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CONCERTS LOCATION CONFIRMED

■ City Council says Town Square's the place for music; survey shows residents agree

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

City Council's decision now makes it final: Northville residents will rock to the music of the Friday Night Concerts at Town Square this summer.

Councilmember Nancy Darga,

however, said she would like staff to consider scheduling some sort of an event in a grassy, park-like area of the city in the future.

"I would like to see the whole town and all of the residents served," Darga said.

After

Downtown

Development Authority Board members voted Jan. 29 to have the DDA concerts returned to the midtown spot, they also decided to have City Council weigh in on the decision.

Some residents and Northville Square merchants wanted the concerts to continue on the

grassy area by the Northville District Library, police station and city hall. The concerts were moved to the tree-covered spot last year due to construction of the \$1.8-million Town Square Redevelopment Project.

Lori Ward, DDA executive director, and Traci Sincok,

Northville Parks and Recreation director, told council Tuesday night a survey conducted by Parks and Recreation showed residents wanted the concerts to be held at the new Town Square. The survey requested feedback on band format, concert location and whether the events were a

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District sees small jump in student attendance

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Northville Public School District officials have counted an additional six students following the Feb. 13 Count Day.

The February count, the second of the 2007-08 school year, saw the number of students enrolled in Northville schools take a slight jump from 7,203 last October, when the Sept. 26 count was finalized, to 7,209, according to district Director of Special Services Lynne Mossioian.

Those 7,209 students include both K-12 (6,928) students and "center program" students (281) — students who attend Old Village or Cooke schools. The district, Mossioian said, added two K-12 students and four to center programs.

With the district's per-pupil allotment sitting at \$8,483 after state leaders approved an increase for all of Michigan's 552 public school districts, Northville will add a little more than \$50,000 to its fund reserves. Those more than 7,200 students account for \$61.15 million, which makes up the lion's share of district funds.

"The number of students we have is a key part of our budget," Mossioian said. "We look forward to the numbers being finalized in

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DIPLOMATIC CITIZEN



Amerman Elementary School teacher Khris Nedam recently returned from Washington D.C. where she received an award for her continuing efforts in raising funds and interest for her Kids 4 Afghan Kids program.

Amerman's Nedam earns national honor

■ Decade-old
program links
U.S. students
with Afghan
youths

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Khris Nedam isn't a glory hog. The spotlight just has a way of finding her.

The Amerman third-grade teacher, who is a Livonia resident, and director of Kids 4 Afghan Kids, Feb. 12 was awarded with the National Award for Citizen Diplomacy from the U.S. Center for Citizen Diplomacy in Washington, D.C.

Congressman Thaddeus G. McCotter (R-Livonia) congratulated the Amerman Elementary School third-grade teacher at the celebration held in the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery. She was one of six educators selected to attend the ceremony.

"Ms. Nedam is a distinguished teacher and role model for all," McCotter said. "Her extraordinary work helping the

people of Afghanistan has profoundly reflected and positively inspired the people in our community and the world community."

Nedam said the event was overwhelming, as it was held in a courtyard that was enclosed by a glass ceiling. An interpretive dance group also performed pieces based on each nominee's life.

"It was amazing," Nedam said. "It was a very humbling experience to see what everyone else is doing. You think you're just a drop in the pool until something like that happens."

Nedam received the award, for which she was nominated by a colleague, from her work with Kids 4 Afghan Kids, a Michigan-based non-profit organization whose goal is to re-establish educational facilities for boys and girls in Afghanistan and to address the desperate health conditions in which the children and their families live.

Along with the recognition comes a \$5,000 cash donation to her project.

The venture began in the mid-1990s when a contact from Afghanistan shared with

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RELAY FOR LIFE: Everyone invited to Feb. 28 kickoff

■ Event's
theme to be
announced

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

David Laabs said anyone who has watched a Relay for Life "Survivor Lap" will never forget its emotionalism.

"It still gives me goose bumps when I talk about it," said the Northville resident.

Laabs, a Relay for Life committee member for the 2008 American Cancer Society fundraiser, invites those who think they might be interested in leading a team this year to attend the event's kickoff at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28, at Northville High School. Signs will direct attendees to the gathering.

The rally is designed to

announce this year's theme and "fire up" team leaders for Northville's May 17-18 fundraiser at Ford Field. Some even decide to become team leaders at this time. The goal for this year's event is to have 65 teams.

Northville's Relay for Life will be from 10 a.m. May 17 to 10 a.m. May 18, with many participants pitching tents and staying overnight on May 17.

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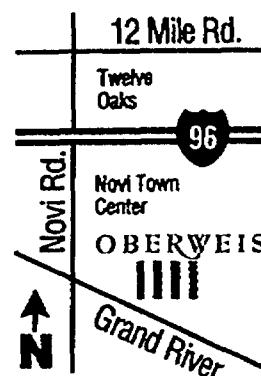
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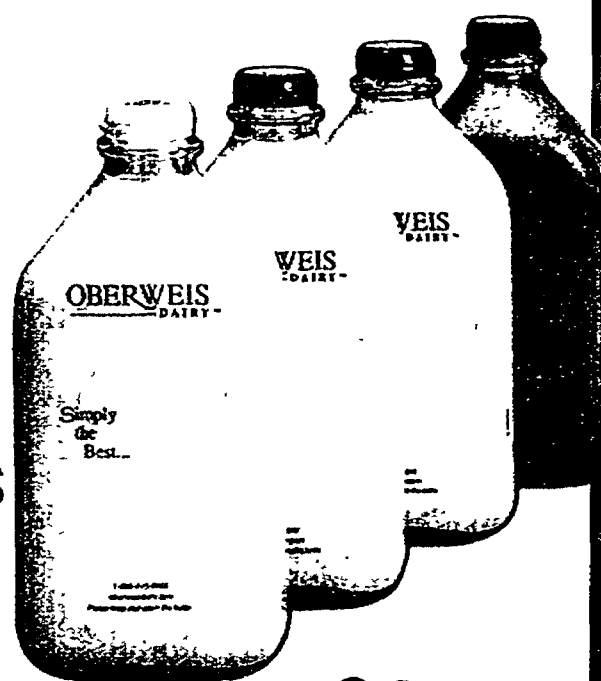
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Trumpeter Zack Thomas and violinist Albert Chen, both students at Northville High School, will perform "Carmina Burana" as part of the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra at 8 p.m. today at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts and at 3 p.m. Sunday at Orchestra Hall at the Max M. Fisher Music Center in Detroit.

Northville High School students to perform with Detroit orchestra

Concerts tonight, Sunday

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Northville High School students Albert Chen and Zack Thomas have a lot in common.

The musicians, who play violin and trumpet, respectively, also both play the piano and even have the same piano instructor.

This week, they will perform as part of a group of talented young people in the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra.

Chen is the son of Shih Emur Yueh Mei Chen of Northville. Thomas is the son of Andy and Joan Thomas of Northville.

The two students said they're excited about being selected to perform.

"We don't get to perform with choirs all the time, so we're looking forward to that," Chen said.

"It's a huge honor for these two," said Thomas' mother. "There are college kids performing in these concerts."

German composer's work

The orchestra will perform Carmina Burana by German composer Carl Orff at 8 tonight at the Macomb Center for Performing Arts and at 3 p.m. Sunday in Orchestra Hall at the Max M. Fisher Music Center.

Metro Detroit's most proficient young instrumental musicians will be joined by conductor Charles Burke, soprano Carmen Pelton, tenor Richard Fracker, baritone Kelly Anderson and a combined ensemble of the Detroit Concert Choir, the Roosevelt High School A Cappella Choir and the Wayne State University Concert Chorus, directed by Norah Duncan IV.

Carmina Burana, written between 1935 and 1936, is based on a collection of poems discovered in a German Benedictine Abbey in the early 19th century. In addition to its popularity in concert halls, the choral piece has become well known in pop culture from Monday Night Football to preference in the Broadway hit "Rent" to commercials for Taster's Choice coffee to the films "Excalibur," "Glory" and "The Doors."

Under the direction of Burke, the Civic Orchestra has become one of the nation's leading youth training ensembles. Auditions for the Civic Orchestra took place last spring, and Chen and Thomas have already performed in several concerts with the group.

Grandfather still plays

Thomas, a junior at NHS who has played trumpet since the fifth grade, became interested in the instrument because his dad's father, Mert, of Livonia plays the trumpet. He was a former music teacher for Dearborn Public

Schools.

"I like everything about the trumpet," Thomas said. "Since I've started playing it, it's really grown on me."

Chen plans to continue playing violin in an orchestra in college but isn't sure about his future career goals at this point. Thomas plans to become a professional musician and will soon be looking for a college or university with a strong trumpet program. He attended the Interlochen Center for the Arts Summer Camp in Interlochen, Mich., last summer, where he met several collegiate trumpeters.

Thomas has been studying with trumpeter Bill Lucas of Bloomfield Hills, who plays with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Chen is under the tutelage of violin instructor Eunja Kim, also of Bloomfield Hills.

Mary Siciliano of Livonia is Chen's and Thomas' piano teacher.

Started violin as child

Chen, a sophomore at NHS, started playing the violin at about age 4 or 5.

"I've grown up playing it, and I practice every day, so it's always been a part of my life," he said. "As I've gotten older, I've grown to like it even more."

Chen said he enjoys playing in the Detroit Civic Orchestra because of the large size of the violin sections.

"Plus, all the people are friendly and nice, and we all get along," he

Ticket details

■ For tickets to tonight's performance of the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, call (586) 286-2222. Tickets are \$15 at the door.

■ For tickets to Sunday afternoon's concert in Orchestra Hall, call (313) 576-5111 or go to www.detroitssymphony.org. Tickets are \$12.

■ For group discount information, call Chuck Dyer at (313) 576-5130.

said. "It's a good place to meet new people."

Both musicians practice an hour or more a day or make up for lost practice time over the weekend if necessary.

Thomas is also a member of the Michigan Youth Ensemble Band and Orchestra in Ann Arbor.

Although Northville High School doesn't have a string program, "There are a lot of opportunities for young musicians in the area," Joan Thomas said.

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Amerman's Nedam earns recognition

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Nedam's sixth-grade class at Meads Mill Middle School the condition of the economy, education and family life in Afghanistan after Russian occupation. Nedam's students were moved and, after researching and discussing options, concluded that the best way to help was to build a school.

Through Nedam's encouragement and nurturing, the students learned how to become advocates. Some of Nedam's pupils even received a Congressional citation and were able to grow their network to include contacts at the United Nations. Three years of fund-raising yielded \$30,000, making it possible to build a six-room schoolhouse.

Nedam said keeping the program afloat was a struggle at times, as some adults didn't believe the venture was going anywhere.

"I'm just proud of the kids for sticking with it," she said. "There were times when it didn't look like any progress was being made, and this came along at a time when Afghanistan wasn't really all that popular with the Taliban being in power at the time."

"There are people who want the spoils but don't want to put the work in, and I'm glad these kids stuck with everything."

In 1998, the school, which costs between \$6,000 and \$7,000 a month to operate, became operational with an enrollment of 465 students attending school at different times during the day. Nedam said the school at first was slated to fit 150 students. But 300 registered, and those 465 showed

up on the first day.

Nedam's work has also made it possible for books and immunizations to be obtained from UNICEF. Nedam and her students' efforts built a school, medical clinic, bakery/kitchen, guesthouse, orphanage, and the only deep-water well in the area. The Japanese Embassy completed a building for women's education. The enrollment is now more 1,200 students at two schools.

Nedam said even though Kids 4 Afghan Kids is receiving plenty of recognition, her work isn't done yet. She wants to build two high schools and a community center for the Afghan kids, too.

"Sometimes you get caught up in everything that you have done, and you don't think about what else there is to be done," Nedam said. "We haven't had time to think about the beginning - even though it was a struggle at times - because we know we're not finished yet."

Nedam has also taught in France, Turkey and Afghanistan. At every stop of the journey, she both taught and participated in each community's life. She learned French, Turkish, Dari, and is currently working to learn "Pushto" (the language of the majority ethnic group in Afghanistan).

Nedam has received a number of awards for her efforts in teaching global understanding, including a Congressional Award of Commendation (2000), the Michigan Governor's Service Award (2002) and being named to the National Association of Elementary School Principals' Heroes Hall of Fame (2002). Nedam last December also received the 2007 National Council for the Social Studies Award for Global Understanding.

For additional information about the 'Kids 4 Afghan Kids' program, please visit their Web site at kids4afghankids.com.

District sees small jump in attendance

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30 days because this funding is important for districts to be able to get things done."

The February total will be finalized 30 days from when the count was taken, as state officials use that time to tally up figures, Mossoian said.

Count day takes place twice each school year: on the fourth Wednesday in September and second Wednesday in February of each school year. The number of students present on both days determines the amount of state funding per pupil.

The September total accounts for 75 percent of the "blended total" and the February count day makes up the remaining 25 percent. The state takes the blended

count total and multiplies it against the Foundation Allowance, which is the predetermined amount per pupil.

Students must be enrolled on or before count day, meet state age requirements, have identity and age verified by their school district, proof of residency, class schedule and be in attendance all day on the specified day.

Students with an authorized excused absence on the count day may be counted if they attended all classes at least once within 30 calendar days of the count day. Enrolled students with an unexcused absence on count day must have attended all classes prior to count day and must again attend all classes during the next 10 consecutive school days.

Teachers are responsible for taking a head count on count day.

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BRIEFS

Northville one of four cities involved in prostitution sting

The Wayne County Sheriff's office arrested an off-duty deputy, 15 prostitutes and two pimps in a countywide sting the weekend of Feb. 8-10 involving Romulus, Taylor, Dearborn Heights and Northville, according to local news reports and a law enforcement Web site, www.officer.com.

According to reports, Wayne County Sheriff Warren C. Evans said the crackdown on the prostitution activity was initiated because prostitution leads to other crimes in communities.

As for as the off-duty deputy involved in the sting, Evans said the arrest comes with the message that he will be treated just like everyone else.

The officer faces a misdemeanor charge as well as internal discipline from the sheriff's department.

Deputies also seized some marijuana and a small amount of heroin during the sting.

Northville Square's Empire Deli now open for breakfast

Downtown Northville's Empire Deli, an authentic New York-style delicatessen, is now open daily for breakfast.

Crepes, omelettes, pancakes, French toast, breakfast sandwiches, breakfast burritos, croissants, bagels, muffins, English muffins, and toast will be served 6-10 a.m. Monday-Saturday and 7 a.m.-noon on Sunday.

Specialties include vanilla bean pancakes, Ghirardelli chocolate pancakes, goat cheese crepes with herbs, bacon and roasted almonds and corned beef hash.

The deli is located at 133 W. Main Street, Suite 212, on the south side of Main Street one block west of Center Street.

Diners can create their own breakfast burrito and enjoy egg dishes made with cholesterol-free Eggbeaters.

For more information, call (248) 349-5536.

MacKinnon's closes

After being a fixture in downtown Northville since 1981, MacKinnon's Restaurant & Catering, located at 126 E. Main Street, has closed its doors and is now available to lease or buy.

Owner Tom MacKinnon was the chef at the new Five Restaurant next to the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth Township when it opened in January 2006. His son, Ian, who now works as the chef at the new Nordstrom's Bistro at Twelve Oaks Mall, served as chef of MacKinnon's until April 2006. Tom, however, was the last chef to work at the downtown Northville restaurant. He could not be reached for comment about the closing.

Northville singer to launch CD, perform live Feb. 28 at NOMI

Plans to attend music college

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Budding musician Sam Pope is preparing for one of the most exciting and important nights of her life next week.

Pope, 20, of Northville, will launch her new CD of acoustic music, "Steady Silence," at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28, at NOMI Restaurant, located at 133 W. Main Street in Northville Square.

Most people in the community know Pope from her days as captain of the Northville High School Girls Hockey Team. A 2005 graduate, she later went on to coach the junior varsity girls team as an assistant to Coach Scott Corless.

Since graduation, she's been working on her music career and will attend Columbia Arts and Music College in Chicago this fall.

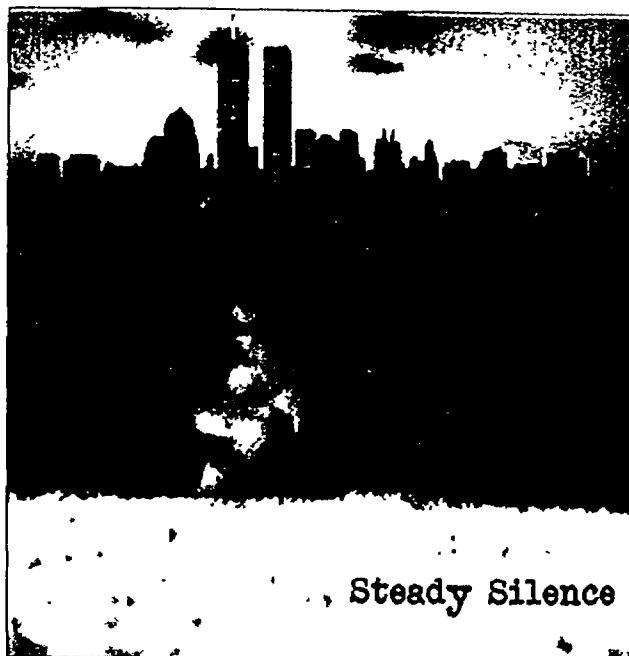
Pope will perform 11 songs at her NOMI performance.

"I've been working on the CD for about three years," she said. The recording took place at a Don Whyte's studio in Southfield. Pope was referred to Whyte by a fellow musician.

"Steady Silence" is a collection of acoustic songs written by Pope.

"It's sort of a musical example of a personal journal," she said. The songs describe some of the feelings she's experienced in her life so far.

Pope started playing acoustic guitar about age 9, under the direction of her mother, Sharon,



Submitted photo

Sam Pope, 20, of Northville, launches her new CD, "Steady Silence," at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28 at NOMI Restaurant.

who is also a musician. She also plays the drums.

The new artist started writing music following the dissolution of a friendship a few years ago.

"This friend's leaving inspired me to write my first song, 'Handicap of a Broken Heart,'" she said. The song is not included on her current CD, however.

One song on the CD is about her sister and is titled "Hey, Jamie." The upbeat tune, which Pope said is a favorite of many who have heard her new CD, includes lyrics about Jamie and her friends.

"The song is about going out and having fun with the girls,"

Pope said.

Pope, who will have copies of her new CD at her performance for \$10, said local producers have already have expressed an interest in promoting her work.

Pope said Rachel Stern and Al Irish, owners of NOMI, were extremely supportive of her idea to launch the new CD at their downtown location.

"They thought it was a great idea," she said. "They like to encourage local artists."

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RELAY FOR LIFE: Everyone invited to attend Feb. 28 kickoff

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Laabs has been involved with Relay for Life for a couple of years.

"By far the most memorable part of the 24-hour, overnight event at Northville's Ford Field is the Survivor Lap, where residents and friends in the Northville area complete a solemn lap dedicated to both themselves and those who have passed before them due to this difficult disease."

The lap takes place at 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. the first day of the event.

Although next week's kickoff is designed to announce the

theme and begin team development, anyone who wants to learn more about Relay for Life can attend.

"It's a way we introduce or re-introduce the event to the community each year," said Barb Iovan, of the American Cancer Society. "There's no obligation."

Laabs said about 50 percent of those who participate in the Relay for Life fundraiser is comprised of young people in Northville.

"It's predominantly high school students, but we want students of all ages to get involved," he said. "The youth are very creative in their team and fund-raising abilities. They always come up with creative, unusual and often funny ways to get people to donate and gather at the event."

"I think the youth get a lot out of this because they realize the benefits of giving back to the community, as well as learning

from people's personal stories about cancer."

Laabs' wife, Sue, has been busy organizing the musical entertainment for the May event.

"We have a full day of live entertainment, including many bands from the Northville area," she said. Last year, eight bands played. This year's event will offer a mixture of live music, comedy and dance.

More than 1,000 people attend Northville's Relay for Life each year.

"Northville's a very supportive community," Laabs said. "We hope the attendance can go up each year to help fund the reduction or elimination of the difficulties associated with cancer. If we can repeat last year's success, everybody will be smiling."

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Council selects goals for fiscal year '08-09

Priorities set before budget talks in April

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

One of the most important tasks for a city council is to look to the future — to provide a vision for a community.

With this in mind, the Northville City Council traditionally meets this time of year to determine priorities for the next fiscal year's budget.

Members met Jan. 28 to review goals and objectives for fiscal year 2008-09. Goals were finalized and approved Tuesday night since city hall was closed Monday for President's Day.

City department heads had presented their goals and objectives in writing to the council prior to the January meeting. Councilmembers then determined which projects should be listed as high, medium- or lower-priority.

High-priority projects

Long-term financial stability is viewed as a top priority.

The council wants to continue to enhance the city's financial condition and achieve a fund balance minimum of 25-35 percent of the city's annual budget.

Members would also like to continue investigating alternate revenue sources and enhancements and address the complexity of retiree benefits, also known as legacy costs.

Water and sewer system improvements are also seen as a high priority. These include efforts to improve infrastructure, control water loss, control inflow and infiltration to preserve sewer capacity, build working capital, control debt, monitor regional water distribution and sewer capacity and minimize the wholesale water rate charged by the city of Detroit.

The third top-priority is the negotiation of an extension of the water service contract with the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, which needs to be completed before July 1 when proposed new rates will take effect.

Medium-priority projects

The implementation of the Downtown Strategic Plan was also tagged as a medium-priority goal. The plan's key strategies are to improve the physical environment, economic environment and organization of Northville's downtown.

Members suggested that the plan be reviewed annually for consistency along with plans from other groups.

Retaining the retail operation of the Northville Post Office within

Top priorities for city of Northville

- Long-term financial stability
- Water and sewer system improvements
- Negotiating extension of water service contract with city of Detroit

the Central Business District was marked as another medium-priority. The council wants to work with post office officials, who plan to seek a carrier annex within the service area plus retain and remodel the Wing Street location.

Improvements to streets, sidewalks and bike path connectivity were also deemed a medium priority for the city. Projects involved in this area include the annual crack-sealing program and annual street and sidewalk program approved in 1997. Council wants progress to continue on the replacement of the Beal Street Bridge and Taft Road Reconstruction.

Another medium-priority goal is to determine the feasibility of the connectivity of nonmotorized vehicle paths to create cohesiveness between neighboring communities. This goal would include identifying a network of paths and evaluating them and their connectivity to schools and communities, including estimating preliminary design and construction costs.

Development and redevelopment issues were also assigned as a medium-priority goal. Council plans to continue development and redevelopment of the Cady Corridor and the former McDonald Ford auto dealership property.

At the suggestion of Mayor Chris Johnson, the development and implementation of a follow-up process for board and commission decisions was determined to also be a medium-priority goal. This includes the establishment of a committee to review the building inspection process.

This goal follows harsh criticism a few months ago of inspectors' actions during Rick Starling's medical leave.

Lower-priority projects

Lower-priority projects listed were improvements to Mill Pond, including reviewing the feasibility of separating dredging from trapping, and the build-out of Rural Hill Cemetery. Council will consider clearing the Phase II area of the cemetery by Department of Public Works staff, making more space available on a gradual basis.

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LET'S TALK WITH GARY S. WEINSTEIN GEMOLOGIST

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If you are particularly fond of the ocean and would like to keep a reminder of its beauty with you at all times, you will certainly want to take a look at aquamarine. This gorgeous blue green gemstone, the birthstone for March, is a member of the same family (beryl) as emerald. Unlike its green sister stone, however, aquamarine is remarkably clear. This sea blue gemstone is also less brittle and more durable than its green counterpart. Aquamarine stones in larger sizes are real eye-catchers and usually display color intensity that smaller stones may find difficult to match. These water-clear crystals are most often mined in Brazil, Russia, Africa, and the United States. High-quality aquamarine pieces are worthy of beakdown status.

