter Elizabeth Arcangela Francesca Scavnicki of Troy to Neil Jason Yaekle of Farmington Hills, son of Dirk and Sandy Yaekle of Northville.

The bride-elect received a Presidential Scholar B.B.A. from Wayne State University and an MBA from the University of Michigan. She is currently employed as director of Interactive Solutions at Xede Consulting Group, Inc.

The groom-elect earned B.B.A. and MBA degrees from the University of Michigan and is currently director of Project Management at ePrize, LLC.

A wedding is planned for Sept. 20, 2008 at St. George Cathedral in Southfield with a reception following at St. John's in Plymouth.

## NEWSMAKERS

### Halloween Costume Contest Winners

The Northville City Fire Department announced the following winners in the Halloween Costume Contest.

- Newborn-3 Years**  
1. Emma Asher  
2. John Harvey  
3. Vincent Que
- 4-6 Years**  
1. Grace Puroil  
2. Harrison Asher  
3. Mark Wittrock
- 7-11 Years**  
1. Emma Herman  
2. Noi Osnima  
3. Alex Smith
- 12-15 Years**  
1. Jamie Otto  
2. Katie Ashby  
3. Collin Cummings.
- 16 and Older**  
1. Sascha Garthe  
2. Jessica Trimmer  
3. Raphael Garcia
- Family/Groups**  
1. Alex Piper, Jake P., Dawn, Larry and Brad (Cavemen)  
2. Chris Bonie, Christopher and Caroline Trush  
3. Jake and Tim Lukart

### Lewter promoted

Chris Lewter, of Northville, has been promoted to director-business sales, Michigan/Indiana/Kentucky Region.



### C. Lewter

Verizon Wireless. In his new position, Lewter manages the region's business sales team, which is responsible for assisting business customers with all of their wireless needs, including voice calling plans and data usage, such as wireless email; wireless Internet access; and text, picture and video messaging.

Previously, Lewter was the regional director of data sales for Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky. He joined Verizon Wireless in 1999 as a data solutions manager.

For seven consecutive years, Lewter was recognized for his outstanding results.

Also in 2000, he earned an

Area of Excellence Award for finishing in the top 3 percent in sales companywide.

Before joining Verizon Wireless, Lewter worked for Lucent Technologies in Pittsburgh, Penn.

### Cassis honored as Legislator of the Year

State Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Nowi) received the Legislator of the Year award from the Independent Accountants Association of Michigan for her work on behalf of small businesses across the state.

The association praised Cassis for her "dedicated service to Michigan's small business community and [her] tireless efforts as chair of the Senate Finance Committee."

Cassis accepted the award at a ceremony in Novi. She gave brief remarks before an audience of more than 300 people attending a seminar on issues related to federal taxation. Cassis plans to address recent state tax changes at an upcoming conference.

This award was the second statewide honor for Cassis in the past six days. On Oct. 31, she received the Public Service Award from the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association for her work on the Michigan Business Tax.

In her work on the MBT, Cassis helped ensure that the tax allows electric cooperatives to deduct the purchase of electricity and natural gas from their gross receipts. This amendment helps reduce the tax burden on cooperatives and their customers.

## OBITUARIES

### JOSEPH M. KRITCH

Age 91, of Northville, passed away Oct. 30, 2007. A Funeral Service was held last Friday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. Burial at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. Contributions to American Heart Association.

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## NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE BRIEFS

## Drug possession arrest

An 18-year-old Northville man was arrested for drug possession at 11:12 p.m. on Sept. 17 on Pickford Road.

A patrol car was dispatched after the department received a call about an unknown vehicle that was occupied and parked without its lights on in front of the caller's home.

By the time police arrived, the caller told dispatch the vehicle had just left. Police followed the vehicle, stopping it on southbound Pinebrook just south of Pickford.

The officer noticed the driver's eyes were red and puffy. When asked if he had taken any drugs, the man said he had not. When asked if he had anything illegal in his car, the man said no, but that police could not search it without a warrant.

The man said he was in the area because he had dropped off a

friend who lives on Pickford.

Police noticed that the man appeared "out of it" since his answers were coming slowly. When police called the friend who the man said he had dropped off, he said he had driven himself home that evening. He later admitted he had been with the man and that he had driven him home after they smoked "a bowl." He said the dope had been the driver's and that they had finished it.

Police immediately found a bag of mushrooms under the driver's seat. They also confiscated a projector that mounts on the ceiling found in the car as the township has had several break-ins in the past in which these types of projectors had been stolen.

The man was also charged with interference with police as an officer was attempting to release him from jail.

## Retail fraud arrest at Meijer

A 27-year-old Farmington Hills woman was arrested for shoplifting at 7:48 p.m. on Sept. 17 at Meijer.

Store detectives watched as the woman had a shopping cart with two garbage bags in it. The woman then placed three bottles of Remy Martin Cognac, two bottles of Jack Daniels whiskey and one bottle of Absolut vodka in the cart, then placed a package of toilet paper over the garbage bags.

She later placed the bottles inside one of the bags, then placed the toilet paper back on the shelf. Value of the recovered items was \$252.77.

## Burglary on Northville Place

A burglary with no forced entry was reported to police by residents who live on East Northville Place

Drive at 7 p.m. on Sept. 17.

The callers, a 31-year-old man and his 32-year-old wife, said they were on vacation from Aug. 30 until Sept. 17 and found items out of place in their apartment's bedroom when they returned.

They found that several boxes had been removed from a closet, with the contents spilled onto the floor. Checkbook boxes had also been removed, with checks missing. The man said a bag full of identification information and banking information was missing, as well as 90 duplicate checks of his and 90 duplicate checks of his wife's.

The man told police he would put a fraud alert out on his and his wife's credit and close both bank accounts.

Later, the man found the bag of personal information and told police he believed he would also

find the missing checks.

## Cookware, rugs stolen

Police arrested a 55-year-old Farmington Hills man for shoplifting at 8:08 p.m. on Sept. 19 at Kohl's.

Store detectives said a man had fled loss prevention and was leaving the parking lot in a blue van. They also provided police with the license number.

Michigan State Police had already stopped the vehicle on northbound Gill north of Eight Mile Road. Police learned later that the man has a head injury, suffers from depression and is bipolar.

Recovered items included a shopping bag filled with Calphalon cookware and eight rugs valued at \$553.91.

Compiled by Pam Fleming

## Northville man charged with felony sex offense

Dennis Delaney, 36, of Northville, was charged last Friday with three counts of child sexually abusive activity and four counts of use of a computer for communicating with another to commit a crime or felony.

Delaney was arrested Nov. 1 by officers from the Macomb Area Computer Enforcement team and the sheriff's office when he arrived at a prearranged location.

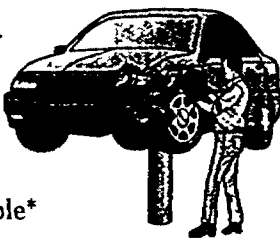
He is being held on \$100,000 bond in the Macomb County Jail for allegedly trying to arrange to have sex with two children.

He is scheduled in court for a preliminary exam on Nov. 15.

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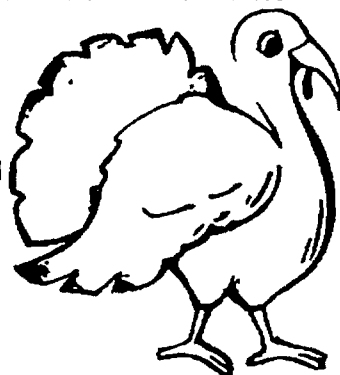
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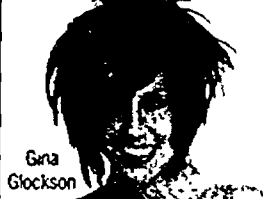
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# Northville Senior Center plans free Travel Show on Tuesday

■ Learn about some fun trips

**By Pam Fleming**  
STAFF WRITER

Everybody feels the need at some point to "get out of Dodge" as the saying goes.

With that in mind, the Northville Senior Community Center will host a free Travel Show from 10 a.m.-noon on Tuesday at the center, 303 W. Main Street.

The travel show takes place at 10 a.m. on the second Tuesday every other month.

"It's a chance for people to learn about trips that are offered as well as an opportunity for travel agents to promote their latest popular trips," said Sue Koivula, adult senior services coordinator at the center.

The center also schedules several day trips a year to nearby venues as well as some overnight trips.

Upcoming trips include a visit to

the Gem Theater in downtown Detroit for "Forbidden Christmas" and at least one casino trip a month.

Companies scheduled to give presentations include Above and Beyond Tours, Ed & Ted's Excellent Adventures, Escapades Tours, Harry Will Funeral Home, Brookside Travel, MLE Company and Omega Tours.

John Henry of MLE Tours in Grand Blanc said his company serves several senior citizens centers in the area.

Besides helping people organize trips, the company also provides transportation services, such as casino trips, sporting events and limousine service for proms, weddings and special events.

"Cost seems to be the major consideration with travelers today, especially with the senior sector, whose members are often on fixed incomes," Henry said.

Casino trips and Turkeyville in Marshall, which offers a dinner theater, a gift shop and family-style turkey dinners are popular trips for this time of year.

Other affordable trips are the

annual Tulip Festival in Holland, Mich.; the North American International Auto Show in Detroit; Detroit Tigers and Red Wings games; and performances at downtown Detroit Theaters.

Jim Ehehalt, of Brookside Travel in Northville, said he's organizing a culinary cruise to Alaska on Holland America that will begin on Aug. 29, 2008, featuring Mary Brady of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro in Novi.

"Besides the seven-night Alaskan cruise, we are going two days early to tour a couple of wineries in Seattle," Echehalt said.

"It's going to be phenomenal," he said. A culinary arts kitchen will also be on board, where Brady will demonstrate some of her recipes of the region.

The cruise will also include wine tastings and a dinner at the Pinnacle Grill, a speciality restaurant on the ship.

Ehehalt said Brady plans to have a local wine tasting event featuring selections from Seattle prior to the cruise that will be open to the public.

At Tuesday's show, Enehalt will also talk about a trip to Italy June 4, 2008, which is a 14-day, escorted tour covering all of the popular Italian cities — from Rome to Venice and Florence to name a few.

### France, Hawaii, Indiana trips

Lesa Buckland of Omega Tours in Northville will talk Tuesday about a river cruise through Burgundy and Provence, France, that will take place May 10-18; a Hawaii cruise; and a motor coach trip to Brown County, Ind.

Buckland said a recent trip in which she enjoyed serving as an escort was to French Lick, Ind., home of professional basketball star Larry Bird, who retired in 1992. The southern Indiana resort hails from the early 1900s because of its natural springs.

After a more-than-\$300-million investment to restore both the French Lick and West Baden hotels, the city now has a casino, renovated 18-hole golf course, new indoor and outdoor swimming pools and spas.

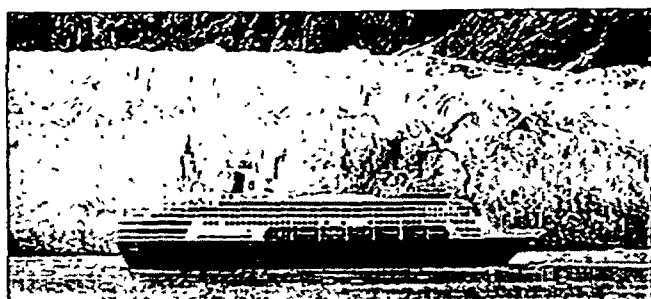


Photo courtesy Brookside Travel

**A representative from Brookside Travel in Northville will be on hand at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Northville Senior Community Center to talk about a culinary cruise to Alaska on Holland America that the travel agency is organizing. The trip will begin on Aug. 29, 2008, and feature Chef Mary Brady of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro in Novi.**

A new attraction in Michigan is Charity Island, a private island about a 12-mile boat ride from Au Gres, Mich., north of Bay City.

"The island's owners have built a wonderful house with a wraparound porch," Buckland said.

The trip includes appetizers in route to the island, a full dinner of fresh perch or sirloin ups at the

house and dessert served on the boat ride back. The season for this trip is May-October.


Refreshments will be served at Tuesday's Travel Show, and there will be door prizes.


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## OUR NEIGHBORS

# Parks Foundation's service is no secret to community

### James Bond style fundraiser tomorrow night

By Kelly Murad  
STAFF WRITER

It is time for James Bond fans to dust off their tuxes and support the Novi Parks Foundation at the Diamonds are Forever gala tomorrow night.

"We've created a James Bond theme: 'Diamonds are Forever' with diamonds to tie-in to baseball diamonds," said Linda Blair, incoming president of the Novi Parks Foundation.

More than 300 invitations were sent out for the first annual event, which will be at Rock Financial Showplace.

#### Novi

According to Blair, this is an opportunity to bring more attention and focus to the Novi Parks Foundation while raising funds for capital improvements and scholarship opportunities.

The fundraising efforts of the upscale event will be used similarly to those of the annual golf outing.

"Most of the funds have been used for scholarship opportunities

for kids to participate in sports and recreation programs," Blair said.

Tickets are \$125 per person or \$200 per couple and will include hors d'oeuvres, strolling dinner, dessert buffet and refreshments along with live entertainment, a silent auction and casino gaming.

Radio personalities Rachael Hunter and Grunwald from the Dr. Don, Rachael and Grunwald morning show on WYCD-FM (channel 99.5) will be the special guests of the event.

"We're looking forward to a fun evening," Blair said. "I'm personally looking forward to thanking our supporters of the Novi Parks Foundation, as well as attract new supporters."

The recipient of the third annu-

al Hugh and Kathy Crawford Award will also be presented at the gala.

The award, which was first received and named after Novi residents Hugh and Kathy Crawford, is presented annually to a volunteer in the community who has exhibited outstanding service, leadership and support to the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department.

"We reach out into the local community and seek nominations," Blair said. "Then the board considers those nominations."

"Hugh and Kathy Crawford have been huge supporters of Novi in general, but specifically of the Novi Parks and Recreation

program. To us, they exemplify what we are looking at for this award."

In the past, the award was presented at the Novi Parks Foundation's annual meeting, which included a reception and dinner.

"Since this is the first year we've had the gala event, we decided to do it to coincide with the event," Blair said.

Last year's recipient was former director of the Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department Dan Tyrrell.

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### Diamonds are Forever

**Who:** Novi Parks Foundation  
**What:** Black tie gala and awards presentation  
**Where:** Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave.  
**When:** 7 p.m.-midnight, Friday.  
**Tickets:** \$125/single, \$200/couple  
**For more information:** Contact the Foundation at (248) 255-2608.



Pictured here are some of the members of the cast and crew of Laura Ingalls Wilder: *Voices of the Prairie*. Front row, from left: Brighton resident Katie Higgs (portraying Laura Ingalls Wilder as a child); South Lyon resident Kris Kowalski (serving as head of costumes); and South Lyon resident Emma Branch (portraying Mary Ingalls as a child). Middle row, from left: South Lyon residents Caitlin Millis (portraying Laura Ingalls Wilder as a teen) and Samantha Strauss (portraying Mary Ingalls as a teen). Back row, from left: Ann Arbor residents Freida Steiner (portraying Rose Wilder Lane) and Anne Bauman (portraying Laura Ingalls Wilder over age 40); Howell resident Katie McCarty (portraying Caroline Ingalls); East Lansing resident Dan Bachmann (portraying Charles Ingalls); South Lyon resident Wyatt Clement (portraying a Southerner) and Brighton resident Madeline Sosnowski (portraying the narrator)

## WILDER THING: Phoenix Players stage "Voices of the Prairie"

Fans of "Little House on the Prairie" shouldn't miss the stage production, "Laura Ingalls Wilder: Voices of the Prairie," being performed tonight through Sunday at the South Lyon Theater by the Phoenix Players.

For information about the play or The Phoenix Players, call (810) 227-4594 or visit [www.thephoenixplayers.org](http://www.thephoenixplayers.org).

#### South Lyon

A mix of adults and children are in the cast, some of whom portray Laura Ingalls Wilder at different ages during her life.

"Voices of the Prairie" is a heartwarming work about one of the America's best-loved authors and the immortal characters she created. If you've ever enjoyed reading about or watching TV portrayals of the Ingalls family, you'll love this play that's suitable for all ages.

Friday's performance begins at 7:30 p.m., Saturday's at 7 p.m. and Sunday's at 2 p.m.

Performances take place at the South Lyon Theater, 126 E. Lake Street, South Lyon.

Tickets are \$12 per person for adults and \$8 per person for children. A discount price of \$10 per person is available for groups of 10 people or more who attend the same performance.

Buy tickets at [www.thephoenixplayers.org](http://www.thephoenixplayers.org), or by phone at (810) 227-4594.

Buy tickets in person at the South Lyon Theater or at Diane's Doll House, 102 N. Lafayette, South Lyon.

Senior citizen discount tickets (\$10 per person) are available for purchase at the South Lyon Center for Active Adults (located near the intersection of Pontiac Trail and Eleven Mile Road in South Lyon High School), (248) 573-8175.

## Church hosting conference to teach parents, teachers about bullying

By Jason Carmel Davis  
STAFF WRITER

Novi's Faith Community Presbyterian Church will be the site of a seminar next week informing parents and teachers on the ills of bullying.

The training session takes place at 7 p.m. Monday at the church, 44400 W. 10 Mile Road in Novi. Sheila Henderson and Kristen Corrion, social workers for Novi schools and members of the church, will facilitate the

meeting, according to Jann Martin, Faith Community director of Family Ministry.

The event is open to the community, Martin said, and will teach those in attendance how to handle bullies.

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"It can also help children learn to deal with (bullies)," Martin said. "And if people are having problems in the work-

place, then this event could help them, as well."

Faith Community Presbyterian is next in a long line of outlets attempting to curb bullying.

National Anti-bullying Week runs from Nov. 19-23. Youth television station Nickelodeon will launch a n anti-bullying Web site as part of its 'See Something, Say Something' campaign in conjunction with Anti-Bullying Week 2007 and ChildLine.

The site will feature anti-bullying videos, downloads and activities to commemorate the week. It will also provide advice lines and information for children who need help. The site, which was created by Mind Orchard, will also feature links to the official ChildLine Web site for youths who require immediate expert help and advice.

The campaign will continue on-air with the broadcasts of 27 short films about bullying featuring celebrity kids speaking

about bullying and tips on how to stop it. This is the second year that the multi-media campaign has run, last year's efforts reached a combined audience of 37 million people, according to its Web site.

A number of school districts, including several in Michigan, have adopted anti-bullying policies in an effort to put a stop to the antagonizing. Anti-bullying legislation has been discussed by Michigan legislators, but the bill stalled in the Senate in

August. "This has become a real problem in a lot of schools," Martin said. "Something like this needs to be handled because if a child is bullied or is harming other children, bigger problems could develop down the road. We need to learn some things now to help the children."

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## HEALTHY LIVING

# Taking a 'shot' at flu prevention

By Tracy Mishler  
SPECIAL WRITER

The flu is once again looming in the distance waiting to strike as the season of sickness quickly approaches.

Since the beginning of October, the release of this year's flu vaccine, people across the country have been lining up for their annual flu shot in order to prevent the chills, aches and other unwanted symptoms that come along with the virus.

Kay Renny, registered nurse and community programs manager for the Visiting Nurses Association of Southeast Michigan (VNA), said they have more than 100 sites for people to receive their flu shots this year, including locations in Novi and Northville.

"It's important for everyone to receive a flu shot," Renny said. "There's ample amounts of the vaccine this year, and the (Center for Disease Control and Prevention) promotes the vaccine as the number one in preventing the flu."

Renny said many people mistake the influenza virus with the gastroenteritis virus, or stomach flu.

She said the flu vaccine only protects against the influenza virus, which affects the nose, throat and lungs.

"People also often say, 'well I got the shot, but I still got the flu,'" Renny said. "The flu shot is made up of killed viruses. The flu shot cannot cause the flu."

"Someone can transmit it 24-48 hours before they have any symptoms. If you were to get sick, it's not

from the shot."

Many people have already received their flu shots, including more than 100 residents, staff and community members from Waltonwood at Twelve Oaks in Novi.

The Visiting Nurses Association of Southeast Michigan visited Waltonwood Oct. 4 and members of the community were anticipating their arrival.

"Our residents are pretty well educated about the importance of the flu shot," said Barbara Buck, independent living activities director. "We usually schedule our flu shot appointments six months in advance. If we don't start talking about it, (the residents) start asking what's going on."

The Visiting Nurses Association will also be administering flu shots from 1-3 p.m. Saturday at Art Van Furniture, in Novi, and from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 14, at the Northville Senior Community Center.

Those unable to receive a shot at one of the Visiting Nurses Association locations can visit their family doctor or local pharmacy, including Kroger, Walgreen's and CVS.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, every year in the United States 5-20 percent of the population gets the flu, and of those, more than 200,000 are hospitalized due to complications and about 36,000 die.

Dr. Michael Somand, of Oakland Family Medicine, in Southfield, an affiliate of St. John Providence

Hospital, in Novi, said now is the time to get vaccinated, before flu season is at its peak.

He said doctors are seeing more colds and allergies right now, but come January, the flu virus will be here.

"I encourage all my patients to get the flu shot," Somand said. "It's recommended that children, anyone with lung diseases like asthma and bronchitis, heart problems, pregnant women and adults 50 and older receive the flu shot."

### Prevention is key

Renny said the influenza vaccine is 70 to 90 percent effective in preventing the flu.

"It's more effective in preventing hospitalization in flu complications," she said. "If you get the flu shot, not only will it help you to not get the flu, but it helps you to stay

out of the hospital and help you stay alive."

She said it is rare to get the flu after having received the shot, but if you do get it, it's a much milder case.

Somand said the best ways to stay healthy are keeping away from people who are coughing or sneezing, washing your hands regularly and using an antibacterial hand sanitizer.

"The main way to spread colds and the flu are droplets in the air from sneezing or coughing," he said. "Avoiding these things will keep you healthier."

Renny said now is a good time to get the flu shot, which will last through the entire season — now through spring.

"People really need to get the shot," she said. "It's easy to prevent the flu. All people of all ages should consider getting it."

### Where to find a flu shot

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## Don't veer for deer

'Tis the season for car-deer crashes across Michigan, and local drivers should keep in mind that we're in one of the worst areas in the state for these types of accidents.

There are a lot of deer out there, and this month, especially, they're going to be on the run. These crashes can be expensive and sometimes deadly (12 people died last year in Michigan due to car-deer crashes), so it's worth your time to learn how you can improve your chances of not hitting a doe or buck.

There's a lot of good advice from the experts on how to avoid these crashes, but the best advice is this: If it's inevitable that you're going to hit a deer, just hit it. While swerving might be a driver's first instinct, it's vital that you "don't veer for deer."

With deer season upon us, the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition has provided tips to avoid a crash with one of the state's 1.75 million deer. First, if a crash is unavoidable, the coalition recommends the following:

- Do not swerve.
- Brake firmly.
- Grasp the steering wheel with both hands.
- Come to a controlled stop.
- Steer your vehicle well off the roadway.

The coalition also suggests some ways to avoid the crash in the first place:

- Watch for deer, especially at dawn and dusk. They are most active at those times, especially during the fall mating season. In the spring, deer will move from cover to find food, and back to cover. Often they will feed along road easements, where grass greens up first.
- If you see one deer, approach cautiously, as there may be more out of sight.
- Deer often travel single file, so if you see one cross a road, chances are more are nearby waiting to cross, too. When startled by an approaching vehicle, they can panic and dart out from any direction without warning.
- Be alert all year, especially on two-lane roads. Watch for deer warning signs. They are placed at known deer-crossing areas and serve as a first alert that deer may be near.
- Slow down when traveling through deer population areas.

## Correction

After an article in last week's paper about an automobile accident in front of Northville High School involving Kimberly Peters, she wrote to say the accident occurred in 2002, not 2001. She graduated from the University of Michigan in April and is now a doctoral student at Roosevelt University in Chicago.

## Foundation must make changes

There were only 50 people at last Thursday's City Council candidates forum, but that number would have gone through the roof of city hall if it had been a meeting between Shari and the Farmer.



Cal Stone

Peters, the president/executive director of the Northville Community Foundation, and Farmer John Beemer, who was fired by the foundation after 30 years of running Maybury Farm.

I think it's safe to say this issue has generated much, much more interest than the local election.

Even prior to his firing, Beemer had become a local icon, a celebrity. He's Santa Claus in overalls to the kids who visit Maybury Farm. If a pitchfork were a guitar, he might make the cover of Rolling Stone. Everybody (well, OK, not everybody) loves Beemer and his wife, Norma.

Obviously, you can just fire him without offering explanation, but I wouldn't recommend it. That will cause an avalanche of letters to the editor - 42 at last count - and will rally the troops quicker than the fire that destroyed the Farm in Feb. 2003.

So, in an effort to maybe slow down the torch-carrying mob heading down Main Street, a relatively new Foundation board member, Nickie Baetson (city of Northville assistant city manager/finance director), called me to see if I would be willing to meet with their board. I agreed, but I wanted her to know that I had a long list of questions that lots and lots of people wanted answered.

I assured her that I wasn't on a witch hunt, and I haven't seen the smoking gun that many people are clamoring about. However, there sure appear to be enough empty shells lying around to make one wonder.

And I definitely wasn't there to do a fluff piece about how much the Foundation does for the community or to visit the charming farm. I already know about those, and I think this paper does a pretty good job telling our readers the positive

aspects of the Foundation and Maybury Farm.

I wanted to learn why the Foundation does things that most people just don't understand. So I went to the Foundation's office, next to the Deadwood Grill, around 4:15 on Oct. 29. I met with Peters, Baetson, and board members Eric Colthurst, Audrey Mistor and Andrea Marlow. Tom Denomme, Paul Olexa and Chris Belcher could not make it for one reason or another.

We talked for about an hour and a half. Some of their answers made sense; some did not.

I was curious as to why, just days before we met, the Foundation's Web site suddenly included a list of the board members - which has been a mystery or, at the very least, a non-publicized fact, for quite some time - as well as a three-year financial summary. According to the board, they've been wanting to get that info up for a long time, and they finally got a Web site guru who did it. (FYI: The Foundation just celebrated its 10-year anniversary.)

People are suspicious, so I asked why the Holiday Home Tour tickets aren't numbered, which is pretty standard for any fundraising that involves ticket sales. Too expensive, I was told.

Just for the heck of it, I grabbed the phone book, picked out a local printer, called them up and asked how much extra to number 1,000 tickets. No charge. Even if it costs \$25, wouldn't it be worth it just to avoid any hint of suspicion?

Some folks have complained that the volunteers who work the Home Tour have to pay to see the homes. Some do. If they work a half day, their ticket is half price. If they work a whole day, their ticket is free. Is that right or wrong? It's just the way this Foundation decided to handle it.

The board decided not to give the township financial details of how they spend money on the fourth of July parade. The township gave \$5,000 in 2003 and then \$3,000 the following year - both times asking for a detailed account of all parade expenses. Peters says it got to be too much of a hassle and time constraint, so the Foundation just quit asking the township for money.

Same type thing happened

with the City of Northville, according to one of the council members. Now, neither the township or the city are donating money to the community parade.

