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DDA grants

The Northville Downtown Development Authority is preparing to offer a new series of grants through its Business Assistance Program. Applications are due Feb. 27, with grants to be awarded in April. For more information, call the DDA Office at (248) 349-0345. Details are also available on the DDA Web site, www.downtownnorthville.org.

Biz seminar

The Northville Downtown Development Authority will sponsor a free business seminar from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Northville Square, 133 W. Main St.

The seminar, "How To Select The Right Business/How To Market Your Business In Today's Economy," is designed for current business owners, those who are considering opening their own business or those contemplating a new career path.

The seminar is open to the public. An RSVP is requested by Feb. 13 by e-mailing jeanne@imjcommunications.com or calling (248) 547-5576. However, walk-ins will be welcomed the day of the seminar.

Camper & RV Show

The Michigan Association of Recreation Vehicles and Campgrounds (MARVAC) is sponsoring the 43rd Annual Detroit Camper & RV Show, Feb. 11-15 at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi (located on Grand River, just one mile west of Novi Road). Over 300 new recreation vehicles will be on display including folding campers, motorhomes, travel trailers, truck campers and fifth wheel travel trailers.

Show times are weekdays 2-9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

The cost for adult admission (ages 13 and up) is \$9; children ages 12 and under are admitted free! Seniors (ages 55 and over) are admitted for just \$5 on Wednesday, February 11 and Thursday, Feb. 12 (no coupon necessary).

Consumers can visit www.marvac.org to print a two-for-one admittance coupon, as well as register to win free tickets to the show, compliments of Big Boy. The show is sponsored by the Michigan Association of Recreation Vehicles and Campgrounds. Call (517) 349-8881 or visit marvac.org.

Kindergarten notice

Northville Public Schools is now accepting kindergarten enrollment for fall 2009. If you have a child who will be 5 years of age on or before December 1, 2009, please contact your local elementary school for kindergarten enrollment information. The Northville Public Schools kindergarten sessions are half-day programs, offered in the morning or afternoon. Please note that attendance boundary information is located on the school district website at www.northville.k12.mi.us/district/boundary-maps.asp. If you have further questions, please contact the Northville Public Schools Office of Instruction at (248) 344-8447 or visit www.northville.k12.mi.us. A parent meeting for incoming 2009-10 kindergarten will take place at each school during April and May 2009.

Power outages spark outrage

DTE Energy slates special public meeting

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Janet Malinowski said it boiled down to simple survival.

She lived without electricity in her Northville home for three days with the temperature at 38 degrees before calling her son to come stay with him last December.

"I'm a very independent person, and I didn't want to bother him," she said. "He has a family. But after three days, I'd had enough. It was lonely."

Malinowski, a 34-year-old resident of the city, said she slept with a hat on for the first time during the blackout.

She was one of several residents who showed up at the Feb. 2 city council meeting to complain about the lengthy power outage that began about 5 a.m. Dec. 28 and lasted almost 120 hours in some locations of the city.

Another resident addressed the lengthy outage at the January township board meeting, and it was discussed during another recent council meeting.

The township's residents, whose outage lasted about four days, according to Malinowski, live on Clement or just south of that area.

Residents feel that's just too long to be without power, and they want answers.

A representative from DTE Energy, Madeline Williams, was supposed to be at the Feb. 2 meeting but had to cancel, so asked for a special public meeting to be scheduled Monday morning for township and city residents at Northville City Hall.

Michael Bink was another Lexington South subdivision resident who appeared at the Feb. 2 council meeting.

He's gone door to door with some help from other residents. About 60 addresses were affected by the New Year's Eve power outages.

DTE Energy even told people they had power when they didn't.

"A five-day outage in the middle of the winter is hard to deal with," Bink said. "People lost food, had motel bills and so forth, plus it was over a holiday period."

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PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

About two dozen Northville residents meet Monday at City Hall with representatives from DTE to get answers as to why there have been recent power outages.

DTE Energy reps meet with Northville residents

"This isn't just an Edison problem," Sorvala said. "It's a community problem."

PEGGY SORVALA
DTE Energy general supervisor



PHOTO BY JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

DTE's Peggy Sorvala answers questions at a Monday morning forum at Northville's City Hall as to why there have been long power interruptions for local residents.

Meeting with township slated 9:30 a.m. Friday

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Members of the DTE Energy staff met with city of Northville residents Monday to talk about steps to alleviate frequent and sometimes lengthy power outages in the South Lexington Commons subdivision.

Another meeting will take place at 9:30 a.m. Friday at Northville Township Hall for township residents affected by the outages, the most recent of which took place on New Year's Eve weekend, during which power was off in some areas for almost 120 hours.

South Lexington Commons is located south of Eight Mile Road between Taft and Beck roads. About 40 people attended the meeting directed by Jim Gallogly, public

ANOTHER MEETING

DTE Energy staff will meet again with residents affected by the power outages. It will take place at 9:30 a.m. Friday at Northville Township Hall, Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

works director for the city.

This meeting was organized after about a dozen residents, headed up by resident Mike Bink, came to the Feb. 2 city council meeting to bring to light their concerns about the lack of reliable energy for their neighborhood.

There have been five outages in the past year in Lexington South.

DTE ENERGY STAFF

DTE Energy staff at the meeting included Madelyn Williams, a regional manager; Peter Mikinka, engineer, who already has a plan to remedy the situation; Peggy Sorvala,

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GANNETT

City council approves e-mail archiving system

Project will cost Northville about \$9,600

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Former Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick's incriminating text messages to former Chief of Staff Christine Beatty forever changed the way we look at electronic communication.

With the knowledge that this is litigious society, and in light of the fact that Northville is a governmental entity, on Feb.

2 the Northville City Council approved that about \$9,600 be spent to develop an e-mail archiving system for city hall.

The new system, called Retain, will allow the city to retrieve information requested even if the city employee deletes the e-mail from his or her computer. School districts also use this system.

"Electronic mail technology brings great efficiency to the workplace in addition to being a cost-effective method of communication," said Nickie Bateson, assistant city manager and finance director, in a memo to the mayor and council. "Along with the increased

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reliance, however, there has also been an increase in the legal issues of e-mail storage and retention.

"Sending and receiving e-mails creates an electronic document. If the topic of that electronic document potentially involves a legal matter, and it is not retained, a court may consider the deletion of that e-mail to be equivalent to destruction of evidence."

Bateson said this legal issue has evolved to the point that, in certain situations, a court could impose monetary sanctions if it appears evident that an electronic record had not been retained.

City staff has been monitoring the relatively new technology of e-mail archiving for the past year.

The proposed solution includes software, hardware and labor.

The system retains the information and makes it readily available if needed.

Funding for the project will come from an \$18,000 reserve for technology projects authorized by city council in September 2008.

"I'm very excited about this," said Nancy Darga, councilmember, noting that when she

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NICKIE BATESON, City of Northville
assistant manager/finance director

worked for Wayne County, the county was involved in numerous lawsuits. "I think this archiving is so necessary in a government agency."

The city also has in place an archiving system for contracts, correspondence surrounding them and change order documents at city hall.

Bateson said the state has a retention schedule in place for contracts, and that the document imaging system includes archiving such contracts in the clerk's office as well as in individual departments.

Dianne Massa, city clerk, encourages departments to refer such documents to her on a continual basis, Bateson said.

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A new course on Kabbalah – achieving personal positive growth and meaning in life – is being offered at The Novi-Northville Center for Jewish Life.

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The Kabbalah course runs on Wednesdays, beginning Feb. 25 through April 1 from 7:30-9 p.m. in Novi. The course might run on another day of the week as well for those that Wednesdays won't work.

The Kabbalah course is unique in that it combines a

contemporary understanding of the human psyche with a view of the spiritual anatomy of the soul. It is designed to help you understand the unique mix of qualities that define your individuality. Course participants learn how to find purpose and refine character traits by recognizing that every human is created in the "divine image" and using that knowledge to chart personal goals.

