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Developer suing twp.

■ No surprise to local officials

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

REIS filed suit in Wayne County Circuit Court last week, seeking monetary damages and other relief from Northville Township, its board of trustees

and planning commission. According to REIS, the lawsuit results from the township interfering with and then completely preventing the development of the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital site contrary to established law and in violation of the Michigan and U.S. Constitutions.

REIS-Northville wants to

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Families may be ordered to leave

■ Injunction to be sought; officials say they're living there illegally

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Northville Township officials plan to seek a court injunction to remove some families they say are living illegally in security trailers on the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property.

The families' presence was discovered on Nov. 7, Snider said. Officials

have the identities of the trailers' occupants.

"The trailers were placed there for the sole intent and purpose of housing security guards, not families," Snider said. The structures were to provide both housing and protection for on-site security for the property.

REIS did pay for expenses relating to the trailers being placed on the property, Snider noted, so taxpayer dollars were not used.

The developer also pulled building permits for utilities to be hooked up to the on-site trailers. "Our ordinance states that trailers have to have water and sewer utility hookups," Snider said. "They can't just stand alone."

The utility sites were also inspect-

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

A mobile security trailer like this one on the campus of the former state psychiatric facility in Northville Township is said to house persons illegally.



James Letkemann



Jean Pierre Orlewicz

Two teenagers charged with murder

■ Decapitated and burned body found in Northville Twp.; arraignment Monday

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Two Western Wayne teenagers may have given new meaning to the familiar phrase, "With friends like that, who needs enemies?"

Jean Pierre Orlewicz, 17, of Plymouth, and Alexander James Letkemann, 18, of Westland, were charged Monday in 34th District Court in Romulus with first-degree murder in the death of their friend, Daniel Sorensen, 26, of River Rouge.

Sorensen's badly burned and decapitated body was found by Northville Township water and sewer workers at 9:32 a.m. Nov. 8 in an undeveloped subdivision at Ridge and Seven Mile roads.

The Wayne County Medical Examiner determined the cause of death late Nov. 9 as multiple stabbings.

Could face life in prison

Besides being charged with first degree premeditated murder and felony murder, both of which carry mandatory sentences of life in prison, the two were charged with mutilation of a corpse, which carries a



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Michigan State Police mobile crime police lab personnel and Northville Township Police investigate a scene in Northville Township Nov. 8 where a decapitated, burned male body was discovered earlier in the day. The body was identified as River Rouge resident Daniel Gene-Vincent Sorensen.

maximum sentence of 10 years in prison.

Letkemann, who lives with his parents in Westland, dropped out of Churchill High School in Livonia, according to recent news reports. Orlewicz is a senior at Canton High School.

The victim's burgundy 2001 Chevy S-10 pickup was found in the Meijer parking lot at Newburgh and Warren in Westland on Saturday, the same day Sorensen's head

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State OKs plan for thoroughbred race track

■ Impact on Northville and Downs unknown

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Grass Lake resident and horse racing enthusiast Jerry Campbell has a plan for a 10,000-seat race track called Pinnacle Race Course, which

would be erected near Detroit Metropolitan Airport. There would be a 200,000 square feet of retail space and corporate boxes that could be used for banquets. Campbell also plans to have a space for equestrian events, and \$5 million would be paid out to the horse owner who wins Pinnacle's Michigan Derby and the Kentucky Derby.

Campbell's plan is close to coming to fruition, as the state Office of the Racing Commissioner Oct. 31 approved Campbell's license for a

New track details

The new track would bring 3,100 jobs to the track and its retail area, 2,300 construction jobs, have 1,800 stalls for horses and sit on 240 acres of land owned by Wayne County. There would be 165 race days each year, and the track would feature 20 luxury boxes.

thoroughbred race track near Metro Airport. The commissioner still must approve the application for the actual track, according to Liana

Bennett, information manager for Racing Commissioner Christine White. The state will also conduct an investigation before ruling on the

application

"The track is scheduled to open July 18, but we need to approve the actual facility," Bennett said. "Right now, it's scheduled to have 63 race days next year, and owners must apply for race days each year following 2008."

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THRILL KILL: Two teenagers charged with murder of River Rouge man

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was found in the Rouge River in Hines Park near the border of Detroit and Dearborn Heights.

The murder was described as a "thrill kill" by Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy during a press conference Monday morning at the Northville Township Police Department.

Bone-chilling crime described

Worthy said the two teenagers allegedly killed Sorensen in a garage in Canton, preparing a space in which to kill him by placing drop cloths on the floor and devising a way to clean up the blood.

The teenagers allegedly attacked Sorensen in the garage, stabbing him several times. They allegedly sawed off his head, wrapped the body in a tarp, put it in a pickup truck, dumped the body in Northville Township and tossed the head in the Rouge River.

There was no evidence that a video recording was made of the killing.

Victim lured to garage

The arrest warrant alleges that on Nov. 7 the two teenagers lured Sorensen to a house on the 8200 block of Holly Lane in Canton for the purpose of killing him.

The house belongs to Orlewicz's grandfather. Sorensen was supposedly led into the garage, where the killing took place.

Orlewicz and Letkemann allegedly used a blow torch to burn the body's hands and feet and then set it on fire in Northville Township. However, the Michigan State Police were able to produce at least one fin-



D. Sorensen

gerprint from Sorensen's charred remains.

Sorensen may have owed the two teenagers small sums of money, but this is not thought to be the prin-

cipal motive for the crime.

"I've been in law enforcement for 22 years," Worthy said. "I've seen every kind of crime, and still, the idea that there are people who would kill just for the thrill of it is bone chilling. The evidence police have gathered in this case suggests just that."

"Investigators have worked tirelessly, virtually around the clock, gathering information, developing leads, collecting evidence, and executing search warrants," said John Werth, director of public safety, Northville Township.

The investigation was led by Northville Township police, who found all persons responsible for the murder, Werth said. "They started and coordinated the investigation, then turned over the case to the proper agencies where the murder occurred." Others who assisted in the investigation included Canton Township Police, Plymouth Township Police, the Michigan State Police and Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

"Law enforcement was at its best. By putting the pieces together, we were able to determine who was

responsible for this terrible act and where the death took place."

Concerning the cooperative law enforcement effort Worthy said, "We asked them to really investigate this case, and that's what was done. I'm really thankful to them for keeping to their word, working to pull this together and solving this case very quickly. Hats off to all of them. The work that they did on this case was 24/7."

Sex conviction not related

Worthy said police and prosecutors are still puzzled why anyone would kill someone just for the thrill of it. She noted that the crime did not have any connection to the fact that Sorensen had a prior record for criminal sexual conduct that took place in Illinois in 1998. The conviction was evidently a statutory indiscretion on Sorensen's part and occurred when he was 18 and the girl was 14.

"That does not have any bearing on this case whatsoever," Worthy said.

Letkemann has a previous record of minor in possession of alcohol.

Werth said a third person of interest in the murder has been identified and spoken to and that the prosecutor will determine what and if any charges will be brought against that person.

Due to the complexity and numerous details that have arisen in the case, Werth said no further information will be available until the preliminary examination scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Nov. 19.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

John Werth, Northville Township director of Public Safety, listens as Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy details the arrest of Jean Pierre Orlewicz and Alexander Letkemann in the alleged murder of Daniel Sorensen whose headless body was found last Thursday in Northville Township. The press conference took place at the Northville Township Police Department.

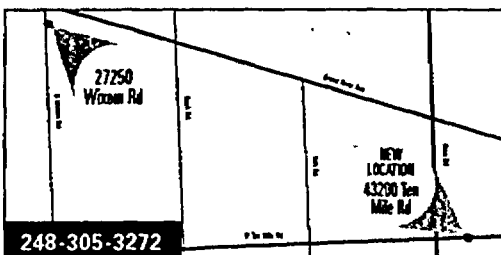
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Wayne County Prosecutor

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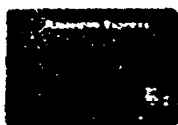
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'Forever Plaid: Plaid Tidings' puts audience in holiday spirit

■ Performances through Dec. 29

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Those who may have a case of the "bah humbugs" can find a sure cure by attending a performance of the Tipping Point Theatre's holiday musical, "Forever Plaid; Plaid Tidings."

The fun-filled musical comedy features a group of four male singers called Forever Plaid who return from the afterlife to perform their very own Christmas show.

The fast-paced performance includes sing-a-longs and a lot of audience participation, so get ready if you're sitting in the front row.

With musical references from the Beatles, Rosemary Clooney, Perry Como, Peggy Lee and more, the show features many familiar tunes from the past, as well as updated renditions of holiday favorites.

Attendees can enjoy Forever Plaid's comedy in the show through "A Calypso Christmas," the "Eggnog Bop" and word plays such as "Cheeses of Nazareth," and references to Bethlehem, Pa.

Here's a rundown of the cast: Marcus LaPratt, who plays Francis, recently sang in the chorus of four Michigan Opera Theatre productions.

He has toured with various choirs to 18 countries. He was a keynote speaker at the Symposium of Church Choral Music in Bandung, Indonesia, and was guest conductor at the Young Singers Choral Festival in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in 2005. He is director of the international touring quartet "Singers of United Lands," which he founded in 2002 (www.singersofunitedlands.org) and is Minister of Music at Dearborn First United Methodist Church. LaPratt recently broke the Guinness World Record for "Longest Singing Marathon by an Individual" — 75 hours.

Patrick O'Reilly, who plays Jinx, is a graduate of Wayne State University. His work with other theatre companies includes Michigan Opera Theatre, Meadowbrook Theatre, Planet Ant Theatre, Hartland Theatre, Theatre Arts Productions, Marquis Theatre, September Productions, InterAct Entertainment, Play It Up Productions, as well as many independent organizations.

Jason Baboryk, who plays

Smudge, is making his professional debut in "Plaid Tidings." Last spring, he completed graduate course work in theatre at Eastern Michigan University. He also has a bachelor's degree in music education from Bowling Green State University. During his time at EMU, Baboryk performed as Clov in Samuel Beckett's "End Game," Squire Trelawney in "Treasure Island" and Adrian in Shakespeare's "The Tempest." He also played Rapunzel's prince in BGSU's production of "Into the Woods."

Greg Stockbridge, who plays Sparky and only joined the group a week before the preview performances, has a degree in musical theatre from the University of Northern Colorado. He is also making his debut at the Tipping Point. His favorite recent roles include Billy Crocker in "Anything Goes," Anthony in "Sweeney Todd," Local Lad in The Who's "Tommy," and the Maid in "NBS!" off-Broadway.

For more information, go to www.tippingpointtheatre.org or call (248) 347-0003.

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Courtesy photo

The cast of "Forever Plaid: Plaid Tidings," a holiday musical for the whole family, performs through Dec. 29 at the Tipping Point Theatre in downtown Northville. From left are Marcus LaPratt as Frankie, Patrick O'Reilly (in front of LaPratt) as Jinx, Jason Baboryk as Smudge and Gregory D. Stockbridge as Sparky.

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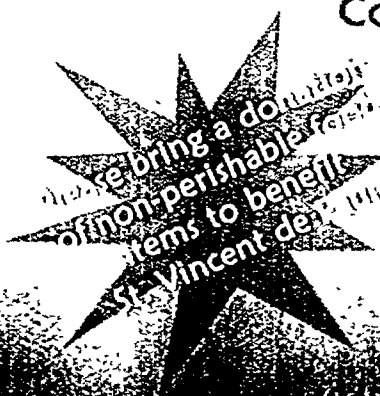
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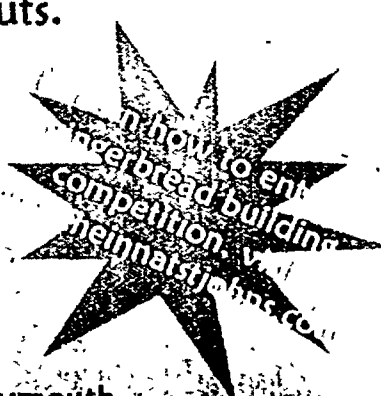
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Those who would like to learn more about the "Trash the Dress" photo shoots can e-mail photographer Bryan Mitchell at bryan@bryanmitchell.com or call him at (248) 420-3488. His Web sites include bryanmitchell.com, bryanmitchell.com/wedding.html, www.michiganweddingphotojournalist.blogspot.com, and www.bryansphotoday.blogspot.com or visit www.trashthedress.com.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Local freelance photographer Bryan Mitchell shot this "Trash the Dress" photo of bride Lisa Cressey of Livonia at the Degulndre Cut In Detroit, an abandoned railroad right-of-way that extends from the Renaissance Center and the Detroit River north to the Eastern Market. They were lucky enough to find some graffiti artists at the site the day of the photo shoot to spray paint Cressey's dress.

Local photographer uses talents in 'Trash the Dress' bridal trend

■ These aren't your traditional wedding photos

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Lisa Cressey said, believe it or not, a wedding dress makes a great canvas for graffiti.

And Cressey, of Livonia, is just one of several brides who have enlisted the help of local photographer Bryan Mitchell in a "Trash the Dress" photo shoot.

Mitchell, who lives in Novi but has a Northville mailing address, said the sky's the limit when it comes to the creative shoots, which usually feature either a rural or urban theme.

Rural themes can include



Bryan Mitchell

brides lying in leaves or mud or even sitting in the back of a pickup.

Urban themes might feature a

dress with graffiti or other artwork, rail cars or abandoned buildings.

The shoots are all the rage across the country these days, according to Mitchell, and even brides who have been married a few years are donning their dresses again for the shoots.

"It's gaining in popularity," Mitchell said. "It's definitely a trend, and it's gained steam over the last six months."

Mitchell is a freelancer who does news and wedding photography and worked as a photographer for the Northville Record in the 1990s.

"As a photographer, I've always loved the juxtaposition of beautiful princess/ugly background," he said. "The possibilities for creativity are endless, and it's a lot of fun."

He's seen a similar theme

used, "Shred the Dress," in which brides take scissors to their dresses, and he's even seen a photo of a wedding dress set on fire.

Brides' reactions positive

Cressey, who married Tony Cressey on June 29, loves her "Trash the Dress" photos.

"I thought they turned out really good," and it was a lot of fun doing it," she said.

The photos were taken in Detroit, with some graffiti artists spray painting the dress.

"We were pretty lucky that we found them," Lisa Cressey said. "They thought it was a little strange and were a little apprehensive at first. I would recommend anyone considering this to

do it, because it's an opportunity to do something outside the box."

Michelle and Paul Samartino of Shelby Township married Aug. 13, 2004, but just scheduled their "Trash the Dress" photo shoot this year.

"I had never heard of it, but Bryan had e-mailed the idea to me last summer, and I thought this was something I would love to do," Samartino said. "It's cutting edge and different."

The shoot took place at Stoney Creek Metropark in Macomb County.

"It was an adrenaline rush," Samartino said. "He made it fun. I had a blast doing it."

The dirty dress is still hanging in her closet. "It might make a good Halloween costume one day," she said.

Maybury Park a good spot

Starr Kuzak, of Pleasant Ridge, who married on Feb. 8, 2003, saw Samartino's photos and thought to herself, "That looks like fun." Her "Trash the Dress" shoot was done at Maybury State Park in Northville Township.

"I liked it because there was an artsy feel to the pictures, and it was nontraditional," Kuzak said. "It also gives you an opportunity to wear your dress again."

Kuzak's husband, Chris, and their children also like the photos from her August shoot.

"I would recommend this to any of my friends," she said.

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Foreign film series continues at Northville District Library

On Monday, the Northville District Library Foreign Film Series presents "Salaam Bombay," a 1988 Hindi film which chronicles the daily lives of children in the streets of Mumbai (formerly known as Bombay). In spite of its often dark overtones, the film has been described as a tale of hope and perseverance. Most of the performers in the movie were actual street children. The film was nominated for an Academy Award and the Golden Globe Award as Best Foreign Language Film. It did earn the Golden Camera Award at the Cannes Film Festival.

Dec. 17: "The Sea Inside" is a 2004 film based on the real-life story of Ramon Sampedro, a Spanish ship mechanic left quadriplegic after a diving accident.

He fought for 28 years in support of euthanasia and his right to end his own life. The movie won the Academy Award and the Golden Globe Award as Best Foreign Language Film in 2004.

All films are free, and there will be free treats related to the country featured that night. All films begin at 6:30 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling the library at (248) 349-3020.

An added feature is a trivia question related to the movie or theme. The viewer with the correct answer will receive a book or magazine related to films.

Materials on these films will be available via e-mail by contacting Friends of the Library President Dr. James Morche, who now hosts the film series and discussion while Librarian Jeannine

Davidson is on sick leave. His address is jmorche@wowway.com.

The foreign film series was initiated by Davidson as a means of providing exposure for some outstanding films that have no other outlet in the community.

The Northville District Library has more than 200 foreign films in its collection, all of which were selected by Davidson. These movies represent 24 languages.

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Members of the Northville Democratic Club board pose with State Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) and U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-Lansing). From left: Marion Novak, Chuck Nichols, Jamie Turner, Scott Craig, Stabenow, Corriveau and Liz Nichols.

Event raises \$12k for Corriveau

■ Number of people come out in support of state rep.

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-Lansing) said she supported State Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) during his attempt to gain a seat in the Michigan House of Representatives.

"I saw the future in him, and I've thanked him for stepping forward to serve," Stabenow said Saturday, she made an appearance at a fundraiser being held in

Corriveau's honor as a way to say that support is still there.

The Northville Democratic Club Saturday hosted an event in the first-time representative's honor, featuring Stabenow, who showed up about noon. The event took place at the home of Craig and Annette Masson, 39771 Golfview Dr. in Northville. Other notable attendees included Kim Worthy, Wayne County prosecutor, Joan Gebhart, Schoolcraft College trustee, and Tom Wilson, city of Wayne council member.

About 65 people were in attendance for Saturday's event, which raised about \$12,000, according to Denise Harris, member of the Northville Democratic Club.

"The Corriveau fundraiser was a great success on Saturday," she said.

Corriveau said having support from someone as well-respected as Stabenow is an honor. He said the fact that she took time out to be in attendance for the event meant a lot to him.

"She's been there for me for a while now," Corriveau said. "The fact that she was able to be in town when she splits her time between Washington (D.C.) and here was important to me, especially since she has a whole state of constituents."

Accentuating the positive

Corriveau has been at the center of a recall controversy for the past two weeks.

The recall attempt, led by a Plymouth Township man, stemmed from Corriveau supporting an increase in the state income tax from 3.9 percent to 4.35 percent during state budget talks.

After a Nov. 1 meeting, the Wayne County Election Commission voted, 2-0, against petitions to recall Corriveau. State Rep. Ed Gaffney (R-Grosse Pointe Farms) and House Speaker Andy Dillon (D-Redford Township). All three documents were shot down due to unclear wording.

Corriveau said the turnout for his fundraiser gave him a chance to focus on the positives.

"Having so many people come out gave me such a good feeling," Corriveau said. "I appreciated being able to just talk with people for an hour and that so many people are behind me."

Moving forward

Corriveau didn't take time off during Spring Break. He worked through summer, too, and he said he doesn't plan to take an extended leave during the holidays, either.

"I think I'll be off on Thanksgiving and the day after, but that might be it," Corriveau said. "I have meetings set up all through the holidays, but I don't mind."

Corriveau said he'll spend more time in the district the next couple months, attending Northville City Council and Northville Township Board of Trustees meetings. He'll have time off from sessions, but his job doesn't stop, Corriveau said.

"It'll be good for me to be in town and touch base with people and keep the pulse of the community," he said.

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STABENOW: 'Republicans not interested in governing'

■ Senator discusses number of topics during Corriveau fundraiser

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-Lansing), in Northville Saturday for a fundraiser being held for State Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville), praised her party and had some less-than-flattering comments about her Republican counterparts.

Here are highlights of what Stabenow had to say during the Corriveau event.

On the Republican party

"Republicans only want to retain power. They are not really interested in governing."

"Republicans endeavor to block everything. The Republicans have led 43 Senate filibusters since the Democrats took over. The Republicans want to be able to say that with the Democrats in the majority of both houses of Congress, they have done nothing."

On Democrats in congress making headway on a number of issues

"The Democrats have increased the minimum wage twice since January for the first time in 12 years. The Democrats

in Congress doubled the number of Pell grants and cut the interest rate on college loans in half.

"The Democrats passed a bill that allows for college loan forgiveness in exchange for public service."

"Democrats blocked a Republican measure that would have reduced doctor payments for Medicare patients to the low level of Medicaid patients. Many doctors refuse to treat Medicaid patients because of the low payments."

Stabenow plans to introduce a bill that excludes taxes on foreclosure deficits where the lending company forgives the deficit — so-called short sales. She also sponsored a bill that protected Great Lakes water, and it was recently voted in after a Bush veto.

Stabenow also thinks income for hedge fund managers should be more fairly taxed.

Iraq army should defend its own country

Stabenow said she voted against giving Bush the authority to invade Iraq. She said the Democrats are continuing to endeavor to force Bush to set a time table for redeployment of troops in Iraq.

"The Democrats in Congress want to redefine the Iraq mission to focus on hunting down terrorists and training the Iraq army to defend their own country," she said. "They want American troops removed from harm's way in the on-going civil war."

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

City of Northville receives government finance award

The city of Northville was granted a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the current fiscal year beginning July 1.

This award, presented by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting.

The city is now among 1,069 entities nationally that have received the award.

That number represents 2.7 percent of all municipalities, including counties, in the country. In Michigan, 29 entities have received the award.

The overall goal of the award is to encourage efforts to achieve and maintain excellence in governmental budgeting.

Guidelines for evaluating the budget are designed to assess how well the budget serves as a policy document, financial plan, operational guide and communications device.

Within these four categories, the budget is evaluated on 27 different criteria by a panel of independent reviewers.

The Government Finance Officers Association is a non-profit professional association serving 16,800 government finance professionals throughout North America.