But if you're keeping detailed accounting already, why wouldn't you show it? Well, according to the Foundation, if they did that, then anyone could find out, for example, how much a particular band is paid once that becomes public record. The board says there are lots of non-profits, like Rotary, competing for dollars and they have to keep their finances closely guarded.

I find it hard to believe that there are many, if any, groups looking to put on a parade in Northville. If there are, I would like to hear from them.

A local family offered a very, very substantial donation to the Foundation back in 2004 when they were trying to rebuild the farm. The only request was that the donor wanted to review and be comfortable with the Foundation's financial statements, all books and the minutes of the meetings prior.

The version I got from the Foundation was that this donor wanted to buy his way on the board and that just can't be done. I agree wholeheartedly.

But, I also had in my briefcase a copy of a letter that this donor says he sent to Peters, dated Oct. 26, 2007, that states "...I did not have any interest in being on the Foundation Board..."

Now, somebody's not getting the whole story here, and I think it's the NCF Board.

If I'm sitting on the board of a non-profit that has net assets of \$685,000 and somebody wants to donate more than that with one check, I think I'd want to sit down with that individual and somehow, somehow work it out so that my foundation gets that money and can then do great things in the community.

But, you say, what if the Foundation's books include the names of individual donors who want to remain anonymous? Well, that was brought up as a concern, but the donor already offered to sign a non-disclosure agreement or have those donors' names blanked out in the statements.

As our meeting went on, we talked about the advisory council that was formed as part of the requirements of the Foundation's lease with the Department of Natural Resources. We hit upon

the Foundation's required written plan for the Farm, which the board says the DNR has and the public can view. (I'll be requesting a copy of that.) We talked about Ken Brock, a man who claims he organized the move of the new barn from Novi to the Farm and that he's still owed \$500 by the Foundation.

Of course, I asked why Beemer was fired, but I knew that wouldn't be answered. I didn't expect it to be. When someone is let go in this newspaper, I don't tell people why. It's a good way, legally, to get in a whole lot of trouble.

But the person who was fired better know the reason, and according to Beemer, he still doesn't.

Beemer's wife says she asked Colthurst for a document stating her husband was fired so he could file for unemployment. She says Colthurst then faxed the Beemers a copy of the Record's article on the firing.

"I don't know about that one," Colthurst replied.

We talked about why Shari Peters doesn't use her married last name, Zeleznik. She wanted to go off the record before giving her explanation, but once I heard it, I didn't understand at all why it was such a big deal to keep secret.

That, in a nutshell, is one of the Foundation's biggest problem - secrecy. I don't buy the excuse that they're in competition with other non-profits. And if they would've accepted the major donor's offer, they wouldn't have to worry about raising money for a long time!

A few days after our meeting, I was contacted by two of the board members to have a follow-up meeting. But I suggested that first the board, sans Peters, should meet with this donor and get the full story.

I hope that happens. It needs to happen. I think it will be the beginning of the Foundation opening up and showing that they truly want to have an honest dialogue with this community. Something that must occur. I know there are good people on the board who want to do the right thing, and the perfect time is right now.

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## Story Chat

The following are excerpts from readers participating in Story Chat, our online forum for discussing issues at www.northvillerecord.com.

### Meeting to take place on possible recall of Corriveau

I am very disgusted with this whole issue of recalling our HARD WORKING, HONEST, and DEDICATED State Representative-Marc Corriveau!

Since the very first day of working for the people of our 20th District, Marc Corriveau has ALWAYS and CONTINUES to work extremely hard for all the people in our district EVERYDAY!

I want to press the point that this recall attempt is being solely orchestrated by none other than former State Representative-Leon Drolet.

You remember him...he's the guy that has been parading around our district and Lansing pulling in tow the infamous "Mr. Perks" the large fiberglass pink pig.

The most important thing that we, the residents of the 20th District must remember: Leon Drolet IS NOT a resident of the 20th District. He is currently serving as a MACOMB COUNTY Commissioner. Leon Drolet is being FUNDED by OUT-OF-STATE interests! The question is: Why is Leon Drolet sticking HIS nose into OUR business?

I am very confident in stating that Marc Corriveau IS doing the job WE ELECTED him to do for us! Why

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## State missed chance for needed overhaul

It took months of wrangling, a four-hour shutdown and a month-long extension - but our political masters have at last passed an officially balanced budget, as required by the state constitution. Yet nobody deserves any awards for valor.

Tragically, the folks in Lansing almost completely missed the opportunity to use the budget crisis to force major changes in the structure, workings and costs of government.

The visionary thinking this state needs so desperately was just not there. By focusing almost entirely on the short-term arithmetic of a balanced budget, our leaders failed to use this budget as a way to express and promote their long-term priorities for Michigan.

That is in no small part because some of them lack such priorities altogether. Many can barely agree on anything.

And since they lacked a shared vision for Michigan's future, legislators and the governor produced a spending plan that lacks focus, discipline or any strategy for building us a future.

By the numbers, what they did was this: adopt a \$9.8-billion spending plan that "resolved" the \$1.75-billion general fund budget deficit in two stages, a month apart. First they passed an increase in the income tax, and extended the sales tax to some services.

Then, last week, they finally agreed on \$433 million in spending cuts to finish closing the budget gap. Here's a look at what they did do - and the potential impact on the state:

Prisons: Ho Hum. Michigan now spends around 40 percent more on corrections than our neighboring states, around \$500 million.

Each inmate costs our taxpayers half as much again as citizens

in surrounding states pay to keep their inmates confined.

The \$2 billion Lansing allocated to prisons (\$500 million more than for colleges and universities!) represents a "cut" of \$66 million. True, three prisons will be closed. Still, this budget represented fundamentally no change in the way we spend on corrections.

And Michigan has a long, long way yet to go to get prison spending into rational balance.

Structural Reforms: One hit, many misses. Other than allowing school districts the opportunity to get detailed data to allow competitive bidding on employee health care, there were no big changes made in the structure, workings and costs of government.

What about benchmarking public employee pension, health care and other benefits to comparable rates in the private sector?

Didn't happen.

What about moving toward requiring intense collaboration between local governments and school operations, with a view towards saving money? What about movement on getting some small and cash-strapped districts to consolidate into fewer and more effective ones? The needle didn't move a millimeter.

"North Coast" Quality of Life?

Not now. To attract talented people to come live in Michigan and to keep our kids from moving to Chicago, we need to stress the unmatched quality of life here, our natural resources and environmental assets.

So what did the budget do? Gave the Department of Natural Resources a less-than-inflationary increase of \$1 million - to \$289 million. That will result in laying off 14 conservation officers and the closure of 37 parks. What about increasing fees for hunting and fishing licenses (currently far cheaper than most other states)?

Nope. Maybe in January.



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Maybe not. How about requiring developers and businesses to pay the increased costs of air emission and wetlands permits and regulation? No again; the Department of Environmental Quality budget was cut by \$3 million.

Higher Education: Give our lawmakers a D+. We're spending 25 percent less (inflation adjusted) on public universities than we were six years ago. Other nearby states are spending around the same percentage more than they were.

If we're going to keep our brightest at home, attract talented folks from out of state and encourage high-tech startups, we need to sustain and improve our colleges and universities.

The budget gives higher education a 1-percent increase (that's less than inflation), although it does pay back the \$138 million that was held back from last year's budget.

And there is always the "balanced budget" will turn out not to be balanced after all, as has often been the case. Too often, at that time lawmakers' first instinct has been to whack spending for higher education.

Schools: Give them a C-. K-12 schools will get an average of 1 percent increase - less, again, than inflation. Schools will likely continue to lay off teachers and other employees because increased costs (especially health

care and pensions) will outrun inflation.

Programs for math and science in middle schools were cut - an especially dismaying move. Michigan's greatest asset is the skills and brain power of our kids. But does the budget make this a priority or assure that as much of school funding as possible gets to the classroom, rather than get lost in overhead costs? Nope.

Taxes: Pure uncertainty. For businesses thinking to expand in Michigan, a simple, understandable and predictable tax system is absolutely essential. Instead, we're back at square one, with businesses fighting anew to repeal yet another poorly written tax law: The arbitrary, inexplicable, incomprehensible and probably unenforceable 6 percent sales tax on a bizarre array of services.

Numerous economists see broad, low-rate services taxes as a good way to modernize the state tax structure, but nobody advocates passing a tax on a grab bag of unrelated services at the last minute, in the middle of the night, with no public hearings, at a rate triple what the governor originally proposed.

Legislature: Ugly symbolism. We've known a budget crisis has been brewing for a couple of years now. But last month, unable to pass a balanced budget by the constitutional deadline of Oct. 1, the legislature, after thrashing around like a wounded whale, adopted a "contin-

uation" budget. The budget for this fiscal year was only finally adopted at 4 a.m. last Thursday. Yet lawmakers decided to reward their performance by boosting their own budgets by 2.9 percent, bringing the cost of the House and Senate to \$114.5 million.

Future Budgets: More chronic structural budget deficits. Center for Michigan Executive Director John Bebow says, "They're going to be back at it for the next several years because they haven't dealt with structural reforms." Tom Clay, the former research director at the Citizens Research Council says, "We're going to continue to have the same problem we have been having. By 2009, they'll have another half-billion-dollar deficit, even if the economy improves."

So, all in all, where are we?

Sadly, this budget unintentionally offers clear evidence that Michigan's political, policy-making, taxing and spending systems are broken. The interests of 10 million Michigan citizens continue to be held hostage to the partisan agendas of both political parties.

And those parties are more interested in playing "gotcha" games than in setting long-term priorities for a struggling state.

What's it all mean? Simply this: We cannot depend on our elected non-leaders for a new vision. Instead, it's up to us as citizens to craft a clearer vision for Michigan's future.



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# OPINION

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would WE jeopardize ourselves with this ill conceived recall? Sure the guy from Plymouth is saying that he's just getting "advice" from Leon Drolet, but the truth is...in my opinion, he could be just another one of Drolet's little puppets on very short strings!

Or, you could say just another "mouth piece".

While this person has every right to undertake such a challenge, WE the residents of the 20th District also have a right and a DUTY to put a halting STOP to this recall. Why you might ask? It's very simple.

With a "Recall Election" it WILL cost the tax-payers THOUSANDS of DOLLARS! That's why. Clear and simply stated.

Why would the residents of the 20th District even jeopardize ourselves like that?

I fully support State Representative Marc Coriveau 110%!

Representative Coriveau has been and continues to work extremely hard for the residents of our district. From his very first day as our Representative, Marc Coriveau welcomes each new challenge and ALWAYS delivers for the people of our 20th District! Representative Coriveau continues to stand strong and continues to fight for the people and to get our Michigan back on track, making our Michigan better for us, our families, our children, and our lives.

In my opinion, the last recall attempt is nothing but a political scheme in order to oust a hardworking, honest, dedicated, trust-worthy, compassionate, and truthful person.

To recall our State Representative WILL be disastrous, and ANY the strong possibility of NOT having any representation in Lansing! Is that what we REALLY want? NO!

As for myself, I want my State Representative (Marc Coriveau) to continue to make my Michigan a better place to live, work, play, and to raise a family. I commend Marc Coriveau for having the STRONG COURAGE to stand-up and doing what is the right thing to do for the 20th District! I will stand with him and support him in his decisions in making Michigan a better place.

Remember this.....RECALL=Thousands of WASTED TAX-PAYER DOLLARS!

MB57  
Posted: Nov. 3

### Community Foundation plans Holiday Home Tour fund-raiser

It's time to pull the plug on the Northville Community Foundation — an organization that was established under questionable circumstances to begin with, has long outlived its original intent (that of being an organizing committee for township centennial events for a 12- to 18-month timespan) and whose organizational leadership remains shrouded in secrecy. The firing of John Beemer from Maybury State Park is the last straw, as far as I'm concerned.

Now is the time for:

- Residents to request full disclosure of any and all financial documents pertaining to the Foundation so we can see just how much of our donations ends up in charitable causes and how much ends up just paying a salary to the Foundation's director. Non-compliance should be grounds for seeking federal intervention, since the organization is a 501(C)(3) charity.

- Those who have offered their homes for the Holiday Home Tour to rescind their offer, and for those who would consider doing so not to do so until a full accounting of previous years' Home Tours is made public.

- A boycott of the Tour and any other Foundation events.

- Phone calls and e-mails to be sent streaming into Ms. Peters' office, demanding answers to any and all questions the public has.

Here's a link for people who might want a starting place to help remove some of the shroud of secrecy that veils this farce of a group.

<http://www.guidestar.org/pqShowGsRepo.rtd?partner=guidestar&npld=258615>

Nov1Guy1996  
Posted: Nov. 1

### ARE YOU AWARE? Knowledge is power when dealing with deadly cancer

Kathy Sugiyama What a wonderful, beautiful woman this is. My husband and I have known Kathy for a very long time. Not only does she have a strong desire to serve others but she genuinely makes you feel better by just being around her. When she was diagnosed with Breast Cancer 10 years ago it was a shock knowing how young she was, the thought of losing her kept some of us away. It was easier to sit back and just pray, pray and pray.

Not dealing with a friend or family member when they receive such devastating news is not the smartest thing to do. In her pain, she showed me what it meant to love unconditionally. God has given to the world a true survivor in Kathy. May he continue to bless her with a long life and the ability to give peace to all those who are graced by her friendship.

bbbutler  
Posted: Oct. 25

### Supporting the Beemers

I heard a few weeks ago about the parting of ways for John and Norma Beemer from their service at Maybury Farm, or the Northville Foundation. It was saddening to hear this, being aware of John and Norma Beemer's intense commitment to this community park, a regional icon they fostered together and which John invested nearly his entire career. Those who know the Beemers closely know they represent all that is righteous about being an American — active in the community, mentors for the young, stewards of our American heritage and downright stand-up people who do their work with pride.

Then, today the news came to me of them being shrewdly fired, without explanation, without an apparent modicum of respect. Who decided that this man is unworthy of the post that he, with his wife, so remarkably defined? This is ridiculous and an outrageous shame for the community of Northville — the community where I was raised that remains home to so many people I love and respect. I am grateful to have had as a young man and community friend the great benefit of knowing John Beemer, the man, the father, the husband, the leader, and of course, the farmer. Witnessing John's moral character in every aspect of life has helped me (and I am sure many others) define what it means to do right, and how to go about it.

This decision must be reversed. It has been suggested that if they don't return to their charter, then their past service be celebrated; that they be rewarded with a grand retirement. I most certainly agree. The community owes John and Norma Beemer a showing of gratitude for their service because Northville has lost a real asset in their departure.

Carleton Beach  
Chicago, IL

I am writing to express my extreme dissatisfaction with the leadership of the Northville Community Foundation (NCF). Shari Peters' actions, behavior and attitude toward the community that the NCF serves are unacceptable and repulsive. I urge the board members of the Foundation to remove Shari Peters from her positions in both the NCF and Maybury Farm and replace her with a qualified individual immediately. In my opinion, she has mismanaged Maybury Farm since the NCF acquired the lease to the property. The only exception to this was the hiring of Farmer John Beemer to oversee the operation of the Farm. That was undone this fall with his inexcusable termination from the Farm.

Several publications have since published articles from interviews with her regarding the status of the Farm. A comparison of these articles finds numerous inconsistencies and contradictory statements regarding the Farm and its future, allocation of proceeds from NCF events, etc. These actions are characteristic of an attempt to hide information.

The Farm is home to live animals. It is both morally and functionally wrong not to have a responsible caretaker residing at the Farm for the welfare of the animals and the safety of the Farm property.

I hope this appeal will be taken seriously and that the NCF Board will do what is right for NCF and for Maybury Farm by removing their president and replacing her. Her replacement clearly needs to be an individual with the ability to strategize and plan, to communicate effectively and to have good common sense — all attributes which are currently lacking.

Further, a full-time farmer must be retained for the oversight of the Farm operations and activities. Farmer Beemer is certainly the most logical choice for that position given his knowledge, skill and past history with the property. The Farmer must be empowered by the NCF leadership to do the job properly and to take appropriate safety precautions with the property.

The Northville Community Foundation, although a private company, is funded by the generosity of the public. The public has a right to accountability and to know how its contributions are managed and used. Recent updates to the NCF Web site are a step in the right direction. Please NCF Board — take this opportunity to restore confidence from the community.

Nancy Boggio  
Northville

Four weeks have elapsed and still Shari Peters and the impotent Northville Community Foundation have not done what the Northville Record has requested: "allotta of 'esplainin' to do." This certainly doesn't come as a surprise to anyone.

The Foundation is known for its secrecy and surreptitious behavior; just try to get financial information from them. It is time for this organization to be exposed.

The Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) exempt charitable organization and must follow strict IRS regulations. As such, they must file Form 990 by the 15th day of the 5th month following their accounting period. This form must be available for public inspection. And, per the IRS guidelines,

"The organization must be able to document the sources of receipts and expenditures reported on Form 990." Is Ms. Peters doing this? Also, "If an organization has more than one program, the organization should keep a complete and separate set of records for each program." Is Ms. Peters doing this? Other logical questions arise. Are quarterly Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and a balance sheet given to the Board? Is there an annual audit? What recommendations have the auditors made? What segregation of duties are utilized to ensure that cash is not embezzled?

The answer to all these questions has always remained a mystery. Most importantly, the IRS guidelines state this: "Also, all books and records of exempt organizations must be available for inspection by the IRS." And, "If an organization does not keep required records, it may be unable to show that it qualifies for exemption." Perhaps its time to ask the IRS to formally investigate this operation.

James M. Koster  
Northville

We sincerely hope the Record will continue digging to determine what the NCF is really up to. The letter from Mary Elizabeth Braddock published Oct. 18 stated that NCF wants to create a conference center. Is this true? If so, this would be a slap in the face to those who crave a working farm. Ms. Peters says she's not responsible to the local community. Ms. Peters calls no Advisory Committee meetings. Is she in violation of the lease with the DNR? Something is rotten, and it apparently isn't only the NCF secrecy. Firing of the Beemers may be only the tip of the iceberg.

Don't let up on this one! Dig, dig, dig. Maybe you'll get a Pulitzer!

Bill and Edie McKnight  
Northville Township

We can't believe that the Northville Community Foundation, led by Shari Peters, made the bad decision to fire John and Norma Beemer. The only reason I believe she stated that was to take the farm in a different direction. I don't believe Ms. Peters knows much about historic farming. I grew up on a farm that was developed in historic fashion and John and Norma certainly followed these principles. They gave the children a lesson and a fond memory of their trip to the farm.

Ken and I have known the Beemers since moving here in 1973. Ken and John worked together in Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. Norma and I have worked on school projects together. Our boys were friends. It seems unbelievable that anyone would fire this family. To harm Maybury Farm would be to damage one of the community treasures.

We will not be renewing our membership next year.

Ken and Audrey Jacobsen  
Northville

It has been weeks since John Beemer was fired and the Record has yet to print an article that addresses the questions on everybody's minds: Why was he fired? What are the future plans for Maybury Farm? Is it true a conference center is planned? Is it true antique farm equipment has been scrapped? What is the governance structure of the Northville Community Foundation? What opportunities exist for the public to influence their decisions? Given that the NCF has a fundraising event in two weeks, how do they spend the monies they raise?

In the absence of reporting, your readership has had to gather information through letters to the editor. The community you profess to serve deserves more than an editorial quip about "esplainin to do." It deserves some answers.

Bill Sivy  
Northville

The purpose of this letter is to add my voice to the growing displeasure with the Northville Community Foundation, Shari Peters and their vision for Maybury Farm.

When the state of Michigan leased Maybury Farm to the Foundation, it was with the understanding that it would remain a working turn-of-the-century farm. Urban residents in the neighboring communities could visit the farm and take with them a better understanding of what farming was like more than a 100 years ago. They could see the horses working in the fields or grazing peacefully in the pasture. They could experience sheep shearing and chickens hatching.

However, all of these programs and more were eliminated under Shari Peters' watch.

The state of Michigan and the people of Michigan do not expect or want Maybury Farm converted into a convention center, wedding chapel or field of wild flowers.

Shari Peters and The Northville

Community Foundation were appointed (mistakenly) stewards of the Farm. As stewards, they are to oversee the running of the Farm as a working farm. It seems they lost the vision of Maybury Farm. They forgot that Maybury Farm belongs to the people of Michigan. The donations and the income generated from the Farm were given with the understanding that the Farm continue on as it was meant to be for years to come.

Maybury Farm does not belong to Shari Peters. It belongs to all those who donated time and money after the devastating fire, and to those people who have visited the Farm over the last 30 years.

The future of the Farm goes well beyond the firing of John and Norma Beemer. Their vision may have collided with that of Shari Peters but their vision and stewardship of the Farm are on target and above reproach. The number of people who have taken the time to write so eloquently in their support is testimony to their devotion to the Farm and their reputation in the community.

I can't wait to count the number of people who will rise up and defend Shari Peters when she is "oustied!"

Tina Howie  
White Lake Township

### Politics should not be played with a person's disability

Look, I like the give and take of a good political battle as much as the next guy. I also support the causes Bruce Fealk, a Democrat and member of the anti-war group moveon.org exposes, i.e. ending the war in Iraq and expanding children's health care.

However, as a former Michigan State Superintendent of Schools and State Mental Health Director, I strongly believe politics should not be played at the expense of the mental health of another human being.

Trent Wisecup, Congressman Knollenberg's chief of staff, has checked himself into Beaumont Hospital to deal with a mood swing disorder after heated exchanges and sending out "weird and flat-out kooky" e-mails concerning Fealk and his confronting the congressman over his political positions on the war and expanding health care for children.

Fealk has every right as an American citizen to question an elected official and even to videotape his response and place it on the popular Web site, Youtube. However, given the admission by Trent Wisecup that he is suffering from a mental illness, it is unacceptable and in bad taste to maintain a video of the confrontation with Wisecup at a local drugstore on Youtube entitled, "Trent Wisecup goes crazy in Rochester."

Regardless of your positions on the congressman's stance on important issues of the day, making fun of mental illness should be unacceptable regardless of one's political persuasion.

For the sake of countless Americans suffering from mental illness, I respectfully ask that Bruce Fealk remove this video from Youtube or at a minimum change the title to something that does not disparage a person with a serious medical issue.

Congressman Knollenberg's Democratic opponents, Nancy Skinner and Gary Peters, should also call on Fealk to do the right thing and make these changes as well.

I salute Congressman Knollenberg for supporting Trent and Trent for seeking help for a disease that devastates far too many individuals and families across this state and nation.

Let's not play politics with mental illness.

Tom Watkins  
Michigan's State Superintendent of Schools

2001-2006  
Michigan's State Mental Health Director

1986-1990

### Kudos to township

I think that Steve Mitchell, spokesman of REIS, needs to speak for himself when talking such a broad sweep to convey the opinions of all of Northville Township residents. I for one was not "very disappointed" to hear that our Northville Township officials have "blocked development" of the extensive commercial and residential development planned for the 7 Mile site.

What our township officials appear to be doing is their job. They are elected to reflect the views and concerns of their constituents. Township officials have not "blocked" development of the site; they have just asked that REIS work within the guidelines of our community plan. We moved several years ago from a neighboring community to the west, only to watch developer after developer steam roll the township officials into permitting whatever they wanted.

These "desirable" developments were often in direct conflict with a community plan, the creation of which had been paid for by taxpayers and developed with the input of the citizens of that community. In the end, we moved from that community in part due to the lack of organized,

thoughtful growth. How many more "big box" retail developments do we really need in Northville Township? Bigger is not always better, Mr. Mitchell.

Thank you Mark Abbo and township officials for remaining focused on the short and long-term growth and desirability of our community.

Susan Marquardt  
Northville Twp.

### Michigan problems

Our State Representative went through the now well-known talking points justifying his yield to support the governor on taxes. Then, he has enjoyed written and heavy accolade from all members of the Democrat Club. Really, there was not much threat of the governor actually shutting down Michigan. It was a game of chicken and she had another option all along. Anyway, she would be reluctant to further annoy the now "blown away" political allies. Her sword rattled; the special interests erupted, and our so-called legislators caved like wimps. Our really an example of leadership ...collapse.

The problems in Michigan have taken almost a century to get so out of balance. Fueled by an industrial economy, liberal spending by the "political pirates" loaded up Michigan's governmental commitments with a pandering train of special interest programs and grants. To no great surprise, the new decorations on the bureaucratic cost of government cleverly cemented their positions by funding highly-paid lobbyists to reinforce government largess. A gambit that has led over the years to expanding bureaucratic "featherbedding" at public expense. The federal government faces this same problem, but they hide it better and more easily. Among the few avoiding government handouts stands Hillsdale College, which chooses to place itself independent of the strings.

In Michigan, this turkey of excess has come home to roost. Of course, the governor, resistant to making real tough political choices, lays the blame on others. This is a characteristic complaint of the inexperienced in handling jobs that require business management and leadership skills. No effort to reduce spending, only a lot of meaningless talk about "bare bones" essentials. Now Michigan has joined the bidding, along with several other states, to lure needed employers with strong fiscal incentives.

Therefore, we choose to tax Peter more and more to pay Paul, a losing idea since we cannot tax our way to prosperity. This is only achievable in the liberal, socialist economies that lie with abandon about quality of life for their citizens. The public will eventually figure this one out. Maybe.

Then comes the barrage of the Democrat lexicon to hit us all in the heart. Like a broken Hezbollah suggestion, they are more Christian than are the Christians. Particularly the "breathy" classic we frequently hear, "It's for the children." A weasel trump card that applies to any liberal program no matter how distant and unpalatable.

Our governor has a great personality. It is always the right thing to do to give a lady special deference. However, for a politician, the objective must be to avoid the talking points and be thorough in diligence to the facts. Politicians have chosen to be politicians and are required to sell their own potential based upon a personal history of achievements at leadership. Politicians are not victims, but they can very well victimize. Choice of leaders has proven to be a risk since any unit of government must be run as a business. Promising too many and more undeliverable entitlements and obligations remains the source of our state's problem and our nations indebtedness, as well.

Recalls would come at heavy financial cost to the public. Therefore, plan to live with our mistakes. In the future, commit to better due diligence, ignoring all the choreography, and study resumes for factual leadership accomplishments of those who want to be in positions of responsibility.

Jim Nowka  
Northville

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# Go Green's got the blues: A lost weekend in East Lansing

No matter how my alma mater (Michigan State) is performing on the gridiron each fall, my friends and I always look forward to football Saturdays — especially the ones when we all can converge on East Lansing.

Jason Davis

Last weekend was no different Michigan/Michigan State weekend.

The one weekend alums and fans of each program congregate to either East Lansing or Ann Arbor to watch our two big-time college football programs go heads up on the football field.

But let's face it. This hasn't been much of a rivalry the past few seasons. We haven't beaten the Wolverines since my junior year at State (2001).

Five Ls in a row going into last Saturday. Heartbreak. (Chris Perry and his 51 carries) after heartbreak (Braylon S. Edwards) after Heartbreak (John Goss).

So I went into last weekend hoping we could pull off the upset, not expecting to, even though I don't think Michigan is very good.

My best friend from State, Ro, was gonna drive up to East Lansing from Chicago, we were

gonna meet some friends at one of our old hangouts, Rick's American Cafe, for some...Cokes. Yea, Cokes. Lots and lots of Cokes. Then, Ro and I were gonna get an up-close look at this year's hoop squad, since they're projected as a potential Final Four team. The team was playing D-II Grand Valley State, where Northville High alum Alvin Storrs is on the Lakers roster.