"In today's world I find so many people searching for meaning and purpose in life," said Rabbi Avrohom Susskind, course instructor. "With so much instability out there, people are looking to develop their inner strength and be able to feel more positive. People want to achieve inner freedom, create a joyful attitude in

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"I'm sure this course will enrich your understanding of who you are and how to achieve personal growth and happiness," Susskind said.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE BRIEFS

1 - GPS unit taken

Police responded to a call from a 35-year-old man who lives on Waterfall Road about a theft from his vehicle that occurred between 8 p.m. Jan. 31 and 9 a.m. Feb. 1.

The man's sport-utility vehicle had been broken into, although there was no damage to the vehicle.

Stolen items included a GPS unit, radar detector and part of the rear camera device for the vehicle. Estimated loss was \$360. The vehicle was in the resident's driveway.

2 - Car stereo stolen

A 55-year-old man who lives on W. Northville Trail reported a theft from his vehicle incident that occurred between 5:15 p.m. Jan. 31 and 2:25 p.m. Feb. 1.

His truck had been broken into, although there were no signs of damage to any of the windows or locks. Stolen items included a CD player faceplate estimated to cost \$200 and an XM radio receiver estimated to cost \$70.

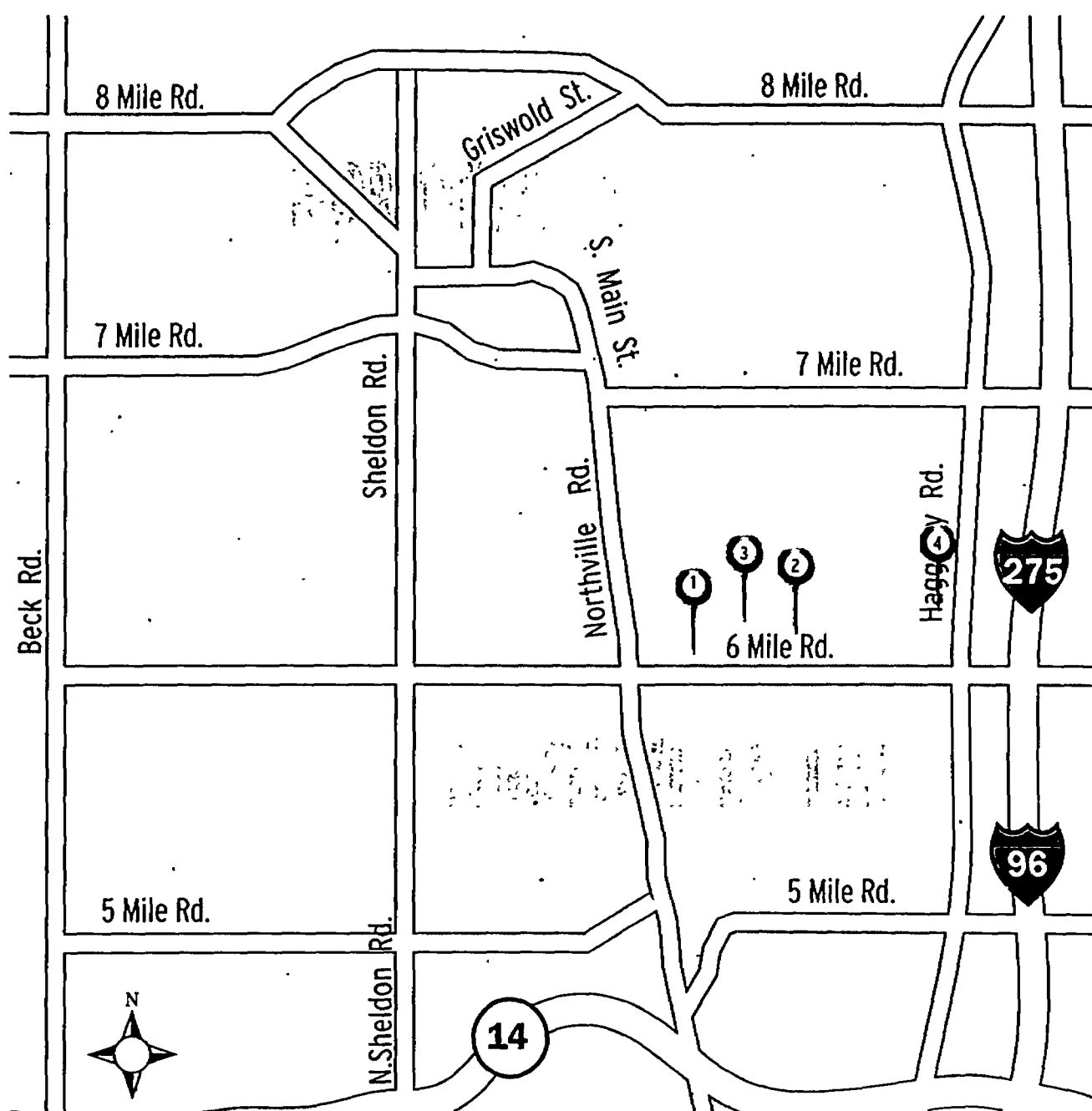
3 - Cash from car stolen

A 52-year-old man who lives on Maple Hill Drive reported that the driver side door did not appear completely closed and that someone had went through the interior of his vehicle. He estimated the incident took place between 8 p.m. Jan. 31 and 8 a.m. Feb. 1.

Miscellaneous items were lying on the floor and seats, and someone took \$2 in cash from the center console.

4 - Retail fraud arrest

A 39-year-old Northville Township was arrested for shoplifting at the Meijer store, 20401 Haggerty Road, at 7 p.m. Jan. 28.



Stolen and recovered items included a Dyson vacuum valued at \$499.99; three Braun series 7 shavers valued at \$719.97, three Braun replacement heads valued at \$85.77, a bottle of Stetson Black Cologne valued at \$16.99, two children's out-fits, and a container of Axe body spray valued at \$19.

Total value of items stolen was \$1,341.69.

Loss prevention agents watched as the man selected the items, scanned them, placed them in shopping bags and then failed to pay for them before leaving the store.

Compiled by Pam Fleming

NORTHVILLE AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SPEAKER AT NORTHVILLE DEM CLUB

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 12
LOCATION: Hillside Middle School
DETAILS: David Uhlmann, Professor, University of Michigan Law School - Forum "After the Cyanide Canary" Former U.S. Department of Justice #1 environmental law enforcement person under Clinton and G.W. Bush, from 2000-2007, will talk about the egregious violations of federal environmental laws, our nation's response, and ways we can learn from and correct past mistakes.

PENDLETON 100TH BIRTHDAY

TIME/DATE: Starting at 11 a.m., Monday, Feb. 16
LOCATION: Pendleton in downtown Northville, 117 N. Center St.
DETAILS: Marking the actual birthday of the Pendleton Woolen Mill in Pendleton, Oregon, will be having an in-store celebration that day. We invite all to come celebrate with us. Birthday cake will be served that day. To commemorate THE "Weaving America's Spirit Since 1909" celebration, Pendleton is launching this one-of-a-kind contest to share with America's families. Tell us in 500 words or less the unique story of your family, your history, and what makes your family so very special. The winning entry—based on creativity, originality, and authenticity—will receive 12 of a specially designed jacquard blanket that portrays that family's story patterned after traditional Indian Trade Blankets, a company hallmark, and will be called "Spirit of the Family".
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Nifty Knitters

Dotty Behrens, left, and Lois Winters work on knitting hats for newborn babies in the St. Mary's Hospital system and for Providence Hospital cancer patients. The two are part of the group Nifty Knitters, which has donated more than 200 hats so far. They usually meet at the Northville Senior Community Center to do their good deeds.

