

Group rallies over development Former hospital property focus of March 6 meeting; township trying to settle differences with REIS

By Pam Fleming

Township.

STAFF WRITER Citizens for Northville, a grassroots organization, invite members of the public to a special Town Hall meeting next Thursday to discuss

the former Northville Regional

Psychiatric property in Northville

The meeting will take place at 7 p m. March 6 at the Highland Lakes Club House, 20301 Silver Springs Dr. between Seven Mile and Eight Mile roads.

For more information about the meeting, send an e-mail to citizensfornorthville@yahoo.com.

The property in question, which is owned by developer REIS (a partnership between Real Estate Interests Group and Schostak & Brothers Co.), is to be developed as a mixed-use project.

The developer, however, is currently in litigation with the township over a plan approved by the town-ship board of trustees in February 2007

The main stumbling blocks in

finding a plan that both township leaders and the developer could agree on is density of residential units and the amount of commercial planned for the parcel.

The concern is that the plan proposed by REIS would create an area that would contribute to traffic congestion at the intersection of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads TALK ABOUT IT: Join in discussing our stories online via Story Chat at www.northvillerecord.com

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our zoning ordinances, doesn't overwhelm the roads, schools and other services and helps preserve the Northville community's character," said a spokesperson for Citizens for Nonhville.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record The City of Northville is looking at proposals to bring street lighting to the roundabout intersection of Taft Road.

Still in the dark on Taft lighting

City Council wants a design that appears less Victorian

to come back with a different design.

Last year, the city began the reconstruction of Taft Road, with the addition of a roundabout at Morgan Boulevard being a major

'Think Globally, Celebrate Locally'

Booths still available for Chamber's March 8 event

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

With the advent of cell phones, FAX machines, computers and the Internet, today's world has truly become a global marketplace.

This year's Taste of Northville Business Showcase on Saturday, March 6, at Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile Road, presented by the Northville Commerce, Chamber of embraces this concept with the "Think Globally, theme. Celebrate Locally." The event, which is open to the public, takes place from noon-3 p.m. and includes samples from several area restaurants.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

Brookside Travel owner Jim Ehehalt is joined by Janet Bloom, Northville Chamber of Commerce marketing and events coordinator, to take a look at some exciting

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Saying a suburban rather than an urban feel would be more appropriate, city council rejected a street light design for Taft Road last week.

Jim Gallogly, public works director, presented a design similar to the decorative lighting on Center Street.

Council said the design was too Victorian-looking and asked staff

component of the project.

To adequately illuminate this intersection, staff contacted DTE Energy, and a design was prepared for two 30-foot tall fiberglass poles with cobra street light fixtures.

When staff presented this design to city council, they were directed to find a more decorative fixture and street lighting design. DTE Energy staff responded to

the request and proposed 12 decorative fixtures similar in design to

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Booth space is still open for merchants interested in promoting their business.

The Business Showcase is a great marketing tool for our local destinations as they get ready for this year's travel-themed Taste of Northville event.

businesses," said Janet Bloom, marketing and events director for the Chamber. "We've even had a few businesses get their largest clients from this show."

Bloom also encourages business owners to attend the Business-to-Business Networking event from 10 am noon before the show opens to the public.

"In these tough economic times, more exposure to potential customers is key," she said Bloom said each year, the Chamber staff tries to select a fun, family-friendly theme for its

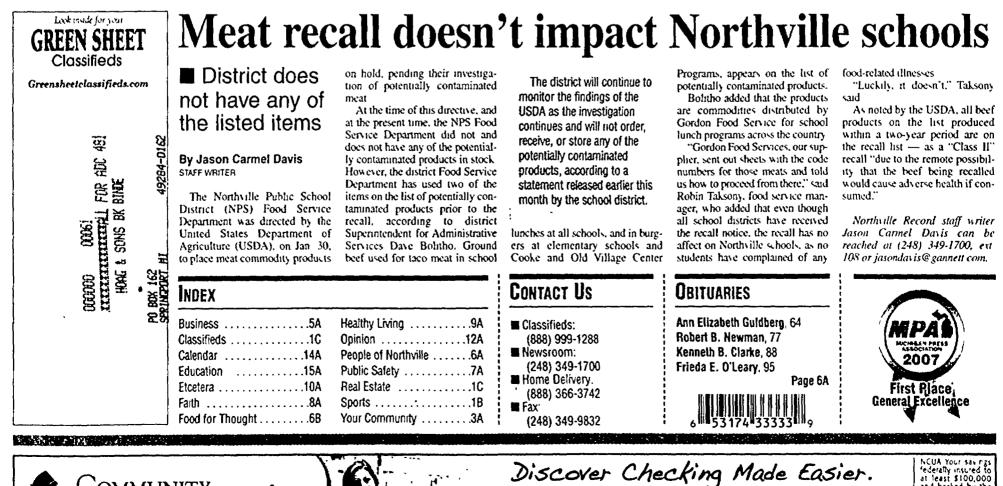
Business Showcase. This year we chose 'Think Globally - Celebrate Locally." she said "With the world getting smaller each year as we connect more with other markets, whether local, regional, national or global, we need to embrace those opportunities."

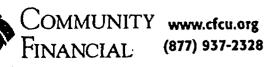
Fun event for the whole family

The event is one the whole family can enjoy, with interactive booths and food.

"It's a wonderful way to get information on local businesses and nonprofits in our area, Bloom said. "Our exhibitors also have giveaways and raffles

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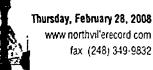
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Residents offer input on future of historic Fish Hatchery Park

City seeks public opinion

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Landscape architect Mark Russell believes Northville's Fish Hatchery Park can combine elements of both the old and the new. Russell, of Russell Design on 114 E. Rayson St. in Northville, has developed two conceptual designs for the city park located at 641 Fairbrook St. off of Seven Mile Road between Sheldon and Beck roads.

Last Saturday, a few residents attended a planning workshop to, review the concepts and discuss the future of the historic park.

The city was not selected to receive a grant for the park through the Michigan Recreation and Park Association Foundation's Access 10 Recreation Program. Fish Hatchery Park has the potential for unique recreation and histori-cal opportunities not found at other city parks.

One aspect discussed was to make some improvements, such as laying concrete, to the entrance to the park to accommodate tour bus traffic. Although workshop attendees didn't think it was necessary to pave the entire gravel parking area, paving the entrance might prevent gravel spray from vehicles leaving the lot.

Sedimentation issues exist in the park's pond, and both of the baseball diamonds could be improved. There was some discussion about possibly removing one of the ball fields to create more passive recreation space.

Since the park's tennis courts are in good shape and are wellused by the public, workshop attendees said they should remain. Other ideas reviewed were the addition of an actual fish hatchery

Fish Hatchery Park at a glance

Fish Hatchery Park, located at 641 Fairbrook St. off of Seven Mile Road between Sheldon and Beck roads, is a 17-acre neighborhood park that was once a nationally-registered fish hatchery facility. The park contains two baseball diamonds, five tennis courts, a picnic pavilion with grills, play structure, pond, nature trail and access to Johnson Creek, a tributary of the Middle Rouge River.

in the park where children could fish, the addition of a kiosk somewhere in the park and building a boardwalk along Johnson Creek. which runs along the south side of the park.

It was noted that there would be a lot of "red tape" for an actual fish hatchery to be constructed at the site that would involve the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

Russell said, however, that Spring Valley Trout Farm in nearby Dexter has been very successful as a recreational site for Scout troops and other children's groups.

'This would be an opportunity to hearken back to the history of the park," Russell said. "The goal is to celebrate the water. Fish ponds would have both a fustorical and an educational component."

Another idea was the construction of another walkway across Johnson Creek since only one exists now and designing an area where residents could actually get into the water. State agencies would also have to be contacted

Johnson Creek. It was suggested that the grade of the parking lot be changed to improve drainage.

Workshop attendee Steve Lomske believes pedestrian access to the park could be improved, including better wheelchair accessibility.

While some improvements to the park were done in 1992 to meet minimum Americans with Disabilities Act standards, other planned improvements, such as fishing decks, an historic kiosk and general site access, were delayed until funding is available. City Councilmember Nancy Darga, who attended the workshop, would like to see a site review done on the park.

Attendees believe residents want to keep the history of the park alive but have it offer 21st century access and activity.

Other ideas expressed were 19 enhance the existing pond and provide more active recreation. The next step is to obtain some

cost estimates for improvements that would support a grant opportunity for the park.

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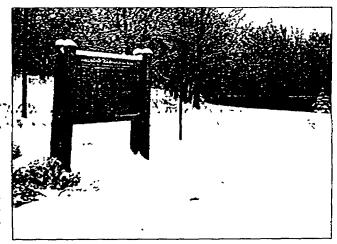


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ABOVE: Landscape architect Mark Russell of Russell Design in Northville has developed two conceptual plans for the park. One includes eliminating one of the ball diamonds and constructing a fish hatchery. BELOW: Historic Fish Hatchery Park on Fairbrook Street off of Seven Mile Road between Sheldon and Beck roads offers tennis courts, baseball diamonds, a picnic pavilion, play structure, pond, nature trail and access to Johnson Creek. Residents offered ideas for the park's future at a planning workshop last Saturday at the Northville

Community Senior Center. before any work is done on

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Citizens group Thursday.

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the Feb. 19 Northville City Council meeting to personally invite council members to the town hall event inform residents about the development, legal and legislative issues and potential annexation. In early January, REIS said it did not plan to seek annexation of the land by the city of Livonia.

The meeting is designed to

Corriveau introduces plan

introduced package of bills that would make it more difficult to annex township property, State Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) introduced a new plan Feb. 21 in Lansing that would specifically protect Northville Township from being annexed.

Corriveau's plan would prevent

"My plan will help bring everyone to the table to move forward together," he said. "We have an opportunity to craft a development that will complement Nonhville Township and boost our local econ-

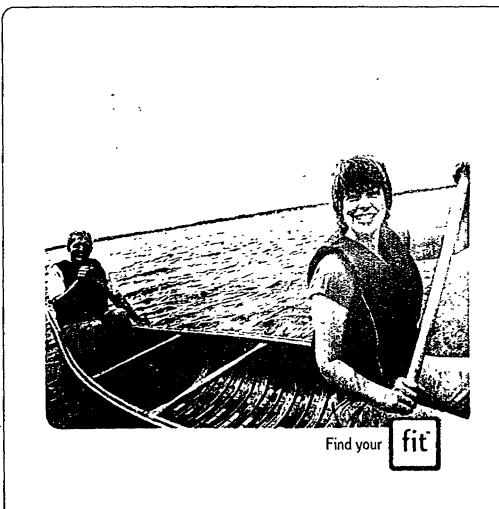
fits all parties involved."

Mark Abbo, township supervisor. announced at the Feb. 21 board meeting that representatives from **REIS** and Northville Township were scheduled to meet last Friday about the dispute over the former hospital property. Federal judge Sean Cox scheduled the meeting in hopes of

itator.

"Hopefully, we can find some middle ground," Abbo said.

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Country Garden Club: Winter beds can display beauty

Create interest throughout year

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

One look at the thermometer over the last few days would send most gardeners back in the house to look for their down jacket.

But Kathryn Novak, Zo Chisnell and Pat Zielke, members of the Country Garden Club of Northville, say winter's no excuse not to have a decent-looking garden.

Novack coordinates the club's annual fund-raising garden walk. and Chisnell and Zielke make up the garden search team for the walk.

With a little planning, gardeners in cold climates can use plants that create winter interest. In fact, library patrons can see an example of a winter-friendly garden by visiting the club's Library Garden just south of the Northville District Library.

The garden was created in 1997 by the club, whose full name is the Country Garden Club of Northville Woman's National Farm and Garden Association.

Plants with winter flowers include Hellebores. Winter Jasmine and Witch Hazel

Plants with winter berries include Heavenly Bamboos, Japanese Laurels, Virburnums and Winterberries.

Gardeners can also plant trees that have intriguing bark, such as Oakleaf Hydrangeas and Paperback Maples.

Plants that offer unusual natural branch structure include Harry Lauder's Walking Stick. Japanese Maples and Red-Twigged or Yellow-Twigged Dogwood

Another idea is to attract birds in the winter months by leaving seed heads of perennials, such as Black-Eyed Susans, Coneflowers and Autumn Joy Sedum

Any evergreen topiary can also be trimmed into interesting shapes

Finally, any type of ornamental



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Country Garden Club of Northville's Kathryn Novak takes a look at some of the ornamental grasses they've planted at the Northville District Library. The club has planted vegetation at the library that is still visible and attractive during the winter months.

feed our Michigan birds."

It's time to "think spring"

With spring beginning on farch 20 this year, year, March it's less than a month away. Garden club members said now is the time to start reviewing gardening catalogs and selecting some new items.

"The sales are going on now," Chisnell said

So, start planning your garden for this summer.

"Gardeners typically change things every year," Novak said. "We're like artists. It's always a project that's always ongoing." But, she said don't do what she did when she first started garden-

ing. "I'd bring home this beautiful plant and walk it around my yard in a wheelbarrow trying to decide where to put it." Novak said. "Then I'd move it several times before finding its permanent home."

Also, some plants don't like to be moved, Novak said.

Garden planning software is available for the computer-savvy. and Novak said local nurseries also provide a garden planning service. Some of them come to the Northville Farmer's Market on Thursday mornings in the summer

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Have a garden to recommend?

Members of the Country Garden Club of Northville encourage area gardeners to "save the date" of the club's 15th garden walk, which will take place 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9. Those who know of any special gardens that might be able to be featured in the fundraiser can call (248) 349-3336 or (238) 349-3121.

"They'll come out and plot the whole thing for you," Novak said. "Don't be trapped by your plan, though," she added. "You've got to be flexible."

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■ Still in the dark on Taft **Road lighting**

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the lights on Center Street at a cost of about \$28,000.

Six of the streetlights would have led up to the roundabout from the south, and six would have led up to the roundabout from the north. The lights were to be installed

this summer, but the city must first approve and sign an agree-

Signs can be moved to lights

ment with DTE Energy.

Installation of lighting will allow the city to remove some of the signs at the intersection, as well. Some residents have complained that the signs are distracting to motorists and unattractive.

Necessary signs would will be transferred to the streetlight poles once they are installed, permitting the removal of additional street sign posts.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Allen and Councilmember Nancy Darga, both landscape architects, didn't like the proposed street light design consisting of an 11-inch square base and black posts.

They have more of an urban feel for a suburban neighborhood," Allen said.

Allen also thinks just the roundabout needs to be lighted. It was also suggested that staff explore the use of LED (Light Emitting Diode) lighting rather

than high-pressure sodium vapor. LED lighting, which has been around since the 1960s, features a semiconductor that converts electricity into light.

Northville resident Larry Parks, who works for DTE Energy, said LED lighting is more environmentally friendly and requires less maintenance.

Council requested that a cost analysis between regular lighting and LED lighting be provided as well.

"We need to take an extra step before we spend money," Darga said.

Gallogly said it took six months to obtain a cost estimate from DTE Energy on the street light proposal but that he would address the design with company officials again.

He said the city staff could obtain their own estimates for the lights rather than going through DTE Energy.

"We're trying to make it safe and look good," said Mayor Chris Johnson

Booths still available to rent for Chamber's March 8 event

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throughout the entire event"

Awards will be presented for Best Restaurant and Best Business displays as voted by the public.

Sponsors for this year's showcase include American Laser Centers, Brookside Travel, Community Financial. Hotz Catering and Rental Feldman Marty Place. Chevrolet, Northville Public Schools, the Northville Record, Renewal by Andersen. Residential Design Consulting, Trupp Family Chiropractic and Waltonwood.

Another draw is the lineup of local restaurants serving up

selections from their menu. "At the Taste of Northville Business Showcase, you don't leave empty-handed or with an empty stomach," Bloom said.

Tickets, available at the door, are \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens age 65 and over, and \$4 for children under 12. (See the coupon in this week's and next week's Record for \$1 off the ticket price.)

For more information, call the Chamber of Northville Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or go to www.northville.org.

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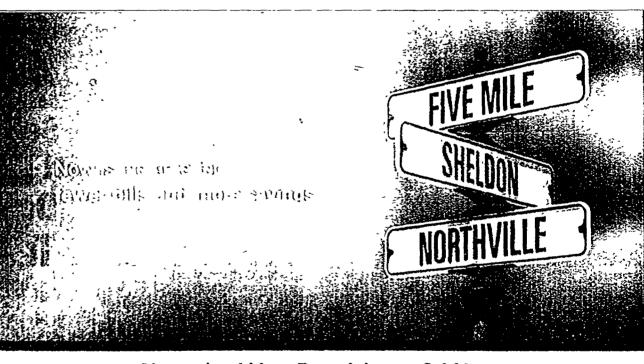
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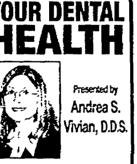
Ornamental trees, such as Crab Apple Mountain Ash and Washington Hawthorn provide not only color but food for birds." Zielke said.

Garden art can also brighten up yards in the winter

The club members added that it's best to allow snow to remain in garden beds, because it insulates flower bulbs and provides a source of moisture when it melts

"People should look at xeriscaping -- looking at native plants that require less water and





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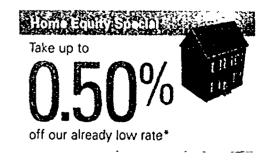
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Ground broken on new auto tech center

Time capsule, cornerstone set

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

IAV Automotive Engineering Inc., began a new chapter in its history as officials broke ground on the company's new 40,000-square-foot technical center in Northville Township Tuesday.

Dignitaries, including Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and Township Manager Chip Snider, came to celebrate the corner-



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placed near the cornerstone. A subsidiary of German-based IAV GmbH, IAV Automotive Engineering Inc. invested \$23 milhon to relocate and expand its engineering operations from Ann Arbor.

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The company plans to increase its number of employees in North America to more than 170 within the next five years. All current 95 employees will transfer to the township facility.

"Our Ann Arbor facility has served us well since the company established a North American sub-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

Attendees of Tuesday's cornerstone laying ceremony of the IAV Technical Center in Northville Township listen to a speaker at the Technology Drive location near Beck Road. IAV is an automotive engineering firm based in Germany.

sidiary nearly 10 years ago," said Utz-Jens Beister, president.

The new technical center enables us to expand our product and service offerings to include gas, diesel and hybrid powertrain testing. which creates many opportunities for us to further expand our North American presence."

The new technical center will house a prototype and engine workshop and a powertrain test facility, including four fully-automated and transient engine dynamometers to meet the demands of today's increasingly complex powertrain systems.

Beister said IAV received tremendous support from the state and township. Last year, the firm won approval for a Single Business Tax Credit from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation valued at more than \$3 million over 12 years.

Township leaders then approved a 12-year tax abatement worth \$1.4 million.

LAV also received financial support from Wayne County. "IAV is a great example of how

we in the public sector can come together with the business community under the right circumstances and create a win-win scenario for both the company and Wayne County," Ficano said.

Today is the culmination of a lot of effort," said Snider, who noted that township consultant Dan Foster was instrumental in bringing IAV to the township, as well as Jennifer Frey, director of community planing and Don Weaver, director of public services.

"We believe sincerely that Northville Township is a great place to live, work and play, and I think that this project will epitomize that." Snider said.

Beister said the test facility will be used for light-duty and heavyduty engines, with one of the four dynamometers reserved specifically for hybrid drivetrains.

The technical center should be completed late this year.

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NOMI must cancel benefit due to lack of entertainment permit

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Rachel Stern, co-owner of NOMIA Restaurant, was back before city council this month to complain about the lack of a permit for her and partner Al Irish's restaurant on west Main Street

This time, it was because Gary Goss, chief of police, had not granted a temporary entertainment permit that Stern said the restaurant needed for a Locks of Love fundraiser Feb. 23 involving seven area salons.

