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New Maybury Farm manager quits

■ He said things are just not right

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Phil Lowery loves farming so much that, as he says, "I bleed

green."

But the Lyon Township resident who was just hired a few weeks ago as a member of the Maybury Farm team resigned last Friday.

The farm is open, however, according to Lowery.

Lowery submitted his resignation last Friday morning after being employed at the farm since Jan. 1.

A native of Shelby, Ohio, Lowery has lived in the area for about a year and was hired by Shari Peters, president of the Northville Community Foundation and the foundation board.

Lowery said he resigned due to a lack of response on what he felt were reasonable requests regarding his position.

He said he approached Peters

about taking a job as a farm hand at Maybury Farm last fall after failing to find employment in the current down economy over about a five-month period.

It was at that time that she asked him if he would like to join the Maybury Farm team.

About two months



Shari Peters

later, she offered him the job. Peters said he was not hired as a farm manager but to plant crops.

Be careful what you read

Lowery said he thought it was a little odd that Peters told him

to steer clear of recent news reports about Maybury Farm after he was hired.

"Shari was adamant that I not read local newspapers or go on the Internet to read about what had happened at the farm," he said.

"That was a red flag to me from the beginning," he said.

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PEN PALS

Winchester students get a taste of reading and a lot more

■ Hamtramck pen pals visit

By Alea Hibbeln
SPECIAL WRITER

The March is Reading Month celebration at Winchester Elementary School in Northville looked a little different this year than it had in the past.

Last Friday, students from Holbrook Elementary in Hamtramck visited Winchester to celebrate more than reading achievement - they came to meet their pen pals and form lasting friendships.

Winchester and Holbrook elementary schools first formed a partnership when Livonia teachers, one from each school, began talking. In 2006, Holbrook's fifth grade teacher, Carol Dobos, told Winchester's third grade teacher, Peggy Fisher, that her students didn't have hats, scarves and mittens. That conversation sparked an idea connecting the two schools in ways neither had imagined.

At the time that Dobos and Fisher began talks of forming a partnership, Winchester faculty



Fathehia Alomari, left, enjoys recess with her Winchester Elementary pen pal Katy Gruschow during a recent visit by students from Holbrook Elementary. Alomari and other students from the Hamtramck school met the friends in Northville they've been corresponding with and enjoyed lunch and other activities in the day-long visit.

was looking to do something to develop character in their students. Because Holbrook is under-resourced and their facilities are not near the level of

Winchester's, the opportunity for cultural awareness was immeasurable.

Last spring, Winchester's student council began collecting

school supplies so that Holbrook's students would be prepared in the fall. One day, Winchester students would bring in pencils, and the next, scissors.

And finally, there were enough supplies to fill backpacks, donated by JanSport, for every student

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What's the state of your community?

■ Chamber has tickets for Wed. event for sale

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Tickets are still available for Wednesday's State of the Community Luncheon slated for noon on Wednesday.

The event at Meadowbrook Country Club on Eight Mile Road should last until about 1:30 p.m.

Cost is \$35 per person, and tickets will also be available at the door.

Speakers will include Chris Johnson, mayor of Northville; Mark Abbo, township supervisor; and Leonard Rezmierski, superintendent of Northville Public Schools.

"The State of the Community event gives our leaders an opportunity to review the most recent successes of the city and township as well as a preview of coming challenges," said Jody Humphries, Northville Chamber of Commerce director.

Each speaker will also include visual aids with their presentations.

Prior to the addresses, members of the Northville High School singing group the Troublemakers will sing.

Rezmierski will also recognize some local students for their accomplishments over the last year.

To purchase tickets, call the Chamber of Commerce between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at (248) 349-7640. Tickets can be reserved with a credit card

Self-defense or a deliberate plan?

■ Trial of teen in beheading case begins

By Brad Kadrich
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Robert Moran on Monday called the murder of Daniel Sorensen a premeditated act that was the result of a well-thought-out, deliberate plan.

Defense attorney Joseph

Niskar called Sorensen's death an act of self-defense and a case of panic in its aftermath.

And a jury of 14 people - four women, 10 men, 12 primary and two alternates - will now have to decide which is true.

Moran and Niskar, representing Plymouth Township teenager Jean Pierre Orlewicz, laid out the outlines of their respective cases in opening statements on the first day of Orlewicz's trial in the Wayne County Circuit Courtroom of Judge Annette Berry.

Orlewicz is charged with first-

degree murder, felony murder and mutilation of a dead body in the death of Sorensen, a 26-year-old River Rouge man who died Nov. 7. Police say Sorensen was lured to the Canton Township garage of Orlewicz's grandfather, where they say the murder took place.

Sorensen's decapitated and burned body was found the next day in a Northville Township field. His head was found in the Rouge River a couple of days later.

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Photo by Bill Bresler/O&E

Jean Pierre Orlewicz enters the courtroom for the first day of his trial.

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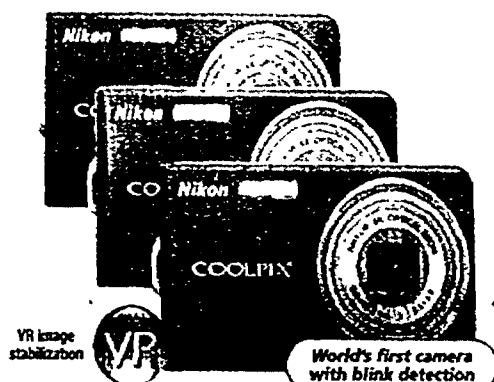
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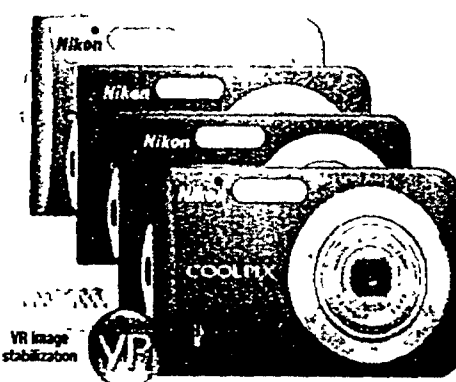
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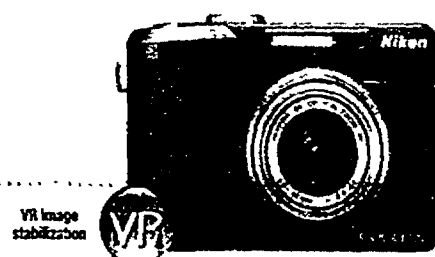
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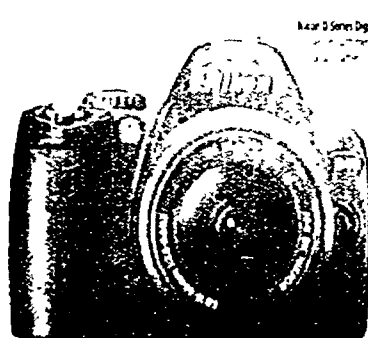
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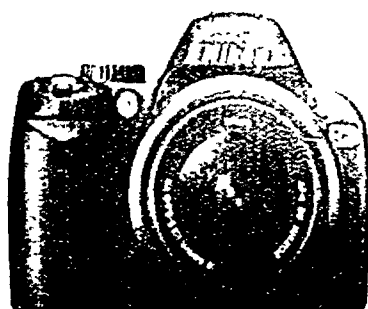
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Attorney general calls on House to pass Track Your Taxes bill

■ Legislation now buried for weeks

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox paid a visit to Northville last week on the last leg of his journey to promote transparency in state spending.

Flanked by state Reps. John Pastor (R-Livonia) and Jack Hoogendyk (R-Texas Township), Cox staged a press conference at the Northville District Library last Thursday to talk about the pending legislation.

He is calling on members of the House of Representatives to stop delaying a vote on the Track Your Taxes Bill, HB 5137 which would mandate the creation of a Web site that outlines how taxpayer money is being spent.

Introduced by Hoogendyk (R-Kalamazoo), the bill has been buried in committee for more than 220 days.

"The House has had more than enough time to act on this bill," Cox said. "They should not wait another day. The public has a right to see how their tax dollars are being spent."

Corriveau supports bill

Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) said he's strongly in favor of the bill.

"I actually proposed similar legislation, because I believe the people of the state of Michigan have a right to know where their hard-earned dollars are going," he said.

Cox said 12 states currently provide this information, as does the federal government.

"Michigan should, too," Cox said.

Another 15 states are moving to place their spending online. The U.S. Senate approved the federal bill on transparency in spending 100-0, according to Cox.

The attorney general said transparency in public spending is the Freedom of Information Act and the Open Meetings Act of the 21st century.

"This is not a partisan issue, it's a good government issue," Cox said.

He pointed to Missouri's Web site, www.mapyourtaxes.mo.gov, which he believes is a model for the rest of the country. The site details expenditure ranging from bathroom cleaning supplies to building leases.

"You can search by agency, category, contract, vendor, location and past years' activity," Cox said. "It's a great tool."

Earlier this year, Cox announced that his office was the first in state government to voluntarily provide information on how tax dollars are spent. The new page on his Web site, www.michigan.gov/ag, titled "Track Your Taxes," lists 18 pages of information about expenditures on equipment, rent, contracts, salaries, wages, insurance and fringe benefits. The page has been up for about two months.

"The only purchases we don't have on there is what we've purchased from the state through the Department of Management and Budget," Cox said.

"People shouldn't have to work hard to learn how government spends their money," he said. "I think it's important to commend legislators who support this issue and also to call out those who have not publicly backed the legislation."

Pastor, who used to serve as chairman of the Michigan Department of Corrections, said he found out that vendors that do things for less.

"We questioned, 'Why aren't you using them?'" Pastor said. "We found out (after the fact) that the Department of Corrections, the state police, human services and one other department all overspent. We need to make bureaucrats accountable."

A historical perspective

Cox said in 1976, following the Watergate scandal in 1972, Gov. William Milliken and Attorney General Frank Kelly and the legislature led Michigan to be one of the first states in the country to provide for a more open government through the Freedom of Information Act and the Open Meetings Act.

"We now want to put the state's checkbook on line," Cox said. "Not only to show what's been appropriated but how we're spending the dollars. It's a great device to ensure that the press and the public have access to what the state's doing."

He feels such a Web site would also provide incentives for every elected official and state government employee to step up their game and be more efficient because they would know that someone can watch them more closely than before.

Governor could order Web site

Because she's the CEO of state government, Gov. Jennifer Granholm can order the IT department to create such a Web site, or the bill can be pushed through the legislature.

"The leadership in the House won't allow a vote on it," Cox said. "We hope the House will bring it out of committee. We want every Michigan citizen have a greater sense of what's going on their state government."

Cox said opponents of the bill say such a Web site would cost too much to implement.

"But, we know that it wouldn't," Cox said. "The bottom line is this is just a good tool to ensure that government operates more honestly and efficiently. For us not to use this is just an absolute shame."

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Photo by PAM FLEMING/Northville Record

Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox, center, and state Reps. John Pastor (R-Livonia), left, and Jack Hoogendyk (R-Texas Township) at the Northville District Library last Thursday to promote HB 5137.



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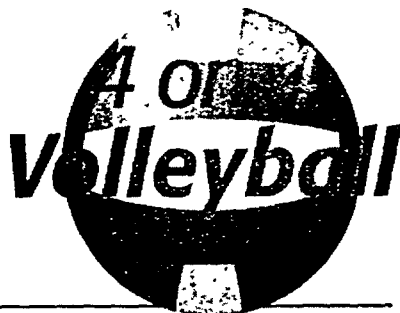
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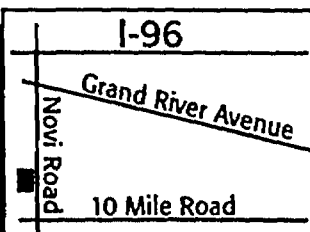
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Passport Fair April 19 at Northville Township Hall

The Northville Township Clerk's Office will partner with the Wayne County Clerk's satellite office at township hall to offer another Passport Fair on Saturday, April 19 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at 44405 Six Mile Road at Sheldon Road.

Applicants can obtain passport photos on site for a fee of \$10 per person, and two cameras will be available this time during the full-service fair.

For more information, call the township clerk's office at (248) 348-5800, ext. 10202 or go to www.northvillermich.com.

Lyon Twp. road closing

CSX Railroad will close Griswold Road just south of 9 Mile Road in Lyon Township April 14-19 to make repairs to its railroad crossing. During the closure, the detour route for Griswold traffic will be 9 Mile Road to Pontiac Trail to 8 Mile Road and vice versa.

Maybury Farm manager quits

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"But, I took the job anyway, because opportunities to work on a farm are limited."

He next performed a mental inventory about what needed to be done at the farm.

But Peters' response to his requests for some needed equipment for the farm was that money was not available in the budget. He added that he was also never shown the budget for the farm.

"And for a farm manager not to know what the operating budget is doesn't work," Lowery said.

Lowery said Peters said she wanted to start planting more hay on the farm, so they wouldn't have to pay for it, and the farm has not been using all of its fields.

He estimated that the farm has at least 75 acres of farmable land

but that the current tractor is a small utility tractor, not a crop tractor.

"My recommendation was to look into purchasing a larger horsepower tractor, and her response was, 'We already have two tractors, and the board would never go for it,'" even though several contributions had been recently made on behalf of the late Robert Osborn for the Maybury Farm Tractor Fund.

Lowery asked Peters why the previous farm manager, John Beemer, was fired, as well, to no avail.

"I want that farm to succeed," he said. "I miss it severely, and I've only been gone two days."

Lowery said there had been some communication with the staff of other farms in the area, including offers from a few people who had contacted Maybury Farm because they had extra animals.

Lowery attended Ohio State University and studied crop services for three years.

A farm accident involving a

Beemer update

The Record has learned that a Michigan Employment Security Commission hearing regarding the Northville Community Foundation's denial of unemployment compensation for John Beemer, former farm manager at Maybury Farm, who was fired last September, will be continued on May 16.

The administrative law judge requested the continuation at the initial hearing last Thursday.

15-year-old on a friend's farm caused him to take a leave of absence from school.

Although he's worked in manufacturing and the hospitality industry, farming is what makes

him tick.

"I love farming," he said. "I've even got the John Deere logo tattooed on my arm. You don't make money at it, but I wouldn't enjoy any other job."

Although he declined to say where, Lowery did say that he has been hired elsewhere since his resignation last week.

Lowery said he is still owed the \$50 he had to pay for his pre-employment drug screen plus a week's pay.

"I honestly don't think the board understands what Shari Peters does," he said.

"It's very disheartening to see a farm run that way and to see how she treats her employees at the farm."

NCF board members were contacted for a comment about Lowery's resignation but would not comment on the record.

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Winchester kids make pals with Holbrook

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at Holbrook. The student council also raised enough money to improve Holbrook's dilapidated playground.

Jay Hillard, learning consultant at Winchester, coordinated Friday's cultural exchange event and said the celebration was emotional for everyone involved. When students from Holbrook got off the bus, they were a bit shy. But when they were allowed to find their pen pals, smiles, hugs, handshakes and laughter filled the school.

"It was thrilling to see that kind of response," said Hillard. "Every adult that went to the microphone during assembly had to hold back tears."

The three hour event was packed with fun activities, from eating fine food to singing a song written by Winchester music teacher Ceil-Mac Smith. Smith's son arranged and recorded the number and gave it a rock-n-roll rhythm and harmony.

Because Hillard chose the theme for March is Reading Month celebration to be "get a taste for reading," she set out to find a few restaurants to set up tasting stations. Seventeen local businesses clamored to contribute tastes from their kitchens.

"The kids had a ball going around the different food stations," said Hillard, but the chocolate fountain, donated by Schokolad Chocolate Factory in Northville, had the longest line.

"We fell in love with the character of the school," said Hillard. "There is a high standard for learning and behavior at Holbrook. There's a joy of life there, a respect for living, and a soul."

When it came time for the students to say good-bye, tears were shed, and a bond was formed that crossed cultural and economic lines. The celebration for the day extended beyond the rewards for the amount of time spent reading, students from both schools celebrated not their differences, but their likenesses.

Trial of teen in beheading case begins

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If convicted, Orlewicz, a Canton High School senior, faces life in prison without parole.

In his opening statement, Moran told the jury Orlewicz had planned the murder out for days.

"The weekend before, (Orlewicz) had told friends words to the effect of, 'I wish I could get away with murder,'" Moran told the jury

Moran said witnesses would testify Sorensen was lured to the garage ostensibly to extort some \$3,000 from a third teen. According to the prosecutor, Orlewicz told Sorensen to bring a gun.

In his opening statement, Moran said the murder was actually supposed to happen the day before - Tuesday, Nov. 6 - but was aborted when Sorensen was dropped off in Canton by his girlfriend, who would then have been a witness to Sorensen's last whereabouts.

The plan was delayed a day, Moran said, and Sorensen was killed Nov. 7.

Niskar painted a different picture, calling Orlewicz "a loving son, a loving brother, a loving friend" and saying the teenager acted in self-defense after an angry Sorensen, upset that the intended victim of the extortion hadn't

shown up, pulled a gun on Orlewicz.

"It was never a plan to kill (Sorensen)," Niskar told jurors. "It was a plan to extort money. (Sorensen) pulled a gun on (Orlewicz), a fight ensued and in self-defense (Sorensen) was killed."

Niskar painted the victim, Sorensen, as someone who carried a gun and a knife, and tried to "influence teenagers ... into his world of crime, into his world of drugs."

It was a tough thing for Sorensen's parents, James and Kimberly Sorensen of Westland, to hear.

"It's hard," James Sorensen admitted. "There are two sides to everything, and we just have to deal with that. We just want (the jury) to listen."

Assistant Wayne County Medical Examiner Dr. Leigh Hlavaty testified Sorensen had suffered 13 stab wounds prior to his

death. Two of the wounds - one to the chest that pierced the heart and another to the upper abdomen that struck the liver - likely combined to cause Sorensen's death, she said.

She also said the lack of soot in Sorensen's airway indicated his body - 80 percent of which was badly burned - had been burned

after his death.

Hlavaty also testified there were no drugs or alcohol in Sorensen's system at the time of his death.

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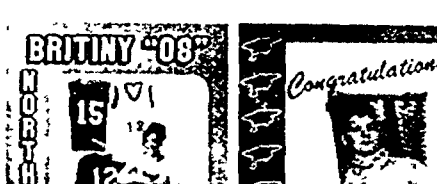
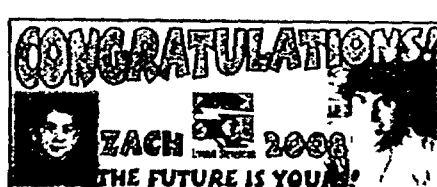
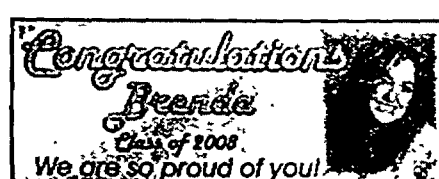
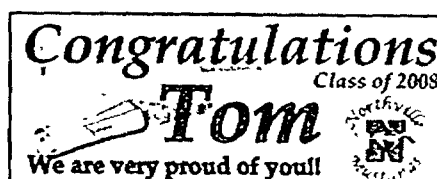
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Live, love and laugh for Andi

■ Annual event on Saturday to benefit adenoid cystic carcinoma

By Kelly Murad
GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Andrea (Andi) O'Connell never took a single day of her life for granted. She lived, loved, laughed and looked good while doing it.

But on July 31, 2007, at the age of 40, the South Lyon resident lost a 21-year fight against adenoid cystic carcinoma.

The foundation

Gone, but never forgotten, Andi serves as inspiration in the fight against ACC, a rare form of cancer.

About three months after losing the love of his life, Andi's husband Mike O'Connell, a Novi High School graduate, and their three children Tyler, 14; Gabrielle, 11; and Olivia, 8, incorporated The Live Like Andi Foundation.

"She didn't want a foundation based on her, but now she doesn't have a say in it," Mike said. "This is kind of helping fill the void and do something positive."

The foundation was established to raise money to fund research of ACC, which currently receives no governmental funding.

For its first fund-raising event, the foundation is hosting a walk, run and fashion walk Saturday, April 12, at Detroit Catholic Central High School in Novi.

Money raised at the event will not only benefit the Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma Research Foundation, but will provide scholarships at four different high schools.

"One hundred percent of the donations will go to charitable donations," Mike said.

The scholarships are earmarked for Mike's alma mater, Novi High School; Andi's alma mater, Richmond High School, in Richmond, Ind.; Detroit Catholic Central, where Tyler goes to school; and South Lyon High School, in honor of their hometown.

"Scholarships will be set up to support high school kids who have overcome obstacles and adversities in life with a positive attitude (like Andi)," Mike said.



Submitted photo

A family favorite photo, Andi O'Connell, her husband, Mike, and children Olivia (left), Tyler and Gabrielle smile for the camera on a fall day in 2004.