Twp. OKs tax abatement for Trelleborg auto firm

Members of the Northville Township Board of Trustees approved an 11-year tax abatement for Swedish automotive firm Trelleborg at their Oct. 18 meeting.

The board's decision followed a required public hearing on the proposed abatement.

If the company decides to move to the township, the new location would be the firm's regional headquarters and advanced technology research and development center.

The township is competing with three sites, and this approval by the board clears the way for a final decision on the new headquarters by Trelleborg officials.

Talks between the township and the firm started in April 2007. Trelleborg is a leader in sound-dampening parts for the automotive industry.

With 23,000 employees in 40 countries, the firm is considering moving its regional headquarters to an existing speculative building on Centennial Drive off of Five Mile Road between Sheldon and Beck roads.

If the township is chosen as the site, the company would employ 65-70 people in about five years with an average annual salary of \$75,000.

"It would be a plus to have a growing company come to our township," said Dick Henningsen, township treasurer.

Correction:

In the Nov. 8 edition of the Northville Record, in a story titled, "Effort to recall Corriveau on hold," it should have read that State Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) was one of only two Democrats to vote against the service tax.

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GET DOWNTOWN!

Several holiday events planned

■ Parade slated for tomorrow

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

It's time to put on your Santa cap and dust off your horse-drawn sleigh.

Downtown Northville merchants are preparing to ring in the holidays with a "Hometown Holidays" Holiday Lighted Parade at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow.

A Northville tradition presented by the Northville Central Business Association, the parade will feature brightly-lit floats, holiday music, plus treats and eats to help welcome Santa to Northville.

Various downtown merchants will welcome visitors with free refreshments and special store activities.

The parade is the official kickoff to Northville's Hometown Holidays.

For more information, visit www.northville.org or call (248) 349-7640

Christmas Walk this weekend

From noon-4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, the Hometown Holidays 26th Annual Christmas Walk will take place downtown.

Presented by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, the walk will feature free horse-drawn wagon rides with Santa on Saturday only, a fresh greens market, carolers and entertainment throughout the day.

On Sunday, the Historical Mill Race Village will be part of the walk from 1-4 p.m.

Presented by Northville Historical Society, admission is free to the walk, which will include guided tours of eight historic buildings decorated for the holidays.

The event also features carolers and musical performances plus demonstrations on basket weaving, rug hooking, weaving, and blacksmithing. Refreshments will also be available.

For more information, call (248) 348-1845.

Children's Workshop Dec. 1

Don't forget about the Children's Christmas Workshop from 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, at the New School Church at Mill Race Village.

Children in grades first-sixth are invited to participate in the opportunity to make seven old fashioned, handmade gifts for the special people on their Christmas list.

The goal of the workshop is to surprise family members with gifts the children have worked on and made themselves.

Space is limited for the two sessions that will accommodate a total of 150 children.

For more information, call the Stockhausens at (248) 349-2833.

First Friday event Dec. 7

On Friday, Dec. 7, the First Friday Art and Candlelight Walk will take place from 6-9 p.m. downtown.

Presented by the Northville Central Business Association,



Photo courtesy Northville Historical Society

Children can look forward to the upcoming Children's Christmas Workshop from 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, at Mill Race Village's New School Church. Space is limited to 75 children at each session. Shown at last year's workshop assisting children is Todd Culp, husband of Juliet Culp, Mill Race Village business manager. For more information, call the Stockhausens at (248) 349-2833.

Christmas Walk schedule

Times are for Sunday at Mill Race Village.

- 1 p.m. — "Voices in Time," New School Church
- 1-4 p.m. — Charlene Barry on dulcimer, Cady Inn
- 1-4 p.m. — Jarod Thompson on mandolin, Yerke's House
- 1-4 p.m. — Don Bain on banjo, Hunter House
- 2 p.m. — Our Lady of Victory Bell Choir, New School Church
- 3 p.m. — Performance to be announced, New School Church
- 3 p.m. — Northville High School Carolers, New School Church

Demonstrations

Blacksmithing, Blacksmith Shop
Mill Race Basket Guild, Cady Inn
Heirloom Rug Hookers, Cady Inn
Weavers Guild, Weaver's Cottage

For more information, visit www.northville.org or call (248) 349-7640.

Rewards Card Program

Shoppers who want to experience holiday shopping while rewarding themselves with savings should visit downtown Northville. They can now pick up their complimentary Rewards Cards, which provide specials or discounts at participating downtown Northville merchants.

As guests stroll through the streets from store to store, they can also now find their way with ease thanks to the complimentary walking maps found at merchant locations and outdoor directories by Rock on Main Clothing Company and Scottie's Kitchen.

To find out more about the Rewards Cards program, including where to pick up a card and participating merchants and individual specials, visit www.downtownnorthville.com.

two Downtown Northville traditions will come together to make a holiday evening under the lights as luminaries line the streets for guests making their way to unique boutiques, shops and restaurants in town.

The monthly First Friday Art Walk will offer guests the opportunity to experience a unique night out amidst small-town beauty and big city art.

The night will provide art exhibits, art demonstrations and related events.

Downtown Northville's participating First Friday Art galleries and stores will be open from until 9 p.m. with many of the establishments offering complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages for guests as they browse or shop.

For more information, call (248) 347-1642

Girls', Guys' Nights Out

With busy schedules and the holiday season right around the corner, don't forget to set aside time for a well-deserved night out with good friends.

Those looking for a unique and fun atmosphere for their next girls' or guys' night can consider an evening in downtown Northville.

The Northville Central Business Association will bring back Girls' Night Out on Thursday, Dec. 6, and Guys' Night Out on Thursday, Dec. 13.

Presented by Tom Holzer Ford, this year's events will be bigger and better. Details for both evenings will be announced soon.

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For more information, call 888-999-1288, or contact your funeral home. *Holiday deadlines are subject to change.

OBITUARIES

ARMAND J. DUSABLON

Age 72, long time Northville resident, passed away Nov. 9, 2007. Funeral Service held Tues. at Casterline Funeral Home, Northville. Donations to American Liver Foundation or American Diabetes Assoc.

SHERI A. OZAK

Age 46, of Northville, passed away Nov. 6, 2007. A time of gathering will be held Sat., Nov. 17 from 11am-1pm with a Memorial Service at 1pm at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. 122 W. Dunlap, Northville

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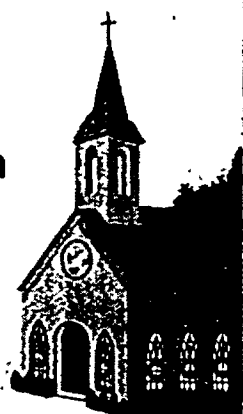
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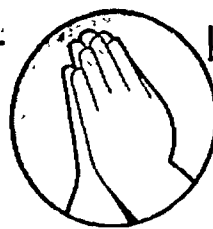
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FAITH



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Divine inspiration

Faith Community Presbyterian Church's Jann Martin pens children's book

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Jann Martin, director of family ministry at Novi's Faith Community Presbyterian Church, was thrust into the role of reading to the church's children during Christmas Eve services three years ago.

She liked the idea of reading to the youngsters, since she has an elementary education background, but she found the books she read didn't hold the children's attention. So Martin took a different route with the text for this year's services: She wrote her own book.

"The books I found the first two

years, the kids weren't really that into them," Martin said.

"This Babe, So Small," Martin's first work, published by Northville-based Nelson Publishing & Marketing, tells the nativity story with a twist. The tale is told through the eyes of a child, Joanna, the 7-year-old daughter of the inn keeper in Bethlehem. In this Christmas story, Joanna learns about the Prophecy of the Messiah and is watching for the signs that He is coming soon.

Martin earned her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University in early elementary education and has been commissioned as an associate in ministry through the select program at Trinity Lutheran Seminary. She has been a youth leader and is currently serving as the director of family ministry at Novi's Faith Community Presbyterian Church, with an emphasis on education.

Shannon Janeczek, marketing manager for Nelson Publishing & Marketing, said her group wasn't sure about the idea of a nativity story when Martin brought it to them.



Photo by Jason Davis/Northville Record

Faith Community Presbyterian Church Director of Family Ministry Jann Martin recently penned her first book, "This Babe, So Small." The work is a tale of the nativity story told through the eyes of a 7-year-old girl named Joanna.

Book signings

Jann Martin will be hitting several area locations to promote her book, "This Babe So Small."

Below is a listing of the stops Martin will make:

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Nov. 15	Cokesbury Plymouth	10 a.m.
Nov. 17	The Book Cellar Plymouth	1 a.m.
Nov. 18	Faith Community Presbyterian Novi	7 p.m.
Nov. 23	Gabrial's Plymouth	8 a.m.-9 p.m.
Dec. 1	St. Thomas Lutheran Church Sterling Heights	1:30 p.m.
Dec. 2	Orchard Hills Baptist Novi	6 p.m.
Dec. 5	Big Beaver UMC Troy	5:15 p.m.
Dec. 7	St. Michael Lutheran Canton	2 p.m.
Dec. 7	As The Page Turns Northville	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Michigan Made Plymouth	12 p.m.
Dec. 8	Borders Canton	5 p.m.
Dec. 10	Barnes & Noble Ann Arbor	2 p.m.
Dec. 17	Barnes & Noble Ann Arbor	2 p.m.

For more information, or to order a copy of the book, visit www.jannwmartin.com.

"There had already been a number of nativity stories on the market," Janeczek said. "But since this one is told through the eyes of a 7-year-old girl, we thought it would be unique and we definitely wanted to publish it."

University of Michigan student Megan Wellman provided the illustrations for the work. She said Martin already had an idea of what Joanna would look like, so she followed her request.

"It was a delight to work with Mrs. Martin. She's very decisive and sure of her vision, which makes my job that much easier," Wellman said. "It is a beautiful story and I really enjoyed being a

part of bringing it to life."

Whirlwind publication process

Martin said God played a huge role in the completion of the book. She said she sat down one night, said a prayer and started typing. Martin added the process — from writing to publication to sales — has been exciting.

"It's been selling well," Janeczek said. "(Martin's) been pre-selling copies since September and visiting craft shows and schools."

"The whole thing has been great," Martin said, adding she sold 270 copies of the work on her

own. "I've read (the book) to some kids and they really seem to like it."

Having those little ones read the piece was a part of the editing process, Martin said. After completing a rough draft, she went back, re-read the book and had the youths read it to see what they thought.

Follow-up projects in the works

After having her book critiqued by some youngsters, Martin will set out to see what other people think of the work, as she has set up more than 20 book signings at stores throughout Northville.

Novi, Ann Arbor, Canton, Livonia, Monroe, Sterling Heights and Westland Martin's appearances, so far, run through Dec. 17.

Martin said she has met with administrators at a number of religious schools about distributing the book. Martin's follow-up work, an Easter tale, will be done by the time the spring holiday hits, she said.

"It'd be too hard to get it done now," Martin said. "The fact that God is using me in this way to do something for kids is wonderful."

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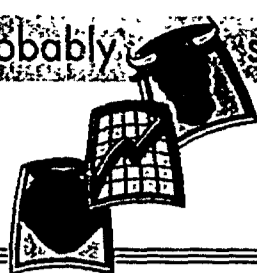
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Northville	16917 Boulder Dr.	\$432,900	8/30/2007
Northville	891 McDonald Dr.	\$469,000	9/14/2007
Novi	25006 Acorn Trl.	\$478,000	9/21/2007
Novi	2325 Austin Dr.	\$221,000	9/21/2007
Novi	25006 Acorn Trl.	\$478,000	9/21/2007
Northville	42063 Crestview Cir.	\$315,000	9/25/2007
Novi	27516 Sloan St.	\$305,000	9/28/2007
Northville	16397 Sherwood Ln.	\$374,750	9/28/2007
Novi	41644 Steinbeck Gln.	\$367,000	9/28/2007
Novi	23690 Maude Lea St.	\$218,000	9/28/2007
Northville	17694 Cranbrook Dr.	\$560,000	9/24/2007
Northville	18225 Edenderry St.	\$540,000	9/24/2007
Northville	47008 Merion Cir.	\$500,000	10/1/2007
Novi	47335 Scarlet Dr.	\$230,000	10/2/2007
Northville	18080 Winchester	\$315,000	10/2/2007
Novi	24731 White Plains	\$302,000	10/3/2007
Northville	20590 Woodbend Dr.	\$300,000	10/3/2007
Novi	41118 N McMahon Cir.	\$140,000	10/5/2007
Novi	45691 Marlborough	\$329,000	10/11/07
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Novi	24712 Christina Ln.	\$205,000	10/18/07
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Northville	507 Beal St.	\$188,400	10/19/07
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REPORT: Property values down in Oakland County this year

■ 50 percent of city of Northville in Oakland Co.

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Property assessments in every Oakland County community declined this year, according to a preliminary study released last Friday by the Oakland County Equalization Division.

The drop had been predicted. State equalized values, generally set at about half the market value, declined from as little as 0.56 percent in Sylvan Lake to as much as 7.17 percent in Rochester, according to the report.

Nikki Bateson, finance director for the city of Northville, said about 50 percent of the city lies

in Oakland County, with the other half in Wayne County.

In the Oakland County section of Northville, taxable values decreased 2.37 percent.

Statistics were not available on property assessments this year from the Wayne County Equalization Department.

Thelma Kubitskey, finance director for Northville Township, said that as far as township, "We might not have a decrease, because we're a newer community."

"We'll probably see a 1-percent increase for the township in state equalized values. But, individual homeowners may see a decrease in value," Kubitskey said.

"We still have some growth, so we haven't hit the minus figures yet," Kubitskey said.

In the past, Michigan municipalities have seen double-digit percentage increases in state

equalized value.

"So, in that sense, property values have declined," Kubitskey said.

Wayne County also now uses a one-year market study to determine property values instead of a two- or three-year study.

"Because of declining sales and significant issues with foreclosures and the mortgage industry, the county is trying to bring property values in line with the current market," Kubitskey said.

The township won't look at 2008 property values until February.

Oakland County's assessment numbers were based on a review of residential property sales through Sept. 30.

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BIZ BRIEFS

Attorney relocates

Sandra M. Larson PLLC, Attorney at Law announces the relocation of her practice, effective Nov. 5, to 41740 Six Mile Rd., Suite 102, Northville, Michigan 48168. Contact her by phone (248) 912-3300; fax (248) 912-3301; or e-mail (SLarsonLaw.com).

Clark Construction selected for Benton's Crossing

Clark Construction Company has been selected as construction manager for Benton's Crossing, a new retail center being constructed at the corner of Five Mile and Sheldon roads in Northville and being developed by Grand Sakwa.

"We are proud of growing portfolio of retail projects we've completed in Southeast Michigan," said Clark Construction CEO Charles Clark.

The Benton's Crossing retail center will consist of a 14,500-square-foot multi-tenant building, as well as a 20,000-square-foot building that will house two tenants. Construction activities are now underway at the site.

UPS Store celebrates 15th

During the month of November, The UPS Store, located at 143 Cadycentre, is celebrating its 15-year anniversary.

In its second location, since the store originally opened as a Mail Boxes Etc. store in the Maincentre complex, the store has sorted more than 140,000 pounds of mail for its private mail box holders, shipped out more than 250,000 packages and made more than five million black-and-white and color copies.

"Since signing our lease on Nov. 1, 1992, it's been a pleasure getting to know our customers. We really take pride in helping to meet their individual shipping, postal and business needs," said Mike Ludwig, The UPS Store franchisee.

In addition to domestic and international shipping, The UPS Store offers black-and-white and color duplications, document finishing (binding, laminating, etc.), notary, printing services (business cards, letterhead, rubber stamps, etc.), full-service packaging, freight shipping, mailbox and postal services, office and packaging supplies and more.

The store hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-6:45 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.



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Furniture showcase

Cheryl Nestro, owner of Old Church Square's Tutto, hosted an open house at her furnishing's shop Nov. 2 to introduce her guests to furniture by Hickory Chair — including the piece at left.

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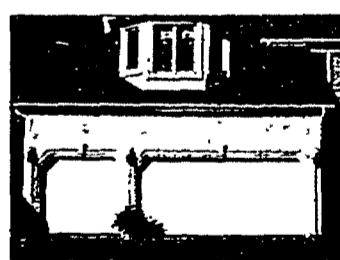
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Novi Trade Center tabled

By Kelly Murad
STAFF WRITER

The issue of using the former Novi Expo Center as a trade center-like business is expected to appear on the Zoning Board of Appeals agenda for the fourth time on Jan. 8.

After two hours of discussion Monday night, the board motioned to table the topic for the purpose of obtaining additional information requested during the meeting.

The matter, which was previously tabled at the September and October meetings, centers on the effort of Kevin Adell, owner of the former Expo Center, to open the 320,000-square-foot facility at Novi Road and Interstate-96 as the Novi Trade Center.

The property is currently zoned EXPO, Exposition District, and Adell cannot open his business without clarifying the usage under the zoning ordinance.

Among the board's many requests to be addressed at the January meeting, parking was the most critical concern.

"Unless they can show adequate parking contiguous to the site, I'm going to have a hard time voting in favor of this," said Zoning Board of Appeals member Brent Canup.

Currently, the property contains a total of 937 on-site parking spaces.

Despite city officials declaring zoning ordinances do not permit the opening of a trade center-like operation, Adell has been advertising and selling vendor space since July.

Scott Smith of Clark Hill, on behalf of Kevin and the Adell Brothers Children's Trust, is petitioning the Zoning Board of Appeals for release of a previ-



Submitted photo

Former Novi Expo Center owner Kevin Adell wants to re-open the idle property as a trade-center-like business.

ous decision denying the use of a retail trade center at the building, or, alternatively, a use variance.

If the Zoning Board of Appeals chooses to change the previous use decision, Adell plans to open the trade center for its first show as soon as possible.

"I don't care if it's May, June or July," he said. "I'm successful because I don't give up."

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Hayes Lemmerz completes sale of brakes components division

Hayes Lemmerz International, Inc., headquartered in Northville Township, and Brembo S.p.A. announced last Friday the sale of Hayes Lemmerz' Automotive Brake Components division to Brembo North America, Inc.

Hayes Lemmerz' Automotive Brake Components division includes production facilities in Homer, Mich., and Apodaca, Mexico, that manufacture brake rotors and drums for the North American passenger car and light truck markets.

The division employs approximately 250 people, including 64 technical associates. The division's 2006 sales were approximately \$120 million.

Under the agreement, Brembo North America, Inc., a subsidiary of Brembo S.p.A., has acquired all of the stock of two Hayes Lemmerz subsidiary companies that own the brake manufacturing operations in Homer and Apodaca and certain assets used in connection with the division's sales, marketing and engineering group located in Hayes Lemmerz' headquarters in Northville Township.

The amount of the transaction is about \$58 million, debt-free.

"We have built a strong business with a solid reputation for quality products, delivery and performance," said Daniel Sandberg, president of Hayes Lemmerz'

Automotive Components Group. "Combining this business with an international, technically dynamic brake company like Brembo will better position the combined company to grow and compete in the global market."

"Our brake teams in Homer, Apodaca and Northville look forward to leveraging our shared commitment to superior customer service, product innovation and technology."

"I am very pleased with the acquisition of this well-managed and successful business," commented Brembo Chairman Alberto Bombassei.

"This is another important step for Brembo in the NAFTA region, where we already have a strong presence with 2006 sales of approximately \$140 million."

"Our purchase of Hayes Lemmerz' rotor business will greatly improve Brembo's leadership position in the North American brake rotor market."

"We continue to believe that North America, as a mature and sophisticated market, is one of the most important in the world, which fits well with Brembo's strategic position."

"This transaction will provide Brembo with a solid manufacturing base to supply all the North American operations of all of our customers," Bombassei said.

Hayes Lemmerz International, Inc. is a leading global supplier of automotive and commercial highway wheels and powertrain components. The company has 24 facilities and more than 7,000 employees worldwide.

Brembo S.p.A. is the world leader and the acknowledged innovator worldwide of disc braking system technology for vehicles.

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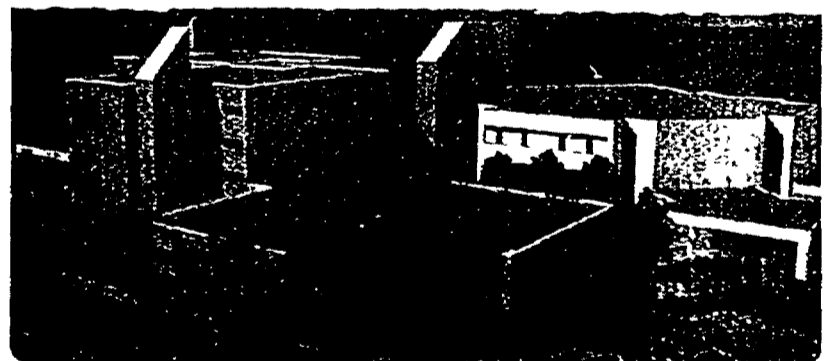
Brembo is also a leader in the racing sector and has won more than 200 championships.

The company currently operates in 12 countries, with 23 production and business sites and a pool of more than 4,700 associates, 9 percent of who are engineers and product specialists working in R&D and technical areas.

Brembo is the owner of the Brembo, AP Racing and Marchesini brands. Brembo's 2006 sales in the NAFTA area were approximately \$140 million (11.9 percent of total sales).

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Suspicious white substance causes school evacuation

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Members of Northville Township Department of Public Safety responded to a report of a suspicious, white, powdery substance at 12:20 p.m. Friday at Northville Christian School on 41355 Six Mile Road east of Winchester.

An employee opened a package containing various stickers, when an unknown white, powdery substance came out of the package, according to police.

The school was evacuated, while members of the Western Wayne County HAZMAT team responded.