Locks of Love is a nonprofit organization that helps disadvantaged children suffering from medical hair loss.

The restaurant, which now has a permanent dance permit, can apply for 12 temporary entertainment permits a year.

Saxon math

When permission for the permut had not yet been granted by the city, Stern said many of the salon owners backed out of the event.

forcing her to postpone the event. The Michigan Liquor Control Commission requires that the application only be approved by the local chief of police before they will grant the permit but not city council.

"We're trying to bring some business here," Stern said. "I'm very disappointed how this entire thing was handled."

Pat Sullivan, city manager, said at the Feb. 19 council meeting that Goss did not sign off on the entertainment permit because although he planned to recommend its approval, he wanted city council's approval first.

But, the MLCC requires that an entertainment permit be granted at

least 10 days prior to the event, so Stern had to cancel the fundraiser

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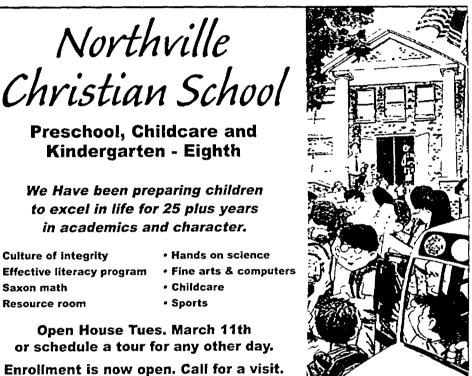
The only reason why the restaurant needed an entertainment permit was because they wanted a stage to be used for a "hair designer showdown" at the fundraiser

Mayor Chris Johnson told Stern that the matter can be resolved, but that deadlines for permits have to be met prior to such an event being scheduled

You just need to get them (requests for permits) in the hoper sooner," Johnson said.

Sullivan said neither he nor Goss thought that it would have been appropriate to make a decision without council's input on the entertainment permit request.

Stern said the fundraiser has been postponed indefinitely at this point, but she hopes that perhaps the event can take place in April.



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Grants to fund work on buildings

By Pam Fleming

STAFF WRITER

Although no decisions have

Repairs should benefit the entire downtown area." Darga said.

Businesses that receive the grants will get reimbursed for repairs after they are completed.

Darga believes the Town Square should be re-evaluated to see what worked and what didn't

in the design.

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been made yet, members of the Downtown Northville Development Authority's Business Advisory Committee reviewed several applications for building improvements at a special meeting last week.

Applications approved will receive a grant through the DDA's Assistance Business Program.

to review the advisory committee's recommendations.

Since there are more applications than money available, members of the advisory committee had their work cut out for them

Nancy Darga, city councilmember, suggested at the Feb 19 DDA Board meeting that improvements should be made to downtown building's facades and

Proposed budget adopted

Lori Ward, executive director of the DDA, also presented a proposed DDA budget for 2008-2009.

"This has been a tough year," Ward said, with the DDA staff trimming about \$150,000 from its Grant operating budget.

This is really more than a The DDA Board will have a "budget." Ward said. "It's really a special meeting at 8 a m. Tuesday" plan for the next five years."

Town Square update

Ward also gave an update on the Town Square Redevelopment Project Items to come include a trellis, some staging and sound elements, seating, tables, umbrellas, planters and Tivoli lights.

The addition of wireless Internet access for the square is pfleming@gannett.com

Darga wanted to know more about why several businesses are leaving the downtown area.

Ward said DDA staff members do talk to business owners before they leave, and that this latest exodus was due to the economy.

Greg Presley, who was re-elected as DDA chair at the Feb. 19 meeting, wants members of the Business Mix Committee to look for ways to retain merchants.

Mayor Chris Johnson will replace David Cole, who recently resigned as vice chair of the board.

Carol Kastrowicz will remain as secretary until her retirement this year.

Northville Record staff writer Pam Fleming can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105 or

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2007 JV#1 Boys Division Winners

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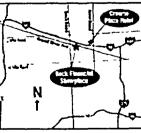


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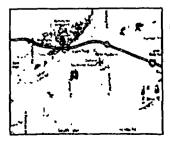
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OBITUARIES



ANN ELIZABETH GULDBERG

Age 64, of Northville, passed away peacefully on February 19, 2008. She was born on July 23, 1943 in Newark, Ohio to Robert and Elizabeth Owen She was a resident of Northville for 34 years Ann was united in marriage to Thomas E. Guldberg on December 27, 1964 She graduated from The University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Ann worked for The U of M Hospital, More a Honorated for the U of M Hospital, Worked for line U of M Hospital, Magee Women's Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA, and later for Dr. Lee Feldkamp in Plymouth and Dr. Robert Stiles in Novi Ann enjoyed reading, playing tennis, and cross stitching. She loved to travel and to play the plano Ann was a wonderful gourmet cock She is survived by her beloved husband Thomas her loving children Robert (Tina) Steve (Dennis Kaucky), and Amy (John) Go'ebiewski her dear sister Susan Hill, and her adoning grandchildren, Sophia and Michael Guldberg and Evan Golebiewski A Memorial Service was held last Monday at The First Presbyterian Church of Netbulka Bou Kapt Clear and Bay Northville Rev Kent Clise and Rev James Russell officiated the service Ann was laid to rest at Arborcrest Memorial Park in Ann Arbor. In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to a charity of the giver's choice

ROBERT B. NEWMAN

Age 77, of Salem, passed away February 23 2008 Visitation Thursday 4-8pm Funeral Service Friday 11am at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc 122 W Dunlap, Northville, 248-349-0611

KENNETH B. CLARKE

Age 88, died February 19, 2008, Mr Clark was a 52 year resident of Northville, served in the United States Army during World War II and was a retired GM Hydramatic employee. He is survived by his wife Ann children, R Raghudas, Dennis (Lori) Clarke and Andrea (Bill) Vanderveen, his grandchildren, Wes (Brandy), Ken, Ashley (Reese) and Sean and his great grandchi'dren, Corey, Sarilya and Tyler, Funeral services were held at the Northop-Sassaman Funeral Home on Friday. February 22, 2008 Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery

FRIEDA E. O'LEARY



Newmakers

The law firm of Miller Canfield has re-elected Anna M. Maiuri and Michael P. McGee and has elected Stephen J. Ott to serve two-year terms as managing directors. They are part of a fiveperson management administration that works with the CEO to oversee the firm's offices in the United States, Canada and Poland.

On, a resident of Northville, has been with the firm for 27 years. He is a principal in the Troy office, practicing in the areas of product safety regulation, product liability and personal injury litigation

defense. Also

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Group, he currently heads a

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facturer. Ott is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, Michigan Defense Trial Counsel. Inc., and a mediator with the Mediation Tribunal Association. In his off hours he serves his community as an on-call firefighter and emergency medical technician

Ott is listed in The Best Lawyers in America, Personal Injury Litigation Section of the 2007, 2008 editions and the Mass Tort Litigation Section 2008 edi-tion, as well as Michigan Super Lawyers, in the Personal Injury Defense: Products Section of the 2006 and 2007 editions.

Ott received his law degree, cum laude, from Wayne State University where he was executive editor of the Wayne Law Review. His B.A., with high honors in political philosophy, is from Michigan State University's James

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Martha Snow announced that she would seek the open seat on the bench at the 35th

District Court

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McDonald at

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year. Snow is the former presi-dent of the M. Snow

Family Bar Association. In 2003, she was honored when Attorney General Mike Cox appointed her to serve as a special assistant attorney general for the State of Michigan.

Snow is the former president of the Canton Rotary, a board member of the Canton Chamber of Commerce, one of the founders for the Canton-Plymouth Women's Giving Circle, and a small business owner.

The 35th District Court serves Canton Township, Northville City, Northville Township, Plymouth City, and Plymouth Township.

Thomas Spencer announced he is back on the campaign trail in his quest to unseat Congressman Thad McCotter (R-Livonia, 11th District) in November.

"As you all know, times are tough financially for a lot of us," said Spencer. "Due to financial problems, a few weeks ago I suspended my campaign. Since then we have had some good things happen that have made our finances so that they are not a roadblock to my campaign as much as they appeared to be three weeks ago."



Former Northville resident Frieda E O Leary passed away February 20, 2008 She was born on June 20, 1912 in Detroit, MI to August and Anna Wittrick She was preceded in death by her husband Finbar, her parents, four brothers and three sisters. She is survived by her daughter Anne (Hermon) White of Plymouth, son Michael (Jean) O Leary of Westland Grandchildren Lindy Wintz, Brett White and Mark and Douglas O Leary, and great grand-children Kelsey and Kayla White and Jessica and Jamie O Leary And her many friends at Allen Terrace. Funeral services were held at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral home on Monday February 25, 2008. Interment was in Rural Hill Cemetery



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NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE BRIEFS

Driving on suspended license

A 20-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving on a suspended license at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 24 at Six Mile and Haggerty roads.

While driving through Northville Village Plaza looking for stolen vehicles, an officer ran a license plate and found a vehicle in which the registered owner had a suspended license and misdemeanor warrant. Police stopped the man in the Applebee's Restaurant parking lot.

When approached by police, the man said he had just paid the fines the day before for the offense, but he had no proof of payment.

A 37-year-old West Bloomfield Township woman was arrested for driving while her license was suspended at 8:04 p.m. Jan. 4 at Haggerty and Seven Mile roads

An officer arrested the woman after he watched her in her red Camaro turn onto northbound Haggerty on a red light while driving west on Seven Mile. After being pulled over in the AMC parking lot, the woman told police she did not have a driver's license and that there was a warrant out for her arrest.

A 45-year-old Farmington Hills woman was arrested for driving on a suspended license at 5:57 p.m. Jan. 6 at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads.

While northbound south of Seven Mile Road, an officer saw a purple Taurus with two license plates on the vehicle - a paper plate and an expired plate. The officer was notified by dispatch that the license plate needed to be confiscated. The woman was also issued a citation for failure to change the address on her license, as she has lived at her new address for two and a half years. She was also given a written warning for improper display of a license plate.

A 33-year-old Lyon Township woman was arrested for driving on a suspended license at 11:09 a.m. Jan. 6 at Five Mile and Beck roads.

While on patrol, an officer saw a Chevrolet Lumina headed southbound on Beck Road near Five Mile Road with no license plate. The dry er lold the officer she had a suspended driver's license. which was confirmed by dispatch.

The woman's daughter was in the car at the time of the arrest.

In the rear window of the vehicle was a paper plate issued by the Livonia Police Department. This was confiscated, and a new paper plate was issued to the vehicle and placed in the rear window. The vehicle was parked and secured in the Home Depot parking lot at Five Mile and Beck roads.

A 27-year old Southfield man was arrested for driving on a suspended license at 8:50 a.m. on Jan 7 at Haggerty and Five Mile roads.

The man was arrested after he was involved in a traffic accident, and police asked for his driver's license to write the accident report.

The man then stated, "I don't have a driver's license." The man also had two valid warrants against him

A 28-year-old Romulus man was arrested for driving without a license at 9:48 p.m. Jan. 24 at Haggerty and Springwater Drive.

While conducting a building check of the CVS Pharmacy at Six Mile and Haggerty roads, an officer saw a blue Mercury Sable parked but occupied and running with its rear trunk lock popped. After running the man's plate, the officer discovered that he had a suspended license and four warrants for his arrest. The man told police he was having difficult getting the trunk open and used the inside lever to open the trunk.

Police had a hard time fingerprinting the man's right hand because it was sore from when he had punched a wall a few days ago.

Drunk driving arrests

A 20-year-old Northville Township woman was arrested for drunk driving at 2.34 a.m. Jan. 6 at Ridge and Six Mile roads.

An officer noticed a 2007 Saturn Ion headed southbound on Beck Road south of Technology Drive with no license plate light. The driver was also swerving and riding the center line. After stopping the driver, the officer noticed that the woman's face was flushed and her eyes were glassy, When asked how much she had had to drink that night, the woman said she had consumed two tall Bud Lights 30-45

minutes ago. A preliminary breath test produced a blood alcohol level of .15 percent.

A 42-year-old Northville Township man was arrested for drunk driving at 8.59 p m. Jan. 3 on Maple Hill Drive.

Police responded to a report of a vehicle running over the lawn on Maple Hill Drive that had also possibly struck a tree on the property.

The homeowner got the vehicle's license plate and followed it to a driveway on Delta Drive.

The officer saw that the front of the pickup had minor scratches and pieces of pine tree branches stuck in the front bumper of the silver Ford F-150.

The man, who was inside the house by this time, told police he and his 12-year-old son had just returned from Ginopolis Restaurant at Beck and Five Mile roads about 30 minutes before.

A preliminary breath test showed a blood alcohol level of .16 percent. The son called his grandfather to

come stay overnight with him since his mother and sister were out of town. A 24-year-old Farmington

Hills man was arrested for drunk driving at 2:35 a.m. Jan. 3 at Five Mile Road and Marilyn Avenue.

The man was pulled over because an officer noticed his vehicle's passenger side headlight was not working while stopped at a red light on westbound Five Mile Road at Haggerty Road.

Upon initiating conversation with the driver, the officer could smell alcohol on the man's breath. The man produced an operator's license and an expired insurance card. He also continued to look for his vehicle registration, although it was in plain view of both him and the officer.

The man said he had picked up his female passenger from Champp's bar and that she lived at Five Mile and Haggerty roads. The man stated he had consumed three beers and that his last drink was about an hour ago.

A breath test showed a blood alcohol level of .12 percent:

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Mobil Gas Station at 710 W. Seven Mile Road told police that someone left the premises without

A gas station attendant at the

Pilfered petroleum

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paying for gas they pumped. The incident took place at 8.46 p.m. on Feb. 20 Two officers were dispatched to the station. The attendant told police the man. described as a white male, used

pump number 5 to make his purchase, got back into his vehicle, where another white male was seated, and left the filling station ,without paying for the gas.

The attendant said she left the inside of the gas station, yelling at the man to stop, before he left the parking lot going westbound on Eight Mile Road She said she

noticed the vehicle had a white license plate, possibly with the first letter "Q," but could not further describe the vehicle or its occupants.

The attendant said she had to authorize the purchase from inside the store and that the driver didn't attempt to pay at the pump She added that the section of the gas station where the incident took place was not covered by surveillance.

The case has been closed until police obtain more information

Stolen meat racks

The manager of Hiller's Market, 425 Center St. told police that someone had stolen four meat racks from the store between 2 p.m. Feb. 14 and 11.40 a.m. Feb 18.

The manager told the officer the racks had been located at the west end of the property in an alley next to the building.

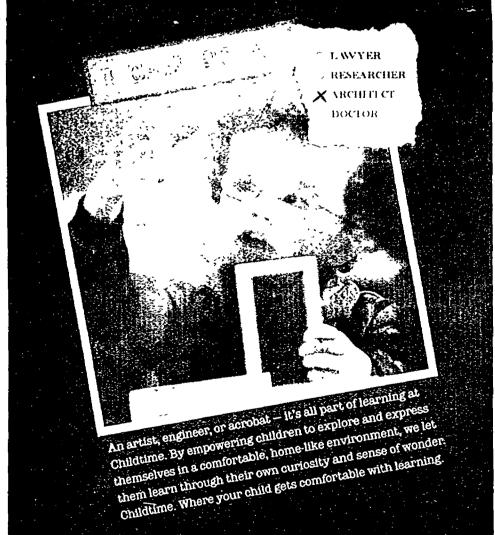
The manager also said a white van was seen in the back of the store near the racks on Feb 14. but no one saw anyone take the racks. Prior to being stolen, the racks had not been locked down. the manager said. They had just been standing next to the building.

There are no suspects or witnesses at this time.

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Nine volunteers finish training for Emergency Response Team

The third class of volunteers for the Community Emergency Response Team for Northville Township completed its basic training in January through the Northville Township Police Department.

Nine area residents finished the class, which included Disaster Psychology, Eyes & Ears (how to provide information as a witness), Fire Safety, First Aid, CPR Certification, Search and Rescue Overview.

Terrorism/Homeland Security, Disaster Simulation and Police Ride-A-Long. New CERT members include Gordon Cole, Jessica Cool, Rob David, Dorothy Deprez, David Howell, Karen Howell, Nazim Nizar, Kathleen Smith and Richard Swan.

This brings the number of Northville Township-trained CERT volunteers to 42.



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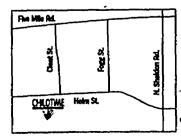


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Working hard for your faith

By Tracy Estes-Mishler SPECIAL WRITER

It took one eye-opening event to touch Amanda Barbosa's heart and help her realize the true importance of faith and religion in her life.

Barbosa said she wasn't strong in her faith until she celebrated it with thousands of people three years ago in Koln, Germany.

The 18-year-old Novi resident shared her faith during a group pilgrimage with Novi's Holy Family Church to World Youth Day in 2005 and is excited about going again in July to Sidney, Australia.

"I went to the last World Youth Day in Köln, Germany, and I have never been so breath-taken." Barbosa said. "I loved experiencing how people from different countries and one religion came together to celebrate their faith.

"The experience was incredible, and I definitely can't wait to go this year."

Barbosa said World Youth Day is life changing and opened her eyes to her faith and how important her religion is to her.

She said every day during World Youth Day is a new experience and something she'll never forget.

Novi's Holy Family Church, with members spanning from Northville, Walled Lake and Farmington, has been helping youths like Barbosa find the importance in their faith since 2000 with pilgrimages to World Youth Day.

World Youth Day is celebrated annually on the diocesan level. and every two or three years internationally with young people from every continent and nation gathering together with the pope.

Started in 1985 by Pope John Paul II and his love for young people. World Youth Day has become a tradition for youths looking to celebrate their faith

across the world. This year, 22 youth members from Holy Family Church will set out on a new pilgrimage of their own to celebrate their faith with Pope Benedict XVI.

Hard work pays off

In order to get to this year's World Youth Day, each youth member and chaperone needs \$4,000 each for traveling fees and expenses, said Hank Herbst, Holy Family's youth ministry coordinator for World Youth Day.

"A trip to Sidney, Australia is quite expensive," said Herbst, of Novi. "We need to prepare ourselves in faith to meet and mingle and learn with over half a million people, and we also need to prepare ourselves physically to make the journey.

Herbst said fund-raising is part of the journey, with this year's total nearing close to \$108,000.

"Our goal is to raise as much as we can." he said. "It would be nice to (raise) it all. Most of the kids have jobs to raise the money and our goal is to help them raise at least half."

Holy Family thus far has held several car washes, dinners, flower sales and can and bottle drives to help raise funds. With only a few months until their July journey to Sidney, the youth ministry is hosting a handful of fundraisers including a March 1-2 used book sale.

"The criteria for this trip is for the kids to really want to go, (be 16 years of age or older when they leave for the trip), and understand the commitment of making the sacrifices to raise the money and attend the spiritual meetings and retreats in order to prepare for the journey," Herbst said. "It's a journey that involves a lot of struggle and a lot of hard work.

Herbst said each youth involved with the World Youth Day understands the pilgrimage is

World Youth Day Fund-raiser

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Who: Holy Family Youth Ministry

What: Used book sale to raise money from trip to Sidney, Australia for World Youth Day open to the pub-IIC.

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Where: 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

not a vacation. He said it's a pilgrimage of their faith and it takes two years to prepare and raise the funds needed.

Novi's Holy Family Youth Ministry group traveling to Sidney will be part of 275 youths traveling from the Metro Detroit area

"This is all about kids trying to help others, learn about their faith and do well in the world," Herbst said. "Having people from the community come to our fund-raisers and support us is wonderful.

