

Art House faces \$3.000 cuts

City staff cites need to contain costs as one-third of budget slashed

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Although the city's contribution will remain the same for the 2008-09 fiscal year, the Northville Arts Commission will lose a third of its funding in the years to come.

Northville Arts Commissioners were scheduled to appear at the April 21 city budget meeting, but had their own meeting instead to discuss resetting current priorities due to the fact that classes are being cut, and two programmers have resigned.

Suzanne Poulton, the former

part-time programmer paid by the city, recently resigned to take a full-time position with benefits.

Nickie Bateson, city finance director, told the group that the city had another person lined up to take her place, but then two weeks ago that person found a full-time job with benefits.

'They're in a bit of state of flux in terms of whether they will even operate classes this spring, so their budget is somewhat on hold." Bateson said. The city will contin-ue to provide \$9,000 in the 2008-09 budget but will cut back the commission's budget to \$6,000 a year in future years as a cost-saving measure. Nancy Darga noted that \$3,000 of the \$6,000 goes to the Northville Chamber of Commerce for promotion Victorian Festival.

The Arts Commission will also not be responsible for Art in the Sun in June, this year, which the

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Classes offer an alternative to public schools

By Aleea Hibbeln SPECIAL WRITER

When the owner of Awakening the Artist Inside. Sherri Mewha, noticed that art classes didn't exist in Northville for homeschoolers, she created a learning arts program specifically for them. This was back m 2004, when the store first opened. Ever since then, parents have been bringing their students to Awakenings for extracurricular enrichment in fine art.

Katra Stubbfield, who studied fine art at Eastern Michigan University, has been teaching art to home-schoolers at Awakenings since the beginning. But these are not your ordinary art classes. Stubbfield incorporates the sciences into every project.



Manager of Highland Lakes runs for township trustee seat

Jon Sabo has served city, township

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Jon D. Sabo, community manager of Highland Lakes, will

run for a seat on the Northville Township Board of Trustees in November.

has lived in the township since 1997. He formerly served on the city of Northville's fire department as a fire inspector/fire fighter for about

six years. He has been the manager of the local condominium association since 2003. He and his wife, Tracy, have been married for 20 years, and have two children, Sean, 17, and Allison, 14. Sean attends Northville High School, and Allison is enrolled at Meads Mill Middle School Sabo attended Grand Valley State University in Allendale and graduated from Shearson Lehman Institute in Manhattan, N.Y., becoming a Certified Financial Consultant with a minor in business management.

SABO: **McCotter**, Cox work to obtain funds for road

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Jon Sabo, community manager of the Highland Lakes Condominium Association in Northville Township, said last week that Rep. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia) is working to obtain federal funding to help reconstruct Silver Springs Drive. Sabo added his comments after reading an article in last week's Record.

Sabo has also met with Laura Cox (R-Livonia) a Wayne County commissioner, who has committed to working on the county match dollars. The federal government covers 80 percent of road construction, with the county being responsible for the remaining 20 percent.

Members of the condominium association built the road, then deeded it to Wayne County, according to Sabo.

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an association management specialist. He earned these creden-

J.-Sabo

A native of Royal Oak, Sabo

For instance, in the homeschool class, Module IV Earth at Large, children ages 6 through 12 learned how to paint macroscopic landscapes of the earth from the view of outer space, sculpt cityscapes that look like mountains, and design a stained glass aerial image of the earth. In another class, she has guided homeschoolers in a three-dimensional painting on Plexiglas, incorporating the earth's core.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northwile Record

Awakening the Artist Inside instructor Katra Stubblefield helps student Jessica Accardo, 17, in the Northville art studio on a recent Wednesday afternoon. Accardo is one of the home-schooled students that goes to Awakening for art instruction.

He is a certified manager of community associations and is tials from the Community Associations Institute in Alexandria, Va.

In the city of Northville, he served as a trustee of the Police and Fire Benevolent Fund. He was a member of the Oral Review Board, the Public Safety Bond Committee, was the Federal Property and Grant Officer.

For the township, he served on the Public Safety Millage Committee, was a member of

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EARLY CHILDHOOD EXHIBIT: Proceeds go to Civic Concern

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

When the children created the artwork for the Northville Public Schools' Early Childhood Center's Children's Exhibit, they only cared about having fun.

But, their creations will soon

help feed local needy residents. Proceeds of \$1,047 from the display's raffle on April 11 at the Northville Community Senior Center will benefit Northville Civic Concern, an all-volunteer local organization whose purpose is to help those in need with food. The organization assists about 100 families in the city of Northville and Northville Township and is funded primarily by the contributions of Northville residents.

Most of the items at the benefit were purchased by the children's parents or other family members. Organizers of the fund-raiser requested that money raised be used to support children's causes. Those who were interested in a particular item placed their name and phone number on a ticket and placed it in a bag next to the item. The winners were contacted later.

Featured each April, Month of the Young Child, the exhibit is made up of unique displays of art that students worked on for months.

"As advocates for the rights of children and their many ways of expressing themselves, we found this event an ideal way to put the community focus on children." said Eileen Freeman, program coordinator, Early Childhood Center. A special presentation that explained the work that went into some of the displays took place at the end of the April 8 Board of Education meeting at Old Village School.

"We celebrate those who fill our world with wonder, innocence, discovery and magical moments," Freeman said. "This exhibit is a part of the celebration."

£ "The Fountain" project

One of the displays titled "The

Fountain" has been an ongoing project over the last two school years by children in the Moraine Elementary School's Kids Club. The idea sprouted last year when students came across a tall shoe rack. After discussing with the children what they wanted to use it for, a fountain became their favorite idea. Sheets of metal were attached to the rack with copper wire to make the foundation Then students painted a sunset on the metal sheets.

The main problem we had was painting everything twice and matching colors that had already been painted," said Elizabeth Hartmann-Krygier, one of the teachers who helped the children with the project. Other teachers involved were Stephen Gabon and Heather Mauch.

Next, the students sprayed several applications of a clear coat to protect the paint from the flowing water.

The work was completed by students Ethan Oiler and Scott Granzotto. "Ethan and Scott were dedicated to the project 110 percent," said the narrative next to the fountain.

The Kids Club consists of before-school and after-school programs for students in grades firstfive. The Wondergarten program is for kindergarteners. A preschool program consists of either half-day or all-day child care or a parentchild class for children ages 18 months-3, according to Nancy Schuerman, who mentors other teachers in the district's art studios. Freeman and Schuerman were responsible for setting up the Children's Exhibit.

One of the most emotionallymoving pieces at the exhibit, titled "Operation Quiet Comfort," featured a special quilt made for wounded soldiers in the Middle East by students in Ridge Wood Elementary School's Child Care and Kids Club programs. The idea came from the fact that one of the students' mothers belongs to the Michigan Military Moms, an organization whose members get

together to make up care packages with various items for soldiers overseas, including the quilts for wounded brothers in arms.

The organization provided all the materials for the quilt that features messages of encouragement, and the students put it together for the organization's Operation Quiet Comfort effort.

Next to the quilt at the exhibit was a photo of and letter written by a LCpl. Robert S. Lynn, a U. S. Marine, to a couple of mothers who had sent him another such quilt

The soldier, who suffered from respiratory problems, had a collapsed left lung. In his letter, he wrote that he passed out, was airlifted to a U.S. medical facility in Iraq, and when he woke up, he was on a ventilator and was wrapped in one of the quilts.

He had a severe case of bronchitis, laryngitis and asthma triggered by all of the dust soldiers in Iraq breathe daily.

Thank you both for your gift of time, effort and love," he wrote. "I will bring it with me whether I stay here or go home as a reminder of what we've been fighting for."

Wear a purple ribbon

The Children's Exhibit: Learning Through Interaction & Collaboration is the highlight of the district's annual Month of the Young Child celebration. At the opening of the exhibit on April 8, a letter describing the month included a purple ribbon attached to it. District staff and Board of Education members were asked to show their passion for children's issues by wearing or displaying the ribbon on their car antennae, purse or desk drawer handle at school during the rest of the month.

'Our children are our most valuable resource," Freeman said.

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Submitted photo Ethan Oiler and Scott Granzotto work on their project titled "The Fountain." The item started out as a shoe rack, with the students adding sheet metal and painting a sunset on the metal, protecting it with several layers of clear-coat paint.





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Manager of Highland Lakes to run for township trustee seat

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the School Design Committee and is on the steering committee of the grass-roots organization, Citizens for Northville.

Sabo said he has decided to run for township trustee because. "I want to bring new ideas and processes to the board. The other component is I'd like to see a better balance in the future direction of the township."

In his spare time, Sabo and his entire family enjoys skeet and trap shooting. He's a coach for the Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Shooting Teams, and his son, Sean, won the individual skeet championship and the teams won the overall skeet, trap and sporting plays.

The teams will travel to southeast Illinois for the national competitions in July.

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SABO: McCotter, Cox work to obtain funds for road

But because Wayne County doesn't have enough money to care for all of the roadways in the county, 'The reality is that our community continues to plow, salt and street sweep Silver Springs Drive," Sabo said.

He said the residents of the condo association won't agree to fund road repairs themselves, or pay to have the road redone through by creating a Special Assessment District because the roadway is actually used by drivers throughout the western suburbs of Metro Detroit.

'It's not only the Highland Lakes community that uses Silver Springs Drive," Sabo said. Essentially, residents from Novi, Plymouth, Northville. Salem Township, Livonia and other surrounding communities use this road as a cut-through between Seven Mile and Eight Mile roads. We're so emphatically

against a Special Assessment District because the entire area depends on the road, and those expenses should be borne by the entire county

Art House budget cut by one-third to \$6k annually

units for less and was able to hire

someone to take care of the com-

serve as a groundskeeper at Allen

Terrace. The cost to replace car-

peting was \$1.318 per unit. The

per unit.

new company charges only \$835

Refrigerators were also pur-

to be replaced at some point. 'To

about \$50,000," Necelis said, "but

A rent increase of 1.97 percent

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costs to maintain the building and

help pay for a bond issued on the

complex. The rent increase will

bring in \$14,592 a year to Allen

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also not be running the Art Market during the Victorian Festival this year. The Chamber will make a donation to the Arts Commission this year instead, since that has been one of the commission's largest fund-raisers, producing about \$12,000 a year for the com-กบ่รรเอก

The city-owned Northville Art House was originally built by local Boy Scouts for scout meetings, but they couldn't afford to run it, so the scouts deeded it to the city. The building was also used as the Northville Senior Center for several years before it became the Northville Art House.

Mayor Chris Johnson said he was somewhat concerned about any plans to make major improvements to the building in the future as the property may be needed for an expansion of the post office in the future. Such an expansion could also affect the Cady Street Dog Park.

Allen Terrace budget

After trial.

move on

families try to

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of his life, the Orlewiczes have

lost the companionship of their

"We hope the community remem-

son, too," said Kim Sorensen.

bers them in their prayers, too."

The Orlewicz family has

the case. Orlewicz's attorney,

James Thomas, said following

the trial his client would appeal.

There will be no such appeal

for Alexander Letkemann, the 18-

year-old former Livonia Churchill

High School student, following his April I guilty plea to second-degree murder. It was

Letkemann's chilling description

of the murder that ultimately con-

vinced jurors to convict Orlewicz.

Letkemann's role in the trial

drew praise from a surprising

declined to comment throughout

"We lost a son, but for the rest

As far as the Housing Commission's budget, director Sherry Nocelis said she found a carpet company that was able to replace carpeting in individual

source: the victim's father.

anger toward Alex." James Sorensen said. "That being said, I'm very proud of Alex. He stood up like a man and took responsibility for his actions."

For Letkemann, the trial was but a subplot on the rest of his life. His parents said they paid some attention to the trial, but remain focused on their own son. Pete Letkemann. who called the Sorensens "amazing people." said his son always wanted to "tell the truth."

"We love Alex and we believe, as does Alex, that his testifying was the right thing to do," Pete Letkemann said. "I don't mean the right thing to do for Alex, but the right thing to do, period."

The elder Letkemann said his son is anxious to get Wednesday's sentencing hearing behind him so he can move on and rebuild his life from prison. Alex Letkemann, who amused observers during his testimony by describing himself as a "beatnik," has an interest in music.

Photo by Bob Taylor

The best

Joy Lerner won Best of Show at last Friday's Student Art Show at the Northville Art House, earning her a \$100 gift certificate of Northville bucks from Michelle Kelly of Kelly & Kelly, PC

Terrace, "This rent increase is important to help pay for some of these costs, and this is still below the 2.3 percent increase in Social Security income for 2008." Necelis said. Rental rates at Allen Terrace will increase from \$610 to \$622 for a one-bedroom apartment and from \$1,015 to \$1,035 for a two-bedroom apartment

Allen Terrace, which was constructed in the 1970s, is now a self-supporting facility, according to Bateson "It's now paying for itself, and. In the government world, that's a good thing." Bateson said Pat Sullivan, city manager, also complimented Necells for her cost-saving measures on the senior housing complex

"This is his chance for redemption," Pete Letkemann said. "He wants a second

James Thomas, the lawyer for convicted killer Jean Pierre Orlewicz, said he'll appeal Wednesday's guilty verdict. Orlewicz, 18, was convicted of first-degree murder, felony murder and mutilation of a corpse He faces a life sentence without possibility of parole when he's sentenced May 12.