There was evidently not enough powder in the box to obtain a sam-

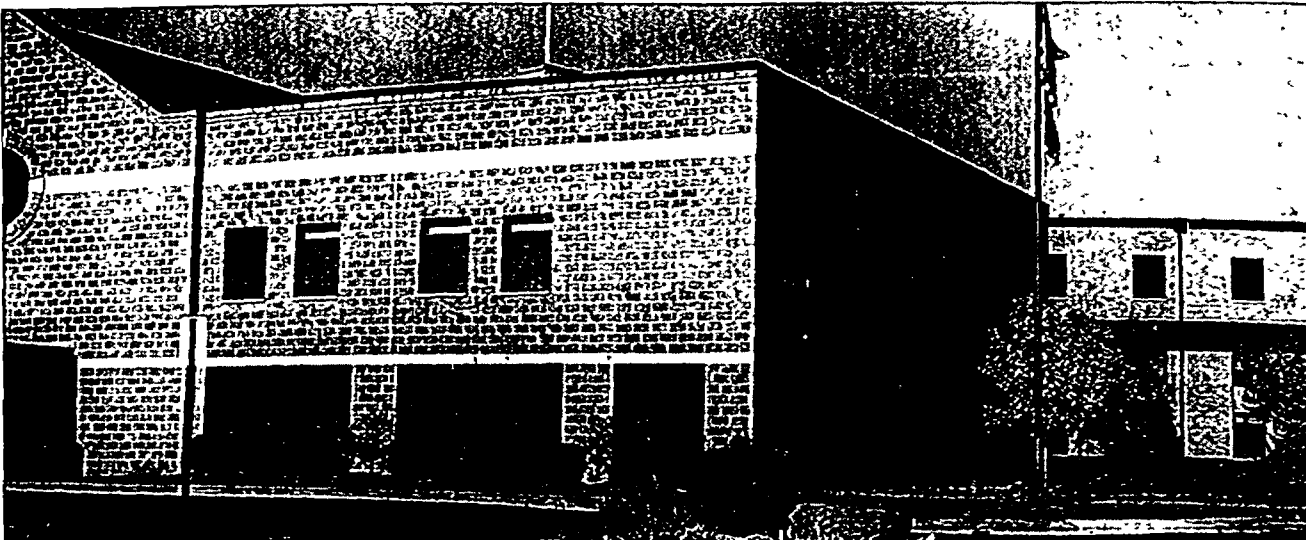
ple, but HAZMAT team members were able to determine by their equipment that the material did not appear to be hazardous.

The employee, who purchased the box of stickers at a store and brought it into the building, reportedly suffered a headache after inhaling the substance.

The worker refused medical transport following the incident.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/
Northville Record

Northville Christian School was briefly evacuated last week after a teacher opened a mail package containing suspicious white powder.



NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE BRIEFS

Cook allegedly attacks waiter

Police were dispatched on a call involving an assault and battery at 12:30 p.m. on July 13 on Six Mile Road.

A 24-year-old man from Redford Township reported that about 12:30 p.m., while working as a waiter at Brann's Steakhouse, that he took a hamburger to the kitchen and told the cook the customer said the meat tasted like liver.

The man said the cook, a 26-year-old man from Detroit, replied that if the customer didn't like it that maybe they should go to McDonald's.

The waiter said every time he returned to the kitchen, the cook would call him a sissy or tell him he was gay.

Then, when the waiter went into the walk-in cooler for some brownies, the cook followed him, allegedly getting in his face, telling him he was "a little girl" and that he wanted to fight him.

The waiter thought the cook was just kidding and said, "OK." When the waiter turned his back to get the brownies, the cook grabbed him by the shoulders and threw him to the

ground.

During the fall, the man's left knee was twisted and was later diagnosed as a sprain, resulting in him wearing a knee brace and using crutches.

While on the ground, the cook allegedly got on top of him and began hitting him with closed fists. Brownies were supposedly not returned.

The kitchen supervisor sent home the waiter, who also had a contusion on his face, scalp and neck.

The man did not want to pursue the matter but only wanted police to be aware of the incident in case

of future retaliation by the cook.

The restaurant manager told police the cook had been terminated and the waiter currently suspended over the incident. The case is closed.

Meijer theft reported

A theft store detective reported a theft at 10:39 p.m. on June 29 when a 56-year-old man concealed cans of infant formula in a large box and covered it with paper towels and boxes of cereal.

He paid for the cereal and towels but not the formula.

The man's car was searched, and

nine boxes of merchandise were found.

An in-store recording reviewed later showed the man selecting 15 bottles of liquor and five bags of chips, covering the liquor with the chips. Three other liquor bottles were found in addition to the 15.

Value of the stolen goods was \$520.33.

Breaking and entering report

Police responded to a report of a break-in that occurred between 4:30 and 6:30 a.m. on Sept. 19 on Franklin Road.

A 55-year-old man told police

that his wife went to their garage at 6:30 a.m. on Sept. 19 and found that four coffee tables, six chairs and a circular saw had been taken from their garage. The man said the garage was unlocked and there were no signs of forced entry.

Six large black and white dining room chairs were valued at \$500; the saw was valued at \$100; the four marble-top coffee tables were valued at \$500.

There are no suspects in the case.

Driving under the influence

A 21-year-old Wixom woman

was arrested for drunk driving at 2:15 a.m. Sept. 19 at Six Mile and Haggerty roads.

An officer was traveling northbound on Haggerty Road approaching Six Mile Road when he saw a gray Dodge Intrepid approaching the intersection in the right through lane that appeared it was not going to stop at the red light.

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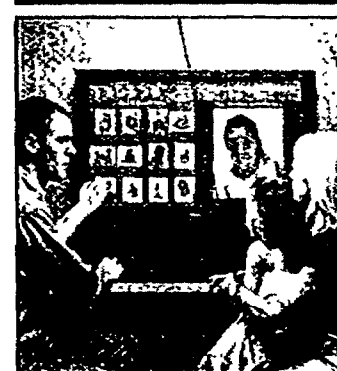
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which had a defective license plate light.

The officer could smell alcohol coming from the vehicle when he pulled the woman over and that her eyes were bloodshot and glassy. When he asked her if she had been drinking, she said, "Yes, but I'm 21."

A breath test showed a blood alcohol level in the woman of .20 percent.

Arrested after Police concert

A 32-year-old Canton woman was arrested for driving under the influence at 1:32 a.m. on July 18 at Beck Road and Blue Heron Drive.

An officer sitting in his patrol car at Seven Mile and Beck roads in the BP gas station parking lot watching the flashing red signal at the intersection saw a 2006 black Infiniti southbound on Beck Road slow down at the intersection but not stop.

Police could smell alcohol on the woman driver, who said she and her husband were on their way home from Auburn Hills, where they were at a Police concert.

She said they had split three Crown Royal and Cokes at the concert and had one drink at the Post Bar in Auburn Hills.

The woman's blood alcohol level was measured at .15 percent.

Another drunk driver

A 27-year-old Northville Township man was arrested for drunk driving at 2:45 a.m. July 18

at Seven Mile Road and Oak Leaf Lane.

An officer at the BP station saw a vehicle make a right turn from northbound Beck onto eastbound Seven Mile Road without stopping for the flashing red light.

Police could smell alcohol on the man, who said he had "a few" while watching the Tigers game at his friend's house.

Blood alcohol level was .13 percent in the driver.

Destruction of property

Police responded to a report of vandalism believed to have occurred between 9:30 a.m. Sept. 18 and 10 p.m. Sept. 20 on Cascade Drive.

A 50-year-old woman showed police that a drawing of a penis and the word "sex" had been written in white spray paint on the rear hatch of her 2003 black GMC Yukon.

The driver's side door had also been keyed.

There are no suspects in the case.

Domestic violence case

A 31-year-old Belleville man was arrested for domestic violence after a fight with his girlfriend at 10:10 p.m. on Sept. 22.

A 21-year-old woman called police regarding a domestic violence incident with the boyfriend that took place between 3:45 and 6:45 a.m. on Sept. 22 on Northridge Drive.

The woman came to the station to report a fight with her live-in boyfriend. The fight began when the man wanted to take the

woman's truck. She did not want to give it to him since he does not have a license. He only has an ID card out of Virginia and no Michigan identification. The woman told police that when she denied him her truck, he punched her twice with his right fist in her right forearm.

He then allegedly threw her against the wall, put his hand on her throat and told her she was going to die.

She then grabbed her keys and phone and ran outside.

The boyfriend next allegedly kicked the screen door down, pulled her into the house by the hair, punched her in the stomach and threw her against the closet door. The argument proceeded into the bedroom, where he broke a tall fan and tried to hit her with it, allegedly saying he would disfigure her face before police arrived if she called them.

The man came into the station after police left him a message on his cell phone at about 6 p.m. on Sept. 22.

The man waived a preliminary exam in district court on Oct. 8, and the case was sent to Wayne County Circuit Court.

Items stolen from vehicle

A 49-year-old Northville Township woman reported a theft from her vehicle that took place between 5:45 p.m. on Sept. 21 and 10:30 a.m. on Sept. 22 on Fernanagh Drive.

Stolen items included a purse valued at \$30, about \$400 in cash, a driver's license, two credit cards,

miscellaneous bank receipts and paycheck stubs, a \$90 radar detector and \$50 memory stick.

The woman told police she thought she had locked her car, but it was not positive. There was no sign of forced entry.

There are no suspects in the case.

Construction materials taken

Police responded to a report of a theft believed to have occurred about 3 p.m. on Sept. 23 on Brook Trout Lane.

An officer was dispatched about some stolen construction materials. The caller said a man and woman in a red Ford Explorer were stealing wood platforms from a construction site.

Value of the lumber stolen at the Pulte home site was \$200.

Tools stolen on Franklin

Police were called to a residence on Franklin Road when a 58-year-old man reported a breaking and entering that he believed occurred between 6 p.m. Sept. 18 and 7:15 a.m. Sept. 19.

Stolen property included a Ryobi Laser Compound Miter Saw valued at \$200 and a Diablo Miter Saw Blade valued at \$55.

The man told police he found the items missing from his garage. He

said the garage door was closed but than an entry door on the south side of the garage had been left unlocked.

Laptops stolen at Meiden

Officers were dispatched to a business on Centennial Drive after an alarm went off in the new Meiden Technical Center. Upon arrival, police found an unlocked door, with the caller reporting that three laptops had been stolen from employees' desks. The three laptops and associated equipment were valued at more than \$3,000.

There are no suspects at this time.

Malicious destruction

A 51-year-old Livonia woman reported that the passenger side window and screen of her recreational vehicle trailer had been damaged between 12:01 a.m. Sept. 8 and 9 p.m. Sept. 23 on Northville Road.

The window on the trailer appeared to have been pried open, but the glass did not break.

The bottom right corner of the screen had also been cut.

Nothing appeared to be missing from the 1997 white Sportsman RV trailer, however.

10-year-old township boy hit by vehicle while crossing road

A 10-year-old Northville Township boy was critically injured in a pedestrian accident at 5:24 p.m. Nov. 8 on Seven Mile Road at Innsbrook Drive, according to Northville Township police.

Police and fire responded to the serious injury accident.

The youth was crossing Seven Mile Road with four other children when the accident occurred.

A 74-year-old township resident traveling west in a passenger car on Seven Mile Road struck the child in the traffic lane of westbound Seven Mile Road.

The boy was transported by Med Flight to William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. The child was in critical but stable condition on Friday.

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

High blood-alcohol level

A city of Northville police officer stopped a Livonia man at 7:53 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Hines Drive/Center Street intersection and discovered he had a high blood-alcohol level after a number of tests.

The officer had his vehicle parked facing west on the north shoulder of Seven Mile near the Hines Drive intersection when a white Chevrolet minivan passed his patrol car traveling west on Seven Mile.

As the minivan approached the Hines Drive intersection, the vehicle's brakelights briefly flashed, but the vehicle didn't slow down and the minivan drove through the intersection at or close to the posted 35 mph speed limit, the officer said.

The officer pulled out onto Seven Mile to stop the Chevrolet. After the officer pulled the vehicle

over, he immediately smelled intoxicants coming from the vehicle. The driver, a Livonia resident, was slow to locate his registration and proof of insurance. The officer said he also displayed slowed, slightly slurred speech.

The man told the officer he had four-six beers between two bars, with the last one being 10-15 minutes before the traffic stop. After a number of sobriety tests, it was determined the man had a blood-alcohol level of .13, which exceeds Michigan's .08 legal limit.

The man was booked and taken to the Northville Township Police Department. His court date has been set for 8:30 a.m. today at 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Can you hear me now?

A Northville man told city of Northville police his cell phone was stolen from his vehicle while he was getting coffee from the

Northville Starbuck's, 302 E. Main St.

The man said he went into the coffee shop at 7:35 p.m. Nov. 4 to purchase a coffee. When he returned to his car at 7:50 p.m., he noticed his center console had been tampered with and that gas receipts were scattered across the front seat of the vehicle.

The man then found his cell phone missing and said he may have left the vehicle unlocked. Police found no damage or evidence of forced entry.

The man said he recalls an older Ford Escort being parked next to him with a white male with a shaved head in the driver's seat. He said the vehicle was gone when he discovered his phone was gone and he believes the man may be a suspect.

Officers checked the area, but could not locate the vehicle.

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OUR NEIGHBORS

Be host-with-most during holiday dinners

■ Experts offer tips for planning your parties

By Haley Otman
SPECIAL WRITER

What a nightmare: The in-laws are coming, you got conned into making a huge holiday dinner, and you've only got a few days.

Nevermind expertise or experience, throwing a party can be quick and easy with some great shortcuts

Appearance is everything

Ever taken kids to an expensive restaurant and they still order chicken tenders? The plate looks unfamiliar, with the chicken resting on a bed of purple cabbage next to a mountain of mashed potatoes garnished with parsley. You know the chicken tenders are the same thing sold anywhere, but they just look so nice all dressed up.

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If you use aesthetically pleasing colors and embellishments in your presentation, everything else will fall into place. To make your party truly memorable, focus on all the little things no one else thinks of.

Seated dinners and centerpieces

Make your beat-up, everyday utensils look new and bright: Take a damp washcloth and buff each utensil before you place it, giving your settings an elegant shine.

The basics: The water goblet goes up and to the right of the edge of the knife, salad plates belong on top of dinner plates, and bread plates sit on the left of the salad fork.

Make sure the focal point of your table stands out. "Something seasonal is always really good," said Laurie Kort, executive event planner at Gourmet Express Catering and Event Planning Group. Think of a color scheme, such as green and red, and go from there. You can never go wrong with flowers or candles.

"Use different heights and tiers," explained Laura Livingston, event coordinator at Catered from the Bistro. She recommends purchasing disposable gel votives in bulk from a store such as Gordon's Food Service. The small votives can be set around the main centerpiece. Kort urges placing a mirror under candles. It reflects light and adds chic.

Strolling Dinners

A quickly thrown together meal is difficult, so you may not even want to attempt it. Kort likes food stations, because they "keep people moving." Livingston suggested festive platters of hors d'oeuvres. Some quick appetizers give the façade of hard work, while in reality they require minimal effort. Consider stuffed mushrooms you can buy and then garnish, a sliced baguette from the grocery store baked in the oven along with baked brie, or meatballs you buy frozen and cook in the crock pot. Livingston also recommends "easy dips," such as bruschetta and spinach dip. "Use food as garnish," suggested

Kort. When displaying your hors d'oeuvres, "don't just use trays, use bowls," she said.

Put them in "things that you wouldn't think to serve food in, like crystal [or] oversized martini glasses," added Livingston

Beverages and Bar

Don't just throw drinks in a cooler — so tacky. Use a large shallow container (even a storage container), line it with a tablecloth, stand up all your beverages inside, and pour ice over the whole thing.

Kort suggests a signature drink, which looks sophisticated and saves money, as the only hard drink offered.

Guest Arrival

You've worked tirelessly for days, turning your house into a yuletide wonderland and cooking up meals that took endless ingredients and time. Well, at least that's what they'll think when they stroll in your door and reveal their surprise.

There are just a few last minute things to remember. "People don't think about background music at guest arrival," Kort said.

She also suggests figuring out in advance where to put guests' coats and shoes and to figure out if you have enough parking.

Once you've checked these small details off your list, have fun and enjoy your party — the best holiday party this side of the North Pole!

Haley Otman is a senior at South Lyon High School and features editor of *The Lion's Roar* newspaper.



Photo by HAL GOULD

Laura Livingston, event coordinator for Catered from the Bistro, said appetizers and table settings are important parts of a holiday gathering.

Saturday's Texas Hold 'Em tournament to benefit trail, educational foundation

By Aileen Wingblad
STAFF WRITER

A Texas Hold 'Em tournament Saturday is offering a sweet deal for the Huron Valley.

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Besides the opportunity for top players to take home cash prizes, the poker fest is offering a couple of wins for the community as a whole:

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Milford Trail Committee and the Huron Valley Educational Foundation.

Play begins at 4:30 p.m. at the site of the former Bon Ton Shoppe in the Prospect Hill shopping center, 600 Highland Ave. in Milford, next to

Dimitri's Coney Island. Buy-in is \$60, with one additional buy-in for \$40 until the end of the first break. Food and beverage will be available for purchase and catered by Perry Sinacola of Perriez Milford House.

This is the last fundraiser for the trail committee, which will reach its goal of \$105,000 to match a DNR grant to build a hike-bike path in the Village of Milford.

"This will take us over the top — it's our last big hurrah," said Denise Tyler, chair of the Milford Trail Committee. "We know it's going to happen, that we will meet our financial obligation — and we are just thrilled."

Ann Barnette, executive director of the Milford Downtown Development

Authority, said she's happy the trail committee was so successful in its fundraising, calling the trail the "biggest thing that's going to happen in Milford in the next 10 years."

"It positions downtown Milford as the only real trail head in Oakland County. I think it's really exciting, a Herculean effort. It's really awesome, and Denise (Tyler) is really awesome," she said.

Matt Jenkins, executive director of the HVEF, said he approached Tyler with the idea to partner in a fundraiser after seeing the success of the trail committee's Texas Hold 'Em tournament last July. About \$6,000 was raised then

Jenkins is hoping that for this next event, attendance surpasses the 107 of the summer tournament. "If we had 150, that would be great. If we had 200, it would be a huge success," he said.

The HVEF is a nonprofit foundation that provides grants for the district's educators to pay for educational field trips, fine arts, performing arts, multi-cultural events, robotics, technology and new learning experiences. In the past 11 years, the foundation has raised about \$110,000 to give 224 programs in the district their start, Jenkins said.

The tournament is a great opportunity to help out two

community-based causes in one event, he added. "It will provide resources to complete the trail, and provide resources for educational grants. Plus, it's a fun way for everybody to get together," Jenkins said.

The top eight places will earn cash prizes at the tournament. First prize is expected to be \$1,000, based on a prize pool of 90 players. Seasoned players and newcomers are welcome at the tournament, though players

must be at least 18 years old. Texas Hold 'Em instruction will be available one hour before the game start.

For more play information, call Brent Johnston at (586) 419-3170. Reach Denise Tyler at (248) 685-1359 or Denise.Tyler@huronvalley.org. Jenkins at (248) 676-8308.

Contact South Lyon Herald staff writer Aileen Wingblad at (248) 685-1507, ext. 261 or awingblad@gannett.com.

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You may be aware of the allergens when you travel, but think about your own home too. Getting your holiday decorations from the basement will most likely result in a lot of dust exposure, and Christmas trees usually sit in wet basins, which can breed mold.

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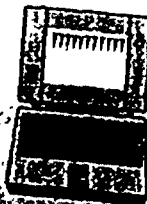
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'Father of the Bride' shows best at SLHS

By Allegra Smith
SPECIAL WRITER

"Stanley!" shouts Ellie Banks in a grating tone of voice.

Ellie, played by South Lyon High School senior Caitlin Surdock, turns stage right and yells again. "Stan-ley!" Cast members have described Surdock's character's voice as "nasal," "vaguely painful" and even

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"excruciating."

It is something akin to, "The sound waves they use to destroy kidney stones," said senior Sean Kelley.

Kelley plays Stanley Banks in the SLHS department of theatre's production of "Father of the Bride," which will be presented in the SLHS auditorium on Friday and Saturday. His wife has plenty to yell about over the course of the production, as Banks begrudgingly finances a wedding for his only daughter. Banks has three children with Ellie: mature Ben, hapless Tommy and eager Kay.

"Kay decides to get married to Buckley [Dunstan]," said senior Sean Fitzgerald, who plays Ben

Banks. "[It's the] story of how the marriage process slowly unravels into dispute." Kay's fiancé is described as somewhat of a hippie — drama director Jeffrey Steger updated the script from the 1950s to the 1970s to make it "bigger than reality."

"It's being done as a 1970s sitcom, basically," said Assistant Director Eihan Gibney. "The 70s were a black mark on fashion and we're playing that up as much as we can."

The drama department performed Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" last spring to sold out crowds, and Steger hopes "Father of the Bride" will elicit a similarly positive response from the community. "[We want to] rekindle the desire of days gone by," Steger said, "even if they are the 70's."

Father of the Bride begins playing in the SLHS auditorium at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday.

Tickets are available at the South Lyon Senior Center, Java House Café, the Gallery Café and Brewwaters. Adult tickets cost \$10, students and senior tickets \$7, children's tickets \$5. Please call (248) 573-8188 for more information.

Allegra Smith is a junior at South Lyon High School.



Courtesy photo

At South Lyon High School, the drama department presents the family comedy "Father of the Bride" at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at the high school auditorium.

Ring in the Holidays

The City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department in partnership with St. John Providence Park, is hard at work planning the annual Ringing in the Holidays event for 6-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30 at Main Street, Novi.

The highlight of the event is always the "Electric Light Parade," which is scheduled for 7 p.m. The parade continues to grow bigger and better every year with more Novi area businesses, clubs and civic groups teaming up with the parks department. A prize for best entry is awarded prior to the parade. The parade is taped and aired throughout the holiday season on local channel 13 for all to see.

In addition to the parade, this free community event features digital Santa photos, food from local restaurants, marshmallow roasting, a hockey skills area, the Jingle Bell Jog, dance performances, carriage rides, Sarah Lenore and the lighting of the City's official tree.