"This is an opportunity to support kids going on a learning journey trying to meet people from across the globe, who through those connections someday may be an important link to communities like Novi."



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Amanda Barbosa, 18, of Novi during Holy Family Church flower fund-raiser.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE 2008 BOARD OF REVIEW WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall, 215 West Main Street, for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2008 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following dates:

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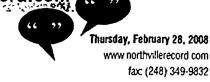
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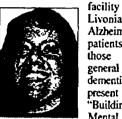
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■ Simple steps can help brain

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Worried about staying mentally sharp as you grow older? Audra Frye has just the presenta-

tion for you. Frye, director of marketing at Arden Courts, an assisted living



for Livonia Alzheimer's patients and those with general dementia, will present **Building** Mental Muscle," on

A. Frye

Wednesday. The free St. Mary Mercy Hospital "Let's Talk" presentation will take place from 1-3 p.m. in the hospital auditorium, 36475 Five Mile Road, in Livonia.

Registration is required by calling (734) 655-8950. Frye says no matter what your age, keeping brain cells active

helps prevent their deterioration from disuse. Her interactive presentation will

provide participants with: · Exercises to stimulate brain

cells, · An edge in using the brain

more effectively and · An increased awareness to keep

the brain healthier.

The presentation is part of the hospital's Senior Health Connection program. The program offers adults age 55 and over special programs and discounts. including a free lecture series, AARP Safe Driving Program, free blood pressure screenings, Westland Mall and Laurel Park Place Walkers Clubs, discounts on health education classes, women's programs and more. Simply call to register for an event, identify yourself as a senior and enjoy the benefits.

Frye said part of her job is providing community education. Ginger Ramsey, community outreach coordinator at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, recently asked Frye to present "Building Mental Muscle" to the hospital-sponsored Westland Walkers group.

"They enjoyed the pre

Frye said people don't associate the brain with being a muscle, but it is.

In her presentation, Frye talks about "brain aerobics" -- exercises specifically designed to improve memory and brain function.

No special equipment needed

In the presentation, "We do all different types of exercises for the brain that don't require any special equipment," Frye said. "Ard, you can do them anywhere --- at the doctor's office, while you're shopping, in the car or sitting at your desk.'

Some of the exercises are word games. Another exercise involves buttoning and unbuttoning a cardigan sweater with your eyes closed.

This uses a different part of your brain, because you are using touch instead of sight," Frye said.

Another exercise is for those who wear a watch to move it to the opposite wrist. 'This forces you to use a differ-

ent part of your brain --- to look for your watch in its new location.'

Another exercise is to take a word from the dictionary and see how may words you can make from it.

"We do that exercise every day at Arden Courts," Frye said. "Recently, residents made 103 Arden words from the word unforgettable."

Frye said at Arden Courts, the staff teaches Montessori, which is the same type of instruction young children receive, but the activities are more adult-oriented.

"We may ask are residents to sort silver or fold towels," she said. These activities help your brain and improve eye-hand coordination."

The goal is to take your brain off of "automatic pilot" so to speak, and these activities can help people of any age. Frye, who's in her 30s. said she does some of the mental exercises daily.

She added that whatever is good for the heart is also good for the brain, such as exercising, eating healthy and drinking enough fluids.

Those who would like to learn more can hear Dr. Nancy Emerson Lombardo, who will talk about "Healthy Living Improves a Healthy Brain" April 22 at the Kingsley Hotel in Bloomfield Hills.

To register, call Arden Courts at (248) 426-6652.

HEALTH EVENTS

American Legion Hall 100 Dunlap St., corner of

Center Street, Northville Strength Training Classes

DATE: Mondays and Fridays DETAILS: Diane DiVita is offering Strength Training classes (light weights with a little yoga stretching) for adults.

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

Yoga Člass

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

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 Web site.

Tai Chi for Arthritis TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Mondays, currently through March 31; 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 LOCATION: Classroom 10 DETAILS: This is a commonsense approach that teaches parents skills to raise responsible children. Registration is required. Fee for single is \$15 and \$20 for a couple. To register, call (734) 655-1159.

Preteen and Teenagers: TIME/DATE: 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 5

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 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.

Childbirth Education Workshop

TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1 and 15 DETAILS: There is a fee and registration is required by calling

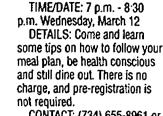
(734) 655-1162 for these oneday workshops. **Nutrition for Life**

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.

Diabetes and Dining Out



CONTACT: (734) 655-8961 or visit the hospital Web site at www.stmarymercy.org

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 Township Fire Department (248) 348-5807

Oakland Physical Therapy

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

DETAILS: Classes are 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.

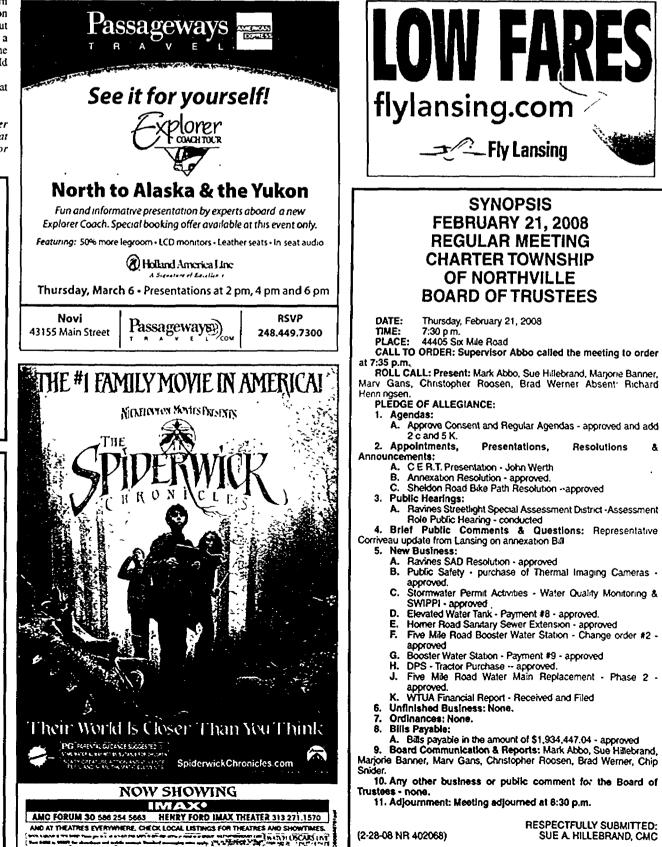
CONTACT: 248-380-3550 **Pilates and Your Golf Game** DATE: Wednesday, March 12 **DETAILS: A lecture and** overview of how Plates may actually help your golf game; class is for both male and female golfers; given by Kristie Kava, PT, DScPT, MS and Linda Erickson, MS, PT.

Providence Center for the Healing Arts

LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi

CONTACT: (248) 465-5455 Meditation

- TIME/DATE: 11:15 a.m.-12.15 p.m. every Thursday
- DETAILS: Learn proper breath-



ing 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; \$80/10class 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 mas-

sage 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

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.

so much that she asked me to come back and give the presentation at the hospital in March," Frye said. "It's a fun, interactive presentation."

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ENACTMENT ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 02-04-08Z

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 02-04-08Z amending the Zoning Map of the City of Northville, to rezone lots 170, 171, 172, 173, 174a, and 175a located on the south side of Cady Street between South Center Street and Griswold, from Planned Unit Development (PUD) to Central **Business District Zoning (CBD).**

The City Council adopted said Ordinance on February 19, 2008 with an effective date of March 7, 2008. The complete text of the ordinance amendment is available for public review at the City of Northville Municipal Building, Office of the City Clerk or the Building Department, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8.00 a m. to 4.30 p m.

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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 Org	Organizational Meeting				
Appointm	ent Dates:						
Thursday	March 06, 2008	1.00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments				
Saturday	March 08, 2008	9.00 am - 3.00 pm					
Monday	March 10, 2008	9.00 am - 12:00 p					
		1:00 pm - 4:00 pm					
Tuesday	March 11, 2008	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm					
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Thursday	March 13, 2008	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm					
		6:00 pm - 9:00 pm					
Saturday	March 15, 2008	9.00 am - 3:00 pm					
Tuesday	March 18, 2008	1.00 pm - 4.00 pm					
,		6:00 pm - 9:00 pm					

assessed value for 2008, the Wayne County Equalization Department: 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.

SUE A. HILLEBRAND, C.M.C. (2-14/21/28 & 3-6-08 NR 398226) CLERK

Stormwater Permit Activities - Water Quality Monitoring & Five Mile Road Booster Water Station - Change order #2 -DPS - Tractor Purchase -- approved. Five Mile Road Water Main Replacement - Phase 2 -

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Senior Events

Senior Community Center LOCATION. 303 W Main St. 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 II 4:30 p m · Menapause the Musical Friday 10 a m Body Flow 11 a m · Poker 11:30 a m : Computer III 1 p m : Movie "Daddy Day camp' Monday Massage by appointment 9 30 a m · Beginning Line Dance 10 a m.: Adv. Line Dance; Oxycise 11 a.m : Strength Training 12:30 p m : Pinochle/Euchre Tuesday 10 30 a m : Yoga 12 30 p.m : Pinochle 1 p m : Computer I Wednesday Foot Reflexology by appt. 10 a m.: Oxycise Noon: Bridge 1 p m : Computer 1 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 information 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 weicome; bring your friends; \$1. CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

Adult 50+ Fun Co-ed Volleybali

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

Planning Commission DATE: First and third Tuesdays of month TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION, City Hall **Housing Commission** DATE: Second Wednesday of every month TIME: 3 p m. LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St. Historic District Commission DATE: Third Wednesday of month TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: City Hall Arts Commission DATE: Second Wednesday of every month TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Art House, 215 W Cady St. **Beautification Commission** DATE: Second Tuesday of every month TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B Northville Township **Planning Commission** DATE: Last Tuesday of month TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile **Board of Trustees** DATE: Third Thursday of month TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Township Hall **Zoning Board of Appeals** DATE: Third Wednesday of month

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TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Township Hall **Beautification Commission** DATE: Third Monday of month TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Township Hall Youth Assistance DATE: Second Tuesday of every month TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road

CONTACT: Sue Campbell (248) 344-1618

Library Lines

Northville District Library LOCATION: 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday. CONTACT; (248) 349-3020 or

www.northvillelibrary.org for information regarding programs and library materials.

ETCETERA

Junior Books, Chat and Chow TIME/DATE: 4:15-5 p.m. last Wednesday of each month DETAILS: For 4th and 5th graders; sign up at the Information Desk on the first of each month and pick up a copy of the book; Feb. 27 "Shipwreck" by Gordon Korman.

Between the Lines for Adults TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second Monday of month

Foreign Film Series SCHEDULE: Mar. 17, Hebrew comedy/drama "Ushpizin;" Apr. 21, Canadian comedy/drama in French "Barbarian Invasion;" May 19, Japanese drama "Letters from Iwo Jima"

DETAILS: Films start at 6:30 p.m. Admission and moviethemed snacks are free. A discussion will follow the film. Answer trivia question to win a book about films. Call library to reserve a spot.

Class Reunions

Northville High School Class of 1968

DETAILS: Anyone interested in a 40th reunion for the Class of 1968, please contact Ron Barnum at (248) 347-8808.

Northville High School Class of 1988

DETAILS: The Class of 1988 is planning a 20th reunion for the weekend of July 26, 2008. For further information, please contact Jennifer Clarkson at jclarkson2004@yahoo com.

Plymouth High School Class of 1968

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

South Lyon High School Class of 1963

DETAILS: The Class of 1963 is hosting a 45 year reunion on August 10, 2008 at Baker's of Milford. For more information, call Barb Cook at (248) 349-5982.

Parks & Rec

Northville Parks & Recreation

are flexible and vary; monthly calendar available at website or call. Fees are \$8 for drop-ins or \$50 for an unlimited monthly resident pass. Classes held at Hillside **Recreation Center or Senior** Community Center. All fitness levels welcome to participate; certified instructors provide safe and fun workouts.

Open Adult Basketball TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. every Sunday LOCATION: Senior Community

Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: \$3 per person. **Open Family Basketball** TIME/DATE: 4-6 p.m. every Sunday LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: \$2 per person. Open 40+ Basketball TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 p.m. every Wednesday LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: \$3 per person.

Open Volleyball TIME/DATE: 7-10 p.m. every Thursday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays Sept. to April LOCATION: Recreation Center

at Hillside DETAILS: \$4 per person.

Open Badminton TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 p.m. every

Tuesday and Friday LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside

DETAILS: Competitive style badminton available; all skill levels weicome; \$7 per player.

Open Pickleball TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. every other Saturday

LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside

DETAILS: New offering, \$4 per player. Call (248) 449-9947 for more information.

Open Table Tennis TIME/DATE: 6-10 p.m. every Monday; noon-4 p.m. every Saturday LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road DETAILS: Eight tables available:

all skill levels welcome; \$5 per player.

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

LOCATION: On The Border Restaurant on Haggerty Road,

north of Eight Mile Road. **DETAILS:** Reservations are mandatory and can be made by calling Grace at (734) 464-4029 or signing up at the church. Cost on your own.

Cooking Club

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, March 14

LOCATION: Home of Nancy L., Northville

DETAILS: Theme is Bavarian Food. Bring an appropriate dish to pass and \$5 payable at the door. Sign up at the church or call Nancy L. at (248) 349-4771. Annual Irish Sing-A-Long

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 15

LOCATION: Dick's home, Livonia

DETAILS: An evening of pizza, snacks, music, live musicians and fun all for \$5. Maps and sign up sheets at the church or call Dick at (734) 464-4146.

Dinner and Movie

TIME/DATE: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 22

LOCATION: Grape Expectations Wine and Tapas Bar, downtown Plymouth

DETAILS: Meet at the restaurant for a light dinner and then walk to the Pen Theater to see a movie at 7 p.m. Cost on your own, movie only \$3. Call (734) 459-7235 for more information.

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 Sunday: 11:30 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments, Knox Hall. Join a group of friendly people for lunch following the single's class.

Every Monday: 7 p.m.

www.northvillerecord.com fax. (248) 349-9832 DETAILS: Register for the 2008

Thursday, February 28, 2008

summer golf league following the 11:30 a.m. single's class. Leagues will be: Monday beginning April 28 at Fox Creek - 5:28 p.m. start time and Thursday beginning April 24 at Whispering Willows - 5:52 start time.

Laugh Out Loud DATE: Friday, March 7 DETAILS: Wayne Berry, a professional pianist, will entertain with music and comedy. He feels that God has given him an encouraging message. "To everything there is a season, a time to LAUGH ... " Tickets are \$5 at the door.

Investigating Faith TIME/DATE: 9:30 a m.-3.30 p.m. March 8

DETAILS: Lee Strobel and Mark Mittelberg, guest speakers. What prompted best-selling journalist, Lee Stobel, to abandon atheism and become a Christian? Hear the answers in this unprecedented, one-day experience for seekers, skeptics and believers. Cost \$20. Doors open at 8:30.

CONTACT: (248) 374-7400, www.wardchurch.org/leestrobel Softball Registration

DATE: Sunday March 9 DETAILS: Softball sign-ups begin following Sunday 11:30 a m. single's class. Wether you are a pro or have never played, you are welcome to join Single Point Ministries on Thursday nights to encourage one another, to grow closer to Christ and to have lots of fun. Must be present to sign up.

SPM Bridge: 5:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday; beginners welcome; refreshments. New Hope Center for Grief

Support See "Support Groups" below.

Divorce Recovery Workshop TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday, today through March 13

DETAILS: \$30 pre-paid or \$35 at door includes materials and refreshments; free childcare.

Blended Family Workshop TIME/DATE: 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday through April 2 DETAILS: The Step-Family Doctor, Pastor Paul Clough, will facilitate this group focusing on the issues pertaining to the Blended Family. Registration is appreciated but last minute walk-

ins are welcome. CONTACT: (248) 374-5912 Vacation Bible School Summer Ministries Preview TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Saturday DETAILS: Get a headstart on your church's summer program by viewing exhibits and demonstrations from national publishers upgrade and enhance your skills by attending workshops; morning refreshments and lunch included in registration fee; sponsored by The International Christian Education Association; event is non-denominational and open to public.

Basketball

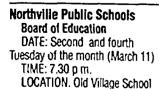
TIME/DAY: 10 a m.-noon each Thursday

LOCATION: Senior Community Center

DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1. CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947 **Health Walking** DATE: Monday-Friday TIME: 8-10 a.m. LOCATION. Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. **Pilates Class** TIME/DATE 6 p m each Tuesday Bunco TIME/DATE: 12 30 p m second Thursday of each month DETAILS: Call Senior

Community Center 24 hours in advance to register; S1 per per-\$00

Meetings



City of Northville

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City Council DATE: First and third Monday of the month TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: City Hali, 215 W. Main St. **Downtown Development Authority Meeting** DATE: Third Tuesday of each month (March 18) TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: City Council Chambers, 215 W. Main St. CONTACT: downtown-

Book Donations

DETAILS: Book donations can be dropped off any time during operating hours. Be sure to get a receipt for your taxes. Arrangements can be made by calling the library, for Friends to pick up a large donation from your home.

Book Cellar Open

TIME/DATE: 1-4 p m. Sundays: 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays

DETAILS: There are thousands of books to choose from; hard covers for \$1, paperbacks for 50 cents

Free Museum Admission

DETAILS: Get free admission to 25 area museums and cultural institutions such as the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Henry Ford, Pewabic Pottery and others, using your library card to check out a pass Each pass is good for either two or four admissions. One pass per library card is available per week

TOT Storytime

TIME/DATE: Four sessions 10.15 a.m. Monday, through Mar 3; 10.15 a.m and 11.30 a m. Wednesday, through Mar. 5; and 10 15 a m Thursday, today-Mar. 6

DETAILS' For 2 and 3 year olds with caregivers; six week series of half-hour programs; only registered children may attend

Winter Storytime

TIME/DATE: Three sessions: 4 p.m. Monday, through Mar. 17; 10:15 a.m. or 2 p.m. Tuesday, through Mar. 18.

DETAILS: For 4 and 5 year olds and Kindergartners; six week series; only registered children may attend

Kids Club

TIME/DATE: 4:30-5:15 p.m. one Thursday each month DETAILS: After school program for first, second and third graders;

register for individual sessions the first of each month.

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

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

Parks and Recreation Commission

DATE/TIME: 7 p m. second Wednesday, every other month beginning in January

LOCATION⁻ Northville Township Hall, 44405 W. Six Mile Road Winter Youth Basketball

Leagues

DATE: Saturdays through March 8

DETAIL: Please register for girls leagues, grades 6-8 and 9-12; boys leagues, grades 8 and 9, 10-12.

CONTACT: Ext. 1405 Girl's Night Out TIME/DATE: 7 p m.-9 p.m. Thursday, March 13

DETAILS: Join us for an evening of fun and food at Entree Vous! Enjoy a light meal and dessert then assemble a delicious entree while snacking, dishing and having fun. All made with the freshest ingredients and your entree and dessert is taken home to enjoy with your family. (Feeds 4-6 people) Fee: \$35/\$40/\$45

Easter Eggcitement at **Maybury State Park** TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m.

Saturday, March 22

LOCATION: Maybury State Park DETAILS: Easter Egg Hunt, crafts, face painting and the Easter Bunny; for ages 10 an under; bring your camera and an Easter egg basket; no pre-registration required; event is held rain or shine so dress appropriately; park pass required to enter park.