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SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Community Center
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Thursday
Massage by appointment
Taxes by AARP by appt.
9 a.m.: TOPS
9:30 a.m.: Yoga
10 a.m.: Bowling
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Computer I
Friday
9:30 a.m.: Focus Hope and Liquid Nutrition
10 a.m.: Body Flow
11 a.m.: Poker
11:30 a.m.: Computer III
1 p.m.: Movie "Becoming Jane"
Monday
9:30 a.m.: Beginning Line Dance
10 a.m.: Body Flow, Adv. Line Dance; Oxyrise
Noon: Blood Pressure Check
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre
7 p.m.: Tai Chi
Tuesday
9 a.m.: Greentown Casino; Advanced Screenings
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Computer I
Wednesday
Foot Reflexology by appt.
10 a.m.: Oxyrise
11:30 a.m.: Soup-N-Something
Noon: Bridge
1 p.m.: Computer I
7 p.m.: Bridge
First Aid for Elder Caregivers
TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday
LOCATION: Northville Community Senior Center
DETAILS: Elder Care Professional Marge Wisniewski, BSHE, MBA, will provide informa-

tion on Alzheimer's and dementia care, legal resources, long-term care options and other resources.
CONTACT: Cathy Cardinal (248) 349-0432
Co-ed Adult 50+ Open 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
Adult 50+ Fun Co-ed Volleyball
TIME/DAYS: 1-3 p.m. every Tuesday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: Games scored to 15 points with creative team rotation; \$1 per session; all skill levels welcome.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Basketball
TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon each Thursday
LOCATION: Senior Community Center
DETAILS: All levels of play wel-

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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. Tuesdays
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.



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One-Stroke

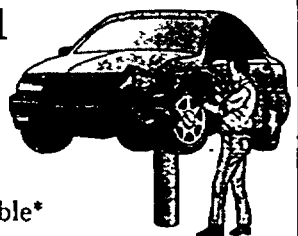
Margret Bonnici, left, and Judy Kowaleski work on painting flowers during a recent One-Stroke painting class held at the Northville Senior Community Center. The class, which meets weekly and is taught by Jean Belluz, is one of the many classes and activities offered at the Northville center.

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My Problem Is Your Opportunity

I've decided to give up trying to make a profit during the "killer" months. If I can only minimize my losses during February and March, I will come out ahead of the other ten months. Here's how this (admittedly daring) offer came about. Every year, the big manufacturers of air conditioners have to guess how many to build to meet the demand. Of course, they're never exactly right. So, they always have inventory they must hold over until the next summer season. I went to Lennox and contracted for the purchase of 48 premium air conditioners and furnaces in the four most popular sizes used in this Area. And, because of the quantity and time of year, I was able to buy them at drastically reduced, dirt cheap, out-of-season prices. They are brand new 2008 models. And they are NOT the seconds or "blemis" or standard "builder" models. They are factory-fresh, premium Lennox air conditioners and furnaces and have a full factory warranty.

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By putting this furnace and air conditioner package together with Lennox and committing to a do-or-die purchase agreement of 48 systems, I was able to buy both the furnace and the air conditioner for less than anyone should have a right to pay! So, if you buy one of these normal 48 new, premium air conditioners (but only if one of the four sizes I have will fit your house, of course), I am "giving" you the furnace and all I ask for is the \$984 in labor and materials it costs to have your furnace installed.

Here's How

Just call me at 517-548-2114 anytime. I will come out and measure your home (and determine the availability of the proper size). Don't forget, I only have 48 matched Lennox systems in four sizes. When they are gone, this remarkable offer ends also. I will show you the real world price on the air conditioner that fits your home. Then, I will show you the substantial savings now. And it will include all labor and installation materials. Nothing is left out.

The Concept Is Simple Really

By letting you win big now, I will win at the end of the year. I'm betting that if I make you an offer that is "irresistible" (at least it should be if your furnace or air conditioner is over 8 years old) and I barely mark it up above the price I paid, I will accomplish two things:

1. I will cover my rent, utilities, insurance and taxes in the "killer" months.
 2. I can pay my professional staff of 12 technicians to work instead of paying them to sit at home.
- If I can accomplish these two objectives, I will minimize my losses

and the rest of the year, I can be a winner.

No Obligation

Even after I completely explain the installation, there is absolutely no obligation. If you decide you don't want to take advantage of the spectacular savings ... that's okay. I will give you a surprise gift worth \$50 because you are kind enough to read this letter and give me a chance to solve my problem. I want you to think well of PYRO Heating even if you don't buy.

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Why This Offer Can't Last

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1. I can only have 12 of each of the four sizes. When all of the air conditioners are sold and all the furnaces are "given" away in a particular size, that's it. There are no more at this price.
2. If I have any of the 48 systems left on March 31 (although I doubt I will), this offer still ends.
Here's why. The only reason I am making this virtually no-profit (for me) offer is because of the "killer" months. My business always starts to improve in April and because the furnaces cost me so little, I can sell them at 2007 prices next November and December and still come out ahead. Give me a call now at 517-548-2114 and I will set an appointment for your no-obligation survey.

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ENGAGEMENTS

**Hordov-Salliotte**

Emil and Annette Hordov, of State College, Penn., announce the engagement of their daughter Vanessa Nicole Hordov to William Michael Salliotte, son of William and Elizabeth Salliotte, of Northville.

The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of Pennsylvania State University with a bachelor of science degree in human development and family studies and will receive a master's of social work from Columbia University in 2008. She is a full-time student at Columbia.

The groom-elect graduated from Northville High School in 2001 and from Pennsylvania State University in 2006 with a bachelor of architecture degree. He is an architect at Moed de Amas and Shannon Architects in New York City.

An August 2008 wedding is planned at St. John's in Plymouth.

**Ivey-Hillebrand**

Gerald and Patricia Ivey of Wixom announce the engagement of their daughter Aimee to Joe Hillebrand, son of Tom and Sue Hillebrand of Northville.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School and a 2006 graduate of Eastern Michigan University where she earned a bachelor's degree in sociology. Aimee is employed with the British School of Chicago.

The groom-elect is a 2000 graduate of Catholic Central High School and a 2006 graduate of the University of Vermont with a degree in political science. Joe works at the Chicago Board of Trade with an options trading firm.

They will be married in Michigan on Aug. 23.

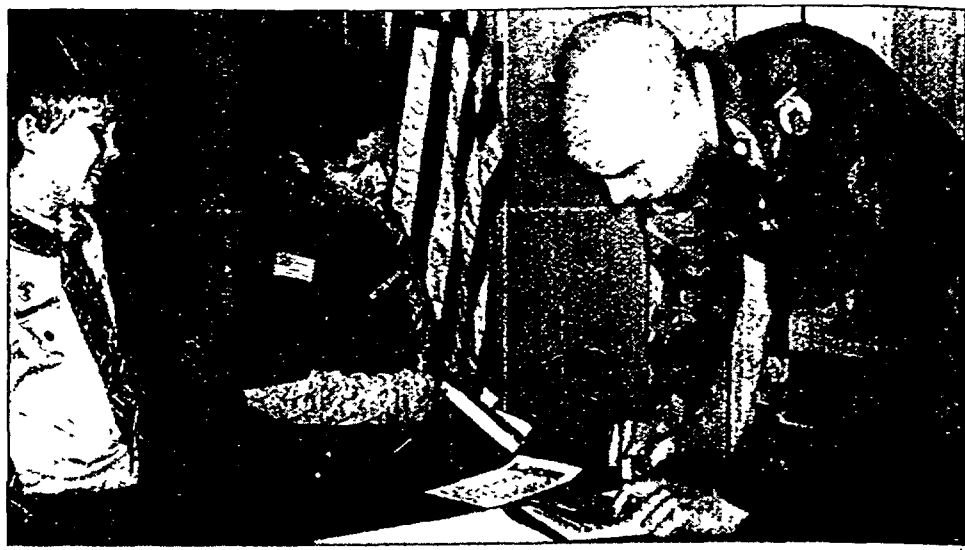
Cub Scouts blast off with Civil Air Patrol

Cub Scout Pack 766 is celebrating its 50th year anniversary this year, and Assistant Scout Master Richard Honiss asked the Civil Air Patrol Sixgate Composite Squadron of Novi to help them celebrate during their pinewood rocket derby by educating their young scouts about aerospace.

Major Patrick Gorman, and Captains Jennifer Gorman, Phil Argenti, and Deb Coykendall, along with five cadets - C/2Lt Clint Coykendall, C/CMSgt Curtis Berenguer, C/TSgt Michael Cassar, C/Amn Shawn Davis, and C/Amn Michelle Gray - set up and manned four hands-on exhibits.

The Cub Scouts started off by sitting in a chair blindfolded, and then spun around a couple of times to see how the inner ear can fool a pilot into thinking they are turning instead of flying straight and level.

At the next station, Cadets Gray and Cassar let the cub scouts put Alka Seltzer and a little water into a 35mm film container, with the lid snapped shut. After a couple of seconds, the scouts got to see how a



Submitted photo

C/2Lt Coykendall helps Cubs figure out how much they weigh on other planets.

rocket blasts off.

Major Gorman and Captain Argenti then let the cubs land a plastic plane, sliding down a string onto a runway. If the Cubs pushed the stick forward too much, the plane would crash short of the runway. If they held the stick back too far, the plane would never touch down, so the scouts had to position the stick just like a pilot does to land the plane right on the runway. The squadron is happy to report after many crashes and perfect landings all the pilots walked to the next station unharmed.

The next station encompassed a bathroom scale and a chart of formulas. The Cubs got their Earth weight and then applied the formulas to see what they would weigh on other planets and the moon.

The last station Captain Coykendall had certificates, suitable for framing, for each Cub Scout and family member who got a chance to try all the exhibits. All

Sixgate Squadron regularly meets at the Novi Civic Center from 7-9 p.m. on Wednesdays

Civil Air Patrol was founded on Dec. 1, 1941, less than a week before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor brought the United States into World War II. Today, CAP performs more than 93 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) and was credited by the AFRCC with saving 105 lives in fiscal year 2007. In addition to their search and rescue duties, CAP volunteers perform homeland security, disaster relief and counterdrug missions at the request of federal, state and local agencies. Members also play a leading role in aerospace education, both in our communities and within the program, and serve as mentors to the more than 22,000 young people currently participating in the CAP cadet program.

while these stations were active, the scout leaders were helping each Cub Scout race their balsa wood rockets along a string, against other Cub's rockets. The rockets came in kits that each Cub Scout put together, painted and raced at the meeting. By the time the two-hour meeting ended, all the Cub Scouts and their

families had a lot of fun and learned a little about aerospace and got a glimpse of what they could do in Civil Air Patrol.

Submitted by Major Patrick E. Gorman, Public Affairs Officer, Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol.

OBITUARY

MICHELLE L. CARLILE

(nee LaMay). Age 39, of Cartersville, GA, formerly of Northville, passed away Feb. 9, 2008. Services were Feb. 23. Contributions to M.E.S.P., c/o Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville.

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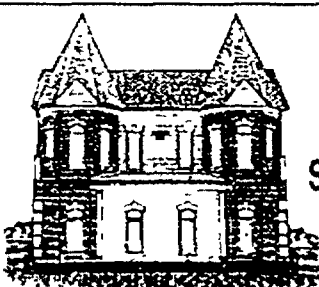
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BUSINESS



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Family-run gourmet market offers inviting atmosphere



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Vincent Nona's Market Village, which opened on the northwest corner of Grand River Avenue and Meadowbrook Road, specializes in a wide variety of wines. Nona is manager of the market, which opened Feb. 4.

By Kelly Murad
STAFF WRITER

Novi resident Mike Sarafa has been anticipating the opening of the new gourmet market at the corner of Grand River Avenue and Meadowbrook Road.

"Ever since Vic's closed, there's been nowhere to shop ... until now," Sarafa said.

Market Village offers residents everything a full-service grocery store does, on a slightly smaller scale.

"We were going for a place where people could come and get everything they need, plus more," said owner Vincent Nona.

Novi's economic development manager, Ara Topouzian, believes the market's visible location, quality of products and large selection will satisfy residents' needs.

"It makes it convenient for residents to pick up a last-minute item, or to pick up the works for dinner," Topouzian said. "What makes it unique is it's got a different quality of products; they've got a lot of specialty items."

All in the family

Nona, who also owns The Vinery in Dearborn Heights, said he and his sister, Ann Michael, have been talking about opening a gourmet market in Novi for the past six years.

"Novi's an up-and-coming area to do a project like this," said Michael.

She does marketing for Triangle Development, which is owned by the Nona family.

The family-owned business is

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responsible for a number of successful projects within the City of Novi, such as MainStreet, Gateway Village condominiums and the property where Market Village is located.

"It's part of the Nona family and they have a good reputation of doing good developments in the area," Topouzian said. "They understand the needs of the community."

Topouzian believes residents are attracted to family-run businesses.

"They've got a vested interest in the community," he said. "It adds a nice down home touch to it."

Quality products, conservative prices

In trying to cater to the Novi community, Nona felt it was important to offer high quality products at an affordable price, including organics.

While moderate in size, the meat and delicatessen counter offers Boar's Head Premium deli meats and Tender Ridge Angus beef, which is an all-natural, grain-fed cattle, guaranteed to be tender.

"Their meat department seemed to be unique," Topouzian said. "It

"We were going for a place where people could come and get everything they need, plus more."

Vincent Nona
Market Village owner

looked like it had real good quality, which I think is important."

Market Village is the only local store to carry Tender Ridge Angus because of its exclusive licensing program.

Along with the premium selection of deli items, Market Village offers a prepared food section and catering services by head chef Laura Hook.

"It hits a bit of a niche, it's not your typical grocery store," Topouzian said. "People seem to be gravitating more toward these specialty grocery stores because I think they offer uniqueness."

And unique is exactly the word

to describe the wine selection.

"It has a nice ambience to it," said wine specialist Saad Yono of the cellar-style area in the corner of the market. "We tried to appeal to most people's taste to fit the area, because Novi does well with wine."

The market features wines from regions, such as Germany, France, Italy, Australia, Argentina, Asia and Michigan.

Yono, who used to own a store in Sterling Heights, said every bottle of wine is hand-selected before it is placed on the shelves.

"I've always had a passion for wine," he said. "It's just something I've always enjoyed."

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- Best specialty coffee house _____
- Best place for breakfast _____
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- Best fast food restaurant _____
- Best family restaurant _____
- Best place for soup _____
- Best salad bar _____
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- Best place for hot dogs/coneys _____
- Best place for subs _____
- Best place for ice cream _____
- Best place for chicken _____
- Best quality dining restaurant _____
- Best place for desserts _____
- Best Italian restaurant _____
- Best place for seafood _____
- Best oriental restaurant _____
- Best Tex-Mex restaurant _____
- Best place for pizza _____
- Best place for steak _____
- Best place for barbecue ribs _____
- Best wine selection (restaurant) _____
- Best beer selection (restaurant) _____
- Best place for romantic dinner _____
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- Best eyecare store _____
- Best bakery/baked goods _____
- Best floral shop _____
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- Best party store _____
- Best jewelry store _____
- Best lumber yard _____
- Best beer selection (store) _____
- Best wine selection (store) _____
- Best children's wear _____
- Best men's wear _____
- Best women's wear _____
- Best resale shop _____
- Best sporting goods _____
- Best antique store _____
- Best hardware/home improvement store _____
- Best gift/card store _____

All Entries Must Be Received By March 7th

Northville Township PetSmart gets go-ahead to add PetsHotel

Day care part of store service

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Need a place for Fido or Fluffy to play during the day or spend the night?

As early as next year, the PetSmart in Northville Township will be able to help.

At their December 2007 meeting, the township board of trustees approved the addition of a PetsHotel at the store located in the Northville Village shopping center at 17677 Haggerty Road.

The shopping center is on the west side of Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads.

It was stated at the meeting that the hotel might open as early as this spring, but the opening has been delayed.

"We don't have any solid dates on this location yet," said a spokesperson from PetSmart corporate communications. "But, at this time, it doesn't appear that the PetsHotel will be completed in 2008."

The PetsHotel concept is an interactive, year-round day care and overnight service for dogs and cats.

The hotels are located inside about 100 facilities in about 30 states. The ultimate build-out is about 540 hotels, with 292 to be open by 2010.

The facilities have been well-received all over the country, according to PetSmart representatives, are soundproof and have separate areas for dogs and cats.

In the Metro Detroit area, the pet

hotel facilities are already available at PetSmart locations in Ann Arbor, Commerce, Southfield, Troy, Rochester and Utica.

Take a call at the 'Bone Booth'

"Pet parents" say the welcoming area in the PetsHotels look a lot like a real hotel lobby.

The facility will offer exercise and bathing for pets in a state-of-the-art pet hotel. Dogs can watch televisions tuned to animal programming, sleep on cots and even take phone calls from their owners

at the "Bone Booth."

Cats stay in "Kitty Cottages," and there's no scent of dogs around since cat and dog areas have separate ventilation systems.

Representatives from PetSmart told township trustees that a special waste-removal method keeps the pet waste out of the wastewater system.

Trustee Marv Gans said he'd like to visit one of the area PetsHotels to see what the facility looks like.

The hotel will be open during retail hours from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, with staff providing 24-hour supervision.

"They pride themselves on cleanliness," said a PetSmart representative at the board meeting.

The pet hotels provide about 100 kennels in three sizes — 4 foot by 4 foot, 4 foot by 6 foot and suites that are 4 foot by 8 foot.

Each PetsHotel offers Doggie Day Camp that gives dogs a safe and fun way to exercise and socialize. Dogs can even indulge in dog-safe, soft-serve ice cream. A

veterinarian will also be on call 24 hours a day.

Average rates are \$23-\$36 for dogs a night, depending on the type of room; \$20-\$25 for Doggie Day Camp; \$14 a night for cats; and \$12 a day for cat day care.


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The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The Planning Commission will consider a proposed amendment to the Country Club Village Planned Residential Unit Development (PRUD) Agreement. The amendment includes converting the existing golf course maintenance facility to an office and constructing a new maintenance facility for the golf course. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

The public is invited to attend this hearing and provide their comments and ask questions. Written comments regarding the proposal will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.

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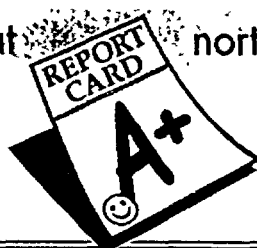
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Story of Columbine victim comes to NHS

■ High school to host event for community

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Rachel Scott was the first casualty in the April 20, 1999, Columbine High School tragedy.

But a challenge she set for herself lives on: Treat others with kindness and compassion and you just may change the world you live in.

Scott's message will be heard at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the auditorium at Northville High School through a program titled "Rachel's Challenge,"

sponsored by school Parent Teacher Student Association.

Scott's friends and family remember her best for her acts of kindness and compassion. Those acts, coupled with the contents of her six diaries, have become the foundation of a countrywide school program that includes audio and video footage of Rachel's Challenge, while motivating audiences to make a positive change in the way they treat others.

Scott's story has been heard abroad, too, and this year the number of students to hear her tale will reach one million. The school program, founded by Scott's father, Darrell, is said to have prevented several suicides, drastically reduced bullying and, in three known

instances, prevented a planned school shooting.

Northville High Student Assistance Coordinator Carolyn Miranda said she's known of the program for some time by seeing it featured on various news outlets. Miranda found out that the program would be taking place in the area this month, and someone with Rachel's Challenge contacted Northville High to gauge interest. The next step was to get approval from district administrators, which went over well.

"We also got a number of students groups to help sponsor the event to help cover the \$2,500 for the assembly," Miranda said.

Mary Jo Ring, Northville High School Parent Awareness

"It's about eliminating prejudice and helping people who may feel isolated."

Carolyn Miranda

Northville High School student assistant coordinator

Committee chair, said she thinks people will be affected by the assembly in different ways.

"I know there are some parents who have kids who don't fit in well or get bullied," Ring said. "Then you have the parents of the kids who fit in just fine but who worry about something like what happened in Columbine happening in their com-

munity. So, people will take different things from (the event)

"I think it will be extremely beneficial, though."

Miranda said that although the event will not focus on the violence that affected Scott, it does focus on hope and taking the necessary steps to possibly prevent future violence.

"It's about eliminating prejudice

and helping people who may feel isolated," Miranda said. "We're trying to continue the legacy (Scott) left."

For more information, visit www.rachelschallenge.com.

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RPM

The band "RPM" plays at a Valentine's Day dance at Hillside Middle School last week. The band members - Collin Riley, Dan Price (drums) and Nick Mota - are students at Northville High School and are Hillside graduates.



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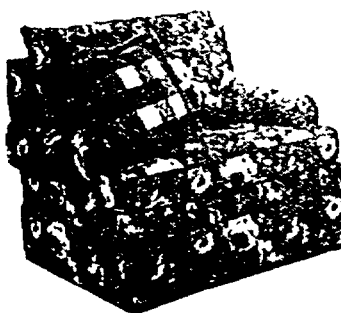
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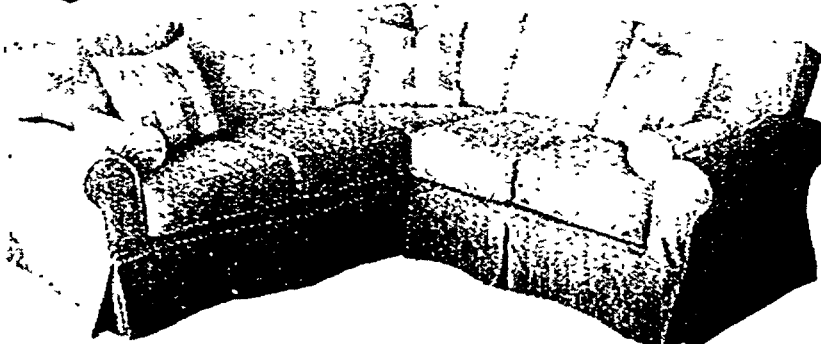
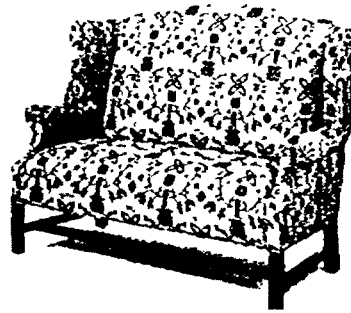
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Township and developer must work it out

One year ago to the day, our editorial was headlined "No Sandstone, please!" The final sentence of that piece read, "But let's hope that both sides remain respectful and professional and work it out - without getting the courts involved."

A lot has happened since then, and none of it good.

Developer REIS bought the property for far less than it was worth. They want more commercial and less residential than what the township is willing to allow.

A gate was erected on the site of the former state psychiatric hospital on Seven Mile Road, and "security" personnel were moved into mobile homes.

At least one person has been shot on the property.

Rumors abound that REIS wants the city of Livonia to annex the property.

Our local state senator, Bruce Patterson, is trying to rescue the township with inappropriate legislation that could negatively impact most other municipalities in the state.

And, let's not forget, the developer and the township are suing each other. The annexation issue can be fixed quickly if Livonia is willing to man up and say "No thanks."

Then the developer and township need to sit down with a third-party facilitator and work this mess out - before Northville Township taxpayers get stuck paying for something caused by large egos.

Correction

In an article on page 3A of last week's paper, "Hot Topics: Annexation, coffee," a comment from State Rep. Marc Corviveau (D-Northville) that read, "Some townships want the ability to annex" should have read "Some townships want the ability to be annexed."

LETTERS

MacKinnon's bails on customers

Back in mid-November, I made a gift certificate purchase on Dick Purtan's Dining Deals for MacKinnons in downtown Northville. I received the certificates, and they each had an expiration date of May 2008. This past weekend, I found out that the restaurant had closed and the owner was in Bermuda before I had the opportunity to use any of the certificates. It is disappointing that a reputable local business, that more than likely knew that the restaurant would be closing after the holidays, would agree to be a part of the Dining Deals or allow an expiration date of May 1, as well as other family members, friends and others in the community, am out money. My question is, does the former owner of MacKinnons have any intentions to reimburse the money that was pocketed, or does he plan to just move on?

Amanda D'Angelo
Northville

Forum for township's future

The Citizens For Northville (CFN) is inviting you to a CFN Town Hall Forum March 6 at 7 p.m. at the Highland Lakes Community Center. CFN and its steering committee are striving to inform and educate the citizens of Northville Township and the City of Northville about the future plans and disposition property at 7 Mile and Haggerty roads known as Highwood, the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital site.

The Citizens for Northville are made up of concerned taxpayers to support Northville Township and city governments into the future during this proposed development. Real Estate Interest Group Inc. and Schostak Brothers of Livonia (REIS) are the developers. The primary contentious issues between the township and the developer are the resi-

dential density and the amount of commercial content. REIS has shown an unwillingness to comply with the existing ordinances of the township. In the spirit of cooperation, the township has made concessions on many of the developer's requests. However, there are other stalemates on a variety of issues.