Thomas said he'll appeal based on Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Annette Berry's decision to keep out evidence of victim Daniel Sorensen's criminal past, including personal protection

four individuals. Thomas spent much of the trial trying to paint Sorensen as a violent bully, and said those PPOs would have substantiated that

Homeschool: Classes offer an alternative to public schools

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mantel and crust

And in another class, students learned about plants by dissecting and drawing the insides of various flowers. In yet another class, stu-dents learned about photosynthesis and the importance of gardens from around the world when they drew, in watercolor pencil, a pic-

ture of their favorite garden. "The learning is endless," said Stubbfield, who believes art is connected to everything, especially science.

After leaving college. Stubblield was a nanny for three children before she began teaching at Awakening the Artist Inside. It was then that she began combining art with science "I used to test my arts and sci-

ence skills on these kids," she said "They loved the projects and when the parents came home, they couldn't believe what they had done.'

Stubbfield also teaches Portfolio Preparation to all students ages 14-18 after school. "It's a great combination - kids

who are home-schooled and kids who aren't get together and learn from each other," said Stubblield Awakening the Arust Inside is

located at 133 W. Main Street (inside Northville Square) Call (248) 347-0807 for a complete home school class schedule, or visit the Web site at www.awakeningtheartistinside com.

Home-school Athletic League

Jim Sleep, owner of HAL (Home-school Athletic League), is celebrating three years in business

The 44-year-old sports enthusiast was an assistant manager at the Southfield Center Ice Arena when he had an "ah-ha" moment that led to a booming business almost overnight. Noticing that

hours during the day, Sleep thought it would be a great place to teach athletic classes He designed his athletic league specifically for home-schooled kids because he felt there were

enough support groups for academics and the arts, but nothing in the form of athletics. "I realized mom and dad

the building was empty for several

weren't athletic, so I wanted to give the kids a physical outlet," Sleep said

Sleep then developed a viable business plan, leading him to believe that 50 students would sign up for the first class Instead. the entrepreneur who has been coaching sports for 30 years, received calls from 150 eager home-school parents.

Today, HAL employs professional coaches to teach more than 20 different sports classes to home-schooled kids ages 5-18 in Northville, Novi, Ann Arbor and Southfield Each class is offered in 10 week sessions and runs \$8 an hour.

HAL will shut down in June for the summer and start classes again in September. This past year. Northville home-school students have taken soccer, tennis, basketball and tumbling at the Hillside Recreation Facility. Next week, a tennis class will start up at the Fish Hatchery Park on Seven Mile.

Northville home-school parent Cheri Pelic has her two kids, ages 8 and 11, currently enrolled in HAL basketball at Novi Christian School She said she likes HAL because her kids are able to learn the skills of each sport and find out what they like without committing to a team for the whole season

So far. Pelic's homeschoolers have taken figure skating, baseball, soccer and bowling.

"I've bowled before but I don't know how to teach it." she said.

What's new on the horizon? Sleep will begin putting together a few competing teams this sum-mer. And for the first time, HAL will have organized sporting events beginning in the fall.

Visit HAL online for a complete class schedule at www.imhal.com.

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Accomplice gets 20 to 30 year

By Brad Kadrich OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

While Jean Pierre Orlewicz found out his fate Wednesday. Alexander Letkemann wouldn't know his for a few more days

When a Wayne County Circuit Court jury found Orlewicz. 18, of Plymouth Township guilty of first-degree murder, felony murder and mutilation of a corpse, it meant a mandatory life sentence without the possibility of parole when he's sentenced May 12. Letkemann, on the other hand, had to wait out Judge Annette Berry's decision. The 18-year-old from Westland, who pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the death of 26-year-old Daniel Sorensen, got a deal from the Wayne County prosecutor, who agreed to a sentence recommendation of 20-30 years. And that's what Letkemann was sentenced to yesterday in Berry's courtroom in Wayne County Circuit Court. The deal came in exchange for Letkemann's testimony against Orlewicz. "I talked to Alex (Thursday), and he's doing well," said Raymond Cassar, Letkemann's attorney. "He told me right from the beginning he wanted to make this right, and that's what he did." Letkemann's father, Pete, and James Sorensen, the father of the victim, both had praise for Letkemann's testimony

was the right thing to do," Pete Letkemann said. "I don't mean the right thing to do for Alex, but the right thing to do, period."

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"Please understand that I have

chance.'

Appealing the verdict

versus just 2,500 residents of Highland Lakes."

Sabo said, however, that he's been working since the beginning of March on solutions for the road.

"We've approached our congressman, Thaddeus McCotter, for what is called a federal earmark for federal funds to repair Silver Springs Drive," he said. He also believes Don Weaver, director of public services for the township, deserves a lot of credit for his efforts in trying to alleviate the problem.

"We need to compliment Don Weaver for his efforts in making the road eligible for federal funds," Sabo said.

Sabo noted that Silver Springs Drive is 36 years old.

He added that Oakland County has a road commission, but the counterpart for Wayne County is simply known as Wayne County Roads. not a commission.

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WEDDINGS



Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Pack

Victoria Jean Stephens and Jonathan Duren Pack were married August 3, 2007, at the First Presbylerian Church in Northville Dr Larry Pack and the Rev Kent Chise officiated. A reception followed at the Northville Senior Community Center

The bride is the daughter of Carl D and Karen J. Stephens of Northville She is a 2003 graduate of Northville High School and a 2007 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of music degree in music education. She is an elementary general music teacher for the Kingsley area schools in Kingsley, Michigan

The groom is the son of Jon and Karen Pack of Kingsley He is a 2002 graduate of Kingsley High School and 2006 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of arts degree in political science. He is the front desk manager at the Cherry Tree Condo Hotel in Traverse City.

Bridesmaids were Cattlin Bumford, Allison Cole, Kari Mark, Brittany Pack and Tanya Stephens. The best man was Dr. Bryan Pack. Groomsmen were Nick Mark, Darren Pack. Ryan Pack, Sean Pack and Peter Stephens. The bride's cousins, Lauren and Melissa Crowley, helped during the ceremony.

The bride wore an off-white, V-neck gown with fitted bodice and glass beading. She carried a bouquet of summer wildflowers mixed with white roses. The couple honey mooned in Maine and live in Traverse

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Darren Pack. Age 92, of Northville, died 4/21/08. Pack and Funeral Service today, 4/24/08 11 a.m. with visitation beginning 10 a m at Good Sheppard Lutheran Church, 41415 9 Mile Rd., Novi Casterline Funeral Home, Inc

DONNA MIRIAM LEE (BAUM) JACKSON

SELMA SCHNUTE

OBITUARIES

Passed away April 14, 2008 in Bradenton, Florida after a lengthy illness of Alzheimer's. She was born in Indianapolis, Indiana April 27, 1916. Donna Irved her early years in Ohio then Michigan where she raised her five children with her husband Clarence Baum. Retired from Kroger s Food in Northville, Michigan she came to Bradenton, Florida in 1975. Donna is predeceased by husbands Clarence Baum and Archie Jackson. She is survived by daughters, Leannah (Stanley) Gurney, Ginny (Wayne) Bray, Donna (Doug) Bevins, Teena Baum, son, Donald Baum and 23 grandchildren Services were private

GLADYS F. BARNUM

Gladys F. Barnum, age 86, of Novi, formerly of Northville and Kalkaska. passed away peacefully on April 18, 2008. She was born on August 20, 1921 in Saginaw, MI to William and Lillian (Barnkow) DeLude. She was united in marriage to Harold E. Barnum on March 6, 1943. They spent 44 loving years together until his death on April 17, 1987. Gladys, a homemaker, enjoyed playing bridge and gardening. She was an avid reader. She is survived by her beloved children, Ronald (Kathy) Barnum and Joy (Bruce) Mach; her dear brother, Jack (Eleanor) DeLude and sister, Ruth (Marvin) Simonson; her adored grandchildren, Gregory Barnum, Melissa Barnum, Jason (Alaina Schroeder) Mach and Randy (Jerri) Mach; and her cherished great grandchildren, Tyler and Logan Mach. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her brother Douglas DeLude. A Time of Gathering will be held Sunday, May 4, 2008 from 1 pm. until 3 pm with a Memorial Service at 3 pm at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. 122 W. Dunlap, Northville. Pastor Terry Nelson from Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in South Lyon will be officiating the service. In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate memorial contributions to Marywood Nursing Care Center, 36975 5 Mile Rd , Livonia, MI 48154 or Angela Hospice, 14100

HERBERT RORABACHER, JR.

Age 82 of Plymouth, formerly of Northville, died Apr. 15, 2008. Funeral held last Sat at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc of Northville Donations to Dept. of Veteran Affairs



DOROTHY MAE MYERS

Age 91, of Northville, passed away peacefully on April 15, 2008. She was born on May 12, 1916 in Detroit, Michigan to George and Maude (Sims) Price. She was united in marriage to Cloyce Myers on January 7, 1942; they spent 57 lov-ing years together until his death on March 25, 1999. Dorothy, a devoted homemaker, had been a resident of Northville since the late 1930's. She enjoyed bowling and traveling with her husband. She was a member and past President of the Northville VFW Post 4012 Ladies Auxiliary. She is survived by her loving chil-dren, George (Sue) Myers, Rick (Diane) Myers, Debi (Matt) Jarvi, and David Myers; her dearest sisters, Peggy Heiney and Ginny Lester, 11 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her sisters Muriel, Lucille, and Shirley. A Funeral Service was held last Monday at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Rev. Kent Clise officiated the service. Dorothy was laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. Donations are suggested to the Pam Kracht Adult Foster Care, 6027 Pine Oaks Trail, Brighton, MI 48116. Arrangements by Casterline Funeral Home, Inc

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Dr. and Mrs. George Pappas

Kathryn Anne Richardson and George Michael Pappas, M D were married March 1 at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Dearborn The Hon Sean F Cox officiated

The bride is the daughter of Alan and Janet Richardson of Livonia She graduated from Livonia She graduated from Livonia Stevenson High School in 1991, and from Central Michigan University with a bachelor of arts degree in child development and a bachelor of science degree in therapeutic recreation in 1996. She is a senfor child life specialist at

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Jeffrey Ross Durow, son of

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The bride-elect is a 2003

graduate of Northville High

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State University and a master's

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Diane Elizabeth Cavicchioli to

Children's Hospital of Michigan The groom is the son of Carole

Pappas and the late Dr. George J Pappas of Northville. He graduated as valedictorian from Northville High School in 1990, from the University of Michigan with a bachelor of arts degree in history in 1994, from Wayne State University School of Medicine in 1996 with a master's degree in basic medical Science, and in 2000 with an medical doctorate In 2005, he completed a diagnostic radiology residency and in 2006 completed a magnetic resonance imaging fellowship He is a staff radiologist at St. Joseph

work, Technical Assistance

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Neighborhood Initiative.

The groom-elect is a 2003

graduate of Farmington High

School and earned a bachelor

of science in psychology from

Michigan State University. He

is a youth ministry intern at

employed at Martin and Osa

A May 2008 wedding is

Oak Pointe Church and

planned in Plymouth

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Mercy Oakland Hospital in Pontiac.

A reception was held at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn. Art Richardson, niece of the bride, and Alexis Pappas, niece of the groom, served as flower girls Max Richardson, nephew of the bride, and Benjamin Pappas, nephew of the groom served as ring-bearers.

The bride wore a Carolina Herrera silk sheath gown with accent beading She carried a black baccara rose bouquet.

The couple honey mooned in Cancun, Mexico and live in Northville.

Birth



Mattis/Deacon

Andrew and Christine Deacon of Seattle, Wash, formerly of Northville, announce the birth of their son, Daniel James, at 10.31 p.m. on March 5, 2008, weighing a 9 lbs, 14 oz and measuring 20 inches

Danny's grandparents are Jim and Mary Mattis and Bill and

Chris Deacon of Northville

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Petition proposes part-time politicians, no term limits

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

Following the crisis surrounding last year's state budget, recall campaigns and discussions about the Legislature have been common, recently encouraging discussion on switching to part-time legislation and removing term limits.

Reform Michigan Government and Turn Michigan Around are two programs working toward the effort, and petitions are circulating throughout the state to get these issues on the November ballot.

Novi resident Patrick Downey, a retired high school government teacher, has been promoting discussion in the community and hosted a discussion at his home Monday with Oakland County Commissioner Hugh Crawford, former Novi Police inspector Dick Faulkner and Commerce resident Dick Stopienski.

"Economically, we'd save

money. It's on the ballot to not only make part-time, but eliminate term limits. It's just musical elective chairs. First term, they learn. Second term, they bicker. Third term, they're looking for another job, preferring elected. They get health care for life and, at a certain number of years, pension," Downey said. "California is the only state that pays its legislators more than Michigan."

The potential of part-time legislation is fully supported by the Kalamazoo Chamber of Commerce. although Craw ford said the state chamber isn't as enthusiastic. He said there are a lot of angles to look at regarding the proposal.

"I've got some reservations about it, but I'd like to see some

Photo by Mike Shuster

Oakland County Commissioner Hugh Crawford, left, talks with Patrick Downey, Dick Stopienski and Dick Faulkner during a political discussion Monday at Downey's home.

resolutions." Crawford said. "The time has come to talk about it and see how it all shakes out. I know we've got to change they way we're doing things and this may be one way."

Crawford, who is a candidate for state representative this November, said the 100-day limitation proposal needs to be evaluated, whether it would be lumped into the first half of the year or spread out throughout the entire year.