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Dear Phobic,
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Jitterbug: These simple cell phones have been a huge success since they hit the market a few years ago. Made by Samsung, the Jitterbug (www.jitterbug.com; 800-918-8543) comes in two flip-open models — the "Dial," which has a full numerical keypad, and the "OneTouch," which has only three buttons labeled "Operator," "911" and "My Choice" for any number you program in. Both models provide large-size text on a brightly colored screen, and "yes" and "no" buttons, rather than confusing icons to choose easy-to-understand options. They also offer voice dialing, an ear cushion that cups around your ear to improve sound quality, a 24-hour jitterbug operator who will place calls for you, and optional services like voice mail, roadside assistance and even simple texting. Both Jitterbug phones sell for \$147 with no contract, and calling plans that start at \$10 per month, plus talk-time. ClarityLife: Available

to consumers just since November 2008, this new rectangular shaped phone focuses on simplicity and amplification for seniors with hearing loss. It comes with a big bright display screen with magnified text, simple four-button navigation (along with a full numeric keypad that slides out from the bottom of the phone), a dedicated one-touch emergency button that will instantly contact loved ones, and a volume control that amplifies incoming sound up to 20 decibels. It's also hearing aid compatible and comes with a handy built-in flashlight. Available at www.clarityproducts.com (or 800-426-3738) for \$270 with no required contract, the ClarityLife sells as an "unlocked" handset, which means it can be used on any GSM network, such as T-Mobile, AT&T and Sprint.

Knack: Also new on the market, this is an uncomplicated flip-phone that recently earned the Good Housekeeping Seal. Available through Verizon Wireless (www.verizonwireless.com; 800-256-4646), the Knack offers lots of senior-friendly features like elevated number keys, a bright colorful screen, simplified menu with adjustable font sizes, a dedicated 911 button, three programmable "In Case of Emergency" (ICE) contacts, a built-in speakerphone and voice command option, and it's hearing aid compatible to boot. The Knack sells for \$40 with a two-year contract and monthly calling plans starting at \$30 for customers age 65 and older.

OTHER PHONES

There are several other simplified phones new to the market that are worth a look including the Pantech Breeze available through AT&T (www.wireless.att.com; 888-333-6651); HandleEasy 330 and 326i created by Doro (www.doro.com); ChatterChatter 1890 developed by Hop-on Wireless (www.hop-on.com); and the Coupe which is sold by Verizon Wireless (www.verizonwireless.com; 800-256-4646).

CHEAPER OPTION

If you're interested in a cell phone for the primary purpose of being able to get assistance in emergencies, you can save money by choosing a pre-paid or pay-as-you-go calling plan. With these plans you prepay for a certain amount of minutes with no required contract. Companies that offer them include AT&T, T-Mobile, Verizon, U.S. Cellular, Alltel, Tracfone, Virgin Mobile, Boost Mobile and Consumer Cellular.

Another option for lower income seniors over age 60 is a national program called Phones for Life that provides free emergency only cell phones. Visit www.phones4life.org or call 818-569-3057 to see if you qualify. Also check with your local law enforcement agency or area aging agency to see if there's an emergency cell phone program near you.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit www.savvysenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

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LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 or visit first-presville.org
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m.
Walking in the Park
TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. every Saturday
LOCATION: Meet at the Visitor's Center of Heritage Park (Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads)
DETAILS: Group meets for lunch afterwards.
CONTACT: Sue (734) 459-0016
Single Place Ministries
TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. social time, 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m. program, every Thursday.
DETAILS: Informative and entertaining programs of interest to singles; \$5 per person. Check Web site for details singleplace.org.
Divorce Recovery Workshop
TIME/DATE: 7:30-9 p.m. Thursdays to Feb. 19
DETAILS: Regardless of age or circumstances, this workshop helps in a healthy recovery.

OAK POINTE CHURCH
LOCATION: 50200 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org
Worship Services
TIME: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday
ReNew Life Ministries
TIME/DATE: 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday
DETAILS: Ongoing Life Groups that support and facilitate personal growth, healing, learning and change from a Christian perspective.
CONTACT: For more information or to register call (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org.
Charmed Influence
TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday
DETAILS: Studying the book "Surviving a Spiritual Mismatch in Marriage".
CONTACT: Joy Ruby at joy@oakpointe.org or call the church

FIRST UNITED METHODIST OF NORTVILLE
A Stephen Ministry church
LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or fumnorthville.org
Sunday Worship
TIME: 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m.
Coffee hour at 11 a.m.
Healing Service
TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. first Monday of every month
Radical Joy
TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. first and third Thursday of every month.
DETAILS: All women seeking to strengthen their faith and connect with

other women are invited to attend, irrespective of church affiliation. Cost is \$25 per four-week session. Sign up for the entire year for only \$60. Dinner is served and child care is available on request.
Logos Youth Club
TIME/DATE: 5:15-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday, through May.
DETAILS: For children in grades 4-12. Every week, this four part program includes Bible study, dinner, choir/worship and activities

NOVI UNITED METHODIST
LOCATION: 41671 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-2652 or visit umc-novi.com
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:45 a.m.
Healing Service and Holy Communion
TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month
Peace Vigil
TIME/DATE: Noon, first Sunday of every month
LOCATION: In front of the church
DETAILS: Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.
Advent Service
TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. Sunday

WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978
Sunday Worship
TIME: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:0 a.m. Traditional, 9:30 a.m. Contemporary.
Nursery and Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services
Service Broadcast
DETAILS: 11 a.m. every Sunday on WRDZ-AM 560, The WMUZ Word Station.
Single Point Ministries - 45 and older
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday for fellowship and Bible study.
Single Focus Ministries - 35-50 years
TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. Sunday to deepen your personal relationship with Christ.
Single Purpose Connections - 20-30 years
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday in the Chapel for singing, Bible study, and fellowship.
DETAILS: For single adults. Active ministry offering various Bible study classes, volleyball, bicycling group, tennis group, support groups, support group for widowed over age 50, fellowship, friendships and more. Contact the number below for more information
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
Bible Studies and Prayer Nights

Learner's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Mondays Room A101
Men's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 6:30 a.m. Wednesday
Single Adult Ministries office
Single's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Room C309
Relationship 101 Class.
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Feb. 13
LOCATION: Knox Hall
DETAILS: Biblical guidelines on building relationships along with light refreshments and lively conversations.
CONTACT: Single Adult Ministries office at (248) 374-5920.
Ballroom Dance Lessons
TIME/DATE: 5-6 p.m., Feb. 14
LOCATION: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile Road.
DETAILS: Wear comfortable, non-stick shoes.
CONTACT: For questions, contact Monica at mgmc77@yahoo.com or the Single Adult Ministries office at (248) 374-5920. Minimal admission fee. Other dance dates: Feb. 28 and Mar. 14.

"Rethinking Marriage When Thinking Remarriage" workshop
TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-noon, Feb. 14
LOCATION: Room C317 from; Ward Church
DETAILS: Open registration at the door; \$5 includes workshop materials and continental breakfast. This is a "must-do" for anyone planning to remarry...someday. Presented by Paul and Cathy Clough.
CONTACT: Single Adult Ministries office at (248) 374-5920.
Singles Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Monday, Feb. 23
LOCATION: Room C309, Ward Church
DETAILS: Dick Bont teaches the Bible in the context of the Jewish culture.
CONTACT: Single Adult Ministries office at (248) 374-5920.
Lighthouse Café
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Feb. 27
LOCATION: Knox Hall
DETAILS: Special music presentation. Snacks and refreshments are provided. Admission is \$5 at the door. Free child care will be available for kids up to 12 years.
CONTACT: Single Adult Ministries office at (248) 374-5920.
Scrapbook Fellowship
DATE: Two-day event: Feb. 27-28.

DETAILS: Crafting, sewing, knitting. \$5 at door includes light refreshments.
CONTACT Register at Jessica.
siemasz@wardchurch.org (248) 374-5978. Leave name, contact number, and tell what craft you need space for. Walk-ins welcome if space is available.