Walk, run and fashion walk

Participants of the first annual Live Like Andi Run will have the option of a 1-mile Fun Run, 10K run or, 5K walk or run, beginning at Detroit Catholic Central on Wixom Road.

Ironically, those who knew Andi, understood fashion was more important to her than exercise.

"Call me when they have a .5K and I'll do that one," Andi used to say to Mike.

So in honor of Andi, the event includes a 400-meter Fashion Walk for participants to end the day in style.

Andi, who was referred to by her nurses as their 'fashionable patient,' was always dressed to the nines.

Ladies are encouraged to wear high-heels, fashionable tennis shoes, boas or cheetah print clothing as they walk around the track sipping water out of champagne and martini glasses.

"She called cheetah a color, and when she couldn't wear heels anymore, she wanted fashionable tennis shoes," said Michele King, one of Andi's best friends. "She never quit shopping."

Aside from Mike and their three kids, Andi's biggest supporters were her parents, Terry and Julia; her brothers, Brian and Jeff; and her three best friends, Michele, Sherry and Teresa.

Andrea called her mom every day at 8:30 a.m.," Mike said. "She just profoundly touched so many people."

Andi and Mike's neighbor, Greg Sadler, owner of Second Wind Race Management, is organizing the race, with the cooperation and contributions of businesses such as, Running Fit, Graphic Visions in Northville and Detroit Catholic Central.

"This race is a way to continue her strength," King said. "I

don't know [that] she would like the race, but she would be proud of the outcome."

The disease

At the age of 19, Andi was diagnosed with ACC, a rare, slow growing form of cancer, averaging 600 new cases each year in the United States.

"It's a limited disease that doesn't affect a ton of people but for the people it does affect, it's devastating," Mike said.

Although the average life expectancy for an ACC patient is five to seven years, Andi defied the odds, all the while with a smile on her face.

"She celebrated the battle," King said. "Andi was so positive, she wasn't afraid of death."

According to Mike, Andi treated cancer as if it were her job, her lot in life.

"Every time she took chemo it was never with huge hopes," he

said. "She figured she had to take her chances. She looked at everything like it was an opportunity."

Even down to her last surgery when she had seven brain tumors removed, Andi believed it was an opportunity for research to be conducted and requested the largest tumor, which was about the size of a peach, be analyzed.

"She was very proactive about taking treatment," King said. "She'd say 'I won't regret trying, but I'd regret not trying.' She always worried about how it affected everyone else."

Although the cancer was never gone, and there was never proof the treatments or surgeries would work, Andi underwent seven life-threatening surgeries, endured more than 100 rounds of radiation and was injected with 18 different types of chemotherapy more than 200 times.

"We sincerely believed that every time she went into the hospital, she was going to come out," Mike said. "Her biggest

"This race is a way to continue her strength. I don't know [that] she would like the race, but she would be proud of the outcome."

Michele King
Friend of Andi

fear was how everyone was dealing with what she was going through or how everyone would cope when she was gone."

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Community remembers Bill Sliger

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Bill Sliger, a leading community newspaper publisher in Michigan for three decades, died March 31 at an Oakland County hospice after several years battling cancer. He was 85.

In keeping with his wishes, the family has said there will be only private ceremonies marking his death.

Although Sliger's death was already reported in last week's Record, comments from community members have continued to pour in about the former owner of the Northville Record and the Novi News. — Editor

Bill Sliger lived in Northville, where he purchased the Northville Record in 1956. He subsequently owned four weekly newspapers, including the Brighton Argus, which was a forerunner to today's Livingston County Daily Press & Argus.

He sold his weeklies to Phil Power in 1976, but continued to operate them for several years after.

Rich Perlberg, general manager and executive editor of the Daily Press & Argus, worked for Sliger as a reporter in Northville in the 1970s.

"He was actively involved in any issue that was important to the community," said Perlberg. "But he was always regarded as someone who was fair and honest, even by those who strongly disagreed with his opinions."

"And no one doubted his commitment to his community."

In the book "Bringing Home the News," Sliger was described as "deceptively calm and soft spoken" with a "quick temper" and a "strong sense of right and wrong. He was devoted to the welfare of the communities served by his newspapers."

Jack Hoffman, who was a long-time editor of the Record, once said that Sliger juggled the responsibilities

of a journalist and a businessman "with the finesse ... of a circus performer who tosses and catches razor-sharp knives."

"In the space of an hour, I have seen him grill a squirming politician, bang out a hard-hitting editorial, give advice to one of his reporters, accept payment for a want ad, express sympathy to a newly widowed acquaintance, and then telephone a shopkeeper to demand payment of an overdue bill."

Phil Jerome worked for Sliger in numerous capacities, including as a reporter and an editor of the South Lyon Herald from 1971 until Sliger sold the papers.

"He was just a great community journalist," Jerome said. "He was an old-fashioned community journalist, a man of strong beliefs, and he fought for what he felt was right."

Dick Ambler's thoughts

Longtime friend Dick Ambler said, "Bill Sliger was a great newspaper man. He insisted on accuracy in reporting the news. He didn't shy away from reporting both sides of controversial issues. He attended hundreds of city council and school board meetings, in addition to many business and community functions, so that he was probably the most knowledgeable person in the community on current events and problems and he reported them accurately."

Ambler said he first met Sliger when he was editor of the Plymouth Mail.

"He did a great job in Plymouth and was popular with business and community leaders," Ambler said. "When the Northville Record came up for sale, Bill decided he would try to buy it. But, he needed to get some financial backing, and some of the friends he made in Plymouth who recognized his talent told me they hated to lose him, but they saw his great potential and gave him enough backing to make it

happen. They were right."

"Bill was not only very successful in Northville, but he expanded his territory and added the Novi News and acquired several other weekly papers including the South Lyon and Brighton papers."

When Sliger could get away from the demands of the newspaper, he loved to play golf, and he played at Washtenaw Country Club, where he became a life member. And although he wasn't well, he even got in a few holes of golf last season, according to Ambler.

"On several occasions, there were eight of us who would go south about this time of year for a week of golf," Ambler said. "We would tee off about 7:30 a.m. for 18 holes, come in for lunch, and go out for another 18 holes in the afternoon, finishing around dinner-time, and follow the same routine every day of the week."

Ambler said Sliger talked a lot about his grandchildren and their accomplishments, and he did get away for some of their functions. He talked about his grandson, who was a very good golfer, another who was an outstanding soccer player, another who was a good hockey player and others who had a connection with sports.

"He kept track of accomplishments of all the grandchildren, and he and his wife, Skeet, were often on the road to visit their son, Pug, and his family in northern Michigan, and their daughter, Sally, and her family in the Chicago area."

"My wife, Jean, and I vacationed with the Sligers, and they were great companions," Ambler added.

"I could go on about Bill, but I think he fits the definition of a public servant I heard once that goes like this, 'We are grateful for men and women who are willing to take high visibility positions in state and community, who despite personal disadvantages are willing to make decisions that cannot possibly please all factions. For this kind of courage, sometime walking hand in hand with drudgery, we are grate-

ful. Without such patient tenacity, little would be accomplished.'"

Ambler served on the city council during the time Sliger attended the meetings. "Even though we were friends, I took my raps from Bill just like anybody else. He showed no favoritism. He did a great job as a newspaper man"

Phil Power comments

"To me and to all others in our trade who knew and admired Bill Sliger, he was the perfect personification of the committed, engaged, passionate publisher of his hometown newspaper and citizen of his community of Northville," said Phil Power, former owner of the Northville Record.

He said he first met Sliger in the late 1960s, when he had just started his own newspaper company. "He treated me very well, as a young man coming into the field that he had mastered. And he taught me what it means to be the owner and publisher of a hometown newspaper."

Carolann Ayers remembers

Former longtime Northville City Council Member Carolann Ayers said, "This man was truly the epitome of a great, small town newspaper owner/editor. He was interested in everything that was happening in and around Northville. When he conducted an interview, he usually knew more about the subject than the interviewee did, but you didn't know it! He was thorough, insightful, knowledgeable and kind. This community will greatly miss him and his everlasting willingness to do his best for Northville."

Mayor Chris Johnson's words

Northville Mayor Chris Johnson said he thought Sliger was a person of real character and integrity. "It never ceased to amaze me how deeply and genuinely he cared, how personally he would



Photo by Steve Fecht

Bill Sliger blowing up balloons for Northville's 50th Anniversary Ice Cream Social in the park adjacent to the District Library, behind City Hall, August 2005.

take the time to understand an issue, thoroughly research it and give a fairly balanced account of it in his articles," Johnson said. "and I know he demanded that same kind of detail and attention from his reporters and his staff."

Johnson said, as a public official, he felt Sliger always treated him with respect.

"I always had a lot of admiration for the way he worked hard and

was accountable to the general republic almost in the same respect as a public official would be. He always thought his responsibility as an editor and the owner of the paper was to inform the public, and he took that really seriously."

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OBITUARIES

LAYMON "PEGGY" HOLLIS SMITH

Age 87, passed away February 15 in Gainesboro, TN. She married Rollen "Duke" Hollis in 1942, of Northville where they resided until their retirement from Ford Motor Co. Survived by brother Joe (Pauline) Hire, TN, sister-in-law Margaret Hollis of South Lyon; nephews Ralph Hollis & James (Lois) Hollis of Northville, Ronnie Van Sickle of Westland, Max (Nancy) Hollis of Brighton, & Arnold Hollis of Virginia; nieces Sylvia Hollis of South Lyon, Gloria (James) Froh of Brighton & June (Dick) Bale of Sterling Heights. Internment in TN.

PHILLIP A. FISHER

Age 96, resident of Northville, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2008. He was born January 10, 1912 to Alzo and Arminda (Elliot) Fisher in Canton, China where his parents were working as missionaries. After graduating from Shanghai-American School in 1932, he moved to the United States where he received a Bachelor in Civil Engineering from Iowa State University. He moved to Northville in 1950 where he worked as a farmer and later a General Contractor with his construction company Phillip Fisher, Inc. A longtime member of the Presbyterian Church of Northville, Philip served as a Deacon and Elder. He was a member of the Men's Club at church and enjoyed singing in the choir. He is survived by his loving sons John Fisher of Belleville and Arthur (Pat) Fisher of Washington; 15 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by first wife Alma S. Fisher in 1977; his second wife Katherine L. Fisher in 2001, his sons Henry D. Fisher, Alzo R. Fisher, and Robert W. Fisher, and his brother John E. Fisher. A Memorial Service will be held Sunday, April 13, 2008 1 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Rev. Kent Clise and Rev. James Russell will officiate the service. Contributions appreciated to the First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main, Northville, MI 48167, U of M, Office of Gift Administration, 3003 S. State St., Ste 8000, Ann Arbor, MI 48109 or American Association of the Deaf and Blind, 8630 Fenton St., Ste. 121, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc.

HARRY E. EAREHART

Age 76, passed away April 2, 2008. Survived by his children: Daniel, Bert, David, Carrie, 5 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild. Memorial Service was held Mon., Apr. 7, at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon.

WILLIAM E. DAVIS

Age 87, a longtime resident of Northville, passed away peacefully on April 5, 2008. He was born on January 4, 1921 in Sutton, West Virginia to George G. and Helene J. (Jeurgens) Davis. Mr. Davis served in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. On February 1, 1945 he was united in marriage to Margie A. Johnson; they spent 56 wonderful years together until her death in 2001. He received his undergraduate Mechanical Engineering degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute; where he lettered in Football. He received his Masters degree from MIT. Bill was a Ford Executive Engineer for 40 years. In 1960 he was one of three recipients who were awarded the Sloan Foundation Fellowship by Ford Motor Company. Mr. Davis was a longtime member and an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church. For many years he was the co-chairman of the Salvation Army Kettle Drive in Northville. Bill enjoyed playing bridge and gardening; he also was an avid golfer, sailor, and bow hunter. He is survived by his loving children Gary (Trisha) Davis of OH, Bill (Patty) Davis of MA, Andi (Bob) McLaren of WI, and Matt (Lisa) Davis of Northville; his brother-in-law Joe McPherson; and 11 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, his step-mother Kathryn Hall-Davis and his sister Theresa McPherson. A Memorial Service was held Monday, April 7 at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Rev. Kent Clise and Rev. James Russell officiated the service. Mr. Davis was laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery. Contributions appreciated to the First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main, Northville, MI 48167 or Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc.

MARGARET S. WINTER

Age 96, died March 29, 2008. A 12-year resident of Northville, Margaret was born and raised in the Bronx, NY. She was a junior high school teacher in the New York City school system for 42 years. She was preceded by her husband, Stephen, and is survived by a son, Peter (Mary Angela) of Northville, two granddaughters, Tracy Winter and Kristen (Matt) Machczynski, both of Chicago, and several nieces and nephews. A memorial gathering to celebrate Margaret's life will be held on April 12 from 1 to 4 pm at King's Mill Clubhouse in Northville. Memorial contributions in her name to Mercy High School, 29300 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336 or a charity of your choice are suggested.

BETTY S. SEAMAN

Age 82, of South Lyon, passed away peacefully on April 6, 2008. She was born on May 18, 1925 in Charleston, West Virginia to Thomas L. Kidd and Savia Bocook. Betty was united in marriage to Ernest Seaman in 1958 and spent 42 loving years with him until his death in 2000. For over 20 years they owned and operated Seaman's Bump and Paint Shop in Northville. Betty was very sharp minded until her death and would keep her friends updated with all the hot topics from the South Lyon Herald and the Detroit News. She was a wonderful storyteller and never told the same story twice. She enjoyed sewing and adored her dogs. She was loved by many friends and will be dearly missed. Betty is survived by her brother Tom Kidd of WV, her sister-in-law Betty Kidd of WV; and her nieces Diane and Linda. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her brother Jack Kidd. Private family services will be held. Donations can be made in Betty's memory to the Office of Gift Administration, University of Michigan, 3003 South State Street, 8000 Wolverine Tower, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1288, Attn: Cardiovascular Center. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc.

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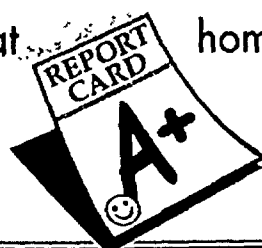
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Amerman's Khris Nedam honored for her vision

Presented at
March 20 event

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Northville teacher Khris Nedam has brought the community international recognition with her humanitarian efforts.

Last month, she received yet another honor for her efforts to help children.

Nedam, a teacher in Amerman Elementary School's third-grade Accelerated Learning Program, received a 2008 Visionary Woman Award by the Wayne County Commission.

The award was presented at the March 20 Commission's annual Women's History Month celebration. Commissioner Laura Cox (R-Livonia) nominated her.

"It was an honor to be chosen for the award and be recognized amongst all the other amazing women award winners that day," Nedam said.

"Khris Nedam is a dedicated and devoted school teacher and a tremendous humanitarian," Cox said. "She and her students founded Kids4AfghanKids, a nonprofit organization that works to reestablish educational facilities in Afghanistan."

Supporters across the world

The project now has supporters and contributors across the country and several schools in Europe, thanks to the marketing, advocacy and professional development provided by Nedam.

She has provided workshops to various community groups locally (Rotary, American Association of University Women), throughout the state (University of Michigan, Henry Ford Community College), and to groups across the United States (Harvard Circle of Women, Santa Barbara Rotary).

Her networking and advocacy has resulted not only in recognition from Gov. Jennifer Granholm and U.S. Congress but also in various national and international resources (UNICEF, Pat Mesiti and Peace Corps). The Kids4AfghanKids project is endorsed by the Center for International Disaster Information.



Submitted photo

ABOVE: Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox (R-Livonia) presents a resolution to Northville schoolteacher Khris Nedam of Amerman Elementary, who was honored by the Wayne County Commission during its recent Women's History Month celebration on March 20.

LEFT: Nedam shot this photo of some students in a new school dedicated to girls in Afghanistan last year through a project she founded, Kids4AfghanKids.

The effort also received national publicity from Newsweek magazine and the ABC news program, "20/20."

"Her organization is recognized as one of the most reliable humanitarian institutions in the United States," Cox said. "She also instills in her students the importance of helping others."

In February, Nedam received the National Award for Citizen Diplomacy from the U.S. Center for Citizen Diplomacy in Washington, D.C.

Has taught in many countries

Nedam, of Livonia, has also taught in France, Turkey and Afghanistan. According to the Center for Citizen Diplomacy, she both taught and participated in each community's life at every stop of her journey as a teacher. She learned French, Turkish and Dari and is currently working to learn Pushto, the language of the majority ethnic group in Afghanistan.

Headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa, the center serves many purposes, including recognition of the outstanding achievements of organizations active in citizen diplomacy, development of resources which will enable the establishment of best-practices in citizen diplomacy and the recruitment of persons to serve as U.S. citizen ambassadors to the world.

"She is a remarkable woman and a great teacher," said Joan Wadsworth, school board president. "She has affected hundreds of kids in Northville as well as in Afghanistan. She's shown that kids can make a difference."

World-class citizenship

In Nedam's classroom, world-class citizenship is her teaching goal, according to the center. Students actively research and investigate different cultures through guest speakers, the Internet and cross-country collaboration.

Last year, her class worked with schools in Russia and in Illinois to co-create an informational Web site. They also exchanged e-mails, care packages and letters.

From Nedam's network of resources, Kids4AfghanKids found a village that donated 17 acres for a school.

Countless fundraisers and donations raised money to build a six-room schoolhouse for its first class of 450 students (boys and girls) in March 2001.

Books and immunizations have been obtained from UNICEF. Their efforts built a school, medical clinic, bakery/kitchen, guest house,

orphanage and the only deep-water well in the area. The Japanese Embassy completed a building for women's education. The enrollment is now more than 1,200 students.

"Khris Nedam glues the organization together and keeps it focused on its goal of reaching across borders to make a better world together," said Greg Bergin, her friend, colleague and past president of the Northville Education Association.

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DETAILS: Anyone interested in a 40th reunion for the Class of 1968, please contact Ron Bamum 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.

Northville High School Class of 1978

DETAILS: The 30-year reunion is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 2,

2008 at the Radisson Livonia. The cost is \$75 per person.

"Crasher" tickets are available for the classes of 1976, 1977, and 1979 for \$25. A pre-party will be held Friday, Aug. 1 at The Chase Bar & Grill, Northville. Contact Janet Eisele Junca by e-mail at juncaj@sbcglobal.net

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 (Sheddy) 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 Aug. 10, 2008 at Baker's of

Milford. For more information, call Barb Cook at (248) 349-5982.

Dearborn and Edsel Ford High School Class of 1958

DETAILS: The 1958 January and June Classes of Dearborn and Edsel Ford High Schools are having a combined 50-Year Reunion to be held on Saturday August 2, 2008 at the Dearborn Country Club. Judy Richards Goerke 313-562-9031, judygoerke@yahoo.com or Shirley Chiado Peters 248-348-9443, Shirley.peters@villageford.net may be contacted for further information.

Cass Tech Class of 1958

DETAILS: The 50 year class reunion will be held on October 11, 2008. For more information, contact Isabelle at (313) 882-4626 or go to casstech58.com.