Cokes with friends. A look at a high-powered basketball team. A shot at a win against our in-state rival.

Sounds like a pretty good weekend, right?

## The shocker

"I figure we'll be back at the bar by halftime," I said to Ro while we made the trek to Breslin Center.

I only wish it would've gone that way.

Sitting in our seats in level B, section 208, row 14, we walked into the arena just as a pep rally for State's football team was ending. What followed was one of the most shocking things I've ever seen. Seriously, I was more shocked by what happened than Ron Burgundy after Baxter ate that wheel of cheese.

We lost. In double overtime. To Grand Valley.

"But they're, like, the USC of Division-II basketball, at least," I said. "And at least it doesn't count, right?"

Then Ro had to rain on my parade with, "No more App. State jokes from us."

We never made it back to Rick's. A game we hoped to watch for a half ended up lasting three hours. After a while, I wished I would've snuck a flask full of Coke into the Bres.

And even though the game didn't count, Ro and I were so dejected after the loss that we opted to make it a Blockbuster night instead of trying to get back into the bar for more libations.

Then I made the mistake of dropping this dime.

"This feels like a baaaaaaaaaa sign, Ro."

## Picture perfect tailgate

After getting four hours of sleep Friday night because of my roommate's sister's cat, which I was ready to re-enact a certain scene from "Fatal Attraction" with, Ro and I set out for our tailgate.

For a November morning, the weather was surprisingly cooperative.

The sun shone for most of the day. The wind didn't howl that often, but when it did, it was fierce. But nary a damper was put on the day's proceedings.

We tailgate with a group of at least 25 people when we go up. The food is good, and the Cokes are always flowing; but that isn't the part most of us look forward

to. Flip cup is a game in which two teams stand on both sides of a table, facing one another (the person in front of a player is his/her opponent). In front of each team-mate is a cup filled with an arbitrary amount of any kind of liquid (often Coke).

A player and his opponent both have the same amount of liquid. At the start of the race, the first member of each team drinks his or her Coke. When finished, the cup is placed right-side up at the edge of the table, and the person who drank it tries to flip it upside down onto the table. If he or she is not successful on the first try, the cup must be reset and refilled. Only after the first teammate is done flipping the cup successfully, can the next person proceed. Whichever team finishes drinking and flipping all its cups first is the winner.

God, I love Wikipedia.

Our friend, Scotty, has a self-made flip cup table he brings to every tailgate. I think he puts more work into maintaining that thing than some people put into their marriages. The table top and all six legs are painted State green, and a huge white, Spartan head is the table's centerpiece.

After proving to be the New York Yankees of flip cup — it helps to have the Flip Cup queen, with her crown and skirt, complete with "Silo" logos — Ro and I made our way to Spartan Stadium for the 100th meeting

between the Wolverines and Spartans.

We made sure to take some Cokes for the road.

## Why do I sound like this

I've been to a number of sporting events throughout my life, but that game last Saturday was the most amazing thing I've ever been a part of.

Things didn't look good in the first half, as UM went into the lockerroom, up 14-3, at halftime. It could have been worse, though, because that was easily the worst half of ball MSU has played all season.

But the second half? Electric. State scored 21 unanswered points to take a 24-14 lead with about eight minutes left in the game. After high-fiving and giving dap to everyone in our section, save a few Blue Bellies, I tried to say something to Ro, and I couldn't.

I lost my voice.

In the midst of all that celebrating, my throat closed up. Not totally, but I sounded like someone had punched me in my larynx.

Eight minutes and two Chad Henne touchdown passes later, Ro and I sat in our almost empty section, save a few Maize & Blue fans.

State snatched defeat from the arms of victory once again, losing, 28-24.

To make matters worse, we got

stuck sitting in my car for more than two hours after the game until we made it to a spot where we could drown our sorrows.

Heartbreak. Again.

## All in perspective

Ro is easily the best person I know. He finds the good in all people and situations and Saturday was no different.

"I'm gonna write a column about this weekend," I said. "We lost to Grand @\$\$%& Valley. I lost my voice. We lost to Michigan. AGAIN. And Darcie almost lost her cat."

"Yea, but just being up here with everybody and getting to hang out with people makes it all worth it."

He was right.

We're all getting older; and, sooner or later, life's going to intervene. The trips won't be the same. The group will get smaller, and people will move away.

Weekends like that are what make life worth living. Sure, I feel like a midget's tap-dancing on my esophagus, but that trip was worth me having to drink loads and loads of hot tea for a few days.

Unless, of course, more Cokes can cure a sore throat.

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# We need to invest in our future – education matters!

Michigan is at a tipping point. Are we going to invest in our people and our collective future, or become an economic backwater?

Many in our state capitol claim the latest budget "fix" of raising taxes will allow us to invest in education.

However, the reality is the 1-percent increase schools may receive will not even cover the fixed cost of keeping our schools open and will do little to stem rising tuition at our community colleges and state universities. At best, this modest increase in educational funding helps our schools from falling further behind. Yet, in this time of hyperactive global

competition, staying even is falling behind.

The only thing worse than not investing in education that will prepare our children for the future is pretending that we are when we are not. Michigan has been disinvesting in education over the past few years while other states and nations are increasing their investment.

The need for investing in the human potential of Michigan's students and workers was driven home during my latest trip to China. I have been a student of China since a great teacher opened my eyes to this country when I was in fourth grade. I first visited China in 1989 and have traveled there many times since, including three trips this year alone. On each trip, I have witnessed the emergence of a nation intent on challenging the U.S. educationally and economically. In this century, the states and

nations that get their systems of education right will prosper.

Michigan must make a commitment to emerge from our heritage of "lifting for a living" to a future of "thinking for a living."

The Chinese are hungry for improved economic success and are unrelenting in their quest for education about Western language, culture, innovation, creativity and a better way of life. Our past success does not give us a lock or guarantee on the future. Our children must receive unprecedented, quality educational opportunities and our workers on-going training if they are to be prepared to succeed in a global economy.

## Confronting a turbulent, transformational terrifying world

We are confronting a world that is rapidly changing. It is turbulent,

transformational, and terrifying for many. And it will continue to defy predictability. Are Michigan's leaders helping to prepare our citizens for this reality?

During my latest trip to China, there was a common thread among Michigan's business people and students alike: "I wish more people could see what is going on in China; we better get our act together and fast, if we wish to be relevant in the 21st century." One student commented, "The global competition we are going to face is hungry, hardworking and motivated — it is scary!" Yes, it is.

No, we cannot and should not compete with China on cheap labor. We should, however, be ramping up our institutions of learning to make Michigan the brain bank of the world where everyone comes for deposits and withdrawals. Talent will be the commodity that will rule in the

future. Leadership, ideas, creativity, innovation and courage are the fuel Michigan needs to spur the talent needed for growth and economic survival.

The world is changing much more rapidly than we are in Michigan and this does not bode well for our future. With technology, we are living in a borderless world where ideas, talent and jobs can and do flow across the globe. We are living in a world where the undereducated and uneducated will be left behind. The global economy will continue to reward not just low costs, but brainpower.

Our biggest fear should not be the outsourcing of jobs to China. Our greatest fear should be the fact that China is outpacing us and many other nations in the development of scientists, mathematicians, technology and knowledge workers. Our hope in being globally

competitive is sitting in our classrooms today. We must be committed to educate our students and workers so they will be among the world's best and brightest if we wish to be economically relevant in the future.

The question remains — are we investing in our future? We must be willing to invest in education, talent and change if we want our state to prosper and not continue our economic slide.

We must act as if our future depends on the talent we develop today — because it does!

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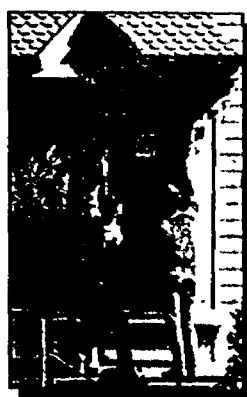
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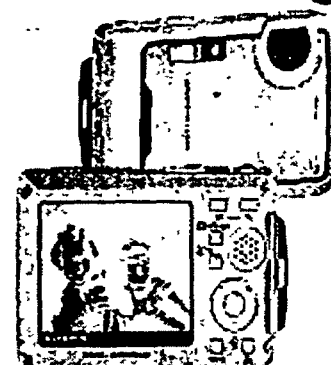
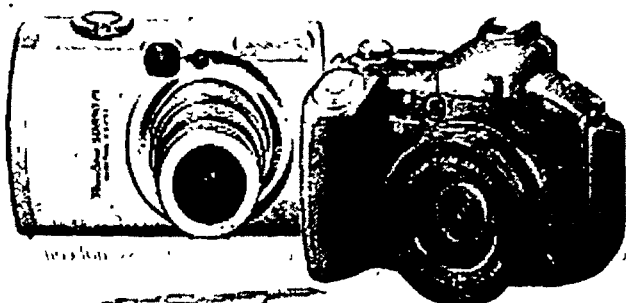
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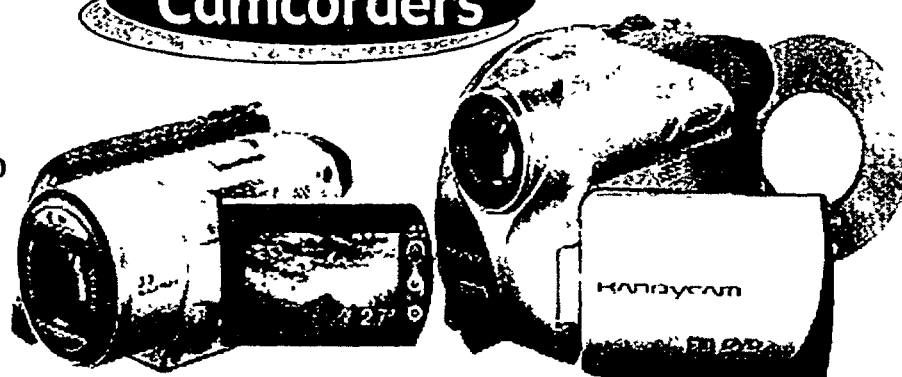
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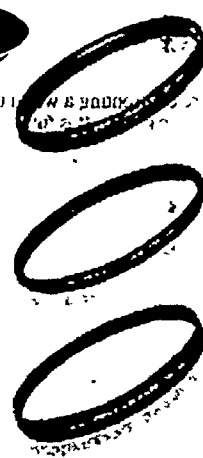


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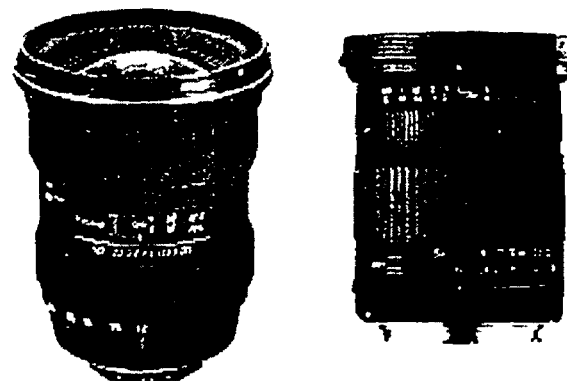
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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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## Local Events

### NHS Traffic Light PTSA Meeting

TIME/DATE: 9:15 a.m. Friday, Nov. 9

LOCATION: Northville High School Auditorium  
DETAILS: The NHS Parent Awareness Committee encourages parents to attend this PTSA meeting which will include a special segment about the traffic light situation in front of the high school. John Werth, director of public safety for Northville Township will explain the township's view of the situation.

### One Day Event Honoring Artist Timothy Orikri

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 10

LOCATION: Sherris Gallery of Fine Art, 133 W. Main St., Ste. 210, Northville  
DETAILS: Join us to celebrate Tim's 25-years of creativity and his birthday; live music, live painting, raffle drawings and silent auctions, etc. Please call (248) 380-0470 by Nov. 8 to RSVP.

### Henry and Friends

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10

LOCATION: New School Church at Mill Race Village

DETAILS: Be transported to 1925 in an authentic, humorous, interactive production featuring Henry Ford, Thomas Edison and Harvey Firestone; includes dinner, \$35 per person; proceeds benefit general store construction.

CONTACT: To purchase tickets call the Historical Society at (248) 348-1845; or go to their office, 215 Griswold Ave., open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday; or visit Goody Two Shoes at 124 E. Main.

### Marc Corriveau Fundraiser

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10

LOCATION: 39770 Golf View Dr., Northville

DETAILS: The Northville Democratic Club is hosting a fundraiser for State Rep. Marc Corriveau; Debbie Stabenow will attend to support Corriveau.

### Work of Human Hands

TIME/DATE: 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 and 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11

LOCATION: Holy Family Church, Activity Center, 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

DETAILS: Sale of handcrafted items made by artisans from developing nations of the world; proceeds directly benefit the artisans; sponsored by Holy Family and St. James Catholic Churches.

CONTACT: Church of the Holy Family at (248) 349-8847

### Hamtramck, the Driven City

TIME/DATE: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11

LOCATION: Northville District Library, Carlos Meeting Room, 212 W. Cady

DETAILS: Travel on a fascinating journey into the past with Greg Kowalski, Chairman of the Hamtramck Historical Commission and author of three books on Hamtramck; public welcome, no charge, hosted by the Northville Genealogical Society. A computer genealogy class, "Family Tree Maker 2006: Sources and Backup," will be held at 1:15 p.m., prior to regular meeting.

CONTACT: Tille Van Sickle at (734) 595-7806

### Travel Show

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon Tuesday, Nov. 13

LOCATION: Northville Senior Center, 303 W. Main St.

DETAILS: Come and discover great trips offered by several area travel agencies; open to the public, ages 21 and over please; no fee but please pre-register by calling the senior center at (248) 349-4140.

### As the Page Turns

LOCATION: 149 N. Center St., Suite 102

CONTACT: (248) 912-0085 or www.as.thepageturns.biz

### Wonderful Wednesdays

DATE: Wednesday, Nov. 14, Dorothy Pitsch; Nov. 21, Mark

Davio; Nov. 28, Sue Bennett

TIME: Noon-1 p.m.

DETAILS: Fun activities and free slices of pizza; book prices change weekly.

### Storytime

TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. Saturday Dec. 1

### Relay for Life of Northville

Info Night

TIME/DATE: 5:30-7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

LOCATION: Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St.

DETAILS: Everyone can join the fight against cancer, celebrate life and cancer survivorship.

CONTACT: Barb Iovan (248) 483-4317 or biovan@cancer.org

### Holiday Lighted Parade

DATE: Friday, Nov. 16

CONTACT: Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640

### Marquis Theatre

135 E. Main St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or northvillamarquistheatre.com

### The Jungle Book

TIME/DATE: 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 17, 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, 25, Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

DETAILS: Kipling's classic story of jungle animals and the boy named Mowgli; tickets \$8; no children under 3; group rates for 20 or more.

### 10th Annual Holiday Home Tour

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, Nov. 16 and 17

DETAILS: Tour five homes decorated for the holidays; proceeds fund the Northville Community Foundation's endowments for youth and seniors; tickets are \$20 in advance and can be purchased at Gardenviews, Community Financial, Main Street Bank, the Northville Chamber of Commerce or charged by phone with Northville Community Foundation at (248) 374-0200; tickets on day of event can only be purchased at Ward Church, 40000 W. Six Mile Road, park in lot D.

### Hometown Holidays 26th Annual Christmas Walk

DATE: Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 17 and 18

### Mill Race Village 26th Annual Christmas Walk

TIME/DATE: 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18

DETAILS: Costumed greeters, including St. Nicholas, will welcome visitors to Mill Race Village; historic buildings decorated for the holidays with docents providing histories; acoustic music and craft demonstrations; craft items and refreshments for sale.

CONTACT: For information, contact (248) 348-1845

### An Evening in Tuscany

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18

LOCATION: Little Italy

Ristorante, 227 Hutton

DETAILS: This is a 6-course full table service dinner with individually plated courses specifically created to enhance the unique characteristics of each wine. Price is \$85 per person.

CONTACT: Reservations (248) 348-0575

### Daughters of the American Revolution

TIME/DATE: Noon Monday, Nov. 19

LOCATION: Greenmead, Alexander Blue House, Livonia

DETAILS: Speaker is Historian Luan Brownlee; program is "Mayflower," a book review.

CONTACT: (734) 459-4764

### NHS Senior All Night Party

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28

LOCATION: Northville High School Forum

DETAILS: Second parent meeting for the Senior All Night Party.

### Holidays in the Village

DATE: Nov. 30-Dec. 2 weekend

LOCATION: Northville Village stores at Six Mile and Haggerty roads

DETAILS: Bring a bag of non-perishable food items to benefit

the Northville Civic Concern food drive. Stores are sponsoring several activities and there is a 5K Fun Run. Parking at Ward Church available with free shuttle service to shopping center.

CONTACT: Renee Miller (734) 765-4987 or Betsy Storr (248) 348-1274

### Northville's North Pole

TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, Dec. 1

LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main

DETAILS: Bring the kids and join in the Christmas fun; refreshments; crafts, a letter-to-Santa table, a Christmas Story and a visit from Santa; ages 3 and up; \$10 per child and \$2 per adult; register at the Parks and Rec Office, 700 W. Baseline Road.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0203

### NHS Class of 2008 Senior All Night Party

TIME/DATE: 10:30 p.m.-4:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31, 2008

DETAILS: Get tickets early for the Senior All Night Party; tickets are \$55 through December and increase to \$70 on Jan. 1, 2008; contact Shirley Rogers at (248) 348-7295 for more information. Unpainted wooden horses are available to purchase for \$40 and can be personalized by parents for their senior. They will be displayed at the All Night Party; order a horse now and it will be available in the spring; contact Mary Jo Blasius at (248) 349-0101. Order forms for tickets and horses are available online at www.northville.k12.mi.us and checks should be made payable to Northville Senior Class Party; mail to Janet Goldberg, 18833 Oak Leaf Lane, Northville 48168.

### Improv at the Point

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. first and third Tuesday of the month

LOCATION: Tipping Point

Theatre, 361 E. Cady St.

DETAILS: Tickets for general seating are available 7 p.m. at the door on the night of the performance, \$8.

### The Art House

Open 1-5 p.m. every Thursday-Sunday, 1-9 p.m. on "First Fridays" of the month.

LOCATION: 215 Cady St.

CONTACT: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or www.northvillearts.org

### "Creative Kids"

DATE: Second Saturday of the month through Dec. 8; Nov. 10 (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.

Michael Farrell's Fall Lecture Series

Diversity: Art and Architecture of the Far and Middle East

TIME/DATE: 4:30-6 p.m. on these Thursday evenings: Japan Nov. 8 and 15; Africa Dec. 13 and 20

DETAILS: Creative exploration for 1st-5th grade children includes collage, mixed media and drawing; making origami cranes, Japanese fish kites, paper dragons, cherry blossom tree designs, paper kufi hats; cost is \$36/\$42.

### Third Annual Holiday Art Market

DATE: Nov. 17-Jan. 4;

Members Only Preview 6-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 followed by the Opening Gala from 7-9 p.m. with refreshments, silent auction and shopping, public welcome.

DETAILS: Unique gifts for the holidays; more than 50 artists featured.

### Girls Night Out

TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6

DETAILS: Shop the Holiday Art Market; enjoy libations and creations, raffle; free.

### First Friday Art Walk

TIME/DATE: 5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7

DETAILS: Holiday Art Market open, refreshments.

### Venetian Carnivale

DATE: Saturday, Feb. 2, 2008

DETAILS: Save the date for a



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## New chef, fall menu

NOMI Restaurant, 133 W. Main Street, invited members of the media to a preview of its new fall menu on Oct. 30. Pictured with business partners Rachel Stern and Al Irish is the restaurant's new chef, James Leonardo. For more information, call (248) 449-3200 or go to www.nomionmain.com.

special fundraiser for the Art House. Elegant evening will be held at an historic 1929 Tudor home, featuring entertainment, strolling dinner provided by Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro and original Venetian-style art for exhibit and sale. Formal attire or Venetian costume requested. Tickets are \$100 per person and go on sale soon at the Northville Art House.

### Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com

Dinner Theater - "In Stitches"

TIME/DATES: 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9

DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person, includes 7-course dinner.

Neil Diamond Tribute

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 10

DETAILS: \$45 per person.

Children's Lunch Theater and Santa

DATE: 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1; 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2; 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, 15 and 22; 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, 16 and 23; 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 13

DETAILS: Full lunch followed by the show "The Naughty List" plus an appearance by Santa; bring your camera; \$14.95 for children, \$16.95 for adults, not including tax and tip. Will open any date for 25 or more.

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 backstage tour; \$16.95 per person.

CONTACT: www.goodwilldetroit.org

### Maybury State Park

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier roads.)

State Park motor vehicle permit required for park entry; \$6 daily, \$24 annually.

CONTACT: (248) 349-8390; Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or www.FriendsofMaybury.org.

Horseback Riding

TIME/DATE: through November

DETAILS: Horses for rent for guided trail rides.

### Mill Race Historical Village

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

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

CONTACT: (248) 348-1845

Thursday: 9 a.m. archives open; 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout meeting

Friday: 9 a.m. archives open; 9:30 a.m. Girl Scout Sum 8; 4:15 p.m. Brownie Scout Meeting

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Henry and Friends

Sunday: 10 a.m. Mill Creek Church; 1 p.m. Heirloom Rug Hookers; 4:30 p.m. Cub Scout meeting; 6:30 p.m. Venture Scout Meeting

Monday: 9 a.m. Garden Club Wreath Pickup; 7 p.m. Lions Club

Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang and Garden Club Wreath Pickup; 6:45 p.m. Boy Scout Meeting

Wednesday: 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m. Mill Creek Church

\* Grounds closed to public

### Regional Events

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### Novi Parks Foundation Gala and Awards Presentation

DATE: Friday, Nov. 9

LOCATION: Rock Financial Showplace, Novi

DETAILS: The first annual Gala and Awards Presentation will be a black-tie affair with a "Diamonds are Forever" theme; hors d'oeuvres, strolling dinner, dessert buffet, refreshments, live entertainment, casino gaming and silent auction; proceeds support the City's park and recreational facilities; tickets are \$200 per couple or \$125 for single; purchase tickets by calling (248) 255-2608.

CONTACT: www.noviparks.org

### Humane Society Giving Back to Animals

TIME/DATE: 3-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10

LOCATION: Oak Park Community Center, 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park

DETAILS: Come join the Michigan Humane Society volunteers as they celebrate the holidays by building dog houses, making kitty forts and blankets for the 100,000 animals the society cares for each year; items will help animals in all three adoption centers in southeast Michigan. For more information or to donate materials, contact Cindy Scheuer at (248) 283-1000 ext. 136 or cscheuer@michiganhumane.org.

### Student Music Recitals

TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9 and 2-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10

LOCATION: Music Advantage LLC, 1044 E. West Maple, Walled Lake



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# BE SCENE

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This year for Halloween Night in Northville activities, one neighborhood home put on an audience-interactive play called "Dancing with the Scars" that drew hundreds of visitors through the night.



Mary Poole applauds a production of "Dancing with the Scars" on Halloween Night in Northville.



Northville Mayor Chris Johnson, left, had plenty of visitors to his Main Street home – and plenty of candy in a treasure chest. Johnson dressed as a pirate for Halloween night.

## HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

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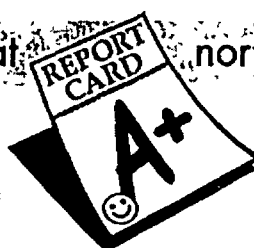
**LEFT:** A few strings of toilet paper in the trees adds an eerie element to Halloween's trick-or-treating in Northville.

**RIGHT:** Two Jolly Green Giants - Mike and Parker Kara, 2, walk along Main Street at the start of Halloween Night in Northville.



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# Meet the Traveling Man

■ New Northville resident and Wayne RESA superintendent has made plenty of stops

By Jason Carmel Davis  
STAFF WRITER

In his 27 years as an educator, Chris Wigent set up in, and left, a number of school districts.

He served as a classroom teacher at both Clawson and Southfield High Schools, as a high school assistant principal in the middle of the state in Big Rapids, as a high school principal in Bangor near Lake Michigan, as a K-12 superintendent in the thumb with Dryden Community Schools, in the Calhoun School District — a five-hour drive from Northville — and as superintendent in Olivet for six years.



C. Wigent

So what brought about the move to Northville for Wigent and his family?

"I was named superintendent of Wayne RESA July 1," he said. "I was born and raised in Marshall, Mich., so this has been a unique move for me from my hometown."

Wigent admits he didn't expect to make the move to RESA from Calhoun — until the opportunity came up. He said the chance to make an impact on the more than 350,000 in Wayne County's 34 public school districts and 80 charter schools and academies attracted him to the position.

## Strenuous application process

Obtaining the RESA Superintendent position wasn't easy, Wigent said.

After receiving a call from the group's superintendent search firm, he took a considerable amount of time deciding whether or not to throw his name into the hat for the post.

"I did a lot of research on RESA and the area and I decided it would be a great opportunity," Wigent said.

Only on the job a few months, Wigent has had a grueling schedule since taking his new position. He's met on numerous occasions with the five-person RESA Board of Education and RESA staff; spent entire days in each Wayne County district, meeting with superintendents, union representatives and staff.

"I've tried to hit the ground running and get a feel for all of the districts," Wigent said. "They're all going through different situations, and a lot of similar ones. I've been getting a lot of information to base future decisions on."

The biggest issue affecting all Wayne County districts, Wigent said, is funding.

He said the state funding situation, even with a slight increase in per-pupil funding approved last week, is making it difficult for districts to operate how they'd like.

"If (the state) keeps cutting or taking away what districts already have, it makes it difficult to provide for students and staff," Wigent said. "It leads to some tough decisions having to be made."

Wigent hopes to work closely with all Wayne County districts on items such as Annual Yearly Progress, No Child Left Behind, obtaining grant funds, technology, and adding to curriculum and instruction.

"Districts need more assistance because they don't have the resources to provide adequate services"

## Good move for the family

Wigent, who turned 50 in May, wasn't making the choice to move just for himself.

Along with he and his wife, Wigent has two sons who attend Winchester Elementary School. He said he put as much work into researching Northville as he did in researching RESA.

"Northville is a really energized area that has a lot to offer," Wigent said. "The city has a really progressive school district, which is extremely important to my family and I."

Wigent said he has been made to feel very welcome since making the move. He has met with Northville Public School District officials and teachers to discuss the area school system.

"As a parent and as the RESA superintendent, I'm pleased with the Northville school district," Wigent said. His colleagues are pleased with him, too.

"(Wigent) has done a fine job since taking over the post," said Jim Petrie, RESA boardmember. "This is the fourth superintendent I've worked with, and he ranks up there with the best of them."

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# STATE FUNDING: NPS to receive slight increase

■ State OK's \$48-\$96 in per-pupil funding for all public school districts

By Jason Carmel Davis  
STAFF WRITER

Northville Public School District officials are pleased with a slight increase they'll receive from the state of Michigan after state officials agreed on a general fund budget late last month.

But, based on past trends, district officials prepared their 2007-08 budget based on no increase, according to Director of Business and Finance John Street. Northville Public School District Board of Education President Joan Wadsworth added she doesn't expect district spending to increase in light of the news of the increase.