Softball League Sign-up
DATE: March 8
DETAILS: Sign up begins for single guys and gals; all skill levels welcome. \$30 due at sign up. Games played Thursday evenings at 6:15 and 7:30 p.m. May 7 through Aug. 6.
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920.

Golf League Sign-up
DATE: March 1
DETAILS: Sign up begins for adult singles. Leagues play Monday evenings at Fox Creek beginning (May 4); Whispering Willows (April 30). Cost is \$259; \$90 due with registration.

CONTACT: (248) 374-5920.
Singles Book Club Discussion Group
TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m., Apr. 5
DETAILS: Discussions from a single adult, Christian perspective. Currently reading "Under the Overpass" by Mike Yankoski.
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920.

Divorce Recovery
TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 p.m., Thursday evenings through Mar. 19
DETAILS: \$35 at the door includes materials and refreshments. Free child care available for infants through 6th grade.
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY
LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit holyfamilymovi.org
Mass Schedule
TIME/DAY: 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 6:30 a.m.

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

DETROIT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 348-7600 or visit dcf-nazarene.org
Sunday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Worship service with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments; 11 a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship, 6 p.m. Evening Service, Children's program, Youth Worship Service
Tuesday Schedule: Tuesday 9:30 - 11:15 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study with childcare available for through age 5, 6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study; 7 p.m. Men's

Evening Bible Study
Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast
Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group, 7 p.m. Tae Kwon Do

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC
LOCATION: 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi
CONTACT: (248) 347-7778
Mass Schedule
TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday
Mothers Group
TIME/DATE: 9:30-11 a.m. first and third Wednesday every month, through May 20
DETAILS: Providing fellowship, support and opportunities to grow faith. Childcare available. Suggested donation \$20. Don't have to be a parishioner to join.
CONTACT: Becky at (248) 305-5924 or Jeanne at (248) 380-6361

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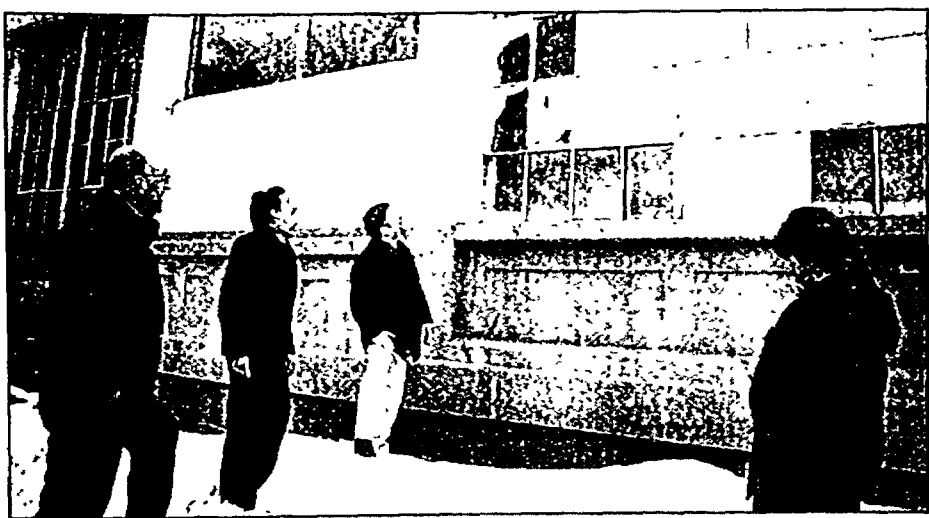


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'Romance Along the Rouge'

John Colling, Marjorie Banner, Dan Schneider and Nancy Darga take a look at some of the Art-Deco features of the original Mill Race plant at Northville's Mill Street. It was part of Henry Ford's Village Industries project that established manufacturing facilities along the Rouge River. The Northville Township Historic District Commission members encourage area citizens to attend "Romance Along the Rouge: A Personal Look at the Ford Village Industry" from 7-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 26, at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. The presentation, which will include role playing by the presenters, is being researched and written by members of the Historic District Commission and the Northville Historical Society. The organizations are asking for a \$2 donation at the door for the Northville History Trail. For reservations, call (248) 348-5800, ext. 10202.

OBITUARIES

JAMES EUGENE BROWER

Age 74, and a former resident of Milford and Bonita Springs, FL. February 5, 2009. A funeral liturgy was held at St. Augustine Catholic Church, Howell, on Wednesday, February 11th, 2009. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons, Milford, 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

MATT CERGOLO

Age 41. He lost his long-battle with cancer on February 1, 2009. He loved much and fought hard who is now starting his new occupation as our personal angel. Survived by his loving wife, Amanda and children Hunter (age 3) and Alison (age 1). He is also survived by his mother Loretta; his sisters Celeste Mason, Mary Crowe, Christine Harris, Cali Cergolo, and his brother Mark Cergolo. Predeceased by his father Rudy Cergolo. Memorial Service Monday 10 a.m. at Lake Cross Baptist Church, 35 Airport Rd., Waterford 48327. We love you but are sad no longer as you walk with angels.

ALMA M. HAAS

Age 96, of Northville, died February 8, 2009. Loving mother of Gary (Jan) Haas, grandmother of two, and great-grandmother of two. A memorial service will be held in Colorado later this month. Casterline Funeral Home, Inc.

MARIE T. KEARNS

Age 83, of Lyon Twp., passed away 2/3/2009. Beloved wife of the late John. Funeral Mass was held last Saturday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of South Lyon.

ELEANORE "ELLIE" LEWIS

February 5, 2009. Beloved wife of the late Robert "Bob". Dear mother of Michael, Carol (Bryan) Yakel, Robert, Donald, and John (Jennifer). Loving grandmother of eight. Sister of Geraldine (Jerome) Wszola, Ernest (Pat) Bedard, Frank (Lisa) Bedard and Mary Wendt. Service was held Monday at Holy Family Church, Novi. Donations can be made to the Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliot Detroit, MI. Online sympathy message at www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

JULIE ELIZABETH SAJO

A long time administrator and educator for the Huron Valley School System died January 26, 2009 at Geary Community Hospital in Junction City, Kansas after a long struggle with multiple health problems. In July 2008, Julie left Reno, Nevada, where she had lived for many years, to be near to her brother John and sister-in-law Jane. At Julie's request, no service was held. Her family has established a Julie Sajo Memorial Fund at the First Presbyterian Church, 113 West Fifth St., Junction City, KS 66441. Her family thanks you for the support and long lasting friendships with Julie. She left all saddened, but better people.

RAY SCHUCHARD

Age 80, passed away February 5, 2009. He was born on May 15, 1928, to the late Raymond and Greta (Jones) Schuchard. He was a resident of the area for the past 40 years. Ray was a good man. Ray was loved by his wife of 59 years, Patricia Schuchard; children: Celia Schuchard, Rick (Holly) Schuchard; Bill (Sue) Schuchard, Steve (Lora) Schuchard; 11 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister Lenore. A Funeral Service was held Monday, February 9 at 1:00 p.m. at Salem Bible Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the family or Salem Bible Church, 9481 Six Mile Rd., Salem, MI. Arrangements by PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com



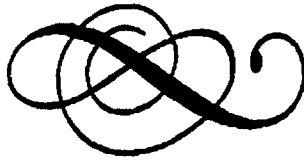
ROBERT E. SCHWARTZ

Of Milford, died at his home in the care of his family on Monday February 9, 2009. Age 62. Survived by his beloved wife, Colleen, and by their sons and daughters, Ronnie (Shannon) Schwartz, Wendy Duley, Stephen (Charla Jo) Finley, Heather (John) McKinzie, and Zachary (Holly) Schwartz. Also 11 grandchildren, and a large circle of extended family and friends. Funeral from Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty, Milford, Thursday 11 am, Chaplains from Bloomfield and Milford Townships Fire Departments officiating. Cremation will follow. Friends visited on Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials to: Bellowood Animal Rescue, Grand Rapids, MI or U of M Burn Center, Ann Arbor, MI. For further information phone 248.684.6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



ELIZABETH (DEROCHER) TOUPIN

Passed away on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 under the care of Henry Ford Hospice. She was predeceased in 2005 by her husband (Walter) after celebrating 56 years of marriage. Together the couple raised three children: Ann Oberst, Northville, MI., Dr. John (Ruth) Toupin, Novi, MI., and Dr. Joel (Ann) Toupin, Farmington Hills, MI. Eight grandchildren also mourn her passing: Julie and Ted Oberst, Emily, Nicholas, and Erica Toupin, and Michelle, David, and Gail Toupin. Liz was born in Iron Mountain, MI., but grew up in Marquette. She was an avid artist, a volunteer helping to teach English to many foreign citizens, and enjoyed traveling. She had a zest for life and will be greatly missed. Funeral services were held at Our Lady of Sorrows Church on Saturday, 1/31/09.