You might be asking yourself, how does this affect my neighborhood? The impact of additional nonstandard density is the higher total cost of governmental services. Hundreds of new residents and shopping will translate to a need for expanded police, fire and EMS protection, along with education, parks and recreation, senior, and library services. The new commercial sites and residences will increase the already congested traffic at 7 Mile and Haggerty. REIS has not adequately addressed these and other issues.

There is the possibility that if REIS does not get approval for the plan, they will attempt to take the property out of Northville Township jurisdiction by annexing the land to Livonia. REIS has already done this in three other townships in Michigan. Should this occur, the school boundaries will not change and the Northville taxpayers would still pay for the construction of a new elementary school. Northville has a crowded high school that had been already expanded.

The Citizens for Northville are in favor of a development, but not the one REIS is proposing. We need your voices. Please attend our forum March 6. You can also visit our Web site www.CitizensForNorthville.com for more information.

Colleen Nametz
Brooklane Ridge Resident

Sees problem with sidewalk design

In response to the rhetorical question about the new street design in downtown Northville - no, it is not safe.

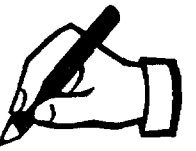
I have amblyopia, which causes problems with depth perception. It has become very disconcerting to walk in that area, both

because the street and sidewalk look the same, and because of the diagonal design which can be very disorienting. With the sidewalk, curb and street all the same, it is hard for someone like me to distinguish the height differential between the curb and the street. I was not surprised to hear that someone had been injured there already.

I would think it would be obvious to the most casual observer, let alone professionals, that this design would be problematic for older citizens, anyone with vision problems, and especially for children who need much more graphic representations of street vs. sidewalk. Enticing children to be closer to the road with the planter designs just adds to the incongruity of it all. This is a disaster waiting to happen.

Whoever was on the committee that approved this design, as well as the eyesore known as a roundabout on Taft Road, should be recalled.

Sharon Bataran
Northville



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It's a small, small world after all

Technology has been advancing rapidly, enabling us to extend our reach around the world. Most of us have not kept up with the human element of communication, learning a "foreign" language. Learning or retaining other languages is a national security and economic necessity if we want America to lead in the 21st century knowledge economy.

This fact was driven home to me as I recently did a radio interview and typed my blog entry from Tibet (www.wjtv.com - click on Building Bridges from the Great Lakes to the Great Wall) the "roof top of the world."

After 9-11, our intelligence community acknowledged we need more people who can read, speak and understand Arabic, Farsi and Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin).

A few years ago, I was at dinner with 10 others at a World Trade Center meeting in Seville, Spain. My colleagues

were conversing in Spanish, German, Chinese, Arabic and Portuguese. An English word was sprinkled in periodically. Most at the table spoke and understood multiple languages. My monolingual, English-only speakers sat in isolation. It was a strong reminder of the power of communication.

In business, it is critical that more of our students learn Mandarin Chinese if we are going to thrive economically. I have learned, through more than a dozen trips to China, that they are serious about recovering their past glory and becoming the economic superpower of this century.

One-fifth of the world's population lives in China. There are more English speakers in China than English speakers in America. Mandarin Chinese has surpassed English as the most used language on the Internet. It is not unusual to have Chinese kindergarten students greet you in English and high

school students be fluent in English and Chinese. How many students in your community can do the same?

It is critical that we get serious about learning Chinese. Not learning Chinese will make us less competitive at all levels. Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson understands the competitive challenge that another language, particularly Chinese, means to our economic survival. At my urging, he called on all Oakland County schools to offer Mandarin. Currently, 20 of the 28 school districts do; the others expect to follow suit next year. Oakland schools deserve credit for their leadership on this important issue.

Patterson understands that learning Chinese will give Oakland County's children a competitive advantage. It will help make Oakland County, and all southeast Michigan, an economic magnet for Chinese investment in the future. More

school districts across the state need to follow Oakland County's lead.

All business is global today. Having the ability to read, write and understand Chinese or other languages will give future graduates an upper hand in landing a great job. If Michigan wants to prepare our state for the future, we should be mandating that all students master another critical language prior to graduating. Offering language at the high school level is too late if we are serious about mastering languages.

America is perhaps the only place in the world where we open our arms to people and cultures from around the globe and turn them into monolinguals. Our attempts to assimilate people into the "American melting pot" has boiled the languages that would make us a stronger nation out of far too many people. We must reverse this trend and get serious in our schools about teaching and hav-



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ing students absorb languages from the earliest years. How many of us have taken four or more years of a language in school - and can't even order a drink at a restaurant or find a restroom?

Kaleidoscope

Learning another language is like picking up a kaleidoscope and seeing the world in multiple colors. Language is the eyes to other's cultures, taking us deep inside their souls and helping us perceive the world

different perspectives.

Thomas Friedman warned us in his book that the world is indeed flat. If Michigan and America want to remain an economic might and retain elevated standing in the world, we must get serious about having more of our students master a language other than English.

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Cox opinion hurt state's future prospects

Two days after Christmas, while Lansing was silent and largely deserted for the holiday season, Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox issued an opinion indicating that only permanent Michigan residents may get a driver's license. It appeared to say that people living here legally but on a temporary basis couldn't get one.

That opinion came in response to a request by State Rep. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge. It was clearly not produced overnight. The opinion was five single-spaced pages in length and was accompanied by 13 footnotes and case citations.

Nobody I talked with in preparing this column - and I talked with plenty of people - knew Cox's opinion was coming.

But it was a bombshell. It provoked a round of furious finger-pointing with Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land, his fellow Republican. Her office was responsible for implementing Cox's complex ruling. It enraged the business community, which employs nearly 400,000 aliens legally in Michigan on valid visas. It infuriated state universities when they suddenly discovered

that thousands of their students and faculty members living legally in Michigan could not get a driver's license.

It wounded economic developers across the state who found themselves trying to explain that Michigan really didn't want to slam the door against international business expansion. And it provoked official protests from the governments of Japan and India.

All this from one little opinion by a state attorney general!

Of course, there was a political dimension to all this. (Surprise, surprise.) The subject of illegal aliens has been one of consuming interest during the presidential campaign, especially to many Republicans who want the border with Mexico closed and all illegals chucked out. (That is, unless they employ any on the sly.)

And the issue has more than just Republicans squirming: U.S. Sen. Hillary Clinton got herself into trouble during the presidential debates with a series of confusing and contradictory responses when asked whether illegal aliens should get driver's licenses.

Most Lansing sources I talked with figure that Cox was

doing little more than pandering to the anti-immigrant wing of the GOP. I tried to ask Cox's PR guy about this, but my call was not returned.

In any event, once people returned to Lansing and the national press started saying that Michigan was now the toughest state in the country for aliens to get drivers' licenses, all hell broke loose.

Jim Epolito, CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation was politely furious. He fired off a letter to Cox noting that his troops "have been receiving frantic telephone calls, e-mails and letters from Michigan's international business community regarding this issue. Your opinion, issued with no advanced warning to the business community and with no opportunity for a hearing or public comment, has given the international business community the perception that Michigan is not open for business."

Epolito cited more than 375,000 employees who were in Michigan on perfectly legal visas, who could not effectively conduct their business without being able to drive a car.



About Phil Power

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And Birgit Klohs, the highly-effective economic developer for Grand Rapids, told me she'd been on the phone at all hours trying to explain what was going on to angry foreign companies considering - at least, they had been - Michigan as a possible place for expansion.

Universities were just as dismayed. University of Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman pointed out that our universities are on the front line of bringing capable people to Michigan. I got a call from Linda Lim, the head of the U-M's Southeast Asia Center, saying that she had an office full of students in tears.

Meanwhile, once the Secretary of State's office started figuring out what the opinion really meant, they ran into all kinds of trouble trying to

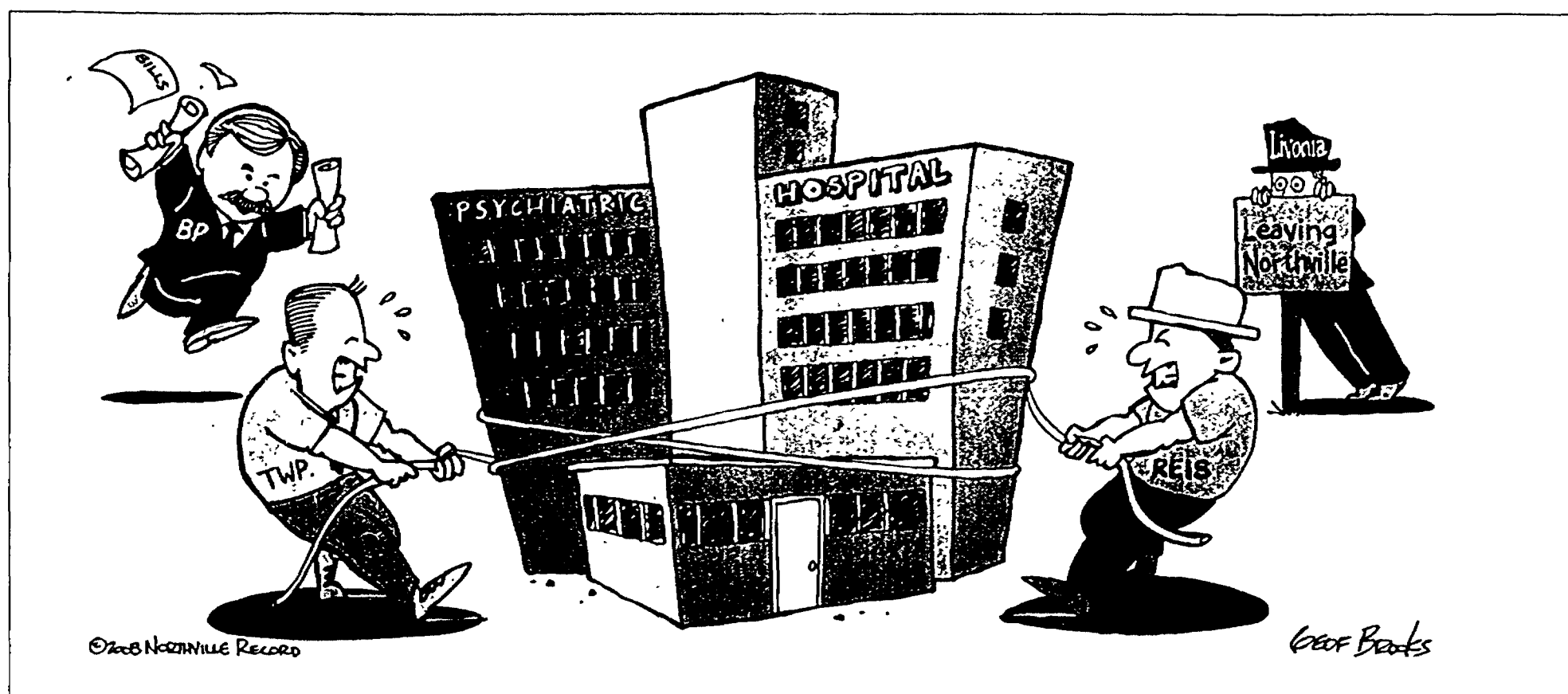
work their way through the complex opinion. Lawyers quickly pointed out that Cox's language appeared to mean that even U.S. citizens living in Michigan temporarily could not obtain a driver's license. Implementing rules were issued on Jan. 22, and were promptly attacked by a suit from the American Civil Liberties Union.

Cox's office complained that the Secretary of State "misread" the opinion, which is the legal equivalent of "I wrote it, but it's your problem to figure out what I meant."

Fingers were pointed back and forth all over Lansing, with feelings (mostly anger) running especially high between the Attorney General's office and that of the Secretary of State, both Republicans.

Meanwhile, Gov. Jennifer Granholm urged the Legislature to find a fix to overturn the Cox opinion. Acting with unusual speed and bipartisanship, both the House and Senate overwhelmingly passed legislation that allowed foreign citizens living temporarily in Michigan to obtain a driver's license. The governor promptly signed the bill last Friday.

But the damage has been done. With his state facing terrible economic times, with Michigan desperate for skilled immigrant workers and students, Cox's opinion succeeded in holding our foot up to be shot with our own pistol. What's sad, embarrassing and all too predictable about this particular episode of pandering-gone-wrong is that it was totally and completely unnecessary.



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Impact of proposed annexation bills

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To prevent harmful land uses that put a community's health, safety and welfare at risk, local governments are authorized to place reasonable restrictions on development. Guided only by self-interest, developers can totally disregard how their development might harm the character of the surrounding community or lower neighboring property values. Unfortunately, the Charter Township of Northville is the latest victim of a legal loophole that allows developers to line their pockets at the expense of the greater community good. The escape hole is Michigan's archaic annexation laws.



Larry Merrill

Annexation is the lawful process by which land is transferred from one local jurisdiction to another. Michigan's annexation laws do not treat all local governments equally. As a holdover from Michigan's agrarian past, cities are exempt from annexation. Depending on a variety of circumstances, however, township land can be transferred to a city — with or without the township's consent. Charter townships are exposed to a resident-initiated annexation that is simply approved at an election involving residents in the area affected, and the city's residents.

That residents in the affected area would have a vote in a proposed annexation seems reasonable, and nothing sounds improper with the law allowing city residents to participate in the decision as well. But isn't something missing from the annexation decision?

The right of other township residents to vote on whether the land transfer is in the best interest of their community is curiously missing from the equation. The Michigan Townships Association (MTA) wants to rectify this egregious flaw in existing law. However, MTA's quest for balance, fairness and justice for all township residents has so far been thwarted

by interest groups representing cities and developers.

Why should township residents have the right to vote on whether property is annexed to an adjacent city? If the city wants the property, and the developer thinks that the adjacent city will treat the development plans more favorably than will the township, why should the people in the township have any say in the matter?

The township's residents will be impacted by the development far more than will those in the city. For example, the lost tax base will undermine the township's financial structure. But an even greater concern is the impact of the development on the township's character and physical appearance. Cities generally approve higher building densities, while townships tend to be more concerned with ensuring that new development will be compatible with established adjacent residential development. If the land is annexed, the city has no obligation to ensure that the development does no harm to township property values and quality of life. Traffic can all be routed onto township streets that may not be designed to handle the increased traffic volume. The most troublesome aspects of the project, such as commercial buildings, external lighting, drainage and so on, can all be required to be built closest to the township.

If the land remained in the township, the referendum provisions in planning and zoning laws would give township residents final say over the development, and township elected officials could be held accountable for their handling of the development. Once annexed, the stakeholders most affected have no voice.

Recently, the Michigan Senate Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee voted out a package of bills, one sponsored by Sen. Bruce Patterson (R-Charter Township of Canton), which would bring a much higher degree of fairness and rationality to the annexation process. Among other provisions, it would require the city and township to negotiate in good faith on all matters related to a proposed annexation. If the parties could not agree, the annexation could be decided by a vote that would include all township residents.

Cities oppose these legislative reforms, arguing that annexations should proceed unfettered because they advance economic development and cities need to grow.

Townships certainly support economic development, but townships officials also factor into land use regulations solutions to the concerns of surrounding property owners. Once the property is annexed, there is no longer a governmental entity overseeing the project that is accountable to the neighboring properties in the township. And as to the argument that cities need to grow, why should an urbanized, full-service township such as Northville have to surrender its tax base to an adjacent city? After all, cities surrounded by other cities have no inherent claim to land in other municipalities.

Also opposing the reform legislation are special interests representing developers, who maintain that the developers should have as much say on the annexation as the impacted local governments. This is tantamount to developers setting their own zoning regulations. Developers should certainly be heard in the process, and the courts will protect a developer's legitimate interests if land use requirements do not advance a legitimate governmental interest.

While we live in a country that places high value on property rights, it is widely understood that the greater public good would be severely compromised if every one could do with their property whatever they wanted or whatever would yield the greatest financial gain. Annexation that is intended to thwart township land use regulations that safeguard the welfare of the community is not good public policy, and Michigan is long overdue for legislative reform.

The Charter Township of Northville is not the first township to encounter a developer using annexation to thwart its ability to protect the community character and prevent other harm. The Legislature, however, could see to it that it is the last.

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Jobs and economic development. These are the main themes used over and over again to explain how Michigan is turning our economy around. Our communities need all the tools at their disposal to do this, and annexation is one key tool to be used.

What is annexation and where is it used? Well, in southeast Michigan, annexation is not really something that is used these days. Southeast Michigan consists of cities, villages, and urban townships that



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all provide a full range of services for their citizens. You know this because you live in southeast Michigan, where most communities and their citizens have chosen to provide more tax dollars for services to be provided such as police and fire, sewer and water, roads, libraries, parks, etc.

But outside of southeast Michigan, other areas of the state are very different. They have cities surrounded by rural areas and townships whose citizens don't want these services provided — townships of large space with very little population density that surround cities with high population density. In these areas, the cities were created as commerce centers where people who want these services choose to live. These areas are where the banks and stores are. If you have a cottage up north, or you have driven through communities throughout Michigan, you have been through these areas and you know what I mean.

These are the areas where annexation is used and needed — areas of the state where developers or home builders want to build and create jobs and economic development in open areas that a city, and the property is needed for regional growth or development.

Let me give you an example: a developer wants to bring a business to a city, let's say the City of Durand where I am a councilwoman. The developer needs a lot of property and there isn't a big enough parcel in Durand, but he wants the services that a city provides. He wants sewer and water, and the police and fire protection that the city provides (services that the township does not provide). So he purchases property on our boundary, then asks for that property — his property — to be annexed to the City of Durand. Now, with the annexation, jobs can be created and economic development is possible for the region. But under SB 1078-1083, the process will take years, or not happen at all.

What does this scenario and these bills have to do with the property in Northville Township? Very little. However, SB 1078-1083 deal with ALL annexations throughout the state, and would negatively impact these situations that I have referenced because they focus on open spaces with less than 100 people where services do not exist.

Northville Township is a fully-developed community and very different from the situations that this legislation tries to address.

As you well know, the situation in Northville Township has a developer trying to pit two developed communities against each other. Northville Township clearly provides police and fire, sewer and water, and other services of a full-service community. This legislation was not meant for Northville Township, and would negatively affect many other commu-

nities throughout the state in an attempt to fix the Northville Township situation.

These bills have drawn great opposition from the Michigan Municipal League (MML), Michigan Association of Home Builders, Michigan Association of Realtors, and others. The MML is working daily on a legislative solution that will prevent the situation in Northville Township from happening, and ensure that the developer works with Northville Township for an appropriate solution.

Instead of a targeted solution for Northville Township, SB 1078-1083 are the equivalent of taking a sledgehammer to an ant hill. While the bills would provide a remedy for the current Northville Township situation, they would destroy development opportunities throughout the rest of the state. This, in my opinion, is not good public policy, especially in a time where Michigan is looking to create job opportunities and growth.

We have been, and will continue to work closely with Supervisor Abbo and the Northville Township board, as well as with Sen. Patterson and Rep. Corniveau to create a targeted fix. We are hopeful that by bringing all the parties together, we can create legislation that is good for Northville Township and the Michigan economy.

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ANNEXATION & DETACHMENT S.B. 1078 (S-1) - 1083

The bills would amend various statutes to do the following:

- Revise provisions regarding the annexation and detachment of a city, village, township, or charter township territory.
- Prescribe procedures, including a referendum, for the annexation of territory in which there were 100 or fewer residents.
- Provide for negotiated annexation agreements.
- Revise procedures for the annexation of territory without any residents.
- Revise provisions for the annexation of city- or village-owned territory in a township.
- Require that certain conditions be met for the detachment of territory.
- Provide for a referendum on the annexation of charter township territory by a city or village, and on the annexation of territory by a village.

Sponsor: Senator Bruce Patterson (S.B. 1078 & 1083) Senator Patricia L. Birkholz (S.B. 1079) Senator Raymond E. Basham (S.B. 1080) Senator Mike Prusi (S.B. 1081) Senator Jud Gilbert, II (S.B. 1082)

Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

The bills are tie-barred to each other.

Senate Bill 1078 (S-1) would amend the Charter Township Act to revise procedures for the annexation of property to a city or village from a charter township. The bill also would provide for a referendum on the annexation of township territory to a city or village. The bill specifies that the annexation of any territory with 100 or fewer residents from a charter township, and the detachment of territory to a charter township, would be subject to procedures set forth in the Home Rule City Act, the General Law Village Act, and the Home Rule Village Act (as proposed by Senate Bills 1080, 1081, and 1082, respectively).

Senate Bill 1079 would amend Revised Statute 16 of 1846, which prescribes the powers and duties of general law townships, to provide that the annexation of township territory with 100 or fewer residents would be subject to the applicable sections of the Home Rule City Act, the General Law Village Act, or specific sections of the Home Rule Village Act, depending on the local unit to which the territory would be annexed. The detachment of any territory to a township also would be subject to the applicable sections of those Acts, depending on the local unit from which the territory would be detached.

Senate Bill 1080 (S-1) would amend the Home

Rule City Act to provide for a referendum or a negotiated agreement on the annexation to a city from a township of any territory with 100 or fewer residents. (Currently, a referendum is required only if the territory has more than 100 residents.) The bill also would allow the detachment of territory from a city to a township only if the territory did not contain any real property owned by the city, except for utilities and other facilities located within a public right-of-way; the territory were not annexed within the previous two years; and the detachment were approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors in the territory, the remaining portion of the city, and the township. Further, the bill would establish methods for the annexation to a city of city-owned property, with no residents, located in a township.

Senate Bill 1081 (S-1) would amend the General Law Village Act to prescribe procedures for the annexation to a village of township territory with more than 100 residents, including a referendum on the matter if certain petition requirements were met. The bill also would prescribe procedures for the annexation to a village of township territory with 100 or fewer residents, and provide for a referendum or negotiated agreement on the matter. The bill would allow the detachment of territory from a village to a township only if the territory did not contain any real property owned by the village, except for utilities and other facilities

located within a public right-of-way; the territory were not annexed within the previous two years; and the detachment were approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors in the territory, the remaining portion of the village, and the township.

Senate Bill 1082 would amend the Home Rule Village Act to provide that territory could be detached from a village to a township only if the territory did not contain any real property owned by the village, except for utilities and other facilities located within a public right-of-way; the territory were not annexed within the previous two years; and the detachment were approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors residing in the territory, the remaining portion of the village, and the township.

Senate Bill 1083 would amend Public Act 191 of 1968, which prescribes the powers and duties of the State Boundary Commission, to provide that a petition or resolution for annexation of territory in a township with 100 or fewer residents would be subject to the referendum and election process provided for in the Home Rule City Act (proposed by Senate Bill 1080).

Analysis was prepared by nonpartisan Senate staff for use by the Senate in its deliberations and does not constitute an official statement of legislative intent. sb1078-1083/0708

HOT TICKET: Go to The Art House for "Family Appreciation Night" from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday

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CALENDAR

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Local Events

Northville/Novi AAUW Great Decisions

TIME/DATE: 1:30 p.m. today
DETAILS: New members welcome. Great Decisions is an interest group of the AAUW, discuss will focus on the concept of foreign aid and its transformation with new forms of assistance, new donors and new ways of measuring success. To attend, e-mail Karen Bunting at buntingk@comcast.net.

Northville Democrats Town Hall Speakers Series

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. tonight
LOCATION: Hillside Middle School Forum, southwest corner of Center Street and Eight Mile Road
DETAILS: Speaker is Dr. Marshall Blundy, Pediatrician, who will speak on "Single Payer Health Insurance? ... If Your Grandchildren are Lucky"; no admission charge but donations appreciated.
CONTACT: (248) 465-1995 or visit sraig27@comcast.net

Fish Hatchery Park Planning Workshop

TIME/DATE: 9-11 a.m. Saturday
LOCATION: Northville Community Senior Center, 303 W. Main Street
DETAILS: The planning goals of the workshop are to review the existing park use and conditions, provide universal access for all residents, preserve and promote the history of the park and improve awareness and use of Johnson Creek. Bring your ideas and creativity. Refreshments will be served.
CONTACT: For more information, contact Traci Sincoc at (248) 449-9941 or e-mail at tsincoc@ci.northville.mi.us

Saturday Night at the Races

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Saturday
DETAILS: Northville Newcomers and Neighbors Club is hosting this event, cost is \$25 per person and includes a buffet and cash bar; for information and reservations, call Cheri Fant at (734) 667-2984 by Feb. 15

American Red Cross Blood Drive

TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sunday
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main St.
DETAILS: Call (248) 347-1063 for appointments; walk-ins the day of drive are also welcome.