Group Fitness Classes DETAILS: Classes include Yoga, Pilates Ball, Aerobics, Step, Kickboxing, Cycle and overall strength training Class schedules

First Presbyterian Church of

Northville LOCATION: 200 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 or

visit www.firstpresnville org **Sunday Worship** TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m. **Single Place Ministries** DATE: Tonight - "Learning How To Move On and To Let Go" with Pam Jacobs Landau, MA

TIME: 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m. pro-

gram, every Thursday DETAILS: Informative and entertaining programs of interest to singles; \$5 per person. Check website for details www singleplace.org.

Walking in the Park TIME/DATE: 10-11 a m. every Saturday

LOCATION: Meet at the Visitor's Center of Herrtage Park (Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile Roads, Farmington Hills)

DETAILS: Group meets for lunch afterwards. CONTACT: Sue (734) 459-0016

I Believe! Music Ministry

Concert TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. Sunday

DETAILS: Showcasing the talents of the Children's, Youth and Chancel Choirs, TeDeum, Children's and Youth Handbell Choirs and the Northville Concert Chorale. No tickets but a free will offering.

Dinner and Dancing TIME/DATE: 7 p m. Saturday, March 8

LOCATION: J. Sabu's (formerly The Leather Bottle), 20300 Farmington Road, south of Eight Mile Road

DETAILS: Cost on your own. For reservations, call Grace at (734) 464-4029 or sign up at the church.

Dining Out Group TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday,

March 12

Second and Fourth Monday: 7

p.m. Singles Bible Study: Study of Ephesians, Room C309

Every Tuesday: 7 p m. Praying Together, Sanctuary

Every Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Single Adult Ministries office; 7 p.m. Single Men's Bible Study; 7 p.m. Single Parents, Single Adult Ministries Office, free child care provided; 8:30-10 p.m. Co-ed Volleyball. Knox Hall.

First and Third Thursday: 6 p.m. Co-ed Volleyball, Knox Hall

Second and Fourth Thursday: Starting Again, an ongoing support group for those 50's and 60's who have lost a spouse through death. Meets in room C309.

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

Every Sunday: 1-3 pm. Sunday, Tennis for beginners, Stevenson High School, Six Mile Road west of Farmington Road. Outreach to Sunrise Assisted Living

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p m.-9.30 p m. Saturday

DETAILS: Sing and dance to Big Band era music and enjoy ice cream treat with the residents. Bus transportation leaves and returns from Lot F. **Chicago!** Chicago!

DATE: May 2-4

DETAILS: Fun get away weekend. Chartered bus transportation, two nights lodging at the Contemporary Inn of Chicago that is within walking distance to the "Magnificent Mile", guided bus tour, Trolley tour, walking tour and Saturday night theatre opportunities. Cost \$375, final registration and payment is due on March 31. Summer Golf Registration DATE: Sunday

CONTACT: www.iceaOnline.org or call (248) 557-5526

Healing Hearts Ministry

DETAILS: We offer an 11-week bible study for women who have experienced abortion and want to know how to get through the pain. If you are suffering and would like to talk to someone, please call us. There is hope and healing in Jesus Christ. Also offered are bible studies for women who have been abused. New groups are forming in Berkley/Royal Oak, Livonia. Shelby Township and Trenton in January and February.

CONTACT: Terena Lawson at (248) 374-5926 or e-mail terena.lawson@wardchurch.org

Northville First United Methodist Church

LOCATION: 777 W Eight Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org Sunday Worship TIME: 8, 9:15 and 11 a m. Coffee hour at 10.15 a m. **Healing Service** DATE: First Monday of every month TIME: 4 p.m. Men's Bible Study TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 a m. every Wednesday LOCATION: Room 10 Sharing Hearts Women's Bible Study TIME/DATE: 12.45-2:30 pm. 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

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Sunday or 9:30-11:30 a.m. every Wednesday

DETAILS: Course lasts 34 weeks; covers 70 percent of the Bible.

Disciple Bible Study: Jesus and the Gospels

TIME/DATE: 3-5 p.m. every Sunday The Faith Club

TIME/DATE: 9.30 a.m. every other Thursday

DETAILS: This interfaith group will be reading "The Faith Club"; register at (248) 344-4248.

Radical Joy TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. first and third Thursday of each month LOCATION: Chapel Lounge DETAILS: For women looking to connect more closely with their faith, community and other women. Registration required. Suicide Loss Support Group See New Hope Center listing under "Support Groups." LOGOS Youth Club

TIME/DATE: 5:15-8:15 p m. every Wednesday DETAILS: Program includes recreation, dinner, bible study and

music; grades 4-12. M.O.M.S. TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. Monday DETAILS: Julie Puogini will discuss "Career Counseling and Resume Tips"; childcare provided for a small fee. Men's Club - People, Pancakes and Praise TIME/DATE: 8-9 a.m. Saturday, March 8 LOCATION: Fellowship Hall **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. Pilgrim Fellowship TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. every Sunday for grades 6-12 **Bible Study Group** TIME/DATE: 10.30-11:45 a.m. every Tuesday 1461 DETAILS: Reverend Art Ritter will lead this group; please call the church office if you are interested in attending. Lenten Bible Study TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Every Tuesday during Lent. Lenten Dinner and Lesson TIME/DATE: 6:15 p m. every

St. John Lutheran Church LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills, between Grand River and Freedom Roads CONTACT: 248-474-0584

Wednesday during Lent.

per family Mid-week Adult Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m. every Wednesday Mid-week Classes and Courses: 7 p m. every Wednesday Caravan, Club 56 and Youth Meetings: 7 p.m. every Wednesday Men's Basketball: 7 pm. every Thursday Tae Kwon Do: 7 p.m. every Thursday

Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington

LOCATION: 25301 Halsted Road, Farmington Hills CONTACT: (248) 318-8044 or http://www.uufarmigton.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 Peace Vigil TIME/DATE: Noon, first Sunday of every month LOCATION: In front of the church DETAILS: Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace. Artists and Grafters Wanted DETAILS: The church is hosting an arts and craft show Saturday, June 21, 2008. Vendor space will be available indoors and out; contact Pam Davis, edleecr@yahoo.com Annual Ralph Sanderson Chili Cook-off TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Saturday, March 8 DETAILS: Bring your kids, your neighbors, your appetite and your chili. Old-time sing-along, awards and ice cream. Join us for Christian fellowship. Palm Sunday Service and **Children's Parade** TIME/DATE: 9.45 a.m. Sunday, March 16 Holy Thursday Service and Communion TIME/DATE: 7 p.m./Thursday, March 20 J **Good Friday Meditation and** Labyrinth DATE: Friday, March 21 TIME: Meditation - Noon-3 p.m. TIME: Labyrinth - 6-9 p.m. Easter Sunday Service DATE: Sunday, March 22 TIME: 9 a m. Friendship Time; 9:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt; 9:45 a.m. Easter Service.

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 Interested in the Catholic Church? CONTACT: Call Maria at

(248)349-8847 or spiritwalker001@aol.com **Adoptive Parent Networking**

Meeting

TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. last Wednesday of each month DETAILS: This free informational meeting is open to all adoptive families in Oakland County Child care is available. Registration is required.

CONTACT: Lisa Molloy (248) 334-3595

Used Book Fundraiser TIME/DATE: 1-5 p.m. Saturday, 2-4 p.m. Sunday

DETAILS: Come and shop; a great selection of almost new and used books available for a donation. Proceeds support our youth pilgrims in attending World Youth Day 2008 in Australia. CONTACT: (248) 349-8847,

ext. 245

Volunteering

Art House Store

LOCATION: 215 W. Cady St. DETAILS: Looking for volunteers to work four hours per month, receive 10 percent off store purchases. CONTACT: (248) 344-0497

Friends of the Northville **District Library**

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

Heartland Hospice Volunteers Needed

TIME: Day and evening training classes *** LOCATION: 28588 *** * ******* Northwestern Hwy., Suite 475,

Southfield DETAILS: Caring and compassionate individuals needed to register for Heardand Hospice Volunteer Training. We serve individuals and their families during their end of life journey in the Tri-County area. Office support is needed.

CONTACT: Mary, (800) 770- . 9859

Support Groups

Angela Hospice Groups

LOCATION: Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia CONTACT: Joan Lee (734) 953-

6012 **General Grief Support Groups**

TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month

DETAILS: Open to all losses. Loss of Spouse/Significant Other Support Group TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. or 6:30-8

p.m. first Tuesday of month Suicide Loss Support Services DETAILS: Individual and family

services offered free for those who have lost a loved one through suicide; call Sherri Katz at (734) 464-7810 for more information. Heartstrings: Parents Who

Have Lost a Child TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. first

Thursday of month DETAILS: Call Ann-Patrice Foley to register, (734) 464-7810. **Grief Support Quilter's Group** TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. first and third Wednesday of month

DETAILS: Make a quilt in memory of a loved one. No experience necessary. Register by calling (734) 953-6012.

Women's Grief Support Group DETAILS: Sessions held in spring and fall. Call Joan Lee at (734) 953-6012 for dates and

times Children's Grief Support Group TIME/DATE: 5:30-6:30 p.m. every Thursday, through March 13 DETAILS: For ages 6-8, 9-11, 12-13 and 14 and older; a par-

ent/guardian group is held concurrently; reservations required by calling Sally Loughrin at (734) 464-2683.

Children's Spring Workshop TIME/DATE: 2-4 p.m. Sunday, May 4

DETAILS: Call (734) 464-2683 to register.

Anxlety Disorder Support Group

TIME/DAY: 7:30 p.m. every Thursday

LOCATION: Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia

DETAILS: Aim for Recovery is an organization holding meetings offering support and recovery for those suffering with anxiety disorders and their families. Meetings consist of planned behavioral lessons and discussions. Educational material will be available. Donations for the program and materials are accepted. **CONTACT:** Robert Diedrich at robtddrich@msn.com

Crohn's & Colitis Support Group

DETAILS: Meets at the same time and location as adult group; for children ages 3-18 who have lost a loved one; kids divided into different age groups.

Suicide Loss Support Group TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second Thursday and fourth Monday LOCATION: First United

Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville

DETAILS: This is a drop-in support group for anyone touched by suicide.

Starting Again

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursday of each month

LOCATION: Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville

DETAILS: Ongoing support group for widows and widowers who are facing the empty nest, either still working or recently retired.

Wayfarers

TIME/DATE: 2-3 p.m. second Wednesday of each month LOCATION: Ward Presbyterian

Church, Room A107 DETAILS: For semi-retired or retired widows and widowers.

The Lunch Bunch TIME/DATE: Noon third

Wednesday of each month DETAILS: This is a monthly lunch group for widows and widowers; locations vary, call Ed Drost at (734) 261-8045 for more information.

Parents of Hope DETAILS: Small groups for parents who have lost a child are

offered at some of our From Grief to New Hope workshops. Monthly support groups are also offered at the following times and locations: Livingston County Parents of

Hope

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. first and third Tuesday of each month LOCATION: Cornerstone

Presbyterian Church, 9455 Hilton Road, Brighton

Oakland County Parents of Hope

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of each month LOCATION: Orchard Lake

Community Church, 5171 Commerce Road, Orchard Lake

Sibling Loss Group DETAILS: Meets on the fourth

Tuesday of each month at Orchard Lake Community Church.

Psychotherapy & Counseling Services

Northville Counseling Center Attack Support Group

TIME/DATE: Second Wednesday of each month DETAILS: Call (734) 420-8175

for more information.

Schoolcraft College Women's **Resource Center**

LOCATION: Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads CONTACT: For more information, and to register, call (734) 462-4443.

Widowed Friends Support Group

DETAILS: Widowed Friends is a peer support group in the Metro Detroit area.

CONTACT: For more information, call Marilyn at (586) 739-9406

Clubs & Groups

AAUW, Northville/Novi Chapter

CONTACT: For information email mnjkearns@earthlink.net or call (248) 449-8693.

Beautiful Singles Hiking TIME/DAY: 9:30 a.m. first and third Sunday of the month LOCATION: Maybury State Park

DETAILS: Join singles of all ages for hiking and other activities.

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

TIME/DAY: 7-8:30 a.m. every

LOCATION: Eastern Michigan

DETAILS: Visitors are welcome

University, Livonia Campus,

38777 W. Six Mile Road, Suite

to all meetings. Reservations

CONTACT: Jim Green (248)

DATE: Second Tuesday of every

CONTACT: Tom James of

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Northville Arts Commission (248)

CONTACT: (248) 349-8674 or

LOCATION: Cady Inn, Mill Race

DETAILS: Peter Stark will speak

Gardens of Northville 15th

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-4 p m.

LOCATION: So gardens in

DETAILS: Advance tickets are

CONTACT: Kate Daniel (734)

Gardeners of Northville and

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. second

camera@sbcglobal.net or

Country Garden Club of

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CONTACT:

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about "Herbs."

Annual Garden Walk

\$10, available June 9 at

Wednesday, July 9

Northville

Gardenviews.

591-0360

Novi

www.cgcnv.org.

Monthly Meeting

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.

Camera Club

International

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.

Divorce Spiritual Care Program

TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, through March 17

DETAILS: Program offers a new direction, encouragement and hope during divorce; \$20 pre-paid or \$25 at door, register online at www.orchardhillsnovi.com. For information, contact the workshop leader, Stephen Monette at (248) 982-4558.

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. EmergenVOrganic Service: 7 p.m. every Tuesday Women of the Word Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Every Tuesday

Ladies Evening Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday Quilting: 7 p.m. every Wednesday

Men's Evening Bible Study: 6:45 p.m. every Tuesday Men of Purpose Prayer Group: 6 p.m. every Thursday Family Meal: 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday; \$4 per person or \$12

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. **ReNew Life Ministries** TIME/DATE: 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday

DETAILS: Ongoing Life Groups that support and facilitate personal growth, healing, learning and change from a Christian perspective. The groups are: GriefShare (for those grieving a loved one's death); DivorceCare (for those experiencing separation or divorce); Anger Management; Dealing with Struggling Teens (for parents); YourSpace (for high school students); Every Man's Battle (for men seeking recovery from lust, pornography, and sexual addiction): Betrayed Hearts (for wives whose husbands struggle with pornography, sexual addiction, same-sex attraction or adultery); Changes that Heal (for those experiencing emotional or relational pain); and CrossCurrent (for men who experience unwanted same-sex attraction).

CONTACT: For more information or to register call (248) 912-0043 or visit www.oakpointe.org.

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@sbcglobal net

Church of the Holy Family

LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit www.holyfamilynovi org Mass Schedule

Meals-On-Wheels DATE: Ongoing

TIME: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. DETAILS: Permanent and substitute drivers needed. **CONTACT: Eileen at Allen** Terrace (248) 231-9950, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday or Judy LaManna (248) 348-1761

Susan B. Galii Angel Fund

DETAILS: Hidden Springs Veterinary Clinic has created a fund to assist families in need with medical expenses for their pets. The fund is in memory of one of their longtime client and friend Sue Galli. Hidden Springs welcomes all donations from the community to build this fund, helping as many pets as possible. Please make checks payable to Hidden Spring Vet Clinic SGA Fund. Mail to: 48525 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. CONTACT: (248) 349-2598

Visiting Nurse Association Hospice Program

DETAILS: In as little as two to four hours a week, volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family members or provide office support. A free, 18-hour/three-day training program is provided. CONTACT: (800) 882-5720 ext. 8361 or (248) 967-8361 or visit http://www.vna.org.

YWCA of Western Wayne County

DETAILS: The YWCA is looking for volunteers to assist with office help, after-school programs, building projects, communications and marketing in various locations throughout western Wayne County. CONTACT: Tabatha Manuel

(313) 561-4110 ext. 20 or tmanuel@ywca-wwc.org

DATE: First and third Wednesday of each month TIME: 7-9 p.m.

LOCATION: Providence Park Hospital and Medical Center DETAILS: Enter facility through southeast entrance. Meeting in Conference Room A, immediately to the left.

CONTACT: AI Biggs (313) 805-7605 or Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America (888) 737-2322.

Food Addicts Anonymous Information Session

DETAILS: Twelve step program for individuals suffering from food obsession, over eating, under eating, and bulimia; weekly meetings held in Canton, Ann Arbor and other metro Detroit areas; no dues, fees or weigh-ins; everyone welcome including those who think they have food problems or are concerned about someone who may

CONTACT: (734) 913-9614 or http://www.foodaddicts.org

New Hope Center for Grief Support

DETAILS: The groups meet on a regular basis in various locations. All services for offered at no cost

CONTACT: (248) 348-0115 or go to

http://www.newhopecenter.net **Circles of Hope**

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month LOCATION: St. Kenneth's

Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty Road, Plymouth

DETAILS: Ongoing support group for widows and widowers; group divides into three sections depending on stage of grief; meets same time as childrens' support group

New Hope for KIDZ and Teens Support Group

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. sec-., ond and fourth Tuesday of month

Divorce Support Group TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month LOCATION: Women's Resource Center, Room 225 McDowell

Center **DETAILS: Open to anyone** contemplating, in the process of, or having difficulty adjusting to divorce; first meeting group discussion with facilitator Cynthia Kippin, MA, LPD, LLP; second meeting features a speaker; no fee or registration

required. Women's Resource Center Luncheon Series

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

LOCATION: Schoolcraft College, VisTaTech Center

DETAILS: Joel Thurtell, Detroit Free Press reporter, tells the story of Plymouth's historic Wilcox House; \$15 per luncheon; prepaid registration required, no tickets issued; limited seating; doors open 11:15 a.m.

Ask An Attorney

DATE: 5-7 p m. second and third Monday of each month

DETAILS: Ask an attorney about divorce and family law; first come, first served, sign-in begins at 4:30 p.m.; Sept.-May; walk-in; no fee CONTACT: (734) 462-4443

Money Matters in Divorce DATE: 5-7 p.m. first Monday of

each month through May

DETAILS: Opportunity to ask a certified financial planner about the financial concerns related to divorce; walk-in, no fee; sign-in begins at 4:30 p.m.

Second Annual Basket Raffle TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 18

LOCATION: VisTaTech Center, DiPonio Room

DETAILS: Spaghetti Dinner and wine glow followed by the program. Tickets are \$30 per person.

Monday of each month, Sept May

LOCATION: Rotate between Northville Library and Novi Civic Center

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

Great Books Discussion Group

TIME/DAY: First and third Thursday of every month. LOCATION: Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington

Road

DETAILS: Discuss novels. plays, poetry and nonfiction CONTACT: (248) 349-3121

Northville Democratic Club Voter ID Phone Bank

TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. tonight

LOCATION: Law Offices of Stempien and Stempien, 315 N. Center Street, Northville

DETAILS: Not required to stay for the full two hours; bring a cell phone. For more details, call Liz at (248) 344-1140.

NDC General Membership Meeting

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Monday LOCATION: Cady Inn, Mill Race Village, Northville

11th Congressional District Meeting

TIME/DATE: 5 p.m. Thursday, March 6

LOCATION: UAW Local 900, 38200 Michigan Ave., Wayne

DETAILS: Pre-meeting fundraiser "A Taste of Italy" offers a pasta dinner with salad, dessert and soft drinks.

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

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OPINION

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

Development forum a must for all

A developer manipulating a loophole in the current annexation process is flat out wrong, and our state legislators are working on fixing that problem. We hope that the bills proposed, tweaked and eventually passed will bring equity and fairness to all municipalities, residents and developers throughout the entire state.

In the meantime, the possibility of the city of Livonia annexing the former state psychiatric hospital property, now owned by developer REIS, is real.

Real enough that a grassroots group - Citizens for Northville formed to figure out what residents of this township can do to make sure the property remains here and is developed according to our local ordinances. Keep the residential density and commercial portion at levels that local leaders have determined are correct for this area. Seven Mile Road isn't Telegraph or Woodward.

We encourage all residents of Northville Township, and the city of Northville, to attend a meeting focusing on this property at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 6 at the Highland Lakes Club House.