RUTH M. STRADER

Age 79, of South Lyon, passed away peacefully on February 9, 2009. She was born July 27, 1929 in Wheeling, West Virginia to Joseph and Marie (Filcaske) Bauman. She spent her childhood in Wheeling, West Virginia and graduated from high school there in 1947. She was united in marriage to Arthur Strader on April 24, 1949 and moved to Michigan upon his return from the Korean War. After raising their three children, Ruth became a Real Estate Broker, owning and operating Strader Real Estate in Ann Arbor for many years. She spent 22 years in Ann Arbor and moved to South Lyon in 1992. She attended the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon. Ruth was a devoted wife and mother; she especially loved spending time with her grandchildren and attended all of their extracurricular activities. She enjoyed traveling and especially enjoyed celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with her children and grandchildren at Disney World. One of her favorite trips with her husband was driving North through the Upper Peninsula to Wisconsin and then riding back across Lake Michigan on the Badger. She was very active with the Center for Active Adults in South Lyon and worked as an assistant life guard while her husband was swimming. She is survived by her loving husband, Arthur Strader; her children Richard (Cynthia) Strader, David (Debra) Strader, and Suzanne (Kirk) Beadle; her sisters Edith Johnson and Helen (Jim) Krob; and her grandchildren Amanda, Rachel, John, Erin, Mark, Kyle, and Sarah. She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, and one sister. Visitation will be held Friday, February 13, 2009 from 2 - 8 p.m. A Funeral Service will be held Saturday, February 14, 2009 11am at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. 59255 10 Mile Road, South Lyon. Rev. Thomas E. Hart from the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon will officiate the service. Ruth will be laid to rest at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to First United Methodist Church, 640 S. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178.



RUTH K. WILLIAMS

Age 85. February 6, 2009. Beloved wife of the late William. Dear mother of Ted (Marilyn) & Donna. Proud grandmother of Justin Williams, Kevin (Derelle) Cornett, Melissa (Tom Paison) Cornett, Michelle (David) Richardson. Proud great-grandmother of Ceredwyn, Ian, Xavier & Joshua. Preceded in death by her brother Donald. Also survived by her loving sister-in-law Lina Hess. Charter member of Holy Family Church in Novi. Funeral service was held Tuesday at Holy Family Church, Novi. Donations may be made to Franciscan Fathers or Alzheimer's Assoc. Online condolences: obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

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Deadline: Tuesday at 10 am for Thursday

Obituaries received after these deadlines will be placed in the next available issue

Blood Drive set

An American Red Cross Blood Drive is slated from 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 1, at the First United Methodist Church, 777 Eight Mile Road, in Northville. Scheduling an appointment is preferred, but walk-ins will be welcomed. To make an appointment, call Janet at (248) 349-6592.

Keep hydrants visible

Capt. Guy Balok of the Northville Township Fire Department asks citizens to help keep fire hydrants accessible by removing snow and ice from around them. "In the past, responses to similar requests from the fire department have been outstanding," Balok said. "Families and businesses throughout Northville Township have worked together to help the Fire Department maintain a continuously high level of fire protection."

Businesses promote Dr. Seuss' 105th birthday

Northville's As The Page Turns Bookstore & Gallery will Team Up with Sylvan Learning Centers and the Northville Education Association. The bookstore is promoting: Buy 1 book and receive 10 percent off, Buy two books and receive 20 percent off, Buy three books and receive 30 percent off. From coast-to-coast, Sylvan educators will join with teachers, students, and parents to encourage a love of reading in local communities by creating reading events to literally read across North America! To find out what's happening when Seuss is on the loose, visit www.SylvanLearning.com/ReadAcrossAmerica.

Locally, at Sylvan Learning of Novi, the occasion will be celebrated with a reading contest that will run throughout the month of February. On March 2, the center will celebrate with a cupcake party for Dr. Seuss and will draw a winner from The Cat in the Hat's hat.

Sylvan will donate a book from As the Page Turns Bookstore & Gallery in Northville, in the winning student's name to his school library. The winning student will also win a gift card for a book of his choice from As The Page Turns Bookstore & Gallery.

Let Parks & Rec host your outing

Northville Parks & Recreation would like to host your next outing at the Recreation Center at Hillside pool, located at the corner of 8 Mile and Center Street, inside Hillside Middle School.

Your "campers" will enjoy exclusive access to our warm water, indoor pool. The pool depths range

from 3 1/2 to 10 1/2 feet deep, which is great for all ages and swimmers. You'll be provided with American Red Cross certified lifeguards, noodles, water toys and a list of pool games. Some lifeguards will be available for your use. Best rental times are Monday-Friday from noon-6 p.m.

Basic fees are \$98/hour residents; \$153/hour non-residents.

The basic cost provides you with all of the above amenities, with two rotating guards. Additional lifeguards for over 30 guests are \$20 per hour, for a maximum of 125 people. The number of additional lifeguards needed is based on the age range and number in your group. Contact Lindsey Butzin, aquatic supervisor, at (248) 349-0203 ext. 1410 to book your reservation.

Parents Night Out

Maybury Child Care in Northville is launching a new program called Parents Night Out that offers free child care on select Friday nights. This new program was designed by the owners, Jeff and Tarah Lantz, as an opportunity to meet local families and to encourage parents to enjoy a night out and take advantage of other businesses in Northville, South Lyon and surrounding areas.

The services are for families new to Maybury Child Care with children ages 6 weeks - 6 years. The hours will be from 7-11 p.m. Children will be in the care of the owners as well as other Maybury staff, all of whom have gone through thorough training including First Aid and CPR as well as background checks. The student to provider ratio will not exceed 4:1.

The evening will consist of art projects, evening snack, play time, and a movie.

The children will be put to sleep at a time specified by the parents. Space is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

The first night will be Friday, Feb. 13. To make a reservation, contact Tarah Lantz at tarah@mayburychildcare.com. Maybury ChildCare is located at 49875 8 Mile Rd. in Northville, approximately one mile west of Beck Road.

Friends of the Rouge needs frog surveyors

It may be hard to imagine that in as little as one month, our skies will fill with the calls of amorous amphibians. If you are interested in learning more about why and where frogs call, consider signing up for Friends of the Rouge's annual frog and toad survey.

"Participating in the survey is a great way to learn more about the frogs and toads that live in the area," said Sally Petrella, Volunteer Monitoring Program Manager for Friends of the Rouge and manager

outages. "This isn't just an Edison problem," Sorvala said. "It's a community problem."

The December 2008 outage followed a catastrophic ice storm that affected 265,000 DTE Energy customers. "This was really major and entailed us having to bring in 356 foreign crews from Ohio, Indiana and Illinois," Williams said, costing the utility company about \$148 million to restore power.

One of the problems in Northville was that someone erroneously reported that an entire circuit was repaired, and it was not, Williams said. So, repairs did not take place until several days later.

"There was a mistake made on our part," she said. The firm plans within the next five years to install an automatic meter infrastructure. This will send off a signal from a customer's meter when power is out.