More opportunities for involvement in this event include sponsorship and food vendors.

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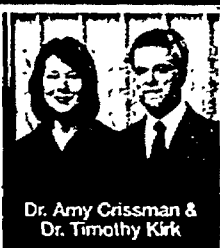


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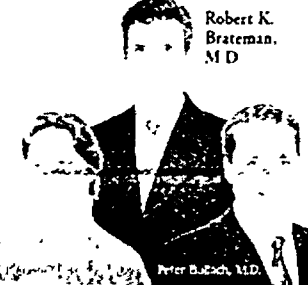
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NCFoundation's uncooperative

Ever since the Northville Community Foundation fired Farmer John Beemer from Maybury Farm on September 28, this newspaper has received an avalanche of letters and inquiries from readers who want questions about the organization answered. The issue of Beemer being let go is just the tip of the iceberg.

• During a meeting with five of the Foundation's eight board members, we were told that a written plan was submitted to the Department of Natural Resources, as required by the lease between the two organizations, and that the public could see that plan. It's a reasonable request on our behalf so we can see if the Foundation is following its own plan from 2003 and how that compares to the Foundation's new vision for the Farm.

• We also asked to see a list of donations the NCF has made over the last five years — how much to who and when it was given. Another reasonable request, we felt. This is a community foundation, and we're interested in seeing where the money goes in the community.

• And we also requested a copy of the Foundation's 990 tax form for 2006. Any and all 501(c)(3) non-profits are required by law to produce their most recent 990 to anyone who requests it.

We requested all three of the above with phone calls on Thursday and Friday and again by fax on Tuesday. As we go to print at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, we still have not received any of these documents.

The only response we got was from Shari Peters, the president/executive director of the NCF, who told our reporter that their grants were listed on their web site (northvillecommunityfoundation.com). They're not. The names of some who have received grants are listed, but that's it. The NCF does, however, list assets of nearly \$685,000. Where is that money going? The public and donors have a right to know, and one would think a foundation would want to publicize that at every opportunity.

Simply stated, this is not the attitude of a community foundation and should not be condoned by its board of directors.

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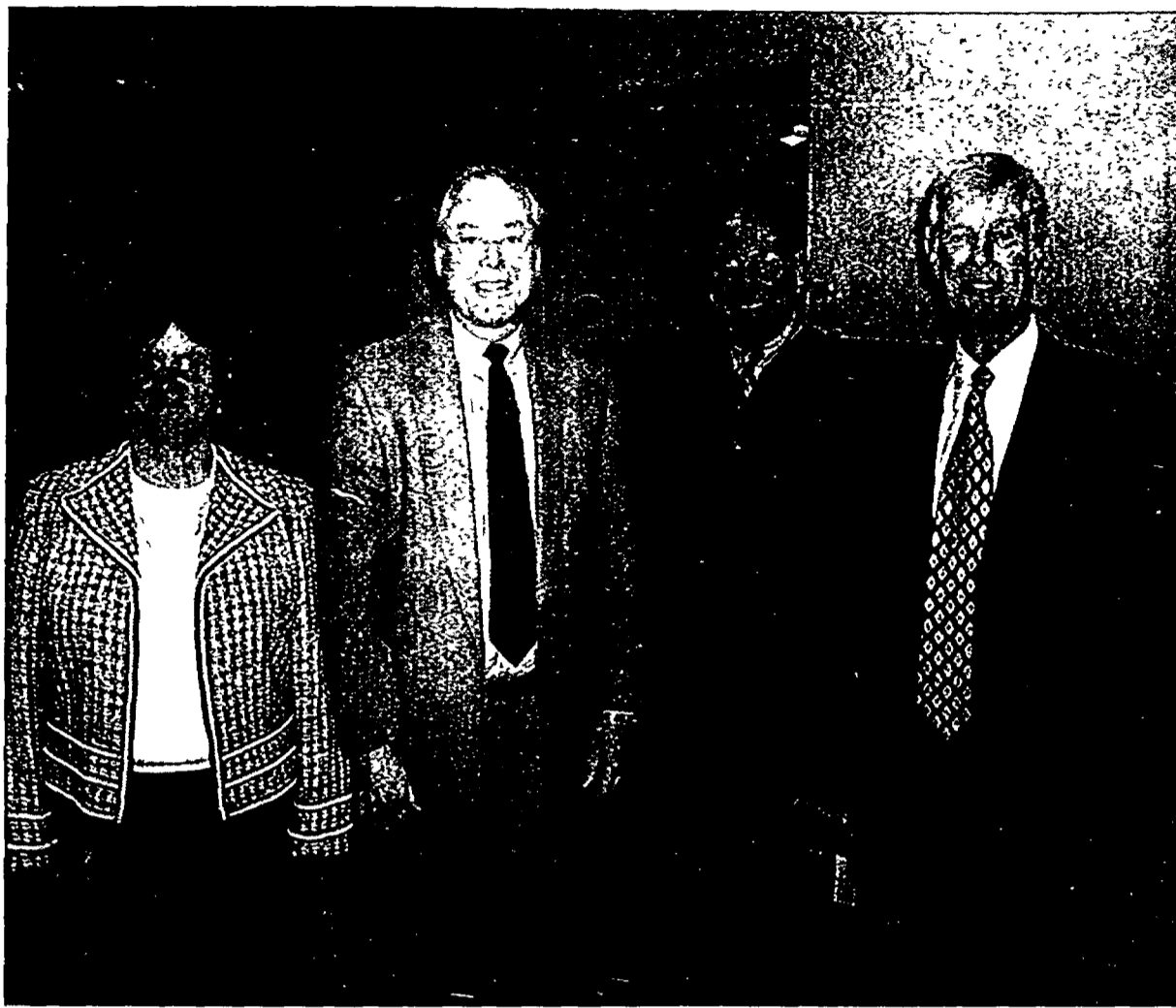


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Swearing-in ceremony

Chief Judge John E. MacDonald of the 35th District Court in Plymouth came to Northville City Hall on Monday night to swear in the city's three newly-elected officials. From left are Councilmember Nancy Darga, Mayor Chris Johnson, MacDonald and Councilmember Doug Bingham. Councilmember Jim Allen was elected as Mayor Pro Tem Monday night. City council members earn \$500 a year, and the mayor earns \$600 a year, for their civic efforts.

Are newspapers/democracy dying?

Our newspapers are dying across America and right here in Michigan. Does the death of newspapers equal the death of our democracy?

We are losing great newspaper writers to budget cuts and early and forced retirements. One has to wonder when the last quality writer will be asked to shut off the lights of once-proud newspapers that are protectors of our democracy.

If we lose America's newspapers will we also lose a vital institution necessary to protect our liberty?

It is sad. Sadder still is that few in the general public even seem to be taking notice of the loss of quality reporting across the state and nation.

The Washington Post, New York Times, Boston Globe, Los Angeles Times and Chicago Tribune reportedly have downsized their staffs. The Detroit News, Free Press and countless smaller papers across the state have, as well.

This is an enormous blow to our collective freedom and our

democracy.

The great news reporter, Walter Cronkite, remarked, "Freedom of the press is not just important to democracy; it is democracy."

How can we have "freedom of the press" when it appears to be a dying institution in America today?

In a democracy, we need journalists to hold the government accountable. An independent, experienced and competent press is vital to governmental transparency, integrity and a key check on unfettered government power.

Perhaps our third president, Thomas Jefferson, said it best when he declared, "Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate for a moment to prefer the latter."

Quality journalism is getting the slow boil

What is happening to quality journalism in Michigan and

America is more like the old folk tale — if you throw a frog into a pot of boiling water, it will quickly hop out. But if you put a frog into a pot of cold water and raise the temperature ever so slowly, the gradual warming will make the frog doze happily as it is cooked to death.

No, no one is coming into our cities and small towns and shutting down the presses in one fell swoop; it is more insidious than that. It is the gradual killing off of talented, decent reporting. It is the loss of investigative reporting when a team of competent journalists dig deep into an issue and present the public with its findings.

Now that we have entered a turbulent and transformational, global, knowledge-based economy, we need quality news reporting more than ever. What we are getting is more "press release news" that seems to be spoon fed to some copy writer directly from the PR flacks from corporate and government entities.

"A good newspaper is a nation talking to itself" — Arthur Miller

At a time when we need more information about what is going on in our nation's capitol as well as the state's capitol, newspapers are eliminating staff as profit margins tighten and readership drops.

If you are a newspaper junkie as am I, you must have noticed that if you have read one paper, it seems as if you have read them all. The only thing that changes from one paper to the other appears to be the advertisements. The articles all seem to be the same — the same wire service telling us what is important to know.

This approach to news reporting seems very similar to what I am used to reading on my various trips to the People's Republic of China, where they have Xinhua News Agency, China's official news service — where one size has to fit all.

Newspapers are important institutions in safeguarding our democracy — but they are also businesses that must compete in the realities of the new global and technologically driven



About Tom Watkins

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economy. Our newspapers are dependent on the our economy and advertising dollars; they are in a sharp decline. The reality is that ad revenue is down for newspapers. Advertising reportedly represents 75 to 80 percent of most newspaper companies' revenue. It is a sad reality that the cost of our freedom is dependent on the bottom line.

Can our state and nation, can the sheer vibrancy of our very democracy, be sustained when such vital institutions as strong, quality news reporting and newspapers are dying off? Will

blogs, YouTube, e-mails, independent journalism funded by philanthropy, emails and text messaging fill the news gap? Are newspapers imploding and will the medium simply shift to new venues that can and will serve our democratic values and the public good?

Do you get the same warm feeling starting the day with a good cup of coffee and your morning blog or YouTube?

The Times — and all the news that is fit to print — are a changin'! Change is inevitable; progress should not be optional.

New law more like Orwellian nightmare

What would you say if the Michigan Legislature passed and Gov. Jennifer Granholm signed into law a measure that:

■ Authorized the state to pay up to \$10 million to hold Republican and Democratic primary elections in January.

■ Ordered the Michigan Secretary of State to use this primary to develop — again, at public expense — a list of voters' party preferences, including names and addresses.

■ Require this list to be kept secret — except that the taxpayers would turn it over for free only to the chairs of the Democratic and Republican parties for use in "supporting political party activities."

■ Further, provided that any other use of these records — political, commercial, journalistic, academic, historical or scientific — by anyone else other than the two major political parties is a criminal violation of the law, subject to a \$1,000 fine and up to 93 days in jail?

Naturally — after you got your breath back — you'd say this was a plot right out of George Orwell's famous and terrifying novel, 1984, which described political tyranny and the ultimate

destruction of democracy.

Then you'd ask — or hopefully, scream — "Who in their right mind would ever imagine such a thing?"

Surprise — all that really happened ... and this year!

Turns out (and I'm not making this up) this was exactly what was dreamt up by Mark Brewer, chair of the Michigan Democratic Party, and Saulius "Saul" Anuzis, his GOP counterpart. Sen. Michelle McManus, R-Traverse City, introduced the deal on July 6.

Her bill was speedily passed by both houses of the legislature (yes, the same folks that take a year to balance the budget) and signed into law by the governor.

You might fairly call that "politburo politics." And it was concocted by Michigan's hyper-partisan political parties in order to hold primary elections in January 2008 to pick their respective nominees for President. It's a perfect example of the kind of unthinking partisan arrogance that's been going on in Lansing over the last several tumultuous and embarrassing months.

The result has, once again, ignored — or, frankly, shafted —

the interests of 10 million Michigan citizens, and instead attempted to sacrifice them to the partisan agendas of both political parties.

This time, however, they didn't quite get away with it.

Fortunately, a group of citizens sued. They were led by Mark Grebner, a very competent East Lansing political consultant who uses public records to compile and sell detailed voter lists.

The plaintiffs argued that the law meant publicly-funded resources would be given away for free exclusively to the political parties for their private use and profit. That, they argued, was a violation of the Michigan Constitution.

Last Wednesday, Ingham County Circuit Judge William Colette agreed, striking down the law because it made publicly-gathered voter lists the secret and exclusive possession of both political parties. Colette ruled there was "clear injury" to the public and that turning over the voter lists to the parties was unconstitutional.

Nor was this unthinking partisan arrogance was not confined to drafting and passing the offending law. Eric Doster, a



About Phil Power

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lawyer for the state Republican Party, argued in open court that primary elections are essentially private events, even if paid for by public money.

Presidential primary voter records are "not the state of Michigan's property. This is the party's property. These are our members," Doster said. Right. You get it. Public voter records are the party's property. Our voters, our votes, our members, our elections.

Certainly not the people's. Somewhere, Orwell's Big Brother is smiling.

No doubt Judge Colette's decision will be appealed, maybe all the way to the Michigan Supreme Court. GOP chair Anuzis called the ruling a "hiccup" and said he didn't think it

would affect the primary.

But at least he talked to the press. Repeated calls to Democratic chair Brewer and Sen. McManus were unanswered.

All that was a perfect demonstration of how much contempt the major parties have for the general public.

But though you may not immediately realize it, there's an issue at stake here that means a lot to ordinary folks: Suppose you see yourself as a determinedly independent crossover voter, sometimes voting for the Democrat, sometimes for the Republican. Under the new law, you'd be labeled as one or the other depending on which primary you voted in. Your vote would be accessible only to the

political parties, who could then target or ignore you at their leisure, without you being able to do anything about it.

Or suppose you want to run for the legislature, but you're independent-minded, not always in lock-step with your party. If you want to reach the voters, the voter lists are a very useful tool.

But under the law just struck down, you'd never get to use them if the parties decided you were too much a troublemaker.

If you are concerned about losing your rights, or if you care about the impact of belligerent and self-absorbed political partisanship on Lansing's ability to lead Michigan out of the mess we're in, I'd urge you to watch this case closely.

And maybe raise holy hell.

TALK ABOUT IT: Join in discussing our stories online via **Story Chat** at northvillerecord.com

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OPINION

LETTERS

Foundation board responds

The Northville Community Foundation (NCF) and the Northville Community Foundation Board have proudly served our community for the past 10 years. The NCF and Board are honored to have provided vital support both through endowments and events. Over the years, a number of endowments have been established for children, teens, seniors, historical preservation, the performing arts and scholarships. The Fourth of July Parade, along with the Northville Home Tours, are two of the community's favorite events run by the NCF. The funds raised by these events provide added support to the mission of the Foundation.

In 2003, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) contacted the NCF to determine if the Foundation had any interest in operating Maybury Farm. The historical value and family memories of the farm to our community, coupled with the NCF's fundraising ability and community focus, made it an easy decision for the NCF to move forward.

The farm re-opened Sept. 20, 2005; Ms. Shari Peters organized groups, individuals, corporations and businesses throughout southeast Michigan to assist with the rebuilding project. More than 75 corporations, hundreds of individuals and local businesses were brought together by Ms. Peters to support the project and return the farm to its status as an historical jewel.

The Northville Community Foundation, entrusted with the long-term operations of Maybury Farm, continues to promise the very best to the people of southeast Michigan. Maybury Farm was rebuilt for all of us. Our goal at the NCF will be to continue offering a variety of benefits to our community including educational opportunities for students and family enjoyment.

Mr. John Beemer was relieved of his duties at Maybury Farm. NCF is no different than any business or organization employing people — performance criteria must be met. Failure to comply within any organization would result in disciplinary action or dismissal. The Foundation and Board has not responded to inquiries about Mr. Beemer's firing because it is our responsibility to protect Mr. Beemer's privacy. Mr. Beemer was denied unemployment; in order for this to be the case, the Foundation had to provide sufficient reasons for his

dismissal to the MESC.

The Northville Community Foundation prides itself in being within total compliance with IRS regulations — filing annual 990s, undergoing annual audits for the State of Michigan Certification, and having two accounting firms (one for daily accounting and one who handles the annual audit). NCF goes above and beyond what is requested to insure community confidence. We would not have it any other way.

Maybury Farm is not a separate legal entity. The lease for Maybury Farm is in the name of the Northville Community Foundation. While there are separate accounts and records, from a legal perspective the Foundation is one entity. We encourage you to go to our Web site, www.northvillecommunityfoundation.com; you will see information detailing contributions to the Foundation and those made to the farm.

We, the Board of Directors of the NCF, volunteer our time and talents because of our support and love for our community. We are dedicated citizens, businesspersons and family members, just like you. We are honest and credible people who believe we have and will continue to serve our community. As with any dynamic organization, we will continue to grow and change. We will not stray from our commitment to our neighbors and our fiduciary responsibility to do what is honorable for the Northville Community Foundation, the community and its supporters.

If you would like to talk to a NCF Board member, please feel free to contact Chris Belcher, NCF Board Chairperson, at (734) 930-2427 or send him an e-mail at cbelcher1@comerica.com.

Nicolette Bateson, Eric Colthurst, Thomas Denomme, Paul Olexa, Andrea Marlow, Christopher Belcher, Audrey Mistor
The Board of Directors of the Northville Community Foundation

Colthurst supports NCF

I have been involved with Maybury Farm since before the fire when the Department of Natural Resources asked the Northville Community Foundation to operate the farm. After the fire, the Department of Natural Resources again asked and the foundation accepted the responsibility. Through the heroic efforts of Shari Peters and with

the support of thousands of volunteered hours and more than a million dollars of in-kind contributions, Maybury Farm was rebuilt and re-opened in 2005.

Maybury Farm now consists of two huge barns with new siding, doors and cement foundations, rebuilt pasture fences, utilities, a paved parking lot and sidewalk, landscaping, animals and other improvements too numerous to mention. Although the rebuilding of the farm took a superhuman effort by Shari Peters, she, with the help of many volunteers, also had time to organize numerous events including such things as educational programs for the area schools, sheep shearing demonstrations, maple syrup, dairy days and a fall corn maze.

Unfortunately, and to the detriment of the Northville community and Maybury Farm, a small group have coordinated an unsubstantiated attack on the Northville Community Foundation and Shari Peters. Mr. John Beemer's leaving is one facet of this attack. Mr. John Beemer's supporters have somehow made his termination the foundation's fault. However, the Northville Record's Nov. 8 article indicated that Mr. Beemer's unemployment claim was denied. Denial, under state law requires, among other things, some type of misconduct on the part of the employee.

Maybury Farm has been open for about two years and is better each year. It is a shining example of how a community foundation under inspired leadership enriches a community. When I was working the corn maze this year, I met a French couple stationed in Rochester Hills enjoying Maybury Farm with their children. The Northville Community Foundation, its supporters, volunteers and contributors should be congratulated for making a turn-of-the-century farm a part of the Northville community and Southeast Michigan.

Eric Colthurst
Northville Community Foundation Board Member

Welcome, new Council

Thanks to the four candidates for offering Northville voters a choice this election. It takes courage to enter the public arena, especially knowing that only two will be chosen. Carolann, Doug, Fred and Nancy — you are all special for doing that.

Thanks also for the kind words

from some of you about my time on Council. It has been a wonderful experience getting to know you and our town as you only can by getting involved.

While the change in Council may be a loss of experience, I see opportunity. Both new Council members are seasoned individuals bringing rich histories and diverse perspectives to their new positions. The question is how they will leverage those backgrounds in their new roles. As the new Council is finding its feet, this would be a great time for those care about Northville to help shape its future. Everyone can do something. Attend meetings, make a comment, write a letter or, better yet, volunteer for something or apply for a commission seat.

Democracy is about sharing power. Those who do not participate, or even vote, as nearly 80 percent did not in this election, give away their power. Strong communities are built on the "whole village" approach with each person contributing according to their own talents, even though that may mean an occasional spirited discussion. When done with love and respect, the result will be positive.

Accountability starts at home. You can't expect the new council to build the Northville that you want unless you are willing to participate.

Thanks again to the candidates. Now let's all get behind our new Council to keep Northville a great place to live.

Tom Swigart
Northville

Round and roundabout

What a joke! I was finally able to go home using northbound Taft Road, and I got a look at the new roundabout. Roundabout what? I have lived in Novi for 14 years and I have never seen a car waiting to make a left turn onto

Morgan Boulevard. This was a complete waste of money.

Roundabouts are supposed to help with traffic. What traffic? I could see if the roundabout would have been put at Taft and Nine Mile roads, which really should have a light, but not where there is no traffic. The road did need to be resurfaced, but I really do think the money could have been spent where it was really needed.

Some of Northville's residents are having to pay to have their own streets re-paved. This money could have been used for that, money that would have been much better spent. In these hard economic times, I think our city officials need to think before they make decisions like this. And don't even get me started on the trees that were planted along Taft Road, and the wooden bridges leading to nowhere along Beck Road.

Donna Riehl
Novi

Residents have ideas for new library

We are thrilled by the support shown for a new library. As senior citizens, we are happy knowing Novi residents of all ages will benefit from having a new building. It is wonderful that the voters recognized the need for a new library and the positive effect this will have on our city and our property values. The next few months will be used by the expanded Building Authority to finalize plans and details for the new building. Hopefully the citizens of Novi will have an opportunity to submit some of our hopes and dreams for our new library.

Jim & Vicky McLean
Novi

What do you think?

We welcome your letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification.

We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content.

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Story Chat

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

■ **Body of burned, decapitated man found at Seven and Ridge**
Before everyone revels in vigilante justice taking care

of a sex offender (as many folks have on the Free Press forums), realize he was on the sex offender list for a teenage relationship gone bad and when he was 17 and she 15 for a sex act that "did not involve penetration". not good, and still a crime, but not exactly a 50 year old assaulting 5 year olds.

loveyourneighbor
Posted: Nov. 9

I don't understand (I live in FL now) how come it's a crime (in the eye of the law) for a 17 y.o. & a 15 y.o. (unless it's rape) to engage in sex. As a parent of now 19 & 24 year olds I wouldn't have wanted either of my girls having sex at 15 no matter how old the boy was. But, unless it was rape, I wouldn't have involved the police.

kalliedid
Posted: Nov. 10

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

A battle over Michigan's greatest natural resource

The conflict in many old Westerns was a fight over water rights in a small town or on a ranch. One such movie that I remember from my childhood is the Big Country, which involved rival cattle barons clashing over the water rights of the Big Muddy Ranch. Gregory Peck was the hero.