Coffee with Coriveau

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m.-7 p.m. Monday
LOCATION: Empire Deli, 133 W. Main St., Suite 212, Northville
DETAILS: State Rep. Marc Coriveau will answer questions and talk with constituents

Caribbean Night

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday
LOCATION: Brookside Travel, 1045 Novi Road, Northville
DETAILS: Come learn about a Caribbean vacation; discounts and special pricing available for those who attend; seating is limited.
CONTACT: RSVP to (248) 344-4747 or travel@jebrookside.com

CPR Certification Class

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday
DETAILS: Hosted by the Northville Newcomers and Neighbors Club and presented by the American Red Cross; for members and their guests; for information or to RSVP call Ann Thompson at (248) 449-5006

"The Purple Gang" Interactive Murder Mystery Dinner

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 29
LOCATION: Genitti's Hole in the Wall
DETAILS: Fundraiser to Erect the General Store at Mill Race Village; the Purple Gang controlled the bootleg liquor business in Detroit during prohibition; interactive murder mystery takes place in a 1931 speakeasy and is based on some of the actual gang members; a Dore production; tickets

\$35 per person and are available at Northville Candle and Gifts, Tuscan Cafe and from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. weekdays at the Cady Inn at Mill Race Village.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1845

A Painters' Play - Act III

TIME/DATE: Exhibit runs through Friday, Feb. 29
LOCATION: Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art 133 W. Main Street, Suite 210, Northville
DETAILS: Third annual Art Exhibit and Sale starring three artists who will paint new works live and in real time at the gallery; regular gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, noon-4 p.m. Sunday and Monday by appointment.

Northville Cooperative Preschool

LOCATION: Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road
DETAILS: Now enrolling for 2008-09; openings in two, three and four year old programs; science enrichment classes also available; all are welcome.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1791

Voices of Maybury Farm Meeting

TIME/DATE: 3:30-5 p.m. Sunday, March 2
LOCATION: Northville District Library
DETAILS: All are welcome to attend this regular, open meeting.

Citizens for Northville Public Forum

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday, March 6
LOCATION: Highland Lakes Clubhouse, 20301 Silver Springs Drive, between Silver and Eight Mile roads
DETAILS: Meeting will discuss the REIS development of the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property.
CONTACT: For more information, call Laurie Marrs at (734) 348-5933

Taste of Northville Business Showcase

TIME/DATE: Noon-3 p.m. Saturday, March 8
DETAILS: This exposition brings together Northville's premier businesses to highlight their products and services at a fun family-themed event; over one hundred interactive exhibits from retail, service and professional businesses are on display; top draw are the area restaurants providing samples from their menus; give-aways, prizes and raffle items. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors 65 and over and \$4 for children under 12 and are available at the door. This year's theme is "Think Globally - Celebrate Locally." See the entry below under Northville Chamber of Commerce for information on being an exhibitor.
CONTACT: Northville Chamber of Commerce, (248) 349-7640 or www.northville.org

Mother's Club of Northville 2008 Dinner Auction

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8
LOCATION: The Inn At St. John's, Five Mile Road, just east of Sheldon Road
DETAILS: This annual event is a great way to enjoy a night out and support the school children of Northville; evening includes a strolling buffet, a silent auction, live auction items and music by The Shawn Riley Band; tickets are \$75 per person and are available through any Mother's Club member or call Susan at (248) 596-1629

Barnes & Noble Book Signing

TIME/DATE: Noon Saturday, March 8
LOCATION: 17111 Haggerty Road, Northville
DETAILS: Meet famed local authors David Anthony and Charles David, authors of the "Knightscares" children's series. They have just released their new series, "Heroes A22." Both series are aimed at readers ages 8-12. The series offer fast-paced stories with an educational message.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1274 or www.barnesandnobleinc.com

"Ciao Down" Benefit for

Historical Society

TIME/DATE: 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 16
LOCATION: Tiramì Su Restaurant, Northville
DETAILS: Come Ciao Down at this Italian pasta feast to benefit the Northville Historical Society. Diners will enjoy penne with meat sauce, cheese ravioli with marinara sauce, house salad and re-filable beverages. Cash bar and a la carte desserts also available. Carry-out service also offered. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids ages 10 and under. Purchase tickets at the UPS store across the street from the restaurant or at Mill Race Village from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. weekdays. Seating is limited. A portion of the price benefits the Historical Society and Mill Race Village.
CONTACT: For more information, call (248) 348-1325

Daughter of the American Revolution

TIME/DATE: Noon Monday, March 19
LOCATION: Northville District Library
DETAILS: The Northville/Plymouth DAR American Indians Committee and Indians of Southeast Michigan will meet for a sandwich luncheon.
CONTACT: (734) 459-4764

Linda A. Transou Melanoma March

DATE: Sunday, May 18
LOCATION: Maybury State Park, Northville
DETAILS: The executive Committee invites you to be a sponsor of our 4th Annual Linda A. Transou Melanoma March. All proceeds from this event will be given directly to the Melanoma Research Foundation. Your sponsorship will help ensure its success and help make a difference in our community.
CONTACT: Beverly Behrend (248) 921-4828 or at bev@quali-tymetalcraft.com

As the Page Turns

LOCATION: 149 N. Center St., Suite 102, Northville
CONTACT: (248) 912-0085 or visit www.asthepageturns.biz
DETAILS: Bring in gently-used books during the months of January and February and receive 10 percent off the purchase of a new book; donated books will be donated to area shelters and an area reading program.
First Friday Book Signing
DATE: Friday, March 1
DETAILS: Special guest will be Sandra Epps, founder of Sandy's Land, a Publishing House and Children's Entertainment Service, an award-winning artist and Associate Producer of "Wake up Detroit." She has created various products and apparel with the theme of hope, love and faith. As a survivor of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus she was inspired to write her first children's book entitled "Imani Has the Most Exciting Dream!"

Marquis Theatre

135 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or northvillamarquistheatre.com
MOVIES at the Marquis
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DATE: Saturday, "Sabrina," sponsored by "Swearingin Fine Portraits; Mar. 1, "To Catch A Thief," sponsored by Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art; Mar. 8, "Some Like It Hot," sponsored by Loria's; Mar. 15, "Rebel Without a Cause," sponsored by Poole's Tavern; and Mar. 29, "Casablanca," sponsored by Starring: The Gallery.
DETAILS: Tickets are free and available only at the business sponsoring each movie. The sponsoring business will be open until 7:30 p.m. on the evening that their movie plays.

Friday Fun at Center Stage Dance Company

TIME/DATE: 4:30-5:45 p.m. Hip Hop Friday is the second Friday of each month; Tap Jam Friday is the third Friday of each month.
LOCATION: Center Stage Dance Company, 43334 W. Seven Mile Road, Suite 250, Northville
DETAILS: Ages 6 and up are invited to free-style their hip hop and tap moves, dance with friends and help kids in their community;

\$1 cover charge goes toward purchasing holiday gifts for the children at Hawthorn Center.
CONTACT: (248) 380-1666

Improv at the Point

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. first and third Tuesday of the month
LOCATION: Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady St.
DETAILS: Tickets for general seating are available 7 p.m. at the door on the night of the performance, \$8.

Baseline Folk Society

DATE: Third Saturday of each month, Sept.-June
TIME: 7-9 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville Art House, 215 Cady
DETAILS: Enjoy traditional, folk and acoustic music in a casual setting. Five open mic spots available on first to sign up basis beginning at 6:15 p.m. Tickets \$5 at the door.
CONTACT: (248) 344-0954

Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com
A Winter Wedding Italian Style
TIME/DATE: Interactive Dinner Theater: 6:30 p.m. Saturday and Saturday, March 1; 7 p.m. Friday, March 14.
TIME/DATE: Interactive Lunch Theater: 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 13 and Saturday, April 5
DETAILS: Dinner tickets \$45, lunch tickets \$35; reservations only; we will open any date for 20 or more.

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

DETAILS: Enjoy our famous family-style lunch or dinner, then practice voice and body movement with one of our actors on stage. Play theater games; take backstage tour; \$16.95 per person.

The Art House

Open 1-5 p.m. every Thursday-Sunday; 1-9 p.m. on "First Fridays" of the month.
LOCATION: 215 Cady St.
CONTACT: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or www.northvillearts.org

Mark Arminski - A Rogue's Gallery

TIME/DATE: Exhibit continues through Sunday, Feb. 24
DETAILS: Exhibit presents latest works of this native Detroit artist who, over his 25 year career, has explored a wide range of media and is considered one of the leading rock concert poster artists of the 90s.

Tuscan Art with Michael Farrell

DATE: Wednesday, March 19 - Michelangelo; April 16 - Raphael
TIME: 7:30-9 p.m.
DETAILS: This art appreciation lecture series featuring Michael Farrell, professor of Art History at the University of Windsor, is both educating and entertaining; tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

Family Art Appreciation Nights

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday and March 26
DETAILS: Bring the whole family to these interactive art lectures and discover the three big genres of art - realistic, expressionistic and abstract. Expose yourself to the great art geniuses and discover a few obscure artists. Cost is \$5 per person.

Maybury State Park

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier roads.)
State Park motor vehicle permit required for park entry; \$6 daily, \$24 annually (\$6 annually for seniors 65 and older.) 2008 permits now available at park office, 20145 Beck Road.
CONTACT: (248) 349-8390; Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or www.FriendsofMaybury.org.

Mill Race Historical Village

LOCATION: 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field
DETAILS: Office open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1845
Thursday: 9 a.m. Archives open; 1 p.m. Brownie Scouts; 7 p.m. Historical Society Board Meeting
Friday: 9 a.m. Archives open
Sunday: 10 a.m. Mill Creek

Church and Kings 8th; 6:30 p.m. Venture Scouts

Monday: 10 a.m. Heirloom Rug Hookers; 7 p.m. Lions Club
Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 6:30 p.m. Brownie Scouts
Wednesday: 4 p.m. Daisy Scouts; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m. Mill Creek Church
* Grounds closed to public

Northville Chamber of Commerce

LOCATION: 195 S. Main St., Northville
CONTACT: (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org
New Member Coffee
TIME/DATE: 8-9:30 a.m. Friday, March 7
LOCATION: Independence Village of Plymouth

Regional Events

Suburban Republican Women's Club

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. tonight
LOCATION: Pcc-A-Bone Restaurant, 39325 Six Mile Road, Livonia
DETAILS: Fred Sietz will speak about the 400th anniversary of Jamestown; cost for the dinner is \$18; visitors and guests are welcome; for reservations, call (248) 320-5473.

Money Management Seminar

TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday
LOCATION: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St., Northville
DETAILS: Community Financial, GreenPath Debt Solutions and Plymouth Community United Way are teaming up to educate homeowners about how to protect their money and their mortgages in this free seminar; attendees are not required to provide personal financial information; after the seminar, free personal appointments may be arranged. Reservations are recommended.
CONTACT: Betty Nolan at (734) 453-6879, ext. 2.

"Chapter Two" a play by Neil Simon

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21-24, 28-29, March 1-2, 6-8
LOCATION: Farmington Players' Barn Theater, 32332 West 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills
DETAILS: A romantic comedy about two people starting over; tickets are \$13-15 and can be purchased online at www.farmingtonplayers.org or by calling the box office at (248) 553-2955; student and group discounts available.

Mad Hatter Tea Party Art Show

TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday until Feb. 29
LOCATION: Nancy A. Fox Art Gallery, Assarian Cancer Center, Providence Park Hospital, Novi
DETAILS: Art show of original artwork featuring playful and imaginative teapots created by a variety of local artists and Novi high school students; part of the partnership between Providence Park Hospital and the Novi Community School District.

Mostaccioli with Marc and the Mayor

TIME/DATE: 5:30-8 p.m. Monday, March 3
LOCATION: Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road, Wayne
DETAILS: Join us for an Italian dinner in support of State Representative Marc Coriveau, with special guest Al Haidous, Mayor of the city of Wayne. Cost is \$20 per person, table sponsor is \$150 and includes two tickets. Please register by Friday, Feb. 29 by calling (248) 921-0939 or visit www.VoteCoriveau.com.

Novi Theatres Present "Father Bingo"

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 7 and 14; 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8 and 15; 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, March 8, 9 and 15
LOCATION: Novi Middle School Auditorium, 49000 11 Mile Road, Novi
DETAILS: This is the community theatre world premier of this musical comedy; everyone is

looking for salvation and the stakes are raised with the introduction of bingo to the parish church; tickets are on sale now at the Novi Parks office, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road; tickets are \$18 and all seats are reserved.
CONTACT: (248) 347-0400

Laughter Lifts You Up

TIME/DATE: 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13
LOCATION: Laurel Manor, Livonia
DETAILS: Humor heals is the idea behind this women's event sponsored by Angel Hospice of Livonia. Event includes serenading by a barbershop quartet and dinner followed by guest speaker Maureen Burns, author of the book "Run With Your Dreams". Tickets are \$40 per person and reservations can be made by calling Barbara Paul at (734) 953-6014. Proceeds benefit ALS patients at Angela Hospice.
CONTACT: angelahospice.org

Farmington Artists Club Spring Exhibit and Sale

DATE: April 23-27
TIME: Noon-8:30 p.m. Wednesday; 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Thursday; 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday; Noon-6:30 p.m. Saturday; and Noon-5 p.m. Sunday.
LOCATION: Costick Activities Center, 48660 Eleven Mile Road, Gate 4, Farmington Hills
DETAILS: Exhibit showcases outstanding works of Farmington Artists Club's members; juror for the show is Robert Wilbert, Professor Emeritus of the Art Department at Wayne State University; free admission.
CONTACT: (248) 455-9885

Plymouth Symphony Orchestra

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

A Beatles Blast

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. tonight
LOCATION: Penn Theatre, Plymouth
DETAILS: Performance is a fundraiser and tribute to the legendary rock band plus other performers of the era. Pre-concert cocktail party at Lotus Arts Gallery from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tickets for the concert are \$100 per person, with a 10-percent discount for groups of ten or more and are 100-percent tax deductible.

Orchestra Canton

DETAILS: Music Director and Conductor Nan Harrison Washburn; tickets available at Summit on the Park, 4600 Summit Parkway, by phone at (734) 394-5460 ext. 0, online at www.orchestracanton.org or at the Village Theater box office one hour before each performance.
Fusion Festival "Inspirations from India"
TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 29
LOCATION: Village Theater at Cherry Hill
DETAILS: Orchestra Canton performs with featured sitar artist, composer and teacher, Hasu Patel; leading American composer Henry Cowell; works by Hidayat Inayat-Khan; and sitar artist Hasu Patel; tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and \$10 for children.

Rock Financial Showplace

46100 Grand River Ave. Call (248) 5600 or visit <http://rockfinancialshowplace.com> for more information.

Great Train Expo

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday
DETAILS: Largest traveling show in the U.S.; admission is \$7 for ages 12 and older, under 12 free; \$5 parking.
Great Motorcycle Swap
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday
DETAILS: Admission is \$10 for adults and \$3 for kids; parking \$5.

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EASTER DIRECTORY: Be sure to look for this annual special section in the March 13 edition of the Record

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FAITH



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Easter baskets bring hope to the needy

Families Building Faith collecting items to benefit various charities

By Jessie Ellis
STAFF WRITER

Michelle Murphy isn't all that surprised when she finds Easter baskets on her porch in the middle of June.

People just know that's where they need to be, she said.

For the past four years, Families Building Faith has been assembling Easter baskets for the needy. Collection for Easter basket items started on Feb. 13 and will last through Feb. 27.

"One woman told me, 'I've got 18 baskets. I was going to throw them out last year, but I didn't. Then I got your flier and now I understand why,'" Murphy said. "I've seen it over and over again."

The organization is looking for clean, gently-used Easter baskets, stuffed animals, small toys, puzzles, jewelry, books for all ages and any other Easter basket items.

They also need new items such as candy, coloring books, Crayons

and Easter grass.

Their first year they were able to assemble about 250 baskets. Last year they assembled nearly 800.

"Trust God. He takes care of the details," Murphy said.

The baskets go to Active Faith, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren for the City of Detroit, Gleaner's of Brighton, the Salvation Army, a family homeless shelter in Detroit and the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) food program.

"Our clients are thrilled," said Active Faith caseworker Lisa Durand. "They look forward to it."

Families Building Faith is a non-denominational group that meets for Bible study, fellowship and service projects, Murphy said. They have about 18 families involved in the group.

"The only thing we don't have is a church," she said.

Collecting enough supplies for 800 Easter baskets may seem like a daunting task, but Murphy isn't worried.

"God always provides what we need," she said.

The first year of the Easter basket project, Murphy witnessed the importance of their work while helping out at Active Faith.

One young mother in her 20s was eyeing the Easter baskets from across the room. When her turn

came, she asked Murphy and the other volunteers who provided the Easter baskets.

"She said, 'Who did this?' I want to write a thank you letter," Murphy said.

Murphy told her to send the thank you letter to Active Faith because it wasn't just one specific organization that had been involved with the collection and assembly of the baskets.

"She trembled, and her eyes filled right to the brim. 'I've never had a year like this,' she said. 'I've been praying for four or five weeks about how I'm going to budget for Easter. Finally, I realized I couldn't. Please understand how much this means.' I had no idea we were an answer to someone else's prayer."

That moment solidified the commitment of Families Building Faith.

"We're putting faith into action," Murphy said. "There's been a definite increase in need."

Collection of materials takes two weeks, and Murphy's basement fills with supplies. Assembly of the baskets takes another couple of days with workers putting in 20 to 30 hours.

"It goes unbelievably fast," Murphy said, "though we need more cellophane wrappers."

The process tends to bottleneck



Photo by HAL GOULD

(From left) Jayne Wilkinson, Zach Nears, Ann Nears, Logan Nears, Michelle Murphy and Josh Murphy are collecting Easter baskets and items for the baskets as part of the Families Building Faith Easter basket collection program. The group put together 800 baskets for families last year.

at the end as the baskets are separated into boys and girls and then again by age.

"We collect anything people want to donate. Whatever God brings, we'll find a place," she said.

"Our motto is, 'Get rid of it.'"

Easter baskets and supplies can be dropped off at 1096 Cantor Lane in the Trotter's Point Subdivision off 11 Mile Road or at 1008 Birchway Court in the Maple

Creek Subdivision off of Nine Mile Road. There is a plastic tub located on each porch.

For more information call Michelle Murphy at (248) 486-3172.

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 or visit www.firstpresville.org
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m.

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) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9 a.m. and 10:20 a.m.
Traditional, 9 a.m. Contemporary
Single Point Ministries
For single adults 40 years and older
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
Every Monday: 7 p.m.
Learner's Bible Study, Room A101
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, free child care provided; 8:30-10 p.m. Co-ed Volleyball, Knox Hall.

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.
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.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church
LOCATION: 770 Thayer
CONTACT: (248) 349-2621 or www.olvnorthville.org
Saturday Worship
TIME: 5 p.m.
Sunday Worship
TIME: 7:30, 9 and 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Meadowbrook Congregational
LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi
CONTACT: Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757 or visit www.mbccc.org or gmccc@arounddetroit.biz
Sunday Worship
TIME: 10 a.m.
Bible Study Group
TIME/DATE: 10:30-11:45 a.m. every Tuesday
DETAILS: Reverend Art Ritter will lead this group; please call the church office if you are interested in attending.

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, Novi
CONTACT: Pastor Jon Hix (248) 349-5665, www.orchardhillsnovi.com or email to info@orchardhillsnovi.com
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 or visit www.dfcnazarene.org
Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Services: 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Emergent/Organic Service: 7 p.m. every Tuesday
Ladies Evening Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday
Men's Evening Bible Study: 6:45 p.m. every Tuesday

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

Novi United Methodist
LOCATION: 41671 W. Ten Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-2652 or umcnovi.com
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:45 a.m.
Healing Service and Holy Communion
TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month

Oak Pointe Church
LOCATION: 50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi
CONTACT: (248) 912-0043 or visit www.oakpointe.org
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

Northville Christian Assembly
LOCATION: 41355 Six Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 348-9030

New Hope Church
LOCATION: New building, 57885 Grand River, Lyon Twp.

CONTACT: Deb Tyler (810) 229-3228 or deborah-tyler@sbcglobe.net

Church of the Holy Family
LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or

visit www.holyfamilynovi.org
Mass Schedule
TIME/DAY: 7:30, 8:45, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9 a.m. Wednesday-Friday; 5 p.m. Saturday

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Presented by
Andrea S. Vivian, D.D.S.

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There is more to worry about than sugar content and weight gain when you drink soft drinks. Consider the fact that many carbonated sodas are nearly as corrosive to dental enamel as battery acid. While non-cola drinks are less acidic than cola drinks in general, the erosive potential of cola is ten times that of fruit juices during just the first three minutes of consuming them.

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HEALTHY LIVING

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Democrats present health insurance forum tonight

■ Doctor favors single-payer health plan

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

The future of health care and health insurance in the United States is one of the hot topics of the 2008 presidential campaign.

The Northville Democratic Club will sponsor a special forum tonight featuring practicing physician Dr. Marshall Blondy, of Northville, who will present a talk on the topic "Single-Payer Health Insurance? If Your Grandchildren Are Lucky."

The forum will take place at 7 p.m. at Hillside Middle School's forum meeting room at the southwest corner of Center Street and Eight Mile Road.

There is no charge to attend. A public discussion will follow Blondy's presentation.

A pediatrician, Blondy earned his medical degree from Wayne State University and completed his residency at Detroit Receiving Hospital. He used to have a private practice in Livonia and now works in a group practice, Southfield Pediatrics, in Bingham Farms.

Blondy was voted a "Best Doctor in Detroit" by Hour magazine several years ago and was named Pediatrician of the Year in 2004 by the Michigan Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

"No health insurance plan is perfect, but I support single-payer health insurance as opposed to the health insurance that we now have in this country," Blondy said.

Blondy believes single-payer health insurance is the best plan the United States could adopt, but it will be a long time before Americans will see it in this country.

It's not socialized medicine

"Single payer health insurance is not socialized medicine," Blondy said. "The doctors work the same as they do now in the U.S., but they'd be paid by the government. But, we would have a battle on our hands adopting this plan because of the current medical community."

Blondy said more than 45 million people in the U.S. have no health insurance, and 10 million of those are children.

And, many of those who do have health insurance are underinsured.

"I have many patients who have inadequate health insurance," Blondy said. "This often means that their insurance will not pay for medication I may feel is needed for a child's particular condition."

Upcoming Northville Democratic Club topics include "Stem Cell Research" with Rep. Andy Meisner and Marc Shaberman from Michigan Citizens for Stem Cell Research & Cures on April 17 and "Immigration Reform" with speakers to be announced, on May 15.

For more information about tonight's forum, contact Scott Craig, president of the Northville Democratic Club at (248) 465-1995 or e-mail him at scraig27@comcast.net

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Author passes life's tests to become 'picture of health'

By Rebecca Jones
STAFF WRITER

For every disaster that struck Susan McKenna, she tried to make sure a hundred people benefited.

And there were quite a few tests (as she calls them) in this 49-year-old Northville woman's life.

They include juvenile diabetes, debilitating agoraphobia, miscarriages, divorce, caring for a newborn who survived a life-threatening heart defect, a series of accidents that put an end to her pediatric nursing career, and failed surgeries on her right foot that left her on crutches for three years.

"Each one kept getting worse," she said. For the first time, she had trouble bouncing back. "It really scared me."

Growing up in Livonia (as Susan Topolewski), McKenna became an advocate, fund-raiser, support group facilitator, teacher and most recently, an author and motivational speaker.

Far from just getting through challenges such as these, McKenna said she wants people to know they can come out shining.

She helps people realize there is hope. Sometimes, she said, that's all it takes.

"Take baby steps to help yourself," said McKenna, a fan of the film *What About Bob?*

A former aerobics instructor and choreographer, McKenna remains in good health. To her, these days, that means good mental health.