We'd also like to see a representative or two from REIS attend.

Correction

In a front-page article in last week's paper about the Friday Night Concerts being returned to Town Square, it was reported that a recent Parks and Recreation survey showed residents want the concerts at that location. The survey actually revealed that most preferred the grassy area by city hall.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



About Nancy Cassis State Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) represents the 15th Senate District, which includes the townships of Commerce, Highland,

Holly, Lyon, Milford, Novi, Rose, West Bloomfield and White Lake, as well as the villages of Holly, Milford and Wolverine Lake and the cities of Novi, Northville (the Oakland County portion), Orchard Lake, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom.

SAVE the Children program approved by education

support of the SAVE program and the success it has brought their school buildings and districts.

Workers around the world lost a true leader in Doug Fraser

We lost a good man. Doug Fraser, a Northville resident, the retired President of the UAW from 1977 to 1983 and distinguished professor of labor studies at Wayne State University, died Feb. 23. 2008. He was 91.

The highest praise I can give any person is that they are a good man. Doug Fraser was a measuring stick of goodness. There was a sense of decency and integrity that seemed to permeate his very being.

There was never a time that I had the opportunity to be with him that I did not walk away feeling good about the world and knowing that I had learned and grown from our conversation. This happened recently as we bumped into each other in our hometown of Northville. We talked about state and national politics and how there is a need for leaders, at every level, to realize the economic anxiety and stress that many working people were under in Michigan. America and across the globe and the need to take action to help.

Doug, as he liked to be called, lived a long and productive life. He was born in Glasgow, Scotland, on Dec. 18, 1916. He spent his life working for - and looking out for - the working people of this country. He understood that America's success was built on the blood, sweat and tears of the American worker.

Today. America is a better place because of labor leaders like Doug Fraser. Yet, in that brief encounter standing in the doorway of a Northville restaurant a month or so ago, Doug Fraser lamented about how it seems we have lost the shared sacrifice and common good of what has woven us together as a country. "A great country extends a ladder, a helping hand to those below and helps lift them up; this is slipping away" he bemoaned as he took a deep breath, inhaling oxygen from his portable respirator, a remnant of a lifetime of smoking.

Doug had a room-illuminating smile and a quick wit. His roots and rooting for the working man began in the working class neighborhood of Glasgow, Scotland, were var-nished during the struggles of the Great Depression, and were cemented in the auto plants in Hamtramck and Detroit. He was a tough adversary during labor negotiations and carried out his role with integrity that earned the respect of his members and management alike.

He was a leading American trade unionist and advocate for Civil and Human rights around the world.

As a Ford Rouge Plant employee, I knew of the legendary Labor Leader Doug Fraser and his fight to save Chrysler Corporation from bankruptcy in 1979. With then-



young Congressman and later Gov. James Blanchard, they successfully lobbied Congress and President Carter to support \$1.5 billion in federal loan guarantees. I admired the work Doug Fraser did not only to save a company but also the lives and livelihood of many working people. This should never be forgotten.

Further, as a life-long Democrat, he proudly marched with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. during the civil rights struggles of the 1960s. He was a strong champion for the auto industry to recruit more minorities and women.

I met Doug during the first Blanchard for Governor campaign where I served as deputy campaign manager. The awe and admiration only grew from there.

His wife and partner, Dr. Winnie Fraser, a psychologist. shared Doug's passion for people and remains a strong advocate for the weakest among us, the mentally ill.

Upon retirement from the UAW in 1983, Fraser began a second career as a distinguished university professor of labor studies at Wayne State University. It was there that he shared his wisdom and experience with students who were growing up in the "irrational exuberance" of the past 20 years. I recall seeing the young students gather around the gray haired old labor leader on the WSU campus as he spun a labor or political tale and challenged them to get involved in the struggles to make America the best it could be for all.

The former UAW president is now in heaven, organizing the angels – doing what he has done here on earth, focusing his energies on improving the economic and social wellbeing of working men and women everywhere.

Doug Fraser was a good man and he will be sorely missed.

Airline merger will boost Detroit

There are lots of reasons the much-anticipated merger between Northwest and Delta Airlines would be good — very good — for Michigan. But as happens all too often when a good idea comes along, it's met by noisy objections from Washington.

Both Northwest and Delta are "legacy" airlines, survivors of the companies that dominated the industry before the government deregulation in 1978. Many of their sisters - Pan American, Eastern, and TWA, to name a few — no longer exist, victims of high costs, poor labor relations, bad management and newly-aggressive competition. Both Delta and Northwest recently emerged from a brush with bankruptcy. But both are still relatively high-cost companies, pressed on one side with more and more expensive iet fuel, and on the other by new, vigorous and low-cost competitors like Jet Blue, Spirit and Southwest. Both economics and competitive pressures are combining to push Northwest and Delta together, and both managements are serious about trying to make it work. So far, the biggest hang-up has been getting pilots to agree on a combined seniority list. But that shouldn't prove insurmountable. Why would a merger be good for all of us? Well, a merger could play to Northwest's Michigan-based crown jewels: the magnificent airport hub at Detroit Metro and the airline's profitable and rapidly growing routes to China, Japan and the rest of rapidly booming Asia. Combining these with Delta's excellent trans-Atlantic routes would make Detroit the premier gateway to Asia and a tremendously attractive hub for travelers to Europe and South America. That can't but help the proposed "airport city," a consoli-dated passenger and freight



logistics center that would include Detroit Metropolitan airport on the east, Willow Run on the west and some 27,000

Oberstar also misreads the economic history of the airline industry. Despite the raft of consolidations that have taken place since the Airline Deregulation Act was passed in 1978, the inflation-adjusted cost of air travel has dropped by half, from eight cents per mile to four. Not only that, but a look at the route structures of Northwest and Delta shows very little overlap, which suggests service reductions from a merger would be slight indeed. But the real potential problem for the merger is not going to be overtly political, no matter how loud Oberstar fumes. It's anti-trust law, which puts the matter squarely into the hands of the Department of Transportation and the antitrust division of the Justice Department. The legal issue is whether the merger in and of itself will tend to suppress competition and, thus, increase prices for customers. One important part of antitrust doctrine has to do with something economists call "ease of entry," which addresses whether a merged company gains sufficient power to deter potential competitors from entering its market. That hasn't been the case so far. Instead, what's striking about the airline industry is how relatively easy it is for competitors to get into the business - witness the new, low cost and successful airlines like Jet Blue and Spirit. They are eating the old established carriers' lunch. In economist-speak, the airline industry offers low barriers to

entry.

And because those barriers to entry are so low, big and established airlines find it

John Handyman of



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committee

The Senate Committee on Education unanimously approved a bill I sponsored to help children who start to fall behind academically become competent learners by giving them the skills they need to succeed both in school and in life.

Senate Bill 1039 would amend the Revised School Code to enable intermediate school districts to develop and make available to their constituent districts and to public school academies a model early intervening program for children in kindergarten through third grade. This measure would empower school districts to identify problems early so students can become successful learners.

In 2006, I created the SAVE the Children initiative, which included a grant program administered by the Department of Education. Unfortunately, early last year the governor repealed the grant program - after signing it into law. Last fall, the Senate ensured a temporary fix by adopting an amendment I offered adding SAVE to the School Aid budget White the SAVE program is modeled after a successful program already being used in the Northville Public School District, and elsewhere, in order for it to be utilized state wide the program needs to be placed permanently in statute, which would be accomplished by Senate Bill 1039

I was joined in the Senate Education Committee by Dr Robert Sornson, former director of Special Services for Northville Public Schools and current president and founder of the Early Learning Foundation in Brighton; Dr. Leonard Rezmierski, superintendent of Northville Public Schools; Susan Stanley, principal at Bulman Elementary in Redford; Kathleen Whitney, teacher at Bulman Elementary; and Kevin Magin. deputy superintendent of the Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency. They testified in

"This has transformed teaching and learning in our building." said Stanley. "We have seen a tremendous change in our children. We could not have done this without the help of the ISD."

Each district's SAVE program would instruct classroom teachers and support staff on how to monitor individual student learning, and to provide specific support or learning strategies to students as early as possible. The results of the program have been consistent over all socio-economic backgrounds and the benefits to children include higher self-esteem and less likelihood of being involved later in risky adolescent behavior. It also provides a significant cost savings to schools, allowing them to best utilize those dollars where needed the most.

SB 1039 now heads to the full Senate for consideration

Bill Increases Homestead Property Tax Credit

I recently introduced legislation to provide relief to homeowners struggling in the current housing market by increasing the Homestead Property Tax Credit from \$1,200 to \$1,500.

Given Michigan's continuing recession, slumping home values, high rate of foreclosures, and Michigan's property tax bur-den, many residents are coping with stresses and having a hard time making ends meet. This measure will provide real, immediate relief for homeowners and renters. The Homestead Property Tax Credit has not been increased since 1975.

As Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, I plan on taking up Senate Bill 1065 for discussion in the near future.

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

now relatively undeveloped acres in between.

Airport City represents one of the very few possible economic development projects on the drawing board with the potential to produce thousands and thousands of jobs in Southeastern Michigan.

So what's the problem? Much of it is political, in the person of U. S. Rep. James Oberstar (D-Minn.), the chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. The Minneapolis Democrat tore into the proposed merger a couple of weeks ago in a piece in Business Week that ended. "We should just say no. Hell no!'

Oberstar is threatening a hearing on what he sees as the evils of the merger, mainly "further consolidation in the airline industry, further reductions in choice for consumers, and probably fewer flights, fewer jobs and higher fares."

Naturally, alert readers will remember that all politics are local - and realize that Oberstar is concerned about what it would mean to Minneapolis if Northwest's corporate headquarters jobs vanish as a result of the merger. Moreover, organized labor is grumbling about possible job losses: Northwest is heavily unionized, while Delta is mostly non-union. (The pilots, however, are union at both airlines.)

tough to sustain high prices in a given market without attracting new, cheaper competition.

Back in the 1980s, the airline industry began to discover that the revenues of all airlines are hostage to whatever pricing strategy the lowest-priced competitor decides to adopt. If Jet Blue offers cheap fares from Detroit to Chicago, for example, Northwest - or, say, Northwest-Delta - will find it hard to compete successfully on that route without matching that low fare.

Over the years, legacy airlines tried to establish pricing power by setting up "hub and spoke" route systems, all feed ing into big hub airports that they could dominate. The stratcgy worked for a while, but the economic structure of the industry --- ease of entry and pricing transparency - doomed the idea. Northwest says that today, low-cost carriers serve all the legacy airline hubs and successfully put downward pressure on airline fares.

Undoubtedly, the cut-rate carriers will have a different view. All these arguments will take considerable time (and very high legal bills) to play themselves out before the scrutinizing eyes of the Justice Department. Such scrutiny is important, but at the end of the day, the regulators would be wise to approve the Northwest-Delta merger. And folks in Michigan should jump for joy at the prospect.

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Shangri-La Development or Mirage

I have a lot of questions and concerns regarding the 400+ acre site for a Planned Community Development (PUD) on the former Northville Psychiatric Site at Seven Mile and Haggerty that REIS, a partnership between Real Estate Interests Group and Schostak Brothers, purchased to build a billion-dollar Shangri-La community called the Highwood Development. What a terrific asset for Northville, however...

Probably like many others who moved to Northville, we did so because of the schools, community activities, close proximity to shopping and the bucolic appearance with a quaint, historic downtown. We knew we would pay higher property taxes and adhere to a strict building code. but this was mitigated by quality services and the knowledge that Northville is a community in demand.

When I read in the local Northville paper about the development of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital property, I was excited. I had an urge to attend the grass roots citizens organization to learn more about it. I was remarkably surprised to hear the developer was suing the Township for \$100 million (\$100,000,000) and stalling the development because the Township would not approve REIS's exceptions and demands. I learned the Township had already acquiesced to many changes demanded by REIS.

As I learned more, it appears **REIS** uses subterfuge and stall tactics to get communities to fold to their demands, and their developments become mirages. As an example, this same developer has stalled for "years" a similar development that borders Bloomfield Township and Pontiac because Bloomfield Township would not agree to REIS's demands. Therefore, **REIS** threatened Bloomfield Township with annexation to Pontiac. And, now there is an agreement among REIS, Pontiac and Bloomfield Township, where Pontiac receives the tax revenue for the first 15 years and then the revenues revert to Bloomfield Township, and who knows how REIS benefited. Remarkably, the development has not started.

We now face a threat by REIS of annexation with Livonia after REIS located doublewide trailers

Another idea for former hospital property

REIS should add a low-income senior apartment structure. The seniors would have to be screened. They would also want to volunteer as a part of their cooperative agreement to live in and be a part of this community by caring for the children of the parents who work in this new community, walking from their homes to the senior center where specific areas would allow for interaction between the old and young.

This land will be developed, and, after a lot of stress and argument, use of the land may not be to the best advantage. Northville has a special nature, and this idea nurtures that ideal Northville where family and community is celebrated. The seniors would not charge for the care they give and the scope could be as wide as the participants and the needs of the children would take it.

Isn't it about time that some heart goes back into the creation of new developments? Where do gangs come from? What are those kids looking for? You would know more about management companies that provide housing for low-income seniors, who are very intelligent and have skills from mentoring to growing gardens.

I know of CSI (www.csi.coop) which manages more than 55 cooperative apartments for seniors. The government subsidizes rent, but the residents participate with governing council.

I just read an item written by J. Harold Ellens of Farmington Hills, a psychotherapist and research scholar at the University of Michigan, who pleads for humanity. We have become a nation of psychopaths and liars. It is time to look to the nature of the community. Kids walking to the senior residence in a safe setting would not create traffic jams. But is this precious bit of land in this lovely town going to be developed by that what's-in-it-for-me mentality? REIS had a great vision for Trenton, also. But from where I stand, the only interest in any kind of developmental risk has to be selfishly motivated. Like certain owners of bridges and rotting train stations, gimmee, gimmee, gimmee, and don't ask me to spend one dime of my own.

As J. Harold Ellens cried out.

Corriveau and Senator Patterson will give developed townships a fair say in the governance of properties within their boundaries. It will give control based on their wishes, and not that of a neighboring city's, whose false sense of entitlement believe it serves a greater good. The current loopholes in law intended to spur development in areas without water, sewer, fire and police services should not be used as a hammer by developers to get density and zoning variances through a neighboring community that does. Bring the jobs to Northville, make the annexation laws fair.

> Carol Poenisch **Citizens for Northville**

Cancer victim never smoked

I am writing to you because in the Feb. 21 edition there was a picture on page 15A of Al Oshinsky who spoke to our stu-dents at Meads Mill, I contacted Jason Davis in order to have someone come over to do a story and/or take pictures. John Heider came down and took a wonderful picture that was printed. However, the caption said that Al was a long-time former smoker was not true. He is a two-time, second-hand smoke cancer survivor because both his parents smoked while growing up. He has never smoked a day in his life. I think that fact has even more impact on the damage smoking causes and it cer-tainly surprised our eighthgraders. I just wanted to clear things up and make sure that the right information was reflected to the community. Thank you for your time.

> Todd Gudith Eighth grade Science Teacher Meads Mill Middle School

Mackinnon's certificates refunded

I am writing about the recent article on Mackinnon's and Dick's Dining Deals Certificates. A fund has been set up for any Dick's Dining deals certificates that have not been used. To receive a refund, please Democrat politics. My Democrat friends continue on the hunt for the next authentic liberal populist ... a secular messiah! Democrat candidates seem to be those of much greater charisma Maybe another one with equal charisma may arrive to allow our beleaguered Michigan governor to move on toward the Senate. Michigan still waits to be blown away by the winds of favorable climate change in our economy. Overall, the American eco-

nomic system, through invention and innovation, has proven the very best route toward lifting the lives of every one of its citizens - an historically-tested economic system fueled solely by the competitive growth of business and industry. Michigan has illustrated it is hard for its economy to handle leakage of this fuel of the economic engine. However, those in power here always appear ready to invent risky ways to manage the economy by raising or pushing around taxes and fees. Big spenders collective thinking seems locked upon "providing for their needs through the confiscation of someone else's cow."

Beyond essential elements of public safety, each unit of government exists to spend collected money in choosing the essentials and often the special interest promoted non-essentials. Every major unit of government has now over-committed itself and not prepared for new, unexpected debt. With this in mind, it is inevitable that sometime soon problems will come up and difficult sacrifices will happen to challenge both politicallyfavored functions and overpatronized bureaucracies A continued delay by leaders to cut and control spending will increase the intensity of the pain for everyone. To push along the governor, our Michigan legislators could, by their initiative, lead the parade of savings with an announcement of becoming part-time legislators.

In further consideration of political charisma, our former president and current mayor of Detroit, both noted with stemwinding dialog and promising words, are sadly interesting. While rich from public office, each face crumbling reputations, the uplifting potential gone, and historical commentary on their good deeds may be written in invisible ink. Wreckage left behind as blots on political offices are simply a result of elected leaders who "chose to do



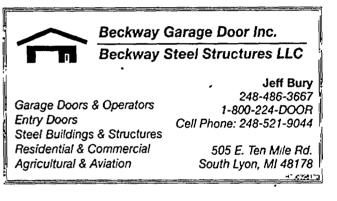
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SNEAKING UP FROM-BEHIND

The searing, sometimes debilitating, pain of sciatica characteristically radi-ates down the leg from the buttock to the calf. This symptom may be accom-panied by numbress and weakness in the affected leg. The most common cul-prit of sciatica is a protruding disc in the lower spine that compresses the sci-atic nerve. However, it is estimated that 20% of all cases of sciatica can actually be attributed to the piriformis muscle. Residing deep within the buttock, this little-known muscle belps to turn the hip out and raise the leg to the side. Under some circumstances, it can entrap the sciatic nerve and compress it to cause pain. "Piriformis syndrome" can be diagnosed by adduction, inter-nal rotation, and flexion of the hip joint.

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P.S. Piriformis syndrome may arise from causes ranging from a hard fall on the buttocks to leg-length discrepancy (one leg shorter than the other)-

patients.

on the Highwood Development property for security personnel that supposedly pose as residents so they could vote in favor of annexation. The parallels to REIS's other developments are remarkable.

REIS has not cleaned up the property; it continues to be an eyesore from Seven Mile. And even though REIS has 24/7 security, crime continues to exist on the property: stripping buildings of copper wire, cannibalizing other items and shootings. Even though REIS pur-chased the property for \$31.5 million (half the minimum bid) they are attempting to get the Township (us, the citizenry) to pay for remediation of the polluted property at a cost of approximately \$15 million. **REIS** wants to increase commercial and residential development by approximately 40 percent beyond the original plan. which will increase density to the point of burdening services

The Township has tried to be conciliatory and agreeable to REIS's requests, but REIS has pushed too far at all of our

expense. We, you and I, need to learn more about this major opportunity or complicated conundrum to help our community make the right decisions so the site gets cleaned up as quickly as possible and best use of the land is developed for our use and future generations. We want this PUD developed to be the Shangri-La it was purported to be and not a mirage like it currently is!

I could share more information but, for the sake of brevity. there is a meeting to be held by that grass roots organization called Citizens for Northville at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, at the Highland Lakes Clubhouse. Also, there is a Web site for additional details: www.citizensfornorthville.com.

Garv McLand Northville Township

as a nation, we are becoming incapable of gratitude and hope. I am just a tired old lady who threw my life away trying to raise a family and it broke me. Lots of seniors who live in lowincome apartments gave their lives away, too - but they still have the stuff that could grow a better leadership than is being seen today. Prayers are not enough, but thanks for listening.

Anne Bennett Dearborn

Make annexation fair to all parties

Annexation should not always be an "economic development tool." There is no justification for current annexation laws that suggest what's good for one community takes precedent over a vibrant neighboring community that has a long history of thoughtful planning, consistent enforcement of regulations, and sustainability.