"If you're there January through May, and someone calls in September, what do you do then? I have concern with the first 100 days, but what are you going to do with the rest of the year." he said. "I think people expect service year-round."

Downey said the need for a different legislative arrangement stems from its ability to perform.

"I've been disappointed with what our state legislation has been doing for years. There are enough people in this state, we should be able to put a good group in there. I think we need more efficiency and less partisanship. We need a reform and this is one step in that direction," he coid

said. Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) is concerned with who would be filling the seats in the Capitol Building if a part-time legislature is adopted, as many people would have to work full-time jobs and may not run for office.

"It would increase the likelihood of an individual seeking other remuneration. Would they seek remuneration through lobbyists or others through a conflict of interest? It raises ethical questions of seeking alternate forms of remuneration," she said

Term limits

Eliminating term limits, which is another part of the proposal, seems more feasible to Crawford, Downey and Cassis.

"I really think the unintended consequences of a term-limited legislature is becoming more apparent," Cassis said, "You're here for a short time, looking ahead to where you'll go next. It affects how you perform legislatively and the bills you try to get passed. You're kind of short-circuited here." Cassis is the second longest standing legislator in Lansing, having served as a state senator for six years since serving as a representative for the term-maximum of 12 years. Without immediate changes, she would be forced to leave office in two years because of term limits.

"I did vote for term limits, but I do not think it turned out the way we hoped." she said. "We're learning from the lessons of term limits and (might want to) apply it to part-time legislation."

Crawford, who said he was not in favor of term limits or recalls, said term limits have resulted in the partisanship that has caused recalls recently.

"It's hard to get away from it. Both sides play games. It gets to be a terrible cycle. This partisanship is the real result of term limits," he said. "I wish we could run the state in the way we run Oakland County. We're always passing a rolling two-year budget. The state seems like it's looking two weeks ahead."

Downey believes a part-time legislature would help cut back on partisanship.

"They'd be forced to take action instead of political posturing. It's no to advantage of the voters. Having a part-time legislation, they will be compelled to move things along," he said, adding, "We have term limits. We call them elections."

Changes

As for the current legislature. Downey said they can partially redeem themselves by helping to move the process along.

"Their existence as the state legislature is limited any way. They just need to initiate change because they'll have to leave any way (because of term limits). It wouldn't affect them," he said.

Downey is no stranger to politics, as a former government teacher at Holy Redeemer High School in Detroit, he also ran for state representative in 1968, but lost. Now, he is helping to spearhead the local petition to institute part-time legislators and remove term limits.

"I believed in getting involved and threw my name in the hat," he said of his run for the legislature. "If you're not going to do anything about it, quit bitching about it. I'm just a soldier. I don't believe in change for the sake of change. I'm so afraid they'll end up with a caucus system I lose sleep."

To sign a petition or get involved with the program in Novi, contact Patrick Downey at (248) 349-4108 or John Taschner at (313) 310-8058.

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Annexation legislation fails to pass in Senate

Patterson's six-bill package shot down, 20-18

By Pam Fleming

Northville Township leaders were disappointed when a bill designed to thwart the annexation of townships by neighboring communities failed to pass in the Michigan Senate on Tuesday.

Tuesday. This is the latest blow to those trying to stop the possible annexation of the township to Livonia, an action initiated by developer REIS, a partnership between Real Estate Interests Group and Schostak Brothers & Company. After the township board failed to approve REIS' plan for its proposed Highwood project on the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital property. the developer sued the township and moved some renters onto the property in an effort to establish them as voters and

start an annexation process. Sen. Bruce Patterson's (R-Canton Township) bill would give the township the ability to stop the annexation. The legislation failed in a 20-18 vote. The legislation is part of a

The legislation is part of a package of six bills. 'SB 1078-1083, similar but more comprehensive than HB 5779, introduced by Rep. Marc Corriveau (D-Northville), that passed 101-8 in the Michigan House last month.

However, Mark Abbo, township supervisor, said Sen. Alan Cropsey (R-DeWitt), Senate Majority Floor Leader, did make a motion for the bill to be reconsidered in a future session. "I'm very disappointed by the vote but am hopeful that the Senate will evaluate this legislation on its merit and follow the lead of the House," Abbo said. Abbo complimented Patterson on his efforts to get the legislation passed in the Senate.

said. "I can't say enough about the efforts he has put forth on behalf of Northville Township"

Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) said she supported Patterson's legislation, which was actually a reintroduction of a package of six bills that passed in the Senate in 2003 but then died in the House.

"I think it speaks for itself that I have voted twice in favor of this legislation," Cassis said. "As senator of the 15th district, I represent a diverse group of communities that includes villages, townships and cities."

sen. Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) was the only Democrat in the Senate to vote in favor of the

affects how you perform legislatively and the bills you try to get passed. You're kind of short-circuited here."

"Senator Patterson has gone the extra mile and has worked diligently on this issue," Abbo legislation. Corriveau was also disappointed that the Senate legisla-

tion did not pass this week. "I'm still very hopeful, however, that we can still work together on a bipartisan solution to this very serious problem," he said.

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Township Fire Fighters contribute to MDA

Northville Township Professional Fire Fighters Local 3961 donated a check for \$2,500 March 25 to the Muscular Dystrophy Association from proceeds from the Feb. 9 Fireman's Ball. The check was delivered to the MDA clinic in Farmington Hills. Pictured at the clinic, from left, are Thomas Hughes, fire fighter; David Simpson, D.O., neurologist; and Rob McAllister, fire fighter. Hughes and McAllister toured the clinic and talked to members of a local family that deals with the challenges of the degenerative disease. The union is also donating \$1,000 to Northville Civic Concern, \$1,000 to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, \$1,000 to the Michigan Trauma Burn Center and \$1,000 to the Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy Syndrome Association.



POLICE REPORT - CITY OF NORTHVILLE

Wallet stolen at Ford Field

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A 15-year-old Garden City boy told police that his wallet was stolen between 1 and 3 p.m. April 5 while he was in Ford Field Park.

The boy was playing football with a group of friends. He placed the wallet on a bench while playing the game along with items other people had placed there. When he returned, the wallet was gone.

He had \$23, a Michigan learner's permit and a Dearborn Credit Union membership card in the wallet. There are no witnesses or suspects at this time.

Drunk driving arrest

A 56-year-old Novi man was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated at North Center and Randolph streets at 12:51 a.m. April 5.

While performing stationary radar from a driveway on the south side of Eight Mile Road at Carpenter Avenue, an officer saw a dark-colored vehicle westbound on Eight Mile Road that had its left turn signal on for about two blocks.

The driver also stopped at the flashing yellow light at the intersection of Eight Mile Road and Center Street, and the vehicle remained stopped at the light for several seconds before turning southbound onto Center Street. After observing the vehicle

weaving slightly within its lane, turning eastbound on Dunlap, then westbound on Main Street, the driver proceeded back to Center Street, turning northbound through a red light at the "No Turn on Red" intersection.

After initiating a traffic stop, the officer followed the vehicle for about two blocks to the intersection of Randolph and Center streets, where the driver pulled over onto the sidewalk.

The officer could smell intoxicants coming from the passenger side of the car and noted that the driver's eyes were glassy and constructed. He could also detect a distinct slur in his speech.

The man said he had been at the Pistons game, that he did

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 19.5-horsepower Briggs & Stratton have too much to drink and that he was "probably drunk."

When asked if he knew where he was, he said he was in Northville on Novi Road. The man was very unsteady on his feet and appeared to have urinated on himself.

A preliminary breath test showed a blood alcohol level in the driver of .19 percent.

Theft from vehicle

A 46-year-old Canton man reported to police that the license plate was stolen from a company truck at 10.20 a m April 8 near 190 E. Main Street.

The man, who works for Long Mechanical Company, said the firm has 27 trucks, so it took him a few days to check each one and make sure that the license plate hadn't been placed improperly on another vehicle.

He wasn't sure how long the plate had been missing or from where it was stolen

Bicycle taken at friend's

A 37-year-old Northville Township man had his bicycle stolen while visiting a friend at Millstream Apartments at 430 E Main Street between 11 a.m April 2 and 2 a m. April 3. The man told police he left the bike leaning against the front porch and discovered it was missing as he was leaving. The bike was not locked, and he and his friend did not hear or see anything suspicious.

The victim added that he is a runner and has been all over the area looking for the bike but has not found it.

The men's red and black Trek mountain bike was valued at approximately \$700.

Theft at Hiller's Market

A 54-year-old Northville Township woman had her purse stolen from a shopping cart at Hiller's Market at 425 N. Center Street about 3 p.m. on April 1.

After paying for her groceries, she went to her car, put the groceries in the car and drove home.

Once home, she realized after a few hours that she did not have her purse and remembered that it was in the shopping cart she had been using.

She drove back to the market, explained to the manager what had happened and was told that no one had turned in the purse.

Compiled by Pam Fleming

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS ANNUAL ARBOR DAY SEEDLING GIVEAWAY

The Beautification Commissions for the City of Northville and the Township of Northville will jointly host the annual ***ARBOR DAY Seedling Giveaway*** which will be held on:

> Saturday, April 26, 2008 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (or until seedlings are gone) at Northville Township Hall 4405 Six Mile Road (NW Corner of Six Mile and Sheldon Roads) Back patio on the south of building off of Sheldon Road

Residents of the City and Township of Northville and the Northville Public School District are eligible for the free seedings. You must attend in person to pick up your seedings, requests by phone or mail cannot be accommodated nor large requests from groups.

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Climbing the ladder

John Werth, director of public safety for Northville Township, announced promotions in the Northville Township Fire Department during the March 20 Northville Township Board of Trustees meeting. "This is the team that will now lead our department," Werth said. Pictured at township hall after the announcement are (I to r) Lt. Dan Dipple, Lt. Brian Siriani, Capt. Guy Balok, Werth, Lt. Brad Neuhart, Lt. Phil Sutherland and Lt. Chris Koth.



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Radisson aims to be your 'gathering place'

Renovations cost \$12.5M

By Cal Stone RECORD EDITOR

The transformation that has taken place at the Radisson in the Laurel Park Mall complex in Livonia is nothing short of stunning. Nearly \$12.5 million was spent, and it's easy to see where the money went.

While remaining open for business, all 226 of the hotel rooms were taken down to the studs and totally redone to include top-of-the-line adjustable beds, work spaces and even granite countertops to make what general manager Lennie Williams calls "just a nice, comfortable room.'

Some folks may remember Williams from his stint as manager of the Hotel Baronette in Novi a few years ago. He moved on to several other hotels before coming back home.

"This is a very exciting project," said Williams. "I've done hotel renovations before, but never at the same time."

For 25 years, the hotel was a Holiday Inn, and the name change took place a little over a year ago. The new Radisson Hotel Detroit Livonia and Conference Center is part of Carlson Companies, which also owns the Country Inn & Suites and TGI Friday chains.

"The company put a lot of money back into the community. Even in a down economy," said Williams. "That makes a statement."

One realizes things are a little different at a Radisson because once you check in, the clerk comes from behind the counter to hand over the keys and get a bellman to assist with baggage.

The lobby is just one of many areas designed for folks to just hang out and relax. The whole feel that we're

looking for is that of a gathering place," said Williams. From seating areas with comfy

armchairs and couches that accommodate 15 people with a fireplace, to others with flatscreen televisions and pool tables, most of the ground floor has the feel of a spread out lounge.

"We like to call it our 'virtual library'," said Williams. A good portion of that level is

dedicated to a large in-ground pool and Jacuzzi, but advanced air handlers above eliminate the smell of chlorine that is almost a tradition at hotels. Many of the second-floor rooms have patios overlooking the pool and two room entrances.

Six suites come with microwave, refrigerator, wet bar, living room, large bedroom with full closets and a large bathroom with double sinks

A small enclosed game room is next to the free-standing fitness center that includes free weights, elliptical machines, treadmills, bike machines, weight machines and a TV.

But don't get the idea that the hotel is strictly for leisure. There's a business center for getting work done and the entire hotel is WiFi compatible.

There are hospitality, meeting and banquet rooms that can handle just about any business group's needs. The Radisson has over 15,000 square feet of banquet space. One ballroom can handle 350 people and can be subdivided into thirds. A second ballroom can accommodate up to 750 people and can also be sectioned into different sizes.

And if you're hungry or thirsty, there are several options. In the main lobby, there's the Marketplace Cafe for sandwiches, muffins, salads, coffee, etc. Right next to it is the new SIX Lounge with its soft chairs and bar stools, high-back sofas and an overall retro look and feel.

But if you wind you're way through the lobby area, you'll find the Traveling Fork restaurant. Some of it is recognizable from when it was Shanahan's, like the multi-level seating, fireplace and curvy bar.

"The bar is great," said Williams. "It doesn't get any better than this."

But it's the food that's going to grab attention, pulling notable

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Newly-renovated Radisson features suite rooms (above) with granite bar countertops; an indoor pool (right), Jacuzzi and fitness center; and a lobby area (below) that expands throughout the first floor.



dishes from around the country: Chicken wings from the Anchor Bar in Buffalo, NY; crab cakes from Phillips in Baltimore; ribs from Rendezvous in Memphis: deli-style sandwiches from Carnegie, NY; and a few homegrown specialties like Michigan cherry salad, Better Made potato chips and Saunder's sundaes.