Robert Halmo of Wayfarer Books, which published two children's books that McKenna wrote



Photo by Tom Hoffmeyer

Author and motivational speaker Susan McKenna looks over one of her children's book in her Northville office.

to help children understand divorce, nominated McKenna for a national "Picture of Health" contest through Good Morning America.

"She's had so many things she's overcome," Halmo said, "yet she manages to bound back and turn those things around ... and she's done so by helping other people."

McKenna also counsels people

suffering from co-dependence, explained as an addiction to unhealthy relationships, which stems from childhood experiences that weren't resolved. "The whole family suffers," she said. Those who get help find all of their relationships improve, she added.

McKenna offers free monthly introductory sessions and has recently teamed up with a therapist

to offer six-week classes that help people understand themselves. She provides the "kick in the butt." For information, call (248) 348-1100.

She's also working on a program for teens, and she's writing a screenplay based on her life called "Tell Me I'm Pretty." Like everything else, she has high hopes for its success. "I'll see

what life brings me," she said.

To see McKenna's "Picture of Health" video and vote for her for the award, go to <http://ugv.abcnews.go.com/player.aspx?id=2648561>.

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HEALTH EVENTS

American Legion Hall

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Strength Training Classes

DATE: Mondays and Fridays
DETAILS: Diane DiVita is offering Strength Training classes (light weights with a little yoga stretching) for adults. For more information, call Diane at (248) 344-0928 or visit triangle-sbcglobal.net.

Yoga Class

DATE: 5:30-6:45 p.m.
Monday for all levels, 7-8:30 p.m. Monday for Yoga II through Mar. 17; and 5:20-6:45 p.m. Thursday for Yin Yoga, 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday for all levels through Mar. 13

DETAILS: Diane DiVita teaches a yoga class that's well-suited for you. Start any time, no charge for first class. Monday sessions are \$80, Thursday sessions \$72.

CONTACT: (248) 344-0928.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital

LOCATION: 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia

CONTACT: (734) 655-4800 or <http://www.stmarymercy.org>

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

TIME/DATE: 3-4:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month

LOCATION: Classroom 1

DETAILS: No fee or registration are required. For more information contact Audra Frye, Alzheimer's Association (248) 426-7055.

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 in the St. Mary Mercy hospital Auditorium. To register call (734) 655-2693, (877) Why-Weight or visit hospital website.

Tai Chi for Arthritis

TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Mondays, Feb. 25-Mar. 31; and 10-11 a.m. Fridays currently through Feb. 22; a second session Feb. 29-Apr. 25

LOCATION: Classroom 10, 4th floor Marian Professional Building

DETAILS: This ancient Chinese discipline combines agile steps, joint-friendly movement, relaxed breathing and mental challenge to promote mobility and well-being. There is a fee for this class and registration is required. Call (734) 655-8950 or (800) 494-1650.

Parenting with Love and Logic

DETAILS: There is a fee for the following classes. To register, call (734) 655-1100.

Preteen and Teenagers:

TIME/DATE: 6:30-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 27

Special Needs:

TIME/DATE: 6:30-9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 12

Reiki I and II

TIME/DATE: 2-6 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday, March 8 and 9

DETAILS: Learn to administer Reiki, a Japanese technique for stress reduction and relaxation that also promotes healing; there is a fee; to register call (734) 655-1162.

Let's Talk: Building Mental Muscle

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5

DETAILS: This interactive presentation provides participants with exercises designed to stimulate brain cells, ideas to use the brain more effectively and an increased awareness to keep the brain healthier; Audra Frye, from Arden Courts, is the speaker; presentation is part of the Senior Health Connection program for adults age 55 and over; no charge but registration is required by calling (734) 655-8950.

Let's Get Ready to Have a Baby

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. every Monday, through March 17; or every Wednesday, through March 19

DETAILS: Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery; classes are based on the "Lamaze Method"; no cost but registration is required by contacting the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1162.

Advanced Dementia - Quality of Life Workshop

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. tonight

LOCATION: Auditorium

DETAILS: Join us for a discussion about the progressive challenges of End Stage Alzheimer's Disease; registration required by calling (734) 655-8950.

Nutrition for Life

DATE: Wednesday, March 19

- "The Truth About Fad Diets;" and April 16 - "The Benefits of a Diet Rich in Fruits and Vegetables."

TIME: 7-8 p.m.

LOCATION: Classroom 11, Marian Professional Building

DETAILS: Classes are led by Tamara Lark, RD; cost is \$15 per class or \$25 for two; early registration is required by calling (734) 655-8950.

AARP Safe Driving Program for Seniors

TIME/DATE: 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Monday and Tuesday, March 3-4

LOCATION: Classroom 10

DETAILS: This is an eight-hour classroom refresher course for motorists age 50 and older; participants learn how to sharpen their driving skills, adjust to age-related changes in vision, hearing and reaction time and other safety issues; cost is \$10 payable to AARP and registration is required, no



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walk-ins.

CONTACT: Community Outreach at (734) 655-8950 to register.

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

Oakland Physical Therapy

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

DETAILS: Classes are held at 7 p.m. and are free of charge, however, registration is required as space is limited. Participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing and appropriate footwear. For more information

or to register, call the number below.

CONTACT: 248-380-3550

Pilates and Your Golf Game

DATE: Wednesday, March 12

DETAILS: A lecture and overview of how Pilates may actually help your golf game; class is for both male and female golfers; given by Kristie Kava, PT, DScPT, MS and Linda Erickson, MS, PT.

Providence Center for the Healing Arts

LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River Avenue, Novi

CONTACT: (248) 465-5455

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Ceramics Class

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; Friday by appointment

DETAILS: \$10 materials fee.

Knitting Yarns

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

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

Creative Moments with Scrapbooking

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

DETAILS: \$3 materials fee.

Meditation

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

Therapeutic Yoga

TIME/DATE: 12:30-1:30 p.m. Monday (for backs); 6-7 p.m.

Tuesday (mixed level); 11-12 a.m. (gentle yoga for cancer) and 12:15-1:15 p.m. (mixed level) Wednesday; 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday (beginner/intermediate); 9:30-10:30 a.m. (intermediate/advanced) and 10:45-11:45 a.m. (mixed level)

Saturday

DETAILS: \$10/walk-in; \$80/10-class card; \$45/5-class card; Lunch and Learn Yoga 7-week session is \$60; registration required. Classes also held at Providence Hospital, Southfield; call for details.

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; \$50/50-minute session.

Dinner with a Doctor

DATE: Last Thursday of month

TIME: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

LOCATION: St. John Providence Park Hospital, Grand River and Beck roads (use Beck Road entrance), Conference Rooms A, B and C.

CONTACT: Free registration for lecture and dinner by calling (888) 440-7325

You "Heart" What You Eat

DETAILS: Feb. 28; presentation by cardiologist, Dr. Zarghami followed by strolling dinner featuring heart healthy food; recipes and cookbooks distributed.

Total Knee Replacement

DETAILS: March 27; presentation by orthopedic surgeon Dr. David Markel.

Tai Chi Classes

DATE: Currently in session.

DETAILS: Non-profit Michigan Tai Chi Association is offering classes in Livonia and Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 332-1281 for more information.

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

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS A SPECIAL LAND USE PUBLIC HEARING

The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The Planning Commission will consider a Special Land Use request for the development on the northeast corner of Sheldon and Five Mile Roads in Northville. The Special Land Use is for an outdoor dining area for an allowed restaurant user. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

The public is invited to attend this hearing and provide their comments and ask questions. Written comments regarding the development proposal will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.

(2-7/21-08 NR 397870)

RICHARD ALLEN, CHAIR
PLANNING COMMISSION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE 2008 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Northville Township 2008 Board of Review will conduct hearings on the following dates for appeals from citizens, regarding the 2008 assessment, at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road Beginning Monday, February 25th, 2008 you may call (248) 348-5810 to schedule an appointment. Letters of appeal must be received by March 17, 2008. Postmarks are not accepted.

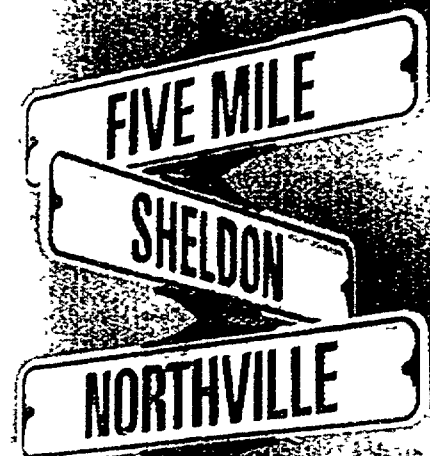
Monday	March 04, 2008	4:00 pm	Organizational Meeting
Appointment Dates:			
Thursday	March 06, 2008 ^a	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Appointments
		6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments
Saturday	March 08, 2008	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Appointments
Monday	March 10, 2008	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Appointments
		1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Appointments
Tuesday	March 11, 2008	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Appointments
		6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments
Thursday	March 13, 2008	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Appointments
		6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments
Saturday	March 15, 2008	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Appointments
Tuesday	March 18, 2008	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Appointments
		6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments

Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed value for 2008, the Wayne County Equalization Departments have set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2008 Real and Personal Property Assessments: Commercial Real 1.00, Industrial Real 1.00, Residential Real 1.00, All Personal Property 1.00.

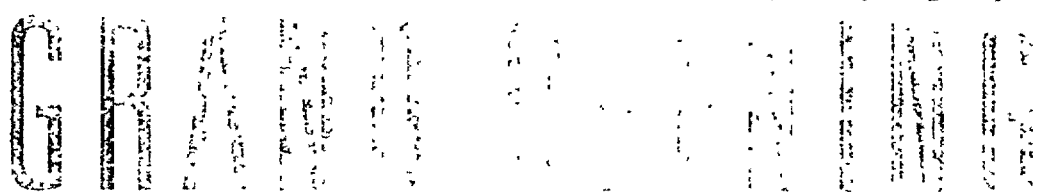
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CHASING PERFECTION



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

The talented pool of Mustang senior swimmers: (front, l to r) Greg Sheppard, Jake Lane, Joe Kargula and Jonathan Bardsley; (back) Eric Peterson, Brody Blicke and Kyle Adams.

Seniors look to win 4th straight league title

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Northville senior swimmers have become accustomed to two things — winning at home and winning the conference meet. During their four-year tenure, the seven Mustang seniors have gone 41-1 in duals and have won all three league meets.

The seniors are Brody Blicke, Kyle Adams, Eric Peterson, Jon Bardsley, Joe Kargula, Jake Lane and Greg Sheppard.

"They've been able to have a lot of success with a lot of hard work," Northville head coach

League Meet

Where: Plymouth
Thursday: Conference Prelims, 1 p.m.
Friday: Diving Prelims, 2:30 p.m.
Saturday: Conference Finals, noon

Rich Bennetts said. "You ask every one of those seniors if it's a big deal or not if we don't win (the league meet) this year and they'll all say it doesn't mean any-

thing if we don't win it this year.

"They understand the importance of finishing it the right way with a win on Saturday."

It's no secret which team is standing in the way of the title — Livonia Stevenson.

"They're a very well coached team," said Bennetts of Stevenson. "They're talented all the way through the lineup."

The Mustangs have pretty much rolled through the last three meets, but Bennetts sees this one as being much closer than the past.

"I would not be surprised in the least if it came down to the last

event," he said.

The prelims start Thursday at Plymouth. Diving prelims are Friday, with finals Saturday.

"The kids are excited," Bennetts said. "I've been doing a lot of pacing back and forth, trying to get the lineup where I can find another point here or there."

"You just got to hope that you can make the right calls. I know we've got a great lineup and Stevenson has got a great lineup."

Bennetts said he's ready to get things going for the league meet, but the mark his seniors left will

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Northville 141, Franklin 43

The Mustangs closed out the regular season dual meets with a crushing victory against Franklin.

Northville event winners included A.J. Aquinto in the 200 freestyle, Nate Lunn in the 200 individual medley, Kyle Adams in the 50 free, Kevin Bain in diving, Clay Malloure in the 100 free, Brody Blicke in the 500 freestyle, Joe Kargula in the 100 backstroke and Anthony Adamowicz in the 100 breaststroke.

JV Invite

The Mustangs captured the JV title Friday. Highlights included Alex Miller and Bofeng Zhang finishing 1-2 in the 200 free, Zhang and Connor Kobinski doing the same in the 200 IM, Nathan Menovick placing second in the 50 free, Kobinski finishing second in the 100 butterfly, Alex Miller and Todd Truran going 1-2 in the 100 free, Harry Master taking second in the 500 free, the 200 free relay team of Menovick, Max Ladhoff, Truran and Miller took first, Zach Taylor finished second in the 100 backstroke, and the 400 free relay team of Kobinski, Menovick, Truran and Miller won.

Mustangs ready for tough playoff road

Northville faces No. 2 Catholic Central in first round

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville hockey won't have any problem getting up for its first round Division 1 pre-regional game.

The Mustangs face No. 2 ranked Catholic Central 5:30 p.m. Feb. 25 at Novi Ice Arena.

"We figure at some point if we want to get to Compuware, we're going to have to go through them anyway, so we might as well get it done here right away," Northville head coach Clint Robert said.

"It's going to be a good matchup. We're looking forward to it."

Northville enters the playoffs on a terror. They've lost just one game in the last 15, sit at 18-3-1

and are ranked No. 9 in Division 1.

The Mustangs finished the last two games with shutouts, knocking off East Kentwood 7-0 and Grand Rapids CC 3-0.

Grand Rapids CC is ranked No. 1 in Division 3 and tied Catholic Central earlier this season.

"We've been winning a lot of hockey games, and it's kind of contagious," Robert said. "I think our confidence is real high right now. It seems like when you've got a lot of confidence, the bounces start going your way and maybe you get that extra-little push for the run."

The Mustangs have been able to play good two-way hockey, but being able to trust everyone on the ice makes life a lot easier for Robert.

"We've got all four lines clicking pretty well," he said. "Teddy (Keranen) had back-to-back shutouts. It seems like he's really finding his groove."



Submitted photo

continued on 4 Northville's Joe Castellino winds up for a slapshot.

'Stangs-Novi battle in district classic

By Jeff Theisen
SPORTS WRITER

Novi won the wrestling team district in wild fashion last Thursday.

The Wildcats faced rival district host Northville for the title. The match came down to the final pairing, with Northville leading 33-31.

The Mustangs Dave Owens faced Novi's Joey Shada with everything on the line for the 215-pounders.

The first period went scoreless, but Shada took the lead with an escape point in the second.

Owens started the third in the down position but was unable to get the escape point as the two were put in the middle with 11 seconds left in the match.

Owens tried to stand up right away, but Shada pulled him back to the ground near the edge of the circle. Shada appeared to be working on Owens' arm to turn

Individual Districts

Advancing: Jonny D'Anna (First place - 119 pounds), Evan Bentley (Second - 130), John Hebert (Third - 130), Brian Bagian (Third - 145), Matt Hagain (Third - 152), Nick Mudar (Third - 160)

Next: Individual Regionals 10 a.m. Saturday at Southgate Anderson

State Finals: March 6-8 at Palace of Auburn Hills.

him over, but the referee called Shada for stalling and awarded Owens a point, tying the match with two seconds left.

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'Stang district action

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"I was upset," Shada said. "I was rolling the wrist over. He nails me for stalling while I'm working on top. I didn't know what he was thinking."

The Novi bench erupted in anger, while the Mustangs celebrated wildly, knowing their chances of a victory were salvaged.

The two were put back in the middle for sudden-death overtime. Just 14 seconds in, Shada went with a bull rush and got the two-point takedown as the two landed just in front of the Novi bench.

Shada got the win, and Novi got the title by a 34-33 margin.

"I needed to get the win there to move my team past districts and move on to regionals," Shada said. "You got to do what you got to do. You've got to gut it out."

"It felt damn good. It makes it even more fun beating Northville, our Baseline rival. It was a great match."

Novi started with a 12-0 edge as Northville voided at heavy-weight and the Wildcat's Conner Caldwell won by pin with four seconds left in the first period.

Mustangs streak

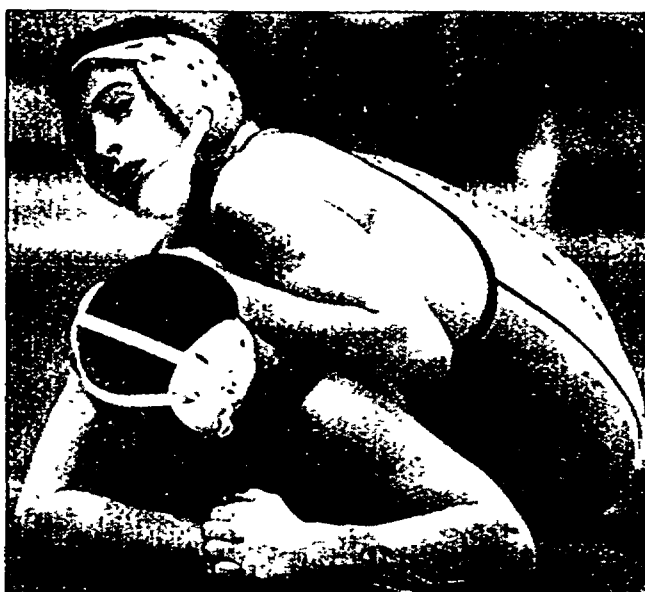
Northville didn't panic. The Mustangs instead ripped off 29-straight points over the next six matches.

Mike Bagian (112) and Jonny D'Anna (119) each won 12-0 to pull within four points. John Hebert (125) won 6-2 to pull within 12-11.

Evan Bentley (130) put the Mustangs ahead 17-12 with a pin 1:11 into the first. Matt Ladhoff kept the momentum going with a pin 2:34 into the match at 135 pounds.

Aaron Towne (140) gave the Mustangs their biggest lead of the night at 29-12 with a pin 4:31 in.

"It was exciting," Northville head coach Jeff Balagna said.



Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Mustang Mike Bagian in district playoff action against a Wildcat opponent.

"That's what wrestling is supposed to be. My guys, they laid it out there."

"I'm really proud of the way my guys wrestled."

The match changed at 145 pounds. Northville's Brian Bagian picked up Aditya Sathi and dropped him on his left shoulder. Sathi screamed in pain and the match was stopped.

Sathi was unable to continue, and the injury was deemed a dangerous move, which awarded Novi with six points, pulling the Wildcats within 29-18.

Matt Hagan earned a 15-7 win for Northville at 152 pounds for a 33-18 lead, but it was Novi's turn to go on a run.

The tide turns

Ryan Thomas won 18-11 at 160. Joe Pritchard (171) won by pin 18 seconds in and Ryan Riderour won 9-1 at 189 to set up the winner-take-all final match.

You can't be discouraged

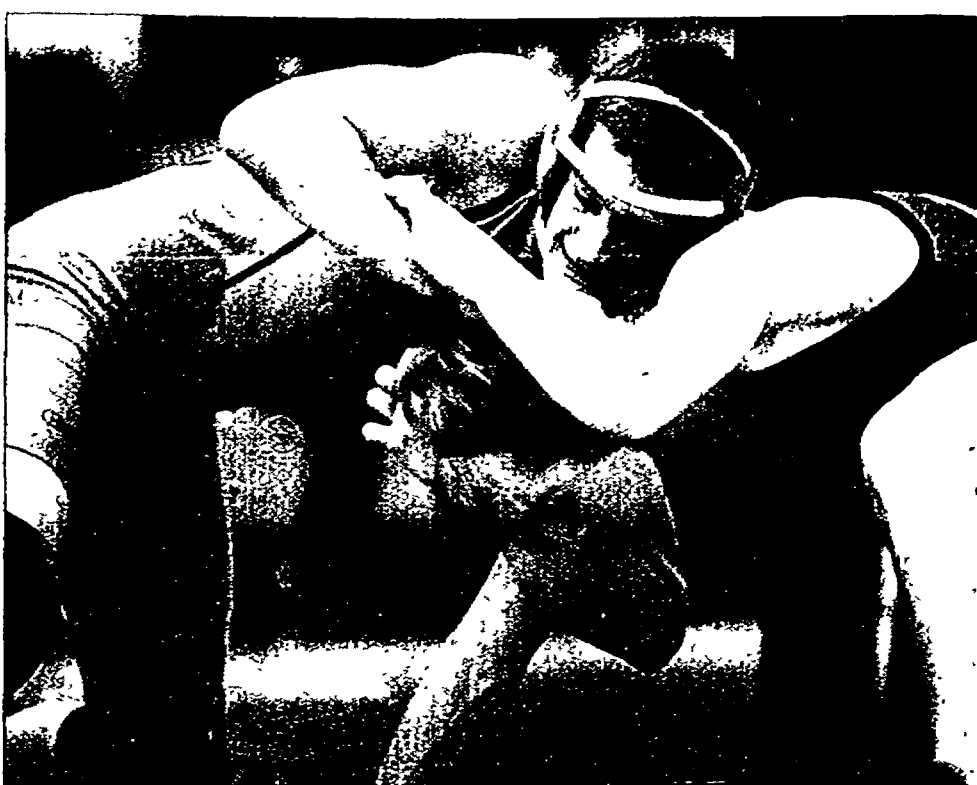
when you lose a good match like that," Balagna said. "It's supposed to come down to the last match. Novi vs. Northville. It's just unfortunate Novi came out on top of us."

Novi head coach Brad Huss was glad his team advanced, but not overly pleased with some of the Wildcat performances.

"I'm not jumping up and down too much," he said. "I thought that was a poor performance on our part. When we go out there to win, we do fine. You could see a couple of them trying not to lose, trying not to lose and, of course, they lost."

"Hopefully, they learned a good lesson that that's not going to cut it." Novi rolled through North Farmington 48-23 in the district opening round. Northville came down to the final match in its first match, beating Stevenson 29-28.

Jeff Theisen can be reached at jtheisen@gannett.com or at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.



Mustang Matt Ladoff has the upper hand on his Wildcat opponent during the district meet featuring the two teams.