Just so that there is no confusion, I do want an upscale shopping center, I do want open space, a new school, medical office buildings, and multifamily affordable housing. I want trees and wetlands preserved; basically I want everything the developer is promising. But, what I don't want is the threat of annexation used as a means to coerce a community into disregarding its long enforced zoning regulations and community standards

Northville Township is not holding up construction jobs, retail jobs, and office jobs. The development has been held up by the developer's insistence that the Township pay \$15 million for the cleanup of the site and their refusal to negotiate other overriding issues of concern, like density, and traffic congestion.

The recent bills in Lansing introduced by Representative

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> Tom Mackinnon sent via e-mail

Good luck, Obama

The media and Obama's chief strategist, David Axelrod, have packaged and promoted Barack Obama as a Lincolnesque, black (yet flawless) JFK and as the best person to lead the U.S. during these crucial times. The campaign has stressed character and inspiration instead of policy, issues and experience in leadership skills. With Oprah as his chief "lobbyist," and using quasi-religious allusions in messianic messages, Obama has embodied the hopes of dreams of all Americans We have lived with lies, fear, loss of personal privacy, an illegal, unjust war. and have watched our country lose respect throughout the world since 2000.

Yet, his tenure in the Senate has not been notable. He has voted "present" rather than yes or no.

If he is the Democratic nomince for president, let us hope his conciliatory views are not overcome by confrontational views and tactics. Let us hope he can survive real, bitter, personal negative attacks from the opposition. Let us hope his youth can compete with and overcome McCain, the experienced elder statesman.

Hannah Provence Donigan Commerce

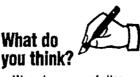
The state of politics

Admittedly, a boring but concerned conservative observer, Michigan remains dominated by

what they did because they could," as President Clinton reasoned. Unfortunately, sliding morality sticks too well on the innocent minds and it lingers for those who expected much better - especially for those have sought a noteworthy hero for decades. With boring, we don't often find overblown arrogance that leads to sinkholes of disappointment. The public must still maintain the beltef when serious criminal laws have been broken by any politician, judicial erasers will not be unavailable.

The best mothers caution children that good character never comes in a relaxed fit. Governmental leadership is an important profession and has brought us both real heroes and serious duds. The best have followed a process of building a steady resume over time of honest achievement from a foundation of protecting their good name.

> Jim Nowka Northville



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Local Events

A Painters' Play - Act III TIME/DATE: Exhibit runs

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Fine Art 133 W Main St , 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

Voices of Maybury Farm Meeting

TIME/DATE: 3 30-5 p m. Sunday LOCATION Northville District

Library DETAILS' All are welcome to

attend this regular, open meeting

"The Purple Gang" Interactive Murder Mystery Dinner

TIME/DATE: 6 p m Friday, March 7 (sold out) and March 28 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.

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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

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 Fourth Annual Linda A. Transou Melanoma March. All proceeds from this event will be given directly to the Melanoma Research Foundation. Your sponsoship will help ensure its success and help make a difference in our community. **CONTACT: Beverly Behrend**

(248) 921-4828 or at bev@ qualitymetalcraft.com

NHS Class of 2008 Senior All Night Party

TIME/DATE: 10:30 p m.-4:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31, 2008 DETAILS: Senior All Night Party tickets are \$70, contact Shirley Rogers at (248) 348-7295 for more information. Unpainted wooden horses are available to purchase for \$40 and can be personalized by parents for their senior. They will be displayed at the All Night Party; order a horse now and it will be available in the spring; contact Mary Jo Blasius at (248) 349-0101. Order forms for tickets and horses are available online at www.northville k12 mi us and checks should be made payable to Northville Senior Class Party; mail to Janet Goldberg, 18833 Oak Leaf Lane, Northville 48168

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First Friday Book Signing DATE: Friday, March 7

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."

Book Signing

TIME/DATE: 2 p.m - 4 p.m. March 15

DETAILS: We will have teen author Lauren Parent at our store. Her book is entitled, "I'm Different But I'm Special." All the illustra-

TIME: 7-9 p.m. LOCATION: Northville Art House, 215 Cady St. DETAILS: Enjoy traditional, folk and acoustic music in a casual setting. Five open mic spots avait-

able on first to sign up basis beginning at 6:15 p.m. Tickets \$5 at the door.

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A Winter Wedding Italian Style TIME/DATE: Interactive Dinner Theater: 6:30 p m. Saturday; 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

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learts org **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. 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



Never too old to learn

Om Kathurica works on his laptop at the Northville Senior Community Center as he waits to teach a basic computer class for seniors on Feb. 20. The class meets every Wednesday and is one of many classes that the center offers its seniors.

Livonia. Event includes serenading

by a barbershop quartet and din-

ner followed by guest speaker

TIME/DATE: 8-9 a m. Friday, March 14 LOCATION: Chamber Office

After Hours Mixer TIME/DATE: 5:30 p m.-7:30

p.m. March 19 LOCATION: Northville Ridge at the Reserves (Uniland Corp.)

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American Romance

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 8

LOCATION: Ward Presbyterian Church, Northville

DETAILS: Composer and string bass virtuoso Clark Suttle is featured in the world premiere of his Concerto for Electri Orchestra and music by George Gershwin, Leroy Anderson John Knowles Paine.

Regional Events

Simon TIME/DATE: 8 p m. Thursday,

DETAILS: A romantic cornedy 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.

Show

Monday-Friday until Feb. 29 Gallery, Assarian Cancer Center, Providence Park Hospital, Novi DETAILS: Art show of original 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: www angelahospice.org **Emergency Response and**

Preparedness Skywarn Class

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 18 LOCATION: Novi Police

Department

DETAILS: Skywarn is an effort to save lives during severe weather emergencies by expanding networks of spotters and by encouraging the widest possible participation in tornado warning programs. Reservations required by calling (248) 858-5306.

CONTACT: Bethany Kenney (248) 858-1805

Winter Master Gardener Class

TIME/DATE: 6-10 p.m. Thursdays through April 10 LOCATION: Executive Office Building Conference Center, Oakland County Service Center, 2100 Pontac Lake Road, Waterford

DETAILS: Each session focuses

CONTACT: For more informa-

www.greenstreetfair com, call

Plymouth Symphony

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. CONTACT. (248) 348-1274 or

visit barnesandnobleinc com

"Ciao Down" Benefit for **Historical Society**

TIME/DATE: 4.30 p.m. Sunday, March 16 LOCATION Tirami Su Restaurant, Northville

DETAILS Come Ciao Down at this Ita'ian pasta feast to benefit the Northville Historical Society Diners will enjoy penne with meat sauce, cheese ravioli with marinara sauce, house salad and re-filiable 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 M·II 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

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tions were done by Lauren, as well

Marquis Theatre

135 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or northvillemarquistheatre com Movies at the Marquis

TIME: 7:30 p m.

DATE: Saturday, "To Catch A Thief," sponsored by Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art; Mar. 8, "Some Like It Hot," sponsored by Lorla'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 sponsonng 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

(between Beck and Napier roads.) State Park motor vehicle permit required for park entry; \$6 daily, \$24 annually (\$6 annually for senlors 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, 6:15 p m Brownie Scouts Friday: 9 a m Archives open; 6

pm. Rehearsal Saturday: 10 a m. Mill Creek

Church: 3-5 p.m. wedding* Sunday: 10 a m Mill Creek Church, 2 30 p m. Webelo Scout

meeting, 4 30 p.m. Eclipse Base Ba'l

Monday: 9 a m. Hands All Around Quilters; 6 p.m. Cub Scout meetina

Tuesday: 9 a m Stone Gang;-11 a m Country Garden Club; 6 30 p.m. Northville Democratic Club

Wednesday: 9 a m. Mill Race Basket Guild, 4 15 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 TGIF

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

LOCATION: Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road, Wayne DETAILS: Join us for an Italian dinner in support of State Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville), 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.VoteCorriveau.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

on a different horticultural topic that will prepare you to fulfill a 40hour community service commitment to earn Master Gardener Certification. First-come, firstserved; \$25 application fee, class fee \$300.

CONTACT: (248) 858-0887 or visit www.msue.msu.edu/oakland. Look under horticulture and gardening

Metro Detroit National College Fair

TIME/DATE: 9-11:30 a m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 17 LOCATION: Burton Manor,

27777 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia DETAILS: Presented by the National Association for College Admission Counseling and the Michigan Association for College Admission Counseling, Free admission and free parking.

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

Green Street Fair

DATE: Saturday and Sunday, May 3-4

LOCATION: Downtown Plymouth

DETAILS: The Green Street Fair, presented by Whole Foods Market, will help educate and inform people about the benefits of green, organic and eco-friendly

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) 348-5600 or visit http://rockfinancialshowplace.com /for more information. Outdoorama and Cottage and

Lakefront Living Show

TIME/DATE: 2-9:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday; and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday

DETAILS: Admission is \$9 for adults, \$4 for ages 6-14 and under 5 is free; parking is \$5.

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Northville group, schools aid Detroit school

Bridgepointe grants teachers' wishes

By Jason Carmel Davis STAFF WRITER

After a fire ravaged Detroit's Bennett Elementary School on Dec. 26, 2007, the school was in need of several items since nothing inside the building could be saved.

The entire Bennett population students and staff — have been temporarily relocated to another Detroit school, Boynton Elementary, which is about six miles away from the Bennett wreckage. Bennett teachers lost everything they had in their classrooms in the fire, and students are working in unfamiliar surroundings and even sharing classrooms.

After the blaze took place, Bennett Principal Antonia Gonzalezput in a call to Northville-based Bridgepointe — a nonprofit 501(c)3 that has worked with Detroit schools since 1999 — to see if they could help.

Diane Powers, executive director of Bridgepointe, didn't think twice about offering the organization's assistance. She asked that each Bennett teacher compose a wish list of items they use during a typical school day. Bridgepointe officials then reached out to its network of volunteers and partners, including teachers, parents and students from schools across Western Wayne County, who were all willing to help.



Bridgepointe volunteers have worked with schools in Detroit such as Bennett Elementary School for a number of years. With the help of the Northville Public School District and school districts in Canton and Livonia, Bridgepointe is granting the wishes of Bennett teachers after the school was set ablaze in December 2007.

"The outpouring has been amazing," Powers said. "Many of these suburban schools have first-hand knowledge of Bennett with their students having met many of the Bennett children through programs sponsored by Bridgepointe."

Schools from Canton, Livonia, Northville and Novi have joined in the effort.

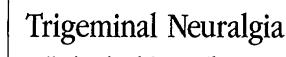
The Northville Public School District has donated a number of unused items and equipment to Bennett teachers. Northville's Ridge Wood Elementary School has assembled boxes filled with supplies and students from Northville's Thornton Creek Elementary, Novi Meadows School and Novi Middle School are also assisting in the effort.

Ridge Wood Principal Nancy Raynes said her school has partnered with Bennett since it opened five years ago, along with working with Bridgepointe on a number of

projects. Raynes took the idea of assisting the Bennett family with an "Adopt-a-Class" program, since each K-5 school has 26 classrooms. "I took the idea to our student council and it worked out well," Raynes said. "I made a call to (Gonzalez) and the people at Bridgepointe and we got it going.

Submitted photo

"We've worked really well with Bennett over the past few years and this is an opportunity for us to help out."



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Ridge Wood students are donating books that may have been lost in the blaze, literature books and games. Raynes said she also sent a letter home with students asking parents and other family members to donates books and games if possible.

"It got very intense at times, but the effort has been absolutely awesome," Raynes said. "It's a part of our school culture at Ridge Wood to reach out and help."

"The acts of kindness have not only spread throughout the suburban schools, but also to local book groups, bible study groups, card groups and businesses," Powers said. "It is overwhelming to see the file cabinets, projectors, typewriters, easels, books, chairs and school and office supplies coming in on a daily basis."

While some of the supplies have already been delivered to Bennett staffers, Bridgepointe plans to deliver the bulk of what has been collected for the teachers and students tomorrow.

That date has been selected as the delivery date as it is the same day that 60 Bennett students and 60 students from two Northville schools will come together to work on a Kids Against Hunger project. The students will work together to package protein-rich rice meals that will be sent to malnourished people throughout the world. The packing will take place from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Boll YMCA, located at 1401 Broadway in downtown Detroit.

For more information on Bridgepointe, call (248) 596-1300 or go to www.bridgepointenonprofit.org.

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



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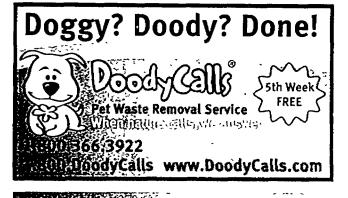
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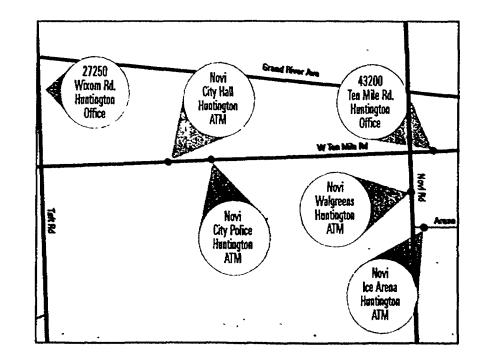




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We would like to thank the following businesses and individuals who helped make the 2008 Fireman's Ball a successful fundraiser. This year with your generous support we were able to raise \$16,000 for our Northville Township Professional Fire Fighters Local 3961 Charity Fund.

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We would also like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Ron and Mary Lane for their endless time and effort in making our fundraiser a success.

We would like to recognize our state representatives Mr. Marc Corriveau, Mr. Richard Leblanc, and Northville Township Trustee Mr. Christopher Roosen.

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Our membership would like to thank each individual for opening their hearts to help those less fortunate. We would also like to thank the 300 guests who attended our "2008 Fireman's Ball."

Without the generous contributions this charity benefit would not be possible. Lastly, we would like to thank our gracious host, Mr. Sean Baligian of WDFN Radio and Special Guest Mr. Cory Redding from the Detroit Lions for taking time out of their busy schedules to bring a new level of professionalism to our event. We hope to see everyone again February 21, 2009 for our 7th annual "Fireman's Ball." For more information and photos from the 2008 event go to www.iaff3961.org

On Campus

Northern Michigan University

Ashley L. Susick of Northville was named to the Dean's List for fall semester 2007 at Northern Michigan University, Communications and Marketing Department.

Samford University

Whitney A. Brownlee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Brownlee of Northville, was named to the Dean's List for fall semester 2007 at Saniford University in Birmingham, Alabama:

Marquette University

Ainee Anthony of Northville recently graduated from Marquette University with a Master of Science degree in Bilingual English-Spanish

University of Kansas

Nicole Mary Cauzillo, daughter of Linda Cauzillo of Northville, was named to the Athletic Director Honor Roll for the fall semester. She is a member of the soccer team and a senior majoring in English.

University of Wisconsin -Stevens Point

Lindsay E. Fischer, of Northville, earned high honors for the fall semester at the University of Wisconsin

Grand Valley State University

Kari Oshanski, daughter of Jim and Karla Oshanski of Northville, was named to the Dean's List for fall semester 2007. Kan is pursuing a degree in Communications

Michigan Tech

Jeremy G Olach received a Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences on Dec. 15, 2006

Lycoming College

Amber Aschwanden, a resident of Northville and a graduate of Novi High School, is a member of the Lycoming College History Club. The club gained official club status in 2005, with a vision of uniting Lycoming College historians and brainstorming activiues that span a broad view of American, world and ancient history. Aschwanden is a freshman majoring in archaeology.

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SCHOOL BRIEFS

Class at Silver Springs School plan fundralser for veterans

Students in David Wayne's class at Silver Springs Elementary School in Northville will have a fundraiser tomorrow during the 6:30-8:30 p.m. Family Fun Fair at the school to try to raise money for the group Honor Flight Michigan. Honor Flight is a nonprofit

Honor Flight is a nonprofit organization that takes World War II veterans to visit the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C., free of charge.

Gifted program test-out dates change

A couple of changes have been made in the testing dates or times at the Northville Public School District elementary- and middleschool level for testing out of classes from what was communicated in school new sletters or previously posted on the district Web site:

Elementary level — Fifthgrade students who qualify for sixth-grade advanced math AND who are seeking consideration to test out of 6th-grade advanced math and qualify for placement

or family reunion?

into 7th-grade advanced math (generally very few students) must submit an application to the Office of Instruction by April 16. The test will be given from 1-3 p.m. on the afternoon of April 17 at the Amerman Elementary School multi-purpose room. Parents will be responsible for transporting students to/from the test out opportunity as school will not be in session at this time

Middle School level — The deadline for submitting test out applications to the Middle School Counseling Office is May 21. Testing will take place from 7:30 a m.-9:30 a m on May 28. Parents are responsible for providing transportation to school, with students arriving by 7.25 a m. in order to be ready to begin testing at 7:30 a m.

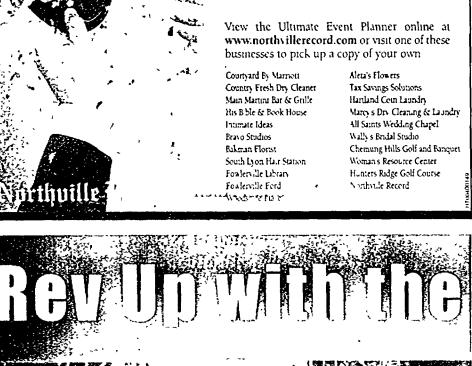
While date and times for testout opportunities have not changed at Northville High School, the deadline for submitting applications to the Northville High School Counseling Office is Wednesday, May 28.

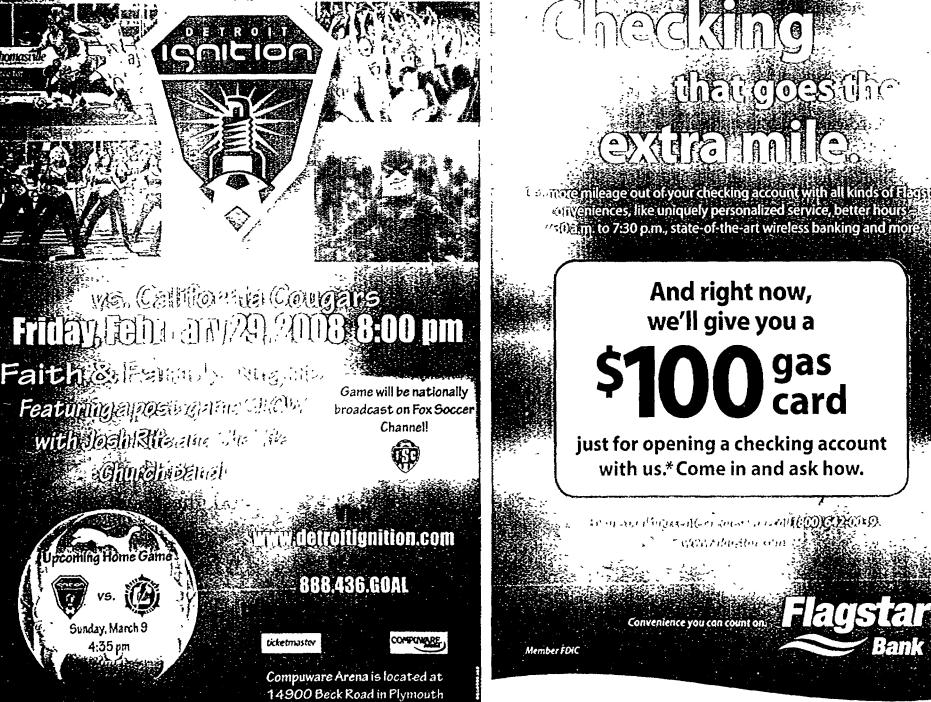
All parents/students interested in any test-out opportunities are encouraged to read the information on the district Web site at http://www.northville.k12 mi us/. Recommended students are those who have earned all "As" on their tests, quizzes and math report card and have studied extensively for the next grade level.