"It's good to know what the state is planning to do for schools," Wadsworth said, "but we hope it all holds, so we'll remain cautious about our spending."

Northville Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said he'll believe in the increase when he's see it.

"For the last four or five years, we've been promised increases at some point only to receive a letter in January from the state telling they're taking it back," Rezmierski said. "So we'll sit tight until spring and then see what happens."

After months and months of disputes between individuals and parties; Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the Michigan Legislature finally agreed on a \$9.8-million general fund budget early on Oct. 31. After compromising Oct. 1 to raise \$1.3 billion through new sales and service taxes, the group cut \$435 million from the budget Granholm proposed in February.

A significant line item during the proceedings has been K-12

funding.

About \$13 billion in state and federal aid has been allocated for each of the state's 552 public school districts. Districts will see an increase of \$48 to \$96 in per-pupil funding — depending on how much they currently receive in state aid. The jump represents an average increase of 1 percent.

Districts that receive lower foundation allowances will be at the higher end of the spectrum, while higher-funded districts, such as the Northville Public School District, will receive the extra \$48 per student. That added funding will push Northville's per-pupil allotment from \$8,435 to \$8,483, and will put more than \$330,000 in the district budget.

"Obviously, we're glad to have the additional revenue," Wadsworth said, "but I'm a little perplexed as to where (the state) drew the line determining which districts would get what."

## Count day numbers show increase in Northville students

After a month-long review of September's Count Day numbers, Northville Public School District officials found that, between K-12 and Special Education Center Programs, the district realized an increase of 101 students, according to Lynne Mossio, director of special education.

Based on the district's current per-pupil allotment of \$8,435, those 101 additional students will bring the Northville schools more than \$850,000 in revenue.

The September total accounts for 75 percent of the "blended total" and the February count day makes up the remaining 25 percent. "The state takes the blended count total and multiplies it against the Foundation Allowance, which is the predetermined amount per pupil."

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**Speed of light**

Ridge Wood students Ivy Sanders, Sriram Papolou, and Jacob Tremonti work on reflecting a flashlight's beam with mirrors during a visit from the Cranbrook Science Institute. Students learned that light can be reflected, refracted (like rainbows) and travels at 162,000 miles a second.



# Amerman PTA recognized by national group

By Jason Carmel Davis  
STAFF WRITER

The parents of Amerman Elementary School students have something to be proud of — other than their children.

The Chicago-based National PTA has certified Amerman as a Parent Involvement School of Excellence. The group's Parent Involvement Schools of Excellence certification recognizes schools that uphold the highest standards in parent involvement. Amerman is one of eight Michigan schools to receive the honor.

"Parent involvement is a key to our school's success in student achievement and one of the reasons that when people in the community talk about Amerman Elementary School, they talk about the Amerman family," said

Stephen Anderson, Amerman principal.

As part of the certification process, a diverse team of Amerman parents, teachers and community members was formed and undertook the task of educating the school on the national standards, invited the school to complete a survey and, based on the results, created a parent involvement plan. They then applied for one of two distinctions — Certification of Excellence or Recognition of Commitment — based on the results of their self-assessment.

Examples of parent involvement activities cited in Amerman's application include a Parent Library, Family Movie Night, Ice Cream Social, Math Night, membership on the School Improvement Team, Art Appreciation and parent sponsor-

ship of various clubs and classes. The Amerman PTA works with the school staff to coordinate parent involvement opportunities at school and at home.

"Schools that attain parent involvement certification show a strong dedication to student achievement and a welcoming attitude toward families," said National PTA CEO Warlene Gary.

"Certification is a mark of excellence."

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Receiving the certification is a symbol of parents, staff and community members working together to achieve the common goal of helping children succeed, according to National PTA officials.

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**Piano Concerto No. 2 and Elgar's Enigma Variations** performed by soloist/pianist Armen Guzelimian with guest conductor Dr. Cindy McTee. On-stage talk at 7:15 p.m. featuring Nan Washburn and Cindy McTee. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors and \$10 for students through 12th grade, available by calling (734) 451-2112, visiting [www.plymouthsymphony.org](http://www.plymouthsymphony.org) or at 470 Forest Ave., Ste. 18, Plymouth. Group rates available.

#### Jeff Daniels & Friends Holiday Concert

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24

LOCATION: Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor

DETAILS: Concert features Michigan artists Seth Bernard & Daisy May, Jeremy Kittel Trio, Repercussions, Steppin' In It and Josh White Jr. Tickets on sale at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>, the Michigan Union ticket office (734) 763-TKTS and all Ticketmaster outlets at \$27.50-\$75.

#### Plymouth Symphony Orchestra

DETAILS: Tickets (adults-\$25, seniors-\$20, students-\$10) can be purchased by contacting the Plymouth Canton Society office (734) 451-2112; in person at 470 Forest Avenue, Ste. 18; or visiting [www.plymouthsymphony.org](http://www.plymouthsymphony.org).

Passion of the Piano

with pianist Armen Guzelimian and composer Cindy McTee

DATE: Friday, Nov. 16

LOCATION: Ward Presbyterian Church

Home for the Holidays

with youth choirs

DATE: Thursday, Dec. 20

LOCATION: Penn Theatre, Plymouth

Blissful Baroque

with harpist Maurice Draughn, composer Mary Watkins, soprano Nadine Balbeisi

DATE: Saturday, Jan. 19

LOCATION: Village Theater at Cherry Hill

Sensational Strings

with concertmaster Juliana Athayde, composer Frank La Rocca, PCEP Middle School Orchestra and the Celebration Strings

DATE: Saturday, Feb. 9

LOCATION: Ward Presbyterian Church

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**America's Family Pet Expo**

TIME/DATE: 1-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16; 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18

DETAILS: Admission \$4-10; parking \$5. Family fun including pet shows, products, experts, adoptions. Do not bring your pets.

**Wayne Dyer**

TIME/DATE: 2-7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18

**Michigan Christmas Show and Marketplace**

TIME/DATE: Nov. 29-Dec. 2

LOCATION: 2nd annual show to

feature designer Christmas Tree Lane, unique holiday gifts, arts and crafts, gourmet foods, stocking stuffers, festive holiday entertainment on Holiday Lights Stage; tickets \$10 each.

#### Schoolcraft College

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

CONTACT: For more information and to register, call (734)

462-4438.

#### Divorce Support Group

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. (second and fourth Tuesday of month)

LOCATION: Women's Resource Center, Room 225 McDowell Center

DETAILS: Open to anyone contemplating, in the process of, or having difficulty adjusting to divorce; first meeting group discussion; next meeting features speaker Cynthia Koppin, MA, LPC,

LLP; no fee or registration required.

#### Women's Resource Center Fall Luncheon Series

TIME/DATE: 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14

LOCATION: Schoolcraft College, VisTaTech Center

DETAILS: Dec. 14, Professor Rodney Johnson talks about "The Art of Welding," insights about welding as an art form; \$15 per luncheon; prepaid registration

required, no tickets issued; limited seating.

#### Ask An Attorney

DATE: Monday (second and third Monday of each month)

DETAILS: Ask an attorney about divorce and family law; Sept.-May; walk-in; no fee

CONTACT: (734) 462-4443

**Money Matters In Divorce**

DATE: Monday

DETAILS: Opportunity to ask a certified financial planner about

the financial concerns related to divorce; Oct.-May; walk-in, no fee; (734) 462-4443.

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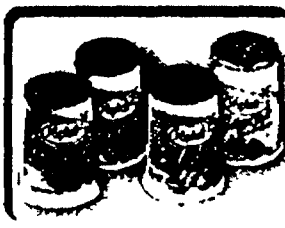
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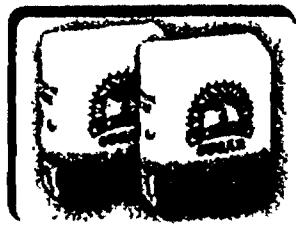
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# ROCK ON!

■ Hillside Music Gym gives students an additional outlet

By Jason Carmel Davis  
STAFF WRITER

Guitar Hero III: Legends of Rock was released almost two weeks ago for PS3.

If a group of Hillside Middle School students keep on the path they're headed down, they could headline one of the game's future titles.

Instead of wasting time making spit balls and cracking jokes after lunch, six Hillside seventh- and eighth-graders hit the school's Music Gym to hone their drumming, guitar and vocal skills through playing selection's such as "Voodoo Child" and "Stairway to Heaven."

The Music Gym is set up at the top level of Hillside's Art Room. A couch, a set of drums, a couple bass guitars and a guitar amp are what the students use "to jam," according to Hillside seventh-grade student Michael Dause.

"I found out about the room last year around Christmas break," said Dause, who plays drums. "I think it's cool we have a place in school set up where we can play."

Students have access to the room before and after school and on "B" days, said Jim Cracraft, Hillside principal. Some students, such as seventh-grader Evan Lane, try to skip lunch so have more time to channel their inner Jimi Hendrix, but Cracraft makes it mandatory that the students eat lunch before or after picking up their pic or drums.

## Something different

Each of the students who use the Music Gym on a regular basis — seventh-graders Dause, Lane, Megan Conner and Erin Dunne; and eighth-grade students Patrick Kommeyer and Ben Thomas — is a member of a Hillside band.

"All seven say although they love being a part of a school music group, the Music Gym gives them a chance to utilize their creativity."

"I think (the Music Gym) is great because you don't have to play what someone gives you," Thomas said.

Cracraft, a bass guitar enthusiast who jumps into the jam sessions with students from time to time, and other Hillside personnel established the Music Gym about five years ago, the principal said. Music has been an important part of his



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Hillside Middle School student Ben Thomas, right, joins principal Jim Cracraft on a jam of "Voodoo Child" during a Monday morning lunch hour session of the school's "Music Gym." Other students in on the jam were Evan Lane (bass) and Michael Dause (drums).

life, and he wanted to give his students an additional option outside the traditional music groups.

"It's a way for them to make new friends and interact with adults to some extent," Cracraft said. "It gives the staff a chance to connect with (the students), too."

## Show stoppers

If given the opportunity, each of the students said they would love to strut their stuff in front of their classmates.

"It'd be awesome to be able to show people some of what we can do," Dunne said.

Cracraft said another band,

Apollo, had a shot to show their skills at Hillside a few years back. He added he would look into setting up a time and date for the students to perform.

Even injured students want

time to practice their rock skills.

Lane broke his collarbone recently playing football. He has to keep his arm in a sling for about a month, he said, but that hasn't stopped him from picking

up a guitar.

"I can still play if I keep my arm up," Lane said Monday morning before Cracraft practically had to beg him to go eat lunch. "If I take the sling off, I can

play just fine."

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# County training school was once model facility for state

## ■ Lecture reveals good, bad times

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Adam Barrett can tell you that there's a lot of good, and bad, about the former Wayne County Training School.

And, although it was once a model facility for the "feeble-minded" in the county, the former facility became the site of criminal activity near its end.

Barrett, of Livonia, recently presented a fascinating look at the history of this former county-owned facility once located at the northeast corner of Five Mile and Sheldon roads.

The Oct. 24 lecture at township hall was presented by the Historic District Commission of Northville and may be repeated after the first of the year.

Barrett has researched the facility since 2002 when he selected the facility as the subject of a paper while a student at Central Michigan University.

He is currently trying to find a publisher for a book he has written on the school, which was later known as the Wayne County Child Development Center.

### Building stood for 70 years

The facility was built in 1924, admitted its first patient in 1926, closed in 1974 and was demolished in 1978. Barrett noted it cost more to tear down the approximately \$3-million campus than it did to build it.

Barrett said "feeble-minded" was an early clinical term for "retarded" and included those with an IQ (intelligence quotient) score below 100.

Staff divided the school's residents into three grades of feeble-mindedness — moron, those with an IQ between 50 and 100; imbecile — those with an IQ between 30 and 50; and idiot — those with an IQ of less than 30.

The staff operated under the philosophy that it could stem the rising tide of delinquent youths crowding Detroit jails by training the feeble-minded in a domestic or vocational skill.

The goal was to turn these youths into productive, independent citizens who could survive in society.

The school was unique because it was not created out of a state mandate. Instead, it was the product of a collaboration between four of Detroit's most civic-minded residents in the 1920s — Probate Judge Henry Hulbert, Milton Alexander, Tracy McGregor and William Maybury.

The facility was almost a city within itself, with a power house, reservoir, fire department, maintenance buildings, cold storage, farms, hospital and bakery.

It also had an auditorium, chapel, bowling alley for the staff, school, gymnasium and swimming pool.

The three top-level administrators each had private mansions, and the teachers and other staff lived in a large dorm. Their room and board, as well as members of their families, was paid for by the county.

Many of the buildings were



## Want more information?

Those who would like more information about the Wayne County Training School can visit the Web site [www.northville-tunnels.com](http://www.northville-tunnels.com)

Photo courtesy Tim Wilson

The front of the Wayne County Training School's administration building in 1925.

connected by tunnels, which later became a curiosity for area teenagers.

At its peak, the facility housed 1,000 people and hundreds of staff members. Designed by Detroit architect Marcus Burrowes, it was built in the style of architecture known as the Arts and Crafts movement.

### Youths were segregated

Residents were segregated by sex, age and mental stature, with almost 20 cottages housing them.

Over the years, there were several scandals on campus involving lack of proper care, beatings, plus sexual and psychological abuse of residents.

After its doors closed in 1974, it served as the Northville-Plymouth Jaycees Haunted House from 1979-1983. It was during this time that teens began to sneak on the campus to explore and vandalize the buildings and tunnels.

This is when it earned the nickname, "the Northville Tunnels." Police had a difficult time deterring trespassers. Major arsons took place, and pipe bombs were found. Besides graffiti, the buildings were the sites of drug deals, as well as gang and Satanic activities.

In 1997, an area youth, Scott Brown, fell to his death from one of the buildings. It was after this tragedy that county and state officials were forced to do something

with the land

### Visitors at presentation

Those present for the Oct. 24 lecture included retired Lt. John Sherman of the Northville Township police department who shared some of his experiences on the campus as an officer in the 1970s.

"You really didn't know what you were going to run into when you went out there as a police officer," Sherman said.

Bob Cummings of Northville, whose uncle, Dr. Pasquale Buoniconti, was a former superintendent at the school, was also present and brought some artifacts from the school to share with

the audience.

Charles Fobert of Elkhart, Ind., 62, who was a resident at the school from age 7-16, also attended the lecture.

Born in Detroit, Fobert worked for an industrial firm for 38 years, said he was a former deejay and nightclub entertainer, and is currently married and helped raise five children.

Fobert said despite the abuse that took place at the school, there were some dedicated staff members who did provide good care for the children.

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## SCHOOL BRIEFS

### Civic Concern food drive

A Northville group and some Northville High School students are teaming up to aid people who may not have the means to help themselves.

The "Fill the Shelves! Feed the Mouths!" project is a coalition of the Northville High School National Honor Society and Northville Civic Concern, 42951 Seven Mile Road. Drives will take place every other Sunday from 2-4 p.m. in various subdivisions throughout Northville Township.

Please set items for donation on your front porch in bags labeled with the project name. To determine on what date collections in your area will take place, watch for signs around your subdivision or see the attached list.

Group members say they have a major need for breakfast cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, and spaghetti meals. Also on the list of needed items are fruit juices, canned soups (not broth), tuna/canned meats, spaghetti sauce, rice, Kraft macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and jelly. Paper products, such as toilet paper, paper towel, and facial tissue, along with laundry soap, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, and cleaning supplies will be accepted, as well. Gift/gas cards are needed, too. Any and all contributions are greatly appreciated before the expiration date on the package.

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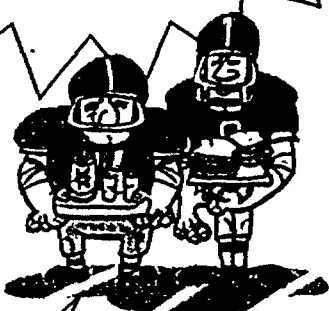
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## 'Stangs run to 9th



Erik Peterson, middle, closes in on the finish line Saturday at the state cross country meet.

## Northville consistent with regional times

By Jeff Theisen  
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville cross country head coach Chris Cronin crunched plenty of numbers and thought his team had a shot at finishing ninth at the state meet.

He should've played a lottery ticket later that night, as the Mustangs cracked the top 10 and placed ninth of 27 teams in their first trip to state since 1981.

"Obviously, I'm thrilled," Northville head coach Chris Cronin said. "It was a nice day on Saturday and the fellows ran pretty well. We were pretty much right on where I thought we would be."

Pinckney again claimed the state title with 124 points and the overall champion Brian Hawkins (15:26.9). Saline was second with 141, and Rochester Adams was third with 213. Northville scored 317 points, beating 10th-place Catholic Central by 25 points.

Northville and Catholic Central tied at the regional meet, but the Shamrocks were awarded second

place by having a better finish by the sixth runner.

Jon Zurek led the Mustang field by finishing in 16:18.1 for 35th in team scoring and 48th overall.

"I thought for his first time competing on that course, to run the same time he ran at regional, I was thrilled," Cronin said.

Nick Kolbow was next in at 16:28.3 for 48th in team scoring and 73rd overall.

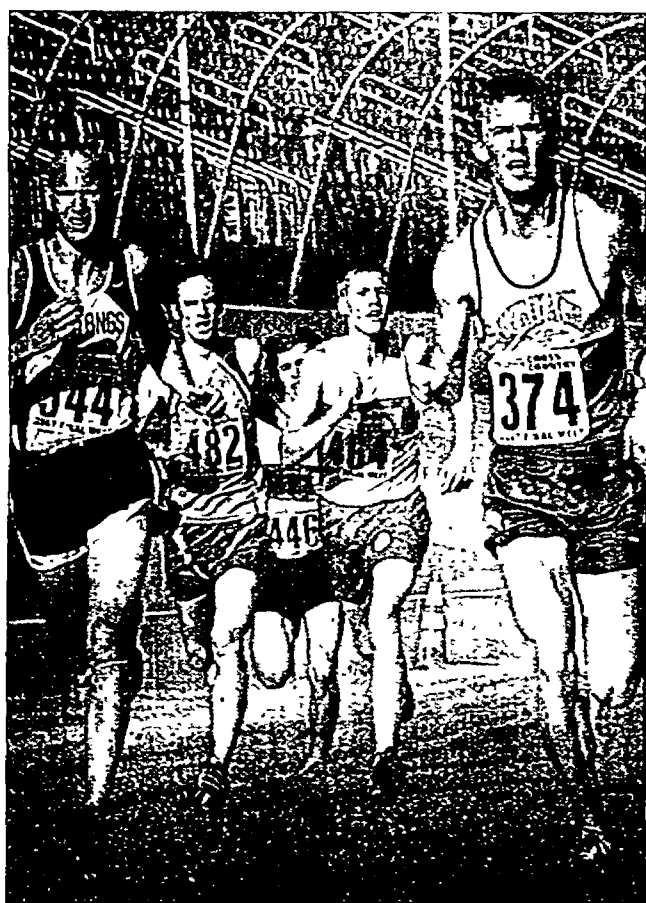
"Nick's run there before. He got that experience his sophomore year," Cronin said. "He has been so critical to us all year. He's really an unselfish runner."

"He finished strong and was passing a lot of guys down he chute."

Erik Peterson finished in 16:36.9 for 69th in team scoring and 103rd overall.

"He was consistent with his time from the regional," Cronin said. "He may have dropped a couple of seconds, but a couple of seconds at the state meet is maybe 10 (places)."

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Jon Zurek, left, runs the final stretch at the Division 1 state meet at Michigan International Speedway.



Photo submitted by Mike Kolbow

The Mustangs set up to block an Eask Kentwood free kick Halloween night in Holt.

## Best-ever run ends in semis

### Mustangs take early lead but fall 3-2 to East Kentwood

By Jeff Theisen  
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville boys soccer's furthest run through the state playoffs came to an end Halloween night in Holt.

The night was full of weather tricks and nasty treats for the players and fans.

East Kentwood, which went on to win the state title, came back from a 2-0 deficit to win 3-2.

"We took the early lead, and things we're definitely going our way," Northville head coach Henry Klimes said. "I give them credit, they were the better team today, absolutely."

Mustang keeper Albert Kief kept Northville in the game early. The Falcons controlled the play, but Kief was up to the task.

"The first few minutes, it could've gotten ugly there," Klimes said. "Albert played well. He's been outstanding all year."

Northville (16-2-5) eventually got on the board first. The ball came up the sideline with a pass to Alex Marilley. He worked the ball in and out of traffic before sending a low feed the right side of the goal. Nathan Hrivnak made a sliding chip shot to get the ball past goalkeeper Mike Sweers for a 1-0 lead with 19:09 left in the first half.

"The first (goal) was a great run by Hrivnak on the weak side," Klimes said. "We talked about using the weak side and

scored a nice goal there."

Things only got better less than five minutes later for the Mustangs.

The Falcon defense appeared as though it was going to clear a Marilley charge, but Doug Beason stole the ball at close range and buried the ball to the left side of the net for a 2-0 lead with 14:34 left in the half.

"The second goal between Alex and Dougy, just hard work with the turnover and a nice finish," Klimes said.

### Momentum swings

Before Northville fans could stop celebrating the goal, the Falcons closed the gap just 17 seconds later. Mark Barone fired in a shot to Kief's left to close the gap, but the 2-1 lead held into halftime.

"During a state run like this, when you have a 2-0 lead, you think you can lay back," Klimes said. "East Kentwood came straight down and made it a ball game again."

"I think that was definitely the turning point of the game."

The equalizer came with 33:36 to play. Dzenan Catic scored on a low shot from inside the penalty box.

The Mustangs almost fell behind just a couple of minutes later, but Nick Scabassi cleared out a sure goal just before it made it over the goal line.

The final goal came with 12:48 to play. Nermin Crnkic's initial shot was stopped by the defense, but it came right back to him. He moved from out in front of the left goal post to the center of the net before knocking a shot into the right side of the net.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Mustang Alicia Webber is named All-Area Player of the year after finishing ninth at the state meet.

## Weber leads All-Area team

### Junior winds up with ninth place in state and 41.1 avg. for nine holes

By Jeff Theisen  
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville's Alicia Weber could usually be found right near the top of the leaderboard during Mustang matches.

She kept a 41.1 average for nine holes and 79.3 average for 18. She won medalist at the Brighton Invite and at the regional meet. She was third at the Traverse City Tournament and at the WLAA Conference Tournament.

Weber finished off her season by making All-State with a ninth-place finish at the state meet.

"All-State, that's pretty sweet for a junior," Northville head coach Mary Jane Ossola said. "Not only is she talented but she's got that drive and determination."

"You really can see the results when you work hard and are dedicated. The dedication and the talent, you put those together and you get an All-State golfer."

Along with All-State honors, Weber was named All-Conference and to the All-Tournament Team at the state meet.

"Alicia is a wonderful role model for our team because they realize a great part of the success she has had is due to the time and effort she puts into improving her game," Ossola said. "I expect — as does she — that she will be even better next year. I believe Alicia has the talent to play Division 1 golf, and I know that is her goal."

Playing every day with great teammates has also helped push Weber. Last year she played with Susan Snyder, and this year she split team medalist honors with her senior teammate Kirsten Freisen.

"She has the desire to be No. 1," Ossola said. "Having Kirsten and Susan Snyder (last year) have pushed her. I think anyone, when they have quality people around them, it helps them raise their game."

### First Team

Making the All-Area First Team are Weber's teammates, Freisen and freshmen Brianna Roberts.

Freisen averaged 42.1 for nine holes and 85.2 for 18. She finished fifth at the regional meet and 17th at state. She also picked up All-Conference and was All-State Honorable Mention honors.

"Kirsten was a four-year varsity player and had a wonderful senior season," Ossola said. "Teaming with Alicia, I think they may be the best 1-2 players Northville golf has ever had."

Roberts, though new to the program, played well above her years as a freshman.

She averaged 45.6 for nine holes and 95 for 18. She was fifth at the conference meet and 13th at regionals. She was voted All-Conference.

"As a freshman her score counted in seven of eight varsity matches and in six of the seven 18-hole rounds in which she played," Ossola said. "She follows in Kirsten and Alicia's foot steps as a

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### All-Area Golf

Player of the Year  
Alicia Weber, Northville, Jr.

All-Area First Team  
Kirsten Freisen, Northville, Sr.  
Brianna Roberts, Northville, Fr.  
Natalie Krick, Novi, Jr.  
Elena Thomas, Lakeland, Jr.  
Sami Grzeskowiak, South Lyon, Sr.

Second Team  
Amy Bernstein, Northville, Soph.  
Kelley Hill, Northville, Jr.  
Natasha Thomas, Lakeland, Jr.  
Theresa Damico, Lakeland, Soph.  
Christy Cooney, South Lyon, Jr.  
Emily Vergin, Milford, Fr.

Honorable Mention  
Dana Czekaj, Novi, Sr.  
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# PIECES OF THE PUZZLE

## ■ Mustang captains each bring something different to plate

By Jeff Theisen  
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Picking captains for a team is a very important selection process for a coach.

Captains must go up and beyond the call of duties of just being an athlete. They have to be leaders, in whatever way they can. They have to be the glue that keeps the team together. They have to perform at their peak when a coach is there and when a coach is not. Basically, they have to do whatever it takes to make the team the best it can be.

Northville cross country coach Chris Cronin selected four captains for the 2007 season. He doesn't have a magical number for how many captains he wants, but these four all brought something different to the table that has helped blend Northville into a WLAA Conference champion and a top 10 state cross country team.

Captains for the Mustangs are Jack Dalton, Ben Marti, Jake Myers and Erik Peterson.

Dalton comes for a very successful family of cross country runners, and is one of the motivators for the team.

Jack, as a junior, is probably the most vocal captain," Cronin said. "He's hard on himself, but he gets after his teammates in practice and challenges them. "He expects excellence."



LEFT: Jake Myers pumps his arms as he nears the finish line at the state meet Saturday. RIGHT: Mustang captain Jack Dalton tries to stay ahead of runners as he heads down the final stretch at the state meet Saturday.

Ben Marti's season was hampered by an injury, but that didn't keep him from working with the team.

"You got a guy in Ben Marti that doesn't quit," Cronin said. "Ben got injured this year after having his best week of his career."

"Every conditioning session the captains ran in the summer, he was there. Mr. Consistency. He challenges himself every single day in practice."

Myers is the veteran of the group.

"Jake's got the experience. He's been a three-year varsity guy," Cronin said. "He's pretty quiet and reserved. He's one of those guys that always there on a shoulder in practice. When things were down, he rose up and ran well for us."

Peterson has shown what it takes to improve each day to become a better runner.

"He went from being a 17 runner to being a mid to low 16s runner," Cronin said. "He's All-Conference, and we had a pretty good conference this year."



Photos submitted by Mike Kolbow

"He's Mr. Mileage. I want to say he put in 800 and 900 miles from July 1 until the end of the season."

Cronin likes the variety of roles the captains bring to the team.

"If you look at all four of those captains, they're all different," Cronin said. "They all bring a different piece to the puzzle."

But captains aren't the only leaders. Seniors are also looked upon to help lead, and Cronin said Jon Zurek and Nick Kolbow have been two examples.

Zurek led the team at the state meet, and Kolbow was the second Mustang to cross the line.