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ETCETERA

Thursday, April 10, 2008
hometownlife.com
fax: (248) 349-9832

Senior Events

Senior Community Center
LOCATION: 303 W. Main St.
(248) 349-4140
Thursday
Massage by appointment
Taxes by AARP by appt
9 a.m.: TOPS
10 a.m.: Bowling
10:30 a.m.: Yoga
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Computer I
4:30 p.m.: Menopause the Musical
Friday
11 a.m.: Poker
11:30 a.m.: Computer III
1 p.m.: Movie "Elizabeth, the Golden Age"
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 a.m.: Landscape Painting
10:30 a.m.: Yoga
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Computer I
Wednesday
10 a.m.: Oxycise, Golf League Meeting
11 a.m.: Strength Training
Noon: Bridge
1 p.m.: Computer I, Craft Group
7 p.m.: Bridge
Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Volleyball
TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Adult 50+ Fun Co-ed Volleyball
TIME/DAYS: 1-3 p.m. every Tuesday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: Games scored to 15; points with creative team rotation; \$1 per session; all skill levels welcome.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Basketball
TIME/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; \$1 per person

Meetings

Northville Public Schools Board of Education
DATE: Second and fourth Tuesday of the month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Ridge Wood Elementary School

City of Northville City Council
DATE: First and third Monday of the month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: City Hall, 215 W. Main St.
Downtown Development Authority Meeting
DATE: Third Tuesday of each month
TIME: 8 a.m.
LOCATION: City Hall Meeting Room A, on lower level, 215 W. Main St.
CONTACT: downtown-northville.com
Planning Commission
DATE: First and third Tuesday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: City Hall
Housing Commission
DATE: Second Wednesday of

every month
TIME: 3 p.m.
LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.
Historic District Commission
DATE: Third Wednesday of month
TIME: 7 p.m.
LOCATION: City Hall
Arts Commission
DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.
Beautification Commission
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
TIME: 7 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

Northville Township Planning Commission
DATE: Last Tuesday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile
Board of Trustees
DATE: Third Thursday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Zoning Board of Appeals
DATE: Third Wednesday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Beautification Commission
DATE: Third Monday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Youth Assistance
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
TIME: 8 a.m.
LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road
CONTACT: Sue Campbell (248) 344-1618

Library Lines

Northville District Library
LOCATION: 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall
TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Monday-Thursday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Friday-Saturday: 1-5 p.m. Sunday.
CONTACT: (248) 349-3020 or www.northvillelibrary.org for information regarding programs and library materials.
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 Celler 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.
Between the Lines for Adults
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second Monday of month
Little Me Storytime
TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Friday
DETAILS: This 45 minute session is for 10 month to 2 year olds, along with their caregivers. Enjoy music, simple stories and playtime. No registration required. Fun for preschoolers too.
Spring TOT Storytime
TIME/DATE: 10:15 a.m.
Mondays through May 12: 10:15 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays through May 14 or 10:15 a.m. Thursdays through May 15.
DETAILS: For 2 and 3 year olds with caregivers, six week series of half-hour programs; only registered children may attend.
Spring Storytime
TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. every Monday, starting April 14 through May 19, 10:15 a.m. or 2 p.m. every Tuesday starting April 15 through May 20.
LOCATION: Youth Activity Room
DETAILS: Six week series for 4 and 5 year olds and kindergarten age children who are comfortable attending without a caregiver. Siblings or non-registered children may not attend. Each program

features stories and creative activities, so children will should be able to use scissors, glue, etc. Registration required.
Spring Crafts for Kids
TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. today
DETAILS: Make a fun flower bookmark. All ages welcome. Children age 4 and younger please attend with a caregiver. No registration required.
Kids Club
TIME/DATE: 4:30-5:15 p.m. one Thursday each month (Thursday, April 24)
DETAILS: After school program for grades 1-3 featuring stories, games and crafts. This month the theme is gardens. Register for individual sessions the first of each month.
Junior Books, Chat and Chow
TIME/DATE: 4:15-5 p.m. last Wednesday of each month (April 30)
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.
Books, Chat and Chow
TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. Wednesday
DETAILS: Teens in 6th grade and up will meet to discuss "Red Kayak" by Priscilla Cummings. Pick up your book and register at the Information Desk.
Evening Story Time for Families
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday
DETAILS: Wear your pajamas and enjoy a storytime featuring "Rabbit Stories." Best suited for ages 3 and older, but all ages welcome. No registration required.
Get the Buzz on Bees and Honey
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday
DETAILS: The whole family can explore the mysteries of the bee world with bee-keeper Dyanne Tracey. Advanced registration required.
Foreign Film Series
SCHEDULE: April 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 movie-themed snacks are free. A discussion will follow the film. Answer trivia question to win a book about films. Call library to reserve a spot.

Parks & Rec

Northville Parks & Recreation
LOCATION: 775 N. Center St. (back entrance of Hillside Middle School)
CONTACT: For registration and information on camps, classes and activities call (248) 349-0203 or visit http://www.northvillepark-sandrec.org
Parks and Recreation Commission
DATE/TIME: 7 p.m. second Wednesday, every other month beginning in January
LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, 44405 W. Six Mile Road
State of the Community Luncheon
TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. Wednesday
LOCATION: Meadowbrook Country Club
DETAILS: Stay current on the happenings in the City and Township of Northville.
Group Fitness Classes
DETAILS: Classes include Yoga, Pilates Ball, Aerobics, Step, Kickboxing, Cycle and overall strength training. Class schedules are flexible and vary; monthly calendar available at website or call
Fees are \$8 for drop-ins or \$50 for an unlimited monthly resident pass. Classes held at Hillside Recreation Center or Senior Community Center. All fitness levels welcome to participate; certified instructors provide safe and fun workouts.
Open 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 welcome; \$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.

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 Spring Workshop
TIME/DATE: 2-4 p.m. Sunday, May 4
DETAILS: Call (734) 464-2683 to register.

Anxiety Disorder Support Group
TIME/DAY: 7:30 p.m. every Thursday
LOCATION: Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia
DETAILS: Aim for Recovery is an organization holding meetings offering support and recovery for those suffering with anxiety disorders and their families. Meetings consist of planned behavioral lessons and discussions. Educational material will be available. Donations for the program and materials are accepted
CONTACT: Robert Diedrich at robertdiedrich@msn.com

Crohn's & Colitis Support Group
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: Al 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 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 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. second and fourth Tuesday of month
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
Anxiety/Agoraphobia/Panic Attack Support Group
TIME/DATE: Second Wednesday of each month
DETAILS: Call (734) 420-8175 for more information.
Empowering Women-Understanding Co-Dependence with Motivational Speaker, Susan McKenna
TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 14
DETAILS: This is a five week course and the cost is \$50 per person. Pre-registration required.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1100 or e-mail northvilleclasses@yahoo.com

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.
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.
Ask An Attorney
DATE: 5-7 p.m. second and third Monday of each month, Sept.-May
DETAILS: Ask an attorney about divorce and family law; first come, first served, sign-in begins at 4:30 p.m.; 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.

Clubs & Groups

Beautiful Singles Hiking
TIME/DAY: 9:30 a.m. first and third Sunday of the month
LOCATION: Maybury State Park
DETAILS: Join singles of all ages for hiking and other activities.
CONTACT: http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/BSHiking/

Business Networking International
TIME/DAY: 7-8:30 a.m. every Wednesday
LOCATION: Ginopolis on Ice, Compuware Sports Arena, 14900 Beck Road, Plymouth
DETAILS: This is a diverse group of business professionals that meet with the goal of exchanging referrals. Currently seeking different representatives from occupations including florist, mechanic, DJ, landscaper, dentist and caterer.
CONTACT: Carol Clarke, (734) 968-8254 or visit www.bni-mi.com

Camera Club
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
CONTACT: Tom James of Northville Camera at northville-camera@sbcglobal.net or Northville Arts Commission (248) 449-9950

Country Garden Club of Northville
CONTACT: (248) 349-8674 or www.cgcny.org.
Gardens of Northville 15th Annual Garden Walk
TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday, July 9
LOCATION: Six gardens in Northville
DETAILS: Advance tickets are \$10, available June 9 at Gardenviews.
CONTACT: Kate Daniel (734) 591-0360

Gardeners of Northville and Novi
TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. second Monday of each month, Sept.-May
LOCATION: Rotate between Northville Library and Novi Civic Center
DETAILS: Visitors welcome.
CONTACT: (248) 231-2334 or 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 Book Club
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, April 18
LOCATION: Solid Grounds Coffee House, 133 W. Main St., Suite 222, Northville
DETAILS: Reading "Tess of the d'Urbervilles" by Thomas Hardy

CONTACT: northvillebook-club@gmail.com

Northville Democratic Club Town Hall Meeting on Stem Cell Research

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday,
April 17
LOCATION: Forum, Hillside
Middle School
DETAILS: State Representative
Andy Meisner and a representative
from the Michigan Citizens for
Stem Cell Research and Cures will
be guests.

**11th Congressional District
Convention**
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Saturday,
April 19
LOCATION: To be announced
DETAILS: Delegate to national
convention to be elected.

Northville Garden Club Meeting

TIME/DATE: Noon Monday,
April 14
LOCATION: Cady Inn at Mill
Race Village
DETAILS: Patty Page will pres-
ent "Painting Flowers on Glass
and Crockery". All guests are wel-
come.
CONTACT: Kate Uberti at (248)
347-9947

Northville Genealogical Society

Research Help
TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. every
Monday and by appointment
LOCATION: Northville District
Library, Local History Room
DETAILS: Individual help on
genealogy is offered by society
members.
CONTACT: Tille Van Sickle
(734) 595-7806 or
http://www.rootsweb.com/~mings
Monthly Meeting
TIME/DATE: 1:15 p.m. comput-
er genealogy class, 2:30 p.m. gen-
eral meeting, second Sunday of
month.
LOCATION: Northville District
Library, Carlos Meeting Room,
212 W. Cady St.

Northville Newcomers and Neighbors

**Meet and Greet Monthly
Coffee**
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. first
Tuesday of each month
LOCATION: Member's home
DETAILS: All welcome to
socialize, meet, greet friends and
neighbors and learn about the
activities and interest groups this
club has to offer.
CONTACT: Colleen Nametz at
(248) 596-1940

Northville Woman's Club

TIME: 1:30 p.m. first and third
Friday, October through March
CONTACT: Karen Poulos, (248)
349-4684 or wpkpc@comcast.net

Health Events

American Legion Hall

100 Dunlap, corner of Center
Street, Northville
Strength Training Classes
DATE: Mondays and Fridays
DETAILS: Diane DiVita is offer-
ing Strength Training classes
(light weights with a little yoga
stretching) for adults. For more
information, call Diane at (248)
344-0928 or visit trianglesix@sbc-
global.net.

Yoga Class

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
Breast Cancer Support Group
TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. the sec-
ond Tuesday of each month
LOCATION: Classroom 10
DETAILS: The group offers a
place for patients and survivors to
gather and share experiences,
learn coping techniques and find
support and strength. For more
information, contact (734) 655-
1100

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

TIME/DATE: 3-4:30 p.m. the
first Thursday of each month
LOCATION: Classroom 1
DETAILS: No fee or registration
are required. For more information
contact Audra Frye, Alzheimer's
Association (248) 426-7055.

Free Seminars-Michigan Bariatric Institute

DETAILS: MBI offers three
laparoscopic surgical weight loss
options. Learn about Gastric
Bypass, Adjustable Gastric
Banding and Sleeve Gastrectomy
at a free monthly seminar in the

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

Tai Chi for Arthritis
TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. Fridays,
through 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.

Nutrition for Life
DATE: 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 regis-
tration is required by calling (734)
655-8950.

Parenting With Love and Logic
Pre-Teens and Teen-Agers
TIME/DATE: 6:30-9 p.m.,
Wednesday

DETAILS: Registration is
required and the fee is \$15 per
individual, \$20 per couple.
CONTACT: (734) 655-1159

Parenting With Love and Logic
for Special Needs Children
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 3

LOCATION: Auditorium
DETAILS: This class teaches a
philosophy for raising and teach-
ing children. It is a common sense
approach that teaches parents
skills that cultivate confidence and
good decision-making in children.
Those who should attend are par-
ents, teachers, relatives and child
care providers. The fee is \$15 for
a single or \$20 for a couple.
Registration is required by calling
(734) 655-1159.

Joint Replacement Seminar
TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. tonight
and Thursday, April 24 and May
22

LOCATION: Classroom 10
DETAILS: Free educational
seminar about joint replacement
options. Learn about pre-surgical
classes, choosing a coach, post-
surgery and more. You will recov-
er faster and with less complica-
tions. To register or for more
information, call the Center for
Joint Replacement at (734) 655-
2400.

**Senior Health Connection -
Getting Long Term Care Without
Going Broke**
TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. Thursday,
May 8

DETAILS: A panel of senior care
experts will be available to answer
questions about getting good long
term care without going broke and
the things you must know, such
as when to get help, types of care
available, how to find the right
care at the right time, and advance
planning. The program is free, and
registration is requested.
CONTACT: (734) 655-8950

National Kidney Foundation of Michigan

**Personal Action Toward Health
Program**
DATE: Beginning Tuesday, April
29

LOCATION: Northville Senior
Center

DETAILS: This is a free six-
week workshop designed to pro-
vide knowledge and skills to
adults with chronic health condi-
tions such as arthritis, heart dis-
ease, diabetes, emphysema,
depression, and more. The pro-
gram is suited for both the newly
diagnosed as well as those seek-
ing more aggressive management.
Pre-registration is required and
enrollment is limited.

CONTACT: Northville Senior
Center, (248) 349-4140, or the
National Kidney Foundation of
Michigan, (800) 482-1455.

CPR/AED and First Aid Classes

DATE: CPR and AED - Tuesday,
April 29 and May 27
DATE: First Aid - Wednesday,
April 30 and May 28

TIME: 6-9 p.m.
LOCATION: City of Northville
Fire Department, 215 W. Main
Street, Northville

DETAILS: These American
Heart Association and Life
Support Training Center (LSTI)
classes offer two year certification.
Cost is \$40 per course. For more
information and to register, call
the fire department at (248) 349-
4730 or LSTI at (248) 304-6055.

Baby and Me Infant CPR

TIME/DATE: 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Friday, every other month (next
class is Friday)

DETAILS: This family friendly
session is for new parents and
their babies. It will provide parents

and grandparents knowledgeable
support and simple hands-on
instruction with their baby in case
of life-threatening emergencies.
Cost is \$20 for parents and baby
and includes a manual and emer-
gency wallet cards. Group rates
also available.

CONTACT: Life support Training
Institute at (248) 304-6055 for
registration, questions and direc-
tions.

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

Providence Center for the Healing Arts

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

CONTACT: (248) 465-5455
**Wanted: One-time Art
Workshop Instructors**

DETAILS: We are looking for
people who have an art or craft
that they would like to share in
our series of one-time workshops.

Colored Pencil Workshop
TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m.; second
Tuesday of every month

DETAILS: Beginners welcome.
Ceramics Class

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Monday-Thursday

DETAILS: Explore the Art of
playing with clay. Express yourself
in this three-dimensional art form.
\$10 lab fee. Call to verify class
times.

Knitting Yams
TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m.

Wednesday
DETAILS: Join others and cre-
ate hats and shawls for those in
need.

Meditation
TIME/DATE: Meditation for indi-
viduals or groups by appointment.

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: 10-11 a.m.

Monday - Yoga for Kids with
Parents; 12:30-1:30 p.m. Monday

- Yoga for Backs; 6-7 p.m.

Tuesday - Mixed Level; 11 a.m.-
noon Wednesday - Meditation

Yoga; 12:15-1:15 p.m.

Wednesday, - Mixed Level; 5:30-
6:30 p.m. Thursday - Prenatal

Yoga; 6:45-7:45 p.m. Thursday -
Yoga for Backs; 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Friday - Beginner/Intermediate;
9:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday - Mixed

Level; 10:45-11:45 a.m. Saturday
- Yoga for Backs.

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

Massage Therapy
TIME/DATE: By appointment

DETAILS: Therapeutic massage
is effective for stress and tension;
chronic fatigue; pain and
headaches. Everyone is welcome.
Patients undergoing treatment
should bring physician's referral;
\$50/50-minutes.

Create with Kathy
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. - noon
each Monday

DETAILS: An opportunity to
express yourself artistically in our
peaceful and inspirational creative
arts studio. Kathy provides guid-
ance in a variety of techniques and
projects. \$5 suggested per ses-
sion.

Food for Life Cooking Classes
TIME/DATE: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.,
Tuesdays, through April 22

DETAILS: 8-week series about
cancer related nutrition topics and
cooking demonstrations, spon-
sored by The Cancer Project.
Open to those interested in pre-
venting and surviving cancer. Call
for reservation. \$3 suggested per
session.

Butterflies Art Exhibit
DATE: Monday-Friday, through
April 30

TIME: 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Assarian Cancer
Center

DETAILS: Just in time for
spring, come view works of art by
Novi artist Mayumi (May) Oura
Teevens. This show is an encore
presentation of May's exquisite
work featuring a spectacle of col-
orful and engaging acrylic paint-
ings.

Know Before You Go
CONTACT: Call (248) 465-4488
for a recording of the latest in
class changes.

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

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.

Church Events

Our Apostolic Lutheran Church

LOCATION: 54899 Eight Mile
Road, South Lyon

National Day of Prayer Event
DATE: Thursday, May 1

6-9 a.m.: Free drive-thru coffee
and snacks

6-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-5 p.m.:
Church open for private, family,
and group prayer

10 a.m.: Special children's pro-
gram

5-6 p.m.: Free dinner

6-7:30 p.m.: Prayer and Song
service led by local pastors,

Senior Valde Garcia and musi-
cians Randy and Marli Brown.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

LOCATION: 201 Elm St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-3140

Sunday Worship
8:30 a.m. Blended, 11 a.m.

Contemporary, 11:30 a.m.
Traditional

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 or
visit www.firstpresnville.org

Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m.

Single Place Ministries
TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. social

time; 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m.
program, every Thursday

DETAILS: Informative and
entertaining programs of interest
to singles; \$5 per person. Check
website for details www.single-
place.org.

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.

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people for lunch following the sin-
gle's class.

Every Monday: 7 p.m.

Learner's Bible Study, Room A101

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,

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.

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.

Men's Bible Study

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

every Wednesday

LOCATION: Room 10

**Sharing Hearts Women's Bible
Study**

TIME/DATE: 12:45-2:30 p.m.

every Tuesday

LOCATION: Chapel upstairs

DETAILS: Child care available;
cost is \$11 for materials.

Disciple One Bible Study

TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. every

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

Wednesday

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

**Disciple 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.

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.

**Men's Club: Pancakes
and Praise**

TIME/DATE: 8-9 a.m. Saturday

LOCATION: Fellowship Hall

Soul Stretch Christian Yoga

TIME/DATE: 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11-May 6

DETAILS: Designed to focus the
mind for prayer. Cost is \$32 and
pre-registration is required. Call
Jessica at (248) 685-7871.

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.,

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Southern-style served at Franki and Johnny's

By Alison Bergsleker
STAFF WRITER

In the 1991 movie "Frankie and Johnny," starring Michelle Pfeiffer and Al Pacino, an ex-con gets a job in a cafe alongside a loner waitress, and a love story unfolds.

While Milford residents Franki and Derrick Sebree aren't loners or ex-cons, they've based their very own love story off of the movie's characters by recently opening their Highland restaurant, Franki and Johnny's.

And with homemade menu items like granny's crawdad stew, blackened catfish, macaroni and cheese, cajun corn, sweet potato corn bread and buttermilk fried chicken, there's no other place in town with traditional southern-style cuisine.

After moving to the area, the couple and their four children found it difficult to find local restaurants with the southern-style food they craved.

"You'd have to go to Boston Market in Waterford or Kentucky Fried Chicken in Wixom to get southern food," said Franki Sabree. "And we've made it affordable to the average person. If a person has \$20, we have a lot of family deals for less than \$20 that include entrees and a couple sides."

The pair set up shop in Highland after hearing good things about the Huron Valley community from members at their church in Howell. The couple opened Franki and Johnny's on

March 3 in the building that formerly housed It's a Grind coffee shop on Milford Road.

Derrick started his culinary career while serving as a chef for 3,000 marines each day. After that he invested in some restaurant ventures, including Beans and Cornbread in Southfield, Better Health in Novi and Plum Market in West Bloomfield. From there, he and Franki made plans to open their own place.

"I looked at all the restaurants around here to see what they offered, and I added what was missing," Derrick said. "I looked at the menus and added what I didn't see — the homestyle food. I specialize in southern and Creole."

Franki graduated from Cass Tech in Detroit in 1984 and has a background in finance, non-profit accounting, real estate and non-profit grant writing.

"I'm on the management end," Franki said. "I'm the front end of the house and he's the back end of the house."

The pair has already conjured up some community specials — seniors receive 10 percent off their bills on Mondays, veterans receive 10 percent off on Tuesdays and Curves in Highland and Salon 1099 customers receive 10 percent off.

Smothered chicken with red mashed potatoes and green beans are Franki's favorite items on the menu, and Derrick also recommends the ribs.

"The most popular menu item is definitely the fried chicken, home-



Photo by HAL GOULD

Franki and Derrick Sebree recently opened Franki and Johnny's southern-style restaurant at 1100 S. Milford Road in Highland. Derrick said he specializes in southern and Creole-style cooking.

made mac n' cheese, greens and cornbread," she said. "We're selling a lot of cornbreads."

A separate staff is available for catering events, including graduation parties, weddings and family

parties. "Whatever someone needs, we tailor the menu. We don't just do southern," Franki said.

Franki and Johnny's is located 1100 S. Milford Road, Ste. 110 in

Highland. Hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and noon to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Contact Franki and Johnny's at

(248) 887-1451 or (888) 887-1451.

Contact Alison Bergsleker at (248) 685-1507 ext. 260 or at abergsleker@gannett.com.

Upscale lounges add variety to Novi's nightlife scene

By Chris Jackett
STAFF WRITER

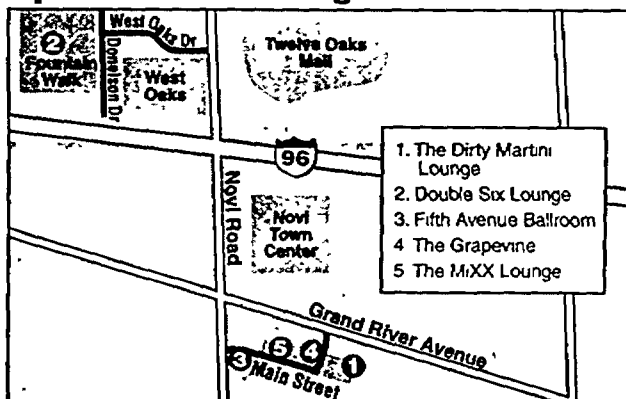
Las Vegas is known for the upscale atmosphere throughout its casinos, bars and night clubs. And now Novi's bustling bar and club scene is taking a page out of that book as more upscale lounges open up throughout the city.