If you have any questions regarding the information posted on the Web site, please contact the Office of Instruction/Curriculum Resource Center at (248) 344-8467 for the elementary level, or your child's counselor at the middle- and high-school levels.

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Northville wins first WLAA title GUEST

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Michelle Steslicki goes vertical while performing her routine on the beam.

'Stangs ready to tackle regionals

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Northville gymnastic team has seen every edge of the spectrum the last two years.

Head coach Erin McWatt went from being unsure if the Mustangs would have a team last year to placing ninth at the state meet.

This year, she, along with the rest of her team, came into the year confident.

The Mustangs return the bulk of last year's team and have added all-around star Allison Kemp to an already strong squad

Mustangs have reached the finals as the wildcard, or last possible team to make the final competition. McWatt had no problems with that, but now she wants Northville to be included in one of the three automatic qualifiers from the regional.

The top three teams in each regional qualify for states, and the wildcard team is the school with the top score from the rest of the regionals that didn't make the top three.

"This year, we're a much more competitive team, much more consistent." McWatt said. "Our fantastic season has given the

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The last two years, the

WLAA Meet

The Northville gymnastic team accepted an award for finishing the WLAA Western Division undefeated at 10-0 before finishing just behind Livonia Blue for the league title.

Livonia won with 142.475 points. The Mustangs were next with 140.15.

In Division I, Cassidy Winter finished fifth in the all-around with 36.375. She was first on beam with a 9.35, fifth on floor with a 9.175, tied for sorth on bars with a 8.7 and finished seventh on vault with a 9.15.

The Northville hocley team celebrates after winning the WLAA title with a 5-2 victory against Churchill.

Mustangs capture first, last WLAA hockey title

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville will forever go down as the WLAÁ's final champion.

The Mustangs knocked off Churchill 5-2 Friday to capture the last possible WLAA crown, something regularly won by either Churchill or Stevenson.

"We talked before the game that this was something that we wanted to do for our community for our school, for the fans and for the guys who have worn the jersey in the past." Robert said. "This was our fifth conference championship, and we battled in the other games but came up on the short end. "We really wanted to win it for the guys who battled in the past and paved the way for our program, and the coaches that have paved the way.

All-WLAA hockey

All-Conference TJ Hohl, senior forward Jordan Duff, senior defense

All-Division Wes Gates, junior defense

Alex Brewin, junior forward **Honorable Mention**

Kevin Uetz, senior forward Alec Arthur, junior forward Matt Kreager, junior defense Ted Keranen, junior goalie

the power play, and Northville had a 3-1 lead. Matt Kreager and Jon Berry assisted on the play.

"We really seemed to be playing well and clicking on all cylinders, but we knew Churchill wasn't going to give up," Robert said. "They called a timeout right after we scored the third goal, and that seemed to settle them down a bit.

Churchill did manage to cut the lead to 3-2, knocking in a shot during a scrum out from in the final minutes of the second period.

Alex Brewin regained the two-goal cushion

Churchill took the lead early, just 1:30 into the game, scoring off a rebound.

Northville didn't panic. They got even six minutes later. Wes Gates hit the back of the net from the blue line for the final goal of the first period.

"I think it caught their goalie by surprise," Robert said. "That was a huge lift for us."

The Mustangs took the lead a couple of minutes into the second period when Kevin Uetz scored on a backhander. Alec Arthur picked up the assist.

Case Moreman knocked home a rebound on

with nine minutes to play, scoring a goal after getting in behind the Charger defense.

The Mustangs put themselves at risk, committing a pair of penalties and creating a 5-on-3 for Churchill. But goalie Ted Keranen and the Mustang defense kept the puck out of the net.

"We were down two men for nearly two minutes," Robert said. "That was huge because we were able to kill the two-man advantage.

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In Division II, Allison Kemp won the all-around with a 36.725. She was first on beam (9.4), first on vault (9.275), second on bars (9.05) and fourth on the floor (9.0).

Julie Davison placed 10th in the all-around (33.7) and fifth on the bars (8.65). Arry Reyolds was fifth on the beam (8.55) and 10th on the bars (8.2). Caileight Deacon was seventh on the floor (8.85) and ninth on the bars (8.25). Amy O'Brien placed seventh on the vault (8.75) and 10th (tie) on the bars (8.2). Michelle Steslicki also placed 10th on the bars (8.2).

The Mustangs compete in regional action Saturday at Plymouth-Canton.

NORTHVILLE ROUNDUP: Swimmers dethroned at league meet

Cager girls bounced by district champ Ladywood

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

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The Northville swim and dive team came up just shy in its quest for another league title.

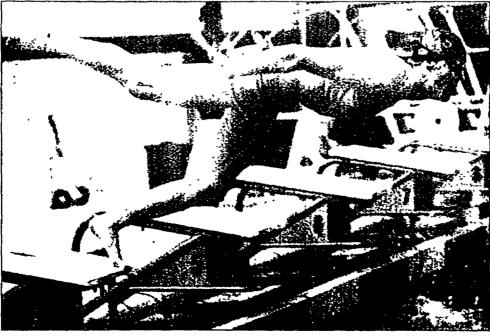
Stevenson took home the top prize with 652 points. Northville was next with 644, followed by Walled Lake Northern (378).

Salem (254) and Canton (237). "It's a big bummer," Northville head coach Rich Bennetts said. "We didn't do our best. Stevenson was a better team that day."

Brody Blickle highlighted the meet for the Mustangs, setting a new league record in the 200 individual medley, finishing in 1:55.76. The previous record had stood since 1991.

Blickle also won the 100 backstroke (52.66) was also part of the winning 200 freestyle relay team (1:29.09) and the wining 400 freestyle relay team (3:14.99).

Jon Bardsley also capped off a big meet with two individual wins and was also on the same relays as Blickle. Bardsley won the 200 freestyle in 1:44.92) and the 500



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Mustang swimmer Erik Peterson blasts off the blocks during warmups before a recent home meet.

freestyle (4:48.46).

The rest of the 200 freestyle relay team included Kyle Adams and Joe Kargula. Filling out the 400freestyle relay team were Nate Lunn and Clay Malloure.

Other highlights included Kevin Bain winning the diving competition with teammate Kevin with a second-place finish in the 50 freestyle and a third-place finish in the 100 freestyle, Kargula placing third in the 100 butterfly.

Fourth-place finishers included Lunn with a fourth-place finish in the 200 free and 100 butterfly and Greg Sheppard in the 200 individ-

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Courtny placing fourth, Adams ual medley and in the 100 backstroke.

Girls basketball

The Northville girls were knocked out of postseason play

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With evident emotion, the Mustangs' varsity cheer team yells out their encouragement during a routine.



Northville wins its first, and last, WLAA championship

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"Teddy made some huge saves when he needed to."

The Chargers were forced to pull the goalie late, and Brewin put the game away with an emptynetter.

"It was a good game," Robert said. "It was back and forth. Both teams had some good chances."

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Photos by JOHN HEIDER Northnile Record Clockwise, from top left:

Wes Gates makes a pass during Northville's game

against Ann Arbor Pioneer. Northville head coach **Clint Robert discusses**

strategies with his troops. Mustang forward TJ Hohl lines up a practice shot against teammate David

Ketelhut.

Alec Arthur is in free against Ann Arbor Pioneer.









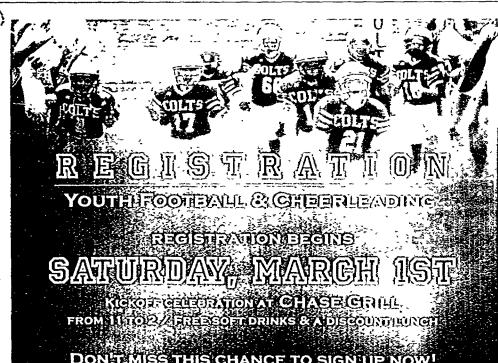
Gymnastics

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girls confidence to know that we can do more than just sneak in this time around

"We're showing up with the intention to win. That's always the intent.'

The Mustangs ripped off a perfect season in league play and finished just behind Livonia Blue for the top spot at the league meet this weekend. A good record combined with a squad loaded with state experience has McWatt expecting big things. The girls shouldn't be intimidated with walking into a big gym loaded with hundreds of people in the stands. "The brain turns on and the body shuts down when you get too nervous. It needs to be the opposite," McWatt said. "The muscle memory needs to take over and the brain needs to take a back seat. The body remembers what to do.



The Northville gymnastic team shows off its trophy for winning the Western division with a perfect record. The Mustangs went on to place second at the league meet.



Northville's Allison Kemp performs her routine on the balance beam.

"The experience of being in those big, stressful competitions is certainly helpful." MaKenna Pohl has been the con-

sistent leader for the Mustangs. She missed the league meet because she was competing with her club team in San Diego, or things could've been different. But it also shows the depth of Northville by finishing in second place.

Cassidy Winter placed at states last year on beam and competes in

the top division. "She's our go-to girl on that event." McWatt said. "It's defi-nitely every gymnast's nemesis, but for her it's a cakewalk." In Division II, Kemp proved she will be a force after winning the

will be a force after winning the all-around league title.

'She's a heck of a powerful gymnast," McWatt said. "She's getting very consistent and she's very disciplined, a very clean gymnast."

McWatt expects the top competition to come from Grand Ledge, tri-Farmington, the Livonia teams, Forest Hills and last year's champion, Holt.

For individuals, the top six allarounds and the top eight scores from each event move onto invidual states.

"Regionals will be a day at least as important if not more important than states in March," McWatt said. "Once at states, the girls go all out. There's no holding back and nothing to lose. But first you gotta get there."

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On the move Running

around the world

Original Content of the "Upcoming Events" featured in my last column was the "Riverview Winterfest 4-Mile Run" on February 10. Congratulations to the 250 participants that endured the bone-chilling conditions that day (5° temperature, 25–35 mph winds with blowing snow, and -20° wind chill). You are true dichards While it was difficult running, the volunteers on the course deserve special praise for their support.

For a great trip, consider a marathon overseas

If you are a marathoner (or an aspiring marathoner) who likes to travel, why not combine the two interests for a memorable vacation? Running a marathon in a major foreign city is a truly unique experi-

ence. One

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Jerry Mittman

is not your usual tourist experience. An overseas marathon could be considered a 26.2 mile (42.2 km) running tour.

Each of the 11 marathons I have run overseas was a memorable and enjoyable event – and a great opportunity to visit a new part of the world. You may want to include an overseas marathon in your plans. The ones I have done are listed below in the order of completion, along with comments regarding my experience.

• Dublin (Pots of tea at the finish)

• Prague (Miles of cobblestones: beautiful old city; great bands)

• Berlin (Through Brandenburg Gate; East and Wat Parlies 7

Vest Borlin; Zoo)-• Paris (Running down Champs-Elysées; finishing near Arc de Triomphe)

• Stockholm (Afternoon start; hall storm; finish in Olympic Stadium)

• Beijing (First mile around Tiananmen Square and Mao's tomb)

Rotterdam (Flat)
Budapest (Views along

river; fireworks in evening) • London (Running on Tower Bridge; rain; finish at Buckingham Palace) • Medoc (Near Bordeaux, France; costumed runners; 24 wine stops; party time)

Photo submitted by Diana Birdsall Martins Trautmanis goes up for a layup against Salem.

'Stangs 4th in tourney

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Northville basketball team finished fourth in the WLAA tournament after falling 64-55 in double overtime to Churchill.

The Mustangs (12-8) and Chargers played to an almost even first half, with Churchill holding an 11-10 lead after the first and 20-19 at halftime.

Northville took a short 25-23 lead in the third, but a 15-2 run the rest of the quarater left the Chargers with a commanding 38-27 lead going into the fourth. The Mustangs mounted a furious rally in the fourth, and cut the lead to 44-40 with half the quarter left.

Northville conintued to pour on the points and tied the game at 44 on a Dan Kirkpatrick bucket with 2:38 left.

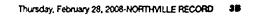
Greg Hasse put the Mustangs in front with a layup with 1:52 left, but it would be the Mustangs' final points of the quarter. Churchill tied the game and Northville missed a last-second shot, forcing overtime.

Both teams managed five points in the first overtime, thanks

to a little help from the Chargers. Andrew Vagnetti drew a foul on a three-pointer just before the clock ran out and trailing by one. He missed the first two freebies before hitting the last one, setting up a second overtime.

The Mustangs again had a temporary lead in the second overtime at 55-53, but Churchill ripped off an 11-2 run the rest of the way, mostly at the free throw line as Northville was forced to foul.

Kirkpatrick and Steve Anderson led the Mustangs with 14 points. Greg Hasse added 13 points.



ROUNDUP: Cheer wins again

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with a 47-37 loss to eventual district champion and host Ladywood.

The Mustangs hung with Ladywood, trailing just 15-12 at the end of the first and 27-22 at the half.

But a 16-6 deficit in the third quarter left the Mustangs too far behind to catch up.

Sarah Stern and Chelsea Atzinger led the Mustangs with nine points each. Atzinger also had a team high six assists and

six rebounds.

Cheer

The Northville cheer team set a new school record for points during a 724-690 win against Walled Lake Central.

the Mustangs host the WLAA cheer competition Saturday. Freshman and JV start at 9 a.m. Varsity starts at 1:30 p.m.

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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. Time 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.

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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.

Northville schedules

Boys Basketball 2/29 Districts finals at Novi, 7 p.m. V 3 Boys Hockey 2/28 Pre-regional final Novi Ice Arena, 6:30 p.m. Wrestling 3/1 Regionals at Canton- Plymouth, TBA	Boys Swim and Dive 2/28 Home, last chance, 7 p.m. 3/4 MHSAA Diving at AA Pioneer, TBA Cheer 3/1 regionals at Wayne, 11 a.m.
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• Amsterdam (Windmills; canals: Olympic Stadium loop and finish)

Planning your Trip

If you have an interest in a marathon trip overseas, here are a few things to consider:

• Do the marathon early on the trip. Then relax and enjoy the rest of your travel.

• Language is not a problem. There is always a way to communicate and English is common.

• Use public transportation. It is convenient and inexpensive.

• Carryon your running gear ... on the flight there.-

You may want to plan your tnp on your own or work with a travel agency that specializes in marathon travel. One of the best 18 Marathon Tours and Travel (marathon tour com). An excellent source for information and runner ratings on US and foreign marathons is Marathon Guide (marathonguide com). In addition, you are welcome to contact me.

Upcoming Events

• Sunday, March 16: Be part of the St. Patrick's festivities in downtown Detroit and run the Corktown 4 Mile Race at noon It starts at the old Tiger Stadium.

(downtownrunners com/corktownraces.htm)

• April 5-6: Join the Martian invasion in Dearborn. The Meteor 10K is on Saturday and the Martian Marathon and Half Marathon are on Sunday. (martianmarathon com)

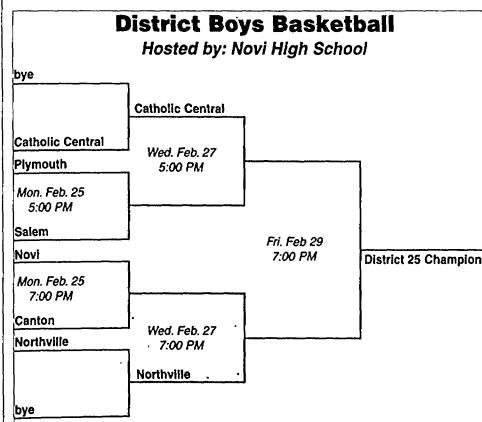
Northville resident Jerry Mittman is an avid runner and has completed over 600 races, including 59 marathons. He can be contacted at jjm997@hotmaîl.com. Photo submitted

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Tourney tough

The Waza FC U13 boys team won a regional tournament in early December to earn a birth to the 2008 National Indoor Soccer Championship tournament held in Sterling, Virginia, on Feb. 16-17. Waza FC won all three preliminary games: 5-3 against a team from Fairfax, Virginia, 8-2 against a team from Virginia Beach, Virginia, and 5-4 against a team from Reston, Virginia. In the championship game, Waza FC trailed 5-1 to a team from Annadale, Virginia, but stormed back to take a 6-5 lead. Then with 45 seconds left in the game, Waza FC gave up the tying goal and ultimately lost 7-6 in overtime. Waza FC was led by Northville's Tommy O'Connor (3 goals, assist) and Colin Warner (goal, assist).

Pictured front row from left: Brent Winkler (Farmington Hills), Matt Wilson (Novi), Tommy O'Connor (Farmington Hills), Ronnie Basin (Farmington Hills), Aaron Krupa (Ann Arbor), George Pollak (Washington Township), Colin Warner (Northville), Allen Karrip (Lake Orion). Back row: Trevor Nessel (Novi), Matt McAuliffe (Livonia), Aleksandar Isaevski (Westland), Donald Payne (Ypsilanti), Alex Arlin (Farmington Hills), Dominique Hajdu (Brownstown Township), Rickle Carter (Commerce Township) Connaugh McLaughlin (Bloomfield), Jonathan Hanna (Shelby Township) and Coach Mario Scicluna.



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Eat Smart to Boost Vitality

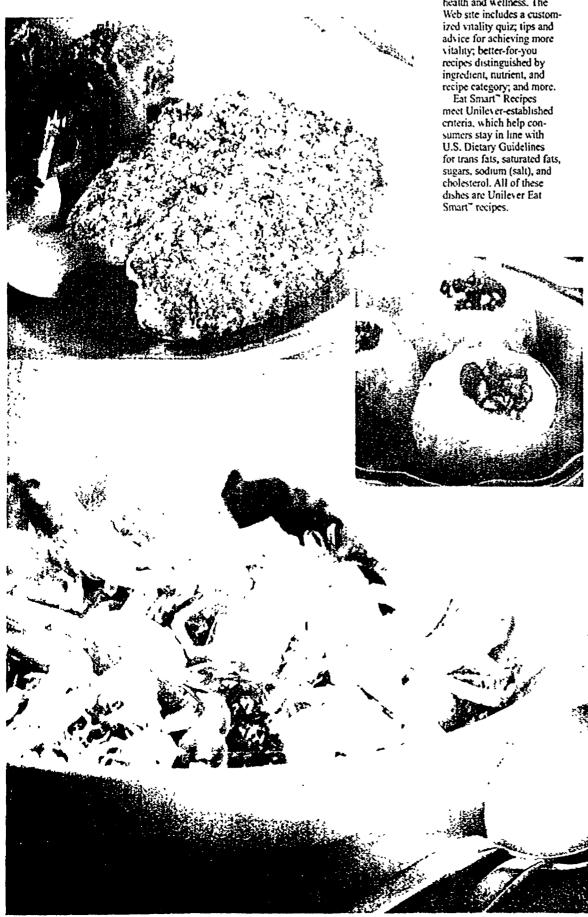
FAMILY FEATURES

Tave you ever tried cating smart? It's not just about making savy y nutrition choices like opting for whole grain over white, steamed over fried, or baked over sautéed. It's about boosting your eating knowledge to reap rewards that go beyond losing weight or reducing health risks. Think of the really big picture ... a better overall quality of life and a higher level of vitality.