Another factor in the December power outage was the 60-plus-mph winds that knocked down power lines.

lengthy," Bink said.

METHODIST CHURCH AFFECTED

The First United Methodist Church was without electricity for six days, and it is now going to cost thousands of dollars to repair the furnace damaged during the outage, according to a representative from the church. A church service on Sunday took place by skylight in the chapel. Instead of about 50 people in the room, there were about 70-80 people who crowded into the room with their coats on during the service.

No phone service was avail-

of the annual Rouge Frog and Toad Survey. "You need no prior experience, just some interest in the local environment. We provide all the information and materials needed to do the survey at our training workshops."

Interested volunteers simply sign up and attend one of four Frog & Toad Survey Training Workshops being held in February and March.

The first workshop is appropriately being held on Valentine's Day, Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Southfield Parks and Recreation Center.

The workshops teach residents all about the 7 frogs and one toad found in the Rouge River Watershed (the 466 square mile area drained by the Rouge River, including much of metro Detroit). Attendees go home with an assignment to learn the 8 calls from a cd they are provided.

Learning the calls is one of the things that volunteers really enjoy about the survey. Once spring comes, they will be expected to venture out to a nearby wetland after dark and determine what type of frogs and toads are calling. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up in teams and children over 5 are welcome when accompanied by a responsible adult.

The survey is made possible by grants from the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project and the Farmington/Farmington Hills Foundation for Youth and Families.

Interested volunteers need to choose one of the below workshops and register by calling (313) 792-9621 or e-mailing monitoring@therouge.org.

Survey blocks are 1/4-square mile areas with wetlands that drain to the Rouge River which includes the west side of Detroit and its west and northern suburbs.

• Saturday February 14, 10 a.m.-noon Southfield Parks and Recreation Center, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield

• Wednesday March 4, 7-9 p.m. Canton Summit on the Park, Walnut Room, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton

• Saturday March 14, 10 a.m.-noon Farmington Hills Council Chambers, 31555 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills

• Saturday March 21, 10 a.m.-noon Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth

Friends of the Rouge is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River ecosystem through education, citizen involvement and other collaborative efforts, for the purpose of improving the quality of life for the people, plants, and animals of the watershed. The Rouge Frog & Toad Survey has been coordinated by Friends of the Rouge since 1998. For more info, visit Friends of the Rouge's website at www.therouge.org.

RECLOSER TO BE INSTALLED

Mikinka said plans are under way to remove a 125-amp fuse and replace it with a single-phase recloser, an electronic device, at Eight Mile Road south of Taft Road that may help alleviate some power outages when trees or wildlife hit lines.

Sorvala said if residents are not getting outages restored by calling the DTE Energy toll-free repair number, 1-800-477-4747, they should call the Public Works Department or, after hours, Northville Police Dispatch at (248) 349-1234, who will then get in touch with Gallogly.

"You are very important to us as customers," Williams said. "Power outages are a major problem ... We want to make sure that you maintain your power, and we are doing everything in our power to provide you adequate customer service. We hear your frustrations, and we are moving forward to try to correct this."

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"This was the grand-daddy of them all," he said. "We are trying to work with DTE and the continued support of the city. We feel that there's a particular transformer or a couple of them that have not been maintained over the years."

Five outages have occurred in the last year, and DTE Energy admitted they weren't even working 24 hours to repair the outages. This last outage was "very extensive and very

able all week, and a wedding even took place during the power outage, with the temperature in the church in the 30s.

Mayor Chris Johnson expressed his hope that the solution can be a more permanent one rather than just a temporary fix. The city has collected e-mails from residents so officials can provide information about the power outage situation.

"It seems like in a modern world, we should be able to get better service," Malinowski said.

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ETC.

Meetings

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education

DATE: Second and fourth Tuesday of the month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Old Village School

CITY OF NORTHVILLE

City Council

DATE: First and third Monday of the month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall, 215 W. Main St.

Downtown Development Authority Meeting

DATE: Third Tuesday of each month

TIME: 8 a.m.

LOCATION: City Hall Meeting Room A

on lower level, 215 W. Main St.

CONTACT: downtownnorthville.com

Planning Commission

DATE: First and third Tuesday of month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall

Housing Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of every month

TIME: 3 p.m.

LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

Historic District Commission

DATE: Third Wednesday of month

TIME: 7 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall

Arts Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of every month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

Beautification Commission

DATE: Second Tuesday of every month

TIME: 7 p.m.

LOCATION: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP

Planning Commission

DATE: Last Tuesday of month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile

Board of Trustees

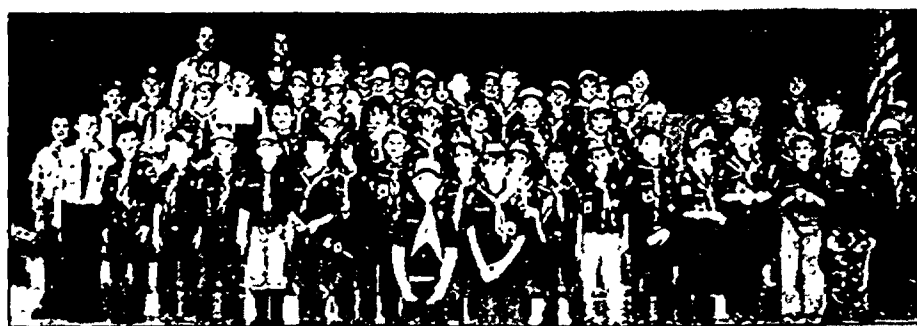
DATE: Third Thursday of month

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Hall

Zoning Board of Appeals

Please see ETC, A13



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Popcorn Pack

The Cub Scouts from Winchester Pack 903 topped 384 packs in their council by selling \$28,465 worth of popcorn recently. The pack sold 4 percent more than last year with incentives such as a laser tag party, Lucky Strike gift cards and raffle prizes. Top sellers were Owen Moruzzi, \$3,116; Connor O'meara, \$1,500; Enzo Duhn, \$1,138; Cameron McWahon, \$1,101; Dominic Duhn, \$998; and Brandon Kerher, \$878. The pack used the profits to pay for most of the scout outings, awards, pinewood derby and blue/gold banquet. They also donated a \$700 check to Northville Civic Concern. There are 72 scouts in the pack; Drew Duhn is the cubmaster and Karl Siegert is assistant cubmaster.

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Religious Education 349-2559
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Parish Office: 347-7778

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Evening Service 8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
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Website: www.fbcsothlyon.com
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30181 Kent Lake Rd. - S. Lyon
Sunday Service Times
9:30 a.m. - Meet & Greet
10:30 a.m. - Morning Service
Rev. Kenneth Warren-586-531-2021

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

OUR VIEWS

Now's time to support chamber

"... to promote, develop and support business and industry for the benefit of the Northville Community."

The mission statement of the Northville Chamber of Commerce says it all, and the organization has been on course since 1964 serving approximately 500 members.

Think of the variety of events your chamber produces: Fire & Ice; Victorian Festival; Farmer's Market; Northville Grub Crawl; Oktoberfest; the State of the Community Luncheon; and the list goes on and on. No matter what time of year, the chamber staff is working hard to showcase this area.

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Next month (March 14) is the annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase, which you can read about on our Strictly Business page on the back of the B section.

But there's so much more your chamber does. Its membership is comprised of manufacturers, service providers and retailers who recognize the value of belonging and benefit through workshops, seminars, a monthly newsletter, discounts and networking. And the staff handles a constant barrage of phone calls, passing along information on

demographics, education, businesses and events. (Their Web site is an excellent source, as well.)

But, like just about every business and organization out there, the chamber is not immune from the current economic recession. When money is tight, businesses unfortunately look at membership as an area to cut. For the small yearly fee, it's a Band-Aid at best. And others may decide not to attend fund-raising events that help keep the chamber operating.