"I think one of the biggest things is Vegas. Everything they do in Vegas inspires everyone around the world. You kind of want to bring it home," said Damon Richmond, a manager at Lucky's of Novi and Double Six Lounge, which opened March 14. "People don't always want to be around a rowdy crowd. It's more of a social environment. The air is better. It's really comfortable, almost like going and sitting in a comfy living room."

Double Six is the latest in a series of laid-back and upscale lounges opening in the community recently.

"The lounge atmosphere goes from being a bar to being able to sit back and relax," said Brian Burke, owner of The Grapevine, which opened in MainStreet last January. "We didn't want to be a restaurant. We didn't want to be a bar. There are a lot of people coming in who are tired of the bar scene. It's about enjoying a glass of wine with friends."

Upscale Novi lounges



Venues such as Double Six and The Grapevine join a handful of others reaching out to the "more mature" community.

"For us, we feel we're going for the mature crowd. We just don't want a bunch of young kids throwing up all over everyone," said Randy Gregory, co-owner of The MiXX Lounge, which has been at MainStreet for nearly two years. "We want to make sure the mature people stay mature."

MiXX will be featuring live blues and jazz bands from 8-11 p.m. on Thursdays beginning May 1.

Although each place reaches out to a slightly different age group,

they welcome anyone who can behave.

"It's less about slamming beers and getting stupid fast, and more about enjoying the evening," Burke said. "We have a lot of younger people that are tired of the bar scene. What's the most important is the amount of younger 22-23-year-olds coming out. They like to

hang out at a place that isn't a 'pick up joint.' That's a trend and it's a good sign. People are relaxing a little bit instead of doing hard-charging."

Although each venue, along with other upscale lounges like Fifth Avenue Ballroom and the Dirty Martini Lounge, has its own tone and capacity, more common sports bars and pubs still have an important piece in Novi's nightlife and business is still improving for both types of destinations.

"I think there's a place for it. There's a place for sports bars and pubs too. A lot of our demographics overlap," Gregory said.

"(Business) continues to increase. We have a good staff, a good product and get a lot of repeat customers. The area can support even more. We really support the downtown. Brian's place (The Grapevine) and Fifth Avenue have different crowds, but we all do. If you have a good product, they'll come back."

Some lounges market directly

toward the weekend and aren't open during the week. Many sports bars stay open seven days a week to market toward sports lovers and viewers.

"Who's going to do a lounge on a Tuesday evening? Sometimes you just want to go somewhere and watch the game," Richmond said.

Double Six Lounge doesn't offer beer on tap like many bars, although they do offer full bottle service. Instead, Double Six features 12 martinis inspired by eastern influences and European concepts, along with a full bar for liquor and mixed drinks.

"I'd compare it to acupuncture, to hit every exact point to come out and have a good time. It's extremely, extremely comfortable."

I would liken it to a room in someone's house strictly dedicated to entertaining company," Richmond said. "There's enough room to dance and there are couches everywhere."

Each venue has its calling card though. The MiXX, which caters to women tired of the old bar scene, features a 75-foot long wooden bar, the longest in the tri-county area, according to Gregory. The Grapevine offers a quieter scene with only one television, which is always muted as the sounds of blues and jazz play in the background, Burke said.

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NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

The APRIL Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees has been rescheduled for:

Thursday, April 24, 2008

7:30 p.m.

Township Hall - 44405 Six Mile Road

The agenda for the April 24, 2008 meeting will be available, in the Clerk's office, on April 11th

(4-10/17-08 NR 408009)

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Woman wins State Hopping Contest after using Thera-Gesic®



BEXAR COUNTY—Mary Ann W. applied Thera-Gesic® to her aching hip and one day later went on to win the State Hopping Contest. When asked what she likes most about entering hopping contests, she painlessly replied, "None of your dang business!"

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS A CONDITIONAL REZONING PUBLIC HEARING

The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan. The Planning Commission will consider a conditional rezoning request for approximately 6.5 acres of land at the northeast corner of Beck and Five Mile Roads. The request is to rezone the property from ORT (Office, Research and Technology) to B-3 (General Business), with conditions proposed by the applicant. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

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

(4-10/24-08 NR 407793)


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Filing Deadline for Township Offices and Precinct Delegates

A candidate who wishes to seek a position on the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees must file a nominating petition and an Affidavit of Identity no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2008. A candidate who seeks a township office must file the petition at the township clerk's office (168 551), 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on May 16, 2008.

Candidates who wish to run for Precinct Delegate and have their name placed on the Primary Election ballot, must complete and file an Affidavit of Identity no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 and may file at the township clerk's office OR the Wayne County Clerk's Office located at 207 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center in Detroit. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on May 16, 2008. (168.624)

Affidavits for Precinct Delegates are accepted up to the close of the polls (8:00 p.m.) on Election Day at the elector's precinct.

Petition and affidavit forms are available at the Clerk's office during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A notice will be published and posted in the Clerk's office of the candidates, for township offices and precinct delegates, who have filed nominating petitions as they will appear on the official primary election ballot (MCL 168.554) and the same shall become records open to public inspection (MCL 168.555)

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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.

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In this age of "American Idol", where society is searching for that singular person to elevate to superstar status, it's refreshing to see Northville High School focus instead on the entire team with a presentation of the musical "Cats" next week.

Nearly 35 students in the cast, and not one is considered the lead or more important than the others.

And it's not just the drama department that is making this production a standout — students and faculty from the theatre, choir, band and broadcasting are joining forces to create a true ensemble.

"But wait...there's more!"

Yes, parents and businesses step up to the plate in this town, contributing their time and money. In fact, three businesses — Steve Fecht Photography, Genetti's and Suburban Eye Care — donated sponsorships that helped cover half the \$12,000 it cost to put "Cats" together.

With the state of our economy right now, that says a whole lot about commitment to the arts, which is usually one of the first to take a hit when times get tough.

Another business, Center Stage Dance Company, did the choreography.

Leading this entire effort is a 26-year-old director named Daniel Dobrovich, who is in his first year at Northville High School — and it's his first time directing a musical. Kudos, Daniel, for swinging for the fence...and for knocking it out of the park!

We're giving readers a full week's notice here. You can read more about it on page 16, but what you really need to know is that "Cats" will hit the NHS stage for three days, April 17-19, and it's a purr-fect opportunity to see what makes Northville a great community.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photo by Michael Shuster

Start 'em young

Young cheerleaders practice their moves at Jump-a-Rama All-Star Cheer Team Camp during winter break at Hillside Middle School. The camp teaches five components to success; building unity, responsibility, leadership, following the rules, and friendship.

Tibet and the Dalai Lama provide a clear view of China

Standing on the roof top of the world, in Lhasa, Tibet only a few short weeks ago, I absorbed the tranquility of a special place. Since returning to Michigan the roof has been blown off Tibet. The eruption of violence is a stunning show of defiance against 57 years of Chinese rule.

While in Lhasa my thoughts returned to my mom's old pressure cooker with the little weighted "jiggler" that allowed just enough steam to escape to keep the contraption from exploding. The tension and pressure from the China-Tibet politics has been hissing for decades.

Chinese officials will tell you Tibet has historically been part of China; their efforts are to bring the Tibetan people out of the dark ages and to enable them to benefit from the Chinese economic boom. The Tibetans will respond that the Chinese military overran their country and are occupying Tibet with the goal to dilute, if not

eliminate, their cultural identity.

The exiled spiritual leader of Tibet, the Dalai Lama, has called what is transpiring today in Tibet as "cultural genocide." The Dalai Lama is determined to pursue the "Middle-Way" policy that "takes into account the benefits to all parties involved, rather than one party alone." The Dalai Lama is not demanding independence for Tibet, but rather that they have the autonomy promised to practice their religion and to maintain their cultural heritage. The Dalai Lama has threaten to resign should Tibetans continue to use violence in their protests.

Yet in China, with its one-party rule, there is no such thing as the "loyal opposition" or middle way. Historically, like today, the emperor's legitimacy can only be assured when there is total and complete obedience between ruler and ruled. Any dissent is disharmonious and is viewed as the beginning of loss of control that the communist

leaders fear most.

It should be noted that China President Hu Jintao was Party Secretary in Tibet and put down the last Tibetan rebellion in 1989. There are now more Han Chinese in the Tibet Autonomous Region (TAR) than there are Tibetans.

I have been fascinated by all things Chinese for more than four decades. I have been disgusted and in awe as I have watched this communist country overcome the horrors of Mao and the Cultural Revolution while his successor, Deng Xiaoping, opened China to the world, lifting hundreds of millions out of poverty.

In May 1989, I stood in Tiananmen Square with the Chinese students who were calling for greater freedom and democracy. I will never forget the young student, standing among hundreds of thousands of his contemporaries asking me, "Describe democracy, describe freedom?"



About Tom Watkins

Tom Watkins is an education and business consultant. He served as Michigan's superintendent of schools from 2001-2005. Read his internationally recognized report, "The New Education (R)evolution," at www.nacol.org. He can be reached at tdwatkins@aol.com.

In 1990, I wrote in an article: "China's achievement gained through the last decade of reform is remarkable and universally acknowledged especially when put in a historical perspective. We should expect a country that is struggling to overcome the horrors of the Cultural Revolution to be convulsive as it transforms itself, but it should not be repulsive and repressive. I feel very strongly that what the Chinese government did on June 4, 1989 to its own people was repulsive. It is something that I nor the world should ever forget

or forgive. Yet, I believe as strongly that we should not abandon the cultural, academic and professional exchanges that have flourished since the reopening of China. It is through the open exchange of ideas that democracy and change flourish. If we do not stay involved with the people of China, the young man who asked me in Tiananmen Square to 'Describe democracy, describe freedom' will never have his question answered."

Those sentiments remain today.

Like in 1989, I am fearful for the young Tibetans I met and left behind on Beijing Street in front of the Potala Palace. As a freedom-loving nation, we must continue to speak out about the oppression of the Tibetan people and call on the leaders of China to show restraint and open dialog with the Tibetan leaders to resolve their differences peacefully.

Many have called for boycott of the Beijing Olympics. I concur with the Dalai Lama that this would be ill advised.

Let's continue to engage China at all levels while putting a spotlight on the concerns of the Tibetans along with other issues such as fair trade, the genocide in Darfur and other human rights violations.

From the Olympic view, a spotlight will shine on all things Chinese: the good, the bad and the ugly. It is through the lens of engagement that change will take place. If not, the pressure cooker will certainly blow.

Michigan's rich in entrepreneurial history

Michigan sometimes can seem like a place stuck in time, caught between a past that relied on cutting giant white pines and digging copper out of the Upper Peninsula mines, and a future that seems tied to an endlessly shrinking or "restructuring" automobile industry.

Why, many ask, is our state so unwilling to try new things? Possibly, it's the result of an economy that for decades relied on massive industrial enterprises (the Big Three and their giant suppliers) that gave workers little incentive for innovation or risk-taking. Without any doubt, we've been infected by widespread feelings of dependency and belief in a sort of corporate welfare state.

Certainly, generations grew up believing that all they had to do in life was catch on with "Generous Motors" and they'd be set for life.

As a result, many now sadly believe that the spirit of innovative brilliance and entrepreneurial risk never settled in Michigan.

Ah, but how wrong they are! This may come as a shock to many, but there was a time when Michigan was widely regarded as

the Silicon Valley of America, a place where entrepreneurs seemed to spring up out of the ground and took on the risks of failure with a jaunty optimism.

It happened right around the beginning of the 20th century. Back then, a whole raft of entrepreneurs created entirely new companies that were on the cutting edge of what was then regarded as high technology. Many of them went on to establish firms that became giant players in today's global economy.

The most famous example: Henry Ford, who in 1903 founded today's Ford Motor Company. Ford became successful thanks to his adaptation of the fundamental new technology of the assembly line. His innovation was to use interchangeable, identical parts to manufacture the automobile quickly and at an affordable price. When Mr. Ford dumped a bunch of identical parts on the floor of an exposition in Paris, the assembled crowd gasped in admiration.

And he had plenty of company:

Herbert Henry Dow, a Canadian chemist, heard about

the salt seeps around Midland. He invented a new way of extracting Bromine from the quantities of brine in the area. And the company he started in 1897 to exploit this new technology — The Dow Chemical Co — is today arguably the world's leading firm of its kind.

Dr. John Harvey Kellogg was a physician who started a sanatorium in Battle Creek to experiment with his new fangled ideas about a good diet for sick patients. His brother, Keith Kellogg, had the idea that he could sell this stuff and make a profit. So he founded the Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flake Company in 1906. The resulting Kellogg Company made Battle Creek the cereal city.

Another physician, Dr. William Upjohn, of Kalamazoo, was aggravated by the problem of finding ways to give his patients just the right amount of medicine. The elixirs of the day varied in potency and the pills were so hard you had to bust them up with a hammer! So, in 1886 he and his brother, Henry Upjohn, founded the Upjohn Pill and Granule Co., later renamed the Upjohn Pharmaceutical



About Phil Power

Former newspaper publisher and University of Michigan Regent Phil Power is a longtime observer of Michigan politics and economics. He is also the founder and president of The Center for Michigan, a centrist think-and-do tank. The opinions expressed here are Power's own and do not represent the official views of The Center. Power welcomes your comments at ppower@thecenterformichigan.net.

Company. It went on to become a world leader for a century, until gradually disappearing into the Pfizer empire after 1995.

J. L. Hudson founded in 1881 the J. L. Hudson Company; by the 1930s it was the third largest retailer in the world. A serial entrepreneur, Mrs. Hudson also founded the Hudson Motor Company (1909-1954) which had a relatively short but glorious life.

Each of these entrepreneurs took advantage of the distinctive resources of Michigan at the time. As a result of the profitable logging operations that cut the great pines of northern Michigan and dug the ore from the mines, Michigan had a lot of start-up capital available to finance new

ventures. Mr. Dow had only to look around at all the brine around Midland and figure out how best to take advantage of it.

The Kelloggs were lucky enough to be on the rail line that brought corn to the ovens of their toasted corn flake company and shipped boxes of cereal around the country.

But the point is, however, that both sets of men figured their natural advantage out, at a time when other men couldn't see it.

Each of these took what they had to work with in what was, back then the Silicon Valley of America and added imagination, drive and quite a lot of luck and guts. They made great companies — and great fortunes — that still stand as monuments to the

Michigan economy.

What we sometimes forget is that they weren't always successful, either — certainly not the first time. Henry Ford's first two automotive companies failed. Many of the other pioneers of the industrial age had their financial ups and downs as well.

But they endured and pressed on — and did so without Starbucks, modern medicine or air conditioning. So even in today's relatively dark days of high unemployment and widespread home foreclosures, there is no reason that men — and women — like them cannot do the same, or better today. In fact, given the lessons we've learned from the past, it would be a surprise if they didn't succeed.

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LETTERS

The REIS mess

In the flurry of activity following the petition to annex the former state hospital property, has anyone investigated who motivated the document? It seems to me that if part of the arrangement that resulted in those people calling the site "home" includes the petition, or even if REIS "asked" them to file once living there, the petition should be null and void. It seems obvious to all that a link exists, but can it be proven?

If the people of Northville Township are sincere about having control over the site, perhaps we should put our money where our mouths are and pass a \$35M bond to buy the land off of REIS. We'll then have full control over the development of housing, commercial, schools, greenspace, etc. REIS was and is willing to invest in Northville Township. Before we dismiss them as self-interested we ought to ask ourselves if we're willing to do the same.

John Meyer
Northville

Answering Lomske

On April 3 you published a guest column authored by Steve Lomske. Nowhere attached to the column could I find an explanation of Mr. Lomske's credentials or why he enjoyed such a prominent position in your paper, complete with picture. Who is he, and why should your readers give credibility to anything he writes? Given the amount of information he seems to have at his fingertips and the positions he took in his column, one would suspect he has some affiliation with the developer of the state hospital property.

Let's deal with his arguments one by one:
Did the purchaser over or under pay for the property?

Mr. Lomske presented a detailed financial analysis and seemed to conclude that a fair price was paid for the acreage purchased, rather than the deep discount granted by the state in consideration of the "as is" condition under which the property was sold. But his analysis contains a fatal flaw in that he accounted for only 287.7 acres of the 413.6 acre parcel. He completely ignored the 125.9 acres of open space, assigning no value to it whatsoever. Using the most conservative numbers in his analysis to value that additional acreage, the entire parcel had a value of \$53.7 million, versus the purchase price of \$31.5 million, leaving the developer \$22.2 million (the deep discount) with which to clean up the property. This is more than the \$15 million estimate of clean-up cost.

The brownfield request
The state sold the property "as is," so it clearly intended to transfer the clean-up responsibility to the purchaser by granting the deep discount, both from the original asking price and from the real value above. The purchaser performed a complete due diligence, so the fact

that a major clean-up was necessary was not a surprise. Northville Township was not a party to the sale, nor does it have any responsibility for the clean-up, other than normal governance to ensure it happens.

Mr. Lomske makes the case that township property tax revenues should be used to fund the clean-up (the brownfield request), which was denied after review by the township. His reasoning is that the township will collect additional property taxes over time from the additional residents and commercial property, which will exceed the small amount being collected now on the vacant parcels. He ignores the fact that all of those additional residents and businesses will require township services, and if the tax revenue is used for the clean-up, the cost of those services will have to be borne by those of us already living here. Then there is the up-front cost of additional services - things like additional police cars and a fire truck larger than anything presently owned (to possibly fight a fire in the proposed seven-story building) - again having to be funded by our taxes as existing residents.

Previously granted tax abatements

The fact that the township has granted tax abatements to businesses in the past is completely irrelevant to this situation. Those are granted on a case by case basis, and balance the tax revenue foregone against the estimated additional cost for services on the land in question. The equation for a tax abatement does not work on a parcel that will be used primarily as residential.

Using the brownfield to stop annexation

This is the last of Mr. Lomske's arguments, and an interesting one. He makes the case that had the township agreed to the brownfield request, the annexation to Livonia would not be possible until the contract with Northville Township was satisfied. I doubt that the township even considered this course of action, because, remember, the developer had stated publicly that there was never any intent to apply for annexation. The township can't be faulted for taking the developer at its word, can they?

George Linker
Northville Township

EDITOR'S NOTE: Steve Lomske is a graduate of Lawrence Technological University and attended the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Construction Engineering Masters Program. He moved to Novi in 1984 and Northville Township in 1986. Previously was on the City of Novi Construction Board of Appeals. Registered Architect, planner, Licensed Builder since 1979, obtained a Real Estate License in 1984. Member of the International Building Code Council, and National Fire Protection Association. Has published comments and submitted various building code recommendations on handicapped accessibility issues. Lomske researches, comments, and

submits ideas on matters of concern within the community and has previously appeared as a guest columnist. All information for his articles can be obtained at the Northville Township Hall, newspapers or the public library. He is not now nor has he ever been employed by REIS or Shostak Brothers.

REIS should build

Ok, REIS bought the property that was once the state hospital to build a new neighborhood. They paid \$31.5 million dollars; the property was originally \$65 million dollars. Reason given that the clean up would cost \$15 million dollars. Good deal.

The plan A comes in and is NOT approved, (please let me know when any plan As were approved in history). They sue the Township of Northville for \$100 million dollars.

Plans B, C and D were approved, but they want more land for retail space. Have they looked at all the vacant spaces in the current plazas and malls lately? They "hire" workers to watch the property, and then give them a Northville residence, so they can annex the property to Livonia, to get "their" way. Maybe the vote should only go to the "real" residents of Northville Township, and the ones who all ready live by the property, because they are the ones who will be inconvenienced the most.

I think, because Northville Township, had to lose \$100 million dollars in a lawsuit, we should get the property back and sell it to a developer who will do something with the property.

I strongly suggest that REIS put on the "big boy pants" and do what they said they would do. Build a new neighborhood.

Jim McBreen
Northville Township

A lot alike

Although the city of Hamtramck is only 25 miles away, we often see its vast cultural and economic differences that separate us from our 'world' here in Northville. Yet on Friday, April 4, when Winchester students hosted a visit from their Holbrook Elementary (Hamtramck) pen pals, instead of differences, the amazing discovery was of how ALIKE we truly are!

Both schools embraced the theme "Get a Taste of Reading" for March-Is-Reading-Month. Both schools learned and sang a song produced by Gordon Mac-Smith. During the visit there was structured time in classes conducted by volunteers and unstructured free time on the playground. There was an amazing lunch provided for all of the children where they could "get a taste" of all sorts of different foods provided by local businesses. And then there was an emotional conclusion when the students sang their song together one last time then had to say good bye to their new friends (and continued pen pals).