Several runners took their turn at leading the Mustangs this year, but what makes Cronin the proudest is the way the team works together no matter who leads the pack.

"There's never been one bit of animosity," Cronin said. "It starts with your leaders."

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## 'Stangs fall in district final

### ■ Northville girls reach 30 wins

By Jeff Theisen  
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Northville avenged a loss that knocked the Mustangs out of the conference tournament before falling to rival Novi in the district finals.

The Mustangs had lost their last two matches to Canton before facing the Chiefs in the opening round of district play Friday.

The Mustangs (30-16) used the home-court advantage to their favor in sweeping the match in three games, 25-16, 25-22, 25-18.

"The girls were really excited to be hosting the district," Lesko said. "They went into it prepared. We had a great week of practice."

"They were fired up and focused and ready to play Canton."

Kelly Maise led Northville with 16 kills during the match.

"I told her all week she needed to step it up for the game, and she came out firing," Northville head coach Laura Lesko said. "Kelly played phenomenal Friday night. I'm sure it did a lot for her confidence, and I'm looking forward to seeing her play next year."

Knocking off Canton also gave the Mustangs their 30th win of the year.

"It was nice to reach 30 wins," Lesko said. "I didn't even know. It was nice to end the season with a big win against Canton. They beat us pretty bad the last two times we played them."



Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Mustangs Krysta Cicala, left, and Allison Holmes go up for a block during Northville's playoff game Friday.

The win moved the Mustangs into the district final against Novi.

The Wildcats were too much for Northville, winning 25-15, 25-19, 25-18.

"We came out against Novi a little slower, and Novi took advantage of it," Lesko said.

For the tournament, Krysta Cicala dished out 61 assists to

lead the Mustangs. Sarah Koupal recorded 17 kills, and Beth Foucher had 22 digs against Canton and 37 on the day.

Lesko, a first-year head coach, wanted to thank her six seniors for helping throughout the year.

"I couldn't have asked for a better group of seniors to have for



Mustang Claire Wixted pops a shot over the net during Northville's playoff game against Canton.

my first year," Lesko said. "I did not get any attitudes from them. They knew what their roles were

for the team.

"They made this season absolutely great for me."

## ■ CC: Mustangs finish 9th at state

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Jack Dalton finished in 16:39.8 for 73rd in team scoring and 112th overall.

"Jack Dalton ran well," Cronin said. "All four of those guys were within 21 seconds of each other, and that's been their M.O. all season."

Frank Griffiths crossed the line in 16:54 for 92nd in team scoring and 137th overall.

"Frank turned his best performance of the season," Cronin said

"That was key for us. We had five guys in the 16s."

Rounding out the seven finishers were Nitin Jacob in 17:20.7 and Jake Myers in 17:21.7.

"It's an experience that these guys will never forget," Cronin said. "You work together as a team to accomplish great things. We've been consistently good all year."

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The Northville soccer team shows its unity during the playing of the National Anthem. The Mustangs raced out to a 2-0 lead before falling 3-2 in the semifinals to eventual state-champion East Kentwood.

## ■ SOCCER: Boys best-ever run ends at semifinals

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Northville had a couple of quality shots the rest of the way, but they couldn't find the back of the net, and the dream season came to an end.

### Reflection

Klimes wanted to thank his

seniors for leading the way to new ground.

"I'm so proud of what they've accomplished," he said. "They've done something that this school has never done. And they're a big part of it."

The run through the playoffs wasn't just for this team, but all of the past Northville soccer players.

"Every year, every team that we've had, I think it's been a stepping stone to what we've become," Klimes said. "They're not here with us, but deep inside, I think they definitely were a part of this."

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## Health

### Uncramp your style with water

Roy Williams is down on the field grabbing his leg with an excruciating expression on his face. Next thing you know he's on the sideline stretching then jogging. Next quarter he's sprinting to the end zone. What gives?

The all-too-common muscle cramp. Cramps are becoming more and more of a problem at all levels of sport and while not serious injuries per se, a large number of athletes are missing more time and more plays each year.

Dehydration is by far the most common cause of cramping. An electrolyte (sodium, potassium) imbalance as well as inadequate calcium intake can also contribute to cramping. If an athlete seems particularly prone to cramps, a



Sean Bak

visit to your doctor to check their electrolytes or calcium intake may not be a bad idea but causes of cramping beyond simple dehydration are extremely rare. Generally, with today's diets, sodium is usually abundant but for the profusely sweating athlete, a mild, temporary deficiency can be present. Potassium supplementation in the form of bananas, citrus fruit and most fruit juices is also helpful in maintaining the proper balance of minerals. For the most part, cramping usually comes down to water, water, water.

Gatorade was originally designed to provide a source of hydration which included these important electrolytes (except calcium) and it does a fine job for intense physical activity though it's slightly high in sugar for the average person just out for a brisk walk. Some of the alternatives (such as Powerade) not only contain a higher sugar concentration but the main sugar they use is metabolized less efficiently by the body—in other words it can slow down digestion and doesn't provide carbohydrates for continued performance at an ideal rate. Generally for those involved in vigorous, high-sweat producing activities, Gatorade is a reasonable choice, for others involved in lighter activities, a 50/50 blend of Gatorade and water is more appropriate. Even better would be just plain water as the sugar and salt aren't necessary for someone who is breaking only a light sweat.

In the last several years, a spike in muscle cramps, especially during cooler weather, has been observed by many sports physicians across the country. A growing concern is the use of energy drinks which can also be extremely dehydrating. The components of some of these drinks can actually increase the severity and frequency of muscle cramps not to mention potentially serious side effects if used excessively. Most of these drinks are also "thermogenic" or heat-producing and may cause intense sweating and loss of sodium and water. The caffeine in these drinks can lead to a chronic state of general dehydration and, on game day, also slows absorption in the stomach which can delay delivery of important minerals and water itself in the dehydrated athlete. These drinks are probably the single biggest cause of the sharp increase in muscle cramping seen in the last five years.

Treatment of cramping is stretch, rest, massage and gradual return to play. The best treatment for muscle cramps is prevention which starts well before game time and actually well before game day. If you are prone to cramping and you wait to start drinking until the game has started, it's often too late to completely prevent cramps. Begin drinking water (not Gatorade) regularly the day of the event. Preferably this would begin even in the days leading up to the event. Eight ounces of water every 10-15 minutes of vigorous exercise is the minimum recommended water intake for young, healthy athletes. Focus on drinking water and reserve the Gatorade for during and immediately following the game when sweating is high. Remember, although their marketers are happy to tell you it was scientifically formulated, Gatorade has never been scientifically proven.

Dr. Sean Bak is a Novis resident and an orthopaedic surgeon who specializes in shoulder reconstruction and sports medicine. Dr. Bak takes care of the athletes of several area universities and high schools. His practice, Porretta Center for Orthopaedic Surgery, is based out of Providence Hospital.



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Northville's Nick Kolbow, left, heads down the final stretch at the state meet.

# Mustangs finish careers at state

By Jeff Theisen  
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville cross country runners Jenny Murphy and Anna Hardenbergh ran as a two-girl pack at the state cross country meet Saturday in Jackson.

Murphy crossed the line in 19:53 to place 122nd. Hardenbergh finished four seconds later and six spots back.

"I am extremely proud of both of these athletes and what they accomplished this season," Northville head coach Nancy Smith said. "During the past four years these two fine athletes have helped create a program that is looked at as one of the best in the area."

"It is difficult to run as individuals in this race as you are so used to running with your teammates and it is hard to get a grasp of where you are in the race."

Murphy and Hardenbergh are seniors.

"They completed their last race as Northville runners and will leave a lasting impression on the program for their achievements the last four years."

Rochester won the meet with 107 points. Rochester Adams' Cally Macumber won the meet in 17:45.9.

## Northville swim and dive

The Northville swim and dive team placed second of 12 teams at the WLAA Conference meet this past weekend.

Senior Jessica Weber led the way for the Mustangs, helping a relay to a first- and second-place finish and finishing second twice individually.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Meghan Kanya, Emily Hopcian, Rachel Englert and Weber placed first in 1:42.33.



Northville's Anna Hardenbergh grimaces near the finish of Saturday's state meet.

The same four finished second in the 400 freestyle relay in 3:40.75.

Weber placed second in the 50 freestyle (24.87) and in the 100 freestyle (54.35).

Other top finishes included Kanya taking third in the 200 freestyle (1:58.63) and in the 100 backstroke (1:03.36) and Hopcian placing third in the 100 butterfly (1:00.73).

"It was a really good meet, we had a lot of people drop time and swim their lifetime best," Northville head coach Brian McNeff said. "The 200 team tied for first with Canton in an exciting race."

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Mustang Jenny Murphy closes in on the finish line at Saturday's state meet in Jackson.

## ALL-AREA GOLF: Northville's Weber a model of consistency

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freshman who has great potential."

Rounding out the rest of the All-Area First Team are Novi's Natalie Krick, Lakeland's Elena Thomas and South Lyon's Sami Grzeskowiak.

## Second Team

Northville's Kelley Hill and

Amy Bernstein join each other on the All-Area Second Team. Both received WLAA All-Division status.

Hill shot 48.1 for nine holes and 94.4 for 18. She finished eighth at the conference meet and 18th at regionals.

Bernstein highlighted her year with a ninth-place finish at the regional meet.

Rounding out the rest of the

Second Team are South Lyon's Christy Cooney, Milford's Emily Vergin and Lakeland's Natasha Thomas and Theresa Damico.

## Honorable Mention

Receiving All-Area Honorable Mention honors are Novi's Dana Czekaj and Alex Palmer, Lakeland's Lauren Ashburn, Milford's Caitlyn O'Neill and

South Lyon's Danielle Godair and Amy Comuth

The All-Area teams combine players from Northville, Novi, South Lyon, Milford and Lakeland. The players are selected by their coaches with final decisions being made by sports writers Jeff Theisen and Patrick Pinter.



## High-kickers

The Northville High School varsity pom-pom team participated in a High Kick competition on Nov. 5 at Eastern Michigan University against 10 other varsity teams.

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David Dillon heads upfield Sunday against the Bobcats.

## Colts fall just short in championship game

Submitted to the Record

Perennial rivals, the Novi Bobcats and Northville Colts met at the Freshman Football Superbowl on Sunday.

When these two teams met just two weeks ago, the Colts had emerged victorious. This time, the Bobcats took advantage of close calls and yardage gained through penalties to emerge as 14-13 winners.

The Bobcats offense struck early with a quick touchdown and extra point after only a minute of play, and the Colts were down 7-0.

The Colts' tough defensive team continually halted the Bobcats' straight running plays. Tackles by Austin Hayek, Joey Nelson, Alec Coppock and Michael Minick slowed the Bobcats, who were forced to punt.

David Dillon caught the ball and ran to the Colts' 35-yard line. Dillon gained yardage with several runs, but a pass from quarterback Justin Zimbo to Zachary Prystash still did not bring the Colts a new first down.

The Colts' defensive team again took over, led by tackles from Redding Haines, Nicholas Wilds, Sam McMeekin and the quick-footed David Dillon. When the Colts' gained possession, Dillon, Zimbo and Coppock brought the ball down steadily down the field. Good offensive blocking by linesmen Redding Haines, Jeremiah Danne and center Mason Pitt allowed the Colts to score, and they also ran in an extra point, and the game was tied.

The Colts' kick to the Bobcats put the ball on the Bobcats' 28 yard line, and the Bobcats' tackles by Jacob Walker, Zachary Prystash, Nicholas Wilds and Michael Minick kept it on their half of the field. When the Bobcats finally failed to make a first down, the Colts went to the

rushing game, including a heroic but unsuccessful sprint by David Dillon with only nine seconds to play in the half.

At the start of the third quarter, the Colts' Green Machine offensive line met the Bobcats first year defensive line. Progress was made with carries by Ty Kilar and Sean Smith. Additional carries by Mason Williams and Justin Zimbo led to a Colts' touchdown. The ball carrier tossed the football at the ground in celebration. As the Colts prepared to attempt an extra point, the officials gave the Colts a 10-yard penalty for what they deemed unsportsmanlike conduct, calling the ball toss a spike. The Colts were unable to score the extra point from that distance. The scoreboard now read 13-7 Colts.

The Bobcats, determined to pull ahead, sent several strong runners down the field. The Colts' impressive defense held them at bay, with two notable tackles by Justin Zimbo who came out of the backfield to bring down determined runners. The Bobcats finally brought in a touchdown and an extra point, pulling ahead of the Colts, 14-13.

Possession changed hands without a score twice. With only a couple of minutes to play, the Colts aggressively marched down the field. The Colts, on fourth down were on the 1-yard line with less than a minute to play. The Colts, with no timeouts, quickly huddled and approached the ball, hiking to quarterback Zimbo who carried it across the line. The officials called the touchdown no good, indicating that they had received a time out call from the Bobcats prior to the score. The disappointed Colts were unable to score on the second try, losing possession to the Bobcats.

The clock ran out and the game ended 14-13.

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11:30 a.m.: Computer II

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Community Center

DETAILS: All levels of play

welcome; 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.

Pilates Class

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. each

Tuesday

Bunco

TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. sec-

ond Thursday of each month

DETAILS: Call Senior

Community Center 24 hours in

advance to register; \$1 per per-

son.

## Meetings

### Northville Public Schools

Board of Education

DATE: Second and fourth

Tuesday of the month (Nov. 13)

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Old Village School

### City of Northville

City Council

DATE: First and third Monday

of the month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall, 215 W.

Main St.

Downtown Development

Authority Meeting

DATE: Third Tuesday of each

month (Nov. 20)

TIME: 8 a.m.

LOCATION: City Council

Chambers, 215 W. Main St.

CONTACT: http://downtown-

northville.com

Planning Commission

DATE: First and third

Tuesdays of month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall

Housing Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of

every month

TIME: 3 p.m.

LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401

High St.

Historic District Commission

DATE: Third Wednesday of

month

TIME: 7 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall

Arts Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of

every month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Art House, 215 W.

Cady St.

Beautification Commission

DATE: Second Tuesday of

every month

TIME: 7 p.m.

LOCATION: Northville City

Hall, Meeting Room B

Northville Township

Planning Commission

DATE: Last Tuesday of month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Hall,

44405 West Six Mile

Board of Trustees

DATE: Third Thursday of

month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Hall

Zoning Board of Appeals

DATE: Third Wednesday of

month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Hall

Beautification Commission

DATE: Third Monday of month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Hall

Youth Assistance

DATE: Second Tuesday of

every month

TIME: 8 a.m.

LOCATION: Northville

Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile

Road

CONTACT: Sue Campbell

(248) 344-1618

## Library Lines

### Northville District Library

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; 1-5 p.m.

Sunday.

CONTACT: (248) 349-3020 or

www.northvillelibrary.org for

information regarding programs

and library materials.

Kids Club

"All About Manners"

TIME/DATE: 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 8

DETAILS: This is an after

school program including sto-

ries, games and crafts for kids

grades 1-3. Registration begins

Nov. 1.

Little Me Storytime for Little

Ones

TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Friday

Nov. 9

DETAILS: Babies-2 years with

parents and caregivers enjoy

music, beanbag fun and simple

stories; offered monthly; older

children also welcome; no regis-

tration required.

How a Book Changed My Life

Comedy Library Show with

John Park

TIME/DATE: 4:15 p.m.

Tuesday Nov. 13

DETAILS: Interactive program

featuring juggling and fascinat-

ing library facts to delight all

ages; 100 tickets available 5

minutes before show at

Information Desk. Space is limit-

ed; please, no child care groups.

Books, Chat & Chow for 4th

and 5th Graders

TIME/DATE: 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 28

DETAILS: Discuss

"Puppeteers Apprentice" by D.

Anne Love and enjoy treats.

Registration begins Nov. 1.

Evening Family Storytime

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

DETAILS: Wear your pajamas

and enjoy a lively storytime

about the ABCs suited for chil-

dren 3 and older, but all ages

welcome; no registration

required.

## Parks & Rec

### Northville Parks & Recreation

LOCATION: 775 N. Center St.

(back entrance of Hillside Middle

School)

CONTACT: For registration and

information on camps, classes

and activities call (248) 349-

0203 or visit

http://www.northvilleparksan-

drec.org

Parks and Recreation

Commission

DATE/TIME: 7 p.m. second

Wednesday, every other month

beginning in January

LOCATION: Northville

Township Hall, 44405 W. Six

Mile Road

Used Sports Equipment Sale

TIME/DATE: 3-7 p.m. Friday,

Nov. 9; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday,

Nov. 10

LOCATION: Senior

Community Center Gym, 303 W.

Main St.

DETAILS: Bring your used

sporting equipment to sell,

including golf clubs, skis, ice

skates, camping gear and more.

Price your own equipment.

Parks and Rec. receives 30 per-

cent of your profit. Deadline to

register is Thursday, Nov. 8 at

4:30 p.m. Old, out-dated or

heavily worn items will not be

accepted. Parks and Rec. is not

responsible for items sold. Any

equipment not picked up after

the sale will be donated to chari-

ty.

14th Annual Turkey Shoot

Free Throw Contest

TIME/DATE: 7-8 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 15

LOCATION: Hillside Middle

School Main Gym

DETAILS: Children and adults

pair up to shoot free throws with

prizes awarded to the top three

teams. Teams formed in these

age groups: eight and nine year

olds; 10 and 11 year olds; and

12 and 13 year olds. Entry to the

event is the donation of canned

or non-perishable food that will

be donated to Northville Civic

Concern.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0203

ext. 1405



of church)  
**DETAILS:** Theme "In Your Wildest Dreams;" 7 small group classes.  
**Book Study**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday through Dec. 12  
**LOCATION:** Room C309  
**DETAILS:** "Discern His Voice" by Priscilla Shirer  
**MOPS**  
**TIME/DATE:** 9:15-11:15 a.m. and 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursday of each month  
**LOCATION:** Room C307-309  
**DETAILS:** Support and encouragement for mothers of young children  
**CONTACT:** Day MOPS, Jan Janke (734) 367-9171; for evening MOPS, Keli Plansinis (248) 561-8019.  
**Single Adult 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:** 7 p.m. Praying Together, Sanctuary  
**Every Wednesday:** 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Single Adult Ministries office; 7 p.m. Single Men's Bible Study; 7 p.m. Single Parents, Single Adult Ministries Office; 4-7 p.m. Tennis, Rotary Park (Six Mile Road between Farmington and Merriman roads); 8:30-10 p.m. Co-ed Volleyball, Knox Hall.  
**Every Saturday:** 10 a.m. Bicycling Group starts from various locations; geared towards tourist level rider; all levels welcome; helmets required; lunch half-way through ride at your own expense.  
**Every Saturday-Sunday:** 1-5 p.m. Tennis, Rotary Park  
**Every Sunday:** 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Tennis for beginners, Stevenson High School, Six Mile Road west of Farmington Road. SPM Bridge: 5:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday; beginners welcome; refreshments.  
**Alpha-Questions of Life** (for everyone)  
**TIME/DATE:** 6-9 p.m. Thursdays for 10 weeks, through Nov. 22  
**DETAILS:** Explore the Christian faith in a friendly, fun, thought-provoking setting; includes free dinner and child care each week; register through Community Outreach.  
**CONTACT:** (248) 374-5932 or Margy.Burkhart@wardchurch.org  
**Grief and the Holidays**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12  
**LOCATION:** Room A-105  
**DETAILS:** Cathy Clough presents this free workshop for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one and are grieving; no registration required.  
**CONTACT:** Barb at (248) 374-5966

**Northville First United Methodist Church**  
**LOCATION:** 777 W. Eight Mile Road  
**CONTACT:** (248) 349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org  
**Sunday Worship**  
**TIME:** 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m.  
 Coffee hour at 10:15 a.m.  
**Healing Service**  
**DATE:** First Monday of every month  
**TIME:** 4 p.m.  
**Men's Bible Study**  
**TIME/DATE:** 6:30-7:30 a.m. every Wednesday  
**LOCATION:** Room 10  
**Sharing Hearts Women's Bible Study**  
**TIME/DATE:** 12:45-2:30 p.m. every Tuesday  
**LOCATION:** Chapel upstairs  
**DETAILS:** Child care available; cost is \$11 for materials.  
**Disciple One Bible Study**  
**TIME/DATE:** 6-8 p.m. every Sunday or 9:30-11:30 a.m. every Wednesday  
**DETAILS:** Course lasts 34 weeks; covers 70 percent of the Bible.  
**Disciple Three Bible Study: Remember Who You Are**  
**TIME/DATE:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday  
**Disciple Bible Study: Jesus and the Gospels**  
**TIME/DATE:** 3-5 p.m. every Sunday  
**The Faith Club**  
**TIME/DATE:** 9:30 a.m. every other Thursday  
**DETAILS:** This interfaith group will be reading "The Faith Club"; register at (248) 344-4248.  
**Suicide Loss Support Group**  
 See New Hope Center listing under "Support Groups."  
**LOGOS Youth Club**  
**TIME/DATE:** 5:15-8:15 p.m.

each Wednesday  
**DETAILS:** Program includes recreation, dinner, bible study and music; grades 4-12.  
**Spiritual Singers 2007**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17  
**LOCATION:** Ford Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Ave., Dearborn.  
**DETAILS:** Presented by the Spirit of Detroit Chorus of Sweet Adelines International; tickets in advance are \$20 for adults, \$15 student or senior (55+) and \$5 for children under 12, \$22 at the door.  
**CONTACT:** Marilyn Bogaerts (248) 735-1516 after 6 p.m., or visit www.spiritofdetroitchorus.org

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church**  
**LOCATION:** 770 Thayer  
**CONTACT:** (248) 349-2621 or www.olvnorthville.org  
**Saturday Worship**  
**TIME:** 5 p.m.  
**Sunday Worship**  
**TIME:** 7:30, 9 and 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

**Meadowbrook Congregational**  
**LOCATION:** 21355 Meadowbrook Road  
**CONTACT:** Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757 or visit www.mbccc.org or gmccc@arunddetroit.biz  
**Sunday Worship**  
**TIME:** 10 a.m.  
**Installation Service**  
**TIME/DATE:** 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11  
**DETAILS:** Installation service for Rev. Arthur Ritter with reception immediately following.

**St. John Lutheran Church**  
**LOCATION:** 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills, between Grand River and Freedom Roads  
**CONTACT:** 248-474-0584

**Orchard Hills Baptist Church**  
**LOCATION:** 23455 Novi Road  
**CONTACT:** Pastor Jon Hix (248) 349-5665  
**Preschool/Kids Choir**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday  
**DETAILS:** For ages 3-6; all are welcome.

**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

**Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington**  
**LOCATION:** 25301 Halsted Road, Farmington Hills  
**CONTACT:** (248) 318-8044 or http://www.uufarmington.org

**St. John's Episcopal Church**  
**LOCATION:** 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth  
**CONTACT:** (734) 453-0190  
**Reinventing Your Life-God Is Calling You to a Song**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday evenings  
**DETAILS:** Minimum of 10 people required to attend every session.  
**CONTACT:** Elizabeth Wilhelm (734) 953-0190 ext. 10  
**Red Cross Blood Drive**  
**TIME/DATE:** 2-8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12  
**DETAILS:** Call Carolyn Libeau (734) 455-5395 to make an appointment or drop in.

**Novi United Methodist**  
**LOCATION:** 41671 W. Ten Mile Road  
**CONTACT:** (248) 349-2652 or umcnovi.com  
**Summer Craft Show**  
**DETAILS:** The church is hosting an arts and crafts show Saturday, June 21. Vendor space available inside and out. Visit church website or contact Pam Davis at edleccr@yahoo.com.

**Alternative Christmas Fair**  
**TIME/DATE:** 10 a.m.-3 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** Hope Lutheran Church, 39200 W. 12 Mile Road (East of Haggerty)  
**DETAILS:** Annual fair invites local, national, and international fair trade organizations, non-profit charities and social service agencies to offer gifts for sale and opportunities for charitable giving. These organizations gather to raise money and increase awareness of their activities. Find interesting, distinctive gifts including jewelry, toys, holiday cards and hand-woven items. All

proceeds benefit charities.  
**CONTACT:** (248) 553-7170

**Pre-Christmas Sale**  
 Sponsored by Holy Family and St. James Catholic churches in partnership with Catholic Relief Services.  
**TIME/DATE:** 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 and 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11  
**LOCATION:** Holy Family Church Activity Center, 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi  
**DETAILS:** This is a sale of handcrafted items, provided by "Work of Human Hands" and made by artisans from developing nations throughout the world.

**Volunteer**  
**Art House Store**  
**LOCATION:** 215 W. Cady St.  
**DETAILS:** Looking for volunteers to work four hours per month, receive 10 percent off store purchases.  
**CONTACT:** Carol Kendra (248) 344-0497

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

**Heartland Hospice Volunteers Needed**  
**TIME:** day and evening training classes  
**LOCATION:** 28588 Southfield  
**DETAILS:** Caring and compassionate individuals needed to register for Heartland Hospice Volunteer Training. We serve individuals and their families during their end of life journey in the Tri-County area. Office support is needed.  
**CONTACT:** Mary, (800) 770-9859

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

**Meals-On-Wheels**  
**DATE:** Ongoing  
**TIME:** 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Permanent and substitute drivers needed.  
**CONTACT:** Eileen at Allen Terrace (248) 231-9950, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday or Judy LaManna (248) 348-1761

**Midwest Rabbit Rescue and Rehoming**  
**DETAILS:** This organization houses, treats and adopts out rabbits to new homes. Donations to support their efforts in the responsible care and treatment of indoor pet rabbits are appreciated. Call Dominique Moroz (248) 348-8519 or visit www.rabbitrr.org. Pet rabbit shelter is open 12:30-4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment.

**Northville Genealogical Society**  
**TIME/DATE:** 1-3 p.m. Monday  
**LOCATION:** Northville District Library  
**DETAILS:** Individual help on genealogy is offered by Society members in Local History Room at library, also by appointment.  
**CONTACT:** Tille Van Sickle (734) 595-7806 or http://www.rootsweb.com/~mings

**Northville Newcomers and Neighbors**  
**DETAILS:** This group is for residents of Northville and surrounding communities. Participate in monthly coffees, various activities and special programs. New members welcome.  
**CONTACT:** Colleen Nametz at

(248) 596-1940

**Susan B. Galli Angel Fund**  
**DETAILS:** Hidden Springs Veterinary Clinic has created a fund to assist families in need with medical expenses for their pets. The fund is in memory of one of their longtime client and friend Sue Galli. Hidden Springs welcomes all donations from the community to build this fund, helping as many pets as possible. Please make checks payable to Hidden Spring Vet Clinic SGA Fund. Mail to: 48525 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.  
**CONTACT:** (248) 349-2598

**Visiting Nurse Association Hospice Program**  
**DETAILS:** In as little as two to four hours a week, volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family members or provide office support. A free, 18-hour/three-day training program is provided.  
**CONTACT:** (800) 882-5720 ext. 8361 or (248) 967-8361 or visit http://www.vna.org.