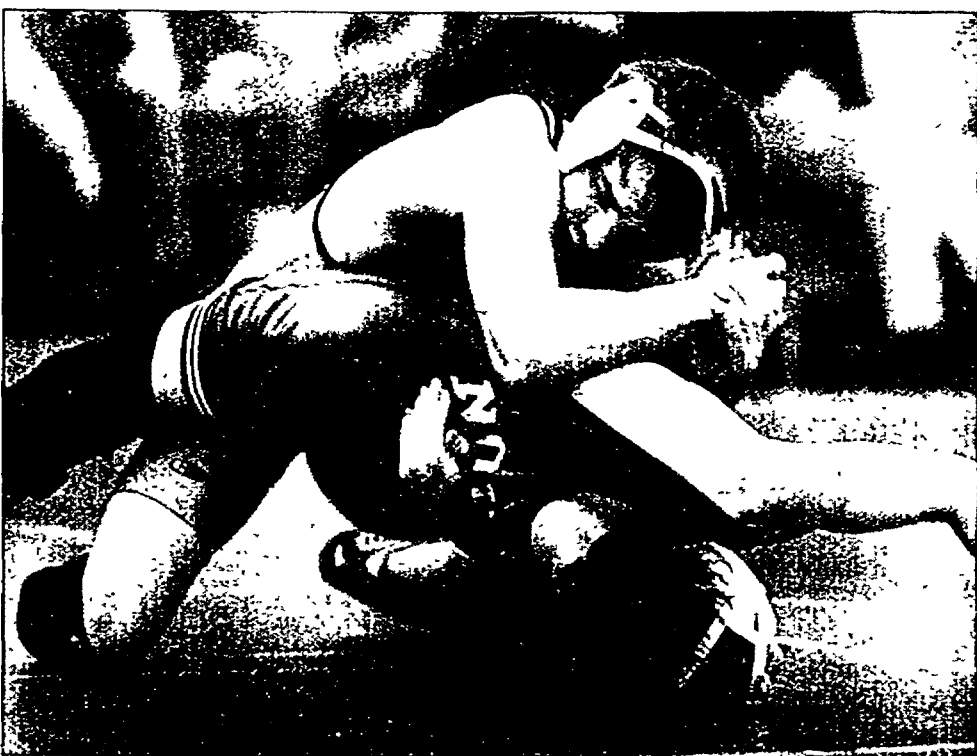
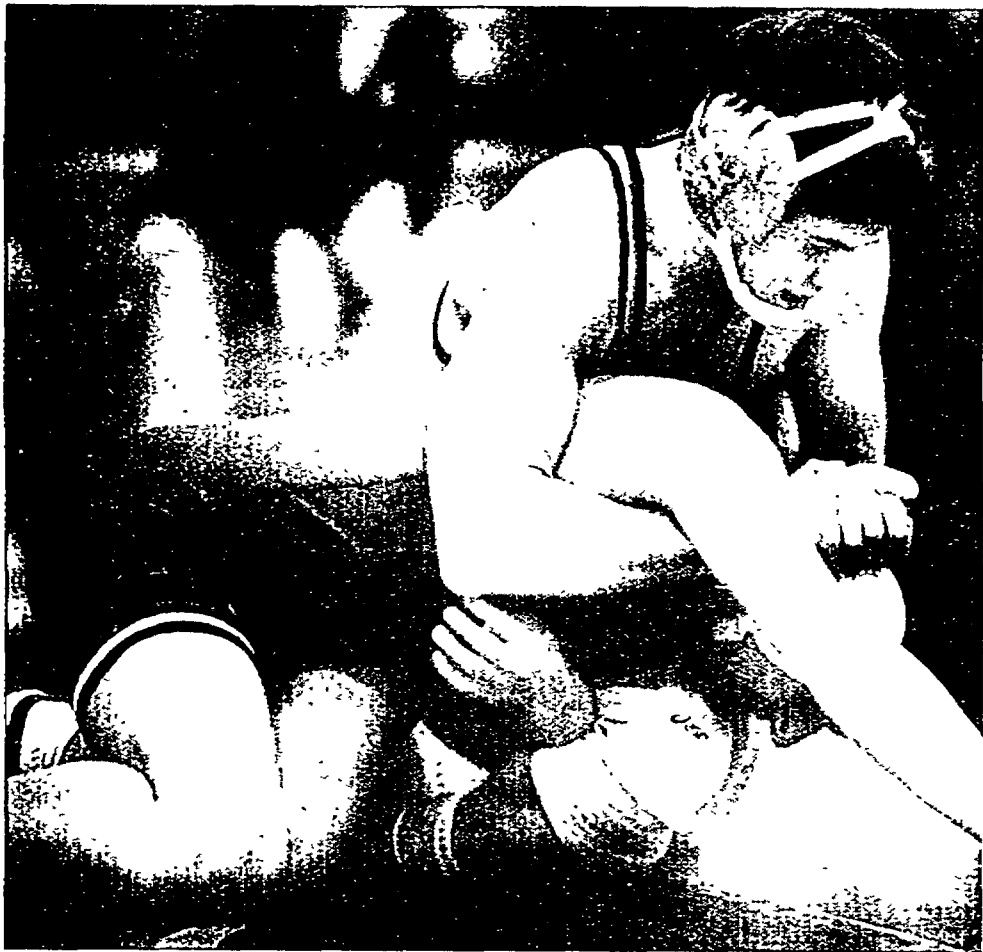


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Mustang Jonny D'Anna eventually pinned his Wildcat opponent at team districts.



Northville's Evan Bentley eventually pins his Novi Wildcat opponent in this match.



Mustang Nick Mudar, left, works on a Livonia Stevenson opponent.



Julie Mantay, bottom, finds it hard to watch her son Kevin in a close wrestling match against at Livonia Stevenson opponent. Another woman, top, can't watch the physically difficult matchup. Kevin Mantay, though behind in points, was able to avoid a pin and kept his team in the running for the meet's victory.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Mustang diver Ryan Trotter gets in a practice dive before a recent meet against Livonia Franklin.

SWIMMING: Seniors look for fourth league title

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last long beyond Saturday's meet. "I've enjoyed the heck out of coaching these guys," he said.

"They've really brought a lot of good attention and respect to the program. They will be remembered at Northville for a long time.

"But we've got to finish the right way."

Jeff Theisen can be reached at jtheisen@gannett.com.

Health

Resolution management

It is said that a good method of gaining knowledge is through another person's experience. If you are like thousands of people who are struggling to reach their New Year's Resolution to improve health and lose weight, listen up.

Over the last 20 years I have personally worked with or witnessed thousands of well intentioned people that set out with the exact same goal only to find it totally abandoned by this time of the year. I have watched as our clubs swell at the beginning of each year with new, enthusiastic members that seem to virtually vanish 30-60 days later.



Chris Klebba

I have summarized the top conditions that continue to kill these goals year after year after year in hopes of helping a few. No matter where you are with your weight loss goals right now, even if they are on their last attempts or if you have given up; if you are willing to read these repeat goal killers and learn from them they will improve your chances of success. These are not from some text book, some weight loss expert's opinion, or a study biased on trying to sell some magic potion, rather they are real life experiences as I mentioned earlier, from thousands of people.

1. False expectations — This is a BIGGIE and ranges from expectations of weight loss over a period of time to exercise frequency. For long-term weight loss plan on losing about a pound or two a week. While this does not sound nearly as attractive as the 30 pounds these weight loss magic formulas guarantee you will lose in record time, this is more realistic and over three months you would lose at least 12-20 pounds and more of that total weight will be body fat versus lean muscle. Start with a realistic exercise plan. I always get a little nervous when I see a new client start from being mostly sedentary to coming to the gym seven days a week and sometimes twice a day. Even if you maintained this pace long enough to reach some goals ask yourself, could you maintain this pace long term to keep the goals you have achieved?

The right amount of exercise time is different for everyone and I am not trying to slow anyone down but set a pace you can stick with and works with your lifestyle in three month intervals,

reviewing your goals and progress at that time and re-setting new goals. Two to three times a week for at least 45 minutes is a great start and most people can maintain this type of pace.

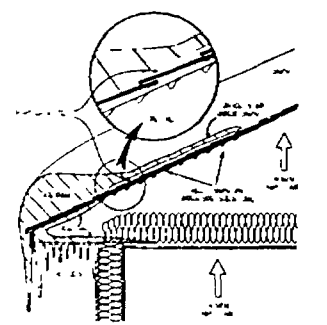
2. Don't eat more — If you have been mostly sedentary prior to starting an exercise program you will feel better very quickly and your metabolism will increase and in some cases the burning of extra calories will increase your appetite. It always amazes me that the number one reason people drop their goals is they don't see any results to motivate them and unfortunately the number one reason they don't see results is they actually increase their food intake after starting an exercise program. If you increase your activity and if you eat the same before increasing activity you must and will lose weight. The other 23 hours a day outside of a gym are as, or more important than the hour of activity. Many people have never been in any caloric deficit for any length of time (burning more calories than they are taking in) and this is a new feeling. Drink plenty of water and attempt to cut back a little on the junk food (yes you know what junk food is). At the very least be careful not to compensate by eating more than you did before starting an exercise routine.

3. Get some basic instruction — I cannot tell you how many times we have seen enthusiastic new members 30 days into a new exercise plan in pain due to a new injury or the aggravation of an old one. Being a recent, lucky recipient of some serious arthritis, I can personally speak to how quickly pain can kill an exercise plan. A few tips from the proper source can get you on the right track and keep you there. We offer 32 hours a week of guidance as part of our memberships and many clubs have qualified trainers, yet very few people take advantage of this. I understand walking on a treadmill or reading the little sign on the weight machine is not that difficult but if it were that easy why are so few people getting and maintaining their goals? Take advantage of basic guidance to set your program and review every three months.

This column was written by fitness expert Chris Klebba. Chris owns and operates Planet Fitness in Northville and Waterford, and is a regular columnist and public speaker. For fitness questions e-mail planetfitness@sbcglobal.net and for more information call 248-449-7634 or go to www.planetfitness.com.

Home Owners Do You Know...

What causes Ice Damming & How to Avoid It?



Randall Patterson

Ice damming and attic condensation are related—both are caused by warm (moisture laden) air migrating from the house and entering the attic. The problem may be more pronounced in newer homes since they are built tighter at the sides encouraging warm air to rise into the attic.

ICE DAMMING LEADS TO:
• SIGNIFICANT STRUCTURE DAMAGE AND LEAKS

• PREMATURE DETERIORATION OF SHINGLES AS THE WARM AIR CONDENSES ON COLD SURFACES

• NAIL POPS AND BUCKLING SHINGLES AS THE WOOD EXPANDS WHEN ITS WET AND CONTRACTS AS IT DRIES OUT

• GROWTH OF MOLD/MILDEW WHICH CAN LEAD TO ROOF ISSUES AND RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS FOR THE OCCUPANTS

A well insulated and sealed attic will unlikely have ice dams—there will be no warm air to melt the snow. If there is sufficient insulation to keep heat from the house escaping into the attic, and there are no holes or air leaks, then the attic should be in good shape. The attic air should be cool and dry just like the outside air (ice dams are rarely seen on barns or detached garages). Ice damming occurs when there is a significant depth of snow on the roof and outside temperatures are below freezing for a long period of time with little or no thaw in-between. The warm air in the attic melts the snow near the peak of the roof. As the melted snow reaches the colder soffit area, it refreezes creating a dam for water underneath. A good sign of an ice dam are icicles at the gutters.

There are methods to minimize ice dams and their effect. Installing self-sealing membranes about 3' from the eave under the shingles does not stop ice dams; they just prevent the water from leaking through the roof sheathing. Removing gutters will keep them from becoming ice traps, but may lead to further problems such as wet basements and perhaps foundation settlement, or wet fascia and soffit areas. Electric cables may alleviate the problem but can use a significant amount of electricity as well as being an eyesore. The best way to fix a wet/damp attic is to locate the source and to stop air movement from the house into the attic space.

Following the principle of 1 square foot of ventilation for every 300 square feet of insulated attic space split between the roof and soffit vents (1 Sq. Ft. to 150 Sq. Ft. in colder climates or low-sloped roofs) should be sufficient.

We can provide information for how to minimize warm air into the attic and reduce and prevent ice damming from occurring

Call us if you would like your home evaluated for proper insulation, ventilation, and ways to help avoid Ice Damming.
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	Catholic Central				
Catholic Central		Wed. Feb. 27 5:00 PM			
Plymouth					
Mon. Feb. 25 5:00 PM					
Salem					
Novi			Fri. Feb 29 7:00 PM		District 25 Champion
Mon. Feb. 25 7:00 PM					
Canton		Wed. Feb. 27 7:00 PM			
Northville					
	Northville				
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District Girls Basketball

Hosted by: Ladywood High School

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1 Northville		Wed. Feb. 20 6:00 PM			
2 Ladywood					
Mon. Feb. 18 6:00 PM					
3 Canton					
4 Salem			Fri. Feb 22 7:00 PM		District 25 Champion
Mon. Feb. 18 7:30 PM					
5 Plymouth		Wed. Feb. 20 7:30 PM			
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'Stangs draw district bye



Photo submitted by Lynn Kirkpatrick

Martins Trautmanis goes up for a layup against Salem.

By Jeff Thelsen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Coaches look for any advantage they can get going into the playoffs. Northville head coach Darrel Schumacher didn't have to look far.

The Mustangs got one of the two byes for the Novi district.

"If you win one game, you're in the finals," Schumacher said. "That's a great way to get there."

Schumacher and company will get the luxury of waiting for the winner of Novi-Canton.

Novi won the KVC title, and Canton finished last in the WLAA Western Division.

"I think right now, Novi is probably the team in the district that everyone has to shoot for," Schumacher said. "They're playing really good defense, and they're playing well."

Northville (11-8) didn't put up the gaudy record it has the past few seasons, but the Mustangs still managed to finish second in the division.

The offense is extremely unusual with a 6-7 point guard in Dan Kirkpatrick and a 6-2 post player in Greg Hasse.

The defense has the luxury of playing several kids in the 6-4 to 6-7 range.

"We've got some size. We've got some height," Schumacher said.

Another positive for the Mustangs is the ability to rotate in players without a dropoff.

"People think I'm kidding, but I think we've got seven starters," Schumacher said. "It

doesn't matter which of our seven seniors we have going. They share the ball, they move the ball and they just want success for all."

Baseline matchup?

Unless Canton can pull off a big upset, the Mustangs will probably face Novi on the Wildcats' home court.

Novi won the earlier-season battle, but it was very early in the season and both coaches admitted the rotations and styles of play are quite a bit different more than two months later.

Schumacher said while the Mustangs want to win every game, the regular-season game doesn't have near the preparation as the playoff game.

"This time, playoffs, you're going to spend a little more time looking at their different plays, their different options and their scheme a little bit more," Schumacher said. "You definitely put a lot more time and effort into it, because it's now a game that counts, and it counts big."

Despite several years of coaching, Schumacher admits the playoff atmosphere is different than any other.

"You try to stay as low-key as you can, but I tend to start stumbling over my words, and I get excited," he said. "It's what the game's about. It's about competition."

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Photo submitted by Andy Mills

Jordan Duff watches the puck during a recent game.

HOCKEY: Mustangs face CC

continued from front
Playoff pressure

Mistakes and capitalizing on opponent breakdowns often become the difference in the playoffs. Teams are more likely to play back, trying to stop the puck than push the pressure.

Robert wants his team to stay focused defensively, but knows you have to score to win.

"It's real important that when you get an opportunity, you've got to bury it," he said. "We've had a little bit of a problem with firing the puck wide and missing the net when we've got a real nice scoring opportunity."

"But, definitely, if you play sloppy defensively, you're going to have a short playoff run."

Experienced

Northville finished in the final eight last year and included a win against Brighton along the way. The Bulldogs were the defending state champs. Robert sees last year's run as a springboard for this season.

"Our road to Compuware doesn't get any easier this year," he said. "If dominoes fall in the right way, we would have Catholic Central in the first round, and probably come the third and fourth round we'll be matched up with Orchard Lake St. Mary's and Brighton again."

"It's certainly a tough road, but last year is going to help to let the team know that anything can happen on any given night."

ROUNDUP: Girls hoops awaits opponent

By Jeff Thelsen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Northville boys basketball team started the WLAA tournament in grand fashion, blasting Salem 74-51. But things didn't go as well against John Glenn in the semifinals. Northville got knocked into the third-place game with a 55-39 loss.

Against Salem, the Mustangs led after every quarter, 16-10 after the first, 33-20 at half, and 56-36 heading into the fourth.

Greg Hasse led all scorers with 18 points. Dan Kirkpatrick was next with 15 points. David Burke tallied 14 points, and Steve Anderson scored 11.

Against Glenn, the Mustangs trailed the entire contest: 11-7 after one, 27-17 at the half and 41-16 after three.

Dan Kirkpatrick led the Mustangs with nine points and seven rebounds. Kyle Asher was next with eight points.

The Mustangs really struggled from the free throw line, hitting just six of 17 shots.

Northville finishes the league tournament 5:30 tonight against Churchill at John Glenn

Gymnastics

The Northville gymnastics team continued its winning ways with a blowout, 142-6-74.4 against Hartland on Feb. 12.

Cassidy Winter had a big meet, scoring a season-high 9.7 on the beam and a 9.1 on the vault.

Other top scores included

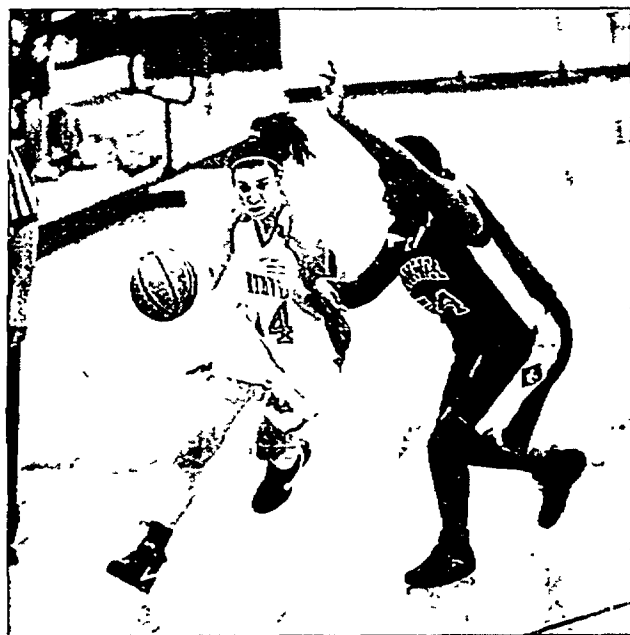


Photo submitted by Diana Burdett

Chelsea Atzinger looks to drive during a WLAA playoff game.

MaKenna Pohl with a team-high 9.3 on bars and a 9.0 on vault.aleigh Deacon and Amy Reynolds each scored a 9.4 on beam. Allison Kemp with a 9.0 on bars to go with a team-high 8.9 on the floor and Michelle Steslicki scored a 9.0 on the beam

Girls basketball

The Northville girls basketball team lost its final game of the regular season, 49-26 Feb. 11 to Walled Lake Central.

The Mustangs received a bye in the opening round of district play and faced the winner of Ladywood-Canton yesterday. If the Mustangs won, they play in the district finals 7 p.m. Friday at Ladywood.

Cheer

The Mustangs cheer team knocked off Walled Lake Western 694.980-643.106 on senior night. The Mustangs scored a season-high 214.98 points in the second round.

AII-WLAA

First Team

Alaya Mitchell, Salem senior
Chelsea Davis, Salem senior
Kelly Costello, WL Central senior
Briauna Taylor, Franklin jr.
Melanie Wilkerson, WL Western senior
Malissa Guiles, WL Northern senior

Second Team

Sarah Stern, Northville sr.
Chelsea Atzinger, Northville junior
Brittany Taylor, Franklin jr.
Baylee Hollowell, Canton senior
Shaakira Haywood, Plymouth junior
Carly Zietlin, WL Western senior
Trenia Barbee, Wayne sr.

Third Team

Charli Coram, WL Northern senior
Brooke Gustafson, WL Central junior
Sarah Stone, Salem soph.
Brittany Holbrook, John Glenn junior
Porshe Dudley, WL Central senior
Victoria Brotz, Salem senior

Honorable Mention

Allison Holmes, Northville

Northville Parks and Recreation Basketball

Men's Sunday AA League
Standings as of Feb. 10
Team W L
Z Team 5 0
Toon Squad 4 1
Champs 3 2
Nvl Phys Rehab 2 3
Total Rec 1 4
St Marys Cement 0 5

1. Toon Squad
2. Northville Phys Rehab
3. Z Team
4. Total Rec
5. Champs
6. St Marys Cement
Feb. 24 - Ct. 1
5 p.m. - 5 vs. 4
6 p.m. - 6 vs. 3
7 p.m. - 1 vs. 2
Mar. 2 - Ct. 2
5 p.m. - 4 vs. 6
6 p.m. - 1 vs. 5
7 p.m. - 3 vs. 2
Mar. 9 - Ct. 1
5 p.m. - 5 vs. 3
6 p.m. - 1 vs. 4
7 p.m. - 2 vs. 6
Mar. 30 - Ct. 2
5 p.m. - 6 vs. 5
6 p.m. - 2 vs. 4
7 p.m. - 3 vs. 1
Apr. 6 - Ct. 1
Playoffs

Men's Sunday B Green
Standings as of Feb. 10
Team W L
K & H Printing 5 0

Glory Days 4 1
Too Young- This Old 3 2
Legacy Lending 2 3
Hickory 2 3
Karls Cabin 2 3
Practice Squad 2 3
Blaha's Bunch 0 5
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2. Practice Squad
3. Karls Cabin
4. Blaha's Bunch
5. K & H Printing
6. Glory Days
7. Too Young to be This Old
8. Hickory
Feb. 24 - Ct. 2
5 p.m. - 6 vs. 4
6 p.m. - 8 vs. 2
7 p.m. - 7 vs. 3
8 p.m. - 1 vs. 5
Mar. 2 - Ct. 1
Playoffs

Men's Sunday B Orange
Standings as of Feb. 10
Team W L
Detroit Kovas 3 2
Digi N. Friends 3 2
Akasaka Red Hills 3 2
Insight Strategies 3 2
Cobra's 3 2
More Cowbell 0 5
1. Insight Strategies
2. Akasaka Red Hills
3. Detroit Kovas-Starting Gate
4. Cobra's
5. Digi N Friends

6. More Cowbell
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2 p.m. - 1 vs. 2
3 p.m. - 6 vs. 3
4 p.m. - 5 vs. 4
Mar. 2
2 p.m. - 4 vs. 6
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4 p.m. - 3 vs. 2
Mar. 9
2 p.m. - 5 vs. 3
3 p.m. - 1 vs. 4
4 p.m. - 2 vs. 6
Mar. 30
2 p.m. - 6 vs. 5
3 p.m. - 2 vs. 4
4 p.m. - 3 vs. 1
Apr. 6
Playoffs

Men's Thursday Standings as of Feb. 14
Team W L
3 Brothers Restaurant 6 0
Penetration 5 1
Protect This House 4 2
Dixon Masonry 3 3
AM Hoops 3 3
Hines Park Lincoln Mrc. 2 4
Caveman Mafia 1 5
Bosch Tools 0 6
1. 3- Brothers Restaurant
2. Hines Park Lincoln-Merc
3. Protect This House
4. Penetration
5. Caveman Mafia
6. Bosch Tools
7 AM Hoops

8. Dixon Masonry
Feb. 21
6:30 - 7 vs. 3
7:30 - 8 vs. 2
8:30 - 1 vs. 5
9:30 - 6 vs. 4
Feb. 28
Playoffs - TBD

Women's spring/summer '08 basketball league

Open team registration starts March 10 on a first-come, first-serve basis until league fills. Team Entry Fee \$390.00 per team (\$100 returned if no forfeits). Ref. fees \$25/team/game. Non-Resident Fee - \$18/player. Season begins Tuesday, April 22, and ends June 24. Game Times - 6:30pm, 7:30pm, 8:30pm, 9:30pm with 10 Game dates. For more info, please call (248) 449-9947

Adult Softball

Registration is March 5-7 from 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m. for returning teams. New team registration begins March 10.

More information can be found at www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

Northville H.S. Schedules

Boys Basketball
2/21 vs. TBA, TBA
2/27 Districts at Novi vs. TBA, 7 p.m.

Girls Basketball
If win 2/20, 2/22 vs. TBA at Ladywood, 7 p.m.

Boys Hockey
2/25 vs. Catholic Central at Novi Ice Arena, 5:30 p.m.

Wrestling
2/23 Individ. Regional at Southgate Anderson, TBA

Gymnastics
2/21 at WLAA meet, TBA
3/1 Regionals at Canton-Plymouth, TBA

Boys Swim and Dive
2/21 at Conf. Prelims, 1 p.m.
2/22 at Conf. Prelims/Driving, 2:30 p.m.
2/23 at Conference Finals, Noon
2/28 Home, last chance, 7 p.m.

Cheer
2/23 Home, WLAA Conference, 9 a.m.

Sports Shorts

Colts cheerleading

The Northville Youth Colts & Stallions Football & Cheer Association is starting registration for the 2008 season. This is an exciting opportunity for girls ages 8-14 to acquire cheer, pom and stunting experience. We are looking to fill positions for freshman, JV and varsity teams.

During the season cheerleaders will attend a cheer clinic; learn new cheers; cheer during all games and perform at half times. In addition the teams will learn & perform a pom routine. No cheer experience necessary, all teams will learn basic cheer motions, jumps & skills during practices.

The freshman and JV teams will work on basic stunting while the varsity team will step it up a notch to prepare them for High School Cheerleading and Pom. This includes learning more advanced stunting and how to work as a team to complete extensions and dismounts. Other fun festivities through the season include HomeComing celebrations, the awards banquet and team parties.

The season runs early August through early November. Team commitment is significant but well worth it. Register early. Space is limited. Registration runs March 1 through April 15. For more information, please visit the Northville Youth Football & Cheer Association site at www.northvillecolts.com. E-mail the cheer director, Chris Trotter at mitrot5@aol.com.

Youth Lacrosse Teams

Travel team lacrosse will be offered for boys at all skill levels in grades 5-8. Northville lacrosse will play the top teams and participate in the Cranbrook Jamboree.

The season runs March 17-June 1, practice is M-W-F. The cost is \$195 for Northville residents.

Girls lacrosse will learn the fundamentals and play 4-6 games. Season runs

April 14-May 30. Cost is \$120 for Northville residents.

New teams are forming now for the spring. For more information please contact Kathy at (248) 305-9776.