Well, those fights continue today, but the water that is being fought over is not a creek, but the Great Lakes and Gregory Peck is not around to save the day, but the Michigan Legislature can be the hero.

Along with my fellow senators, Jerry Van Woerkom and Patricia Birkholz, I've introduced legislation that would prevent our greatest natural resource from being hijacked by the bad guys.

The Great Lakes are the world's single largest source of fresh water containing 20 percent of the total. It is time to develop adequate protection to ensure that the Great Lakes are not diverted away from here.

The Senate Natural Resource and Environmental Affairs

Committee has begun workgroups on a package of bills that will protect our Great Lakes. This legislation will prevent the likes of New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson from diverting water from the Great Lakes down to the southwestern United States.

The crux of the legislation is the Great Lakes Water Compact.

This compact is based on an agreement reached by the Council of Great Lakes Governors in 2005. It is the framework for a binding agreement, among the Great Lakes States and the provinces of Ontario and Quebec that would manage the Great Lakes resources.

The Michigan Legislature, along with the Legislatures from Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York are on their way to approving the Great Lakes Compact.

Minnesota, Illinois, Ontario and Quebec have already approved the measure.

The talk of taking water from the Great Lakes is not a recent development. In 2000, the then United States House majority leader, U.S. Representative Dick Armey (R-Texas) warned, in a

gathering in Michigan, that federal control of the Great Lakes water would not be in the state's best interest.

"We're not going to be buying it. We're going to be stealing it," Armey said. "You're going to have to protect your Great Lakes."

The first talk of an agreement between the eight states and two Canadian provinces began in 1999 when a Canadian company proposed shipping water in tankers from Lake Ontario to Asia. There have been other proposals in recent years about piping Great Lakes water to Arizona and other southwestern states with drought issues.

The Great Lakes provide a stabilizing force to our region's economy. With the financial troubles that our state is experiencing, it is important that we secure the Great Lakes. We can look to the lakes to continue to bring dollars to the state through tourism and industry. The draw of the fresh water can also attract new businesses to our area.

After legislation is passed in the six remaining states, the last step is for the United States Congress to approve the legisla-



About Bruce Patterson

State Senator Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) represents the 7th Senate District, which includes Belleville, Brownstown Township, Canton Township, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile Township, Huron Township, Northville (part), Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Rockwood, Sumpter Township, Trenton, Van Buren Township and Woodhaven.

tion. A strong message needs to be sent, that the Great Lakes are not a negotiable commodity. We need to hold on to our greatest natural resource.

The U.S. Congress needs to act in a timely manner to protect our Great Lakes. The eight states involved could lose 10 to 15 seats in Congress in the next census. Therefore, losing majority support in the Congress.

Also, under current law, a municipality looking to divert water could challenge the law and win. Therefore, the courts could craft a national water policy for the Great Lakes before the legislation is approved by the U.S. Congress.

As we go forward in the next few weeks, we will work together to pass collaborative legislation to retain our hegemony over OUR water.

We will take this step in preserving our state's greatest natural resource for all to enjoy now and in the future. Our grandchildren deserve that much from us. Even if we don't ride in to the sunset on our white steed, we will be heroes by preserving our water for future generations.

I look forward to hearing from you. You can email me at sen.b.patterson@senate.michigan.gov or call me at (866) 262-7307.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Local Events

Personal & Professional Etiquette

LOCATION: 133 West Main St., Suite 190

CONTACT: (248) 349-1114
Communication Skills
TIME/DATE: Ages 8-11: 4:45-5:45 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30. Ages 12-17: 6-7 p.m.

Table Manners

TIME/DATE: Ages 8-11: 4:45-5:45 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6, 13, 21, 27. Ages 12-17: 6-7 p.m.

DETAILS: All sessions cost \$75. Please call to register over the phone or mail payment with student's name, age, complete address, phone number, e-mail and course choice to address above C/O Miss Harriet's Dance Studio.

As the Page Turns

LOCATION: 149 N. Center St., Suite 102

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

Wonderful Wednesdays

DATE: Wednesdays: Nov. 21, Mark Davio; Nov. 28, Sue Bennett, jewelry artist

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

The Holidays in Northville

Holiday Lighted Parade

DATE: 6:30 p.m. Friday

CONTACT: Chamber of

Commerce at (248) 349-7640

DETAILS: Northville Central Business Association presents the parade featuring brightly lit floats, holiday music and treats to welcome Santa to town.

Girls' Night Out

DATE: Thursday, Dec. 6

Guys' Night Out

DATE: Thursday, Dec. 13

Hometown Holidays 26th

Annual Christmas Walk

DATE: Noon-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

DETAILS: Pick up your holiday decorations at our Greens Market in the Town Square; free horse-drawn wagon ride with Santa Saturday.

CONTACT: Call (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org for more information.

Children's Christmas

Workshop

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon and

1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1

LOCATION: New School

Church, Mill Race Village

DETAILS: Children in grades 1-6 hand-make seven old-fashion, Christmas gifts. Limited.

CONTACT: (248) 349-2833.

Candlelight Walk

TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. Friday,

Dec. 7

DETAILS: This will be an enhanced First Fridays Art Walk and shopping experience.

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 and 24, Dec. 1,

8, 15, 22 and 29, Jan. 5, 12, 19

and 26; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov.

18 and 25, Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23 and

30, Jan. 6, 13, 20 and 27; and

2:30 p.m. Wednesday-Friday,

Dec. 26-28

DETAILS: Holiday fun for everyone. See the monkey fly. 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

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.

Special Community

Thanksgiving Service

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Sunday

LOCATION: Our Lady of

Victory Church, 770 Thayer,

Northville

DETAILS: This service combines the choirs and clergy of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, First United Methodist Church of Northville and First Presbyterian Church of Northville. The Offering is for Civic Concern. Homemade pie will be served afterwards.

CONTACT: (248) 349-2621

Mill Race Village 26th

Annual Christmas Walk

TIME/DATE: 1-4 p.m. Sunday

DETAILS: Costumed greeters,

including St. Nicholas, will wel-

come visitors to Mill Race

Village; historic buildings deco-

rated for the holidays with

docents providing histories;

acoustic music and craft demon-

strations; craft items and refresh-

ments for sale.

CONTACT: For information,

contact (248) 348-1845

An Evening in Tuscany

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday

LOCATION: Little Italy

Ristorante, 227 Hutton

DETAILS: This is a six-course

full table service dinner with indi-

vidually plated courses specifi-

cally 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 meet-

ing 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 sev-

eral 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 Book Club

TIME/LOCATION: 7 p.m. at

Starbucks, Main Street (down-

town Northville)

DATE: Friday, Nov. 30, "All the

King's Men" and Friday, Dec. 14,

"Catcher in the Rye"

CONTACT: northvillebook-

club@gmail.com

Northville's North Pole

TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m.-noon

Saturday, Dec. 1

LOCATION: Main Community

Center, 303 W. Main

DETAILS: Bring the kids and

join in the Christmas fun; refresh-

ments, 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

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 per-

formance, \$8.

The Art House

Open 1-5 p.m. every

Thursday-Sunday; 1-9 p.m. on

"First Fridays" of the month.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Get ready to feel good

Main Street Massage owner Nicole Salesky gives a quick chair massage to Joy Bloxam at MSM's new location in the Highland Lakes plaza. Main Street Massage will have a New Location Celebration and open house from 4-8 p.m. today.

LOCATION: 215 Cady St.

CONTACT: Northville Art

House (248) 344-0497 or

www.northvillearts.org

"Creative Kids"

DATE: Saturday, Dec. 8

(Christmas)

TIME: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

DETAILS: Two-hour creative

exploration for youth grades 1-5;

activities include drawing, paint-

ing, sculpture and mixed media

in conjunction with current pro-

fessional 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

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TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m.

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

Dec. 7

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DATE: Saturday, Feb. 2, 2008

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and 22; 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec.

9, 16 and 23; 10 a.m. Thursday,

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TIME/DATE: Through

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TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Saturday,

Dec. 8

LOCATION: Concessions build-

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entrance.

DETAILS: This free program

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CONTACT: (248) 347-0899

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LOCATION: 215 Griswold

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DETAILS: Office open 9 a.m.-1

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CONTACT: (248) 348-1845

Thursday: 9 a.m. archives

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Northville Historical Society

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The Passion of the Piano

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Friday
LOCATION: Ward Presbyterian Church, 4000 Six Mile Rd.
DETAILS: The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra presents the second concert of their 62nd season, titled "Loye Affair with Music." Program includes Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2 and Elgar's Enigma Variations performed by soloist/pianist Armen Guezumian with guest conductor Dr. Cindy McTea. On-stage talk at 7:15 p.m. featuring Nan Washburn and Cindy McTea. 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 or at 470 Forest Ave., Ste. 18, Plymouth. Group rates available.

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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.

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TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 26
LOCATION: Senior Center, Farmington and Five Mile Roads, Livonia
DETAILS: Presented by Livonia Historical Society at no cost; speakers Ken and Jack Schramm (Transportation Historian for the City of Detroit) encourage guests to bring DSR memorabilia (tickets, routes, ads). Refreshments will be served.

Christmas in Canton

TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2
LOCATION: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, Canton
DETAILS: Orchestra Canton's musical family holiday concert including a performance with the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society youth orchestra; tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and \$10 for children and may be purchased at the Summit On the Park, 4600 Summit Parkway, by calling the Summit at (734) 394-5460, ext. 0, online at www.canton-mi.org or one hour before performance at the Village Theater box office.

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.
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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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
Michigan Christmas Show and Marketplace

TIME/DATE: Nov.-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.

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

CONTACT:

For more information, 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.

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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

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DATE: Every Monday through May

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Event nets more than \$600

The Northville Historical Society sponsored a dinner program on Saturday that helped raise more than \$600 for the construction of the general store at Mill Race Village. Attendees were transported to 1925 and interacted with three famous historical celebrities. During dinner, Doré Productions of Northville presented "Henry and Friends," featuring Henry Ford, Thomas Edison and Harvey Firestone. From left are John Hall of Firestone; Russ Doré of Northville as Edison; and John Bullington of Northville as Ford. For more information about assisting the society, call (248) 348-1845; office hours are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 22 & Friday, November 23, 2007 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 26, 2007.

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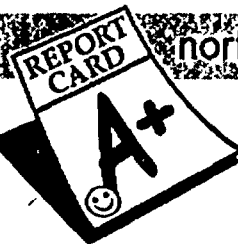
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Elementary School Principal of the Year

Amerman's Anderson gets a surprise in Traverse City

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

The Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City has been a good place to visit for Northville Public School District principals.

After Hillside Middle School Principal Jim Cracraft, in the area for the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals annual conference, was honored last month by receiving the Middle Level Principal of the Year award, another member of the Northville school's family took home a prestigious award from Traverse City.

Steve Anderson, Principal of Northville's Amerman Elementary School, has been named the Elementary Principal of the Year by the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association (MEMSPA). Anderson got word of the honor Nov. 8 at MEMSPA's 82nd annual convention.

Like Cracraft, Anderson, who was nominated for the award by Northville paraprofessionals, teachers, parents and Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski, had no idea he was going to have the honor bestowed upon him during the conference. During the closing ceremonies, a member of the group began reading off a list of the honoree's accomplishments. One item tipped Anderson off.

"He was talking about a fellowship I received and that I went out about 120 miles into the Gulf of Mexico to get artifacts for my glass," he said. "I can't think of too many principals who have done that."

Some of the accomplishments Anderson has been recognized for include his tireless efforts with children and Amerman recently being certified as a Parent Involvement School of Excellence by the Chicago-based National PTA. 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.

"Dr. Anderson's commitment to the children, parents, and staff of (Amerman) is evident throughout his work, and is reflected in this prestigious award," Rezmierski said.

Anderson, himself, said he was touched by the ceremony. The sight of family and colleagues trotting out on the Grand Traverse Resort stage humbled the Amerman principal.

"I'm sure everything they said were all lies," Anderson joked.

Anderson, who has been in the education business since 1973 and with Northville since 1992, said he was humbled by last week's events and used a sports analogy to quantify the honor.

"I look upon myself as a coach," Anderson said. "If I achieve anything, it's only because of my teammates."

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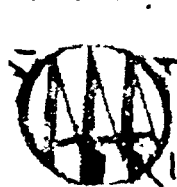


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Dr. Steve Anderson, principal of Amerman Elementary, poses with some of his fans in teacher Lola Ramey's class. Anderson was named a Distinguished Principal by the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association.

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Fundraiser to benefit Old Village students

■ Book sale to take place later this month

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Northville's Old Village School serves cognitively, physically and emotionally-impaired children.

The school provides its students with a number of classes and programs, including music therapy and leisure recreation. But the school doesn't fund those vital programs, according to Old Village parent Jo Ann Johnson.

"There's a lot of equipment the students have had to do without and (parents) have been trying to raise money to cover the items," Johnson said.

Old Village parents have taken part in the typical pizza kit and cookie dough fundraisers, along

with having a bowling night last school year that was successful, said parent Beth Bentley. Bentley, Johnson and other Old Village parents want to break away from the norm with their next event, though, as they have partnered with the staff of the Northville District Library for the "Imagine Nation Book Fair."

The book sale will feature Imagine Nation books, noted as "having the best books, the most exciting gifts, the finest stationery and a broad selection of exciting new products." The sale will feature items for people of all ages at a low cost. Johnson said she attended a past Imagine Nation book sale and thought it would serve Old Village well to look into the venture.

Another important venture Old Village parents have started is the school Quilt of Hope, Johnson said.

"Basically, individuals will be able to go to our Web site,

www.northville.k12.mi.us/oldvillage, and click on "Quilt of Hope," she said. "The site will be an interactive site, where you can click on an item in a quilt square and it will bring up information about that particular item and how it is used at Old Village School."

Bentley said the parents discussed having the event at Old Village, but determined the school was too small. An obvious partner was the library, Bentley said, as the two buildings share a parking lot off Main Street and Old Village students sometimes empty the library book depositories.

"A lot of people in Northville don't even know where the school is," Bentley said. "Hopefully, by having the book sale at the library, people will become aware of Old Village and what it offers its students. The population of the school is small, but the need is great."

Library Director Julie Herren said Old Village parents were

adamant about having the book fair at the Northville Library. She said the school and library share a special relationship and that she is glad to help the Old Village family out.

"(Old Village) students have come to the library and helped us out for years and we've gotten to know them really well," Herren said. "And the parents were so articulate and passionate about having the book fair, so we're glad to hold it for them."

Both the music therapy and leisure recreation programs cost in excess of \$33,000, Johnson said. Parents have to raise those funds each year, and after that money is used to fund those programs, there is little to none left for equipment to be purchased. That means Old Village students go without a number of items they need each year.

"If we don't raise the money every year, the school has to cut the programs," Johnson said. "So

Sale details

The book sale runs from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 26 and 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27 at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Gady St.

Anyone with questions about the book sale or the Quilt of Hope can contact Johnson at (734) 536-8271 or ligjohnson@charter.net.

We try to raise it ourselves. We do receive donations, but we're grateful that we have people who want to run these fundraisers with us."

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NHS theater to kick off season with H.G. Wells' 'Time Machine'

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Fans of the Northville High School Theatre will take a trip through time if they attend the school's first show of the 2007-08 season as the troop will perform the H.G. Wells classic, "The Time Machine."

New Northville High Theatre Director Daniel Dobrovich and Assistant Director Caitlin Knisley have worked hard with students on the production and are hoping for a successful show.

The work, published in 1895, has inspired films, television shows and comic books.

The show centers around Young Filby, the inventor, who invites some scientists to his home to hear about his latest invention, a machine that travels through time. Mystery and adventure break out, especially when Mrs. Watchett, the housekeeper, climbs aboard the machine and is propelled into the future. Watch what happens when the visitors from the past meet the Eloi, a strange race of young people, and the Morlocks, a brutal race living beneath the earth's surface. The thrills begin when the Morlocks steal the Time Machine, and Mrs. Watchett and Filby have to retrieve it. Watch what happens when the travelers return home and confront the skeptics.

The cast is comprised of 25 Northville High students. Additional appearances during the production will be made by Mustang Drumline and Colorguard members, along with a time machine that has been constructed by the Northville High Robotics club.

The shows takes place at 7 p.m. tonight, Friday and Saturday in the Northville High School Auditorium, 45700 Six Mile Road. Tickets are \$7 for adults, and \$5 for senior citizens and students.

For more information, contact the school box office at (248) 349-3400, ext. 50530 or e-mail NHSTheatre@sbcglobal.net.

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Listen up

While strumming a baking rack with a spoon, Ridge Wood Elementary third-graders Carolann Craig, left, and Kenzie Grant check out how sound waves move through a solid object (a piece of string) during a visit to their school by the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. Pupils learned that sound waves move more easily through solids than through air.

Calendar change could align all Wayne County districts

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

After the Northville teacher contract squabble featured questions about the district calendar, a senate bill approved Oct. 1 by Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm and signed into law that same day will do what the ongoing contract talks couldn't — have an effect on the district calendar.

The Michigan Senate in June passed legislation designed to save school districts money while

maximizing the choices available to students by requiring intermediate school districts and their member schools to adopt a single, common school calendar.

The common calendar will take effect at the start of the 2008-09 school year, unless a district already has a master calendar, according to Wayne RESA Superintendent Chris Wigent, and must include the dates for a winter holiday break, a spring break and professional development days. Each calendar would be

required to identify these specific off days for at least five years out.

Northville Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski shared this information with the district board of education at its Oct. 23 meeting. He said the board would make a decision on the ruling in the near future.

Schools that operate on a year-round or trimester program would be exempt from the common calendar. School districts would still be allowed some individuality in regards to dates such as mid-win-

ter breaks, which may extend late in February, or extended breaks around Thanksgiving.

Proponents of the measure say following a common calendar allows for sharing of buses, technology, food services, curriculum and other resources throughout the area served by an independent school district. The measure will also help maintain pupil levels by increasing the number of courses offered to students.

"Hopefully, we can submit some input for the recommenda-

tions for the districts in Wayne County and come up with a common calendar," Rezmierski said. "An issue is our partnerships with other districts."

"We want to have the same dates that students are in session to maximize the opportunity for student learning and save money on transportation."

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On the Move

Don't let winter stop the running

As another year of running and outdoor activity draws to a close our thoughts turn to holiday feasts and parties and the comforts of a warm house. It will not be



J. Mittman

long and the golden days of fall will transition into the cold and blustery days of winter. The lower the temperature, the easier it is to find excuses to defer that outdoor run to another day. Just when we need additional exercise to offset those extra holiday calories, we tend to do less. After working hard during the year to get in shape, most of the gains can be lost in a few short months.

No need to stop running

Cold weather running can be very enjoyable — especially when contrasted with the hot and humid days of summer. The hard part is just getting outside and to start moving. The running clothing available today is far superior to that offered just a few years ago and can provide comfort on the coldest of days. Check out the latest in high tech fiber shirts, running pants, nylon jackets, hats and gloves at one of the local running stores. And when going out for a run, remember to layer and to not overdress. Once moving, you will warm up fast.

Listed below are several suggestions for winter running:

- Consider shorter runs of 3-5 miles. Save the longer runs for nice days.

- Run with a friend. This is a sure way to get out for a run.
- Sign up for some winter and early spring races.
- Be visible — especially if running in the dark.

Many ways to stay active

While cold weather running may not be for everyone, the important thing is to stay active and to continue an exercise program. There are many alternative activities. You may want to consider:

- Running on a treadmill.
- Joining a health club.
- Signing up for a fitness activity at Parks and Recreation or Schoolcraft College.
- When shopping or at work, use the stairs instead of elevators and walk the escalators.
- Going cross country or downhill skiing.
- Taking a walk downtown, at Maybury State Park or around your neighborhood.

Head to warmer climates

If you are planning a trip to a warmer climate during winter, check out the race schedule ahead of time. There are many races to choose from in such popular destinations as Florida, California, Arizona and Texas — including a number of marathons and half marathons. It sure beats a long run in Michigan in the middle of January.

"Running in the USA" (runningintheusa.com) is the best source of race listings throughout the country that I have found. The website says it has the "largest online directory of races, results and clubs". You may also want to look at "floridasports.com" for Florida races and "raceplace.com" for events in Southern California.

Upcoming events

- Sunday, Dec. 2: The Jingle Bell 5K Run/Walk begins and ends at Northville Downs. There is a "Snowman Shuffle" for children. (arthritis.org)
- Saturday, Dec. 8: Run Like the Dickens in historic Holly features an 8K run and a 5K run/walk. (runlikethedickens.com)

Northville resident Jerry Mittman is an avid runner and has completed over 600 races, including 59 marathons. He can be contacted at jjm997@hotmail.com.



Mustang Meghan Kanya begins a lap of backstroke.

Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Shamrocks in final four

■ CC football faces 12-0 Dakota Saturday

By Jeff Theisen
SPORTS WRITER

Catholic Central's run through the playoffs has now reached the final four.

Next up, 12-0 Macomb Dakota 1 p.m. Saturday at Troy Athens.

The Cougars have put up impressive numbers on both sides of the ball all year. Their average score in the nine-game regular season was 36-9, with four of the opponents qualifying for the playoffs.

Dakota has had little trouble in the playoffs, blasting Macomb L'Anse Creuse North 42-16, Chippewa Valley 24-6 and Lake Orion 26-14 last week in the quarterfinals.

"They have a good football team that has good size up front," Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach said. "They run a spread offense with two real good receivers. Their quarterback is real good."

"They put a lot of pressure on you with both the run and pass. They're almost a 50-50 run and pass."

Regardless of what Dakota brings, Mach knows his team can't afford to make the mistakes that killed the offense in the first half against Holt.

"These final games come down to a couple of things — one of them is who wants it the most," Mach said. "Who is just talking about it and who wants it."