**YWCA of Western Wayne County**  
**DETAILS:** The YWCA is looking for volunteers to assist with office help, after-school programs, building projects, communications and marketing in various locations throughout western Wayne County.  
**CONTACT:** Tabatha Manuel (313) 561-4110 ext. 20 or tmanuel@ywca-wwc.org

**Support Groups**  
**Angela Hospice Groups**  
**LOCATION:** Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia  
**CONTACT:** Joan Lee (734) 953-6012  
**General Grief Support Groups**  
**TIME/DATE:** 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month  
**DETAILS:** Open to all losses. Loss of Spouse/Significant Other Support Group  
**TIME/DATE:** 6:30-8 p.m. first Tuesday of month  
**Men in Grief**  
**TIME/DATE:** 6:30-8 p.m. fourth Monday of month  
**Suicide Loss Support Services**  
**DETAILS:** Individual and family services offered free for those who have lost a loved one through suicide; call (734) 464-7810 for more information.  
**Heartstrings: Parents Who Have Lost a Child**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7-8:30 p.m. first Thursday of month  
**Grief Support Quilter's Group**  
**TIME/DATE:** 1-3 p.m. first and third Wednesday of month  
**DETAILS:** Register by calling (734) 953-6012.

**Anxiety Disorder Support Group**  
**TIME/DAY:** 7:30 p.m. every Thursday  
**LOCATION:** Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia  
**DETAILS:** Aim for Recovery is an organization holding meetings offering support and recovery for those suffering with anxiety disorders and their families. Meetings consist of planned behavioral lessons and discussions. Educational material will be available. Donations for the program and materials are accepted.  
**CONTACT:** Robert Diedrich at robertdiedrich@msn.com

**Crohn's & Colitis Support Group**  
**DATES:** first and third Wednesday of each month  
**LOCATION:** Providence Park Hospital and Medical Center  
**TIME:** 7-9 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Enter facility through southeast entrance. Meeting in Conference Room A, immediately to the left.  
**CONTACT:** Al Biggs (313) 805-7605 or Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America (888) 737-2322.

**Females in the Family Business Affinity Group**  
**TIME/DATE:** 8-9:30 a.m. Third Thursday of every month  
**LOCATION:** Walsh College Troy Campus  
**DETAILS:** Walsh Business Leadership Institute invites women who own, are partners in, or work for family businesses. Items discussed will be common issues, and women can share

solutions in a nonthreatening, noncompetitive, non-sales round-table. Registration is required.  
**CONTACT:** Jan Hubbard, jhubbard@walshcollege.edu

**Food Addicts Anonymous Information Session**  
**DETAILS:** Twelve step program for individuals suffering from food obsession, over eating, under eating, and bulimia; weekly meetings held in Canton, Detroit and other metro Detroit areas; no dues, fees or weigh-ins; everyone welcome including those who think they have food problems or are concerned about someone who may.  
**CONTACT:** (734) 913-9614 or http://www.foodaddicts.org

**New Hope Center for Grief Support**  
**DETAILS:** The groups meet on a regular basis in various locations. All services for offered at no cost.  
**CONTACT:** (248) 348-0115 or go to http://www.newhopecenter.net  
**Widows/Widowers With Children Support Group**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7-8:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month  
**LOCATION:** St. Kenneth's Parish, Plymouth  
**New Hope for KIDZ Support Group**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7-8:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month  
**DETAILS:** Meets at the same time and location as adult group; for children ages 3-18.  
**Suicide Loss Support Group**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7 p.m. second Thursday and fourth Monday  
**LOCATION:** First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville  
**DETAILS:** This is a drop-in support group.

**Clubs & Groups**  
**AAUW, Northville/Novi Chapter Monthly Meeting**  
**TIME/DATE:** 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13  
**LOCATION:** Northville Public Library  
**DETAILS:** "Women's Issues and the Constitution" presented by Prof. Robert Sedler from Wayne State University; open to the public.  
**CONTACT:** For information, e-mail northvillenoviaauw@yahoo.com  
**Daytime Book Club**  
**TIME/DATE:** 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14  
**LOCATION:** Home of Ronnie Parrington, South Lyon  
**DETAILS:** Discussion of "The Tender Bar: A Memoir" by J. R. Moehringer; come join us.  
**CONTACT:** For information call (248) 486-3415 or e-mail rparrites@sboglobal.net  
**Restaurant Rovers**  
**TIME/DATE:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14  
**LOCATION:** Loving Spoonful Restaurant, Farmington Hills  
**DETAILS:** Come join us; RSVP by Nov. 12 via e-mail to Jewel Luckett at jluckett@twm1.r.com or call (248) 349-1046 for more information.  
**Great Discussions Group**  
**TIME/DATE:** 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15  
**LOCATION:** Home of M. J. Pine, Northville  
**DETAILS:** Come join us as we discuss "South Africa: Facing New Challenges."  
**CONTACT:** For information e-mail mjpine@twm1.r.com or call (248) 380-7992.  
**Evening Book Club**  
**TIME/DATE:** 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 26  
**LOCATION:** Home of Mary Jane Kearns  
**DETAILS:** Come join us in discussing "The Namesake" by Jhumpa Lahiri.  
**CONTACT:** For information e-mail mjkearns@earthlink.net or call (248) 449-8693.

**Beautiful Singles Hiking**  
**TIME/DAY:** 9:30 a.m. first and third Sunday of the month  
**LOCATION:** Maybury State Park  
**DETAILS:** Join singles of all ages for hiking and other activities.  
**CONTACT:** http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/BSHiking/

**Business Networking International**  
**TIME/DAY:** 7-8:30 a.m. every Thursday  
**LOCATION:** Eastern Michigan University, Livonia Campus, 38777 W. Six Mile Road, Suite

400  
**DETAILS:** Visitors are welcome to all meetings. Reservations required.  
**CONTACT:** Jim Green (248) 345-3302

**Camera Club**  
**DATE:** second Tuesday of every month  
**CONTACT:** Tom James of Northville Camera at northville-camera@sboglobal.net or Northville Arts Commission (248) 449-9950

**Gardeners of Northville and Novi**  
**TIME/DATE:** 6:30 p.m. second Monday of each month, Sept.-May  
**LOCATION:** Rotate between Northville Library and Novi Civic Center  
**DETAILS:** Visitors welcome.  
**CONTACT:** (248) 231-2334 or www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org

**Great Books Discussion Group**  
**TIME/DAY:** First and third Thursday of every month.  
**LOCATION:** Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington Road  
**DETAILS:** Discuss novels, poetry, and nonfiction  
**CONTACT:** (248) 349-3121

**Northville Genealogical Society**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**TIME/DATE:** 1:15 p.m. computer genealogy class, 2:30 p.m. general meeting, second Sunday of month  
**LOCATION:** Northville District Library, Carlos Meeting Room, 212 W. Cady  
**Research Help**  
**TIME/DATE:** 1-3 p.m. every Monday and by appointment  
**LOCATION:** Northville Library, Local History Room  
**DETAILS:** Individual help on genealogy.  
**CONTACT:** Tille Van Sickle at (734) 595-7806 or visit www.rootsweb.com/~mings

**Northville Newcomers and Neighbors**  
**Monthly Coffee**  
**TIME/DATE:** 10 a.m. first Tuesday of each month  
**LOCATION:** Northville's home  
**DETAILS:** All welcome to socialize, meet, greet friends and neighbors.  
**CONTACT:** Colleen Nametz at (248) 596-1940  
**Out To Lunch Bunch**  
**DATE:** Tuesday, Nov. 27  
**DETAILS:** Lunch at the Ritz Carlton, Dearborn; \$30 per person; RSVP to Jeri Mira at (734) 667-5211.  
**Meadowbrook Hall Holiday Walk**  
**DATE:** Friday, Nov. 30  
**DETAILS:** Cost is \$30 per person, limited to 25 persons; RSVP to Claudia Snyder at (248) 374-4093.  
**Ladies Holiday Party**  
**TIME/DATE:** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5  
**DETAILS:** Cost is \$13 per person; RSVP to Karla Ninivaggi at (248) 449-6442.

**Northville Woman's Club**  
**TIME:** 1:30 p.m. first and third Friday, Oct. to March  
**DATE:** Nov. 16, "Peru and the Lost City of Machu Picchu," with Kathy Thornton  
**DATE:** Dec. 7, "Holiday Decor by Gardenviews," with Linda Jo Hare  
**DATE:** Dec. 21, Select Choir from the Detroit Concert Choir, holiday musical selections  
**CONTACT:** Karen Poulos, (248) 349-4684

**South Lyon Square Dance Club**  
**LOCATION:** VFW Post 2502, 125 E. McHattie St., South Lyon  
**DETAILS:** American Square Dancing; no experience necessary, public and families welcome.  
**CONTACT:** http://squaredancemichigan.tripod.com/southlyon.html or call (248) 486-0043

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

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Entertain in style with pears and figs

FAMILY FEATURES

With two stylish ingredients, turn an ordinary social event or family gathering into a first-class tasting affair. Use small plates featuring colorful, juicy pears and sweet, moist California dried figs to show off your culinary prowess. Offering a variety of small servings is a popular trend with today's chefs - just like figs and pears.



Flank Steak Ribbons With Pear-Fig Salad and Mini Ginger-Pear Cakes With Warm Figs and Pears in Brandied Honey Sauce

## Flank Steak Ribbons With Pear-Fig Salad

Makes 8 to 10 small servings

## White Wine-Fig Dressing

- 1 cup sliced, stemmed Blue Ribbon Orchard Choice or Sun-Maid figs
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped shallot
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1/4 teaspoon each salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup olive oil

## Herb-Rubbed Flank Steak

- 2 tablespoons each finely chopped fresh thyme and fresh rosemary
- 1 1/2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 3/4 teaspoon each salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 1/2 pounds flank steak, trimmed

## Salad

- 3 cups mixed baby salad greens
- 1 1/2 cups USA Pear chunks or slices
- 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese
- 1/4 cup chopped roasted almonds, pecans or walnuts (optional)

In saucepan, combine figs and wine. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer 2 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in lemon juice, shallot, honey, salt, pepper and olive oil. Set aside. Mix together thyme, rosemary, garlic, salt and pepper. Stir in olive oil. Spread on both sides of steak. Cook steak over hot grill or in broiler 5 to 8 minutes per side, until done as desired. Set aside. In salad bowl, combine greens, pears, blue cheese and nuts. Toss with fig dressing. Thinly slice steak across the grain. Serve 2 or 3 slices beef on small plate with salad on side.

## Mini Ginger-Pear Cakes With Warm Figs and Pears in Brandied Honey Sauce

Makes 6 small cakes

## Mini Ginger-Pear Cakes

- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1/3 cup butter, softened
- 1 large egg
- 1/4 cup finely grated, peeled USA Pears
- 1/4 cup finely chopped crystallized ginger
- 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
- 3/4 cup buttermilk

## Warm Figs and Pears in Brandied Honey Sauce

- 2 to 3 ripe USA Pears
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/3 cup water
- 1/3 cup honey
- 5 tablespoons brandy, divided use
- 1 cup halved, stemmed Blue Ribbon Orchard Choice or Sun-Maid figs

Preheat oven to 350°F. Generously coat 6 mini-Bundt pans\* with vegetable cooking spray. In large bowl, cream sugar and butter with electric mixer. On low speed, beat in egg, then pear and ginger. Combine flour, cinnamon, baking powder, baking soda and allspice. Add flour mixture in three additions, alternating with buttermilk. Spread batter evenly in pans. Bake 18 to 22 minutes or until pick inserted in cake comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes. Turn out onto wire rack. Serve warm or at room temperature.

While cakes bake, prepare sauce: Core pears and cut into 18 (1/2-inch) slices. Place pear slices in bowl and toss gently with lemon juice; set aside. In small saucepan combine water, honey and 1/4 cup brandy. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer 2 minutes. Add figs and simmer 3 minutes. Stir in pear slices. Remove from heat and stir in remaining 1 tablespoon brandy. To serve, place cakes on small plates. Arrange fruit on each plate, dividing evenly. Drizzle 1 to 2 tablespoons brandied honey sauce over fruit and cake.

\*Or 9 (2 1/2-inch) muffin pan cups.



Balsamic Glazed Pear and Goat Cheese Crostini

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Makes 24 pieces

- 2 USA Pears
- 3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 teaspoon honey
- 24 baguette rounds, toasted
- 1/2 cup goat cheese, spreadable
- 1/2 cup sliced almonds, toasted\*
- Freshly ground black pepper, (optional)

Core pears and cut into 48 thin slices. In large frying pan, heat vinegar, butter and honey over medium heat 2 to 3 minutes, stirring constantly, until reduced by half, about 2 tablespoons. Add pear slices and continue cooking 1 minute, turning once. Place 2 pear slices on each baguette round and top with 1 teaspoon goat cheese. Sprinkle almonds over cheese and garnish with fresh pepper, if desired.

\*To toast almonds, place in heavy frying pan and toast over medium heat, stirring constantly, 1 to 2 minutes or until tan with toasted aroma.

## Pear Pointers

- Enjoy the versatility of this juicy fruit, which adapts well to any mealtime or course.
- Benefit from the wide range of colors, flavors and textures when selecting from among several delicious varieties including the Green Anjou, Red Anjou, Comice, Seckel, Forelle, Bosc, Concorde, Starkrimson, Green Bartlett and Red Bartlett.
- Ripen pears at room temperature and check for ripeness by pressing the neck or stem end. It's ripe if it yields to gentle pressure. To slow ripening, simply put them into the refrigerator.
- Find more pear tips and tasty recipes at [www.usapears.org](http://www.usapears.org).

## Fig Fundamentals

- Serve figs as a delicious, nutrient-rich snack or feature with other recipe ingredients.
- Buy dried figs all year round.
- Select two versatile varieties: delicious slightly nutty flavored golden Calimyrnas and sweet, moist dark purple Mission figs. Experiment with both, as they are interchangeable in most recipes.
- Learn more about California dried figs by visiting [www.valleyfig.com](http://www.valleyfig.com)



Garlic Shrimp With Fig Tapenade

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Makes 4 small servings

## Fig Tapenade

- 1 cup chopped Blue Ribbon Orchard Choice or Sun-Maid figs
- 2/3 cup chopped kalamata olives
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon each dried rosemary and thyme
- Salt and pepper to taste

## Garlic Shrimp

- 3 tablespoons minced garlic
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 2 teaspoons dried rosemary

- 12 jumbo shrimp or prawns
- Cherry tomato halves and chopped fresh herbs (optional garnish)

In saucepan, combine figs and 1/2 cup water. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer until liquid is absorbed. Remove from heat; stir in remaining ingredients. Cover and refrigerate 4 hours or overnight to blend flavors. Bring to room temperature to serve.

Meanwhile, combine garlic, olive oil and rosemary in zip top bag. Add shrimp and marinate in refrigerator 1 to 4 hours. In lightly oiled pan over medium high heat, sauté shrimp until cooked through; remove. To serve, peel shrimp, leaving tail intact. Place about 3 tablespoons tapenade on small plate with 3 shrimp. Garnish with cherry tomatoes and fresh herbs, if desired.

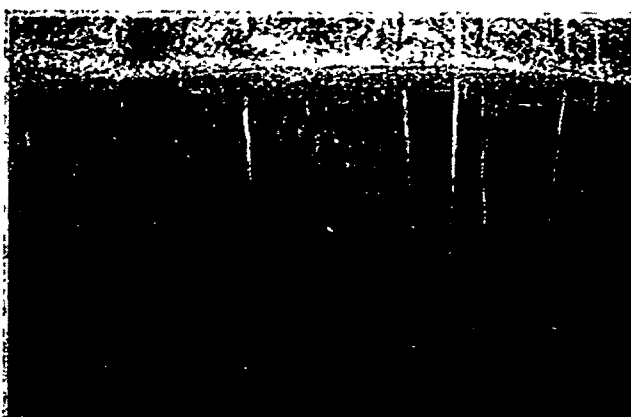




Fallen leaves surround a bunch of young maple saplings coming up from the forest floor in the southeastern part of Maybury State Park.



Leaves tumble from trees near Maybury's pond.

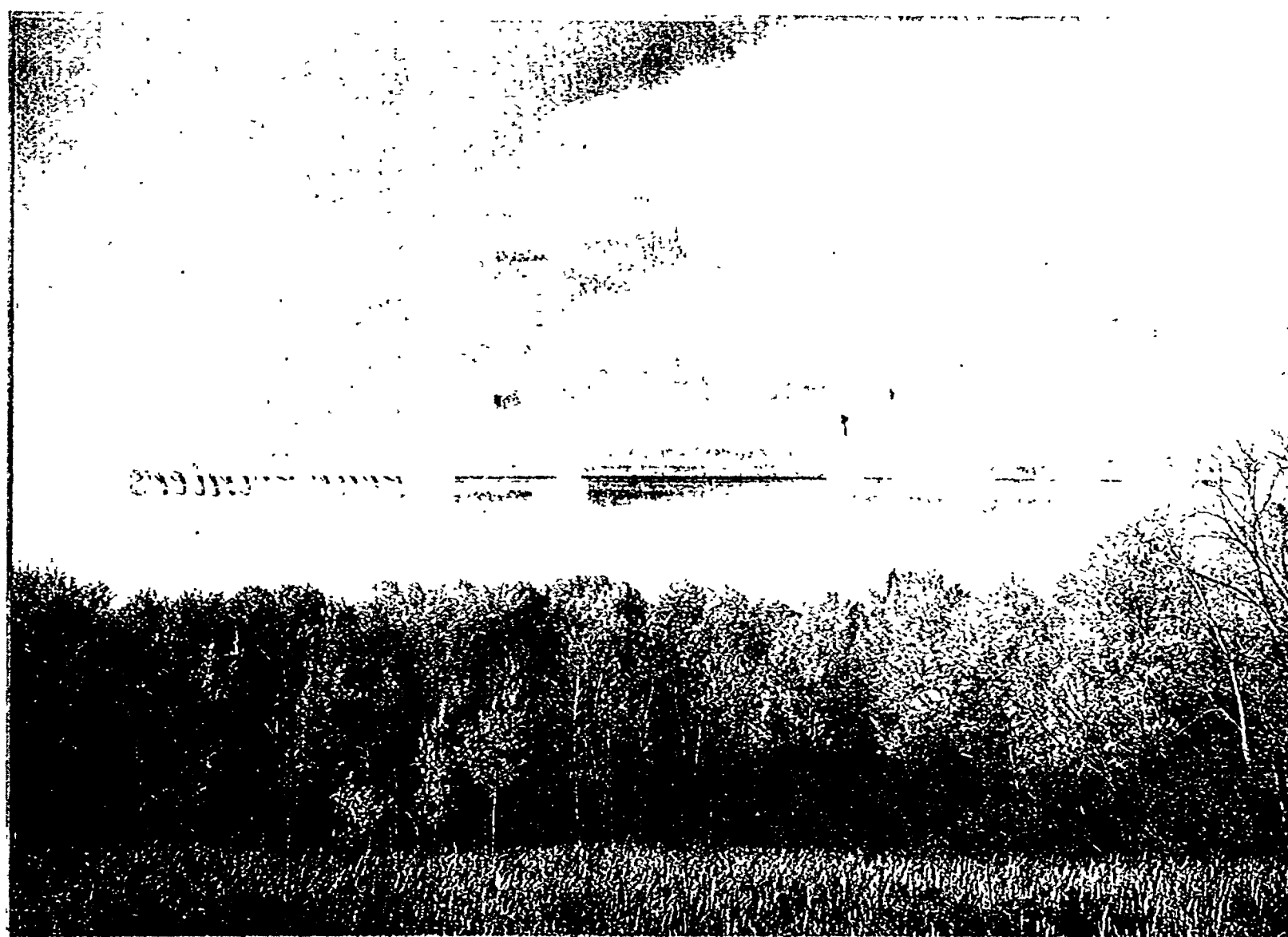


Fall colors and bare trees are reflected in the pond.

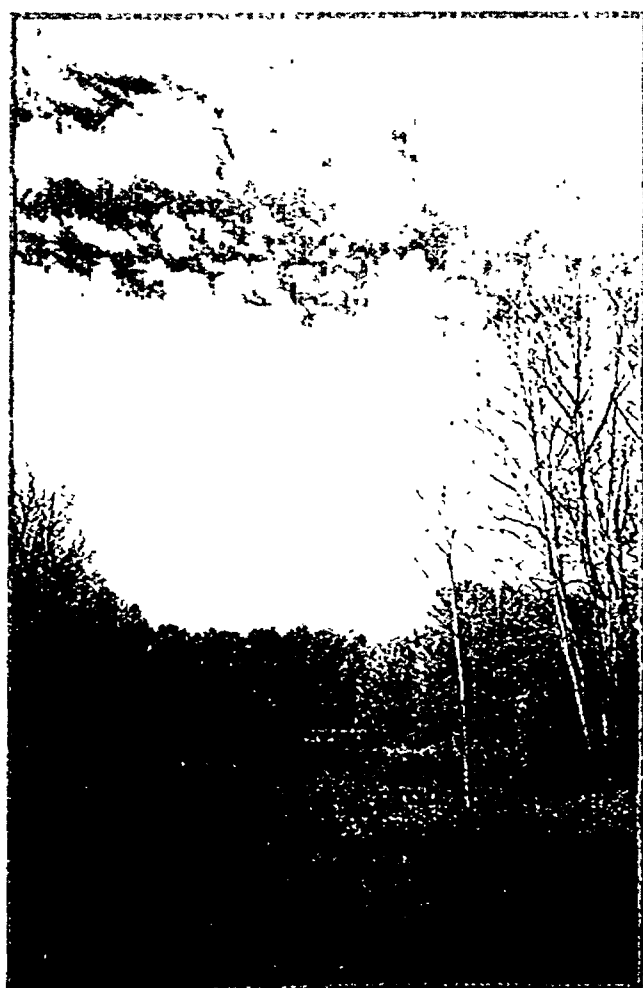


Maple leaves lie on the boardwalk that runs along the park pond.

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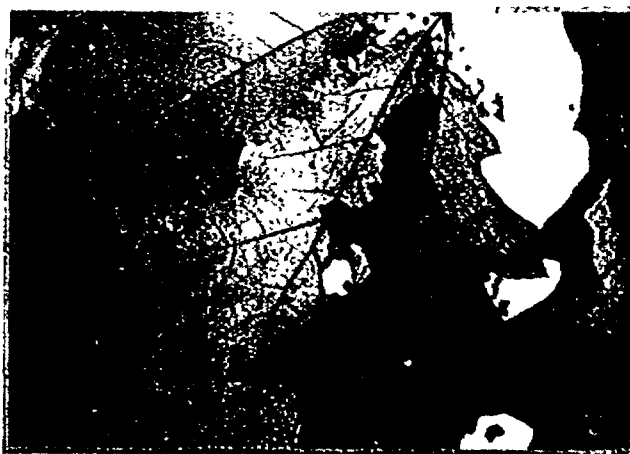
The trees of the eastern frontage of Northville's Maybury State Park, near Main Street, is ablaze in fall colors in front of a small swale of cattails.



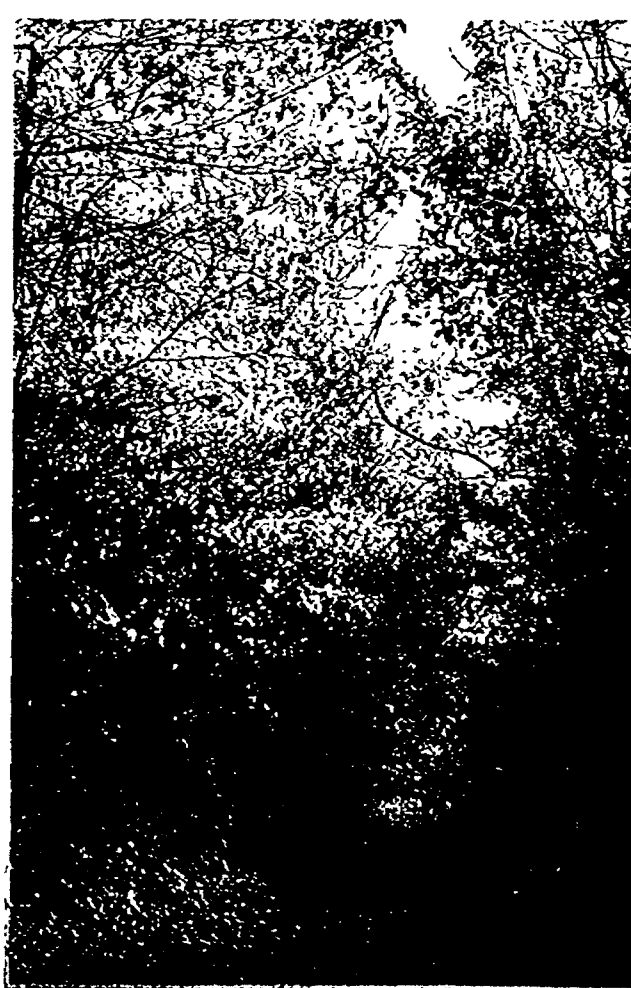
Most of the trees near the park's pond have lost their leaves.



Maple leaves are at the yellow peak.



Sun-dappled red oak leaves in Northville's Maybury State Park.



Fall colors greet travelers of Maybury State Park's trail on its eastern edge.





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As soon as customers walk in to the main-floor retail store at Utopia Salon and Spa they are greeted with a wide array of products including clothing, jewelry and personal grooming needs.

## Utopia is Northville's salon of choice

By John R. Hall  
SPECIAL WRITER

Downtown Northville is home to a world class salon and spa where clients enjoy the best customer service from a business that has been nominated for one of the most prestigious awards in its industry.

Utopia Salon and Spa, at 170 E. Main, is quickly becoming the salon of choice for many people in Northville and surrounding areas because of its outstanding reputation for customer service and products and services it offers.

It also helps to have a convenient location which has been updated to reflect today's fashion trends while preserving its historic significance in downtown Northville.

"We take a different approach to our business," said owner Tita Daskal. "We have increased the size of our business while at the same time educating ourselves to be the best in the business."

The hard work that Tita, co-owner Kelly Sesi, and their staff has put into the business was recently rewarded with the news that Utopia has been nominated for the internationally famous Global Salon Business Award, which will be presented in Hollywood in June 2008.

"The award is very prestigious," Tita said. "It is based on how you grow your business and how you manage it. The award is also based on salon leadership/management, marketing/promotions, and most importantly — customer service."

Part of that good customer service goes out into the community, too. Utopia pays special attention to Northville schools. For example, the salon offers special promotions during high school proms and prices for makeup and hair styling are very reasonable.

Not only has Utopia stirred up a lot of local interest and brought more people to downtown Northville, it has attracted some

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very talented workers, too.

The salon has hired three new stylists in the last month — Timothy Jack, Julie Fox, and Kara Brown. Hair extensions are now available and Utopia has a new eyelash extension specialist to perform that very popular procedure.

"Eyelash extension is a great idea for the holidays," Tita said. "The extensions can last from three-to-nine weeks with normal maintenance, and they look very natural."

Some of the other services at Utopia include massages, foot treatments, nails, makeup (complimentary five minute touch-up with any service), and facials.

Tita said that natural chemical peels named green peels are very popular facial treatments. She said one green peel is equal to ten microderm treatments.

"The ingredients are so natural you can actually make tea from them," she noted.

Of course, hair cutting and styling is the backbone of the business and Tita wants everyone to know that the prices are reasonable, ranging from \$25 to \$70, depending on the level of expertise of each stylist.