Something this large and mean-

ingful could never have happened without the caring efforts of a LOT of people! The following businesses made generous donations in diverse ways: Jim Delano at Pizza Cutter, The Winchester PTA, Costco, Northville Meijer, Noodles & Company, Baja Fresh, PF Chang's, George's Senate, Wildflowers, Great Harvest Bread, Asian Buffet, Sizzling Sticks, Kroger, Midwest Party Supply (Mark & Linda Zaleski), Genetti's Hole-In-The-Wall, Bell & Sons (Greg & Deonna Bell), Tim Horton's, Schokolad (Lynne & Tim Porter) and Charley's Deli.

And with fear and apologies that we might leave anyone out, we thank the following individuals who created plans, facilitated classes, solicited contributions, picked up donations, worked the lunchroom, helped students create the 'bookcovers' that now hang in Winchester's multi-purpose room...and made this miracle day happen! Liz Kwiecinski, Maureen Van Hulle, Judy Huggins, and Kim Vaitkevicius who made the lunch HAPPEN; Dr. Beth Kubitsky and all of her EMU students who facilitated classes; Chris Cornin and his NHS National Honor Society students who assisted everywhere; Amy Marmaduke, Rhonda Weber, Carmen Hamilton, Cheryl Hayes, Jeannine Makowski, Ann McCutcheon, Carol Gegowets, Jean DeLoock, Vicki Webster, Joan Song, Delano Westworth, Chris Castellano, Jill Wylie, Roberta Eis, Nancy Bernardi, Karen Heiser, Fran Nayh, Kate Knight, Martha Snow, Jennifer Siegert, Lynda Bradley, Jenni Chirgwin, Christie Wissman; the teachers and paraprofessionals who stepped up and did whatever needed doing; Karen Alameddine, Mary Wilson, and the MIRM tabulators; and so many who came that day and made it one that we will never, ever forget!

Pat Messing
Principal

Jay Hillard
Learning Consultant

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Physical Therapy Rehabilitation Update



Barbara Hayes, P.T.

GETTING THE DARK GREEN LIGHT

Older women, who account for the majority of Americans who suffer hip fractures each year, may help themselves by eating more dark-green vegetables. Studies show that adequate consumption of vitamin K, an important activator of three proteins essential to bone health, may decrease the risk of hip fractures due to lower bone-mineral density among women of any age. The richest sources of vitamin K include dark-green vegetables, such as kale, collard greens, and watercress. Just one daily serving of spinach (1 1/2 cups fresh) or two of broccoli (1/2 cup per serving) more than covers

the RDA of phytylquinone (the form that vitamin K takes in green vegetables). The best way to deal with hip fractures is to prevent them.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Senate approves bill to tackle Internet identity theft

I recently supported legislation that was approved by the Senate that deals with criminals who fraudulently acquire personal information on the Internet, a practice known as "phishing."

Phishing is a unique form of identity theft in which criminals steal consumers' personal identity data and financial account credentials. The schemes use e-mails to lure consumers to counterfeit Web sites designed to trick recipients into divulging financial data such as credit card numbers, account usernames, passwords and Social Security numbers.

Because the criminals hijack the names and logos of reputable banks, e-retailers and credit card companies, they convince consumers to respond. Senate Bill 945 would help ensure that consumers can be protected from Internet thieves.

Studies indicate that the number of phishing incidents is on the rise. A recent report by the Anti-Phishing Working Group found that from August 2006 to August 2007 there were more than 300,000 phishing attacks reported nation-

wide, and the number of attacks continues to increase each month.

In 2004, I championed consumer protection legislation protecting citizens from identity theft by authorizing PA 454 of 2004, the Social Security Number Protection Act, which prohibits disclosing to a third-party or publicly displaying the Social Security number of a person, unless that person consents or the disclosure is authorized by law.

It is vital that as identity theft is on the rise and those committing the crime are getting more sophisticated that we insure our laws keep up with them. Senate Bill 945 has been referred to the House Judiciary Committee for consideration.

Bill Increases Homestead Property Tax Credit

An economic stimulus plan crafted to spur home sales and keep more money in taxpayers' pockets through tax credits was approved by the Senate Thursday, March 27.

Senate Bill 1065, which I sponsored, increases the homestead property tax credit from \$1,200 to \$1,300. My original bill would have increased the credit by \$300



About Nancy Cassis

State Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Nowi) 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.

but was scaled back on the Senate floor. This credit was set in 1975 and has not been increased since then.

Senate Bill 790 is a companion bill to mine that increases eligibility for the Homestead Credit by increasing the income threshold \$10,000. The credit which currently phases out between \$73,650 and \$83,650 would now begin to phase-out at \$83,650 and end at \$93,650. This means that thousands of moderate income homeowners with annual household incomes up to \$93,650 could now qualify for the credit.

Furthermore, Senate Bill 791 suspends the so-called "pop-up" tax by offering an income tax credit equal to the amount of increased

property taxes that are a result of the pop-up tax. The credit will apply to Michigan taxpayers who purchase a home within the next 33 months. Unlike the Michigan House plan, this package would not impact local governments or the School Aid Fund since the relief is delivered through an income tax credit and not directly through the property tax.

The last bill in the package, House Bill 4215, allows a homeowner to receive two principle residence exemptions for up to three years while attempting to sell one of the homes.

The bills are now awaiting action in the Michigan House of Representatives.

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HOT TICKET: Boogie woogie piano master "Bob Seeley" in concert Sunday at First Presbyterian Church

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Local Events

Unlocking the History of Your Historic Northville House

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. tonight
LOCATION: New School Church, Mill Race Village
DETAILS: Learn how to research the history of your home. Local genealogist, history buff and computer whiz Linda Last will present information on using such resources as government records, the internet and the Northville Historical Society Archives. Material presented concentrates on Northville, but techniques involved can be used in other applications. Refreshments will be served. Program is free but donations greatly appreciated. Seating is limited so reserve early by calling (248) 348-1845. Presented by the Northville Historical Society.

Northville Genealogical Society

CONTACT: Tillie Van Sicke at (734) 595-7806 or www.rootsweb.com/~mings.
Military Records
TIME/DATE: 1:15 p.m. Sunday
LOCATION: Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St.
DETAILS: This genealogy class is free and open to the public.
Michigan Township Records
TIME/DATE: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, following the meeting above.
DETAILS: Original grass roots records have been stored in township halls for over 160 years, a genealogical gold mine. Learn how to find these records and discover what they tell us about our ancestors. Presented by John Castle. Free and open to the public.

Talk Early, Talk Often

TIME/DATE: 1:30-3 p.m. Sunday
LOCATION: First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road
DETAILS: This workshop will help parents of middle school youth develop the skills necessary to talk with their child about abstinence and sexuality. Learn to recognize and use opportunities that open the door for conversation, to listen and respond with greater confidence and to feel comfortable seeking outside sources of information.
CONTACT: Karen DeBenedet, kdebened@aol.com or visit www.fumcnorthville.org

Bob Seeley Concert

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Sunday
LOCATION: The sanctuary at the First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main St.
DETAILS: Bob Seeley is a local and international legend in the world of Boogie Woogie piano music. He was "Captain of the Keys" for 32 years at the piano bar at Charley's Crab in Troy. He has also been a regular performer in the jazz circuit of Ann Arbor, performed multiple times at Carnegie Hall, at the Chicago Blues Festival and the Tex Hotel Jazz Bistro in Toronto. He has been inducted into the Boogie Woogie Hall of Fame in Cincinnati. The concert features the Yamaha grand piano. Afterglow following concert allows the audience a chance to meet Mr. Seeley. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students. Ages 11 and under are free.
CONTACT: Call the church office for tickets at (248) 349-0911

Solid Grounds Anniversary Celebration

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. Monday
LOCATION: Solid Grounds Coffee House, 133 W. Main Street
DETAILS: Help us celebrate our one year anniversary. Featured performer will be singer/songwriter Tracy Kash Thomas.
CONTACT: (248) 348-9737

"Cats" NHS Spring Musical

DATE: Thursday-Saturday, April 17-19
DETAILS: Northville High School presents the spring musical, "Cats." Tickets now on sale at the high school.

Gallery Walk/Student Art Show

DATE: Friday, April 17-27
LOCATION: Downtown

Northville

DETAILS: This annual juried show promotes art appreciation among youth and features art work by local elementary through high school students. The show is open to the public. For more information, contact the Northville Arts Commission at (248) 449-9950.

20th Annual Art in the Sun Jury First Round Jury

TIME/DATE: First Round Jury is April 18. Festival is 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, June 21 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, June 22
LOCATION: Downtown Northville
DETAILS: Calling all artists. The Northville Art in the Sun invites you to be a part of this juried fine arts festival, featuring all mediums of art, lively music and concessions. A highlight will be murals that festival goers can paint which will be donated to St. Mary Mercy Hospital. Prizes are awarded for Best in Show and Runner Up. Applications are available online at www.northville.org.
CONTACT: Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or www.northville.org.

Novi/Northville Newcomers Night at Novi Bowl

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Saturday, April 19
LOCATION: Novi Bowl, 21700 Novi Road
DETAILS: Join us for an evening of food, fun, games prizes and a little karaoke. Cost is \$16 per person, which includes food and bowling. Cash bar available. Shoe rental is \$2.50 extra. RSVP by April 10
CONTACT: Faye Green (248) 924-3272

Mother/Daughter Luncheon and Fashion Show

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main Street
DETAILS: For all mothers, daughters, grandmothers, granddaughters, mother-in-laws, daughter-in-laws, sisters, sister-in-laws, etc. Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$6 for children 10 and under. They are available at (248) 349-0911 or at the church office Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Daughters of the American Revolution

TIME/DATE: Noon Monday, April 21
LOCATION: Cady Inn at Mill Race Village
DETAILS: Annual meeting of the Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter of Northville/Plymouth
CONTACT: (734) 459-4764

M.O.M.S. Baby, Kid and Me Resale

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, April 25 and 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, April 26
LOCATION: First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road
DETAILS: Huge sale of: baby, kid and maternity clothing, including coats, shoes and costumes; baby equipment, kid's furniture and decor; car seats, strollers, toys, books, games and more. Admission is \$1. Drop box for gently used donations and charitable tax slips is available at the church until day of sale. All profits benefit the community.
CONTACT: Alecia at (248) 412-1144

Arbor Day Seedling Give-away

TIME/DATE: 9-11 a.m. Saturday, April 26
LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, back patio, 44405 Six Mile Road
DETAILS: Arbor Day seedlings are available, at no charge, to City, Township and Northville School District residents. Please bring proof of residency. You must attend in person to pick up your seedlings. Requests by phone or mail cannot be accommodated, nor large requests from groups or schools. Sponsored by the Beautification Commissions of the Township and City of Northville.

College-SOS

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 29
LOCATION: First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight

Mile Road

DETAILS: Parents of 7-12 graders are invited to this free seminar to learn how to earn scholarships to help pay for college. Maureen Gault, of College-SOS at www.college-sos.com, will help you find these opportunities for your college-bound youth.
CONTACT: Heather Wallas, hwallas@fumcnorthville.org or visit www.fumcnorthville.org

Eye Fight Back

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 30
LOCATION: Northville Community Senior Center, 303 W. Main St.
DETAILS: This is a family oriented self protection program for teens to seniors. Don't be a victim. Learn how to protect yourself. Women are urged to attend. Covers personal safety, vehicle safety, physical defense tactics, attack deterrent behaviors and home security. Presented by a Michigan State trooper. Cost is \$5 and advanced registration is required. Refreshments served.
CONTACT: (248) 349-4140

Novi/Northville Newcomers RenCen Tour and Lunch

TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 30
LOCATION: Meet at the parking lot across from the Northville post office for carpooling.
DETAILS: Join us for a private, one hour tour of the RenCen, including Wintergarden, shops, Riverwalk, interactive vehicle display and a glass elevator ride to the 72nd floor. Lunch follows at the Marriott Hotel. Cost is \$25 per person which includes the lunch. RSVP by April 20.
CONTACT: Karla Ninivaggi (248) 449-6442

Mill Race Village Docents Needed

DETAILS: Docents are needed for Mill Race Village. Friendly, outgoing volunteers dress in period-reminiscent costumes to inform visitors about the history of Northville and the village buildings. Costume assistance is available and training materials are provided. Work as many or few dates as you wish, serving 1-4 p.m. Sunday afternoons from mid-June to mid-October, or for special events. Drop in or sign up for the Docent Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 31 at the Cady Inn. Can't attend? Have questions? Call Judy Davis, Docent Chairman at (248) 347-4871.

Mother and Son Magic Show

TIME/DATE: 10:20 a.m.-Noon Saturday, May 3
LOCATION: Genitti's, 108 E. Main Street
DETAILS: Celebrate an early Mother's Day with your son. Enjoy the magic show by Jasen Magic at 10:20 a.m., followed by a family style lunch at Genitti's at 11 a.m. For ages 3 and up. Tickets are \$14 per person and are available at the Rec Center at Hillside.
CONTACT: www.northvillepark-sandrec.org

"Salute to Stage, Screen and Television"

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 3 and 4 p.m. Sunday, May 4
LOCATION: Northville High School 45700 Six Mile Road
DETAILS: The BeckRidge Chorale presents its spring concert featuring music from concert and Broadway stages to the silver screen and television. Tickets can be ordered online at www.beckridgechorale.org or by calling (734) 416-9885

Spring Blood Drive

TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, May 4
LOCATION: Our Lady of Victory Church, Social Hall, 770 Thayer
DETAILS: Open to the public, all donors are welcome. Walk ins welcome, but appointments help us plan ahead. Appointments can be made very 15 minutes. To schedule an appointment, call or e-mail Christine Abbey at (248) 701-5221 or chrisabbey1@comcast.net. Or you can schedule an appointment online at www.givelife.org, enter sponsor code olvc.

Novi/Northville Newcomers

Annual Spring Banquet

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14
LOCATION: Northville Hills Golf Club, Banquet Room
DETAILS: Join us to celebrate "Summer Fun." There will be a fashion show filled with lovely selections of casual and sports wear from GG's Boutique in Northville. Door prizes, favors, dinner buffet and cash bar. Cost is \$31 for members and \$38 for guests. RSVP by May 4
CONTACT: Karla Ninivaggi (248) 449-6442

Living Clutter Free with Feng Shui

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 17
LOCATION: Northville District Library
DETAILS: Anna Rae Foster, a professional Feng Shui consultant for the past eight years, will provide the tools and knowledge to make immediate positive changes in your home and office. Create harmony and balance in any environment. Seating is limited. Pre-register early. Cost is \$45.
CONTACT: (248) 982-5971

Linda A. Transou Melanoma March

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

SHOWcamp Featuring Disney's 101 Dalmatians

DATE: July 21 - August 1, performance Aug. 2
LOCATION: Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady St.
DETAILS: An educational and fun summer camp for children entering grades 3-8. Students will audition for roles in the musical and train with a choreographer, musical director and director. They will also be an integral part of building the set, creating costumes and will learn valuable tricks of the trade. At the end of 2 weeks, they will perform a full musical production of Disney's 101 Dalmatians. Cost is \$350, registration ends July 1. Before and after daycare available for a small fee.
CONTACT: (248) 347-0003 or www.tippingpointtheatre.org

As the Page Turns

LOCATION: 149 N. Center St., Suite 102, Northville
CONTACT: (248) 912-0085 or visit www.asthepageturns.biz
Willie Horton Book Signing
TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. Thursday, April 17
DETAILS: Former Detroit Tiger and 1968 World Series legend Willie Horton will sign copies of his Collectors Edition book "The People's Champion." The book is not sold elsewhere but will be for sale the night of the signing.
Author Meet and Greet
TIME/DATE: 2-4 p.m. Saturday, May 3
DETAILS: Meet and visit with local author Justin Ferriman, a 2003 Northville High School, Albion College and Case Western University graduate. His book

"The G Word" arms readers with understandable historic and contemporary arguments proving the reality of God without one specific tool: the Bible. The book will be for sale for \$8.99.

Marquis Theatre

135 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or northvillemarquistheatre.com
Velveteen Rabbit
TIME/DATES: 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 12, 19, 26; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 13, 20, 27
DETAILS: Tickets are \$8.50. Group rates available and reserved seating for 20 or more. No children under the age of three.

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

Baseline Folk Society Open Mic

DATE: Third Saturday of each month, Sept.-June (April 19)
TIME: 7-9 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville Art House, 215 Cady
DETAILS: Enjoy traditional, folk and acoustic music in a casual setting. Five open mic spots available on first to sign up basis beginning at 6:15 p.m. Tickets \$5 at the door.
CONTACT: (248) 344-0954

Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.
CONTACT: Call for reservations (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com

Surviving Samco

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Saturday; 7 p.m. Friday, April 18; 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26, Tuesday, April 29, and Saturday, May 3, 17, 24 and 31.
DETAILS: Interactive Comedy Dinner Theater spoofing the popular Wholesale Warehouses. See a day in the life of underpaid sales associates and their high maintenance customers. Buying in bulk never felt so good. The show will run through the summer.

The Reflections (Just like Romeo and Juliet)

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19
DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person.

Legends of the Past and Present

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 10
DETAILS: Featuring Elvis, Toby Keith, Kenny Rogers, Buddy Holly and Neil Diamond. Tickets are \$45 per person.
Tribute to Elvis Starring Sherman Arnold
TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 21
DETAILS: Dinner and show tickets are \$45 per person.
Shades of Blue (Oh How Happy)
TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 21
DETAILS: Dinner and show tickets are \$45 per person.
Genitti's Acting Workshops
DATE: We will open any date for 10 or more.
DETAILS: Enjoy our famous family-style lunch or dinner, then practice voice and body movement with one of our actors on stage. Play theater games; take backstage tour; \$16.95 per person.

Tipping Point Theatre

LOCATION: 361 E. Cady St.
CONTACT: (248) 347-0003 or visit www.tippingpointtheatre.org
"Manuscript"
DATE: Previews are April 23-25. Show runs April 26-May 24
DETAILS: When a manuscript is discovered that can guarantee success, three college freshmen begin a quest for vengeance and fame in this dark comedy thriller. Tickets now on sale.
Improv at the Point
TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. first and third Tuesday of the month

DETAILS: Hilarious night of comedy in the style of the TV show "Whose Line is it Anyway". Features rotating cast of the best improv talent in the metro area. No two show alike. General seating tickets are available 7 p.m. at the door on the night of the performance, \$8.

CONTACT: (248) 347-0003 General Auditions for 2008-09 Season

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday, April 28; 5-9 p.m. Tuesday, April 29
LOCATION: 361 E. Cady St.
DETAILS: Auditions are by appointment only and can be scheduled by calling the box office 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, (248) 347-0003, or by e-mailing Executive Director Christina Johnson at christina@tippingpointtheatre.org. Auditioners are asked to prepare one contemporary monologue, no longer than three minutes in length. To be considered for a musical, auditioners should prepare 16 measures of a song. Piano accompanist will be provided. Bring two copies of a headshot and resume.

CONTACT: (248) 347-0003 or go to www.tippingpointtheatre.org
Fundraising Gala, Stardust-an Evening of High Rollers, Smooth Crooners and Lady Luck

DATE: Saturday, May 17
DETAILS: This is the second annual fundraiser gala to support the non-profit theatre. The theme will be reminiscent of the glitz and glamour of mid-century Las Vegas and will feature a gourmet strolling dinner, games of chance, a silent auction, Vegas wedding chapel and more. The event is sponsored by Rocky's of Northville. There are opportunities for businesses and organizations to sponsor tables and donate items for the auction. Contact Jennifer Steger at (248) 347-0003 if interested. For more information about the event, call (248) 347-0003 or go to www.tipping-pointtheatre.org.

The Art House

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

Tuscan Art with Michael Farrell

DATE: Wednesday, 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

Maybury State Park

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier roads.)
State Park motor vehicle permit required for park entry; \$6 daily, \$24 annually (\$6 annually for seniors 65 and older.) 2008 permits now available at park office, 20145 Beck Road.
CONTACT: (248) 349-8390, Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or www.friendsofmaybury.org
Wildflower Walks
TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday, May 2-3
LOCATION: Use Eight Mile Road entrance, meet at Concession Building
DETAILS: Join the Friends of Maybury for a gentle stroll on open paths lined with native wildflowers. No cost but paid park entrance permit required. Donations gratefully accepted. Suitable for all ages.
CONTACT: (248) 347-0899 or www.friendsofmaybury.org

Maybury State Park Trail Riders

Easter Egg Hunt and Spring Ride
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, April 27
DETAILS: Bring your own horse and meet at the Staging Area. Prizes at 1 p.m., lunch at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 for members, \$8 for non-members and lunch is included. A state park sticker is required.
CONTACT: Heidi-Drmier@charter.net or Sandra-Sownright@aol.com

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; 4 p.m. Brownie Scouts; 6:15 p.m. Brownie Scouts; 7:30 p.m. Unlocking the History of Your Northville Home

Friday: 9 a.m. Archives open; 4 p.m. Junior Scout meeting

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

Monday: 11 a.m. Northville Garden Club; 7 p.m. Lions Club

Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 6:30 p.m. Brownie Scouts; 7:30 p.m. Mill Race Weavers

Wednesday: 4:15 p.m. Daisy Scouts; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m. Mill Creek Church

* Grounds closed to public

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All About Jazz Cafe

TIME/DATE: 8-10 p.m.