"The other one is eliminating mistakes. You can't hurt yourself. At this point, there are only four teams left, and they are all good football teams. It comes down to who makes the plays when the plays have to be made and who is consistent and doesn't hurt themselves with penalties, fumbles and interceptions."

But Mach was proud of the way his team dealt with the adversity



Photos submitted by Dennis Barnes

Cory Amble powers through a couple of Holt defenders for a 10-yard touchdown run Friday.

Semifinals

Who: Catholic Central (10-2) vs. Macomb Dakota (12-0)
Where: Troy Athens
When: 1 p.m. Saturday

and put Holt away in the second half.

"Our players have a deep belief in themselves," he said. "A couple of bad drives are not going to stop them from excelling later in the game."

Enjoying the moment

Mach has said all season that this team put in the work in the offseason, and it's paying off with a deep run into the playoffs.

"It's been a great time," Mach said. "All of our coaches have made the comment that this is one of the best groups that they've ever coached. I would agree with

that. They're a very hard-working, closely-knit football team. They're willing to work as hard as they have to work to get their goals."

"Along the way, I think they really enjoy the game of football. Being around the kids is fun."

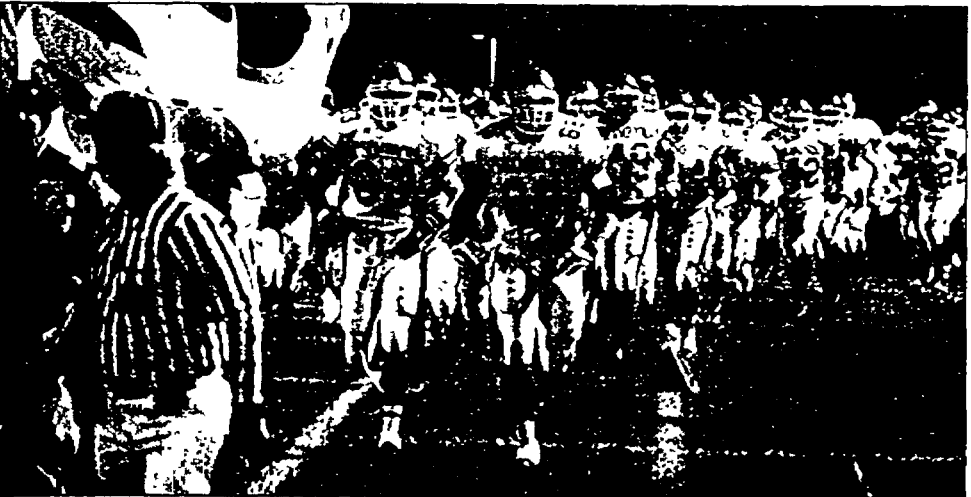
CC faithful

After sending five busloads of students to last week's game that was more than an hour away, Mach hopes to see more of the same Saturday.

"Everybody in the school has caught the fever of the playoffs," Mach said. "I think it speaks volumes for our student body."

"Everybody at CC is for each other, and I think that kind of proves it right there. I think good things happen when you get that support."

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The Shamrocks run out to the field Friday at Holt.

Mustangs taking eight to state finals

continued from front

at the league meet. I know the girls really want to do well in that one.

"The 400 free relay, we should be in the top five going into it. That was from a great swim at the league meet."

Last chance

For Englert, Kanya and Hopcian, it will be their last meet. McNeff expects them to throw everything they have into their swims.

"The seniors, this is what

they've led up to," he said. "They need to put everything they've got in there. They have four events, but at the same time, this is it."

"They're definitely prepared mentally as well as physically."

Northville also took advantage of the last-chance meet to qualify its medley relay team of Kelly Burford, Ashley Filipowicz, Becca Myers and Samantha Curry.

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Mustang Rachel Englert swims in a Friday afternoon practice before Northville heads off to the state finals at EMU.



Catholic Central's Ron Kadykowski blocks a Holt field goal attempt Friday.



Mike Martin, left, and Kevin Longe celebrate a sack in a 21-7 win at Holt on Friday.



Anthony Capatina looks for space against Holt.

GOT A STORY IDEA? Contact the Record to spread the word about what's going on in Northville.

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Class Reunions

Northville Class of 1977

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

St. Alphonsus of Dearborn 30th Reunion

DATE: Saturday, Nov. 24
LOCATION: Dearborn Doubletree Hotel
CONTACT: stals77@wowway.com and www.stalsalumni.com/1977

Plymouth High School Class of 1968

DETAILS: The Class of 1968 is looking for classmates for their 40th Class Reunion to be held July 19, 2008 in Livonia. For more information, contact Janet (Sheedy) Johnston at (734) 437-3534 or e-mail to phs40threunion@charter.net.

Senior Events

Senior Community Center

LOCATION: 303 W. Main St.
Thursday
9 a.m.: TOPS
9:30 a.m.: Yoga
10 a.m.: Bowling
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: One-stroke Painting
Class: Computer II
7:30 p.m.: Tipping Point Theater
Massage by appointment
Friday
9:30 a.m.: Strength Training; Focus Hope; Liquid Nutrition
11 a.m.: Poker
11:30 a.m.: Computer III
1 p.m.: Movie "Oh Brother, Where Art Thou?"
6 p.m.: Lighted Parade
Monday
9:30 a.m.: Strength Training; Beginning Line Dance
10 a.m.: Adv. Line Dance; Oxyrise
11 a.m.: Laughter Yoga
Noon: Blood Pressure Check
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre
7 p.m.: Tai Chi
Tuesday
10 a.m.: Landscape Painting
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Computer I
6 p.m.: Pilates
Wednesday
10 a.m.: Oxyrise
Noon: Bridge
1 p.m.: Book Club; Computer I
7 p.m.: Bridge
Closed Thanksgiving Thursday and Friday
Co-ed Adult 50+ Volleyball
TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Co-ed Adult 50+ Basketball
TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon each
Thursday
LOCATION: Senior 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. second
Thursday of each month
DETAILS: Call Senior Community Center 24 hours in advance to register; \$1 per person.

Meetings

Northville Public Schools

Board of Education
DATE: Second and fourth
Tuesday of the month (Nov. 27)
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Meads Mill Middle 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/DAYS: 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.
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.

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.northvillepark-sandrec.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
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 will be formed in these age groups: 8-9 year-olds,



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Just Kiddin'

Ben Beliasov, 4, hangs relaxes on a soccer ball during a recent Kiddle Sports and Games class the Recreation Center at Hillside. The class, offered through Northville Parks and Recreation, taught by Coach Dave East and Lelsure Unlimited, introduced youngsters a wide variety of sports including hockey, basketball, soccer and baseball in a safe and fun manner.

10-11 year-olds and 12-13 year-olds. Please bring a canned or non-perishable food donation to Northville Civic Concern for entry.
CONTACT: ext. 1405

Winter Youth Basketball Leagues
DATE: Saturdays, Jan. 19-March 8, 2008
DETAIL: Please register for girls leagues, grades 6-8 and 9-12; boys leagues, grades 8 and 9, 10-12.
CONTACT: ext. 1405

Adult Coaches Needed
DETAILS: Coaches are needed for Northville Parks and Recreation-winter youth basketball leagues. Contact Lisa Christensen at ext. 1405.

Group Fitness Classes
DETAILS: Classes include Yoga, Pilates Ball, Aerobics, Step, Kickboxing, Cycle and overall strength training. Class schedules are flexible and vary; monthly calendar available at website or call. Fees are \$8 for drop-ins or \$50 for an unlimited monthly resident pass. Classes held at Hillside Recreation Center or Senior Community Center. All fitness levels welcome to participate; certified instructors provide safe and fun workouts.

Open Basketball
TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. every Sunday
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
DETAILS: \$3 per person.
Open Family Basketball
TIME/DATE: 4-6 p.m. every Sunday
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
DETAILS: \$2 per person.
Open 40+ Basketball
TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 p.m. every Wednesday
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
DETAILS: \$3 per person.
Open Volleyball
TIME/DATE: 7-10 p.m. every Thursday and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. every Saturday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: \$4 per person.
Open Badminton
TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: Competitive style badminton available; all skill levels welcome; \$7 per player.
Open Pickleball
TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. every other Saturday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: New offering, \$4 per player. Call (248) 449-9947 for more information.

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

Health Events

Psychotherapy & Counseling Services

Northville Counseling Center
Anxiety/Agoraphobia/Panic Attack Support Group
TIME/DATE: second Wednesday of each month
DETAILS: Call (734) 420-8175 for more information.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital

LOCATION: 36475 Five Mile Road/Livonia
CONTACT: (734) 655-4800 or http://www.stmarymercy.org
Parenting With Love and Logic for Special Needs Children
TIME/DATE: 6:30-9 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14
DETAILS: Registration required, please call (734) 655-1100, fee for class.

Nutrition for Life!
DATE: Thursday, Nov. 15, "Understanding Food Label Lingo"
DATE: Thursday, Dec. 13, "Planning for the Holidays"
DETAILS: Fee and early registration required; call (734) 655-8950.

Free Seminars-Michigan Bariatric Institute

DETAILS: MBI offers three laparoscopic surgical weight loss options. Learn about Gastric Bypass, Adjustable Gastric Banding and Sleeve Gastrectomy at a free monthly seminar: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Nov. 28, Dec. 13 and Jan. 17, in the St. Mary Mercy hospital Auditorium. To register call (734) 655-2693, (877) Why-Weight or visit hospital website.
Joint Replacement Seminar
DATE: Thursday, Nov. 29 and Jan. 24
DETAILS: Free educational seminar to learn about joint replacement options. To register or for information, call (734) 655-2400.

Northville Yoga Class

Thursday classes through Nov. 15; Monday classes through Nov. 19

SCHEDULE: 9:30-11 a.m. Thursday (held at Northville Senior Center); 5:30-6:45 p.m. Monday, all levels; 5:20-6:45 p.m. Thursday, Yin Yoga; 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Yoga II; 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, all levels.

LOCATION: American Legion Hall, 100 Dunlap at Center Street
DETAILS: Fall Session \$88 for Monday, \$64 for Thursday; unregistered student drop-in rate is \$11/class; start anytime, no charge for first visit.
CONTACT: Diane Siegel-DiVita at (248) 344-0928 or triangle-six@sbcglobal.net

First Aid/CPR Classes

TIME: 6-10 p.m., monthly
LOCATION: Northville Township Fire Department, 45745 Six Mile

Road

DETAILS: American Red Cross First Aid/CPR classes taught by trained firefighters. Call for further information and dates; \$20 fee for Township residents.
CONTACT: Northville Fire Department (248) 348-5807

Providence Center for the Healing Arts

LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River Avenue, Novi
CONTACT: (248) 465-5455
Wanted: One-Time Art Workshop Instructors

DETAILS: We are looking for people who have an art or craft that they would like to share in our series of one-time workshops; call (248) 465-5455 if interested.
Colored Pencil Workshop
TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m., second Tuesday of every month
DETAILS: Beginners welcome. Express Yourself with Art and Color
DETAILS: \$5 materials fee; call for times and registration.

Ceramics Class

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; Friday by appointment
DETAILS: \$10 materials fee.

Knittin' Yarns

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Wednesday

DETAILS: Join others and create hats and shawls for those in need.

Creative Moments with Scrapbooking

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon Tuesday

DETAILS: \$3 materials fee.

Meditation

TIME/DATE: 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Thursday

DETAILS: Learn proper breathing techniques that can be used at home or on the job to help reduce stress; class held in reflection space, Cancer Center.

Yoga Classes

TIME/DATE: 12:30-1:30 p.m. Monday (for backs); 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday (for backs); 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday (for backs); 5-6 p.m. Thursday (prenatal); 6:05-7:05 p.m. Thursday (for backs) and 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday (for backs)

DETAILS: \$10/walk-in; \$80/10-class card; \$45/5-class card; Lunch and Learn Yoga 7-week session is \$60; registration required.

Massage Therapy

TIME/DATE: By appointment
DETAILS: Therapeutic massage is effective for stress and tension, chronic fatigue, pain and headaches. Everyone is welcome. Patients undergoing treatment should bring physician's referral. Call (248) 465-4300 for appointment; \$50/50-minute session.

Dinner with a Doctor

LOCATION: St. John Providence Park Hospital, Grand River and Beck roads (Enter off Beck Road. Use SE entrance.) Go to Conference Rooms A, B and C.

CONTACT: Sign up at (888) 440-7325

Take Charge of Your Health During Menopause

TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15

DETAILS: Free dinner, health presentation by Dr. Lakshmi Gavini, with question and answer session. Registration required.

Oakland Physical Therapy

LOCATION: 47601 Grand River Ave., Suite B124, Providence Park Medical Center, Novi

CONTACT: 248-380-3550
Your Career as a Physical Therapist

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29

DETAILS: For high school and college students and parents to learn about a career as a physical therapist.

Get Conditioned for Skiing

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6

DETAILS: Emphasis on stretching and strengthening exercises.

Church Events

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

LOCATION: 201 Elm St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-3140
Sunday Worship
8:30 a.m. Blended, 11 a.m. Contemporary, 11:30 a.m. Traditional

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0911
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m.

Single Place Ministries
DETAILS: Thursday evenings; 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m. program; \$5

CONTACT: www.singleplace.org
Divorce Recovery
DATE: Through Dec. 6

DETAILS: \$35 per person, various speakers, topics, pot luck dinner.

Walking Group

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. Saturday

LOCATION: First, second and fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel Shop, 2334 Farmington Road, Farmington; third Saturday, Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grand River Ave., Farmington

DETAILS: This is a walking/social group. Everyone is invited.

A Quest for Singleness, Sexuality and Spirituality

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15

DETAILS: Presentation by Harold Elens, Interim Minister at First Presbyterian Church of Troy and Psychologist practicing in Farmington Hills.

25th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 22

LOCATION: Westminster

Presbyterian Church, 17567 Hubbell at W. Outer Dr., Detroit
 DETAILS: Car poolers meet at Starbucks, 8:15 a.m.; return around noon. Contact Artheilia Thompson at (313) 341-2697 ext. 210 if you need to depart at another time.

Assault Crime Prevention
 TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m.
 Thursday, Nov. 29
 DETAILS: Presentation by Ian Kinder from Life Safe Academy, LLC, a safety and self defense school.

Advent Candlelight Concert: Messiah
 TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2
 DETAILS: Handel's "Messiah" performed by the Northville Concert Choral with Dr. Darlene Kuperus, conductor; tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students 12-18 years old, free for under 11 years old; purchase in advance at the church office during business hours, after Shunday services and at the door.
 CONTACT: Darlene Kuperus, Music Director at (248) 349-0911 ext. 206

First Baptist Church of Northville
 LOCATION: 217 N. Wing
 CONTACT: (248) 348-1020
 Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
 Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays
 Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church
 LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 374-5978
 Sunday Worship
 TIME: 9 a.m. and 10:20 a.m.
 Traditional, 9 a.m. Contemporary
 Sunday AM Women's Bible Study
 TIME/DATE: 10:20-11:15 a.m. every Sunday through Dec. 30
 LOCATION: Room A101-103
 DETAILS: Karen Nottenkamper covers "The Life You've Always Wanted," a study by John Ortberg.

WOW Bible Studies
 TIME/DATE: 9:30-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday through Dec. 12
 LOCATION: Chapel (NE corner 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: "Discerning 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 Point Ministries
 For single adults 40 years and older
 CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
 Every Sunday: 11:30 a.m.
 Fellowship and refreshments, Knox Hall

Every Monday: 7 p.m.
 Leamer'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 Merriam 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 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

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.

Spirit Sings 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; and tickets are available at

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 Church

LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road

CONTACT: Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757 or visit www.mbccc.org or gmccc@arounddetroit.biz

Sunday Worship

TIME: 10 a.m.

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

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 edleecr@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

Volunteer

Art House Stores

LOCATION: 215 W. Cady St.

DETAILS: Looking for volunteers to work four hours per month, receive 10 percent off store purchases.

CONTACT: (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 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 475, 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: Title Van Sicke (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 robdiedrich@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 roundtable. 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, Ann Arbor 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

Great Decisions 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.rr.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 mnjkearns@earthlink.net or call (248) 449-8693.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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Warm Traditions

From the BIG EASY

FAMILY FEELS

Guests will think you're hiding a chef in the kitchen when they dig into this menu. You'll be surprised how quickly you can prepare these recipes — the key is to get all your ingredients organized and ready to use before you start.

Po' Boys are New Orleans style hero sandwiches. These, created by Emeril Lagasse, are the centerpiece of a delicious, casual meal. It's worth a trip to the bakery to get the best hero style buns you can find.

Emeril's luxurious Southern Style Corn Chowder takes about an hour to make, but tastes like you've been cooking all day. This is a classic Emeril-style recipe made much easier with boxed chicken stock.

Romaine Hearts Salad adds a lighter note to this menu, complementing the hearty sandwiches and chowder.

For more recipes, go to www.bgfoods.com/emeral and www.emerils.com

Po' Boys — Sausage Heroes With Marinara

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 1/2 pounds (8 5-ounce links) sweet Italian sausage
- 2 yellow onions, thinly sliced
- 2 green bell peppers, cored, seeded, thinly sliced
- 2 teaspoons Emeril's Original Essence
- 8 hero buns, split lengthwise, warmed
- 1 jar Emeril's Home Style Marinara Pasta Sauce, warmed
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan or Romano cheese

Preheat oven to 300°F.

Heat 1 tablespoon oil in large skillet over medium to low heat. Add sausage links and turn frequently until browned

and cooked through, 22 to 25 minutes. Remove from heat, cut into 1/2-inch slices, cover to keep warm.

Add remaining oil to 12-inch saute pan over medium high heat. Once hot add onions, bell peppers and Essence. Stir often and cook until onions and peppers are wilted and lightly caramelized, about 12 minutes.

Place warmed buns on baking sheet and spread inside of each with 1 tablespoon mayonnaise. Divide sliced sausage, onions and peppers among bottom halves of buns. Top with about 1/4 cup warmed pasta sauce. Top each sandwich with 1/4 cup mozzarella and 1 tablespoon Parmesan. Broil sandwiches until cheese is melted, 3 1/2 to 5 minutes. Remove from oven, cut in half and serve with remaining sauce on side.

Yield: 8 servings



Romaine Hearts Salad With Seasoned Croutons and Lemon-Basil Vinaigrette

Croutons:

- 4 cups day old French bread, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 6 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 2 1/2 teaspoons Emeril's Original Essence
- Pinch salt

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Combine all ingredients in large bowl and toss well to blend. Spread croutons on sheet pan and place in oven to toast. Bake until crisp and golden brown, 15 to 20 minutes. Remove from oven and set aside to cool as you prepare salad.

Yield: 4 cups croutons

Salad:

- 5 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 2 teaspoons minced shallots
- 1/2 teaspoon Emeril's Dijon Mustard

- 1/2 teaspoon lemon zest
- 1/2 teaspoon minced garlic
- 2/3 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil
- 1 pound Romaine hearts chopped into 2-inch pieces
- 1/2 pound cherub or cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1 recipe Croutons, see recipe above
- 1/2 cup shaved Parmesan

In medium bowl combine lemon juice, honey, shallots, mustard, lemon zest and garlic. Whisk, then add oil in slow, steady stream while you continue whisking until incorporated. Add basil and season to taste with salt and pepper.

In large bowl combine lettuce with tomatoes, croutons and Parmesan. Season with salt and pepper, drizzle with 1/2 cup vinaigrette; toss to combine. Serve on chilled salad plates or bowls.

Yield: 6 to 8 servings

Southern-Style Corn Chowder

- 4 ounces bacon, chopped
- 1 cup finely chopped onions
- 1/2 cup finely chopped carrots
- 1/2 cup finely chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons minced garlic
- 3/4 cup finely chopped red bell peppers
- 5 cups fresh corn kernels (from about 7 ears)
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 quarts Emeril's All Natural Chicken Stock
- 1 1/2 cups 1/2-inch-cubed, peeled russet potatoes
- 1 cup heavy cream
- Salt and cayenne pepper to taste
- Finely chopped fresh parsley for garnish

Place 8-quart stockpot over medium heat and cook bacon until crisp, about 5 minutes. Transfer bacon to paper towels to drain. Add onions, carrots and celery to rendered bacon fat in pot and cook, stirring often, until vegetables are soft, about 5 minutes. Add garlic and cook until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Add bell peppers and corn to pot and cook 10 minutes, stirring often. Sprinkle flour into pot and cook, stirring constantly 5 minutes. Add chicken stock to pot and stir to combine. Use whisk to break up any lumps. Add potatoes to pot and bring to boil. Reduce heat so soup simmers and continue to cook 20 minutes. Stir in cream, season with salt and cayenne pepper to taste, and serve soup in bowls, garnished with reserved crispy bacon and parsley.

Yield: 3 quarts, 10 to 12 servings

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Gather Round

FAMILY FEATURES

It's time to celebrate the season best shared with family and friends. Delicious recipes, which are surprisingly easy to make, will impress guests without keeping you tied to the kitchen. Add B. Smith's stylish entertaining ideas to the mix — then simply sit back and wait for the doorbell to ring!

"Entertaining shortcuts are a must, especially during the bustling holiday season," said B. Smith, national style expert, who also is a restaurant owner, cookbook author and radio host. "I'm a fan of quick scratch recipes that start with convenience products. All the makings for a memorable season are within reach with some planning, a little prep and a lot of fun!"

For more great holiday recipes, visit www.Pillsbury.com.