Besides all of the popular services that have made Utopia Salon and Spa a success, there are many products it sells, gaining a reputation for it one-stop shopping status.

As a Redken flagship salon, Utopia offers a complete line of Redken products (Redken also trains Utopia professionals,



Customers line up to purchase gifts, gift certificates and personal grooming products at Utopia Salon and Spa in Northville.

too). Its other main product line is Kerastase.

The retail section of the salon on the main floor includes products like clothing, underwear, makeup, facial products, jewelry, and men's products. All products can be gift-wrapped, too.

With the holiday season coming up, Utopia has assembled a number of different gift certificates, custom made for services like foot treatments or a full day at the spa.

"Anything you need to buy is available here," she added. The list includes gifts for bridal party members, which is another service Utopia is involved in. The staff will arrange off-site bridal parties as well as

private on-site parties in a separate conference room.

And young children are a big part of the business, too. Utopia sponsors special parties for girls who want to be primped and pampered with the latest makeup tips and hairstyles — in a fun party-like setting.

Tita said that her staff is looking forward to seeing new faces — walk-ins are welcome. "We are not just a salon," she said. "Come in and visit with us."

For more information on Utopia Salon and Spa call (248) 465-7700 or visit them at 170 E. Main St., one building east of the downtown pavilion.

The Utopia Salon and Spa Web site is [www.myutopiasalon.com](http://www.myutopiasalon.com)

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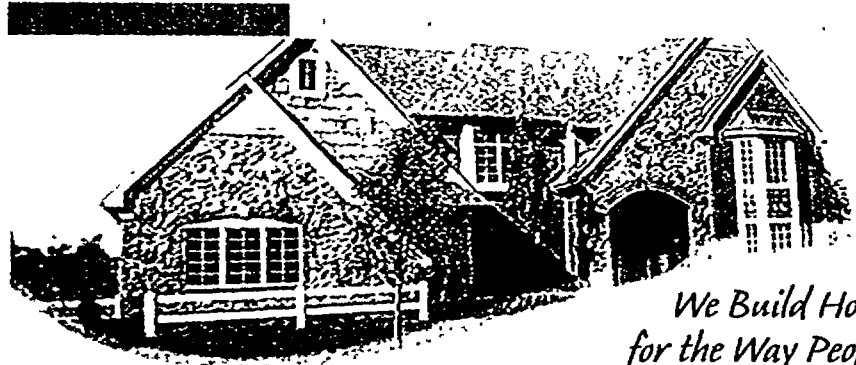
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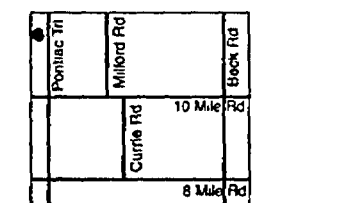
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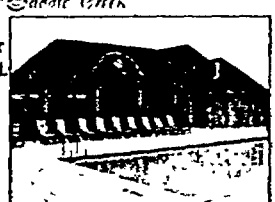
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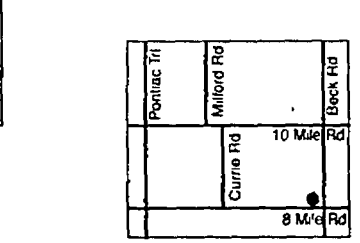
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Beautifully level featuring Living Rm w/ bay window, updated Kitchen w/ granite, updated windows, furnace, C/A, updated bath, freshly painted, & more.  
\$110,000 (C-602W)



**PARK LIKE SETTING**  
A premium lot tucked away in a great Bloomfield sub. Well built home w/ hardwood floors, wet plaster built in 2 car garage, situated on a most an acre.  
\$449,000 (P-874CO)



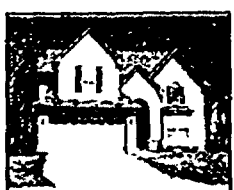
**6 BEDROOM MANSION**  
Well maintained home in historic Boston Edison District. Large Liv Rm w/ fireplace, Den Rm, 3rd floor in law suite, newer roof, freshly painted, 2 car Garage, fenced yard & more.  
\$190,000 (P-217LO)



**TOWNHOUSE FOR LEASE**  
Charming end unit just seconds from downtown Birmingham shopping & events. 2 bd 2 baths, private entry, patio. All appl's neutral decor, immediate occupancy.  
\$925/mo (P-483FO)



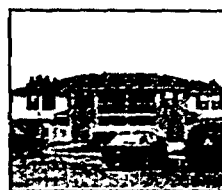
**PRIVATE WOODED SETTING**  
Contemporary decor w/ handmade tile entry & fireplace surround. Hard floors, finished lower level, white Kitchen, immediate occupancy & pools, tennis & basketball within walking distance.  
\$210,000 (P-128GR)



**CUL DE SAC LOCATION**  
Check out this home featuring volume ceilings, open floor plan, neutral decor, maple Kitchen, Master Suite offering a huge WIC & bath w/ 6 ft tub. Northside Schools.  
\$365,000 (P-468R)



**THIS HOME HAS IT ALL!**  
Awesome home features an open floor plan, large Kitchen, Family Room w/ fireplace, Flex Room, spacious Master w/ bath & large WIC, neutral tile & beautiful pond views. A must see!  
\$240,000 (P-183SH)



**SPACIOUS NORTHBAY CONDO**  
Clean & neutral 1 to 2 bd 2 baths. Fresh paint, updated roof, windows, bath, newer C/A, neutral carpet, remnant vinyl & roof.  
\$124,500 (P-345SU)



**TRANQUIL LOCATION**  
Enjoy the peaceful setting on this large lot in Royal Pointe Sub. Inviting 2 story Foyer, formal Liv & Din Rm, 2 story Fam Rm w/ dual fireplace, island kitchen, Master w/ bath & bath, new carpet, & Deck w/ lawn.  
\$379,900 (P-409TR)



**HANDYMAN SPECIAL**  
Great opportunity in Westland. Almost a half acre of land, convenient location, some updates, including furnace, new Kitchen & bath, needs some TLC but has loads of potential.  
\$110,000 (P-270WA)



**LIVONIA RANCH**  
Beautiful, spacious ranch featuring 3 bd 3 baths, Family Room w/ fireplace, Master w/ bath, finished bsmt w/ w/tp, 2nd floor, 3rd floor, lots of storage, great landscaping & great location.  
\$209,000 (P-446YA)



**GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY**  
Lovely ranch end unit condo in Carlton w/ peaceful setting in back of complex. 2 bd 2 baths, Master w/ WIC, Liv & Din Rms, freshly painted, & more. Also avail for lease.  
\$118,900 (P-808L)



**GARDENERS & GOLFERS DELIGHT**  
Super brick ranch w/ great yard. Entry, fireplace, surround. Hard floors, finished lower level, white Kitchen, immediate occupancy & pools, tennis & basketball within walking distance.  
\$269,900 (P-001BE)



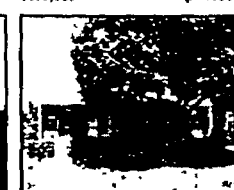
**BRICK BUNGALOW**  
Charming updated home on beautiful street. Updated Kitchen, new Deck, hardwood floors, lovely Master Suite w/ storage, appliances stay & so much more.  
\$150,000 (P-837BE)



**FABULOUS FARMINGTON HILLS**  
Gorgeous home featuring 4 bd, 2.5 baths, gourmet Kitchen w/ all appl's, Nook w/ door leading to 3 tiered Deck, Fam Rm w/ fireplace & French doors to Deck, Master w/ vaulted ceiling, string area, & walk in.  
\$315,000 (P-700BL)



**UPDATED COLONIAL**  
4 bd, 2.5 bath home backing to lovely common area. Newer Kitchen w/ tons of storage, newer windows, remnant bath, newer C/A, neutral carpet, remnant vinyl & roof.  
\$230,000 (P-601BO)



**BRICK RANCH W/ FLORIDA ROOM**  
Sweet little ranch needs some help to make it special. Already has 3 bds, bsmt is ready to be finished, Garage, 2 car det Garage, & fenced yard. Just bring some ideas & make it yours.  
\$85,000 (P-136BR)



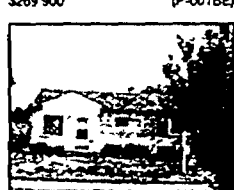
**ULTRA CLEAN CONDO**  
Nice condo in popular Carlton Village. Living Rm w/ bay window, freshly painted, updated white Kitchen, newer furnace & A/C, Master w/ WIC, updated bath, & very usable floor plan.  
\$85,900 (P-081CA)



**FORD LAKEFRONT LIVING**  
City's Landing end unit ranch condo offers 3 bd, great lake views, huge Master, spacious Liv Rm w/ fireplace, updated windows, balcony, fresh paint, new carpet, & neighborhood pool.  
\$139,900 (P-655CL)



**OUTSTANDING**  
Stunning 4 bd, 3.5 bath colonial featuring a 2 story Great Rm w/ fireplace, Kitchen w/ granite, butcher's pantry, Master w/ WIC & granite, bath, 3 car Garage, brick patio & Trex Deck.  
\$375,000 (P-335CO)



**LOVELY GARDEN CITY RANCH**  
This 3bd ranch offers nice neutral decor thru-out, vinyl windows, roof tear off in 2004. Ceramic bath & huge insulated 2 car garage. One year home warranty. Perfect starter home!  
\$172,900 (P-814DO)



**IMMACULATE TOWNHOUSE**  
Upgrades galore, w/ 2nd floor, contemporary colors, 2 Master Suites w/ WIC, vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace, glass block, & in extremely good condition.  
\$169,900 (P-394DO)



**DUPLEX OR SINGLE FAMILY HOME**  
Whispering Lake 1800 sq. foot 4 bedroom, 2 bath home is currently set up as a duplex but could easily be converted to a big single family home. Each level w/ 2 beds, 1 bath, living room & kitchen.  
\$159,900 (C-315FA)



**GORGEOUS 5 BEDROOM CAPE**  
Custom designed secluded home featuring 3.5 baths, 3 bay windows, granite, & marble floors, vaulted ceilings, white kitchen w/ granite, double oven, walkout bsmt, oversized deck, & more to list.  
\$448,000 (P-800FA)



**UPDATED RANCH**  
Brick ranch w/ updated windows, roof, furnace, & C/A. Large eat in Kitchen w/ light wood cabinets, Liv Rm w/ hardwood floors, part finished bsmt, 2 car det Garage, & fenced yard.  
\$109,900 (P-101HA)



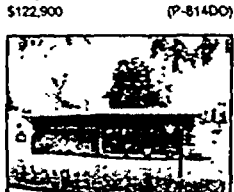
**HOMES & GARDEN SPECIAL**  
Magnificent home w/ finished walkout overlooking nature preserve. Top of the line upgrades include granite Kitchen, Corian Baths, brick paver patio & walk, large Deck off Kitchen, crown moldings, & 3 car Garage.  
\$575,000 (P-743HI)



**A PERFECT GEM**  
Great Carlton condo features a cozy Living Room w/ fireplace, efficient Kitchen w/ plenty of cabinets, all appl's, 1st floor laundry, private bsmt, & 1 car attached Garage. Also for lease.  
\$142,900 (P-484HU)



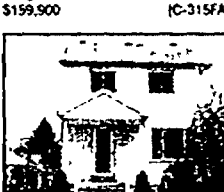
**CUSTOM HOME ON WOODED LOT**  
Popular Huron Hills sub, boasting custom features like circular round top windows, 2 decks, garage, paver walkways & more. Great Cape Cod floor plan w/ 3 bd 2.5 baths.  
\$299,900 (P-630HU)



**SHARP LIVONIA RANCH**  
Fantastic curb appeal on this 3 bd 1.5 bath home set nicely in sub. Kitchen & Baths updated, neutral paint, new floor, doors, siding, & gutters. Bsmt w/ bath, 2 car Garage & more.  
\$161,500 (P-255LO)



**SUPER STARTER**  
Turn key home w/ super open floor plan, remod. kit & bath, beautifully finished bsmt, hwd in Liv Rm, updated furnace, C/A, hwd, windows, roof, large Deck overlooking yard & oversized double lot.  
\$119,900 (P-688JA)



**YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS HOUSE**  
Great curb appeal & an amazing interior! Beautiful oak Kitchen w/ all appliances, large bathroom, fresh paint, updated carpet, roof, furnace, C/A, & great yard.  
\$115,000 (P-217LU)



**WALK TO DOWNTOWN FARMINGTON**  
Gorgeous home featuring extensive hardwood, neutral decor, finished bsmt, Jack & Jill bath, large rooms, Deck off Kit w/ private yard & French doors close to schools & shopping.  
\$229,916 (P-049ME)



**ROOM FOR EVERYONE!**  
4 bd colonial w/ lots of space. Large Kit, spacious Fam Rm w/ fireplace, w/ 2 walk ins, formal Liv Rm w/ bay window, large Dining, 1st fl laundry, fresh paint, newer carpet, & Ply-Gon Schools.  
\$309,900 (P-325MI)



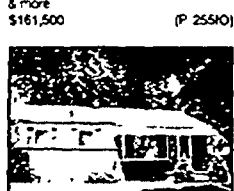
**CUSTOM BUILT COLONIAL**  
Fabulous home on 1 acre lot, 3200 sq ft, 4 bd, 3.5 baths, 1st fl Master w/ Jacuzzi tub, floor to ceiling windows, granite marble, hardwood floors, cherry kitchen, stainless steel appl's, & convenient location.  
\$550,000 (C-362NO)



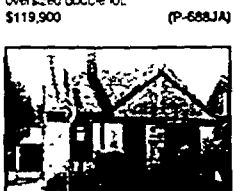
**AWESOME LOCATION**  
Charming 2 bd Plymouth condo just mile from downtown. Private Entrance, Anderson windows, & don't miss a moment! Low traffic location, newer hwh & assoc dues inc water.  
\$100,000 (C-252P)



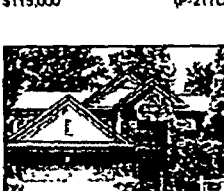
**SERENE SETTING**  
Stunning cape cod situated on 7+ acres in Salem Twp offering a 1st floor Master w/ bath & WIC, stunning Kitchen w/ butcher's pantry, 12x12 Pole Barn, 1st floor laundry, walkout bsmt, & a private road.  
\$1,399,900 (C-610PR)



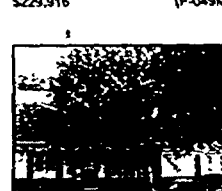
**LIVONIA RANCH**  
Lovely area w/ park, shopping, & schools nearby. Solid home w/ 3 bd 1.5 bath home set nicely in sub. Kitchen & Baths updated, neutral paint, new floor, doors, siding, & gutters. Bsmt w/ bath, 2 car Garage & more.  
\$139,900 (C-696R)



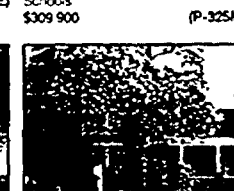
**TRANSFER FORCES SALE**  
Sad seller has to part with this fabulous 3 bd West Dearborn home. Newer Pella windows, huge Master w/ WIC, 2 updated baths, updated furnace & C/A, finished bsmt & Deck.  
\$129,999 (C-644RO)



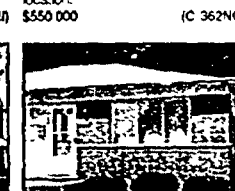
**UNEXPECTED FIND**  
Nestled deep in the sub on low traffic lot, deo you'll find this Princeton model, colonial w/ traditional floor plan, Fam Rm w/ fireplace, w/ luxury bath, & WIC. Newly finished lower level w/ bath & bath.  
\$296,000 (C-745SH)



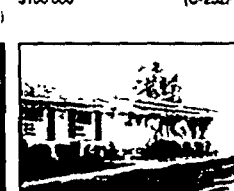
**RARE OFFERING**  
Wonderfully cared for Carlton cape cod w/ extensive updates, 3 bd, 2 bath, neutral decor, spacious rooms, Fam Rm w/ fireplace, French doors to Deck, 1st fl Master full bath, & 2 car det Garage.  
\$195,000 (C-606SO)



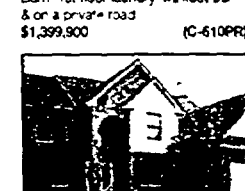
**COMMERCIAL/INVESTMENT**  
Opportunity! Knock! Own a commercial building in Plymouth's Old Village! Great income possibilities for a great price with 2 units plus storage. Large lot. Call for details.  
\$299,000 (C-446ST)



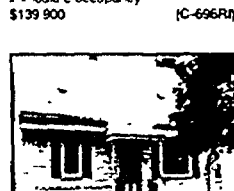
**SHARP & CLEAN CONDO**  
This 2 bd 1 bath area decorated condo is ready for you! Remodeled kit, bath, new windows, hardwood floors, nice backyard, newer landscaping, full bsmt, & appliances stay.  
\$69,900 (C-022ST)



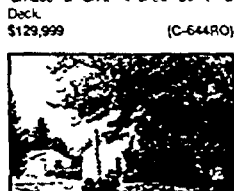
**IMMACULATE LIVONIA RANCH**  
3 bd 2.5 bath brick ranch with walking distance to Laurel Park. Large fenced yard w/ patio, updated furnace, pvt. C/A, new driveway, open floor plan, finished bsmt w/ bath, & 2 car Garage.  
\$269,900 (C-643VA)



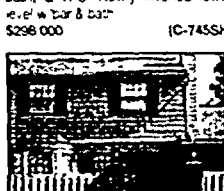
**DRESSED IN ITS SUNDAY BEST**  
Fabulous home featuring formal Dining & Dining Rm, private Den, Master w/ bath, Master Suite w/ his & her WIC's & professionally finished lower level.  
\$449,900 (C-308WE)



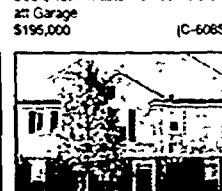
**CHARMING & IMMACULATE**  
Don't make a final decision until you see this home! So many upgrades Kitchen, bathroom, roof, windows, sliding glass door, tiered Deck, & more. Finished bsmt & more.  
\$159,900 (C-609WH)



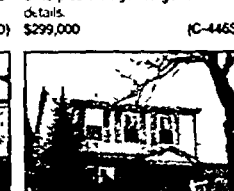
**LIKE NEW!**  
Impeccably clean & well maintained home. Family Rm w/ fireplace, French doors lead to Deck, vinyl insulated windows, new furnace, hwh, C/A, & gutters. Walk to schools & park.  
\$199,000 (C-811WH)



**CONTEMPORARY CONDO**  
Sharp Arbor Village condo w/ open floor plan, skylights, fireplace, appliances stay, part finished bsmt, private Deck, carport, & pet allowed.  
\$125,500 (C-508AR)



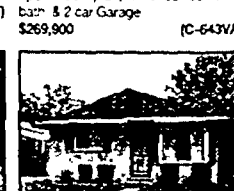
**2 YEARS NEW**  
Builder upgrades to every room in this end unit condo. Open spacious layout w/ cathedral ceilings, upgraded lighting, carpet, baths, kitchen, 3rd bd could be used as Den. Good location near clubhouse.  
\$169,900 (C-033AR)



**GREAT HOUSE**  
Beautiful colonial shows like a model. 3 bd 1.5 baths, updated Kitchen, newer carpet, vinyl windows, large living room, & finished yard close to schools & parks.  
\$189,000 (C-569YA)



**THIS 4 BD HOME FEATURES**  
good sized rooms, newer furnace & hot water tank, almost 1200 sq ft, & is priced to sell. Would make a great starter or investment property.  
\$64,900 (C-245BA)



**CORNER LOT**  
Nice 3 bd brick ranch with full bsmt, 2 car Garage, Dining Room of Kitchen covered patio & more.  
\$109,900 (C-206BA)



**GORGEOUS COLONIAL**  
Beautiful Colony Farms offers this 4 bd, 2.5 bath home w/ numerous updates. Close to schools & parks, beautiful landscaping w/ mature trees & perennials, & just a short trip to downtown Plymouth.  
\$368,000 (C-017BA)



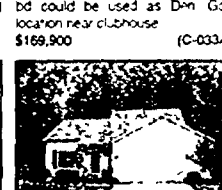
**ADORABLE!**  
Very cute & clear brick ranch located in great neighborhood! This home offers an updated Kitchen, remodeled bath, newer carpet, fresh paint, finished bsmt, newer windows, & landscaped yard.  
\$94,900 (C-032CE)



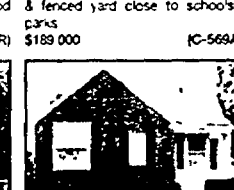
**COZY END UNIT RANCH**  
Come check out this fabulous condo featuring vaulted ceilings, Master w/ bath & WIC, oak Kitchen w/ dining area, garage, plenty of storage space, & a pet friendly wellness center.  
\$129,900 (C-423CH)



**HOME SWEET HOME**  
Fantastic 3 bd home offers a nice floor plan, hwd floors, huge Master bed, part finished bsmt, great location, & close to everything.  
\$139,900 (C-431CO)



**LOCATION LOCATION!**  
Spectacular home nestled at the end of a court in popular Eagle Gardens. Vaulted gourmet kitchen, Great Rm w/ fireplace, carpet, baths, kitchen, 3rd bd could be used as Den. Good location near clubhouse.  
\$190,000 (C-115CR)



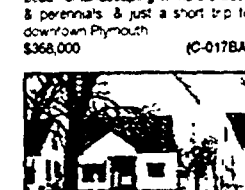
**GORGEOUS YARD!**  
This home is in flawless condition w/ a yard to die for. Many updates to hwd floors, new concrete driveway, unique built in storage & appliances stay. 1st fl Master w/ bath & finished daylight bsmt.  
\$144,000 (C-993DR)



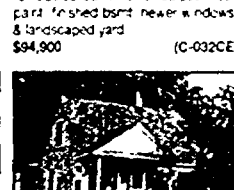
**A REAL PLEASER!**  
Terrific maintenance free brick ranch w/ lots of quality updates. Vinyl windows, finished bsmt w/ bath, 2.5 car Garage, cedar Deck, oversized lot. Would make a great starter or investment property.  
\$149,500 (C-600LI)



**PRICED FOR QUICK SALE**  
Fantastic curb appeal & great location. Large fenced lot, newer windows, newer doors over 1600 sq ft, spacious layout, 2 car Garage & more.  
\$102,000 (C-245FO)



**TERRIFIC BUY**  
Nice 3 bd bungalow w/ lots of updates including roof, C/A, furnace, windows, doors, & bath. Appliances stay, partly finished bsmt, 1.5 car Garage & more.  
\$79,900 (C-053HA)



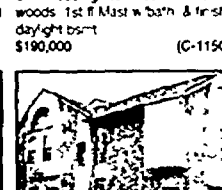
**BEAUTIFUL BUNGALOW**  
This 3 bd 2 bath home features a remod Kitchen, Central A/C, updated carpet, hwd floors, dining carpet, flooring & much more. Home is left to do but move in!  
\$159,900 (C-307HO)



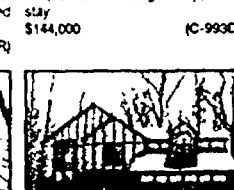
**GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD**  
3 bd, 2.5 bath ranch offering an open floor plan, Master w/ bath, finished bsmt, Liv Rm w/ fireplace, 2 car attached Garage, huge yard & Woodhaven Schools.  
\$135,000 (C-312FR)



**RANCH W/ GREAT VALUE!**  
Don't miss a deal on this well kept home w/ beautifully updated Bath Kitchen, windows, furnace, roof, hwd floors, great fenced yard w/ shed & much more.  
\$129,900 (C-025Y)



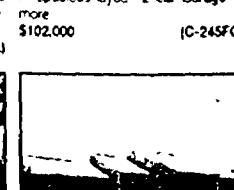
**A MUST SEE**  
2 bd 2 bath ground floor condo offering a private entrance, new Pergo floor, new appliances, private laundry room, patio & very clear.  
\$129,000 (C-547LI)



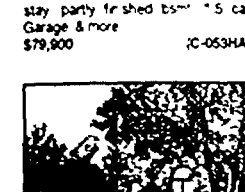
**TOP SHELF!**  
This home is impeccable inside & out! Wooded lot offering a Flagstone patio off the great Deck, updated roof & hwd skylights, 1st fl laundry & more.  
\$249,000 (C-151ME)



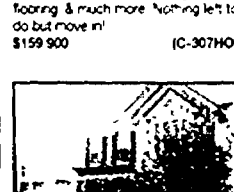
**BEAUTIFUL BRICK BUNGALOW**  
When only the best will do, spacious floor plan offers 3 bd Master w/ bath, hwd floors, covered terrace, Liv Rm w/ fireplace, updated bath, new windows & carpet, fresh paint, & updated elec.  
\$82,000 (C-421P)



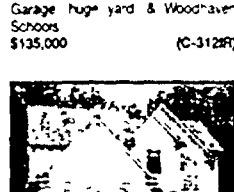
**COUNTRY SETTING**  
4 bd 2 bath ranch situated on 2 acres & features 2 Garages, finished bsmt, new roof, shingles, new carpet, & don't miss a moment! Master & large island Kitchen.  
\$269,900 (C-660TU)



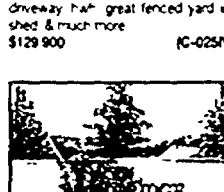
**OUTSTANDING HOME**  
Beautiful cape cod in popular golf community, 4 bd, 4.5 bath, grand kitchen w/ granite, Master w/ vaulted ceiling, jetted tub, glass-like yard w/ stamped concrete patio & finished bsmt.  
\$685,000 (P-304AN)



**WELCOME HOME!**  
Beautiful 3 bd 2.5 bath home w/ oak Kitchen & breakfast bar, Fam Rm w/ fireplace, spacious Master w/ vaulted ceiling, jetted tub, glass-like yard w/ stamped concrete patio & finished bsmt.  
\$234,900 (C-562MA)



**LOCATED ON A PRIVATE LOT**  
Large Great Rm w/ gas fireplace, Dining Rm w/ French doors, gourmet oak Kitchen w/ island, & don't miss a moment! Cedar Deck, Builder put lots of extras here, don't miss out!  
\$300,000 (P-500AC)



**NEW CONSTRUCTION**  
Enjoy main floor living at Woodbridge Estate Condos. Villas feature ranch style units w/ car Garage & all appl's. Cape style feat 3 bds, open floor plan, hwd bsmt, & 2 car at Garage. Come check these out!  
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4- Bedroom,  
3-Full & 2-half baths  
5,356 Square Feet

**ASKING \$999,900**

**Optional features included in this home:**

- Spectacular daylight lower level backing to 20 acre nature preserve
- Custom elevation with elaborate limestone details
- Landscape: Sod, Sprinkler system, Trees, and Shrubs
- Owner's Suite fireplace
- Granite countertops throughout
- 3-car side-entry garage with stained garage doors
- Stainless steel appliances
- Elaborate crown moldings throughout
- Brazilian Walnut floors in living room, family room, kitchen, nook, sunroom
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- Marble Owner's bath
- And much more!