The Traveling Fork hours will be 6:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; till midnight Friday and Saturday.

After a great meal, you may just want to grab one of the 151 rooms with double beds or one of the 75 rooms with king beds. There are laundry rooms too, in case you didn't bring a change of clothes.

For more information, call (734) 464-1300, or visit www.radisson.com/livoniami









Outlook for jobs brighter in 2009

Oakland County seen

its economic downturn. So, any sign of job growth in the county is a key indicator that Michigan's recession may be

Emerging Sectors initiative. which recruits growing industries to the county, as an example of attracting the jobs of the future. Patterson announce

as key spot in Michigan

By John Wiselv GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Oakland County will lose another 4,400 jobs this year before adding about 1,200 jobs in 2009, and 5,600 jobs in 2010, according to two University of Michigan economists.

George Fulton and Donald Grimes presented the 23rd annual Oakland County Economic Forecast on Thursday to about 750 business and government leaders in Novi.

The forecast was welcome news on two fronts: The county lost 23,000 jobs in 2006-07. And as one of the most affluent counties in the nation. Oakland is expected to lead the state out of

uing, Since 1986, the forecast has had an average margin of error of only 1.5%. Fulton said.

The county can expect job gains in health care, business services and technology, with continued losses in manufacturing, real estate and leisure sectors, the forecast said.

The economy of Oakland County has improved pretty appreciably in a tough environ-ment," Fulton said. "Oakland has consistently scored a significant number of job gains.'

If the prediction plays out, it would mark the first time since 1999-2000 that the county posted consecutive years of job gains.

"I'm confident that we will offer a glimmer of hope," said County Executive L. Brooks Patterson. "It's important to see the glass as half full." Patterson pointed to his

the initiative passed the \$1-billion milestone for new investment in the county.

Some of the businesspeople who gathered at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi to hear the presentation said the assessment tracks with what they are seeing.

"It's not too rosy, which is realistic," said Don Clayton, a partner in the Southfield accounting firm of Clayton & McKervey PC. Kent Pederson of Charter One Bank said he already sees some small- to medium-size businesses that are surviving and even grow-

"Not everybody is struggling." Pederson said. "We still have a pulse."

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Hillside eighth-grader captures top spot at state geography bee

His next stop: nation's capital

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Jimmy Tian knows his geog-

raphy. In fact, the Hillside Middle School eighth-grader recently took first place at the statelevel in the National Geographic Bee.

Tian (who's first name is actually Yunchen) was one of about 100 students who competed in the event at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.

Since 1989, millions of students have competed each year for a \$25,000 U.S. college scholarship and the honor of being the national champion U.S. schools participate in the bee, using materials prepared by the National Geographic Society.

The contest is designed to encourage teachers to include geography in their lessons, spark student interest in the subject and increase public awareness about geography. Schools with students in grades four-eight are eligible to compete.

The son of James and Yun Pu Tian of Novi, this was the third time he had entered the bee but only the first time he made it to the state bee

Tian said the moderator at the state contest was a clue crew member from the nationally televised game show. "Jeopardy."

The local student won \$100. a globe, world atlas, gift certificates, "Jeopardy" game show hat and a bag and a trip to Washington, D.C. to compete in the National

Geographic Bee May 20-21 Alex Trebek, host of the national show, will serve as the moderator at the nationals "He always does it," Tian said.

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How they got to state contest

Middle school social studies students across the state took a 40-question geography test at their respective schools in which questions were given orally, and they wrote down their answers.

The questions include historical geography as well as cultural, physical and political geography." Tran said

The question that won him the state bee was about the northern lights. The question was: "In the Northern Hemisphere, the northern lights occur when charged particles collide in the upper atmosphere. What is the other name of the northern lights?"

And the winning answer? "Aurora borealis," Tian said. "I actually remember learning that in science class."

Another question he answered correctly in the state bee was: "In October 2007, Dr. Sheikh Muszaphar Shukor became the first Malaysian in space, blasting off from the Barkonur Cosmodrome In what country is the Cosmodrome?"

"It's Kazakhstan." Tian said The state competition featured a double elimination format, meaning students could answer one question wrong and still stay in the game.

"There were eight questions in the preliminary round and four questions in the tie-breaker round," Tian said. In the finals, it was whittled down to 10 students, then down to two. Second place u on to

Second place went to Michael Aviyonah, a seventhgrader from Cranbrook Kingswood Boys Middle School in Bloomfield Hills.

Cameron Shabahang a seventh-grader from Forest Hills Eastern Middle School in Ada, captured third.

In the state championship round, the final two both answered all the questions right, which pushed them into a tte-breaker round. They answered those questions right, too, so, the moderator had to ask another question.

He was surprised he won

Tian said he was surprised that he won since this was the first time he had made it to the state bee.

"I expected to get kicked out in the preliminary round," he said.

He admitted there was one question about a city in northeast Oklahoma (Tulsa) that he out-and-out guessed the answer and was right.

The only question he answered incorrectly asked him for the name of a major land form in North and South Dakota. "The answer was Badlands, and I said Scrublands," Tian said. "I had no idea." Students had only 15 seconds to answer each question.

Tian doesn't watch "Jeopardy," but he did read parts of the World Almanac and spent time on Web sites with geography quizzes to prepare for the state bec.

"I was very surprised that I won," he said.

Tian will actually travel to the nation's capital twice next month, as his eighth grade class trip is to Washington, D.C., over Memorial Day Weekend.

Tian likes school, stamp collecting and spending time on the computer and with friends. Michael and Andrew.

His career choices at this point are "something to do with computers or possibly becoming a historian." he said.

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Hillside Middle School student Jimmy Tian has the whole world in his hands after he recently won the state Geography Bee held in Kalamazoo.





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Network keeps students informed

Broadcasting curriculum a hit

By Aleea Hibbeln SPECIAL WRITER

You won't find the last name of Gorvis in the Northville School District's directory of teachers, but all the students know the name

Carolyn Davis and Maureen Gorshak combine their talents to co-teach a broadcasting curriculum at Northville High School. The Northville News Network. which began in 2000, owes its success to the merging of these two teachers. In fact, they are so merged that students call them "Gorvis," a combination of both names.

Davis's background as an English teacher prepared her for teaching broadcast students how to write scripts and story boards, and how to conduct interviews. Gorshak, with a background in business and computer program-ming, teaches broadcasting's technology side, like how to run the equipment.

Each day, junior and senior broadcast students produce and air Morning Mustang, a comprehensive show that reports NHS news, teacher announcements, events and even the local weather, which airs in every classroom, every day, for all the students to watch. Some of the highlights on Mustang Morning include birthdays of NHS students and special things students are doing, whether school related or not.

The show's format is modeled after local news programs, with one weather person, two news anchors and field reporters. But this morning show varies in duration from five to 20 minutes, depending on the number of announcements. Graduate students, who do internships in broadcasting, say that the school's equipment rivals that of network television. Even Northville resident and Channel 4 weatherman Chuck Gaidika, who has visited the school, is impressed with the quality of equipment and the show's setup.

On this day, senior classman Julie Gotberg is responsible for putting all of the shows clips together. She's busy in the control room transferring the feed from the cameras onto a computer screen. Tomorrow, another student will have her assignment and Gotberg will be responsible for a different area of the show's production.

The students rotate jobs everyday," said Gorshak. "One day you could be the news anchor and the next day you could be the camera person.

Any student can apply for the class, but they must have a recommendation from another teacher. If a student isn't reliable





Gorshak and Davis visited other schools in the area with broadcast departments and borrowed many ideas. However, their program differs from the others in that the show is student-directed instead of teacher-directed.

We wanted the kids to feel like they have a say in their program and to be proud of what they have accomplished here."

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 busine

Photos by Mike Shuster ABOVE: Scott Waldo records the weather forecast while James Gietzen, and Jay Zawrotny sit at the anchor desk at Northville High's Broadcast II class.

FAR LEFT: Hillary Jordan, Jackie Degiorgio, Justin Ulrich and Josh Heinz.

LEFT: In Northville's Broadcasting class, students learn the technical aspects of a production.

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and on time and doesn't work well with others, then the quality of the show will suffer. Confidence, however, is not a prerequisite.

"We work with the [shy] kids, and when they see the popularity that the other kids get when they go on camera, they want to do it, too," said Davis.

Before airing the first show,

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said Davis "Our program provides good

background and good training for video and editing jobs after high school," said Gorshak.

One graduate student went on to do an internship with Fox. Another grad did an internship at a TV station in Grand Valley, and others currently have careers in TV broadcasting.

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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.

Time to clean it up

It's time for spring cleaning, and once you've got your house in order, we've got four more worthy opportunities for you to pitch in and help make the Northville area as sharp as can be.

Thayer's Nature Area Cleanup Day - Saturday

Area residents are encouraged to come to Thayer's Corner Nature Area on the east side of Napier Road north of Six Mile Road for a half day Cleanup Day on Saturday. Volunteers are asked to wear old clothes. gloves and bring rakes, shovels, trimming shears and any other gardening or yard cleanup tools to the event. The cleanup will run from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. An official nbbon-cutting ceremony to open the nature area will take place at 9 a.m. A hot-dog lunch will also be provided at noon. No registration is necessary. A signup sheet will b provided on site.

Northville High School Spring Cleanup - Sunday

Parents and students are welcome to help weed and mulch. This is an excellent opportunity for students to obtain volunteer hours for college applications. The work will be broken up in shifts of 1-3 p m. and 3-5 p m Bring labeled garden tools and work gloves.

Hines Park Cleanup at Benton Arboretum - Saturday, May 3

Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox (R-Livonia) is calling on Western Wayne County residents to pitch in for her fourth annual park cleanup day at the Bennett Arboretum in Northville. The outing will take place from 9 a.m.-noon on Saturday, May 3, in the Cass Benton Park Picnic Area of Hines Park. Volunteers will remove invasive species and pick up debris. The first 50 volunteers to sign up will receive free tickets to a Detroit Tigers game at Comerica Park.

S.U.N. - Spruce Up Northville - Saturday, May 10

This is a totally volunteer project using no city funds to get downtown looking great. A device will be attached to city fire hydrants to attach water hoses to clean sidewalks. Volunteers are asked meet at Town Square in the moroing and to bring a broom, water hose, garbage bags and gloves. Be ready to spend one to three hours cleaning the town.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Strollin'

Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

Noah Lazzarotti, 1, strolls down Main Street last Thursday afternoon with the help of his mom Candace, right, and Beverly Schornhorst. Thursday was the first of two lovely early spring days in Northville with temps in the mid 70s.

Michigan is hurting, but fear makes it worse

Fear. It is an emotion that can spur action or cause paralysis. Fear is defined in the Cambridge Dictionary as "an unpleasant emotion or thought

that you have when you are frightened or worned by something dangerous, painful or bad that is happening or might happen"

Fear is a survival mechanism There is a tremendous amount level should be doing to assure fair as well as free trade. We must continue to push our government leaders to address issues that give other countries unfair advantage and hurt American workers in the fierce global competition

However, we must not allow politicians at any level to exploit he fear created economi

worker, technology, the global economy, immigration and even "unfair trade" does little to help pay the mortgage or place food on the table. Education, training and investment in human potential do add value and can make a difference. Yet, we all know, rhetoric from Washington or Lansing has every helped a single person. conle



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About Tom Watkins

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of fear driven by the economic uncertainty in Michigan and America today. A good part of the apprehension and fear people are feeling today is not without merit.

There is a great need for this state and country to address the economic security issues including the mortgage crisis, unwieldy credit card debt, college education being priced out of reach for working families, retraining of workers displaced by technology's productivity improvement and globalization, and the lack of savings as millions of baby boomers enter retirement financially unprepared

There is a national angst building that stems from the economic uncertainty that is rumbling across America and has boiled

reduce fear and produce results that will build off the new reality? How will politicians exploit workers/voters fears to further their own careers without a corresponding benefit for impacted parties? And how will we hold them accountable?

over here in Michigan

Can Michigan working

families catch a break?

As 2008 unfolds how can

these fears be tapped in ways

action? What government, busi-

ness, philanthropic and individ-

ual actions can be put in play to

that will motivate productive

We have a history in Michigan and America of blaming others when the majority's economic security is threatened. The "blame" has been placed on the Italians, Germans, African Americans, Arabs, Jews, Japanese, Mexicans, Polish and, most recently, the Chinese. The focus on blaming others is never more pervasive than during periods of economic downturn

Clearly there are actions that our government at the national

uncertainty. Period.

We must hold them accountable to clearly spell out their plan, not simply to point fingers and blame others, but to level the playing field by investing in the American worker. Building fences and economic walls may help demagogues get elected but they are not sensible policies that will help American workers.

The Detroit Free Press reported that U.S. Senator John McCain "wants to draft the nation's community colleges to retrain displaced workers . . for careers in growing fields and to tap federal resources to help maintain the incomes of those who take lower paying jobs while learning "McCain understands that blaming the laid off

and nation need action.

The only thing we have to fear is fear itself

Fear is driving away talent. So wrote Craig Barrett, chairman of Intel Corp., in a recent op-ed in the Washington Post. He asserted that, while it is nearly universally acknowledged that talent will rule in the 21st century, the U.S. immigration policies are creating a barrier that keeps the world's brightest minds from entering America. He further asserts that we not only do not have a welcome mat for these talented people as we have had in the past but actually have been "intent on driving them away."