Saturday

LOCATION: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

DETAILS: Features the Tony Ruda Quartet. Tickets are \$12 for singles or \$20 for couples and will be available at the door.

Refreshments will be served.

CONTACT: cruda@comcast.net or (734) 394-0148

Igor Larionov Bottle Signing Event

TIME/DATE: 2:30-5 p.m.

Saturday

LOCATION: WineStyles, 17386 Haggerty Road, College Park Plaza, Livonia

DETAILS: WineStyles hosts former Detroit Red Wing Igor Larionov in a bottle signing event as he makes his third appearance to WineStyles, to showcase his newly released California portfolio of fine wines. Open to the public for bottle signing and photos.

Sample wine selections from Igor's portfolio. One bottle minimum purchase for entry. Please no sticks, jerseys or other hockey paraphernalia.

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Detroit Institute of Arts Evening Lecture Series

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Monday, April 21

LOCATION: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth

DETAILS: The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Plymouth District Library presents the DIA Speakers Bureau Lecture Series. The topic and speaker to be announced.

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"CATS" A purr-fect opportunity to watch talented high-schoolers perform

By Alea Hibbeln
SPECIAL WRITER

Cats, cats, everywhere there are cats!

Andrew Lloyd Webber's hit Broadway musical "Cats" is coming to Northville High School's auditorium April 17-19.

OK, so it's not the original ensemble from London, but it's not far behind. Choreographed by Center Stage Dance Company in Northville, directed by NHS theatre director Daniel Dobrovich, and starring NHS theatre students, this is no backyard production.

"I knew from the start that we have a very strong choral program and a very strong music program, and now we have a brand new dance team in the school," said Dobrovich. "I wanted to pick a show that would put the best of music, choral, drama and dance all

together in one performance."

Another reason the 26-year-old director chose the musical "Cats" for the spring concert, aside from it being his all-time favorite, is because it has an ensemble cast. In other words, there is no lead and the cats get equal time on stage; a running theme at NHS whereby students and directors from all departments—choir, band, drama, theatre, broadcasting and more, pride themselves on the collective whole rather than singling out a star performer.

This is Dobrovich's first year at NHS and first time directing a musical. He can hardly contain his excitement.

"Not to sound corny, but this is what I've always wanted to do since I was a little kid," said Dobrovich, who graduated from Eastern Michigan University in 2006.

When Dobrovich joined the

NHS drama department last year, he never thought he would have a chance to work in a school as great as NHS.

"I know directors from other schools, and they would give their jobs to direct at NHS."

Dobrovich says that NHS' stellar reputation is built on a professional-grade facility, parents who go above and beyond with their time and money, and students who give it all they've got every single day.

Unlike other schools, the NHS drama department isn't hard-pressed for money. Because "Cats" is so fresh off the lights of Broadway, the theatre department has to pay royalties (the rights to do the show). And then there are fees for the script, set materials, costumes, advertising and programs. This is why most schools don't do a show like "Cats."

Dobrovich doesn't get money from the school to put out a production like this. Instead, the entire theatre program runs on the support of the community and businesses. Suburban Eye Care in Livonia, Genetti's Hole-in-the-Wall and Steve Fecht Photography, both in Northville, put up major sponsorship dollars. In fact, their sponsorships alone paid for half of the \$12,000 production cost.

"We've had a lot of businesses step up and support us," said Dobrovich. "Some do it for the advertising, and others do it simply because they enjoy theatre and want to offer a hand," he said. "Take Genetti's—they don't need the advertising; they're just out to support us."

"Cats" has had mixed reviews despite its 20-year run on Broadway. Some love it, while others say it doesn't have a plot.

"It does have a plot," said

Dobrovich. "It's all the cats coming together to choose another one to go up into the 'heavy side layer'—the world beyond."

Senior cast member Justin Ulrich is heading up a crew of students to film the production. But, because of copyright laws, the DVD can't be sold at the performance. Instead, the DVD will be given to parents of cast members.

"In the beginning, everyone was questioning how we were going to pull this off because we had never done a production of this caliber before," said Ulrich. "But I couldn't have asked for a better cast to work with."

And senior Elizabeth Hawksford, who will be playing the cat Jellylorum, says that she will shed plenty of tears at her last performance on the 19th.

"We've put in so much work into this amazing performance,

and I'm going to take the whole experience with me to college and 'life beyond,'" she said.

Hawksford will be attending Liberty University in Virginia in the fall to study education, but her stage career will live on as she will be trying out for the performing choirs.

Looking over the cast list, Dobrovich is unable to name one student who doesn't give 100 percent.

"Everyday I say to myself, 'wow.' In my rehearsals, I have to look at the stage with an analytical eye, but I'll sometimes forget to take notes because I'm enjoying it so much."

"With not a lot of credit to myself, I feel this is one of the best shows I've ever been involved in," said Dobrovich. The students at NHS are just amazing—you give them a task and they don't just do it well, they do it beyond well."



CATS

Director
Daniel Dobrovich

Vocal Director
Mary Kay Pryce

Music Director
Michael Rumbell

Choreographers
Lisa Shapiro & Erin Bonser-Sattler

Cast

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Bill - Dylan Miller
Bombalurina - Clara Fecht
Burmunkkey Slathertoes - Stephen Gallant
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Caribucketty - Hilary Agoston
Cassandra - Carly Goldberg
Conicopat - Leah Hastedt
Demeter - Erica Johnson
Electra - Sydney Stier
Etcetera - Erin Donohoe
Fiercity - Megan Kelly
Grizabella - Deanna Willis
Growltiger - Libby Nork
Gus - Mr. Troy
Hawksford
Isosceles - Adrienne Cohen
Jennyanydots - Jillian Hoernschemeyer
Jemima - Anna Guider
Jellylorum - Elizabeth Hawksford
Macavity - Devan Malone
Mr. Mistoflores - Katya Frimkenko
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Munkustrap - Ken Sietloff
Old Duetronomy - Josh Buoy
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Quaxo - Anthony Petrucci
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Rumpleteazer - Molly Flynn
Skimbleshanks - Pat Kelley
Tantomile - Lauren Martin
Victoria - Caitlyn Knisely

Show details

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. Special seating can be reserved by calling (248) 349-3400 and tickets can be purchased with cash or check by visiting the Box Office inside the front doors of NHS from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:15-3 p.m. Tickets will also be on sale one hour before each performance.

Show times are 7 p.m. Thursday, April 17 and Friday, April 18, and 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 19. Saturday is family day, where kids can meet the cast and have their pictures taken with Cats of their choice. Kids 12 and under pay only \$5 on this day.

For more information of the NHS production of Cats, visit northvilltheatre.com.

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Ward presenting volunteer management seminar

■ How to unleash power, passion of this new breed

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Tom McKee believes today's volunteers are different. He calls them "The New Breed," and the expert in volunteer recruitment and retention will offer a workshop this month in Northville Township to show organizations how and where to find them, and keep them. "The New Breed: Understanding & Equipping the 21st Century Volunteer," will take place from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 19, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road in Northville Township.

A question-and-answer period will follow the seminar. This "volunteer power workshop" is designed for people interested in gaining new volunteers, motivating them, recruiting younger ones, organizing them, evaluating them and creating "virtual" or online volunteers.

Well-known speaker

McKee is a leading volunteer management speaker, trainer and consultant recognized as one of the foremost international authorities on volunteer management. For the past 35 years he has worked with national and state associations, including Ducks Unlimited, the National Association of RV Parks, the National Dental Association, the California Association of Homes and Services of the Aging, the California Audubon Society and the California Apartment Association. He serves on the adjunct faculty

of The Training Source, a division of the Los Rios Community College District, teaching business change management and leadership development classes.

Paul Clough, pastor to the community from Ward Presbyterian and the husband of Cathy Clough, director of the New Hope Center for Grief Support, said in today's challenging economy and times, many groups or agencies have to do more with fewer resources.

"Volunteers are an increasingly valuable resource that allows us to achieve our purposes and goals," Clough said. "So many churches, organizations, mission agencies and community service groups need good volunteers."

But where do you find them? How do you train them? What encourages them?

"This workshop will address these questions and many more," Clough said. "We know that volunteers are critical to churches and nonprofit agencies, and we wanted to do something to help increase



Tom McKee

How to sign up for the seminar

Those who register by tomorrow for the April 19 workshop, "The New Breed: Understanding & Equipping the 21st Century Volunteer," can save \$5 and pay \$20. Registration after tomorrow or at the door is \$25. A box lunch is also available for \$7.

For more information, go to www.wardchurch.org/volunteerpw, call Margy Burkhardt, (248) 374-5932 or e-mail her at margy.burkhardt@wardchurch.org. For more about Tom McKee, workshop speaker, visit volunteerpw.com.

volunteers at a time when they are decreasing in so many places."

Although sponsored by Ward Presbyterian, Clough thinks the workshop can help any business, agency or individual who deals with volunteers.

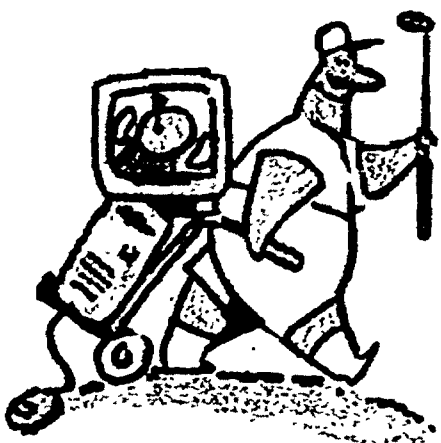
"When you are successful in managing volunteers, you are already a step ahead," he said.

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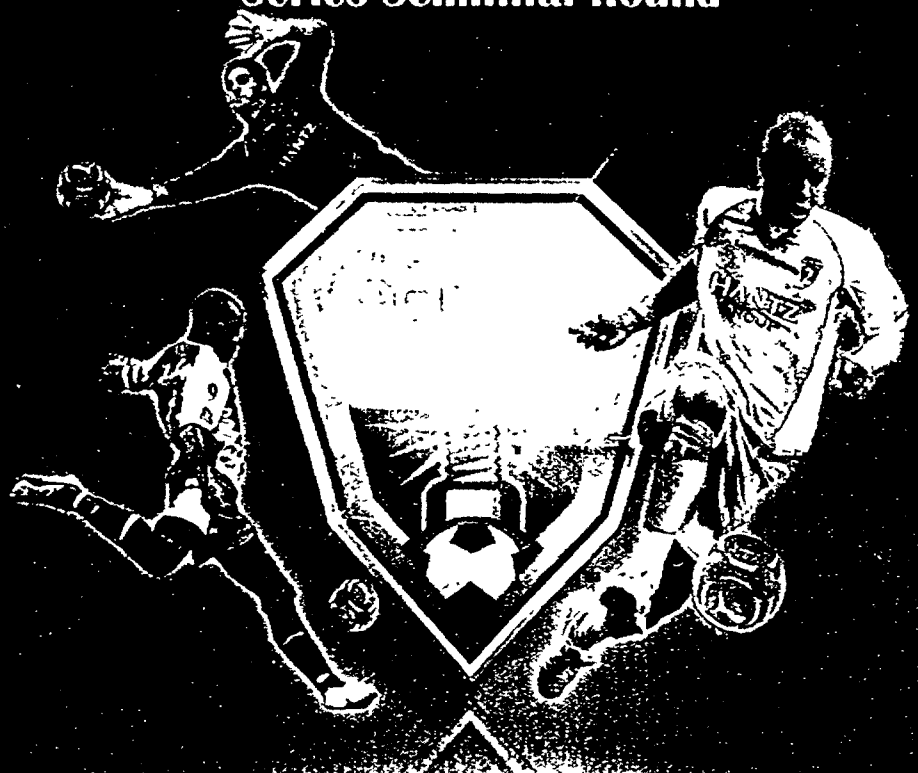
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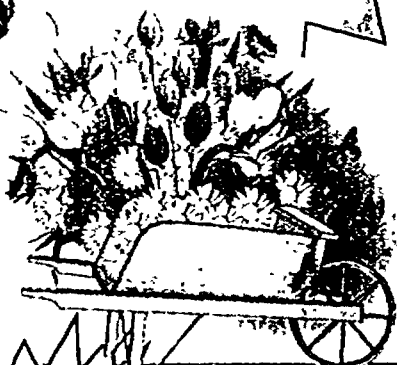
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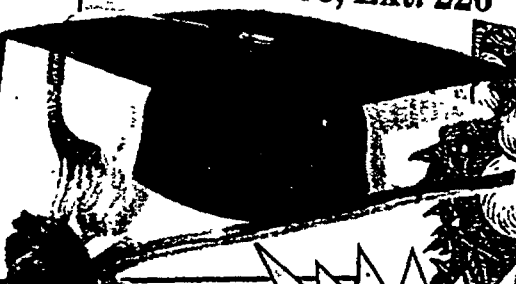
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Senior Mike Collins takes over top spot in Mustang rotation

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville baseball head coach John Kostorzewa enjoyed the luxury of handing the ball to Bryce Jenny or Bret Spencer last year and expecting a victory.

But graduation has taken them away, leaving big shoes to fill for the Mustangs.

Michael Collins, who was unable to pitch last year because of an injury, is back healthy and steps into the top spot.

If the first week of games is any indication of how things are going to work out, Kostorzewa's worries about pitching are relieved. The Mustangs thumped South Lyon 17-1 in the opener, and won 13-3 in Collins' second start against Brighton.

"He has the most (pitching) experience out of all the kids," Kostorzewa said. "He has legitimate stuff as a pitcher. It's huge after losing five guys from last year's pitching staff."

Collins took the hill to open the year held down the Lions, setting the table for the potent Mustang offense to break the game open,

and that they did. He only pitched two innings, but that was all he needed to do in a lopsided game.

Collins threw three innings in the second game, departing with a 6-2 lead. He struck out five and allowed four hits.

Kostorzewa has a simple game plan for what he expects out of his No. 1 pitcher.

"Basically, just looking for a guy to give us a chance to win in the most important games," he said. "A guy that you know is going to give a quality, quality start or a quality outing, no matter who you are playing against."

Stepping up

Jenny and Spencer were just two of five different pitchers that graduated. Kostorzewa knew this year's staff was going to be young, but Collins laid out his intentions during a preseason meeting.

"All along, when I had discussions with him, he wanted to be the No. 1 guy," Kostorzewa said. "You want that kind of attitude

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Mustang pitcher Mike Collins goes into a windup at Northville High.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

'Stangs off to hot start

The Northville baseball team started the season on the right foot, picking up a pair of mercy wins against South Lyon.

The Mustangs won the first game 17-1 in four innings and followed that with a 15-4 win in five innings.

Anthony Sergi had five hits and six RBIs between the games, including a three-run homer in the opener.

Joe Mitchell and Steve Anderson had two hits in the first game. Kyle Asher had two hits and a home run in game 2. Matt Deacon knocked out three hits in the nightcap.

The Mustangs kept rolling with a pair of mercy wins against Brighton (ranked in the top 10 of Class A). Northville won 13-3 and 10-0, both games lasting six innings.

"We hit the ball extremely well, both games," Northville head coach John Kostorzewa said.

Collins picked up his second win of the year in the first game, allowing four hits and two runs with five strikeouts.

David Uberte and Damarri Saunderson pitched in relief.

Dan Mills knocked in six runs with three hits, including a two-run homer in the first game.

Steve Anderson plated four more with a grand slam. Mitchell added a two-run, inside-the-ballpark homer.

Mitchell went on to pick up the win in the second game, throwing five scoreless innings.

The teams were deadlocked in a scoreless battle through three innings, before the Mustangs scored twice in the fourth and four more times in the fifth and sixth innings to get the win.

Saunderson knocked in five runs with his three hits. Anthony Sergi plated three runs with another three hits. Bobby Thomas started the scoring with a two-out, two-run, bases-loaded single in the fourth.

Rounsifer's a double threat

■ Junior catcher brings strong game to, behind home plate

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville catcher Sarah Rounsifer has turned into a two-way player that coaches dream of.

At the plate, she is Northville's biggest bad. Behind the plate, she calls the pitches for two of the top pitchers in the area.

"Sarah is a very good softball

player," Northville head coach Teryn Chrzanowski said. "She's knowledgeable about the game, she's dedicated to work hard in the off-season, and she ultimately performs as an All-State catcher. It has been a blessing having her on the team."

Rounsifer earned All-State First Team honors as a sophomore. It appears as though she's carried the momentum over after going 4-for-5 with a home run and three intentional walks in the first two games.

"She's more confident as a third-year starter and a team captain and

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Sarah Rounsifer runs the bases in the season opener.



Sarah Rounsifer takes a cut against Novi.

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Health

Watch out for golf's danger signs

When you think of golf, injuries are not the first thing that comes to mind, even for me. The PGA doesn't have a disabled list or injured reserve. When a golfer misses a tournament, it's usually to spend time with family or concentrate on the next one, not because they're recovering from surgery. But golf does have its share of aches and pains. Granted, other than the occasional freak golf cart accident, injuries we see from golf are of the mild variety and rarely career-threatening.

Golfer's elbow is usually at the top of most lists of golfing injuries



Sean Bak

for obvious reasons. While golfers do get golfer's elbow, tennis elbow is actually more common in golfers. Both of these conditions are termed "over-use" injuries and involve inflammation of wrist and forearm tendons that originate at the elbow (aka tendonitis). With your arms held in the palm-up position, golfer's elbow will occur at the bony prominence on the inner side of the elbow (near your funny bone) while tennis elbow occurs on the outside of the elbow. Tennis elbow typically occurs in your lead arm while golfer's elbow will occur in your trailing arm. These conditions can range from simply annoying to quite disabling and the bad news is they are rather persistent often taking months to resolve.

The good news though is that they rarely require surgical correction. The first line of treatment is relative rest (a period of decrease in the aggravating activity though not necessarily complete avoidance), exercises and physical therapy, and sometimes bracing. When this fails, an injection often provides rapid relief. Whereas elbow injuries in pitchers often result from improper mechanics, the opposite is true in golf. Tendonitis occurs more often with the classic golf swing and is often the source of detrimental alterations in the swing. Although, I'd like to claim that my ugly swing is a medical experiment in tendonitis prevention, it truly is just plain ugly. But my elbows have never bothered me.

Back pain is a relatively common ailment of golfers. This is another nagging type of injury that usually just takes time to recover from. Rarely is this caused by a serious problem such as a herniated disc or fatigue fracture. It is usually muscular in nature and, as such, responds well (although slowly) to anti-inflammatory medication, rest, and physical therapy. Proper posture and keeping your core abdominal muscles strong can help prevent these injuries. The best way of preventing back and arm injuries is to warm up and stretch if even for only several minutes prior to taking your first swings.

The most frequent knee injury in golf is the meniscus tear, typically in middle-age and older golfers. The meniscus is commonly referred to as the knee joint's "shock absorber." As we age, they can become more prone to tearing with pivoting movements such as the golf swing. Sometimes pain is the only indicator but more serious tears will cause episodes of painful locking that can come and go for several days. While medications and injections can help mildly painful tears, those producing painful locking generally require arthroscopic surgery. In terms of return to golf, downtime from this type of surgery is typically two to four weeks. This injury is not necessarily preventable — it will either happen or it won't. Fortunately there is an effective treatment for this so if it does happen, get it taken care of and move on with life.

While many of us have been getting our fix at Oaks or Carl's for months now, we've also been impatiently awaiting the first day the greens are groomed. It seems like we've been saying it for two months now but that first weekend has to be just around the corner. Several weeks later the trickle of back, elbow and knee injuries will hit our office and grow to a steady stream by mid-summer. Do yourself a favor and pause for several minutes to stretch out so you can enjoy the entire Michigan golf season, as October will be here before you know it.

Dr. Sean Bak is a Nova resident and an orthopaedic surgeon who specializes in shoulder reconstruction and sports medicine. Dr. Bak takes care of the athletes of several area universities and high schools. His practice, Porretta Center for Orthopaedic Surgery, is located at the Nova Orthopaedic Center on the campus of Providence Park Hospital.

Mustang seasons off to great starts

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville softball picked up a pair of wins to start the season against South Lyon and improved to 4-0 with a pair of wins against rival Novi.

The Mustangs won the opener 3-1 before completing the sweep with a 13-1 victory.

Jenna Dumbleton earned the win in the first game (three hits, one earned run with seven strikeouts), and Allison Holmes (three hits, one earned run, 11 strikeouts) won the nightcap.

Sarah Rounsifer had two hits, including a homer in the opener. Dumbleton smashed out for hits in the second game, and Rounsifer went 2-for-2 with two walks.

Rounsifer's home run came in the first inning. The third run came on a groundout by Dumbleton, scoring Kelsey Whelan.