The good news is, eating right doesn't have to be hard. More and more food companies are creating ever healthier products with reduced levels of trans fats. saturated fats, sodium and added sugars. Unilever manufacturer of brands such as Lipton. Skippy, Slim-Fast, Bertolli, Ragu. Hellmann's and Promise - has slashed percentages of these four "nutrients of concern" in addition to cholesterol — in its products as part of a new front-of-pack logo and recipe program called Eat Smart/Drink Smart, which helps consumers make smarter food selections and better decisions in meal preparation.

"With a nutritional stamp, such as Eat Smart Drink Smart, families benefit from easily being able to make better food choices, which help them shop, cook and eat smart." says Jenna Bell-Wilson, PhD, RD, CSSD, Registered Dietitian in Massachusetts.

Opting for more nutritious products, and preparing simple yet delicious recipes with a focus on proper nutrition will help boost your food intellect - and your vitality.



How's Your Vitality?

recent study conducted by Unilever found vitality A to be directly linked to good health, and good eating choices, in particular. Put simply, choosing to eat well and live a healthy lifestyle yields long-term, far-reaching benefits. The research uncovered some interesting facts about America's sense of vitality:

- 63 percent said their level of vitality depends on how well they take care of themselves.
- Four of the top six physical drivers of vitality were food-and-nutrition-related.
- 61 percent of those surveyed found that vitality was extremely important to them, yet 75 percent said they weren't satisfied with their own vitality levels

To help Americans determine and improve their own levels of vitality, Unilever has created My Vitality Index (www.myvitalityindex.com), an easy-to-use, online resource that provides valuable information for enhancing

health and wellness. The

Fettuccine With Turkey Bolognese Sauce

6 servings

Prep Time: 20 minutes Cook Time: 20 minutes

- 1 teaspoon Bertolli Olive Oil
- carrots, chopped small onion, chopped
- rib celery, chopped to 1-1/2 pounds ground
- turkey 1/4 cup dry red wine or
- chicken broth jar (1 pound 10 ounces) Raga Old World Style
- Pasta Sauce
- tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- box (16 ounces) fettuccine, cooked and drained

In 12-inch nonstick skillet, heat ofive oil over medium heat and cook carrots, onion and celery, stirring frequently, 5 minutes or until tender. Add turkey and cook, breaking up with spoon, until turkey is thoroughly cooked. Stir in wine. Bring to a boil over high

Gremolata-Crusted Tilapia*

6 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

- 1 slice whole grain bread 1/4 cup loosely packed flat-leaf parsley
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped 1/2 teaspoon finely grated
- lemon peel 1/8 teaspoon ground black
- pepper cup Helimann's or Best Foods Real Mayonnaise
 - tilapia fillets (about 1-1/2 pounds)
 - 1 teaspoon lemon juice

Preheat oven to 425°F. In food processor, process bread until small crumbs form, remove and set aside Into processor, add parsley, garlic, lemon peel and pepper; process until blended. Add may onnaise and process just until blended

On baking sheets or brotler pan. range fillets. Evenly sprin lemon juice, then evenly top with mayonnaise mixture, then bread crumbs. Bake 15 minutes or until fish flakes with fork.

heat. Reduce heat to low and simmer uncovered for 3 minutes. Stir in pasta sauce and parsley. Simmer, stirring occasionally, 5 minutes, Season, if desired, with salt and pepper. Serve over hot fettuccine.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 490, Calories From Fat 50, Saturated Fat Ig, Trans Fat Og, Total Fat 6g, Cholesterol 45mg, Sodium 680mg, Total Carbohydrate 70g. Sugars 11g, Dietary Fiber 6g, Protein 41g, Vitamin A 80%, Vitamin C 10%, Calcium 6%, Iron 25%

Oven-Baked Harvest Apples

4 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time. I hour

- 4 large McIntosh or golden
- delicious apples, cored
- tablespoons firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon 2 tablespoons dried
- cranberries 1 tablespoon finely chopped
- pecans
- 4 tenspoons Promise Buttery Spread
- 2/3 cup water

Preheat oven to 350°F. Peel top third of apples. In 8-inch baking dish, arrange apples peeled-side up; set aside.

In small bowl, combine sugar, cinnamon, cranberries, pecans and cinnamon; evenly spoon into center of apples, then evenly top each with spread. Pour water around apples Bake uncovered, basting occasionally, 1 hour or until tender.

Microwave Directions: Peel apples as above. In microwave-safe pie plate, arrange apples. Cover with waxed paper. Microwave at HIGH 2 minutes Meanwhile, combine sugar mixture as above; evenly spoon into apples, then top each with I teaspoon Spread. Cover with waxed paper and microwave an additional 2 minutes or until apples are tender. Let stand 5 minutes.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 200, Calories From Fat 40, Saturated Fat 0.5g, Trans Fat 0g, Total Fat 4.5g, Cholesterol Omg, Sodium 35mg, Total Carbohydrate 43g, Sugars 34g, Dietary Fiber 6g, Protein 1g, Vitamin A 6%, Vitamin C 16%, Calcium 2%, Iron 4%

*This recipe is "Best Life" approved Best Life is a trademark owned by Best Life Corp Learn more about the Best Life program at www.thebestlife.com

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Mandarin Chicken Salad

4 servings

Prep Time: 15 minutes

- 1/2 cup Wish-Bone Ranch Dressing
- 1/4 cup orange marmalade
- 1-1/4 pounds boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cooked and sliced (about 3 cups)
- 1/4 small red onion, thinly sliced (about 1/4 cup) package (10 to 12 ounces)
- mixed salad greens (about 4 cups)
- can (11 ounces) mandarin oranges, drained
- 1/2 cup seasoned croutons

in large bowl, blend dressing and marmalade. Add chicken, red onion and salad greens; toss to coat. Gently fold in oranges and croutons

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 400, Calories From Fat 140, Saturated Fat 2.5g. Trans Fat 0g. Total Fat 15g. Cholesterol 90mg. Sodium 430mg, Total Carbohydrate 30g. Sugars 21g. Dietary Fiber 3g, Protein 36g, Vitamin A 60%, Vitamin C 70%, Calcium 10%, Iron 15%

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Windmill Homes of Farmington Hills received the Building Industry Association Development of the Year award for its Riverwalk development.

Riverwalk wins

Windmill Homes takes Development of the Year award

indmill Homes is the recipient of the Building Industry Association Development of the Year award for its Riverwalk development.

This is the second BIA award that Windmill Homes has won. The first was the BIA's 2002 Developer of the Year.

the careful selection of good sites and

Stuart Michaelson, a partner in Windmill Homes, credits their awards to

careful planning and design of their communities. Riverwalk, which won the 2007 award

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is an infill community of 32 lots in Farmington Hills, priced from \$249,990 to the mid \$400,000's.

Windmill Homes is also the developer of the exclusive, detached condominium home community in Novi known as Kirkway Place, located on the west side of Beck Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile Roads. Kirkway is well situated. with easy access to the I-96 freeway, and is close to shopping.

CONDO ADVANTAGES

"Our homebuyers love the fact that the homes are not attached, giving them the feeling of a single-family community; yet

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under the condominium arrangement, the exterior of the homes as well as the grounds are maintained by the condominium association," said Sami Harb, Stuart's partner.

Kirkway features ranch homes and houses with first floor owner suites. Many of the sites have a 3-car optional garage available. Finished lower levels are either daylights or walkouts. Each home includes landscaping, a deck. granite countertops in the kitchen and many other

"Windmill was a pleasure to work with and made many changes to the plans that met our needs."

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- Bill Woodfall, Homebuyer

Windmill Homes' floor plans utilize space efficiently.

upgrades.

We are so happy we sold our large home and moved to Kirkway Place," said Bill Woodfall, a recent homebuyer. Windmill was a pleasure to work with and made many changes to the plans that met our needs. We love living in Kirkway Place.'

LOCATION IS A PLUS

"We knew as soon as we first looked at this site that it would be a perfect location for our detached condominium homes that we had successfully built in other locations," stated Stuart Michaelson. "We could see the value of preserving the woods at the back of the development and knew we had to save the landmark butternut tree that can be seen as you enter the

community."

ATTENTION TO DETAIL

Kirkway Place's proximity to the new Providence Hospital campus is another draw to this community.

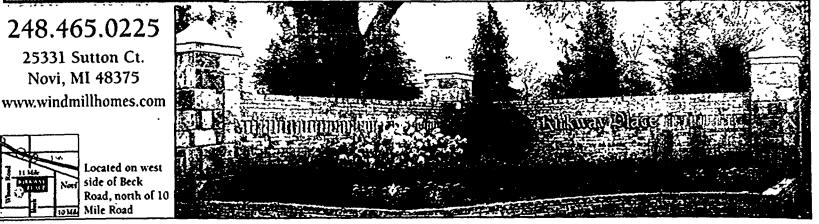
We appeal to the empty nesters and the young professionals who are married or single and enjoy condominium living." said George Mager, the third partner in Windmill Homes. "The floor plans are well designed to utilize the space very efficiently. Kirkway has a professional decorator who helps the purchasers with all of their selections and options to make the purchase easy and fun."

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Young dancers have a lot of fun while learning several disciplines at the Center Stage Dance Company in Northville.



Tap, twirl and hop the summer away at Center Stage

By John R. Hall SPECIAL WRITER

may be cold and snowy outside but summer planning is heating up inside at the Center Stage Dance Company in Northville. Director Lisa Shapiro is looking forward to another fun-filled and instructional summer schedule for the many serious and casual students who enjoy dance as a career, hobby, or great way to exercise.

Lisa and her experienced staff have put the finishing touches on a schedule that has a little bit of everything for people of all ages.

FANTASY CAMP

One of the most popular summer activities is the Fantasy Camp where children ages 4-8 can use their imagination in a camp-like setting to live out tales of Pirates & Princesses, Mermaids & Pirates, Beauty and the Beast, and Aladdin's Lamp. Fantasy Camp will be held from 9-11:30 a.m. on July 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, and 29-31.

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The kids use their imagination and it truly is amazing what they come up with," Lisa said. "They help turn the studio into something special and there are all kinds of activities to keep them busy

DANCE INTENSIVE

While the kids are busy living out their fantasies, there is another special session designed specifically for serious dance students ages 10 and higher. Dance Intensive is a program offered from 1-5 p.m. on July 22-24. Each of the three days has specific disciplines scheduled. The first day is ballet/lyrical followed by jazz/hip-hop, and concludes on the third day with tap.

This instruction is for experienced dancers to hone a particular skill or to get a jumpstart on the fall season," Lisa noted

OPEN CLASSES

People of all ages are encouraged to drop in on the Open Classes scheduled

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Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased at the Center Stage Dance Company. Group rates are available.

during the summer, too. Everyone from ages 3 to adult can choose from several programs including ballet, hip-hop, preschool, and tap. Lisa said she is also including drop-in ballet and pointe classes twice a week for dancers ages 10 and up.

What makes these sessions unique is that participants can purchase Dance Bucks to use for any of the drop-in classes. That means they can choose any of the disciplines without having to sign up for a specific class and can also choose the length of session they want. Thus, drop-ins can be as simple as redeeming a Dance Buck.

"We know that people have busy schedules and there are lots of vacations in the summer so the open format works very well," Lisa added. "A lot of studios don't have summer programs and we offer students the opportunity to continue their dancing throughout the vear."

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The dance students at the Center Stage Dance Company strike a familiar pose as they prepare for their next class.

DROP-IN CLASSES

Lisa also said that the same experienced staff that instructs from fall through spring staffs the summer dropin sessions. But being committed to the students is just one way the Center Stage Dance Company shows its concern for the community.

"We have a high participation level in community oriented projects." said Lisa. "We recently ran models and dancers for the American Girl Fashion Show which raises funds for Children's Hospital of Michigan and we are choreographing the spring musical "Cats" for Northville High School."

The Center Stage Dance Company is also an active participant in the Northville Fourth of July Parade and the Northville Victorian Festival. Lisa is very proud of her studio's involvement with its spring tour of area nursing homes and its Christmas tour, too.

Always thinking ahead, the staff will

release its fall 2008 schedule at the end of May. Thinking ahead and caring for its students and its community has put the Center Stage Dance Company at the forefront of serious and fun dance instruction for 20 years.

STUDIO STORE

Located on Seven Mile Road in the Northville Research Center, the studio also offers the following products and services:

· Dance shoes (custom fit for tap, jazz, ballet, lyrical, and hip-hop)

 Leotards, tights, ballet skirts, dance undergarments

· Logo-branded T-shirts, shorts, sweatshirts, pants, visors, and capris

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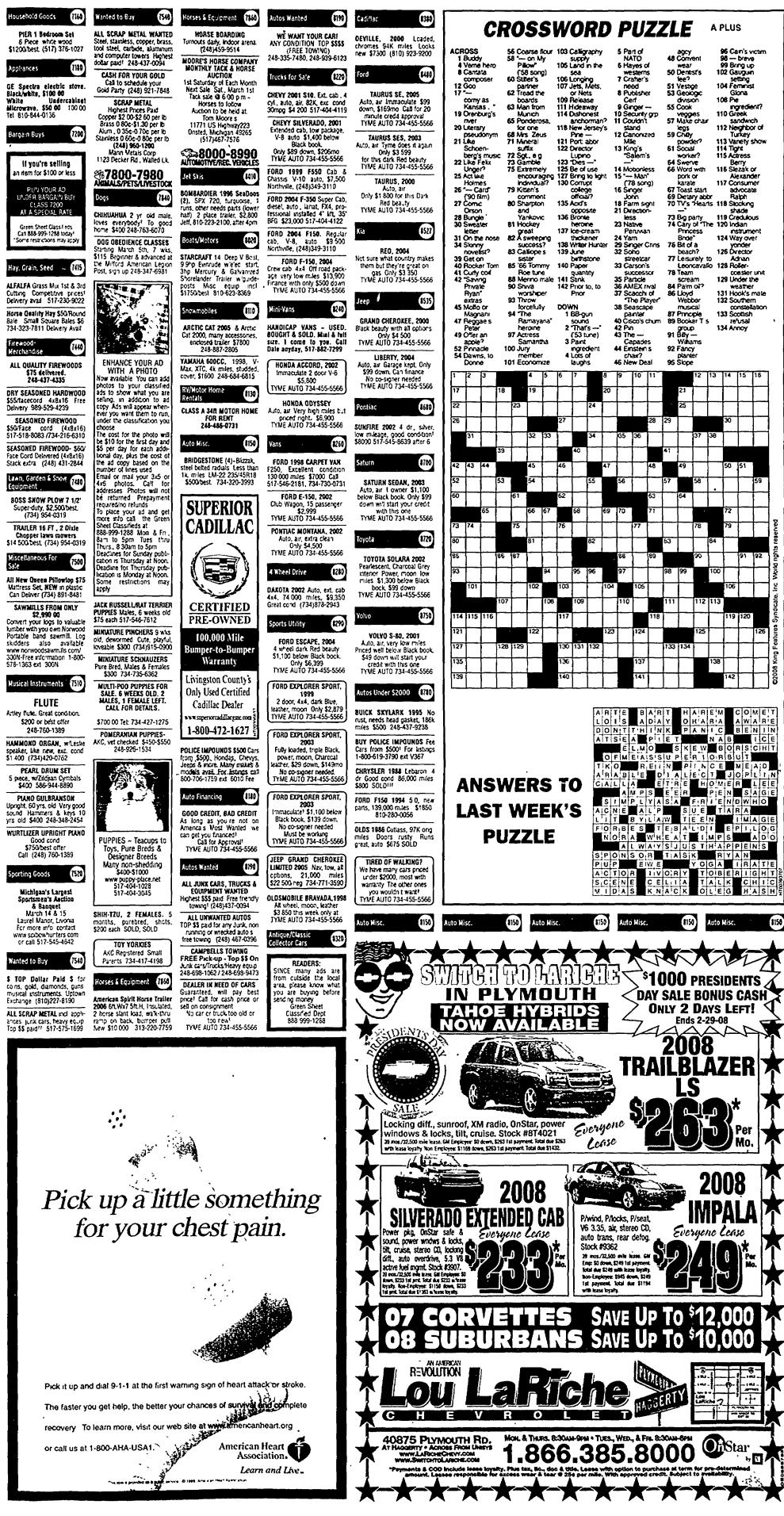
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Livonia Search no more, this is it⁴ 3 bdm brick ranch. Open concept from living rm to kit and fam rm. New kitchen cabinets and counter with a large drining area. Exceptionally large family room.

Milford 734-591-9200

\$224,500

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Newer built w/ brick exterior Private/quiet sub backing to preserve 2-story foyer office/library 2 way FP, HOWD first, granite isl, 3-car garage

Redford ICOVELY BUNGALOW W/TONS OF UPDATESI Extremely well mantained bungalow on a tree lined street 3 bedrms, 2 full bath, newly furshed basement, fully fenced backyard, shows beautfully (28028806) \$145,000



A Short Stroll From Downsown Northville Well Manufacture of the Brick Paver walkway leads to entry Updates include Pella windows, carpet, paint, Hi-E furnace, aluminum trim, entry door,

734-455-7000 Plymouth WOODSY SETTING! A Brick Ranch on 10+ acres that turn Sunsets to works of art! 2 FPs, sunroom w'skykte, full LL att greenhouse & koveable red barn. Phy schools/Salem taxes.



Plymouth

GREAT PLYMOUTH RANCH 3BR/2 1BA brick ranch tucked away on a wooded lot in sought after Wahrut Creek. New krichen w'oak cabs, library w TP, fin bsmt, fresh paint, new carpet & more \$310,000



248-348-6430 foctures, carpet & paint Patio \$99,900

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248-437-3800 Well kept colonial" This home offers 3 bedrooms, 1 full bath, hardwood floor in the kitchen, finished basement with dry cedar sauna, tile, separate shower, decks, spiriklers,

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248-437-3800 South Lyon

In Tip Top Shape! Priced to self, this very well maintained home has a long list of updates from the furnace to the roof and everything in between Finished basement. Much more! ្ធណាឡាដ moreⁿ



South Lyon 248-437-3800 Very Cute Updated home in great location. Newsiding intenor lutchen including cabinets and flooring. Newer roof and windows, Extra insulation and energy efficient. Large fenced



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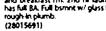
734-455-7000 Van buren Twp GORGEOUS SETTING/ 4 bedrms/2 full baths/ 2half baths. Colonial on a cul-de-sac. Backing to pond. Prof. fin basement. Home Warranty Immed. Occup.

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\$229,000



248-348-6430 Merculous Home is Move in Ready Neutral 4 BR 25 BA w/ LR DR FR/gas FP Ke/oak cab and breakfast rm. 2nd fir laundry Mstr ste has full BA Full bismnt w/ glass block wndws,



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\$175,000

Charming 3 Bedroom ranch! Perfect for the first time home buyer 3 bedroom ranch with great curb appeal. Doonwall from breakfast nook to deck. Conveniet location! (27111186) \$195,000

Whitmore Lake



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Wixom

248-348-6430 Backs to protected wetlands, great lot Entry leads to study /den on to beautiful LR & DR. Maple kr, wood firs & natural fps in the FR add seasonal warmth Lg mstr w /deep tub, sep shower & dual sinks. (27201529) \$327,000





Beautifully Maintained, Great Eocation, Free standing Cape Cod with master on first floor Finished basement, all appliances included

ABSOLUTELY SHARPH Stunning 3bed/2.5bts, cathedral ceilings, top of the line HRWD flooring. Fin Bismit w/ box molding wall sconces in law suite or teen bdrm. Lush





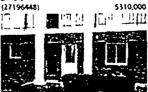
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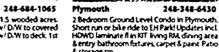
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Plymouth



Well maintained home on 1.5 wooded acres. Huge LR w/ hdwd firs. DR w/ D/W to covered porch. Oak bit Spacious FR w/ D/W to deck. 1st (28019197)



\$2,350