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*Why you should choose Asbury Park!*  
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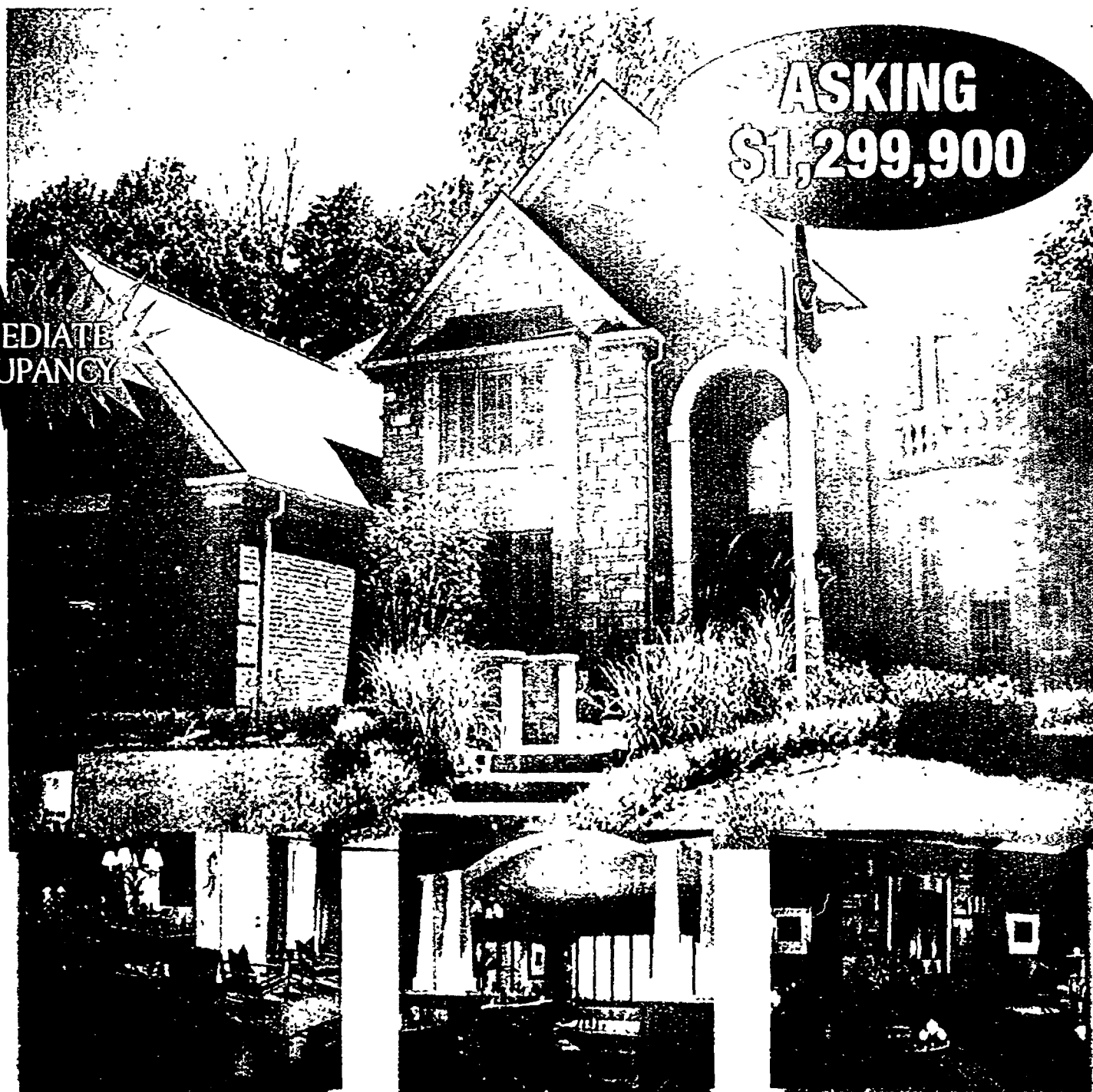


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5-Bedrooms, 4-Full & 2-half baths  
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- Professionally decorated by award winning designer
- Featured on HGTV
- Homesite backs to 20-acre nature preserve
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- Whole house sound system
- 4 Fireplaces
- 3-dramatic staircases
- Elaborate landscaping
- Appliance, carpet, cabinet, tile upgrades
- Structural steel & brick deck with stamped concrete surface & wrought iron
- Library with stained custom wood paneling
- 3-car side-entry garage with stained garage doors
- Window treatments - Wallpaper
- Brazilian Walnut hardwood floors
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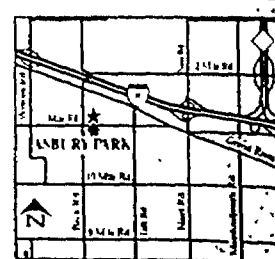


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Unit has finished basement and 1 car garage.

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Condo in Centennial Farms 55 + community

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**Brighton** 3664

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**Hamburg** 3199

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**Howell** 3230

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**Homes For Rent (4054)**

**HIGHLAND/MILFORD** 2 br. flat, rent w/optn. 3 br 2 bath. All appliances. 2.5 car garage \$1000/mo. 810-923-5945

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**NORTHVILLE** - 4 BR, 2 bath, clean home on 1 acre \$1450/mo (248) 252-0649

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**Requirements:** \*Excellent verbal and written communication skills, detail oriented and organized. \*Bookkeeping, 10-key, basic mathematics, computer and filing skills. \*1-2 years of customer service and/or clerical experience preferred. If you are interested in joining our team, please apply by person at our office located on:

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Pleasant, outgoing receptionist needed to answer phones & greet patients. Must be willing to travel between Brighton & Berkley offices. Fax Resume 810-225-4630, Attn: Loree

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Full-time for insurance agency in Farmington. Proficient with Microsoft Office. Low \$20's. Fax: 248-442-0405. Email: recept@rho-mar.com

**RECEPTIONIST/CLERICAL**  
Position at Real Estate Mgmt. company in West Bloomfield. Full time position, excellent benefits. Must be dependable. Please send resume via email to: dgabin@cm-properties.com or fax 248-865-8382

**Help Wanted-Dental (5040)**

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
Experienced, full-time days. Call 810-229-6624 or send resume to: 10511 Grafton Dr., Ste 100 Brighton MI 48116

**DENTAL ASSISTANTS**  
Trained, X-ray certified, exp'd in case presentation. Excellent pay, part time hours with full time benefits. Lyonia office expanding to Novi. Call 734-525-7616

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**ADJUNCT FACULTY**  
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**CNA's - All Shifts**  
Full & Part time. Apply at: West Hickory Haven, 3310 W Commerce Rd., Midland, MI

**EXPERIENCED MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
for internal medicine office located in Lyonia. Fax resume to: 248-449-8205

**Histotechnologist**  
Medsurgeon seeks Histotech with frozen section experience to process fresh tissue with Mohs frozen section techniques in his expanding private practice. Background in histology, cryostat preparation and maintenance, and histo-chemical staining is essential. Full or part-time, excellent pay and benefits. Ann Arbor area. Fax resume today: 734-996-8767 or a2derm@aol.com

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
Experienced 25-28 hrs/wk. Fax resume: 734-464-9797

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
Full or part time for busy pediatric office in Novi. Prefer 3 yrs. exp. Fax resume to: 248-380-6457

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
Needed in Howell. X-ray experience a plus. Fax: 810-222-0572

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
FT & PT positions available at busy medical office in Midland. Experience with injections EKG's and venipuncture required. Fax resume and cover letter to: 248-685-3891

**MEDICAL BILLER**  
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**ON-CALL NURSE**  
Need. Call in person: West Hickory Haven, 3310 W Commerce Rd., Midland, MI

**Help Wanted-Part-Time (5200)**

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Help Wanted-Medical (5040)

**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT**  
Part time in busy Farmington Hills Dermatology office. Dermatology exp. a plus. Benefits package. Fax resume to Cindy 248-477-9370 or email mdc@arounddetroit.biz

**RADIOLOGY CLERK**  
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**RM NEEDED**  
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**DINING ROOM MANAGER & SERVERS**  
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**Help Wanted-Part-Time (5200)**

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Position Wanted (5140)

**RETIREE SEEKS** A part time position. Background in Marketing, Accounting, management. 517-402-9006

**Childcare Services: Licensed (5360)**

**QUALITY LOVING HOME**  
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**Belleville** 248-348-6430  
Great house offered for lease! Mstr ste w/ cathedral ceiling, WIC, jet tub and sep shower. HWD flrs, kb, GR w/ vaulted ceiling and gas FP. Fab fin LL w/ lav, GME rm, bar and theatre rm.  
(27137394) \$2,000



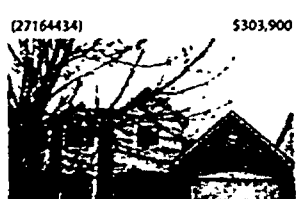
**Brighton** 248-348-6430  
WOODED 1+ ACRE W/LAKE VIEWS Enjoy year round lake views from this custom colonial, resting on a wooded hilltop location. Gourmet kit w/ granite cnts, d/b oven, walk in pantry formal DR.  
(27027877) \$700,000



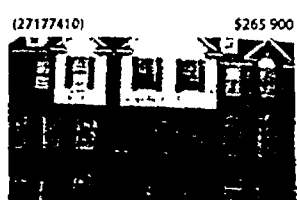
**Canton** 734-591-9200  
Ideal location deep in subdivision Relax in vaulted sunrm, 2 story FR, neutral decor, HW flrs in Foyer, Lav, Kt, & BN. Gourmet kit w/ stove, micro, frg, tray ceiling in mstr ste, brick paver patio.  
(27141547) \$409,900



**Canton** 734-455-7000  
GREAT COLONIAL! In sought after Hamlet Gardens. Hwd flr in foyer, kit and nook. Corner FP in FR. Big kitchen, tons of cabinets. Nicely landscaped. Close to tennis courts.  
(27164434) \$303,900



**Canton** 734-455-7000  
SO MUCH TO OFFER! Ceram flr in kit & foyer. Cath cell & skylights in fam rm. 2 tier deck, fin bsmt w/ wet bar & bath. Spotted! Home Warranty & Assoc. Dues for 07 pd at closing!  
(27177410) \$265,900



**Canton** 734-455-7000  
SPACIOUS CONDO UNDER REPLACEMENT COST! 2BR/2 BA, granite countertops, 10, 2 car gar, wood flrs to main flr, wood blinds, nickel fixtures, maple cabs, etc. All this + scenic setting. Priv clubhouse!  
(27182047) \$179,900



**Canton** 734-455-7000  
SPACIOUS CONDO! All 3 bedrooms have a private bath. Great kitchen, all appliances stay. Deck, 2 car garage, loft and basement. Great room & 2 stories high. Immediate Occupancy!  
(27130823) \$225,000



**Commerce** 248-684-1065  
Lake Sherwood Frontage. On quiet cul-de-sac. Open flr plan. Over 3000 sq ft of living space kit w/ brkfst area open to FR open to 3 season rm. LL w/ rec rm.  
(27108164) \$389,000



**Davison** 248-684-1065  
Open floor plan w/ peaceful wooded view from deck. Many updates in '07, kitchen, kitchen, dining rm, bath flooring, vanity, patio, paint. Move in condn.  
(27186724) \$78,900



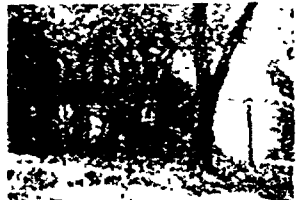
**Farmington** 248-348-6430  
CLASSIC VINTAGE VICTORIAN 3 BR, 2 BA. What a gem! Original hwd flrs refinished, updated electrical windows, HW, formal DR & LR, carriage barn, garage w/ 900 sq ft, spacious fenced yard.  
(27029053) \$279,900



**Farmington Hills** 248-851-1900  
FARMINGTON HILLS 3584 SF ON THE PARK. Impressive home. Huge rooms & open flr plan. Oak flrs. 2007 carpet, paint, landscaping. 2006 windows, newer shingles, doors, kitchen, vanities. Backs to neighborhood park.  
(27134176) \$397,500



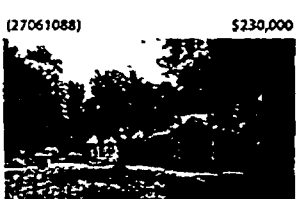
**Farmington Hills** 248-851-1900  
GREAT HOME BACK TO COMMONS. Nicely landscaped lot features large bedrooms, spacious eat-in kitchen w/ island & doorwall to patio and family rm w/ fireplace & wetbar.  
(27099694) \$275,000



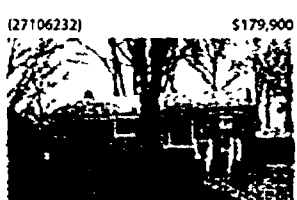
**Farmington Hills** 248-851-1900  
METICULOUSLY MAINTAINED Fabulous flr plan w/ frml din, lv rm & fam rm w/ FP. 1st flr Indry. Wrap around deck. Fin LL w/ wet bar. Gorgeous backyard w/ pond & fruit trees.  
(27092199) \$270,000



**Farmington Hills** 248-684-1065  
Updates everywhere. New kit w/ new cabs & granite. Ceramic tile in entry, lav, kit & baths. Fully fin bsmt w/ wet bar & exercise rm. 2nd flr loft. 2 car gar.  
(27061088) \$230,000



**Farmington Hills** 734-591-9200  
On just shy of one acre this is truly country in the city. Beautifully updated & maintained this ranch offers dynamite updated ceramic bath, updated eat in kitchen. Lrg 1st flr laundry.  
(27106232) \$179,900



**Garden City** 734-326-2000  
WELL CARED FOR RANCH w/ updated BA, newer laminate kit flr, & dining area. New carpet in LR. Freshly painted. High eff. Furnace & C/A. Fin bsmt w/ lav, newer wndws, in-ground sprinklers.  
(27026708) \$122,400



**Garden City** 734-326-2000  
DON'T LET THIS BARGAIN SLIP AWAY! a 3 bedroom cape cod colonial on a double lot with a remodeled kitchen, formal dining room, first floor laundry. 30 x 20 master bedroom and a 3 car garage.  
(27104734) \$119,900



**Hamburg** 248-437-3800  
Great family home! Newly remodeled main floor. New kitchen and bath. Finished walkout basement with full bath. Beautifully landscaped including 3 ponds. Open Sunday 12-4.  
(27028879) \$229,999



**Highland** 248-684-1065  
Brand new never occupied. Custom, 1st flr mstr condo w/ finished w.o. Full bath on ea level. Granite kitchen w/ all appl. Wine cellar. W/O plumbed for wet bar.  
(27188642) \$445,754



**Highland** 248-684-1065  
Beautiful 4BRM colonial overlooking wooded yard. Lrg mstr w/ jet bath. Impressive living area w/ dining rm & french doors. Crn moldings/ high ceilings.  
(27159572) \$324,900



**Highland** 248-684-1065  
73 acre lot. 2 all sports lakes. Cul-de-sac. Boulder walls. Sandy beach. Fin W/O w/ lg open rm. 4th br. Plenty of storage. Island kit w/ oak trim. Hwd flrs.  
(27110305) \$299,800



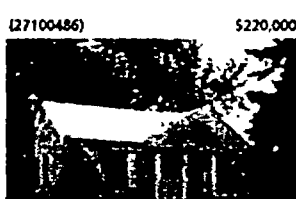
**Holly** 248-684-1065  
If you're looking for country retreat, this is it. Oak cabinets, island counter, walk-in pantry, granite vanity top in MBR. Large deck. Swimmable pond.  
(27157317) \$289,000



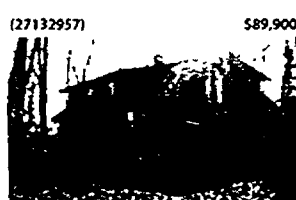
**Howell** 248-684-1065  
10+ acre lot. Mature trees. Cherry cabs w/ granite cnts. LR w/ stone fp. hwd flrs. Mstr ste w/ ceramic ba/QL shower. Above grnd pool. Pole barn w/ 2 stalls.  
(27110259) \$349,900



**Howell** 248-684-1065  
Lg family home w/ 2 story foyer w/ hwd flr. Island kit w/ all appls. Formal DR. FR w/ fp. Cute 1/2 ba w/ pedestal sink. Mstr w/ 2 WCs. Wood deck.  
(27100486) \$220,000



**Inkster** 734-326-2000  
HERE'S THE STARTER 4 U! A very nice brick ranch with full finished basement, 2 car garage and remodeled kitchen and bath, all on a nice size lot facing the park.  
(27132957) \$89,900



**Milford** 734-591-9200  
A STUNNING LOG HOME ON 4 Acres. 5 Bdrms, 4 Baths. Huge Mstr Bdrm. Hwd flrs. 6th Bdrm in Fin W/O W/ hot Tub. Furn 05, C/A 06. All Apps Stay. Gigantic 59x40 Pole Barn 1200 Sq Ft. Of Office.  
(27106220) \$807,900



**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Newer built w/ brick exterior. Private & quiet sub. Lot backs to nature preserve. Large deck & 3-car garage. Bright, open floor plan. 2 way stone FP.  
(27161770) \$385,000



**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Original builder's model. Open flr plan. Great for entertaining. Maple hwd flr to main flr. Maple cabs. Granite island kit w/ 55 appls. Crown moulding.  
(27168384) \$369,000



**Novi** 248-348-6430  
Graceful Living on Walled Lake. Enjoy entertaining or just relaxing on Beautiful Walled Lk. Kit w/ cherry cabinets, granite counters, GR w/ vaulted c/g. hwd fls to Mstr w/ huge glamour BE.  
(27103358) \$675,000



**Novi** 248-437-3800  
Detached Condo/End Unit. Everything you could want and more in a desirable community. Cozy kitchen, first floor laundry. Fireplace in fully finished basement with wet bar.  
(27118421) \$289,500



**Novi** 248-348-6430  
COMFORTABLE HOME IN CEDARS SPRINGS. ESTATES. Lovely home waiting for you! Vaulted FR w/ rplc. Spacious kitchen. Formal LR & DR. 3 spacious BR. Lovely mstr. Great fin LL and lg yard w/ lots of trees for privacy.  
(27188610) \$279,900



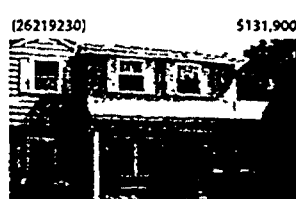
**Novi** 248-851-1900  
NOVI 4 BEDROOM 2 BATH MOVE-IN HOME. Newer windows, kitchen, tile, paint, carpet. Great open flr plan for living & entertaining. Convenient location in popular Village Oaks. Walk to elem. school, shopping.  
(27132290) \$224,900



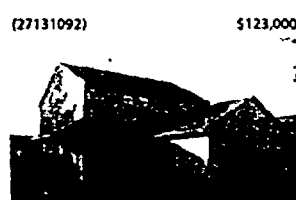
**Novi** 734-591-9200  
Tastefully decorated and well-appointed. Updt kit w/ hwd flr & stainless steel appl. Newer furnace C/A W/ins & roof. Storage in house & gar. FR w/ Gas FP lg bar & 1/2 BA. FL RM w/ new hot tub, new carpet T/O.  
(27135647) \$212,900



**Novi** 248-348-6430  
GREAT END UNIT TOWNHOUSE 3 br 1.5 bath w/ fin bsmt. Updated oak kit. cabs & hwd flrs + ba's, din rm, w/windows & roof. 2 doorways lead to deck.  
(26219230) \$131,900



**Novi** 248-348-6430  
LOVELY, NEAT & CLEAN CONDO. Neutral / updates inc. carpet, Pergo floor, windows, dryers, paint, private location backing to woods, private entrance.  
(27131092) \$123,000



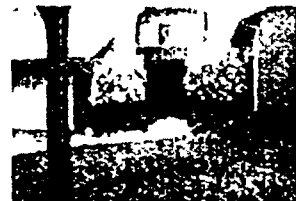
**Plymouth** 734-455-7000  
INCREDIBLE PLYMOUTH HOME ON 1 ACRE! This colonial has it all, 4BR/2 BA, formal living/dining, updt kit w/ cherry cabs & Conan. Family rm w/ custom mantel. Mstr w/ updated BA & WIC. 2 car att gar.  
(27056647) \$309,900



**Plymouth** 734-455-7000  
TWO PLYMOUTH HOMES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! Two separate houses on one lot in downtown Plymouth. Live in one - rent the other! Numerous updates in main house. Other home continually rented.  
(27097266) \$199,900



**Plymouth** 734-455-7000  
LOOKING FOR A COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE? This is it! Lake-like pond with hundred-year-old trees. Dynamic layout, 2 bedrooms, both with private full bath. Finished basement. 3rd bath w/ whirlpool tub!  
(27139196) \$187,450



**Plymouth** 734-455-7000  
FANTASTIC HOUSE WITH A FANTASTIC PRICE! Priced for a fast sale. 3 BR Brk ranch in lovely Plymouth area. Eatn Lx/FR w/ FP & DW & 12x10 sunroom. Separate LR fin bsmt w/ 1.5 BA, 2.5 car. Updates galore.  
(27190507) \$165,000



**Plymouth** 734-591-9200  
Well maintained ranch condo. Freshly painted unit in quiet location close to pool. Beautifully decorated, most appliances stay. Large storage room in unit.  
(27108180) \$118,000



**Redford** 734-591-9200  
Beautiful 3 Bedroom Brick Ranch. Updates, new roof, copper plumbing updated elec. furnace & air. Remodeled kit. newer oak cabinets & floor. Hardwood flrs. New bath in basement. Must see.  
(27191876) \$129,900



**Redford** 248-348-6430  
CUTE, CLEAN AND MAINTENANCE FREE Brick & vinyl ranch w/ bsmt. 2 car garage, 3 br/2ba, all the updates! All appliances, new carpeting throughout. It's a winner.  
(27087189) \$114,900



**Redford** 248-851-1900  
NICE BRICK RANCH READY FOR A NEW OWNER. Freshly painted, large front window for lots of light. Full basement. All appliances stay. HWF in bedrooms & under carpet in LR. Close to x-ways, parks & shopping.  
(27147256) \$109,900



**Salem** 248-437-3800  
Gorgeous Log Home on 11 Acres! Custom built white cedar log home. Sunroom with stone exterior, winding 3 story staircase. Finished walkout lower level, custom landscaping, horse barn and more.  
(27195630) \$620,000



**Salem** 248-437-3800  
NEW CONSTRUCTION! Small town atmosphere, close to x-ways. Great room open to kitchen with snack bar. Daylight windows in basement. Northside mailing.  
(27096130) \$174,900



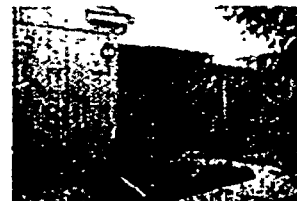
**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Spectacular Family Home! This home has open floor plan, great room w/ soaring ceilings, stone natural fireplace and built in entertainment center. Beautiful corner lot! A must see!  
(27178429) \$284,500



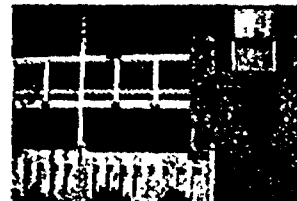
**South Lyon** 248-348-6430  
SUPER FIRST TIMER OR DOWNSIZER RANCH. Nice 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch w/ sunroom w/ skylight & hot tub. Basement. 2 car att gar. Subdivision has sidewalks, municipal water and sewer. Fenced yard w/ shed.  
(27038055) \$169,900



**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Charming Home downtown! New windows, doors, refinished original hardwood floors, new drywall and remodeled master suite. Just add your finishing touches!  
(27165531) \$139,500



**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
55+ Community Well kept unit w/ walkout to wooded area - Close to lake. Finished lower level with gas fireplace. Spacious living room, central air. One car garage.  
(27153149) \$139,000



**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Well maintained ranch condo. Freshly painted unit in quiet location close to pool. Beautifully decorated, most appliances stay. Large storage room in unit.  
(27108180) \$118,000



**South Lyon** 248-348-6430  
Adult Co-op 55+ Community. Ceramic tile in foyer and LR eat in kit. Formal DR. 12x9 4 season un porch. Fin LL w/ FR, office, BR, full ba and laundry. 1-car gar. Comm w/ clubhouse and beach.  
(27137385) \$110,000



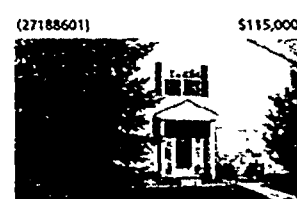
**Southfield** 248-348-6430  
NEW CONSTRUCTION IN SOUTHFIELD Two elegant 4 br, 2.5 ba homes in beautiful neighborhood. Sunny, gourmet kitchen, sumptuous master suite and elegant dining room. Not too late to pc surfaces.  
(27091716) \$490,000



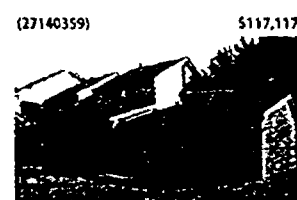
**Taylor** 734-326-2000  
LEAVE YOUR CHECKBOOK AT HOME. \$5000 grant money is available. Also have up to \$3299 in closing costs. 3 br, FR, Nat FR, oak kitchen, updated BA, newer carpet, windows, shingles, Florida Rm.  
(27195793) \$109,999



**Warren** 248-684-1065  
3 br ranch. New paint. Updated kit w/ new flooring. Sidewalks & fenced backyard. All appls incl. One year home warranty. Porch.  
(27188601) \$115,000



**Waterford** 248-348-6430  
Waterford Twp Condo! Sharp unit in beautiful wooded complex. Freshly painted, new AC unit. All appliances stay! Great rent a alternative!  
(27140359) \$117,117



**West Bloomfield** 248-348-6430  
Beautiful End Unit w/ hardwood flrs, granite kitchen, marble foyer & 1/2 bath, new carpet upstairs, freshly painted t/o, peaceful location deep in complex.  
(27126612) \$189,900



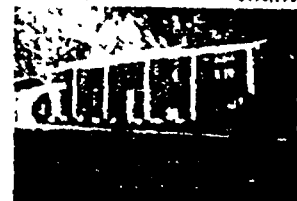
**Westland** 248-348-6430  
BEAUTIFUL BARRIDGE GLEN CONDO 2 br 1 ba. Fresh paint & carpet. Good location in back of complex. All appliances. Move in condition.  
(27106995) \$89,900



**White Lake** 248-348-6430  
Metropolitan White Lake Ranch. Nearly 1,500 sq ft. 3 BR brick ranch in wooded/rolling sub. GR w/ fp, kit w/ brkfst rm, 1st flr Indry rm & beautiful fin walkout bsmt. Huge gar & lg lot! Move right in!  
(27190589) \$249,900



**White Lake** 248-684-1065  
Lg kit w/ vaulted ceiling, recessed lights & oak cabs. DR w/ DW to deck. GR w/ vaulted ceiling & gas fp. Fin W/O LL w/ full ba, bar, FR & BR office. Priv yard.  
(27168751) \$198,995



**Whitmore Lake** 248-437-3800  
Split Level on quiet wooded lot. Home backs to nature preserve and has tons to offer. Updated kitchen cabinets & counters, all new appliances, hardwood floors, both bedrooms, roof and more.  
(27128095) \$248,800

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