Barrett argues that America

and America the brain bank of the world where the best and brightest come for deposits and withdrawals.

It is important to Michigan and America that we tap the anxiety and fear that massive disruptive economic changes generate and channel them in ways that will help prepare us for the hypercompetitive global economy.

This is an election year. We need to challenge our leaders or those seeking leadership positions not to exploit fear for shortterm political gain that will hurt workers, Michigan and America We need plans and action, not fear and paralysis

Company discovers power of 'e'

Just off the Walter Reuther expressway in Pleasant Ridge, a tidy little suburb near the Detroit Zoo, Michigan's rust belt past sits cheek by jowl with the beginnings of our knowledge economy future

Welcome to ePrize, a small firm with a big ambition: To be the Google of the interactive marketing and promotion industry. Location is key, and ePrize is just a jammed parking lot away from the Walker Wire Company. Walker makes heavy-duty industrial strength wire for industrial uses. ePrize manages customer marketing and affiliation programs for a bewildering range of Fortune 500 companies and hundreds of thousands of their customers.

The contrast could not be more abrupt.

Inside ePrize - at \$60 million in sales and growing at a 40 percent annual rate, according to founder and CEO Josh Linkner - hundreds of staffers sit at the 21st century version of the assembly line. But instead of a

dimly lit factory floor with automobile chassis muscled into place by burly assembly workers, ePrize is filled with bright colors. ergonomic chairs, high-powered computers and free pop and bottled water in every room. Employees are in their late 20s to early 30s, dressed in dazzling variety and "questioning everything," Linkner says.

Henry Ford's great innovation was to invent the way to assemble perfectly machined parts into an automobile - countless identical steps, repeated endlessly during the day with no room for innovation or variation. Old photographs of the assembly line of that era mostly show seemingly middle-aged men, all dressed alike, all performing their assigned functions with no variation

By contrast, ePrize's employee handbook runs like this: "Many companies use words like 'passion' and 'creativity.' But when we use those words, it's different. These are not merely buzzwords, they are core philosophies that

embody who we are. We take things to the edge ... to extremes . to the ultimate level.

To the power of 'e'.

Josh Linkner, the man behind the virtual curtain, earned a BS in advertising from the University of Florida, then served as Senior Vice President for Rare Medium Group, a web-consulting and venture capital firm before founding ePrize in 1999. After two rounds of financing and a total of \$43 million in investment - ePrize now has offices in New York. Chicago, Los Angeles, Dalfas and London

Linkner's ePrize relies on the Internet, which can be everywhere and anywhere. That means he could locate it anywhere on canh

So why is cPrize in Pleasant Ridge? Linkner explains. He was born in Southfield and now lives in Bloomfield Hills, so it's near home. But there's much more.

There are great opportunities to build a technology company here." Linkner explains. "There is a rich talent base in Michigan,



About Phil Power

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a great work ethic and deep and solid entrepreneurial roots. The cost structure, if anything, is lower than elsewhere." ePrize got some help, as well, from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's job creation program. In fact, the firm is featured in one of the MEDC's TV ads promoting the advantages of locating in Michigan.

Ilya Snider, one of the firm's 350 employees, puts it this way: "I like it here. Why leave if you have it all? Climate, family, lots of things to do, downtown Detroit. Everything I want is right here."

Linkner says his biggest management problem is keeping a firm hold on galloping growth. "We're a lot like what the great car companies were like," a century ago, he explains. "We're just entering our greatest period of growth.

That's exactly the attitude a lot more of us need. Among our other ailments, Michigan is suffering from a bad case of low self-esteem. We can't seem to get it through our collective heads that we have - right here at home - a set of distinctive, world-competitive assets: A harddriving work force with boundless skills and talents. Great

research universities. A wonderful quality of life at an affordable cost. Driven and capable entrepreneurs.

Walking through the subdued hum of ePrize's 21st century assembly line, I was struck by the thought that here before my eyes was today's version of the Ford Motor Company, of the Dow Chemical Company, of Kellogg's and Upjohn.

Entrepreneurship runs deep in our collective DNA. Linkner and his colleagues at ePrize recognize it; they are the latest generation.

The task at hand for our state is to help others do so, too,

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Clarifications about the Senior Art Show at the Art House

It is a shame Ms. Mansfield chose to lambaste the Northville Art House and the Senior Art Show without knowing her facts. I was dismayed that the students were regarded as "hanging out" at their show. If you want to call interacting with their families, teachers, guests and friends "hanging out," | guess that is Ms Manfield's prerogative.

I would like to refute her opinion as an art teacher, artist and advisor to the Northville High School senior art students. I completely disagree with her assessment of the Senior Art Show.

In my colleague's and my opinion, we feel our students did a fantastic job putting together a wonderful art show. Our students had to jump through many hoops and take on several individual responsibilities to participate in the show.

We are very grateful to the Northville Arts Commission and their many hardworking volunteers for allowing us to have the Senior Art Show in the Art House. Let's be clear about this: The Northville Art House is run by a group of dedicated volunteers - there is no paid "staff" at the Art House.

The objective of the Senior Art Show is to offer the students an experience as close to a professional art show as we can. Several of the art teachers at the high school are working artists, and we felt it was important to expose the kids to all the rigors of an artist's life after high school. With the collaboration of the Art House Exhibit Committee and their teachers, the students were guided through the processes of jurying into an art show, creating the marketing for the show, setting up the show, organizing the opening reception. hosting the reception, and the takedown of the show. Considering all that a senior high school student at the end of their high school career is involved in. it was a huge undertaking.

The atmosphere of the show was one of pride, excitement and enthusiasm. All the remarks during and after the show, short of Ms. Mansfield's, were of praise and gratitude for the kids' work and the Art House's participation. I, for one, am a very proud teacher and feel our students did a fabulous job putting on their Senior Art Show,

Cheryl Brooks Northville High School Art Teacher

Don't complain; get involved

I would like to respond to the negative letter printed in last week's Edition of the Northville Record regarding the Art House. I am a supporter of the Art House, and I can sympathize with the person who had a bad experience during her visit. I would like to point out, however, the Art House is a volunteer driven organization and some volunteers are more driven than others. I would also like to point out this organization is responsible for helping keep the arts interesting and exciting in Northville. The Arts Commission brings over 60 artists to the Victorian Festival each year, offers classes and programs for children and adults, summer concerts and much more.

House tasks. They are not paid city employees, but donate their time to better the community.

Sue Taylor Northville

Successful show

In response to the criticisms posed against the Art House and its staff, regarding the show hosted during April's First Friday Art Walk, critics must keep the situation surrounding the Art House in perspective.

Although supported by the city, funds are scarce for the Art House. Lacking the approval to host classes there posts a predicament when trying to run a successful business by gathering income to pay for expenses. Already, the staff consists entirely of a set of volunteers who give up their time in order to ensure the upkeep of the facility.

Another item to keep in mind is the fact that the show held in the Art House on April 4 was the annual Senior Art Show. The Art House staff graciously stepped down and lent its facilities out to Northville High School's senior artists, giving them the opportunity to gain the experience needed to possibly run their own shows someday. The students took charge in every aspect of the show, including displaying their work, supplying refreshments, and playing the host in a show so popular that there was hardly room to push through the crowd at points.

Instead of standing guard by their displays like an army of tin soldiers, the students mingled with guests, providing a friendly and social atmosphere. Personal artist statements were posted next to each display for the benefit of those who did not know the artist personally. Taking into consideration the fact that all of the artists were high school seniors, it should not come as a surprise that many of the guests were high school students as well. This does not, however, reduce the amount of professionalism demonstrated by the students hosting the show. Every artist exhibited the utmost seriousness for the show by dressing in their Sunday best and courteously greeting their friends and family who wished to share this special event with them.

Northville is home to an array of fantastic galleries, which all do an amazing job of hosting the works of many local artists. However, everyone has to start somewhere. and the Art House provided that somewhere for the Northville High School seniors on April 4 The purpose of the Art House is not to compete with the already successful galleries in town, but to simply ensure a place in the community for the up-and-coming artist. In order to continue to provide this opportunity, the Art House must be allowed to generate the income needed to keep it in existence, but as of present it is not allowed to do so

as to what message should be sent to our children. This is not a case where they have to make a hard decision for the sake of the budget and there are not other choices. There are other solutions.

Has anyone investigated hiring contract workers as replacement due to attrition? If not yet read, I recommend "On the Ethics of Outsourcing" by David Breshn

These are bad economic times, we are all tightening our belts. So yes, I want my children to get the best education our school system can afford, but I am one parent that knows the kindness taught by these employees. The life lessons the lunch room lady, several custodians and bus drivers have taught my daughter matter as much as any classroom exchange.

We are first and foremost raising citizens. Do we want to teach Northville school children that if you do a good job and are loyal employees that make a difference that it is OK to let you go and hire a lesser paid worker because your pension and healthcare benefits are too costly? This is not an issue of economic survival of our school system. This is a moral issue.

Karen Garby Northvulle Township

Public safety comes through

On 15 April, I had occasion, once again, to be thankful I live in Northville Township.

As many residents do, I keep squirrel food and bird food available for those and any other wild creatures who hang around my yard. Yesterday, my son saw a squirrel who was injured or ill, and obviously suffering. Not knowing what to do, we called our wonderful township police department. Shortly, a police officer arrived, and through my tears (by that time I was bawling my eyes out) I explained that the poor squirrel was suffering and I wondered if the officer could help

Instead of saying, "Lady, the police department has more important things to do than take care of a squirrel, and you're an idiot for calling me!" he very kindly went to look at the squirrel, then phoned his supervisor for advice.

Then he went back to where the animal was flopping around in pain and shot it dead. I was so grateful to him and to the whole department. It would have been so easy to just go away and let that little creature suffer until it died Common sense is one of the best features of our Northville Township police and fire departments.

When I asked him why, in his opinion, Northville doesn't have an animal control department, he answered, with a grin as he got into his car, "We do have - it's us."

Barbara Jane Nagle

The developer's proposal to use brownfield financing to get rid of this blight on the community is brilliant, and Northville Township's failure to support that approach is beyond explanation. Failing to approve a brownfield plan and imposing impossible conditions on a well-respected developer is blocking new jobs and expansion of the tax base. The mayor of Livonia knows the Schostak Company and respects them and how they do business, and so

should Northville Township. It is also remarkable that no one asked about roads in Northville Township, Everybody wonders about our roads but no one asks why they are not getting improved it's because Northville Township does NOTHING to improve the roads. If the street in your subdivision needs repair, you need to raise your own assessments and pay for the road repair with no help from the township. So now, when a developer wants to bring thousands of jobs into the community, everybody yells at the developer to fix the roads that need to be fixed because the township will not pay for any road improvements.

I support this development, and if it takes annexation into Livonia to get the project going, then I support any efforts for annexation If Northville Township can pay for the roads and compromise with the developer on a plan that works for the developer, we can all win If they cannot, let's get on with it in Livonia

Ned Hinda Northylle

Novi finances in question

The Fiscal Analysis included in the City of Novi's 2008-2009 budget appears to be a rude awakening The financial projections seem to indicate that more and more of the General Fund Balance will be needed each year to balance the budget for ordinary/operational expenditures.

The proposed budget appears to designate an additional \$3.5 million from the General Fund Balance for spending above ordinary/operational expenditures.

If the City's 2008-2009 budget is approved as proposed, leaving an estimated "Undesignated" General Fund Balance of \$4,862307 by June 30, 2009, it appears that by June 30, 2011, the City may be at risk of having a Fund Balance of about 4.1 percent. By June 30, 2012, it appears that the City may be at risk of a zero Fund balance. and a possible deficit, if more than \$1,375,781 million is needed to balance the 2011-2012 budget for ordinary/operational expenditures: Undesignated Fund balance

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I believe Gandhi said, "We must be the change we wish to see in the world."

Before complaining about an organization in the future, maybe you should become a volunteer and offer a hand instead of a enticism

Christie Lypka Northville

Art Show letter brings responses

I would like to respond to the comments of Barbara Mansfield regarding the April 4 student exhibit at the Art House.

Constructive criticism is helpful, but her remarks were highly inappropriate. This particular show was a student-run show, totally planned and executed by 12th grade art students from Northville High School under the direction of their art teachers so that the students get some "real world" experience in planning, displaying, and running art exhibitions.

This show has been a part of the 12th grade curriculum for several years, and the Art House has hosted it for the last two years, with volunteers keeping the building open so that the students can proudly display their portfolio of work for their families and friends. How the volunteers occupy their time while keeping the Art House open for events can be spent doing personal work, reading, or performing Art

Joy Lerner

Northville High School Sen or Artist

What does privatization teach children?

How can a school system or a community teach our children ethics if we let an economic reality stand in the way of doing the right thing?

You cannot turn your backs on employees that have given their best to the community with a "sorry you did a great job but we need to save money."

What if the board makes budget cuts across all the departments? We may not be able to save all the employees, but we could save most of them. Outsourcing only works sometimes. The cost of the bus drivers, custodians and food staff cannot be viewed just in dollars and cents. These are people interacting with our children on a daily basis; do we really want to put these relationships at risk?

Contracted employees often do not do as much as the current employees did; they are doing the minimum required by the contract You are paying less but you are also getting less. So why not just cut the hours of your current employees? Outsourcing costs not covered in the bids are the costs of what happens when lower paid and lower qualified workers are brought into the system. Absenteeism of these employees is known to be higher. The disruption these items cost will not be felt by the board but by the teachers and students at the schools. Why risk hurting the reputation of Northville schools without trying other solutions?