Northville had little trouble with offense in the second game, blowing the game open and getting another strong pitching performance.

Against Novi, the Mustangs won 10-0 in six innings and 8-1 in the second game.

Dumbleton pitched the shutout, allowing two hits with 10 strikeouts and no walks.

Whelan led the offense with three hits, five stolen bases, two runs and a run batted in.

Rounsifer and Brittany Birdsall knocked out a pair of hits each.

Holmes earned the win in the second game, allowing three hits and one run with 14 strikeouts. She also had three hits with two RBI.

Birdsall also had three hits (single, double, triple) to help lead the offense.

Sarah and Mary Rounsifer each had two hits.

"The girls played great," Chrzanowski said. "The bats were alive and Jenna and Allison were focused and throwing great."

Soccer

Sarah Stern poured on three goals and had an assist as the Mustangs blew out Salem 6-0 to open the year April 3.

On Friday, Stern pitched in home another goal and passed out an assist in a 4-0 win against South Lyon.

Theresa Yankovich (two assists), Jill Alumbaugh and Lauren Lokey scored the other goals.

Katherine Jansen picked up the shutout in goal.

Northville played to a 3-all tie with Churchill on Monday.

Yankovich and Jeanette Dolmetsch scored in the first half to take a 2-1 lead into halftime.

Churchill went on to take the lead with two goals in the first 20 minutes in the second half.

Julie Bawden was brought down in the penalty box by the keeper, and Stern converted the penalty kick for the tying goal.



Photo submitted by Diana Birdsall

Northville pitcher Jenna Dumbleton releases a pitch against South Lyon.

Girls lacrosse

The Mustangs got five goals from Liz Souther to knocked off Gabriel Richard 14-9 in the season opener.

Boys Track

The Mustang track team had little trouble with Walled Lake Northern, winning 114-23 to open the year.

The Mustangs swept the four relays, as well as finishing 1-2-3 the 110-meter hurdles, the 1600 meters, the 400 meters, the 3,200 meters, the long jump and the pole vault.

A. Arastu pulled off three wins, placing first in the 200 (24.23), 400 meters (54.45) and long jump (19-0).

Other event winners included Cavan Corcoran in the 110 hurdles (14.57) and 300 hurdles (41.07), Jack Dalton in the 1600 (4:51.3), Jon Zurek in the 3,200 (10:44), Erik Franceschi in the pole vault (10-6) and high jump (6-3) and Gorley in the shot put (40-10) and discus (144-0).

Girls Track

Northville jumped out to a positive start with a 95-42 win against Walled Lake Northern.

Amy Reynolds started a sweep of the pole vault by clearing 8-0.

Julie Davison and Michell Steslecki finished the sweep by clearing 7-0.

First-place finishes came from Lindsay Hagan in the 1,600 (5:16) and the 3,200 (11:45), Brianna Jenkins in the high jump (4-11), Jaclyn Konopka in the long jump (15-6) and 300 hurdles (50.0), O'Malley King in the 100 hurdles (15.7) and 100 dash (13.1), Beth Roach in the 400 (1:05) and Markea Dickinson in the 800 (2:37). The 800 and 1,600 relays also placed first.

Second-place finishes came from Roach in the high jump (4-9), Kinika Kochhar in the long jump (14-2) and 100 hurdles (18.07), King in the 300 hurdles (52.4), Jenkins in the 400 (1:06), Karina Puskorius in the 800 (2:45) and Morgan Malloy in the 200 (29.6).

"I was happy with the results due to limited practice time the past few weeks in regards to the weather and spring break," head coach Nancy Smith said. "We placed in every event except the shot and the 400 Relay."

We have some lineup changes to make and will continue to work on getting our times down, but overall, I was happy with the results."

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ROUNSIFER: Senior catcher's a double threat

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you can see it when she's behind the plate and when she's up to bat," Chrzanowski said. "She knows she has to continue to work hard and perform to earn the recognition again, and I don't doubt she has the ability to do that."

While leading the lineup in hitting is one of her biggest assets, leading the pitching staff and keeping runners at bay is just as important.

Chrzanowski allows Rounsifer to call her own pitches, something not all that common in high school softball.

"She calls all the pitches herself," Chrzanowski said. "That's

where knowledge of the game comes into play."

Captain

Now a junior, Rounsifer is a captain for a Mustang team that has big aspirations. But Chrzanowski knows Rounsifer will handle the duties well.

"Sarah is a leader by example," Chrzanowski said. "She is a leader on the field and is always hustling. Her teammates see her working hard all year round and it motivates them to work harder. She doesn't settle for less than her best, which is another wonderful quality that can be contagious."

"It's a great combination of giving 100 percent and being

focused, but also having fun."

Despite being a well-rounded player in all aspects of the game, Rounsifer doesn't turn down the chance to learn new things.

"She listens to advice she's given and isn't afraid to ask questions and try new things," Chrzanowski said. "She does whatever we need her to do."

"I expect great things for her this year."

If the first games are any indication of how the season is going to go, becoming an upperclassman is only going to help Rounsifer's game.

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Monday night coed competitive

| Team | W | L |
|-----------------|----|----|
| Team Chil | 28 | 2 |
| OTKB | 21 | 9 |
| Holy Hits | 20 | 10 |
| Play it again | 19 | 11 |
| Smashers | 16 | 14 |
| Tanoshimu | 15 | 15 |
| Digg it | 13 | 17 |
| Life is good | 13 | 17 |
| Nothing but fun | 11 | 19 |
| V&V | 11 | 19 |
| Ball Slappers | 9 | 21 |
| V Salon | 4 | 26 |

Tuesday morning

| Team | W | L |
|-------------|----|----|
| South Beach | 42 | 24 |

| | | |
|------------------|----|----|
| Seattle Sutton's | 41 | 25 |
| Adkins | 36 | 30 |
| Nutri System | 30 | 36 |
| Jenny Craig | 25 | 41 |
| Slim Fast | 24 | 42 |

Monday women competitive

| Team | W | L |
|---------------|----|----|
| A Division | | |
| Team Roach | 26 | 4 |
| This n That | 17 | 13 |
| Deadwood, too | 16 | 14 |
| Team Jump | 14 | 16 |
| V Salon | 10 | 20 |
| Starting Gate | 7 | 23 |

B Division

| Team | W | L |
|--------------------|----|---|
| Purely Intentional | 28 | 2 |

| | | |
|-----------------|----|----|
| BallBusters | 19 | 11 |
| Ichabod Crane | 19 | 11 |
| Nothing But Fun | 16 | 14 |
| Blockers | 5 | 25 |
| Stars & Spikes | 3 | 27 |

Wed. night intermediate coed

| Team | W | L |
|--------------------|----|----|
| Blazer | 43 | 9 |
| Team Deadwood | 39 | 17 |
| Irish Setters | 36 | 20 |
| Team Starting Gate | 30 | 18 |
| Starting Gate | 34 | 22 |
| Diamond Castle | 18 | 34 |
| Kovas | 16 | 40 |
| Reckless Diving | 13 | 39 |
| Safe Sets | 11 | 41 |

Northville H.S. Schedules

Baseball

4/11 at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
4/14 vs. Canton, 4 p.m.
4/16 vs. WL Northern, 4 p.m.

Softball

4/11 vs. Stevenson, 4 p.m.
4/14 at Canton, 4 p.m.
4/16 WL Northern, 4 p.m.

Track

4/10 vs. Franklin, 4 p.m.

Boys Lacrosse

4/10 vs. Novi, 7 p.m.
4/16 vs. AA Huron, 7 p.m.

Girls Lacrosse

4/11 at Regina, 6 p.m.
4/14 vs. Lahser, 7 p.m.

Tennis

4/10 at Novi (middle school), 4 p.m.
4/11 at Salem, 4 p.m.
4/12 at Rochester, TBA
4/14 vs. WL Central, 4 p.m.
4/16 at Churchill, 4 p.m.

Soccer

4/14 vs. Canton, 7 p.m.
4/16 at Wayne, 7 p.m.

Golf

4/21 E. Lansing Invite (Walnut Hills), TBA



COLLINS: Takes over top spot

continued from front

from any player, but much less the guy that's going to get the ball in the big games."

Injuries are nothing new to Kostrewa. He's gone through multiple arm surgeries and missed extended playing time during his playing days, so he knew what Collins was going through.

"I know what it's like, and I shared my experiences with him," Kostrewa said. "When you have experiences like that, you're able to kind of feel for a kid like that and understand what they're going through. Perhaps it makes it easier for them."

Collins wasn't a main starter in his sophomore year, but did get some time on the mound. Without pitching at all his junior

year, Kostrewa will have to keep him on a pitch count early as he rebuilds arm strength.

Collins throws in the low 80s with a three-quarter delivery style.

"He throws a fastball, curveball and changeup," Kostrewa said. "Because of his arm slot, he can be pretty effective. He's a battler."

Staying healthy

Kostrewa only worries about Collins staying healthy, not his abilities.

"I'm hoping not only for our team's sake, but mainly for Michael's sake, that he's able to stay healthy," Kostrewa said. "If he stays healthy, I know that he'll do fine."

A coach couldn't ask for better than two wins in two starts.

Sports Shorts

Willie Horton coming to Northville

Former Detroit Tiger great Willie Horton and 1968 World Series winner is coming to As the Page Turns Bookstore and Gallery (149 N. Center St.) in Northville on April 17 to sign copies of *The People's Champion*.

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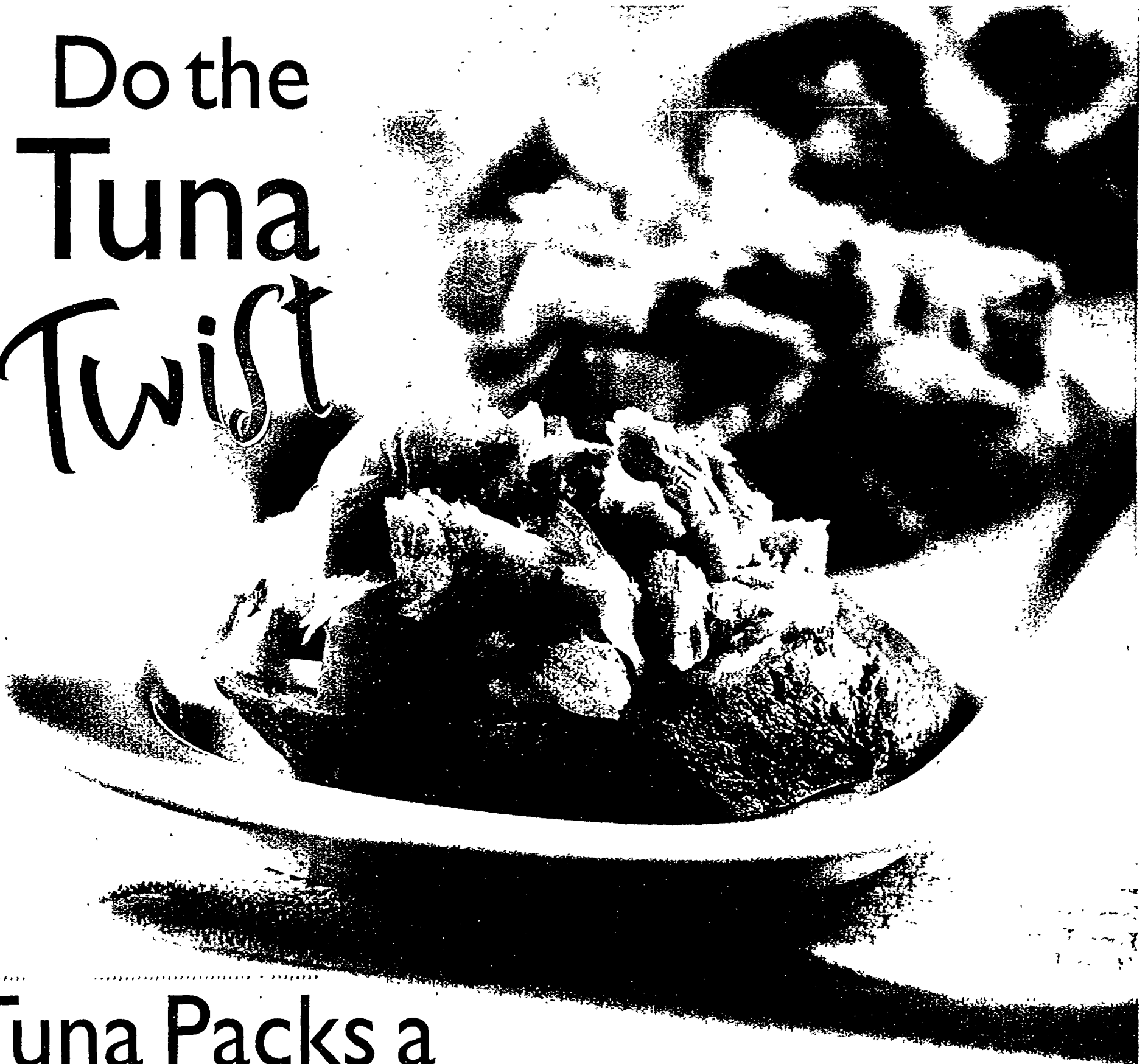
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FAMILY FEATURES

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Shields suggests broadening the eating occasions when you usually enjoy tuna. It has versatile applications that go well beyond lunchtime sandwiches and dinner casseroles. For instance, try tuna as part of your morning meal, and rise and shine with a Lunar Tuna Scramble. It's packed with lean protein, B vitamins, selenium and omega 3s, making it an energizing way to jump-start your day. For an enticing snack or appetizer, put a new twist on an old favorite and enjoy Tuna Bruschetta. This tasty recipe will keep your family and friends begging for more.

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Tuna Bruschetta

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Serves: 4

- 6 ounces (canned in water or oil, or pouched) chunk light or chunk white tuna
- 2 jars (7 1/2 ounces/jar) marinated artichoke hearts, chopped
- 1 package (6 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup diced fresh tomatoes
- 1/2 cup diced red peppers
- 8 slices Italian garlic bread, toasted

In a small bowl mix tuna, artichokes, red peppers and tomatoes with marinade from the artichokes. Spread cream cheese evenly on the slices of bread. Top evenly with the tuna mixture.

Recipe compliments of Starkist®

Lunar Tuna Scramble

Start your day the right way with a delicious and nutritious breakfast

Serves: 4

- 6 ounces (canned in water or pouched) chunk light or chunk white tuna
- 1 medium tomato
- 3 tablespoons milk
- 6 eggs
- Nonstick vegetable cooking spray
- 2 slices (about 2 ounces) Swiss cheese

Preheat broiler. Drain canned tuna until all liquid is removed. Place tuna in a bowl; flake into small pieces with a fork. Cut tomato into quarters; scrape with a small spoon to remove seeds and soft pulp. Chop into 1/2-inch pieces. Whisk milk into eggs in a medium bowl. Stir in flaked tuna and chopped tomato. Spray a 9-inch microwave-safe pie plate or shallow casserole with nonstick cooking spray. Pour in egg mixture; cover with plastic or lid, microwave on high for 90 seconds. Carefully remove plastic, stir the egg mixture with a fork. Re-cover, continue to microwave on high for 3 to 3 1/2 minutes longer, stirring after each minute, until eggs are no longer runny and just barely firm. Arrange cheese slices over eggs. Place 4 to 5 inches beneath broiler for 30 to 40 seconds, or until cheese is melted.

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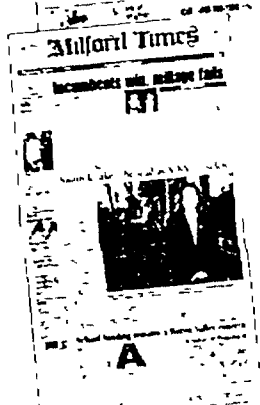
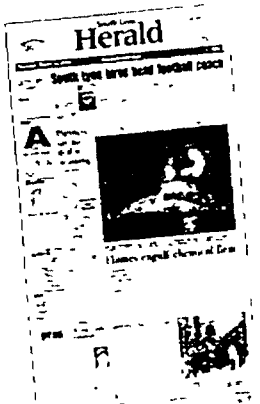
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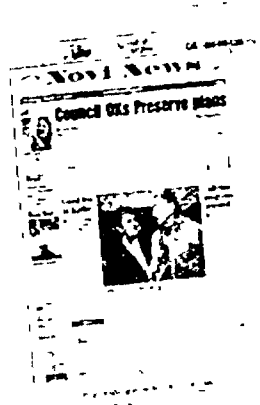
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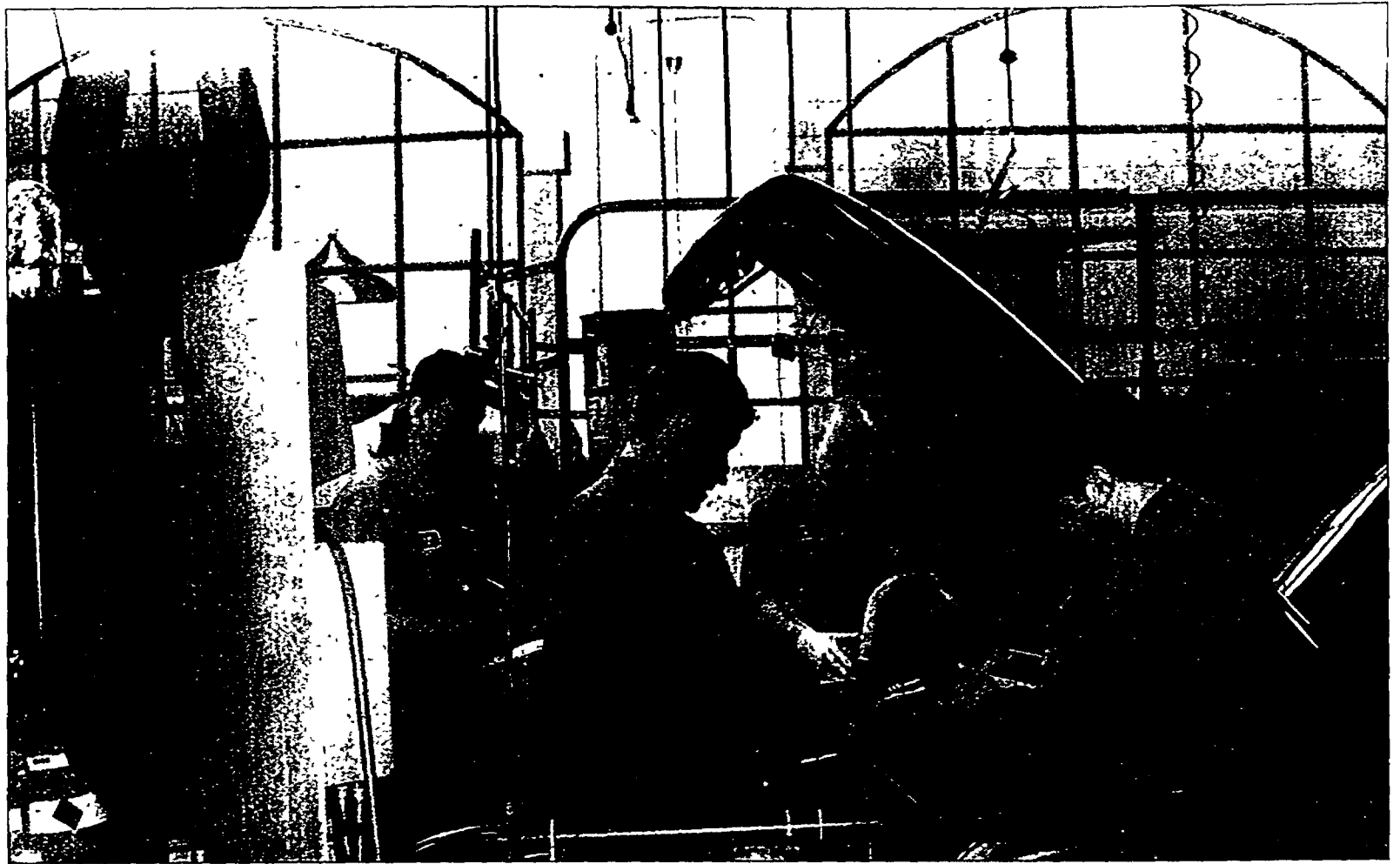


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By Lon Huhman
SPECIAL WRITER

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5000-5980 EMPLOYMENT/SERVICES

Help Wanted-General 5000

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AMERICAN AQUA Michigan's leading water improvement company hiring Water treatment, sales and service specialist needed for Livingston County. Experience and proficiency in technical service and sales. Good driving record. Opportunity to work hard for great pay/benefit package that complements your performance. Call for confidential appt. 517-546-1750 or email to working@american aqua.com

APPLY NOW - 9AM-4PM Golf Shop, Starters, Outside Golf Staff, CATTAILS GOLF CLUB, South Lyon

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ASPHALT ESTIMATOR/SEAL CREW LEADER Residential Asphalt/Seal Coating Services. Balanced position commensurate w/exp. Excellent math & communication skills required. Reliable vehicle is a MUST! Send resume w/salary requirements to arrowpaving@yahoo.com. No phone calls please!