A national study reveals that membership in a local chamber of commerce can significantly boost a business's image among consumers, as well as among other businesses. In a scientific survey of 2000 U.S. adults, The Schapiro Group, an Atlanta-based strategic consulting firm, found positive perceptions of chamber members in a number of areas, including overall favorability, consumer awareness and reputation, and likelihood of future patronage.

The study, commissioned by the American Chamber of Commerce Executives (ACCE), IBM, Administaff, Small Business Network, Inc., and Market Street Services, showed that when respondents were told that a particular small business was a member of its local chamber, they were 44 percent more likely to rate it favorably than study respondents who were not told of the chamber affiliation. Respondents were also 63 percent more likely to want to purchase goods or services from a small business that is a chamber member.

Try to imagine this community without our chamber of commerce, and you'll quickly realize what a vital asset it is to Northville.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you have a winter or spring break vacation planned?



"I do. In April, we're going to Florida. We go to different places."

— Tony Albanese, Northville



"I'm going to April to Amsterdam and Belgium with a friend of mine."

— Judy Sherman, Northville Township



"Kinda, to Vegas in March. We're going there for a wedding."

— Judy Mahn, Northville



"Not really. Sometimes I go, but not regularly. My work schedule is variable, so it depends on that."

— Shin Ogita, Northville

LETTERS

Is Novi City Council and city administration losing perspective?

Is the proposed Signature Park, which it appears will require a tax increase, a sound investment for the community? Novi citizens continue to face the loss of jobs, pensions, health insurance, investments and their homes, and the city seems to be preparing us for budget shortfalls and hinting at a debt/operational millage (tax) increase, despite previous assurances that the city was not headed for a budget deficit whatsoever.

It also sounds like the city may be underestimating the future decline in residential taxable value. According to the city assessor, Oakland county's equalization manager's average projection for the next year is 12-14 percent countywide, while the city is projecting 8 percent, with the city assessor stating that he's hoping that he's right and that Oakland county's wrong.

According to the new 2008 citizen survey, the rating for the value of services for the taxes paid to Novi was below the national comparison benchmark, and expanding and enhancing recreational and cultural programs was rated the lowest priority in terms of being essential or very important.

Is it fiscally responsible and sensitive to Novi taxpayers for the City Council to continue using the general fund as a cash cow, spending tax dollars unnecessarily, and proposing a tax increase to achieve their goals?

Should the City of Novi emulate Canton Township, when it appears that the general fund subsidy for their recreation department in 2007 was \$4.6 million, their 2009 budget projects their Performing Arts Center revenue to be \$467,160 and expenses to be \$874,696 (nearly double) and their 2009 proposed Community Center Fund balance appears to be only \$8,239?

It seems that financially, these types of recreational facilities are losing propositions, heavily subsidized by more and more taxpayer dollars, and that spending scarce tax dollars on a new Fuert Park and the Signature Park proposal may become an unfortunate example of good intentions going astray.

Laura J. Lorenzo
Novi

Snow Ball thanks

On Friday, Feb. 6, the Silver Springs PTA held our annual Daddy Daughter Dance. Our theme this year was the Snow Ball. We had an overwhelming turnout for the event. We want to take this opportunity to thank some people for their efforts in making the dance a success.

First and foremost, the Silver Springs parent community, whose help with donations and their time proved invaluable. Special thanks going to Tina Hood and Erin Rickard.

In addition to parent volunteers, we also would like to extend our thanks to the Northville High School Honor Society students who helped us during the evening and went above and beyond to make the night special.

We would also like to thank our vendors, Sweet & Sassy Salon, Dundas Photography, Donna and Larry's Flowers and our DJ, Jennifer Dales.

Last, but not least, a big thank you to all the dad's, grandpa's, uncle's and family friends who escorted the 148 girls we had in attendance.

Denise Bondoni and Joanne Spencer
Silver Springs PTA Committee chairs



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So hot it's cool

Elaine Grange of Hotz Catering dishes out a sample of her company's corn and bean salsa at the Northville Chamber of Commerce's Fire and Ice Festival Jan. 31.

Are there changes on the horizon for home-schoolers?

This is for those who are thinking of home-schooling or are currently home-schooling and are concerned about its future under the Obama presidency. First and foremost, "God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7.

Now, for some facts on President Obama and the Democratic Party, as noted on the Home School Legal Defense Association's Web site, www.hsllda.org

• Their official position is in support of public education and the National Education Association.

• The NEA's position is that every child should be either instructed by a certified teacher or supervised by one.

• In addition, their position is that curriculum used by all homeschoolers should be approved by the state and that children should only be able to continue to be home-schooled based upon systematic evaluation by the state.

However, it's important to remember that under the U.S. Constitution, the federal government has no authority over private and home education. This may not stop them from attempting to exercise authority in these areas. We've seen this attempt to impose some form of regulation over private and home education in the past, only to see the home-schooling community rise up with over a million phone calls made to the U.S. Congress ending the attempt made by the federal bureaucrats or legislators.

In conclusion, home-schoolers should not live in fear, but be wise and vigilant to protect parental rights and home-schooling freedom in the future. We will stand prepared with the help of the HSLDA.

Laura Castillo
Washington

Audacity of hype?

Has the "Audacity" of hope morphed into the "Audacity" of hype? This convulsive push toward massive government spending will provide too few jobs for the actual displaced and unemployed. A fraud! Its purpose seems merely to shore up the coffers of terribly incompetent blue state politicians. Governors and mayors who use annual resources to build government rather than maintain structural

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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assets. It seems a politically inspired plan that will pile more unnecessary debt upon our young.

Our government-operated Fanny Mae collapsed and its loose mortgage debt still not resolved by TARP. Now it needs time mostly to repair and work its way out. This mortgage problem, initiated by Congress in drying up credit, has brought angst to all of us. Congress never does apologize for bad decisions. Doubts always remain if members actually read lengthy legislation prepared for them by their special interests.

Not since Dwight Eisenhower has a national politician held back on a passion for wild expansion of our national debt. Recent pretenders employ defender economists to camouflage reality and manage the public with hypnosis, sorcery and nonsense. They appear to expect in the fullness of time debts are to be simply forgiven and their names not synonymous with scorn and disgust.

Several of the programs given high priority are to me simply useless. Green nuts! This stuff is essentially a joke, especially the noted avoidance of nuclear power plants as it is a manageable, now safer, clean, and very cheap power source. I sincerely believe Congress is in the process of talking and selling trash to the public. Does the Illinois governor in a cruder way characterize the crop of elected-for-life politicians. Troubling thoughts now seem to emerge over the use of "crisis" for control as presented in the classic book "1984" by Orwell.

Jim Nowka
Northville

Join the discussion

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CHURCHES

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Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Ladies Bible Study 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays

Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first

Saturday of every month

Souls Harbor

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 28

DETAILS: A night of southern gospel music

will be held at First Baptist Church featur-

ing the music of Souls Harbor, a talented

mixed trio based out of Southeastern,

Michigan. This group consists of Ron

Brown, David Brown, and Joy Brown. Ron

and David, father and son, have been

singing for over 17 years and Joy, David's

wife, began singing with Souls Harbor in

December of 2005. Completing the family

affair is Charlene, Ron's wife, who manages

the product table

TIME/DATE: 6-11 p.m., Feb. 27; 9 a.m.-5

p.m., Feb. 28

DETAILS: \$25 on Friday, \$35 on

Saturday, \$50 both days

Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all

ages

DETAILS: Nursery and older children

programs available. Worship blends

traditional and contemporary elements

resulting in a multi-sensory worship

experience.

Patterson's record in Oakland speaks for itself

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson gave his annual State of the County speech Feb. 3 -- at exactly the same time Governor Jennifer Granholm gave her State of the State address.

Other than some snarky comments about the simultaneous scheduling, Patterson's talk received far less notice than Granholm's.