Corporate America has learned that often outsourcing is not the right thing to do. I would hate to find out our school board is listening to only a few who have already been sold thus bill of goods. 1 would hope they have done some independent research on the topic and done some real soul searching

Farm is on the right track

1 am reporting firsthand about the progress at Maybury Farm. Since this winter I have had the opportunity to volunteer with a team of wonderful people who are working hard and have put their hearts into making the farm a community asset.

With the leadership of The Northville Community Foundation the farm has improved by leaps and bounds since last fall. There are more animals and an increase in variety of species. The cleanliness of the barn and pens and the care and health of the livestock have all improved vastly. The grounds are now being taken care of and the entire place looks much better than it has in the past

There have been articles and letters published in this paper that have been critical of the farm but I have not met one of those letter writers at the farm helping. If anyone wants to know how the farm is doing they should come out to the farm and see for themselves.

Critics and whiners are a dime a dozen but there is only one Maybury Farm and we have The Northville Community Foundation to thank for it. DNR, you made the right choice!

Marie Muehlenbein Northville

Develop or annex

I am a resident of Northville Township and support redevelopment of the former State Psychiatric Hospital Site, I cannot remember a worse time for the economy and jobs situation in Michigan. There is nothing more important than finding ways to jump start our economy and what better way than through a cleanup and redevelopment project with over 8,000 jobs and \$200 million in wages!

balance needed for 2009-2010 ordinary expenditures -\$1,117,887

 Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2010.

\$3,744,420

· Fiscal Analysis estimated Fund

Balance needed for 2010-2011

ordinary expenditures: -\$2,368,639

· Estimated Fund Balance June

30, 2011. \$1.375.781

It appears to be extremely risky for the Novi City Council to expect the substantial increases in taxable value and Fund Balance that the City has enjoyed in the past, when the City's municipal finance advisors recently projected no growth in taxable value in the years 2009 and 2010 and 2.5 percent thereafter

It seems critical, for the Novi City Council to cut non-essential expenses now, building more "Undesignated ' reserves in the Fund Balance, in order to continue balancing the City's budgets and providing basic city services to the laxpayers

Laura Lorenzo Νэм

What do you think?

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

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

Mail: Northville Record, Letters to the Editor, 104 W. Main Street, Suite 101, Northville, MI 48167

Fax: (248) 349-9832 E-mail: cstone@ gannett.com

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If you have been injured or suffered a and productive life. debilitating illness, one of the goals of to functioning as independently as pos-sible. To this end, an occupational therapist will assist and train you to resume daily activities as best as you are able. Depending on your needs, the occupational therapist will help you work on attending to personal care, home skills, of your daily life, an occupational therapist will evaluate your daily living needs and environment, help with adaptation to assistive devices, and attend to your strength and flexibility. The goal is to return you to a satisfying

Partnering with an experienced occuyour rehabilitation will be to get back pational therapist is a great way to educate yourself about your condition and possible solutions, and start feeling better At our facility, we have successfully helped many patients live happier lives. For more information, call NORTHVILLE PHYSICAL REHA-BILITATION P.C. at 248.349.9339. We personal management activities, and are conveniently located at 215 East driving skills. Aside from these aspects Main, Suite B. New patients are welcome.

> P.S. Occupational therapists help those with developmental delays or psychological problems to cope with the challenges of everyday living.

www.northvillephysicalrehab.com

HOT TICKET: A Support local charities, vets at the "Marine Steak Grill Out" Saturday at VFW Post 4012

Cal Stone, editor (248) 349-1700, ext 113 cstone@gannett.com



CALENDAR

Thursday, April 24, 2008 hometownlife com fax: (248) 349-9832

Local Events

AAUW Gala Benefit

TIME/DATE: 7 p m. Today LOCATION Tipping Point Theatre, corner of Cady and Griswold, Northville

DETAILS: 7 p m. Wine, Fruit n'Cheese Buffet. 8 p m. MANU-SCRIPT, a mystery thriller, college wit and razor sharp dialogue. Evening Closure - Audience conversation with cast and director. Tickets \$30. American Association of University Women Develops & Supports Community Education Initiatives, Local and National Scholarships

CONTACT: (248) 349-2932

SADD Movie Night

TIME/DATE: 7 p m Friday LOCATION. Northville High School cafeteria

DETAILS: NHS's SADD Chapter (Students Against Destructive Behavior) will be hosting a FREE Movie Night. Come and join us for Ratatouille! There will be arts and crafts fun before the movie. Refreshments will be on sale - all proceeds go to educational programs put on by SADD during the school year. Children under 13 must be accompanied by a parent

CONTACT: Carolyn Miranda, SADD Advisor, for more information at (248) 344-8420 or mirandca@northvilleschools org or visit http://nhssadd.googlepages.com/.

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

TIME/DATE: 9 a m.-3 p m Friday and 9 a m.-noon Saturday 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 chantab'e tax slips is available at the church until day of sale. All profits benefit the community.

CONTACT: Alecia at (248) 412-1144

Marine Steak Grill Out

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TIME/DATE: 5-7:30 p m Saturday LOCATION VFW Post 4012, 438 S Main St

tunity for students to obtain volunteer hours for college applications. The work will be broken up in shifts of 1-3 p.m. and 3-5 p m. Bring labeled garden tools and work gloves

CONTACT: Judy Culkin (248) 347-8855

Gallery Walk/Student Art Show

DATE: Through Sunday 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.

College-SOS

TIME/DATE: 7 p m. Tuesday 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 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 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

be ordered online at www.beckridgechorale.org or by calling (734) 416-9885.

Bond and Bake Mother's Day Cooking Sessions

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-2 p m. Saturday, May 3 and 10 LOCATION: Entree Vous of

Northville, 43223 Seven Mile Road

DETAILS: Entree Vous, a meal preparation kitchen founded by a Le Cordon Bleu-trained chef, is hosting these sessions to give hard-working women a night off. Guests will make an entree of their choice while sampling delicious menu selections. The guest of honor will receive a flower and take home a Fresh Take and Bake "Breakfast in Bed" entree. Guests will also make Mother's Day cards to accompany their entree gifts. One guest will win a gift certificate to a local spa. Due to limited space, reservations are requested by calling (248) 344-1545.

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

Picks and Sticks String Band Concert

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 6

LOCATION: Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady

DETAILS: The band presents a unique rollercoaster performing style and a gumbo mixture of acoustical folk, swing traditional, light, pop, western, jazz and ethnic tunes that will entertain audiences of all ages. The band features hammered dulcimer, vocals, guitar, banjo, bass, fiddle and occasionally tuba, accordion, flute, bagpipes and bells. The concert is free but seating is limited. Reservations can be made by calling the library at (248) 349-3020.

Novi/Northville Newcomers **Annual Spring Banquet**



Magic time

Entertainer Joel Tacey gets some help with a balloon trick from Old Village School student Ronnie Wyatt during his recent morning visit to the Northville school. Tacey juggled, did magic tricks, told some corny joked and got lots of audience participation during his routine.

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 sponsoship will help ensure its success and help make a difference in our community.

CONTACT: Beverty Behrend (248) 921-4828 or at bev@qualitymetalcraft.com

21st Annual Flower Sale

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, May 23; 9 a m.-5 p.m. Saturday, May 24 LOCATION: Downtown

Northville, on Main Street between Wing and Hutton streets. DETAILS: Over 20 top-rated greenhouses and garden shops will be selling perennials, annuals, roses, shrubs, exotic plants and

trees. Garden art and accessories

will also be available. The event is

ior. 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.

Old Village School Fundraiser TIME/DATE: Saturday, June 7

LOCATION: Empire Deli, 133 W. Main Street

DETAILS: Old Village School in Northville serves the needs of severely-impaired children ages 3 to 14. Detroit Lions' guarterback, Drew Stanton, has tearned up with the Empire Deli and it's owners, John Colombani and Tim Walsh, to create a special fundraiser for the school. The event and auction will feature appearances by over a dozen sports professionals. Support is needed in the form of donations for the auction, such as memorabilia, tickets, services,

cash donations, etc. **CONTACT: Contact the Empire** Deli if you are able to help at (810)

www.northvile.org.

CONTACT: Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or www.northville.org.

15th Annual Northville Garden Walk

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m. - 4 p m. Wednesday, July 9, 2008 DETAILS: Visit six exceptional oardens rain or shine. Special events at Mill Race Village: garden venders, music, historical buildings open, and homemade refreshments. Tickets \$10 each, available June 1st at Gardenviews, 202 West Main, Northville. Mail order tickets available until June 30 at www.cgcnv.org. CONTACT: www.cgcnv.org or (248) 348-3263

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.

DETAILS: Marine Corps League Northwest Detachment 162 is hosting this event. Come and enjoy the best steaks in town. Two sizes of steaks to choose from; 10 oz for \$10, or 16 Oz. for \$14 Public is welcome Proceeds will help local charities, veterans and veteran organizations For more information, visit www.semperfi162 org or call (248) 477-6377

Arbor Day Seedling Give-away

TIME/DATE 9-11 a m Saturday 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 seedings. 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

Custom Designed Art Event

TIME/DATE 10 am -5 pm. Saturday

LOCATION Pear-aphernalia, 184 E. Main Street

DETAILS On-site custom designed art featuring "Ashton Fine Art and Mirrors" Find great looks and a great price. There are thousands of images to choose from on-site The art can be designed to match your home. Bring your color and fabric samples and/or dimensions of proposed area where you need a picture/mirror.

CONTACT: (248) 596-1430

Northville High School Spring Clean-up

TIME/DATE: 1-5 p m. Sunday DETAILS' Parents and students are welcome to help weed and mulch. This is an excellent oppor-

Farmer's Market

TIME/DATE: 8 a m.-3 p m. every Thursday, beginning May 1 LOCATION: Northville Downs Parking Lot at the corner of Seven Mile and Center Street (Sheldon). DETAILS' As always, fresh produce, baked goods, juried crafters, etc. "Chefs at the Market" program every third Thursday of the month at 8.30 a m will feature local chefs and free recipes and cooking demonstrations. New for 2008 Recycle your planting pots and flats at the Pot-Recycling Station.

CONTACT. (248) 349-7640 or www.northville.org

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 Stx 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

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

Providence Park Job Fair

TIME/DATE: 9 a m -1 p m. Saturday, May 17 LOCATION: Providence Park

Medical Building. Conference Rooms A. B and C. 47601 Grand River Ave , Novi

DETAILS' The Job Fair is to recruit new employees for its upcoming hospital that is currently under construction There will be on-site interviews. Please bring your resume Presentations about the hospital and small tour groups also available.

CONTACT: For a complete listing of open positions, visit www.stjohn org/jobopenings. For more information on the Providence Park Job Fair, please call Work Life Services at (248) 465-4570.

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. Preregister early. Cost is \$45. CONTACT: (248) 982-5971

presented by the Northville Central Business Association and the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Downtown Planting

DATE: Thursday, May 29 DETAILS: The Northville Garden Club and Northville Beautification together will prepare and plant almost 70 planters along the streets of downtown Northville.

Moraine Elementary School Annual Fun Fair

TIME/DATE: 5:30-8 p m. Friday, May 30 DETAILS: Games, food and fun for the whole family

Mill Race Village Docents Needed

TIME/DATE: 1:30 a m. Saturday, May 31(Docent Luncheon)

DETAILS: Docents are needed for Mill Race Village. Friendly, outgoing volunteers dress in periodreminiscent 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 pm. 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.

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 sen112-8460.

I Gave My Sole for Parkinson's Walkathon and 5K Run

DATE: Sunday, June 8 LOCATION: Maybury State Park, Eight Mile Road

DETAILS: 9 30-10:30 a m. registration, 10:45 a.m. Opening Ceremonies, 11 a.m. walk/run start. For early registration, visit www.parkinsonsmi.org. MPF is sponsoring the \$6 park entry fee. Participants will walk or run on a level pathway that is stroller. wheelchair, dog and child friendly. Entertainment, snacks and children's activities provided. Prizes will be awarded in several categories and all participants are entered into a raffle drawing All are encouraged to form teams. Donations are requested. Mail contributions to Michigan Parkinson Foundation, 31400 Parkinson Foundation, 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite, 150, Bingham Farms, MI 48025. Proceeds support programs and services for Michigan residents affected by Parkinson's Disease, their families and health care providers.

CONTACT: (800) 852-9781 or www.pankinsonsmi.org.

20th Annual Art in the Sun **Jury First Round Jury**

TIME/DATE: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

CONTACT: (248) 347-0003 or www.tippingpointtheatre org

Friday Night Summer Concert Series

TIME: 7 pm. LOCATION: Northville Town Square on Main St. across from the Marquis Theatre DATE: May 30 - Northville High School Jazz Band (jazz) DATE: June 6 - Mass Transit

Band (soul/rock) DATE: June 13 - Trilogy (all-

American favorites) DATE: June 20 - Lady

Sunshine and the X Band (soul/Motown)

DATE: June 27 - Doug Deming and the Jeweltones (blues)

DATE: July 4 - Paul King's Rhythm Society (big band/swing/patriotic)

DATE: July 11 - Shawn Riley Band (blues)

DATE: July 18 - Those Delta Rhythm Kings (jump blues/coun-

DATE: July 25 - Randy Brock Group (blues/rock)

DATE: Aug. 1 - Fifty Amp Fuse (rock 'n' roll)

DATE: Aug. 8 - Bluescasters (blues)

DATE: Aug. 15 - Steve King and the Dittilles (50s/60s)

DETAILS: Early arrival is suggested for these free concerts and quests are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs. Presented by the Northville Chamber of Commerce and Parks and **Recreation Department.**

CONTACT: Northville Chamber (248) 349-7640 or Parks and Rec.