ASPHALT Now accepting applications for experienced Seal-Meal, Paver Operator, Roller-Meal, Lute-Meal, Laborers & Drivers. Send resume w/salary requirements to arrowpaving@yahoo.com. No phone calls please!

AUTOMOTIVE MECHANIC Busy repair facility seeking certified & experienced tech. Top pay & benefits. Non-Motie, 21530 Novi Rd., bhm 8 & 9 Mile 248-349-0290

Help Wanted-General 5000

BOYNE COUNTRY SPORTS

Boyne Country Sports is hiring for the following positions:

TRUCK DRIVERS Needed for the new Boyne Country Sports Distribution Center to open soon in Wixom, MI. Drivers will make regular runs from the metro Detroit area to locations in northern Michigan. Must have a chauffeur license with a good driving record and be able to lift 60 lbs. Looking for a team player who is a self-starter with a strong work ethic. We offer competitive wages, discounts on retail and golf/ski season passes at BOYNE Michigan locations. Please send resume to Donavan Quane, Boyne Country Sports, 43263 Crescent Drive, Novi, MI 48375 or email dquane@boyne.com

DATA ENTRY PERSON(S)

Needed for the new Boyne Country Sports Distribution Center to open soon in Wixom, MI. Must be a team player who is a self-starter with strong Microsoft skills and an attention to detail. We offer competitive wages, discounts on retail and golf/ski season passes at BOYNE Michigan locations. Please send resume to Tim Casey, Boyne Country Sports, 43263 Crescent Drive, Novi, MI 48375 or email tcasey@boyne.com

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Needed to work on one of Michigan's fastest growing loyalty programs. Office will be located in the new Boyne Country Sports Distribution Center in Wixom, MI. Must have a strong work ethic, good computer and communication skills and record keeping abilities. A personable and friendly attitude is a must. We offer competitive wages, discounts on retail and golf/ski season passes at BOYNE Michigan locations. Please send resume to Nancy Magnus, Boyne Country Sports, 42881 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 or email nmagnus@boyne.com

Help Wanted-General 5000

BUYER/PURCHASING ASSISTANT

Wanted: Lake manufacturer seeks dependable individual in our purchasing dept. Requires excellent organizational skills & decision making ability. Prior exp. helpful. Benefits. Please fax resume to: 248-669-0420 or email dianolette@bcsic.biz

CAREGIVER NEEDED

Lady needed to help 48 yr old lady in wheelchair who can walk with help 9 p.m. Sun-9 p.m. Mon-Fri nights. \$75 Only serious call. Also need to cover vacation for other caregiver end of May 2008. No smokers, drinkers or drug users. 248-714-5528

CAREGIVERS

P/T Afternoons. Call Little Friends of Whitmore Lake 734-449-8756

CHILD CARE center

seeking 1 1/2 & part time exp. pre-K toddler & infant teachers for Brighton & Wixom locations. Please call: Teddy Bears Playhouse at 248-669-6883

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located in Brighton seeking Laborers/Helpers. Must pass pre-employment physical and drug screen. Apply in person at 12233 Emerson Dr. Brighton, MI 48116

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Exp. good history background. 810-577-7305 810-632-6883

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Grad Operator, minimum 5 years exp./finish grade. Exp. Grade Checker & Pipe Layer. Fax resume 248-685-9751

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Experienced or willing to learn. Hair services, facials or massage therapy & nail services. Call 248-684-4490

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Afternoons (3pm-11pm). Apply in person, Best Western, 9997 Main St. Whitmore Lake. NO PHONE CALLS

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IN 2 WEEKS FOR \$49. Immediate job placement available. Call Mary Nicole 810-227-5005

GRAPHICS DEPT.

Part-time experienced individual needed for a small shop to troubleshoot and adjust electronic files for imaging. Must know Adobe programs, Quark, Corel Draw, for PC and Mac. Please send resume. PO Box 51134, Livonia, MI 48151

GROCERY STOCK, 2 yrs. minimum exp.

MEAT CUTTER 1 yr. exp. Taorella's Brighton. Fax resume to 810-225-1760

Help Wanted-General 5000

GROUNDWORKS CREW

Seasonal help needed for Northville Crossings. Subject to criminal background check. Fax resume to 248-449-4792

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with clientele for Brighton salon with a great location and perks. Confidential Call 810-333-1759

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Total Dimensions Salon. Exciting environment to work in. Paid vacations/birthdays, retail commissions, education and insurance available. Please call (248) 437-8141 or apply within 22361 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon

HAIR STYLISTS NEEDED

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HARDWARE STORE

Needs outgoing friendly long term, part time cashiers & clerks. Must be able to work a flexible schedule. Fax resume to 248-437-9730

HEAVY TRUCK MECHANIC

For afternoon shift. Must be organized motivated & have 2 years minimum experience. Gravel truck maintenance preferred. Health insurance available. Paid holidays. 734-449-5300

HOUSE CLEANER, EXP.

Hardworking Mon-Fri. For more info call Angela (734) 231-8651

HOUSECLEANER NEEDED

to join our growing team in the Brighton/Philly area. \$15-\$20/hour. Part-time to start. Cleaning laundry organizing. Must be self-starter with high energy and able to think & do. Send resume to kochera@gmail.com

HYAC-Residential Installer

10 yrs exp. req. Must have good driving record, references, drug free & good communication skills. Call Kim at 248-662-3030

JANITOR, WAITSTAFF, BARTENDERS, HANDYMAN

Apply at Barnstormers Tues-Fri 4pm-8pm

JANITORIAL CLEANING

Mon-Fri Evening Multi-site Farmington/Northville \$8/hr. Couple preferred. Call Frances (877) 730-4106

JANITORIAL - Office

Cleaning Wixom MI & Novi areas. Part time evenings hours. 6 days/week. www.usenviro.com. Interview dates & times will be emailed.

Help Wanted-General 5000

Janitors Wanted

For Auburn Hills, Ann Arbor, Novi, Pontiac, Ypsilanti. Please fax resume to 734-421-8994 or call 734-421-2788

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FT. Mon-Sat. \$12 \$15/hr. to start. Laborers & drivers needed. Exp. only 248-889-1491

Lawn Maintenance Co.

Needs PT employee. Exp. & Valid Dr. License A must. (248) 613-0165

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Part time for CCTV & Access Control Systems. Please send resumes to Box 1682, c/o The Livingston County Daily Press & Argus 323 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843

MAINTENANCE PT

Retirement community in Southfield currently has an opening for Maintenance person. 25 hrs/week. Must be experienced in all areas of apartment maintenance. Fax resume to (248) 350-1218 EOE

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

FT maintenance supervisor needed for apt. complex. Competitive hourly wage and full benefits. Must have 5 yrs prior maintenance exp. in HVAC Electrical and Plumbing Drywall & Painting repairs. Fax your resume to 248-356-3509

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

Northville Crossings. Duties include general repairs, light electrical and plumbing grounds up keep and staff supervision. CDL license a plus. Subject to criminal background check. Fax resume to 248-443-4792

MANAGER OF GROUP HOME

Seeking person experienced in group home management, consumer services, personnel management. \$10 \$5/hr. hr. good benefits. Near Wixom. Call Sandy 248-960-9657

MECHANIC

Experience needed, mobile service company. Looking for responsible person with knowledge in hydraulics and electrical repairs. Please email resume to premaria@comcast.net

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HEAVY DUTY TRUCK. Licensed, must have own tools. Full time benefits. Call Dan, 517-546-9915

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MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANT

Part time, afternoon-evening and weekend direct care for children with developmental disabilities with high behavioral needs in family homes. Must have HS diploma equivalent and valid driver's license. Great opportunity for SW or OT students. \$13.36 per hour, no benefits. Send resume or complete an application by April 15. Submit to Deb McCrene, CHM of Livingston Co, 2280 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843 EOE

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TITLE CLERK

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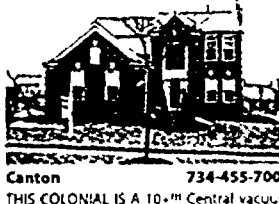
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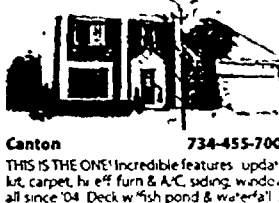
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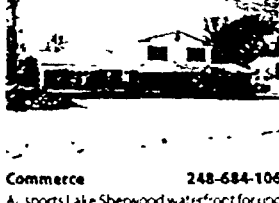
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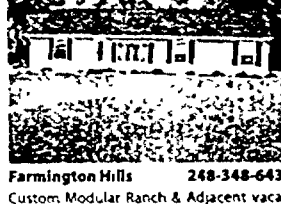
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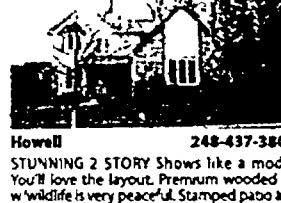
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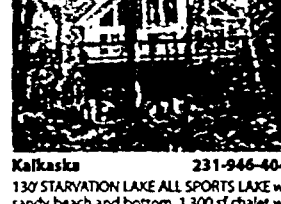
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(28037285) \$269,900



Inkster 734-455-7000
"AS-IS" SALE! MINIMAL REPAIRS REQUIRED! Seller has ordered city inspection. 3BR/2BA brick ranch. 2 full ceramic BAs. Ceram tile in kitchen, newer furnace, roof, HWY, refn hrdwd flrs, full basement.

(28027646) \$79,900



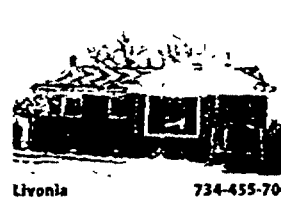
Kalkaska 231-946-4040
130 STARVATION LAKE ALL SPORTS LAKE with sandy beach and bottom, 1300 ft chalet with natural fireplace. Knotty pine ceiling. Great water views. Very private hardwood setting!

(1685663) \$279,900



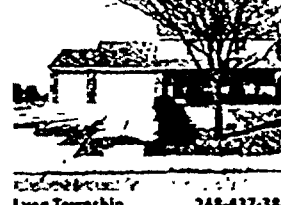
Kalkaska 231-946-4040
MANISTEE LAKE LOG COTTAGE. Extensively updated log cabin w/ 2 BR plus loft area. Includes dock, furniture and furnishings. Direct frontage on all sports, 860-acre lake, sandy beach.

(1684603) \$77,760



Livonia 734-455-7000
PICTURE PERFECT! Great ranch w/ outstanding new kit. Totally updated bath. Other updates: siding, copper plumb roof, A/C, HWY & more! Fin. bsm. All appl including washer & dryer.

(28051356) \$152,900



Lyon Township 248-437-3800
POPULAR MARTINDALE SUB. The largest floor plan & 3 car garage. Very clean, well maintained colonial. Vaulted family rm w/ fireplace. Huge deck. Prof. fln. LL w/ 5th bdrm. Close to xway.

(28037603) \$264,900



Millford 248-437-3800
BRING ALL OFFERS! Full remodel in 2007! Kit w/ new granite, GE profile stain appl., tile w/ granite inlay. Baths w/ new tile and granite counters. New carpet/trim. Bdrms/BA, FW/study.

(28040237) \$399,900



Millford 248-684-1065
Lg deep 72 acre lot. Historic home. 27x8 covered porch w/ deck above. Rear deck porch 32x10. Upper decks w/ D/W from bks. Kit open to FR w/ hearth. 20x34 den.

(28005273) \$194,900



Millford 248-684-1065
Close to the village of Millford with Highland Lakes! Bring the horses and enjoy the country life. Split from a 20 acre farm.

(28033993) \$139,900



Northfield 248-437-3800
A COUNTRY ESTATE On 49 acre horse farm. Updated 2 story h/m, 4 bdrms, 3 baths, great rm, country kit. Horse barn w/ 8 stalls, separate well, elec, fenced paddocks, pond.

(27206425) \$950,000



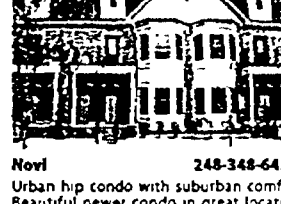
Northville 248-684-1065
Beautiful Historical Home in Charming Northville. 4 Bdrms, 2.5 Bths. Hrdwd flrs & Crown Moulding T/O, Cherry Kit w/ Tin Celi. Master Ste, Lib, 2 Car Gar.

(28011442) \$460,000



Westland 248-348-6430
\$40,000 BELOW SEV! Fenced double lot backing to golf course-ranch w/ updt'd kit & cabts, updated BA w/ pedestal sink, ceramic tile in mud rm & Indry. Knoll wdw 03, newer carpet, refn shed hrdwd flrs.

(28022898) \$95,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Urban hip condo with suburban comfort. Beautiful newer condo in great location near downtown Novi. 2 br, 2 ba, finished LL. Upgrades include hardwood floors, security system, gas fireplace in GR.

(28042184) \$200,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Large Novi Condo with Basement! 3 BRs, 1.5 BAs! 1,300 sq ft! Fin'd bsm! Novi Schools. Assoc fee includes gas, water, pool, tennis usage. Home Warranty! All appliances included! Lots of Storage!

(28024155) \$119,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Great Location & Great Price! Very well maintained condo that is tastefully decorated in neutrals, newer flooring, windows, roof & more, basement is partially finished. Private patio.

(27166924) \$115,000



Plymouth 734-455-7000
THIS IS TRULY A CUSTOM ONE-OF-A-KIND! Many custom features. Iron spindles, woodwork, granite, arched ways, pillars, daylight bsm, 3 car gar, ceramic flrs in kit, baths, foyer laundry.

(28045163) \$369,000



Plymouth 248-851-1900
QUEEN ANNE STYLE Addition/remodel in 2001. New MBR suite, breakfast & family rooms, 1st floor laundry, 2 HVAC systems, wood floors, stainless appl., deck, fenced yard.

(27199285) \$350,000



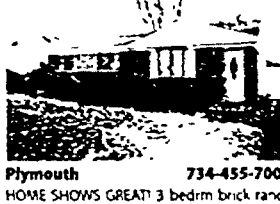
Plymouth 734-455-7000
TOTALLY REMODELED PLYMOUTH BUNGALOW! Newly remodeled 3BR/2 full baths. Ceramic tile in kitchen. All new systems. Part. fin basement. 2 car garage.

(28039773) \$199,000



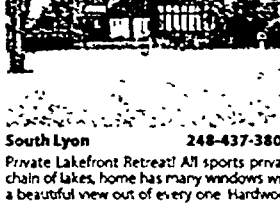
Plymouth 248-348-6430
Beautiful & Comfortable Ranch. Economical starter home. Great find bsm, lovely kit, nice FR, LR, 3 BRs, 1.5 BAs, patio, porch, fenced yard. Newer furn, A/C, roof, driveway sidewalks in sub.

(27166790) \$129,900



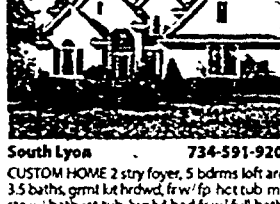
Plymouth 734-455-7000
HOME SHOWS GREAT! 3 bdrms brick ranch. Eat-in kitchen w/ cherry cabinets, bath with unique ceramic tile family room with fireplace and much more!

(28031630) \$169,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Private Lakefront Retreat! All sports private chain of lakes, home has many windows with a beautiful view out of every one. Hardwood floors, granite countertops, fieldstone fireplace.

(27211995) \$549,000



South Lyon 734-591-9200
CUSTOM HOME 2 story foyer, 5 bdrms loft area, 3.5 baths, gmt kit hrdwd flr w/ fp hot tub mstr ste w/ bath jet tub, hw M had fr w/ full bath & bdrms, 3 car gar.

(28039953) \$332,900



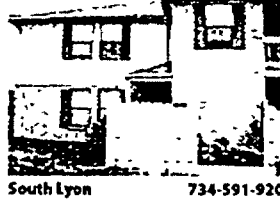
South Lyon 734-591-9200
Great Cape Cod on Cul-de-sac. Kit w/ Bst Bar & Dn area. Bay Window. Driv leads deck w/ Hot Tub. Kt Ad. App's stay. 1st Flr Mstr w/ Bath. Loft. Overlooks 2 story GR. P. Encl Vac. 3+ Heated Gar.

(28038454) \$289,500



South Lyon 248-437-3800
NEW CONSTRUCTION. TO BE BUILT Maplewood model to be built, nice subdivision with large lots. Walking trails.

(28043030) \$224,900



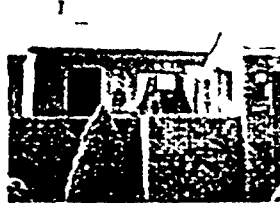
South Lyon 734-591-9200
Upper End Unit. Open flr plan, Newer Hrdwd flrs in Dn Area & Kit. Newer Carpet & Paint. 1/2 to Upgraded Appl Stay. Cath Celi in LR, 2 Full Baths, Upper Bdrms Overlooks Pool.

(28036313) \$128,900



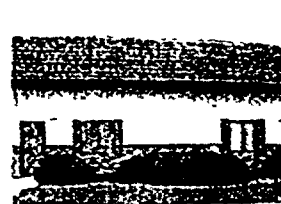
South Lyon 734-591-9200
Stunning End unit is Flawless Throughout. 2 Bdrms 1 1/2 baths, Kit w/ all appls, spacious granite, arched ways, pillars, daylight bsm, 3 car gar, ceramic flrs in kit, baths, foyer laundry.

(28038455) \$121,900



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

(27024815) \$75,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Unit in Colonial Industrial Park. 2400 sq. ft. Unit at a reasonable price. Office space, warehouse space. 16' overhead door. 3 phase electricity. Lease includes assoc. dues and property tax.

(27225639) \$1,500



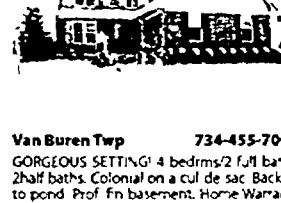
Southfield 248-348-6430
New Construction in Southfield. Two elegant 4 BR, 2 BA homes in beautiful neighborhood. Sunny, gourmet KIT, sumptuous mstr ste and elegant DR. Colorful style. Not too late to pick surfaces.

(27091687) \$354,000



Southfield 248-348-6430
Nature Has Provided 3 lots left in this great location in a beautiful neighborhood of fine homes and large lots. Mature trees in the back provide privacy. Build your dream estate.

(27090340) \$90,000



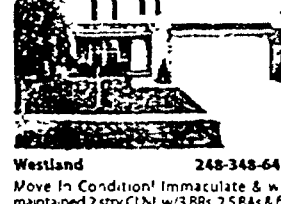
Van Buren Twp 734-455-7000
GORGEOUS SETTING! 4 bdrms/2 full baths/2 half baths. Colonial on a cul de sac. Backing to pond. Prof. Fin basement. Home Warranty. Immed. Occup.

(27104089) \$214,000



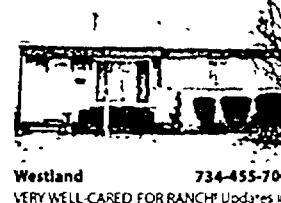
West Bloomfield 248-684-1065
Enjoy 79' of canal frontage on premier lake. Charming Cape Cod has been extensively remodeled. Oak cabinets, carpet, wainscoting, etc. Wooded lot & lake view.

(28024651) \$185,000



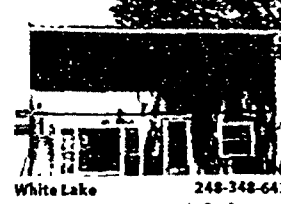
Westland 248-348-6430
Move In Condition! Immaculate & well maintained 2 story CLN w/ 3 BRs, 2.5 BAs & 2nd bsmnt. (Owens Corning Panels). Open floor plan, 1st flr Indry newer sub. A great buy!

(28044111) \$149,900



Westland 734-455-7000
VERY WELL-CARED FOR RANCH! Updates incl bath w/ new tub, vanity & tile. Very sharp. Newer circuit breaker box, furn, 03 roof, 05 new driveway, siding, 06 & fin bsm. (Lyonia schools!)

(28046276) \$139,900



White Lake 248-348-6430
Super Opportunity! White Lake Privileges! Large addition 2005! Huge master BR w/ 2 skylights, 2 WICs. Sub has beach! Access to All Sports Area. Lk. Newer roof! New FR. Convenient to M-59. Home Warranty.

(27193222) \$125,000



Livonia 734-591-9200
Unique perfection. Back yard lower, 1 full bath on each flr, new windows upstairs, new ext. dr, new furn & c/HW. New carpet & Pergo flrs, updt'd bdrms, huge fire event, fam rm & kids to deck w/ hot tub pond.

(28053415) \$229,900



Livonia 248-348-6430
Sharp ranch in a desirable neighborhood. Lge LP and up