Deviled Crab and Cheese Biscuit Cups

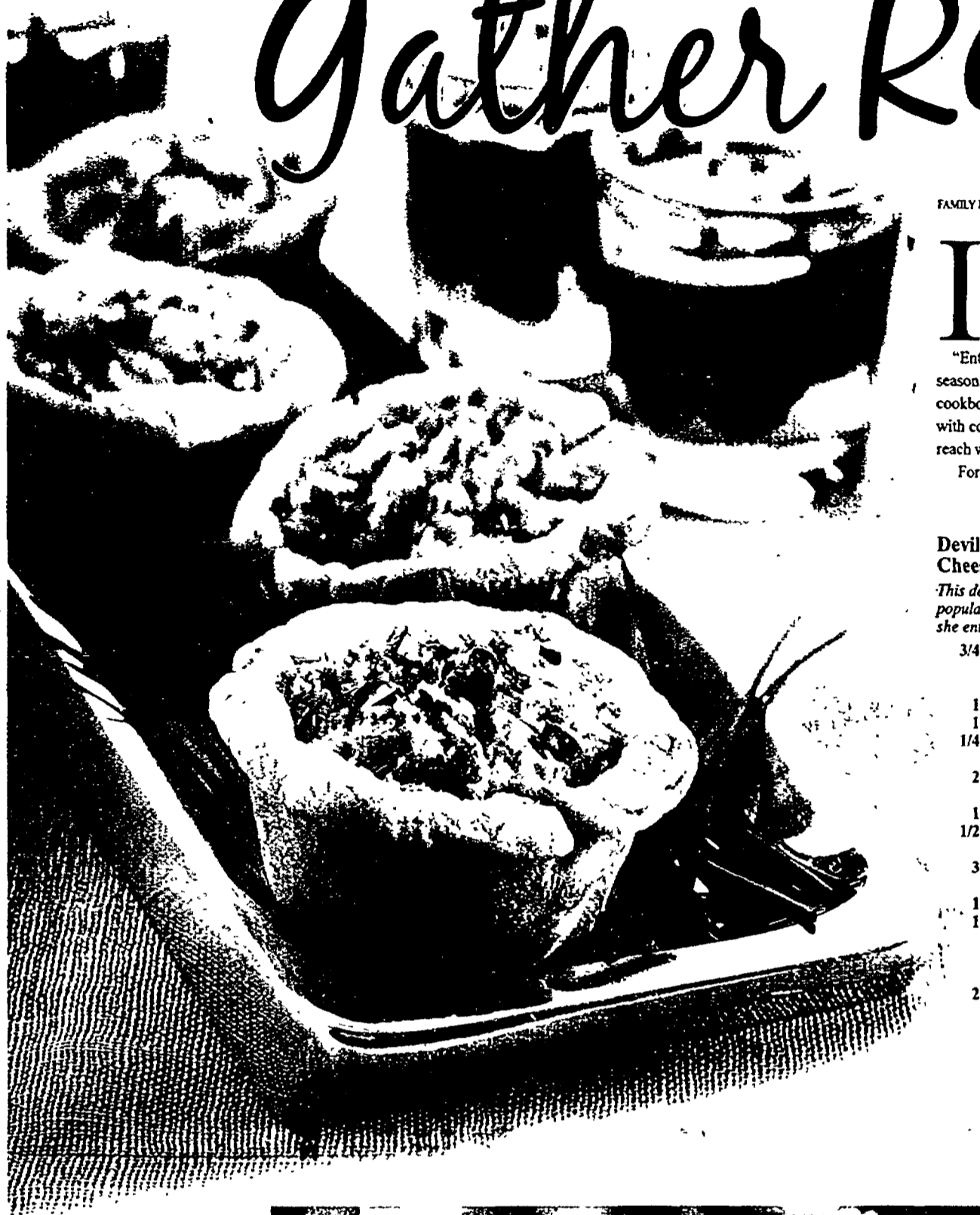
This delightful appetizer recipe is popular with B. Smith's guests when she entertains at home.

- 3/4 cup whipped cream cheese spread (from 8-oz container)
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon red pepper sauce
- 1/4 cup finely shredded mild Cheddar cheese (1 oz)
- 2 tablespoons chopped green onions (2 medium)
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 cup garlic and herb bread crumbs
- 3 cans (6 oz each) white crabmeat, well drained
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 can (16.3 oz) Pillsbury Grands! Flaky Layers refrigerated buttermilk biscuits
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

1. Heat oven to 375°F. Spray 16 regular-size muffin cups with cooking spray.
2. In small bowl, mix cream cheese, lemon juice, pepper sauce, Cheddar cheese, green onions, paprika, bread crumbs, crabmeat and celery until well blended.
3. Separate dough into 8 biscuits; then peel in half to make 16 biscuits. Press or roll each into 5-inch round. Place 1 biscuit round in each muffin cup; firmly press in bottom and up side, forming 1/4-inch rim over edge of cup. Place 2 tablespoons crab mixture in bottoms of muffin cups.
4. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until filling is set and edges of biscuits are golden brown. Sprinkle each with chopped parsley; lightly press into filling. Remove biscuit cups from pan; serve immediately.

16 servings

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): No change



Brown Butter Creamy Apple Pie

B. Smith's best bet for holiday baking: jump-start your homebaked pies by choosing a convenient premade crust that comes ready to fill, bake and thrill!

- 1 Pillsbury Pet-Ritz frozen deep dish pie crust (from 12-oz package)

Filling

- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 5 cups sliced peeled Granny Smith apples (5 medium)

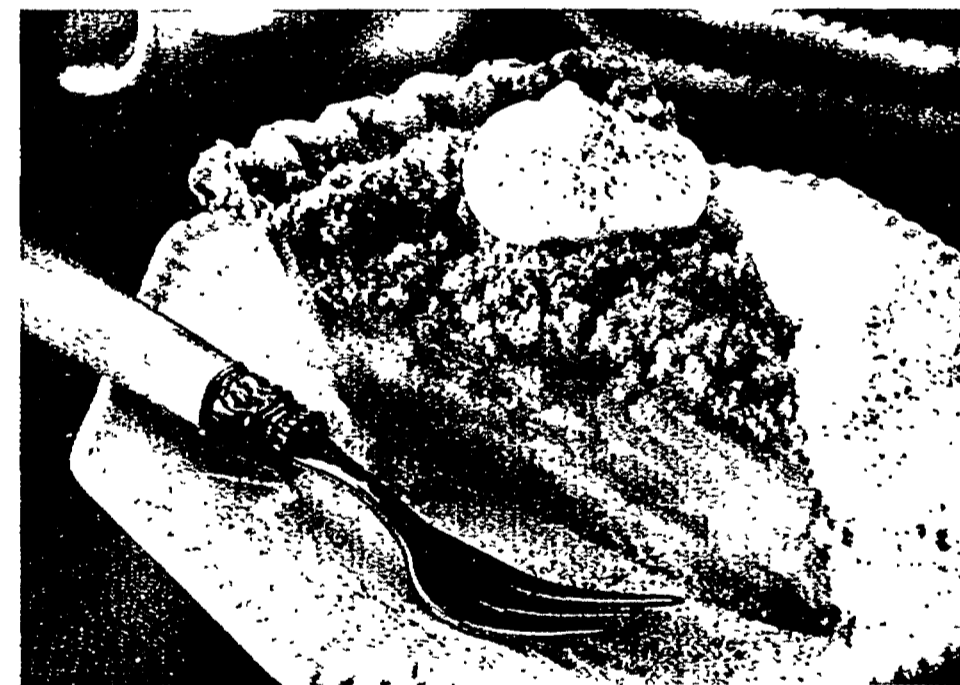
Streusel

- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 cup cold butter

Topping

- 1/2 cup whipping cream
- 1 tablespoon powdered sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

1. Place cookie sheet on oven rack. Heat oven to 400°F.
2. In 1-quart saucepan, cook 1/4 cup butter over medium heat until melted and lightly browned, stirring constantly. Cool completely, about 15 minutes.
3. In large bowl, beat 1/2 cup granulated sugar and egg with wire whisk until light and fluffy. Beat in 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Beat in cooled butter. Gently stir in apples. Pour into frozen pie crust.



4. In medium bowl, stir together all streusel ingredients except butter. With pastry blender or fork, cut in 1/4 cup butter until mixture looks like coarse crumbs. Sprinkle over apples. Place pie on cookie sheet in oven.
5. Bake 20 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350°F, and cover edge of crust with strips of foil to prevent excessive browning. Bake 40 to 50 minutes longer or until apples are tender and crust is golden brown. Cool 2 hours.
6. In small bowl, beat whipping cream until soft peaks form. Add remaining topping ingredients; beat until stiff peaks form. Pipe or spoon onto pie.

8 servings

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): In step 5, increase second bake time to 50 to 55 minutes.

Biscuit Bread Pudding

A rich, old-fashioned custard dessert is made simple with frozen biscuits.

- 12 Pillsbury Grands! frozen buttermilk biscuits (from 25-oz bag)
- 8 eggs
- 4 1/2 cups milk
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 2/3 cup raisins
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- Caramel topping, warmed, if desired

1. Heat oven to 350°F. Bake biscuits as directed on bag. Cool completely, about 20 minutes.
2. Meanwhile, generously spray twelve 4 1/2x1 1/4-inch disposable foil tart pans with cooking spray. In large bowl, beat eggs.

Add milk, sugar, raisins, cinnamon and vanilla; mix well.

3. Cut baked biscuits into 1-inch cubes. Add to egg mixture; mix well. Let stand 5 minutes. Divide biscuit mixture evenly among custard cups.

4. Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until set. With knife or metal spatula, loosen edges of each pudding; slide onto dessert plate. Drizzle with warm topping.

Timesaving Tip: Bake biscuits up to 2 days before preparing the pudding. After they have cooled, store in a sealed food-storage plastic bag at room temperature.

12 servings

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): Follow High Altitude directions on bag when baking biscuits. Gradually stir 1/4 cup all-purpose flour into ingredients in step 2. Bake 25 to 30 minutes.



Garlic, Cheese and Tomato Bites

Upgrade dinner rolls by filling them with a delicious cheese blend

- 10 Pillsbury frozen soft white dinner rolls (from 12.4-oz bag)
- 1 container (6.5 oz) garlic-and-herbs spreadable cheese
- 1 tablespoon diced sundried tomatoes
- 1 tablespoon diced pitted kalamata olives
- 1 jar (8 oz) marinara sauce, warmed

1. Heat oven to 375°F. Remove rolls from bag; thaw 10 minutes. With thumb, make indentation in center of each roll.
2. In medium bowl, mix cheese, sundried tomatoes and olives. Place 1 tablespoon cheese mixture in each indentation. Place on ungreased cookie sheet.
3. Bake 12 to 17 minutes or until tops are light golden brown. Serve with warmed marinara sauce.

10 servings

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): No change.

Holiday Hints

B. Smith, the maven of merriness, offers her top tips for the season:

Easy Elegance

At my restaurants, I love dressing up plated food with a fragrant spice or herb sprigs. This is easy to do at home, too. Lightly sprinkle cinnamon around individual plates of apple pie. Use fresh herbs to add a splash of color and aroma. Chives, rosemary, tarragon and sage make lovely garnishes.

Candle-Berry Votives

Place 10 to 12 cranberries in clear glass votive candleholders. Fill them with tap water and top with a floating clear votive candle. Arrange these on the table and light them just before guests arrive. Look for votive holders in varying sizes and colors to match your table setting.

Wise Timesavers

Hosts know every minute counts, so I like to make the most of convenience products when streamlining. Pillsbury Frozen Dinner Rolls are favorite timesavers that deliver restaurant-quality flavor and texture. They store well in the freezer and can arrive hot from the oven to your table in eight easy minutes.



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Home Owners Do You Know How to Detect Sick House Syndrome?

DETECTING AND REMEDYING
SICK HOUSE SYNDROME

WHY CALL US TO DETECT SICK HOUSE SYNDROME

Sick House Syndrome occurs when a house can't breathe. A home needs to breathe in order to rid itself of indoor pollutants. These pollutants result in poor indoor air quality — a sick house. Inadequate ventilation allows pollutants to build up causing potential health risks to the home's occupants. Young children, the elderly and some chronically ill persons are most susceptible to the effects of Sick House Syndrome.

Common sources of indoor pollutants include tobacco smoke, car air conditioning, furnaces which are operating with a dirty burn cycle using fireplaces which are not properly vented, candles, pressed wood cabinets and house hold cleaning products. Moisture build up, although not a pollutant itself, can also be harmful in a house as it can cause mildew and/or mold growth inside walls, carpets and other areas. The spores from the mold will be circulated through the air in the home by operating the furnace, air conditioner and ceiling fans.

HOW CAN INDOOR
POLLUTANTS BE REDUCED?

Source control is usually the most effective way to improve indoor air quality. In some cases, eliminating the specific sources of indoor pollution — for example removing older carpets and repairing or maintaining furnaces — may be all that is necessary.

For offering substances such as tobacco smoke, cleaning products and moisture buildup improving ventilation is a key means of decreasing indoor pollution. Many newer homes are so well insulated and sealed that only a very limited amount of fresh air can get in. Recommended and effective ventilation requires the home should have a complete air change every three hours. In this situation, using attic or window fans and opening windows (when weather permits) are easy and inexpensive ways to improve and increase ventilation.

More hazardous materials such as asbestos and lead do not normally cause problems if they are undisturbed. But these and other dangerous substances should be analyzed by having Samples of the materials collected by a qualified technician, and have analysis by a Certified Lab to identify the type of material if unknown or to verify any health concerns. This will also help to identify if any action is required such as encapsulation, abatement or removal is warranted.



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Gifts that will be remembered long after the 2007 holidays characterize the distinctive collections available at Rottermond Jewelers in Milford.

Dean and Candi Rottermond have been enjoying business in the downtown area of Milford since 1984. They bring world renowned designers to the Milford area, such as Swarovski, Nancy B. Dianna, Heiman, My Angel, Sara Blaine, Pandora, Hearts on Fire, Rolex and many more.

SPECIAL WRAPPING

Everyone knows that something special is wrapped in silver paper with the Rottermond ribbon. Not too many gifts leave the Rottermond store unwrapped during the holiday season.

Our staff is most happy to be able to assist you in gift wrapping. Many times we have heard the comment as long as my present is wrapped in silver paper with a Rottermond bow I know it is going to take my breath away. Candi said.

PANDORA IS HERE

When asked to name one of the hottest jewelry items in the store, Candi, without hesitation, replied, "Pandora."

The Pandora line is designed in Copenhagen, Denmark. It is a patented threaded system that allows each bead to move freely and rotate with the wrist, creating an eye-catching and stunning effect. Each bracelet is as unique as the woman who wears it. The jewelry can change to fit your mood. The Pandora line has over 400 beads to help you create your own unique bracelet. Pandora releases new beads four times a year and Rottermond Jewelers has all the newest beads available.

"Many female clients buy beads as gifts for friends and for their relatives. The beads are so much fun and Pandora has an amazing suede travel box for storing the beads that you do not wish to wear on a particular day," Candi said.

You can view the entire Pandora collection at www.rottermond.com and make a wish list selection prior to coming into the store or just e-mail info@rottermond.com, if you are busy. Said Molly Hasezki, Rottermond's Pandora Jewelry specialist who is happy to add your items to your wish list.

The patented Pandora bracelet ranges in cost from \$27 for the basic sterling silver to \$340 for a solid 14k gold. The clips and beads range from \$20 to over \$500 each. Prices at Rottermond Jewelers range

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from the affordable — such as Pandora, Sara Blaine or Swarovski — to luxury lines — such as Gregg Ruth from Malibu, California.

"Our designs are more than ornamentation — they are a statement. An attitude. A lifestyle. Those who collect from our ever-expanding collections appreciate our timeless designs."

"We try to meet all your jewelry needs without having to travel a distance, whether you are buying a teacher's gift or an anniversary gift for your wife, we have selections from \$25 to \$430,000," Dean said.

"With the busy schedules of today our goal is to provide excellent service to our clients," Dean said. "We will deliver that special gift to you. It was just a month ago that I flew to Texas to deliver a very special ring to a long standing client."

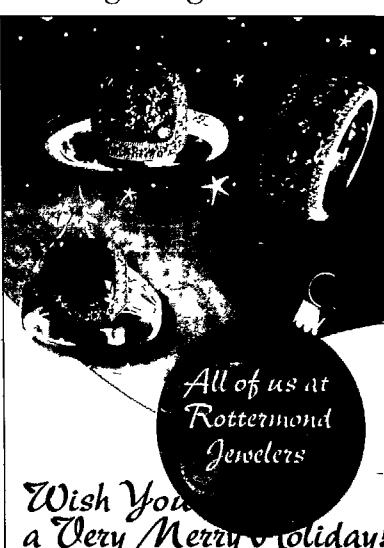
TYCOON CUT IS HERE

Another luxury line that is featured at Rottermond Jewelers is the patented Tycoon Cut diamond, considered by most to be a masterpiece of gemology with rare crown facets that give the diamond significantly more brilliance. The Tycoon cut diamond is only offered at 30 independent jewelry stores nationwide and Rottermond is one of the authorized dealers.

"As a special offer, just try on a Tycoon Cut ring at Rottermond Jewelers now through Jan. 25, 2008 and your name will be entered in a special drawing with 10000 to win a honeymoon to Fiji," Candi said.

FRIENDLY SHOPPING

But the most memorable Rottermond experience comes from actually shopping in the store itself. Many times you are greet-



Submitted Photos

Rottermond Jewelers in Milford is ready to make your holiday shopping experience a pleasant one, with friendly customer service and exceptional jewelry from world renowned designers, such as Swarovski, Nancy B. Dianna, Heiman, My Angel, Sara Blaine, Pandora, Hearts on Fire, Rolex and many more, including the patented Tycoon Cut diamond. Let Rottermond ring in your New Year.

ed by the store mascot, Kira, a Portuguese Water Dog. When you come in, a sales professional offers you a bottled water or a cup of freshly brewed coffee and some cookies or some candies.

Besides the friendliness of the staff, each client benefits from the knowledge of the in-house gemologists and custom jewelry

designers who actually create custom pieces in Rottermond's in-house manufacturing facility. It is also the site of the store's on-site gem repair shop, home of the area's only precision laser welder.

NOV. 23 SALE

This year the town of Milford is having a sale the day after Thanksgiving and Rottermond Jewelers is participating in this event. The store will open at 7 a.m. and offer 60 percent off selected jewelry items.

"This sale will replace our annual sale that we usually have in February so come in to visit us. We will be here early," Dean said.

MEN'S NIGHT

One of the most sought after events of the year is the annual Men's Shopping Night on Dec. 13.

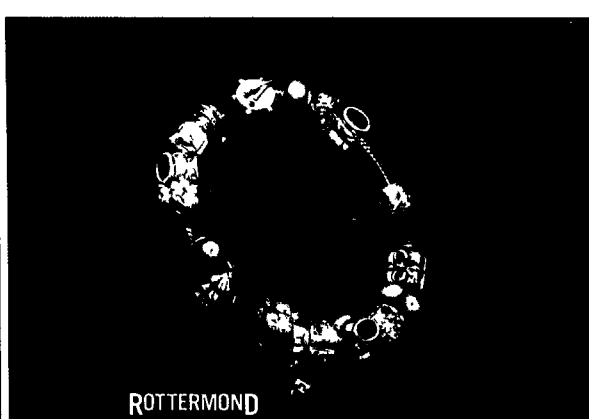
"Our female clients have been coming in all year adding their favorite selections to their Wish List, then we assist their husbands or boyfriends with wrapping up a special gift with our Rottermond gift wrapping," said Dean. "We share some good football moments on the plasma screens while enjoying some food and drinks — a great shopping experience of us guys."

SPECIAL FINANCING

And, from now until the year end, Rottermond has a special 12-month same-as-cash financing.

While shopping this holiday season, visit Rottermond Jewelers at 351 N Main St., in downtown Milford, where the streets are decorated like something out of a Charles Dickens novel.

Visit Rottermond's Web site, www.rottermond.com, to obtain additional details, or to speak to someone personally call (248) 685-1150.



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Rottermond carries the much-sought-after Pandora beads and bracelets, including the newly released beads.

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to Match..."



Ekilled for the holidays this year? Treat yourself to something special like fine jewelry purchased from an American Gem Society member. Since 1934 American Gem Society members have set the industry standard for high ethical business practices continuing education, professional service and consumer protection. Only 5% of jewelers, designers, appraisers and suppliers have met the requirements necessary for membership. The American Gem Society is the only professional jewelers organization that requires its members to be recertified — every year.