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(248) 349-0203 or visit www.northville.org or www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

As the Page Turns

LOCATION: 149 N. Center St., Suite 102, Northville CONTACT: (248) 912-0085 or visit www.asthepageturns biz 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

Velveleen Aabbit

TIME/DATES: 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 27 DETAILS: Tickets are \$8.50.

Group rates available and reserved seating for 20 or more. No children under the age of three.

2008 Summer Theatre Day Camp

TIME/DATE: Session 1 - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. June 16-June 27: Session 2 - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. July 7-July 18; Sessions 3 - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. July 21-Aug. 1; Session 4 -12:30 -6 p.m. Aug. 4-Aug. 15; and Session 5 - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Aug. 18-Aug. 29.

DETAILS: For children 8-14 years old. Have fun and learn a range of theatre skills and be part of a big musical theatre production using Broadway and movie tunes from the past and present. Cost is \$385 per two week session.

Ducky Camp

TIME/DATE: 3-8 p.m. July 7-18 DETAILS: For children 6 and 7 years old.

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.

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CONTACT: (248) 380-1666

Baseline Folk Society Open Mic

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

CONTACT: (248) 344-0954

Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St. CONTACT: Call for reservations (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com Surviving Samco TIME/DATE: 6:30 p m. Saturday, April 26; Tuesday, April 29; Saturday, May 3, 17, 24 and 31; Thursday, June 19; Friday June 6; and Saturday, June 7, 14 and 21. 7 p.m. Friday, May 2 and June 20.

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. 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 19 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 per-SON.

Tipping Point Theatre LOCATION: 361 E. Cady St. CONTACT: (248) 347-0003 or visit www.tippingpointtheatre.org "Manuscript"

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HERE'S TO THE CLASS OF

2008

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 emailing Executive Director Christina Johnson at christina@tippingpointtheatre.org. Audtioners 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 head shot 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.tippingpointtheatre.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 northvil-

Get in the Record

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

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Field

p.m. The cost is \$5 for members,

\$8 for non-members and lunch is

included. A state park sticker is

Drmier@Charter net or Sandr-

Mill Race Historical Village

north of Main Street near Ford

LOCATION: 215 Griswold Äve.,

DETAILS: Office open 9 a m.-1

CONTACT: (248) 348-1845

Thursday: 9 a.m. Archives

open; 6:15 p.m. Brownie Scouts

Friday: 9 a.m. Archives open

Sunday: 10 a.m. Mill Creek

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

Hookers; 7 p.m. Lions Club

Wednesday: 6:45 p m.

Northville Chamber of

visit www.northville.org

Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m.

Grounds closed to public

LOCATION: 195 S. Main St.,

CONTACT: (248) 349-7640 or

TIME/DATE: 8-9 a.m. Friday,

LOCATION: Chamber Office

Solid Grounds CoffeeHouse

LOCATION: 133 W. Main St.,

CONTACT: (248) 348-9737

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

Carol Smallwood, classical

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon

Dell Smith, contemporary folk

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

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

Darwin and Friends, soft Rock

Monday: 10 a.m. Heirloom Rug

Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang;

9.30 a.m. School Tour, 6.30 p.m.

CONTACT: Heidi-

Sowright@aol com

p.m. Monday-Friday.

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New Asian diner offers Mandarin-style wok cooking

I Pei Wei open in Novi Town Center

By Kelly Murad STAFF WRITER

Asian food lovers have a new place to dine in town.

The sister of P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Pei Wei Asian Diner, opened its fourth Michigan location in Novi two months ago.

Located on the edge of the Novi Town Center, the restaurant prepares traditional dishes from China, Japan, Korea, Thailand and Vietnam in a Mandarin-style wok.

"I don't think there's other restaurants like that, it's a good niche," said Ara Topouzian, economic development manager for the City of Novi. "It adds to the quality of unique businesses we have in Novi."

As guests enter the casual diner with its signature red floors, they are greeted with a smile before approaching the counter to place an order

Whether dining-in or carryingout, the exhibition-style kitchen provides onlookers a firsthand look at the technique of wok cooking.

meal," Topouzian said. "It gives

sandwich. You get good cooked

tional favorites, as well as items

You get the best of the P.F.

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are welcome to help themselves

said, noting they go through 700-

The menu includes some tradi-

food, fairly quickly."

unique to Pei Wei.

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With every item on the menu being cooked in a wok which reaches temperatures of 500-600 degrees, Pei Wei guests will be surprised how quickly their food reaches the table.

"We try to cook everybody's food in five to six munutes," said Matt McGrail, general manager of the Novi eatery.

According to McGrail, 37-47 percent of Pei Wei's darly business is for carry-out

It seems to be very efficient the way they operate it." Topouzian said. "It's a fast food atmosphere for cuisine

Pei Wei's quick and convenient cuisine also provides lunch-goers a variety of options on a tight schedule.

For lunches especially, it gives people another option, a nice hearty





Photos by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

ABOVE: The interior of Novi Town Center's Pei Wei restaurant. The Asian food restaurant's name comes from the name of a famous Chinese chef who lived hundreds of years ago.

LEFT: Novi's Pei Wei restaurant general manager Matthew McGrail fires up a wok and begins to prepare one of their stir-fried, Asian delicacies.



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Mustang Eric Franceschi lines up his run for the pole vault during practice.

Franceschi jumps, runs, throws and vaults

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

It's one thing to want to try to

workout freak."

ual," Szukaitis said. "Eric is a 15.6 percent of the Mustangs" No. 2 in both of those, but we total points of 77. But it's the points that On Saturday, he helped the hur-Franceschi has been putting up dlers win and set a new meet

have a solid No. 1 in both of those.

"He has not been recruited.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville Record

Theresa Yankovich, center, splits two defenders on her way to kicking the only goal of Friday night's game.

Yankovich back on the attack

Midfielder making senior year count after missing junior season By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS REPORTER

Coaches can't teach hunger An athlete either has it or they don't.

Northville senior soccer player Theresa Yankovich was starving to get back on the field, and she is making the most of her opportunities.

Yankovich missed her junior year after suffering a leg injury She worked hard to get back and is currently leading he No 1 ranked team in the state in assists.

Yankovich stamped her return with the lone goal in a 1-0 win against Novi on Friday night. It was the first win for Northville

nothing flashy about her. She's just so steady and so reliable

More options

Most teams will go out of their way to make sure forward Sarah Stern doesn't beat them. While she may get double and sometimes triple teamed by the defense, it only opens the field for others

Meteyer said Yankovich knows how to play the ball to the open player better than anyone elœ.

She's going to find that person that shagged off their mark to go to Stem" he said. As a midfielder. Yankovich

cannot just be a one-way player. She also has to help out on defense

"She does real well dropping back into the slot," Meteyer said

She is also the first option for the defense to get the ball to once they acquire possession. And once she gets possession, she rarely makes a bad decision with 11.

do a lot of events for a track team. It's another to be good at it.

Northville's Eric Franceschi is both

"All he wants to do is achieve," Northville first-year head coach Scott Szukaitis said. "He's big, tall, strong, quick and athletic. Competition brings out a different side of Eric."

Szukaitis knows Franceschi was blessed with a lot of natural talent, but it's his hard work that sets him apart from the others.

"Eric is a self-made individ-

for the Mustangs have have really been working out.

The senior has placed in several events this year, including field events pole vault, long jump, high jump and shot put, as well as on the track in hurdles

On Friday, he set a personal best by clearing 6-5 to win the high jump against Canton. He went on to place second in the shot put (39-5), second in the pole vault (12-6) and third in the long jump (19-7).

His 12 points accounted for

record in the shuttle relay at the Ypsilanti Invite.

While Franceschi competes well at the high school level. Szukaitis thinks he will be even better at the collegiate level where decathlons are part of the competition.

"He'll find a school that will let him compete in the decathlon. He'll be a force," Szukaitis said. "He's competitive at a high school level in all of those events. He's a competitive long jumper, a competitive shot putter. He's our

Some school is going to find an absolute gem

Put me in coach

Szukaitis told a story of Franceschi's willingness to help out. The Mustangs were down a runner in a hurdle race, and Franceschi volunteered for the

He pulled his hamstring while trying to get the footwork down

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against Novi since she has been in high school. Meleyer knows Yankovich can

bury the goals when given the

chance, but she is equally good

of the field," Northville head

coach Ron Meteyer said "She

has very few passes that are non-

productive. She's just a leader

tempered kids I've ever coached

A kid that's focused. There's

"She's one of the most even-

'She's a dream in the middle

at passing the ball.

out there.

"When she has the ball ... players are reluctant to come in and over-commit on her because she's going to make you look like a fool," Meteyer said

Leadership

Meteyer admitted he didn't know how Yankovich was going to handle leadership duties after missing a full season. But she has handled it far better than he

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Mustang Roundup: Baseball, softball stay perfect



Brittany Birdsall sets for a throw against Novi.

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Mustangs (9-0, 5-0) shutout Walled Lake Northern 13-0 April 16. Sarah Rounsifer had five RBI, and Megan Hoffmeister hit a home run.

Northville went on to mercy Wayne 10-0 in five innings Friday, Samantha Dodd earned the shutout, allowing just one hit with seven strikeouts.

Brittany Birdsall had three hits (two doubles), scored two runs and batted one in to pace the offense. Mariel Wilson and Jenna Dumbleton had two hits each.

The big innings came in the third (three runs) and fifth (four runs).

"Sam pitched a great game, only allowing one hit," head coach Teryn Chrzanowski said. "The defense backed her up when the ball was put in play. Everyone hit well today.

"It's wonderful to see players stepping up and performing well when given the opportunity.

On Monday, Northville blanked Plymouth 8-0. Allison Holmes threw the shutout, allowing two hits with 11 strikeouts.

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Dumbleton led the offense with three hits, scored a run and knocked one in. Alex Kaszuba hit a three-run homer and a dou-

aggressive." "Allison pitched amazingly."

Baseball

The Mustangs (12-0) stayed perfect with a bunch of wins last week, started by mercying Canton

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northvalle Record Mustang #1 doubles partners Kristin Randall and Laura Taylor celebrate a point.

> 13-3 April 14. Northville battered Walled Lake Northern 17-7 April 16. Steve Anderson slammed a threerun homer for the Mustangs.

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Chrzanowski said. "She was

throwing heat and hitting her

spots. Literally, everyone was hit-

ting today. They were all disci-

plined at the plate and they were

DAY NIGH' r High

Northville knocks off rival Novi 1-0 behind Yankovich goal

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

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Northville s Kelsey Fiscus, left, and Novi s Kelsey Laux fight for the ball during Friday s game

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Mustang Kelsey Fiscus, left goes up for a header against Novi s Katie Chaklos

■ YANKOVICH: Senior scores game-winner vs. Novi

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Northville netminder Elana Ryznar makes a save before Novi's Nikki Greenhaigh can get to the ball

Girls Lacrosse

Tennis

Soccer

Golf

a.m.

4/24 at Hartland, 7 p.m.

4/28 vs. South Lyon, 7 p m.

4/25 at WL Western, 4 p.m.

4/26 at AA Pioneer Invite, 8

4/28 vs. Franklin, 4 p.m.

4/30 at Wayen, 4 p.m.

4/25 vs. Saline, 7 p.m.

4/30 at Canton, 7 p m.

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4/28 vs. WL Western, 7 p m.

4/25 Traverse City Invite, 9 a.m.

4/26 Traverse City Invite, 9 a.m.

4/26 at Milford, 6 p.m.

ROUNDUP: Tennis wins Grand Blanc tourney

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On Friday, the Mustangs had little trouble with Wayne in a 16-2 victory.

The Mustangs finished off the week with a pair of wins Saturday, including a mercy win against rival Novi.

Northville started the day with a 16-1 win against Fenton in three innings.

The bats stayed hot, and the Mustangs finished the day with a 15-3 win in five innings against the Wildcats.

"Best day yet," Northville head coach John Kostrzewa said. "Great pitching, enthusiasm and passion. They played extremely hard Saturday. We did not commit an error all day.

"Offensively, it was a total team effort with numerous contributions from the one through nine hitters

Tennis

Northville capped off a busy week with a first-place tie with Mercy at the Grand Blanc tournament Saturday. Both teams scored 21 points, with Grand Blane placing third and Pinckney fourth.

Winning individual titles were Ursula Cauffiel at No. 3 singles, Jessica Yu at No. 4 singles and the No. I doubles team of Kristin Randall and Laura Taylor.

All other Mustangs won two of the three matches.

On Friday, Northville swent John Glenn with all girls winning in straight sets.

The Mustangs also swept Churchill on April 16.

Novi beat the Mustangs 6-2 April 15. Sabrina Masciulli and Abby Grajek won at No. 2 doubles, and Sarah Koupal and Breanna Connett won at No. 4 doubles.

Boys Track

Northville put up a championship effort Saturday at the Ypsilanti Invite. The Mustangs won the meet with 90 points, well ahead of Monroe with 75 points in the 10-team field.