Shamrock lacrosse fundraiser

CC lacrosse fundraiser at BD's Mongolian BBQ on Thursday, March 6th. Seatings at 7 and 8 p.m. for walk-ins.

Questions or donations can go to coachdwilson@yahoo.com.

Novi Youth Baseball Registration

The 2008 Novi Youth Baseball season is almost here. League registration began Feb. 1 and will run through March 15th. The NYBL is open to all children from ages 7-18.

See www.noviouthbaseball.org for more information and registration.

Send sports submission to sports writer Jeff Thelsen at jthelsen@gannett.com.

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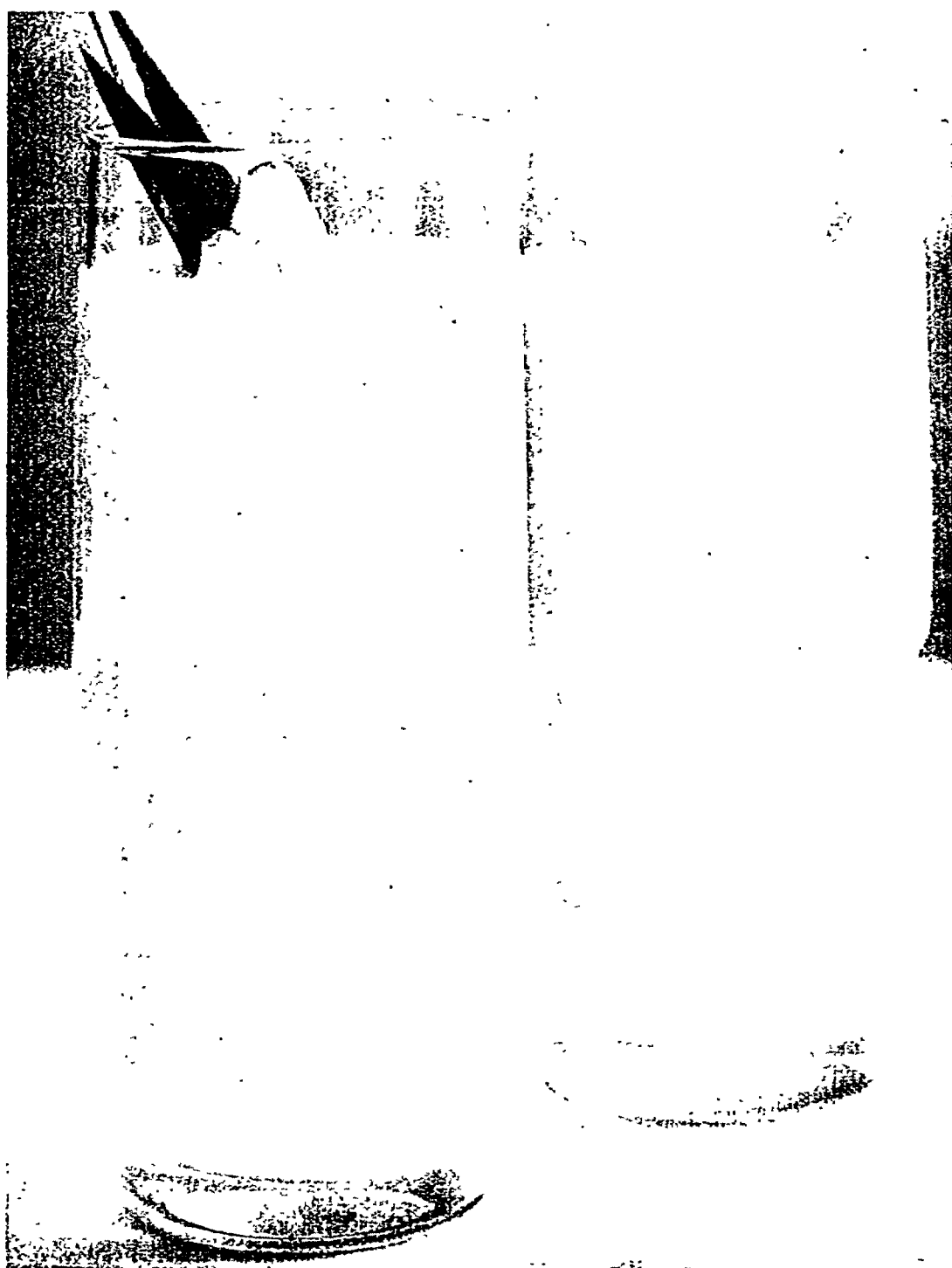
Healthy Breakfast Jump-Starts Your Day

FAMILY FEATURES

A healthy breakfast is essential for weight management," stresses Bob Greene, the personal trainer best known for helping Oprah achieve her dramatic weight loss. In his book "The Best Life Diet," Greene insists on making this important meal a daily habit. "Breakfast may help control hunger and helps start your day right," says Greene.

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Tropical Smoothies

Spinach Frittata with Tomato-Basil Salsa

Prep Time: 20 Minutes
Start to Finish: 20 Minutes

Salsa

- 2 plum (Roma) tomatoes, chopped
- 1/4 cup shredded fresh basil
- 2 tablespoons sliced ripe olives
- 1 teaspoon olive oil

Frittata

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 box (9 oz) Green Giant® frozen spinach, thawed, drained
- 8 eggs or 1 container (16 oz) fat-free egg product (2 cups)
- 2 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese, if desired
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

1. In small bowl, mix salsa ingredients until blended. Set aside.
2. In 10-inch nonstick skillet, heat 2 teaspoons oil over medium heat. Add spinach; cook 2 to 4 minutes, stirring constantly, until spinach is thoroughly heated.
3. In medium bowl, beat eggs, cheese, salt and pepper with wire whisk until blended. Pour over spinach. Cover, cook over medium-low heat 5 to 7 minutes or until eggs are set and light golden brown on bottom. Cut into 4 wedges. Top each serving with salsa mixture.

4 servings

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

1 Serving: Calories 210 (Calories from Fat 130); Total Fat 15g (Saturated Fat 4g); Cholesterol 425mg; Sodium 280mg; Total Carbohydrate 5g (Dietary Fiber 2g); Protein 15g

% Daily Value: Vitamin A 120%; Vitamin C 4%; Calcium 15%; Iron 15%

Exchanges: 1 Vegetable, 2 Medium-Fat Meat, 1 Fat

Carbohydrate Choices: 1/2

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Tropical Smoothies

Prep Time: 5 Minutes
Start to Finish: 5 Minutes

- 1 container (6 oz) Yoplait® Original French vanilla yogurt
- 1 cup mango or peach chunks
- 1 1/4 cups 8th Continent® original soy milk
- 1/4 cup pineapple juice

1. In blender or food processor, place all ingredients. Cover; blend on high speed about 30 seconds or until smooth.
2. Pour into 2 glasses. Serve immediately.

2 servings (1 1/2 cups each)

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% Daily Value: Vitamin A 25%; Vitamin C 45%; Calcium 30%; Iron 4%

Exchanges: 1 Fruit, 1 Other Carbohydrate, 1 Skim Milk

Carbohydrate Choices: 2 1/2

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Spinach Frittata with Tomato-Basil Salsa

Yogurt-Bran Muffins

Prep Time: 10 Minutes
Start to Finish: 30 Minutes

- 1 cup Fiber One® original bran cereal
- 2 egg whites or 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 2 containers (6 oz each) Yoplait® Original French vanilla yogurt
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 1/4 teaspoons baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup fresh blueberries or raspberries

1. Heat oven to 400°F. Place paper baking cup in each of 12 regular-size muffin cups, or grease bottom of each muffin cup with shortening. Place cereal in resealable food-storage plastic bag; seal bag and crush with rolling pin or meat mallet (or crush in food processor).
2. In medium bowl, stir together egg whites, oil and yogurt. Add crushed cereal, flour, brown sugar, baking soda and salt; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Gently stir in berries. Divide batter evenly among muffin cups, filling each 3/4 full.
3. Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until golden brown. Immediately remove from pan.

12 muffins

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): Heat oven to 425°F. Decrease baking soda to 3/4 teaspoon.

1 Muffin: Calories 170 (Calories from Fat 45); Total Fat 5g (Saturated Fat 0.5g); Cholesterol 0mg; Sodium 280mg; Total Carbohydrate 28g (Dietary Fiber 3g); Protein 4g

% Daily Value: Vitamin A 2%; Vitamin C 2%; Calcium 6%; Iron 10%

Exchanges: 1 Starch, 1/2 Other Carbohydrate, 1 Fat

Carbohydrate Choices: 2

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Yogurt-Bran Muffins

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- Choose a cereal that is an excellent source of whole grain and flavor it with 8th Continent Light vanilla soy milk. Substituting soy milk for cow's milk is a good way to reap soy's heart-health benefits.
- Pair a low-fat yogurt with fruit and nuts. With varieties like Key lime pie and harvest peach, Yoplait yogurt keeps the combination interesting.
- Create your own omelet with low-fat cheese and veggies to get a head start on daily vegetable intake goals. Keeping canned or frozen Green Giant vegetables on hand will ease preparation.

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Slow Cooker
Savory Pot Roast

Comfort CLASSICS

Home-Style Staples That Never Go Out of Style

FAMILY FEATURES

No matter what the latest taste trend or hot new celebrity-endorsed recipe, you can always count on a few classic home-style standards to make a comeback around this time every year. Typically known as "comfort foods" for their ability to soothe and warm the soul, these familiar dishes not only taste delicious, but also make us feel warm and fuzzy all over — and are especially welcoming during the chill of the colder months.

Perhaps Grandma's famed chicken noodle soup comes to mind, or Dad's special meatballs with marinara. Maybe it's Mom's ultra-goopy, rich mac 'n' cheese, your own fork-tender pot roast or delicious turkey and stuffing holiday leftovers.

Whatever the dish, though, all comfort foods have one thing in common — we turn to them for relief when we're tired, stressed, under-the-weather or simply looking for a taste of home. They are typically simple, hearty, uncomplicated meals, informal and inexpensive to prepare, yet immensely satisfying to those lucky enough to be served them.

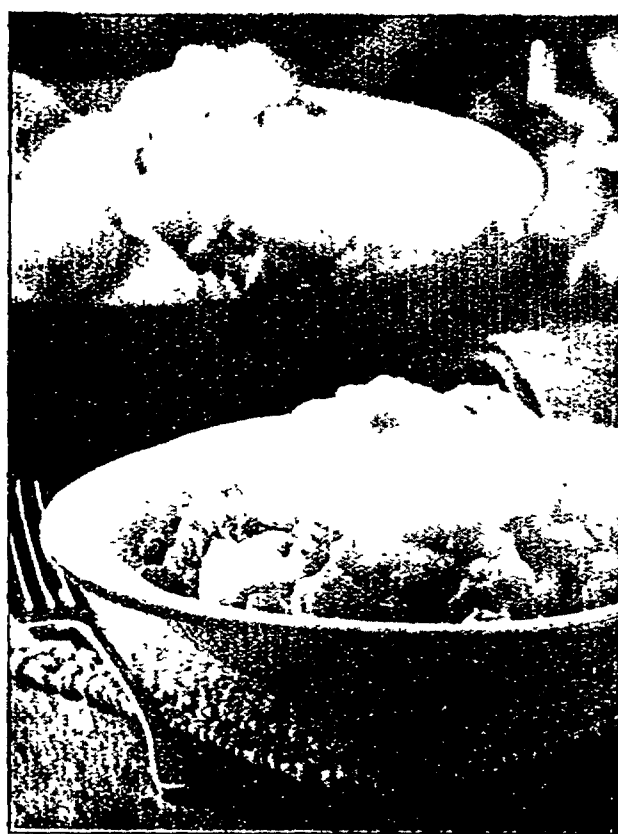
Three comfort classics that never seem to go out of style are pot roast, shepherd's pie and beef stroganoff. The recipes included here require no extensive prep or unusual ingredients, so they're easy to whip up, even on a weeknight.

The slow cooker pot roast offers a particularly convenient alternative to last-minute cooking, since the prep all occurs in the morning, leaving the roast to cook to tender perfection all day. By using some convenient comfort food shortcuts on your ingredient list, such as Heinz® HomeStyle Savory Beef Gravy and Wyler's® Beef Bouillon cubes, you can add an extra layer of flavor to the roast, without the fuss of making gravy from scratch. The pot roast also includes a healthy helping of veggies, so it could easily become a complete meal with fresh bread or a green salad.

If you're looking for a comfort food that doubles as a one-dish wonder — shepherd's pie has it all. It includes the meat, vegetables and starch most of us associate with a complete home-style meal. Plus, using prepared Ore-Ida® Mashed Potatoes to top the pie eliminates the laborious task of making mashed potatoes from scratch.

Also, if you're craving a comfort food with some added interest, try this creamy beef stroganoff. It's simple to make and serves up a delicious plate of savory chunks of beef tenderloin, sautéed mushrooms and steaming noodles. And, if you want to add a little extra flare, try pairing it with a glass of merlot. That's sure to offer some added warmth and a new level of sophistication.

So, with these simple, home-cooking classics in your culinary arsenal this season, there's no need to rush out and purchase the latest "cookbook du jour." Just stick to the basics this season and you'll be sure to find some classic convenience, comfort and good taste.



Shepherd's Pie

Beef Stroganoff

Prep Time: 5 minutes
Cook Time: 15 minutes
Serves 6 to 8

- 1 pound sirloin steak (cut into thin strips) or 1 pound lean ground beef
- 2 cups (8 ounces) sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 1/4 cup margarine or butter
- 1 cup water
- 1 tablespoon Wyler's Beef Flavored Granules or 3 bouillon cubes
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 8 ounces wide egg noodles, prepared according to package directions
- Chopped parsley, optional

In large skillet, over medium-high heat, cook and stir steak, mushrooms and onion in margarine until steak is browned and vegetables are tender. Reduce heat to medium. Add flour to thicken, if desired; cook and stir 1 minute. Add water and bouillon; cook and stir until thickened and bubbly. Stir in sour cream; heat through. (Do not boil.) Serve with hot noodles. Garnish with parsley if desired.

Slow Cooker Savory Pot Roast

Prep Time: 10 minutes
Cook Time: 8 to 10 hours
Serves 6 to 8

- 3 pounds bottom round beef roast
- 1 Wyler's Mrs. Grass Reduced Sodium Onion Recipe, Soup and Dip Mix pouch
- 1 jar (12 ounces) Heinz HomeStyle Savory Beef Gravy
- 2 Wyler's Beef Bouillon Cubes or 2 teaspoons Wyler's Beef Granules
- 1 can (14 1/2-ounces) diced tomato with basil, garlic and oregano
- 2 cups water
- 3 cups mixed vegetables, such as sliced carrots, cut green beans, diced redskin potatoes, green peas, sliced celery

In large skillet sprayed with nonstick spray, brown beef over medium-high heat 8 to 10 minutes, turning occasionally.

Combine soup mix, 1 jar of gravy, bouillon and diced tomato in 5-quart slow cooker. Add water and stir well. Add beef and turn until well coated. Cover and cook on low heat setting 8 to 10 hours, turning occasionally.

Add mixed vegetables during last 2 hours, stirring occasionally. When vegetables are tender, remove beef from cooker. Slice or shred beef as desired, and serve with vegetables and sauce.

Shepherd's Pie

Prep Time: 10 minutes
Cook Time: 25 to 30 minutes
Serves 4 to 6

- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 1 jar (12 ounces) Heinz HomeStyle Savory Beef Gravy
- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen mixed vegetables, thawed
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 3 cups prepared Ore-Ida Mashed Potatoes
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

In large skillet, cook ground beef over medium heat until browned and thoroughly cooked. Carefully drain liquids and return to stove-top. Stir in gravy and vegetables and bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer 8 minutes, or until vegetables are tender, stirring occasionally. Add salt and pepper to taste.

While beef mixture is still in skillet, spoon mashed potatoes onto it, forming 8 mounds, and top with cheese. Continue to simmer until potatoes are hot and cheese is melted. Serve immediately.