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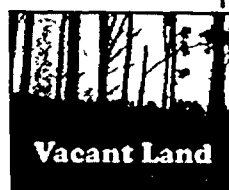
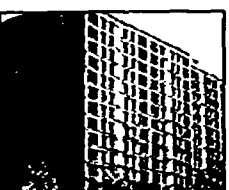
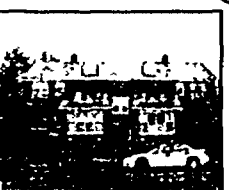
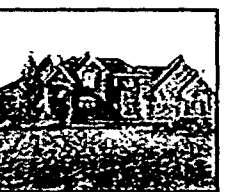
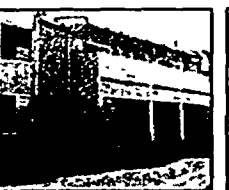
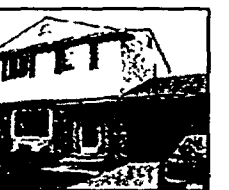
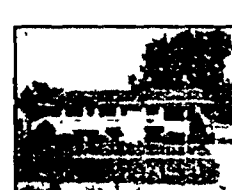
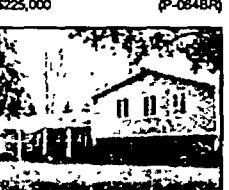
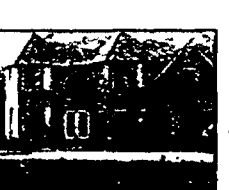
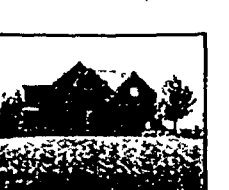
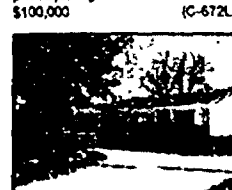
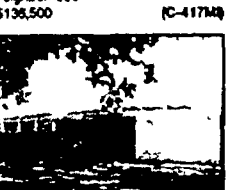
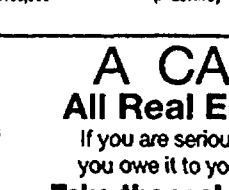
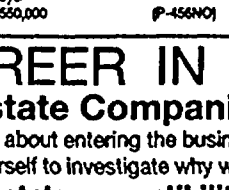
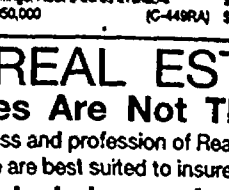
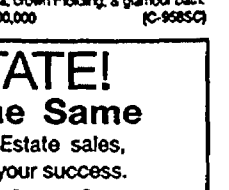
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Great price on this home that offers 3 bd, 2 baths. Family Room w/tpl, Florida Room, extra storage space, ceramic baths, tear off roof, & attached Garage. Great lot on a dead end street.
\$169,900 (P-151MA)**GREAT CHANCE TO OWN!**
Lovely Dearborn high rise condo on the 9th floor w/view of the city & Ambassador Bridge from balcony. Freshly painted, new carpet, spacious rooms, immed occupancy & very motivated seller.
\$60,000 (P-800MA)**ATTENTION INVESTORS**
Well maintained 4 unit quadplex w/ good cash flow. Each unit has 2 bd, Liv & Din Rm, Kitchen, porch, & 1 bath. Updated roof, windows, & each unit has separate utilities.
\$140,000 (P-711RA)**INVESTORS DREAM!**
Well maintained 2 bd brick condo w/ long term tenants. Separate bsm't & fenced yards, front & side door entrances, newer roof, C/A, elec, & seller can help w/closing costs.
\$48,000 (P-233SC)**GREAT OPPORTUNITY**
Canton condo featuring a large Family Room w/tpl, Kitchen w/twd, finished lower level, large Master w/WIC, & convenient location.
\$113,000 (P-101V)**WHY BUILD?**
Move right in to this home w/over 50k in upgrades! Formal Dining, Butlers Pantry, Great Rm w/skylights, gourmet Kit w/hook, 1st fl laun, prof fin bsm't, & too much more to list.
\$300,000 (P-244AA)**JUST PERFECT**
Unpack & relax in this comfortable 2 bd, 1 bath ranch just minutes from downtown Royal Oak. Remod Kit, fresh paint, new carpet in Fam Rm, updated bath, deep fenced yard & 2 car Garage.
\$99,900 (P-304BR)**LARGE WESTLAND RANCH**
Move your family into this 3 bd home w/ a large newer Garage. Family Room, completely remodeled in 2006 & more. Also for lease.
\$124,900 (C-900CA)**HARD TO FIND**
Relax on the paver patio surrounded by mature trees. Spacious island Kitchen w/hook, formal Liv & Din Rm, separate Fam Rm w/bridge overlook, Master Suite w/volume ceiling, WIC, & ceramic bath.
\$249,900 (P-422CA)**A MUST SEE!**
Awesome Livonia condo w/ all the features you want! New carpet & hrd floors, & appliances inc. Priced to sell, nearly 20k under SEV. Motivated seller, say bring offers.
\$124,900 (C-860FR)**BETTER THAN NEW!**
Very updated 3 bd bungalow w/new roof, siding, windows, exterior doors, Kitchen, bath, furnace, A/C, beautiful hrd floors, close to schools, parks, & Rec Center.
\$120,900 (P-949GL)**COUNTRY RANCH**
Move right into this 5 bd ranch situated on 5 acres w/creek winding thru it. Great Canton location, 2 natural fireplaces, game room, & too much more to list.
\$449,900 (C-150HA)**SUPER SUPER SHARPI**
Outstanding home w/fresh paint, new carpet, Pargo flooring, new Garage, updated roof, hwh, & concrete, all appliances stay, home warranty, & immed occupancy.
\$99,900 (P-997HA)**GREAT LOCATION**
4 bd, 2.5 bath home w/Northside mailing address. Formal Liv Rm, Din Rm, Fam Rm, walkout bsm't, 3 car Garage, private common yard. All offers considered.
\$299,000 (P-200HE)**CHARMING COLONIAL**
Charming 3 bd brick colonial w/1.5 baths, 3 bds, 2 natural fireplaces, finished bsm't w/glass block, nice layout, newer windows, 2 car Garage, & more.
\$175,000 (P-711HU)**TURN KEY HOME**
Beautifully decorated home w/hd floors, remod bath, new windows, furnace, C/A, electric, copper plumbing, new oversized 2.5 car Garage w/heated & 220 finished bsm't, & huge Deck.
\$144,900 (P-840MA)**PUT THIS AT THE TOP OF YOUR LIST!**
Lovely home backing to 3.5 acre common area. 4 bd, 2.5 baths, updated roof, siding, windows, furnace, in house surround system, finished lower level w/two room & w/batht, 1st fl laun, & more.
\$294,900 (P-025MU)**COMFORT & CONVENIENCE**
Enjoy this beautifully updated condo located in peaceful setting. Numerous updates inc. windows, baths, carpet, decor, Deck, lighting hwh, & more. Don't wait on this beauty!
\$172,000 (P-057NO)**UPDATED W/LOTS OF GOODIES!**
Attractive 10x5 covered porch, tear off roof, ceramic Foyer, Liv Rm w/oak floor, 3 bds, finished Garage w/workstation & floored attic, 30x14 Poro Deck, & deep backyard.
\$165,000 (C-0310A)**OUTSTANDING**
Beautiful Plymouth home featuring 5 bd, 3 full & 2 half baths, 4 car Garage, open floor plan, cherry Kitchen w/granite, 1st fl laun, luxurious Master w/bath, premium w/out lot, & great location.
\$699,000 (P-5710L)**PLYMOUTH CHARMER**
2 bd, 1 bath condo featuring Kitchen w/all appl, laundry room w/washer & dryer, large Liv Rm w/doorwall to Deck, Master w/doorwall to Deck, Poro area, & low assoc dues.
\$109,900 (P-650PL)**PRIDE IN OWNERSHIP**
Designer touches to make this colonial an exceptional value. Spacious island Kit w/hwd floors & all appl's. Flex Rm makes a perfect Din Rm or Den, finished bsm't & large outdoor deck.
\$239,900 (P-107PO)**A REAL GEM**
This 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial has it all! 2 story Foyer, island Kitchen, Family Room w/hd Master w/bath, updated ceramic baths, fresh paint, & special touches to.
\$272,900 (P-680PO)**GREAT BERKLEY LOCATION**
Over 1000 sq ft in this updated bungalow w/hwd floors, covered ceiling, updated bath, spacious Master w/WIC, Garage, finished bsm't, fenced yard, & updated siding, offers a walkway.
\$179,900 (P-827FR)**ELEGANT & AFFORDABLE**
2803 sq ft colonial offers 4 bd, 2.5 baths, excellent curb appeal located in sub, luxury Master w/bath & WIC, extra deep walkout bsm't, & appliances stay.
\$409,900 (C-900RE)**SPACIOUS COLONIAL**
Bright & open floor plan w/4 bds, 2 full & 2 half baths, Kitchen w/hook, Fam Rm w/tpl, spacious Master w/bath, finished w/out bsm't, & Livonia Schools.
\$294,900 (P-778R)**LIVONIA BEAUTY**
Solid 3 bd home in popular Livonia location. Vaulted Kitchen w/all appl's, vaulted Living Rm w/tpl & built-in shelves. Finished bsm't w/tpl & glass block, updated roof & garage door.
\$150,000 (P-490RO)**INCOME PROPERTY**
Great investment on this 2 story brick home. 3 units total - 2 in main house & 1 in rear house. Some updates, must see.
\$68,000 (P-753RU)**ADORABLE CONDO**
Charming & spacious 2 bd condo has been freshly painted. Large bedrooms, in-unit laundry, carpet, gas water included in low association fee. Great Canton location.
\$95,000 (P-467SA)**LOVELY HOME**
Brick colonial w/3 bd, 2.5 baths, finished bsm't, new carpet, refinished hwd floors, huge Deck in yard, Liv Rm w/tpl, Fam Rm, updated Kitchen, & home warranty included.
\$171,900 (P-2125H)**OUTSTANDING CONDO**
Great location in complex near pool & clubhouse. Private courtyard entrance, newer windows, updated Kitch, blinds, roof, hwh & sump pump. Everything is ready for you!
\$127,500 (P-3825O)**CANTON COLONIAL**
Immaculate home w/prime location in Canton. Crown molding on 1st floor, gourmet Kit w/all appl's, 3 season porch w/skylights, above ground pool, fenced yard, & prof landscaped.
\$200,000 (P-7525T)**GREAT PLYMOUTH LOCATION**
Great colonial backs to woods for lots of privacy. Fam Rm w/tpl & hwd floors, finished bsm't w/full bath & possible 4th bed, prof landscaped, & great price.
\$189,900 (P-268TA)**3.5 ACRE WOODED LOCATION**
Immaculate estate nestled in gated community. Kitchen w/porcelain tile & granite, 1st fl laun, Great Rm w/tpl, 1st fl Master w/jetted tub, 5 car Garage, & too much more to list.
\$599,000 (C-908TU)**MOTIVATED SELLER**
Lovely 3 bd home on beautifully landscaped acreage. Updated C/A, hwh, Kitchen, baths, & windows. 3911 acres w/pole barn, 200x70 sand area/recreation area, garden, berry bushes & more.
\$300,000 (P-412KA)**A MUST SEE!**
Wow, this home offers beautiful hwd floors, blinds, Liv Rm w/tpl, Din Rm w/bay window, finished bsm't, freshly painted, glass block windows, newer roof, & more.
\$65,000 (C-470WE)**SPOTLESS & SPACIOUS**
Here it is, look no further! You have to see this fabulous home in Canton w/ an open floor plan, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, great location, & move in ready.
\$210,000 (P-326W)**TOTALLY RENOVATED**
Great floor plan offering lots of space. Beautiful addition makes this close to 1400 Sq ft. Also available for lease.
\$117,990 (C-985BA)**A LOT TO OFFER**
2 bd, 1 bath home offering a new furnace, C/A, hwh, immediate occupancy & convenient location.
\$59,900 (C-518BA)**CANTON COUNTRY RANCH**
Beautifully updated home tucked away yet close to freeways & shopping. No expense spared! Spacious floor plan, cherry Kit w/granite & apps, 1st fl laun, finished bsm't, & so much more.
\$365,000 (P-7578Q)**COMPLETELY UPDATED RANCH**
Great 3 bd offering gourmet Kitchen w/pergo floors, Master w/doorwall to patio, jetted tub, new paint, carpet, C/A, fenced yard, & newer 2.5 car mechanic's dream Garage!
\$130,000 (P-460BE)**METICULOUSLY MAINTAINED**
Open floor plan, gourmet Kitchen w/all appl's, doorwall to balcony w/view of pond, neutral decor, tons of storage space, lots of windows. Garage, clubhouse w/pool & more.
\$135,000 (P-979BE)**DON'T MISS THIS ONE!**
Completely updated 3 bd home w/ lake frontage. Gourmet Kit w/pergo, doorwall leading to relaxing tiered Deck, Liv Rm w/marble hearth tpi, finished w/out, paver walkway & updated driveway & windows.
\$225,000 (P-064BR)**CANTON COLONIAL**
3 bd, 2.5 bath home featuring an island Kitchen w/tons of cabinets, Fam Rm w/tpl, neutral decor, brick paver patio, electric awning, & short walk to pool & playground.
\$219,900 (C-932BR)**CANTON COLONIAL**
3 bd, 2.5 bath home featuring an island Kitchen w/tons of cabinets, Fam Rm w/tpl, neutral decor, brick paver patio, electric awning, & short walk to pool & playground.
\$219,900 (C-932BR)**THIS HOME HAS IT ALL**
Located close to freeways, this 4 bd brick colonial offers a 3 car Garage, 2.5 baths, vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace, cherry cabinets, stainless steel appl's, & a huge Deck.
\$250,000 (C-700CA)**GREAT HOME W/POOL!**
1300 sq ft ranch offering a Fam Rm w/tpl, great Kitchen, privacy fence, new roof on garage, brand new furnace, updated C/A, & inground pool - just in time for summer!
\$138,500 (C-046CA)**GOLF COURSE LIVING**
It doesn't get better than this! 4 bd, 1 full & 2 half baths, completely updated, newer cement oak Kitchen w/corbin clops, hwd floors, newer roof, furnace C/A & windows.
\$194,900 (P-503CA)**AWESOME RAISED RANCH**
This beautiful raised ranch was built in 2003 & almost 1500 sq ft. 2 full baths, master suite with walk in closet. Home located by a golf course. Home also has a pool & a clubhouse.
\$158,000 (C-980CE)**GORGEOUS CONDO**
Updated garden w/this 4 bd, 3 bath Cape Cod condo! Maple Kitchen, vaulted Great Rm w/tpl, 1st fl Master, formal Dining, Library 1st fl laun, & too much more to list.
\$299,900 (P-352CH)**COUNTRY IN THE CITY**
Updated home w/3 bd, 2 full & 2 half baths, 2 Garages, 18x14 workshop w/hard & half bath, oak Kitchen, sprinkler system, Fam Rm w/tpl, & situated on over an acre.
\$299,000 (P-025CH)**NEWER COLONIAL**
This 4 bd, 2.5 bath home has a lot to offer. Spacious Fam Rm w/cathedral ceiling & gas tpi, island Kitchen w/party, 1st fl laundry, 3 car side entry Garage, & much more.
\$244,900 (C-075CL)**FANTASTIC CONDO**
This great condo could be yours! Open floor plan, Master w/waterfall ceiling, oak Kitchen, full bsm't, 3 car Garage w/side entry, prof landscaping, & convenient location.
\$207,400 (C-767CO)**WESTLAND DUPLEX**
Great opportunity to own this multi family home w/2 units. Each side has 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, Garage, ample parking, & more.
\$59,900 (C-339OE)**WELL MAINTAINED DUPLEX**
Great opportunity! Each unit has 900 sq ft w/2 bds, 1 bath, large Kitchen w/quality cabinets, new roof windows, & private lake access to Whitmore Lake.
\$169,900 (C-322FA)**AWESOME RANCH**
3 bd, 2 bath home w/Livonia Schools. Good sized Kitchen w/eating area, finished bsm't w/4th bed, great yard w/extra large Garage, shed & nice landscaping.
\$134,000 (C-400GA)**NORTHVILLE-ON THE LAKE!**
Live on Crystal Lake in this pristine condo that is beautifully updated & maintained. 2 bd, 1.5 baths area pool, tennis, & clubhouse, & Northville Schools.
\$125,000 (C-830FR)**AMAZING VALUE**
Perfect starter home offering an open floor plan, Kitchen w/pergo tpi, Fam Rm w/hwd floors, part finished bsm't, glass block, Pky-Can Schools, & just steps from downtown Plymouth.
\$135,000 (P-942FR)**SPRAWLING RANCH**
Enjoy the space in this sprawling estate featuring 3 bds, 2 full & 2 half baths, huge Gun it, Rm w/tpl & wetbar, remod Kit w/hook, Garage w/loft, & nestled on an oversized lot.
\$159,450 (C-911AO)**GREAT CONDO!**
Nice 2 bd, 1 bath, 1st floor condo features some new carpet, remodeled bath, new stove & fridge, fresh paint, newer windows, & nice open floor plan.
\$49,895 (C-720AO)**MOVE RIGHT IN!**
Lovely 4 bd colonial w/all finished bsm't plumbed for a bath, Maple Kitchen w/granite, Liv Rm w/tpl, 3 car Garage w/side entry, prof landscaping & convenient location.
\$350,000 (C-276R)**LOVELY COLONIAL**
4 bd, 2.5 bath in the heart of Livonia's nicest sub. Updated Kitchen, private backyard, Family Rm w/tpl, covered deck, & close to everything.
\$198,900 (C-407LA)**PERFECT PLACE TO CALL HOME**
Upper end unit condo in popular Livonia Pointe in Canton. Cathedral ceilings, open floor plan, large laundry room, 2 baths, Great Rm w/balcony, neutral Kit w/appl's, & priced just right!
\$100,000 (C-721L)**THIS IS THE ONE!**
You'll stop looking when you see this 4 bd, 1.5 bath ranch in Livonia. Large Kitchen, huge Florida Rm, part finished bsm't, private fenced yard, Garage, C/A, & close to everything.
\$140,000 (C-904L)**ALMOST NEW!**
Freshly painted 2 bd condo w/quality berber carpet, huge Great Rm w/soaring ceiling balcony w/hw new oak Kitchen w/upgraded appl's, Master w/luxury bath & 1 yr warranty.
\$121,500 (C-359MA)**LOTS OF UPDATES**
Awesome open Kitchen is updated w/new cabinets, & new flooring. Main bath has new tub surround & flooring, pargo floors, new furnace, hwh, great yard & great neighborhood.
\$136,500 (C-417H)**WESTLAND BRICK RANCH**
Charming 3 bd, 2 bath home featuring updated Kitchen, furnace, A/C, hwh, covered brick patio, finished bsm't w/pool table, all appl's stay, fenced yard, & great location.
\$165,000 (P-237MA)**ABSOLUTELY STUNNING**
Beautiful 4000 sq ft home on 1 acre. Seller leaving all furniture! Lots of built-ins, granite, hwd floors, large Master w/2x2x6 bath, finished lower level, 4 car Garage & 2 story marble foyer.
\$550,000 (P-456NO)**CUSTOM RANCH ON ACREAGE**
Newer custom built ranch featuring 4 bd, 3 baths, on 2 acres. Excellent storage in the 3 car Garage & 54x30 Pole Barn. Big open rooms w/vaulted ceilings, finished walkout w/2nd area, crown molding, & glamour bath.
\$350,000 (C-448RA)**CANT BE DUPLICATED FOR THIS PRICE!**
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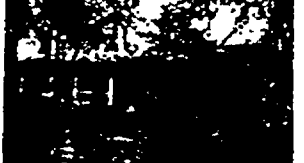
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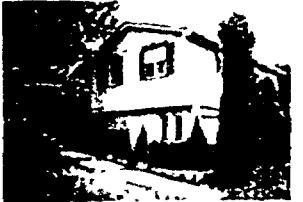
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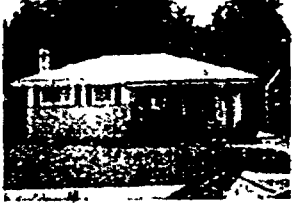
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Northville 248-348-6430
The Ultimate in Carefree Living! Take life easy in this 2 BR, 2 BA condo on a gorgeous tree lot. Island kit w/ white cab, mstr ste w/ wall of windows, jet tub, sep shwr. GR w/ gas FP. Part fin LL.

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Novi 248-348-6430
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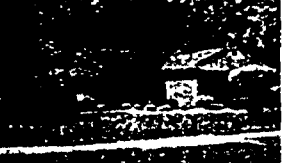
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Sale/Lease Plymouth Brick Ranch Fin w/o bsmt, 4br, 3.5 bath, grnd flr indry eat in kit, dr, w & lg fr w/ fp. Backs wooded commons. Stream at rear of lot. 2 car att gar \$359,900/\$220,000.

(27131076) \$2,100



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



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Custom built colonial Home offers soaring ceilings, open floor plan, spacious gourmet kitchen, 2 decks, finished daylight basement has family room and fireplace. Much more!

(27197813) \$399,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
COUNTRY LIVING ON 4+ ACRES! Creek Running On Property. Ranch Home Features Living Room, country Kitchen w/ snack bar, 3 Br, 2 Full Baths And First Floor Laundry. Walk out Basement.

(27125463) \$279,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Sharp colonial in Eagle Heights! Home offers a large kitchen, spacious great room with soaring ceilings, finished sun room with skylights, large deck, sidewalks and more.

(27193962) \$209,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Luxury Condos New Construction! 2 BR/2 BA ranches starting at \$189,900 & 2 BR, 2 1/2 BA cape cods starting at \$199,000. Std features include hickory cabs w/ 42" uppers, granite cntops, much more!

(26015094) \$189,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Darling Bungalow on 1 Acre! Newly painted, hardwood floors thru-out. Stained woodwork, new window, new vinyl siding. Plaster walls w/ oval archways. Formal dining & living room.

(27094085) \$185,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Perfect for Starters! Close to schools, downtown and shopping. Newly remodeled kitchen, wood flooring, fenced in yard. Move right in and everything is done!

(27159771) \$177,900



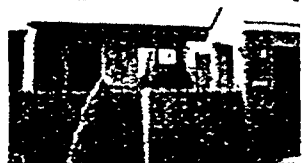
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Hard to find Ranch! This well kept home features large kitchen w/ lots of storage, open to breakfast/dining area. New master bath, brick fireplace w/ handcrafted bookcases and mantel.

(27180784) \$167,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Don't pass this one by! 2 bedroom, 2 bath w/ spacious vaulted ceilings. Well maintained and tastefully decorated. New carpet, new ceramic tile in kitchen. 1st floor laundry.

(27180787) \$154,900



South Lyon 248-348-6430
COLONIAL ACRES FINEST! 2 BR/2 BA adult coop. Cul-de-sac location. Full fin bsmt (walkout) w/ Fla room. Central air. Meticulously maintained. Community pool & club house. Planned activities.

(27024815) \$75,000



Walled Lake 248-684-1065
Open flr plan, LR w/ elec fp, cath ceil & recessed lighting. Dining area w/ D/W to deck. Kit w/ extension counter 3 lighted cell fans. Mstr w/ WIC & cath ceil.

(27192835) \$139,900



West Bloomfield 248-684-1065
West Bloomfield Lake view new deck.

(27047501) \$259,900



Westland 734-326-2000
NO ROOM FOR IN LAWS! Clean, Cozy, & Cute Condo. 2 bd, 1 bath w/ basement. Newer windows, carpet, C/A, refr. generator. Seller is offering 3% in concessions. Hurry, won't last long!

(27197997) \$66,000