Gorley highlighted the meet with a school record launch of 164-1.75 in the discus. The shuttle hurdle relay team of Eric Franceschi, Cavan Corcoran. Evan Gerish and Ali Arastu set a new meet record with a win in 1:00.3.

Other top finishes included a first in the 900 hurdles by Corcoran, Gerish and Arastu, a win in the 4x400 by Habib Khan, Arasiu. Aaron Chew and Corcoran, a second in the 3.200 relay, third in the sprint medley. third in the 1,600 relay and Jon Zurek with a second-place finish in the mile (4:40.97).

The Mustangs dominated the field events in a 77-60 victory Friday against Canton.

Franceschi led a sweep in the high jump by clearing 6-5. Andrew Gorley led a 1-2 finish in the shot put (40-3) and a 1-3 finish in the discus (139-8) Arastu



Mustang Chelsea Teakno hits a return in her matchup against Novi's Claudia Miculici.

Lindsay Hagan led a sweep in the mile (5:16), Konopka led a sweep in the 300 hurdles (50.4), Puskorius led a sweep in the 800 (2:38). Jenkins won the 200 meters (27.2), Stutrud led a sweep of the 3,200 meters (12:45), and the 1.600 relay team of Konopka. Shelby Johnson, Hagan and 4:28. ing only Grand Blanc (53) and Franklin (49). The highlight of the meet came from the sprint medley team of Konopka, King, Morgan Malloy and Jenkins, taking first in 1:56.29. The event covered two sprints of 100, a 200 and a 400. Lindsay Hagan produced a sec-ond-place finish in the mile

Golf

(5:23.04).

The Mustangs started the sea-son in grand fashion, winning the 24-team East Lansing Invite at Walnut Hills on Monday.

The Mustangs finished with a 308, well ahead of second-place U-D with 316.

Wes Gates was co-medalist, shooting a 1-over par 73. Alex Bernstein wasn't far behind, taking seventh place with a 77. Tim Kelly

finished with a 78 for minth place. Trevor Grigg and Steve Brown were just one more stroke back at

"This is a great start for our

"All five guys put in a great in a spectacular performance."

Northville H.S. Schedules



Baseball

4/25 at Franklin, 4 p.m. 4/26 vs. Allen Park, 11 a m , vs Athens, 2 p.m. 4/28 vs. WL Western, 4 p.m. 4/30 vs. Churchill, 4 p.m.

Softball

4/25 vs. Franklin, 4 p.m. 4/26 at Saline Invite, 8 a.m. 4/28 at WL Western, 4 p.m. 4/30 at Churchill, 4 p m.

Track

4/24 at WL Western, 4 p m. 4/26 W. Bloomfield Invite, 9:30 a.m.

Boys Lacrosse

4/24 vs. WL Central, 7 p.m. 4/26 vs. Saline, 2 p.m. 4/28 at South Lyon, 7 p.m.

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Boys Basketball Camp

The Northville boys basketball camp will run July 7-11 at the high school gym. Kids entering grades 4-6 next

school year are from 9-11:30 a.m. Kids entering grades 7-9 are

from noon-2:30 p m. Cost of the camp is \$100.

Checks should be made to Northville High School Basketball, Attn: Boys Basketball, Northville high School, 45700 W. Six Mile Rd . Northville, 48168.

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Girls Basketball Camp

The girls basketball camp for kids currently in grades 3-8 will take place June 16-20.

The camp runs 9-11:30 a.m. daily. The cost of the camp is \$100.

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led a sweep in the pole vault (10-0), Jaclyn Konopka won the long

On the track, Kristine Stutrud, Katie Giacomini, Anna Billings

Mustang field event highlights

included Brianna Jenkins won the

high jump (5-3), Amy Reynolds

80. Mustang Jonny D'Anna makes an attempt at the pole vault during a home meet against Livonia Franklin.

team," head coach Matt Stetson said. "We have some high expectations for our team this year, but to go out and win the first tournament of the year, amongst a strong field, is fantastic.

effort on a really tough golf course. Wes Gates, especially, put

Jenkins won in a season-best The Mustangs also placed third at Saturday's Ypsilanti Invite. Northville scored 46 points, trail-

won the long jump (20-2).

The Mustangs won four events last Thursday. on the track — Khan, Nick Northville

in a 105-32 win against Canton Northville scored in every

the 110 hurdles (14 30)

Girls Track

Kolbow, Chew and Corcoran in every event but the 400 relay.

the 1.600 relay. Kolbow in the 800

(205). Khan in the 400 (5324)

and Corcoran led a sweep in the in-

The Mustangs had little trouble

and Karina Puskorius won the 3,200 relay (10:56), O'Malley King won the 100 hurdles (15.9) and the 100 meters (1289),

Franceschi

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the high jumpers as well.

whatever it takes to see that his

team win. It's nice for the freshmen

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just minutes before the meet but didn't tell the coaches.

The relay team went on to place second at the meet.

To have an individual like that. it makes me feel good. It's why I want to coach track and field." Szukaitis said. "We have a boatlaod of those kids this year. I don't think Eric or the other kids want it

for personal glory at all. They want to see the Northville track he's the one helping the pole vaulters." team win'

Leadership

Seniors are expected to lead teams, and Franceschi doesn't disappoint there either. But more than anything, he leads by example.

"As far as a leader on the team. works

Szukaitis said. "He's the one pushing them to work harder. Not just the men's but the women's team He

with

jump (15-8).



Swoosh of success

The U12 Michigan Rush Swoosh team won the championship at the Mid-American Soccer Classic in Cincinnati, Ohio on April 5-6. The Rush won all three of their tournament games (2-1, 3-1, 2-1) and their Championship game, 3-0.

Top, from left: Alec Lane, Peter Arton, Dwight Hansell, Angelo Zannis, Scott Zurawski, Jeremy Gatt and Jay Debrabander. Bottom L to R: Joe Spyrka, Teddy Molinari. Jack Ellis, Alex Thompson, Brian Smith; head coach-Dave Dunford and assistant coach Brian Gatt.

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AAU Champs Seventh grade AAU Northville Mustangs (14-2) complet-

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ed their season with a tournament win against Hartland for the championship. The Mustangs were also the champs last year in the South Lyon Big Cat Basketball AAU league.

Top row: Head coach David Brenner, Jake Hansen, Ben Holbrook, Joel Kish, Brandon Patrone, Troy Dolmetsch and coach Steve Patrone.

Bottom row: Kyle Brenner, Spencer Conn, Colin Bailey and Austin Soukup.

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FAMILY FEATURES

he satisfying sound of sizzling beef the one-of-a-kind aroma of steak on the grill ... is your mouth watering



Grilled Peppery Top Round Steak With Parmesan Asparagus

Total preparation and cooking time:

30 to 40 minutes

Marinating time. 6 hours or overnight Makes 4 servings

- 1 beef top round steak, cut 3/4 inch thick
- (about 1 pound)
- pound asparagus, trimmed
- teaspoon olive oil
- 3 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese
- Salt Marinade:
 - 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
 - tablespoons olive oil
 - tablespoon fresh thy me
 - large cloves garlic, minced
 - teaspoons steak seasoning blend
 - teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1. Combine marinade ingredients in medium bowl Place beef steak and marinade in foodsafe plastic bag; turn steak to coat. Close bag securely and marinate in refrigerator 6 hours or as long as overnight, turning occasionally.
- 2. Remove steak from marinade; discard marinade. Toss asparagus with oil. Place steak in center of grid over medium, ash-covered coals; arrange asparagus around steak. Grill steak, uncovered, 8 to 9 minutes for medium rare (145°F) doneness, turning occasionally. (Do not overcook.) Grill asparagus 6 to 10 minutes or until crisp-tender, turning occasionally. (Over medium heat on preheated gas grill, covered, steak 10 to 11 minutes, asparagus 8 to 12 minutes.)
- 3. Immediately sprinkle cheese over asparagus Carve steak into thin slices. Season with salt, as desired Serve with asparagus.

Nutrition information per serving: 238 calories; 10 g fat (3 g saturated fat; 6 g monounsaturated fat); 64 mg cholesterol; 272 mg sodium, 5 g carbohydrate; 2.5 g fiber; 31 g protein; 6.0 mg niacin, 0 5 mg vitamin Bs; 1 5 mcg vitamin Biz; 49 mg iron, 34.6 mcg selenium; 5 5 mg zinc.

This recipe is an excellent source of protein, niacin, vitamin Be, vitamin Biz, iron, selenium and zinc; and a good source of fiber

Beef on the Grill

- Grill beef over medium heat. Too high heat can cause the exterior to char before the interior reaches the desired doneness Charring or overcooking beef is not recommended.
- Always cook burgers to 160°F, turning occasionally with a spatula - no pressing. please! Insert an instant-read thermometer directly from the side into the center of the burger to accurately determine the temperature. The color of cooked ground beef is not a reliable indicator of doneness
- Turn steaks occasionally with tongs. Forks pierce the meat, and flavorful juices are lost. Use an instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally from the side into the center of steaks to determine doneness. The thermometer will register 145°F for medium rare, 160°F for medium steak doneness.



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Bruschetta Burgers

Total preparation and cooking time 30 to 35 minutes Makes 4 servings

- pound ground beef
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons minced green onions
- teaspoon minced garlic 1 Salt and pepper
- 4 slices rustic crusty bread, cut 1/2 inch thick Olive oil
- Bruschetta Topping:
 - 3/4 cup chopped red tomatoes
 - 1/2 cup chopped yellow tomatoes
 - 1 tablespoon thinly sliced fresh basil
 - 1/4 teaspoon minced garlic
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - Pepper
- 1 Combine Bruschetta Topping ingredients in medium bowl, set aside
- 2 Combine ground beef, cheese, green onions and garlic in medium bowl, mixing lightly but thoroughly Lightly shape into four 1/2-inch thick patties
- 3 Place patties on grid over medium, ash-covered coals Grill, uncovered, 11 to 13 minutes (over medium heat on preheated gas grill, covered, 7 to 8 minutes), turning occasionally, until instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into center registers 160°F
- 4 Meanwhile brush both sides of bread slices with oil About 3 minutes before burgers are done, place bread on grid Grill until lightly toasted, turning once.
- 5 Season burgers with salt and pepper, as desired Place 1 burger on each bread slice, top each with 1/4 cup Bruschetta Topping Serve open-faced

Cook's Tip If using 95% lean ground beef, combine ground beef with 1 4 cup soft bread crumbs, 1 egg white and ingredients as directed above

Nutrition information per serving using 95% lean ground beef. 285 calories; 8 g fat (4 g saturated fat, 3 g monounsaturated fat), 69 mg cholesterol, 653 mg sodium, 23 g carbohydrate, 1.4 g fiber, 29 g protein, 6 9 mg niacin, 0 4 mg vitamin B; 2 2 mcg vitanun B :, 3 7 mg iron, 21 7 mcg selenium; 5.8 mg zinc

Nutrition information per serving using 80% lean ground beef: 359 calories, 18 g fat (7 g saturated fat, 7 g monounsaturated fat), 82 mg cholesterol, 629 mg sodium, 21 g carbohydrate; 1 3 g fiber, 28 g protein, 6 1 mg niacin; 0 4 mg vitamin Bs; 2.4 mcg vitamin B., 3.3 mg iron, 19.4 mcg selenium. 5.6 mg zinc

This recipe is an excellent source of protein, niacin, vitamin B-, vitamin B :, iron, selenium and zinc, and a good source of iron

Classic Beef Kabobs

- Total preparation and cooking time-30 to 35 minutes
- Makes 4 servings
 - 1 pound well-trimmed boneless beef top sirloin or beef tenderloin steaks, cut 1 inch thick
 - 8 ounces medium mushrooms
 - 2 medium red, yellow or green bell peppers, cut into 1-inch pieces Salt
- Seasoning:
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
 - tablespoon chopped fresh oregano 1 or 1 teaspoon dried oregano leaves, crushed
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper

Cucumber-Yogurt Sauce:

- 1/2 cup plain yogurt
- 1/3 cup finely chopped seeded cucumber
- tablespoons crumbled feta cheese
- clove garlic, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1. Cut beef steak into 1-1/4-inch pieces Combine seasoning ingredients in large bowl Add beef, mushrooms and bell pepper pieces; toss to coat
- 2 Alternately thread beef and vegetable pieces evenly onto eight 12-inch metal skewers, leaving small spaces between pieces
- 3. Place kabobs on grid over medium, ash-covered coals Grill kabobs, covered, 7 to 9 minutes (over medium heat on preheated gas gnll, covered, 9 to 11 minutes) for medium rare (145°F) to medium (160°F) doneness, turning once Season kabobs with salt, as desired
- 4 Meanwhile combine sauce ingredients in small bowl Serve with kabobs.

Cook's Tip: Eight 12-inch bamboo skewers may be substituted for metal skewers. Soak bamboo skewers in water 10 minutes before using, drain

Nutrition information per serving using top sirloin: 280 calones: 13 g fat (4 g saturated fat, 7 g monounsaturated fat), 55 mg cholesterol, 200 mg sodium; 9 g carbohydrate; 1.7 g fiber, 31 g protein; 10 1 mg niacin; 0 8 mg vitamin B4; 1 6 mcg vitamin Ba; 2 4 mg iron, 36 9 mcg selenium, 5.5 mg zinc.

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