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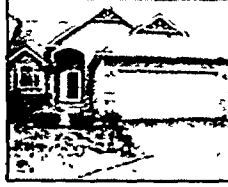
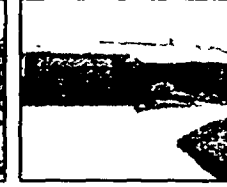
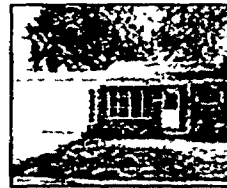
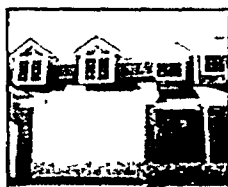
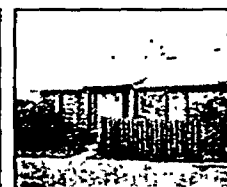
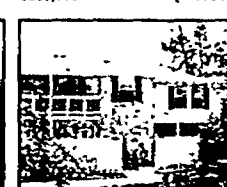
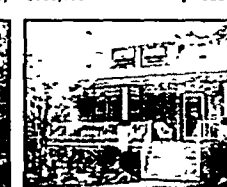
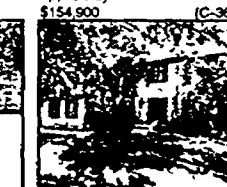
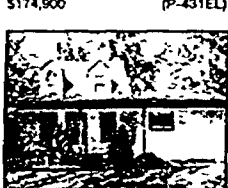
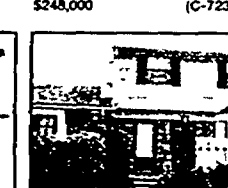
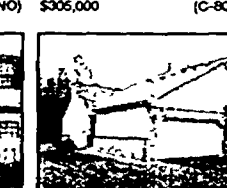
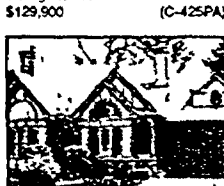
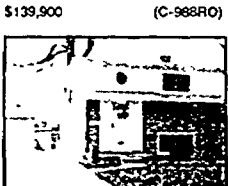
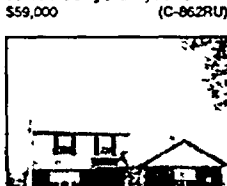
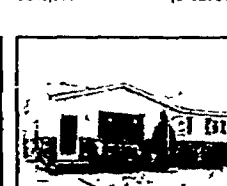
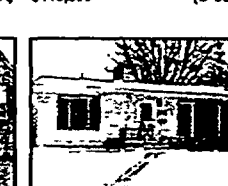
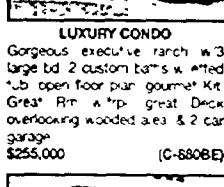
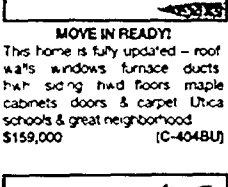
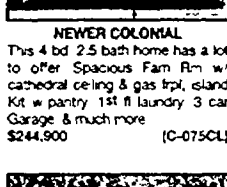
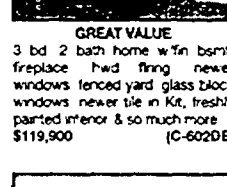
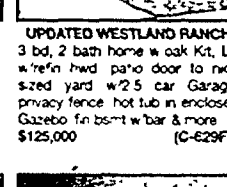
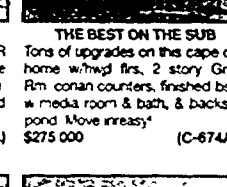
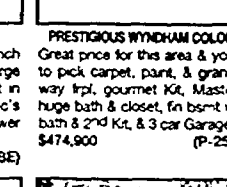
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\$285,000 (P-656GL)**OPPORTUNITY AWAITS**This 4 bd home is located in highly sought after Lakepointe Village. Updated Kt, Fam Rm w/tp, 1.5 baths, newer furnace & C/A, appls stay & Home Warranty inc.
\$188,000 (P-218GR)**NOVI CAPE COD**Gorgeous 4 bd, 2.5 bath, home built in 2000. Bright, open floor plan, spacious island Kt, Fam Rm w/tp, 1st fl Master, 1st fl laun, Study, finished bsmt, & stamped concrete Patio.
\$309,900 (P-291HO)**MECHANIC'S DREAM**Let your dreams come true in this 3 bd brick ranch w/ huge 3 car Garage w/tp & a drive near door. Large fenced lot can be split, nice eat in Kt, full bsmt, & covered patio.
\$164,900 (C-025JO)**A RARE FIND**You'll fall for this park like setting! Formal LR/DR, Den, eat-in Kt w/ hwd & all appls, large Master w/ spa bath & WIC, part finished bsmt w/ home theater.
\$314,900 (C-224KE)**MAINTENANCE FREE BUNGALOW**Check out this 3 bd, 2 bath home feat: large bdrm w/2 WIC's, finished bsmt w/tp & bar, 2 car Garage, shed in private backyard, updated furnace, shingles, & windows. A must see!
\$120,000 (P-665NO)**INVESTORS SPECIAL**Roomy ranch in Westland featuring thermal windows & doors, Fam Rm, country Kt, appls stay, generous Garage, fenced yard w/ tall maple trees, & home warranty.
\$79,900 (C-621PA)**CHARMING CAPE COD**Spacious home w/ over 2200 sq ft. Updated Kt, formal LR, w/ new carpet, 1st fl laun, 4 bd, 2.5 baths, Master w/WIC & bath, updated roof, furnace, C/A, carpet flooring & more.
\$215,000 (P-266PO)**BRAND NEW CONDO**Fantastic location overlooking woods & park. Top quality construction, cathedral ceilings, walkout bsmt, 3.5 baths, 2 car Garage, & more. Convenient Plymouth location.
\$244,500 (C-935RI)**STUNNING COLONIAL**Immaculate 4 bd colonial feat 2.5 baths, ceramic baths, Master w/tp, tub & large WIC, finished bsmt, open floor plan & 1st floor laun.
\$300,000 (P-755SH)**CANTON RANCH CONDO**Are you ready for this? Move right into this beautiful 2 bd condo featuring large Master, cath ceilings, big bsmt, fresh paint & new carpet, & close to everything.
\$122,900 (P-388SO)**AWESOME HOME**4 bd, 3.5 bath home w/ 1st fl Master w/lacon tub, vaulted ceilings, Great Rm w/tp, 1st fl laun, Kt w/tp, appls, convenient location close to shopping, malls, & schools.
\$285,000 (P-692SU)**CUSTOM COLONIAL**Beautiful & expansive home feat. 4 bd, 3.5 bath, open floor plan w/ maple hwd flrs, vaulted ceilings, 1st fl Master w/tp & bath, 1st & 2nd fl laun, Northville Schools, & stamped patio.
\$560,000 (P-520SU)**GARDEN CITY RANCH**Located in a great area & priced to sell quickly! This one has a finished bsmt w/tp, bath, stove, fridge, home warranty, updated furnace, siding, Kt, & more.
\$114,900 (C-753W)**PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP**Love to entertain? This 3 bd, 2 bath, well maintained ranch offers 2 full Kts. Enjoy the summer breezes by the pool or in the shade of a covered patio. Hwd flrs, updated baths, 31x11 rec room, & appls stay.
\$154,900 (C-364BA)**BREATHTAKING!**Excellent curb appeal on this great home! 4 bd, 2.5 baths, huge Kt, 1st fl laun, 2 story Great Rm, lovely paver patio & quiet off the sac location.
\$200,000 (C-777DA)**ENJOY THE PARK**You can't find a better location! Brick ranch, perfectly situated across from the Community Center & park. Spacious floor plan w/ large Liv Rm, finished bsmt, & all appls stay.
\$174,900 (P-431EL)**WALK TO DOWNTOWN**Charming Plymouth contemporary home w/ an inground pool, finished bsmt, large Liv Rm, Fam Rm w/tp, & possible in-law rental quarters on 2nd level. Easily convert to single family home.
\$439,000 (C-670EV)**START PACKING!**4 bd colonial located in beautiful features! Oak hwd flrs, sharp Kt w/ nook & all appls, Great Rm w/tp, French doors to Library, large Master Pano, & more.
\$275,000 (C-653GL)**GREAT FIND!**Fabulous 2 bd, 2 bath condo in popular South Lyon neighborhood. 1139 sq ft, neutral decor, Master w/WIC, Florida Room, vaulted ceilings, & area pool & tennis.
\$99,900 (C-133GR)**GORGEOUS OLD ROSEDALE**Beautifully updated home w/ hardwood floors, gourmet island Kt w/ cherry & granite finished bsmt, oversized Garage, & large Deck.
\$238,900 (C-419ME)**CUSTOM BUILT RANCH**Situated on almost an acre in Livonia, this ranch offers a newer furnace, hwd, elec, plum, pella windows, oak floors, 2 baths, finished bsmt, large Garage w/ water & attic space.
\$248,000 (C-723NO)**SHARP COLONIAL**Beautiful 4 bd, 3.5 bath home in Independence Hills. Feat: finished bsmt, inground pool, hot tub & cabana. Great for entertaining w/ wetbar, large Kt, Formal Din Rm, & updated galore.
\$305,000 (C-801OL)**ROOMY RANCH**Solid brick ranch w/ huge Kt, 1000+ sq ft, 3 bd, 2.5 baths & Garage. Many updates done, inc. kitchen, hwd, plum, elec, glass block, & huge bsmt w/ plenty of storage space.
\$129,900 (C-425PA)**OVER AN ACRE LOT!**3 bd bungalow situated on a great lot w/ trees, 2 car Garage, w/ office space, 2nd Garage, 3rd build for garden equip or storage, newer roof, windows, carpet, & updated elec.
\$139,900 (C-988RO)**GREAT OPPORTUNITY**Well cared for brick home w/ plaster walls, hwd flrs, newer mechanicals, formal DR, LR, Fam Rm, & possible in-law rental quarters on 2nd level. Easily convert to single family home.
\$59,000 (C-862RU)**GREAT LOCATION**Located at the end of 11 Mile & within walking distance to golf course, this condo has all the charm & comforts you desire. Efficient Kt, Great Rm, Master w/ bath & WIC, & 2 car att Garage.
\$199,000 (C-176SA)**PRIDE IN OWNERSHIP**Freshly painted St. James on a quiet street. Large island Kt w/ tp, appls, spacious Fam Rm w/tp, formal Dining Room, w/tp, ceiling, bath, & walk in closets. Pano, & serene setting.
\$249,900 (C-527SH)**GREAT CONDO**Beautiful townhouse located in elite Tana Hill Sub. 3 bd, 2.5 baths, Formal Din Rm, updated Kt w/ tp, 1000+ sq ft, 1 yr home warranty, finished bsmt w/ study area, fenced patio, & more.
\$195,000 (C-131TA)**DON'T MISS THIS ONE!**Gorgeous condo w/ hickory hwd, gourmet Kt w/ eating area, LR w/ marble tp, large Master w/WIC, finished bsmt w/ study area, fenced patio, & more.
\$115,000 (C-801V)**NEW BOSTON CONDO**2 year old condo w/ great loc de sac location backing to woods. End unit w/ walled windows, bright Great Rm w/tp, 2 bds, 2 baths, & full bsmt.
\$176,000 (C-443AV)**LUXURY CONDO**Gorgeous executive ranch w/ 3 large bd, 2 custom bms, w/ tp, tp, open floor plan, gourmet Kt, Great Rm w/ tp, great Deck overlooking wooded area, & 2 car garage.
\$255,000 (C-880BE)**MOVE IN READY!**This home is fully updated - roof, w/tp, windows, furnace, ducts, hwd, siding, hwd floors, maple cabinets, doors, & carpet. Utica schools & great neighborhood.
\$159,000 (C-404BU)**NEWER COLONIAL**This 4 bd, 2.5 bath home has a lot to offer. Spacious Fam Rm w/ cathedral ceiling & gas tp, island Kt w/ pantry, 1st fl laundry, 3 car Garage, & much more.
\$244,900 (C-075CL)**GREAT VALUE**3 bd, 2 bath home w/ tp, bsmt, fireplace, hwd flrs, newer windows, fenced yard, glass block windows, newer tile in Kt, freshly painted interior & so much more.
\$119,900 (C-602DE)**UPDATED WESTLAND RANCH**3 bd, 2 bath home w/ oak Kt, LR w/ tp, hwd pado door to nice sized yard w/ 2.5 car Garage, privacy fence, hot tub in enclosed Gazebo, finished bsmt w/ bar & more.
\$125,000 (C-629FL)**THE BEST ON THE SUB**Tons of upgrades on this cape cod home w/ hwd flrs, 2 story Great Rm, roman columns, finished bsmt w/ media room & bath, & backs to pond w/ view in trees!
\$275,000 (C-674AU)**UPDATED RANCH**2 bd, 1 bath Eastpointe ranch boasting a remod Kt, large bedrooms, new carpet & paint in Great Rm, 2.5 car mechanic's dream Garage w/ workshop, newer roof, & windows.
\$74,900 (P-745BE)**PRESTIGIOUS WYNDHAM COLONIAL**Great price for this area & you get to pick carpet, paint, & granite! 3 way tp, gourmet Kt, Master w/ huge bath & closet, finished bsmt w/ 1/2 bath & 2nd Kt, & 3 car Garage.
\$474,900 (P-253BE)**CONDO ON THE POND**Imagine the view! Precious 2 bd, 2 bath condo w/ very open floor plan, Great Rm w/ tp, walkout to scenic pond, w/ coming decor & so much more.
\$144,900 (P-052BO)**CHARMING COLONIAL**This home features cherry hwd flrs, LR w/ bay window, island Kt w/ ceramic tile & oak cabinets, Fam Rm w/ tp, & built in 2002.
\$264,900 (P-241BR)**LOVELY TRI-LEVEL**3 bd, 2 bath tri-level w/ newer Kt, both baths updated, freshly painted over 1500 sq ft, 2 car Garage, & finished basement.
\$140,000 (P-913CH)**LIVONIA GEM**Over 1100 sq ft of living space in this great home feat hwd flrs, Kt w/ ceramic & appls, LR w/ tp, crown mold, dual staircases, daylight bsmt, & backs & sides to protected land.
\$150,000 (P-205CO)**PRESTIGIOUS STEEPCREASE**This 5099 sq ft home is definitely a 10! 4 bd, 4 baths, Kt w/ granite, Conservatory, Den, Fam Rm, crown mold, dual staircases, daylight bsmt, & backs & sides to protected land.
\$725,000 (P-070CR)**PURE LUXURY**4169 sq ft, 4 bd, 3.5 bath Cape Cod offering the highest quality of materials & craftsmanship. 3 way tp, 1000+ sq ft, w/ basketball court & stunning covered porch. Too much more to list!
\$795,000 (P-175G)**BEAUTIFUL CANTON CONDO**Over 2000 sq ft w/ 3 large bdrms, 1st fl Master w/ bath, all bdrms w/ private bath, bonus room, 2 car Garage, 2 story Great Rm w/ tp, large bsmt, & quiet Deck.
\$215,000 (P-568GL)**AWESOME LOFT LIVING**Downtown Plymouth condos w/ soaring ceilings, granite island Kt's, all appls, balcony & terrace, tile baths, 1-3 bdrms, & still time to choose colors. Call for more details.
Starting at \$199,900 (P-300HA)**CUTE & CHARMING**3 bd bungalow w/ newer roof, windows, remod kitchen w/ tp, tp, finished bsmt, immediate occupy & more.
\$118,000 (C-217HA)**ESTATE SIZE HOME & LOT**2352 sq ft, 4 bd, 2.5 bath cape cod w/ walkout bsmt, field stone fireplace, 90+ furnace, Andersen windows, 2 master bedrooms, & situated in the middle of 34 tranquil acres.
\$324,900 (P-015LA)**CHECK THIS OUT!**Buy this home and get a week stay at a beachfront Ft. Myers condo! When you get back you can move right in to this 3 bd, 2 bath brick ranch w/ too many updates to list!
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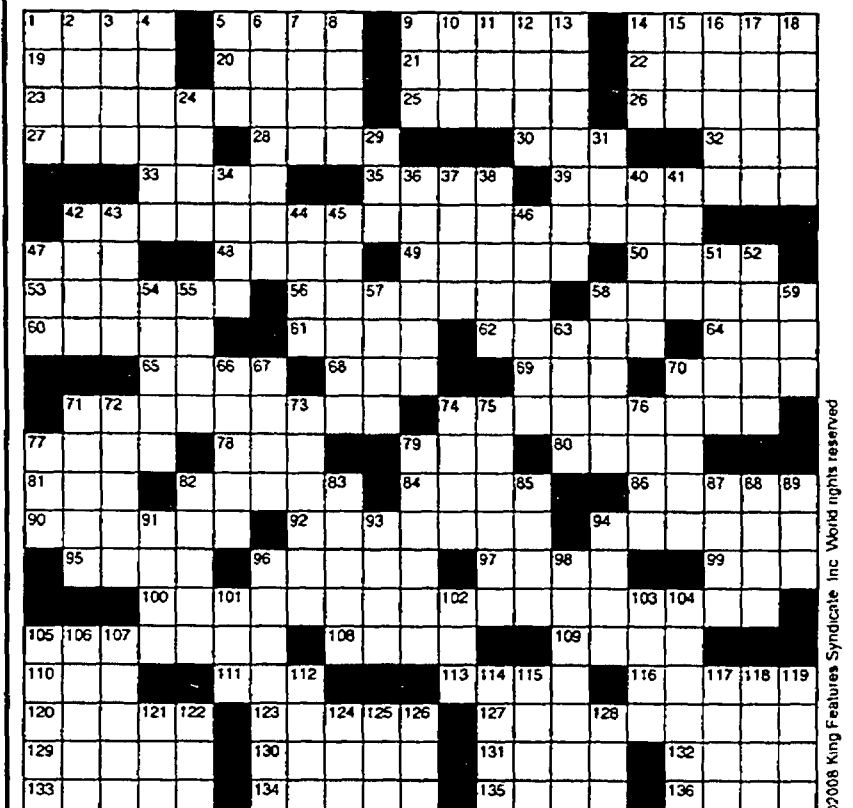
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1 Commed a dell—
5 One of the Mavens
9 Seraglio
14 Telescope view
19 Clark's co-worker
20 "An apple —"
21 Catherine of "Home Alone"
22 Mindful
23 Start of a remark by John Yeck
26 Neighbor of Nigeria
27 Confused
28 Artist Mondrian
30 Apprehend
32 Winter hazard
33 Lincoln or Zumwalt
35 Swerve
39 Slavic soup
42 Part 2 of remark
47 Ring stat
48 Pull the Trigger?
49 — nez
50 Western lake
53 Fat for farming
56 Patos
58 Rag man?
60 — ily
61 Raison d'—
62 Big hit?
64 Creepy Christopher
65 Word on a luse
68 Suffix with racket
69 Farm feature
70 Space-rack item
71 Part 3 of remark
74 Part 4 of remark
77 Skin problem
78 Monte Rosa, for one
79 Don's "Roundabout"
80 Mitchell homes'ead
81 Gowing
82 Rule
84 "— Anger" ("60 Smash")
86 Persona
90 Publishing magazine
92 Dva
94 Author's abthought
95 Asia's mistress
96 With 91
97 Urchins
99 Fuss and feathers
100 Part 5 of remark
105 Patron
108 Choe
109 "The Longest Day" author
110 Baby rat
111 Lady of the sea
113 Eastern discipline
116 Fungus
120 Pant owner?
123 Tower
127 End of remark
129 Tantarum
130 Johnson of "Enel"
131 Sometimes it's sweet
132 Stylish
133 Gold bug?
140 Talent
135 Coutner
136 Diner fare
9 Behave like a bunny
10 "Golcha!"
11 Sought office
12 "— go bright!"
13 A la King?
14 Band-leader
15 Be in debt
16 Hyper
17 From or Segal
18 Doctrine
24 Biggest part of a fish?
29 Recipe abbr.
31 Reggae's Marley
34 Female zebra
37 New York county
38 Tow truck feature
40 Hearsay
41 TV's "One — Beyond"
42 Gumbo veggie
43 Stable
44 Aspect
45 Puffs together
46 They're very well-armed
47 Tic — toe
51 Islamic deity
52 Muralist Rivera
54 Point the finger at
55 Revere's signal
57 Bailwick
58 Eftman of "Othello"
59 Born
63 Proper
66 Wilder works
67 Wd segment
70 Wise guy
71 Descendant
72 Preim
73 Lack of feeling
74 Feed a fire
75 Use another blue pencil?
76 Faucet problem
77 London or Kjetil
79 Position
82 Jennifer of "Flash-dance"
83 Most minute
85 "The Secret of —" (82 film)
87 With 1 Down, "Sweet Liberty" director
88 Shiva and Ganesha
89 Concert
91 See
93 — California
94 Discern
96 "Message to Michael" singer
98 Bible feature
101 Affliction
102 Overhead item?
103 Couple
104 Ad nutrients
105 Tie
106 Designer
107 Made a choice
112 Get — (realtate)
114 Bismarck or Kruger
115 Purpose
117 Turkish title
118 "— can't be!"
119 Impress
121 — roll
122 Legal matter
124 Slangy suffix
125 Rocker
126 Creak
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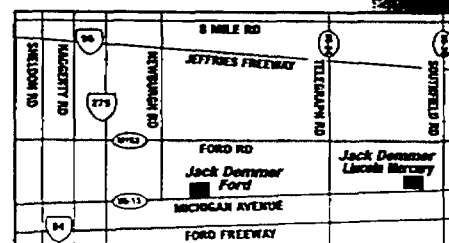
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(28025270) \$465,000



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Tons of Updates! Move-In Ready 3 bedroom home on large lot. New plumbing, doors, carpet, lighting and more. Seller will help with closing costs.
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Brighton 248-684-1065
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(27215105) \$189,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Fabulous Single Built Home Builders model in Tollgate Ravines. 2 story home. Foyer w/ limestone fl, FF mstr, BA w/ marble cnts & jacuzzi, crown molding & cased archways, custom maple KIT.
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SHORT ON CASH? Anxious seller willing to help make a deal! Take a look at this beautiful almost new 3 BR, 2.5 ba home w/ finished basement, landscaped lot in new subdivision.
(27140550) \$155,000



Canton 248-437-3800
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(28003753) \$599,900



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
PRICED WAY BELOW MARKET VALUE 4BR 2.1 BA 2576 SF almost 1 acre. Hwd floors. Huge master. Newer roof & windows. 2 car garage. Farmington schools. Close to shopping & freeways.
(27159160) \$189,900



Inkster 734-326-2000
HERE'S THE STARTER 4 U! A very nice brick ranch with full finished basement, 2 car garage and remodeled kitchen and bath, all on a nice lot facing the park. Available for lease \$950.
(27132957) \$84,900



Novi 248-348-6430
Serene Setting With View Of Pond & Nature Presv. Cherry Flrs & Cabinets. Gr W/ gas Fp & Pkry Deck. Lg Lndry & Office/Storage. Master W/ Deep Tub & Sep Shower. Deck Off Master Security Alarm.
(27213604) \$225,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Seduced ranch on 2.5 Acres! Home completely renovated. New kitchen w/ maple cabinets & island with bar. New hardwood floors and carpeting. Freshly painted. New master bath. Walkout LL.
(27159044) \$259,000



Westland 248-348-6430
Located On Dead End Street! Super clean and priced to move! Cathedral ceilings, Eat in kitchen, walk to schools.
(27214634) \$130,000



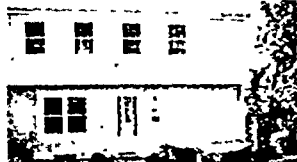
Canton 734-455-7000
ABSOLUTELY TURN KEY! Immaculate upper level 2 BR/2 BA ranch condo in Lilley Pointe. Mstr ste w/ priv bath. Lg GR w/ doorwall to deck. Beautiful dining rm. Spacious kitchen w/ all appls.
(27189939) \$119,900



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Almost everything is new! Kitchen with granite, ceramic floor, cabinets, lighting, appliances, garage roof, carpet. Screened back porch, nestled on almost 1 acre.
(27215454) \$184,900



Livonia 248-348-6430
Spotless Home in Northwest Livonia! Professionally finished dry walled base, ceramic baths. 1st FLR laundry, hwd flrs, new Berber carpet, gas fireplace, brick paver, lg deck w/ att Pergola & newer roof.
(28017154) \$245,000



Novi 248-851-1900
SUPER BUY! 3 bedroom end-unit townhouse. Good location. Living room w/ fireplace. Open kitchen/dining room. New windows. Finished basement. Newer furnace & A/C. Private patio.
(27215675) \$124,500



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.
(27094685) \$185,000



Westland 734-591-9200
Just Listed! Livonia Schools! Fantastic house w/ fantastic price! Totally updated 3BR brick ranch w/ 2 car gar and Livonia schools. Everything is new and \$15,000 maple kitchen! A must see!
(27218932) \$125,000



Canton 734-591-9200
Back on market! 3 lots in the heart of desirable canton township. Can build with improvements. In flood zone & zoned R5. Motivated seller will look at all offers.
(27074643) \$19,900



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
FORECLOSURE 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bath home. Huge backyard w/ deck. Formal living & dining room + family room w/ fireplace. Updated kitchen.
(28000733) \$175,750



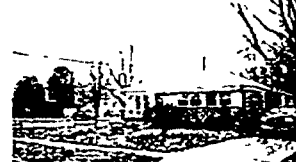
Livonia 248-437-3800
Immediate Occupancy! Some rooms have been painted. Home offers plenty of space. Open floor plan. Truly is a nice home with many updates. Must see to appreciate.
(28022884) \$154,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000
TWO PLYMOUTH HOMES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! Two separate houses on one lot in downtown Plymouth. Live in one - rent the other! Numerous updates in main house. Other home continually rented.
(27097266) \$199,900



Southfield 248-348-6430
New Construction in Southfield! Two elegant 4 BR, 2 BA homes in beautiful neighborhood. Sunny, gourmet kitchen, sumptuous master suite and elegant DR. Colonial style. Not too late to pick surfaces.
(27091687) \$454,000



Westland 734-555-7000
WESTLAND -- LIKE NEW! Totally redone throughout is this 3BR/2BA brick ranch. Full basement, detached 2.5 car garage, all situated on a fenced, corner lot. Much more!
(28019573) \$81,900



Commerce 248-684-1065
Gorgeous home w/ 3 car gar. Home off 2 sty foyer 2 sty GR. Huge kit w/ granite, SS appls, skylites. 1st flr laun & mstr ste w/ jacuzzi & dbl sinks. 1 acre.
(28001930) \$384,000



Farmington Hills 248-851-1900
HOME SWEET HOME new ceramic foyer, eat-in kitchen w/ Pergo, hickory cabinets. Doorwall to deck overlooks large fenced yard. Family rm w/ wet bar & FP. Newer windows, roof, furnace, HVAC, AC.
(27205714) \$170,000



Milford 248-684-1065
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Westland 248-348-6430
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(27198844) \$74,900



Dearborn Heights 734-455-7000
GORGEOUS BRICK RANCH! 3BR, lg kitchen, new Andersen windows w/ new roof, newer driveway, all new paint, 1st flr laundry, excellent 2.5 car garage and super deep lot!
(27148129) \$130,000



Farmington Hills 248-348-6430
Move-In Ready! Lovely newer home w/o the new home price! Great open floor plan, huge backyard, upgraded kitchen cabinets, all appliances stay. Newly finished bsmt. Neutral decor.
(27206643) \$164,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Country setting. Room to ride the horses on a 4.44 acres. New paint & grading, furnace, roof. Side entry w/ O bsmt w/ new ba, carpet, thermostat, fp.
(27121042) \$259,000



Plymouth 734-555-7000
Fantastic House with a Fantastic Price Priced for a fast sale. 3 BR Brick ranch in lovely Plymouth area. Eat in kit, FR w/ FP & DW & 12x10 sunroom. Separate LR, FR, mstr w/ 1.5 BA, 2.5 car updates galore.
(28009773) \$139,900



Walled Lake 248-684-1065
Open floor plan, LR w/ elec fp, cash cells & recessed lighting. Dining area w/ DW to deck. Kit w/ extension counter 3 lighted cell fans. Mstr w/ WC & cash cell.
(27192835) \$139,900



Westland 734-591-9200
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Dearborn Heights 248-348-6430
Attention Builders! Lot w/ 2 Car Garage! Great price on this premium lot with a brand new 2 car garage. Crestwood schools, fenced yard & a large shed! New construction will be built unless lot is sold.
(27193396) \$38,000



Garden City 734-326-2000
IN A CLASS BY ITSELF is this 3 bd brick ranch w/ 1 1/2 baths, rec rm, remodeled kitchen w/ oak cabinets & pantry, bath, ungrd sprks, and 2 1/2 garage.
(28018364) \$129,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Close to the Village of Milford with Highland taxes! Bring the horses and enjoy the peacefulness of country living. Outbuildings allowed.
(27033490) \$149,900



Plymouth 734-555-7000
GREAT OPPORTUNITY! This 2BR/1BA condo offers an open floor plan. Lg living rm leads to priv patio. Light & airy galley-style kitchen opens to dining rm. 1st flr laundry & more.
(27196572) \$125,000



Waterford 248-684-1065
Adorable describes this renovated home with updates throughout. New roof, carpet, bath, paint, kitchen fr & cabinets. Pella windows. Deck to wooded yard.
(27209453) \$89,900



White Lake 248-684-1065
Sharp 1994 3 BR w/ pos. 4th BR or office in approx. 400 sq. ft. fin. bsmt. Open fr plan w/ beautiful wrap around deck. Heated 2-car garage. Lake privileges.
(28005447) \$174,900



Detroit 248-591-9200
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(27215609) \$185,000



Milford 248-684-1065
Close to the village of Milford with Highland taxes! Bring the horses and enjoy the country life. Split from a 20 acre farm.
(27033498) \$149,900



Redford 734-455-7000
DOLL HOUSE FOR SALE! Nicely updated w/o, kitchen, bath, roof, A/C, furnace, fresh paint, landscape & carpet. Fully fenced. 1 1/2 car gar. Just move in! Priced to sell!
(28005983) \$81,000



Wayne 734-455-7000
CAPE COD LOADED WITH UPDATES! 4 BR/2BA, handicap ramp & shower, newer kitchen, A/C, furnace electric appliances, etc. Totally fenced & low, low traffic pattern area.
(27157926) \$174,500



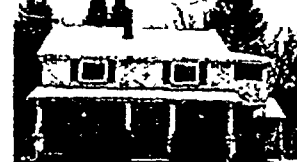
Ypsilanti 248-437-3800
Super colonial w/ lake privileges! Outstanding features include oversized study, kitchen w/ spacious counters and built in appliances. Fully finished basement w/ wet bar. Master suite and more.
(27151898) \$314,900



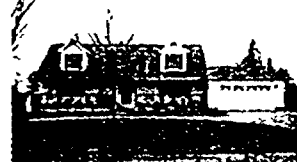
Farmington Hills 734-591-9200
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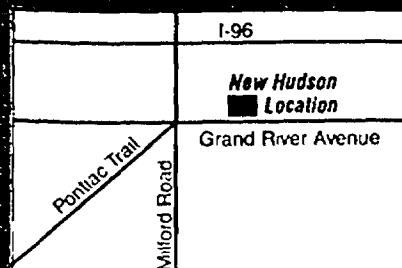
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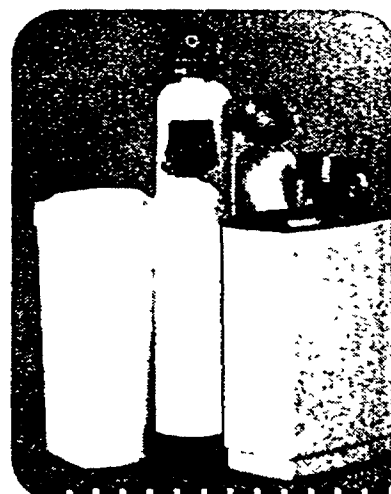
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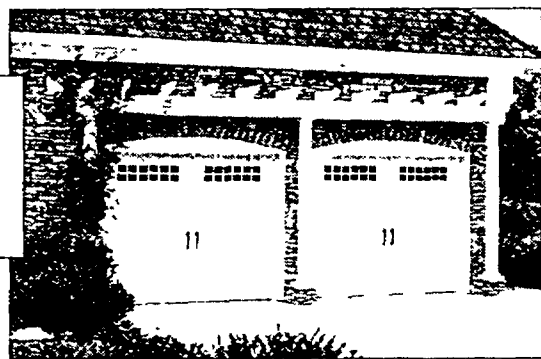
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