That's

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NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

Music Program Meeting

The General Music Booster meeting scheduled for Feb. 5 has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, March 12 at 7 p.m. in the Forum at NHS. At this meeting, we will be discussing planning for next year. We encourage as many parents as possible to attend. One very important topic up for discussion will be planning for next year's raffle. We welcome all feedback as we attempt to balance our financial needs with maximizing our raising of funds. The second key topic up for discussion will be planning for next year's volunteers. We have at least a few board members who are graduating this year. We really need more parents to get involved.

If you are unable to participate in the March meeting and have feedback on these or any other topic, feel free to contact Therese Grossi, President, NHS Music Boosters, at Therese.grossi@gmail.com.

Band festival results

The following Hillside Middle School students earned medals at the MSBOA District 12 Band & Orchestra Solo & Ensemble Festival on Saturday, January 31 at Livonia Franklin High School.

Solo & Ensemble Festival Participants, 7th Grade: Heather Brevard; Joseph Craig; Adam Crittenden; Rachel Crittenden; Mary Dalrymple; Molly DeDonna; Adam Gleichman; Shea Heid; Annelie Herrmann; Sandya Janardhan; Steven Jansen; Arjun Kaushal; Emma Noble; Max Paul; Ryan Sahjidak; Serena Sherry; Lauren Sirois; Nicole Smaston; Chloe Smither; Jennifer Tam; Erika Tsuchiya; Aileen Wang; Caroline Werther; Andrew Westphal and Angelo Zannis; **8th Grade:** Tomoka Arai; Ashley Austin; Kallie Bergers; Christine Cho; Chris Davis; Christina Hadley; Sarah Hennessy; Stephanie Hong; Christina Hui; Miki Ishikawa; Hannah Kim; Charlie May; Paul Mizzi; Sandra Pui; Krista Rodriguez; Tatsushi Sato; Charles Thorson; Lauren Wickett and Hai Wen Yu.

Early Childhood Center - Wondergarten registration

The Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Center (ECC) offers a program called Wondergarten for the remaining half of the kindergarten day. This half-day program, specifically designed for kindergarten children, is offered at each elementary school, space permitting. It is scheduled either in the morning, from the start of the school day until afternoon kindergarten begins, or from morning kindergarten dismissal until the end of the school day.

To further extend the school day, Kids' Club is offered from 7 a.m. to the start of school and from school dismissal until 6 p.m.

Program Request Forms are available on the district website at www.northville.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood beginning March 14. The enrollment period is March 16-April 1. Please contact the ECC office at (248) 344-8465 if you



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Two for one

John Koppen has his hands full as he dances with daughter Anna, 7, and Kate, 9, during last Friday night's PTA-sponsored Daddy-Daughter Dance at Silver Springs Elementary.

have any questions or concerns. Specific offerings are dependent on enrollment; space is limited.

Senior All Night Party

The Northville High School Class of 2009 Senior All Night Party will be held on Saturday, May 30 from 10:30 p.m. until 4:30 a.m.

SPECIAL PRICE BREAK ON TICKETS - The discounted \$60 ticket price has been extended until Feb. 13. After that date, the price of a party ticket goes up to \$75. To purchase a ticket, make your check payable to Northville Senior Class Party, put your child's name and T-shirt size in the memo section and drop off the check in the Senior All Night Party mailbox in the NHS office or mail it to Randy Buoy, 16400 Sutters Lane Court, Northville, MI 48168.

• Not sure if you've already bought a ticket? Call Randy Buoy (248-344-2240) or e-mail him at buoyr61@gmail.com. He can check his master list and let you know if you've already paid.

• Chair Patti Buoy (248-344-2240) and Vice-Chair Maribeth Ford (248-449-4744) could use your talents. Call them to find out how you can help with the party preparations.

• The party needs donations from parents and businesses. Get creative - if you have an idea for a donation, run it past Ann Pritchard (248-449-3014) or Robin Porreca (248-465-0237). Cash, gift cards, services, merchandise - they're all needed and welcomed. Names of all donors will go in the Northville Record

and donors will also get a certificate of thanks.

• Purchase a wooden commemorative mustang for \$40. Orders will be taken through March 31 with pickup dates at the end of April through the beginning of May. Call Denise Taylor (248-380-6644) for more info.

• Fill out and return the Permission and Liability Waiver Form, plus the Prescription Medication Form, if needed. If you don't sign and return the forms to the NHS office or to Randy Buoy (see address above), your child CANNOT attend the party. Forms are available on the NHS website at www.northville.k12.mi.us.

• Send in your Words of Wisdom form by May 1 with a check for \$5 made out to Northville Senior Class Party. Words of Wisdom can be dropped off in the NHS office or mailed to Jan Stirton (248-347-3054), 47281 Stratford Lane, Novi, MI 48374.

• For further Senior All Night Party updates, be sure to sign up for the NHS listserv. Go to the District website at www.northville.k12.mi.us then click on District Listserv, then click on the link for available e-mail lists. Fill in your info and then subscribe to both the NHS and NHS Seniors listservs.

Northville High School

It is time to plan your course selections for the 2009-10 school year! Wise planning now will guarantee a smooth start in the fall. Students will receive information packets for registration based on the following schedule:

• Feb. 6, 9:20 a.m. - Junior

Meeting - This is for students in the Class of 2010

• Feb. 17, 9:20 a.m. - Sophomore Meeting - This is for students in the Class of 2011

• Feb. 25, 9:20 a.m. - Freshman Meeting - This is for students in the Class of 2012

At these three meetings, students will receive information packets for registration for the 2009-10 School Year.

To further clarify, there are not parent meetings for the Class of 2011. However, included in the packet of information for the Class of 2011 is a letter further detailing the variety of course options available for the junior year.

We are excited about these new course options which offer a more comprehensive approach to incorporating the ninety-one content standards into each course.

Parents, please ask your student to share and discuss these materials with you.

The packet will include a transcript of completed and current classes and a copy of the graduation requirements. The packet will also include the 2009-10 Course Catalogue. Each grade level has a week dedicated to that group to make an appointment with your counselor to discuss and review your academic plan. All course request sheets are due back into counseling, signed by both the student and parent and with the Career Pathway identified based on the following schedule:

• Class of 2010 Thursday, Feb. 12

• Class of 2011 Monday, Feb. 23

• Class of 2012 Wednesday, March 4

In addition to completion of the Course Request Sheet, all students must also sign into Student Connect <http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/webconnect> on the computer and list the courses they have selected for next year. Students who will be juniors and seniors next year may be interested in attending the Oakland Technical Center Program for a ½ day next year. See counselor for more details about this program if you have questions, or call OTC at 248-668-6800.

Kids Against Hunger change

There is a date change in the Kids Against Hunger Packaging Events Schedule. The Feb. 24 event at Fort Street Church has been changed to March 18 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Schools: Thornton Creek Elementary School, Northville and Neinas Elementary School, Detroit

Location: Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 West Fort Street, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

Morraine Elementary

The Moraine PTA invites you to an afternoon of roller skating fun on Monday, Feb. 16, from 1-4 p.m. Bring the whole family for a roller skating party at the Skatin Station.

After-School Science registration begins next week. Please check your child's Monday envelope and/or the Moraine website for the registration form. Check out the new classes that are being offered as well as some favorites from last year.

• Jet's Pizza will be available

to purchase every Tuesday and Thursday. Also, money is accepted daily for payment on delinquent lunch accounts. • Thank you to all who participated in the January 2009 Market Day sale. We had 53 customers and earned \$296.76 for our school. Year to date we have earned \$1,935.80. We also donated many bags of Cheddar Cheese Guppies and Fruit Snacks to the Northville Civic Concern. February sale Order sheets due Friday, Feb. 13; Internet orders due Tuesday, Feb. 17; Pick up Monday, Feb. 23 from 4-5 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room

If you have any questions, or are interested in volunteering at Market Day please call Nancy Bernardi (734) 420-6978, Shirelle Jones (248) 349-5487, or Karen McCallum (734) 420-0577.

• Parent volunteers are also needed for Family Math Night on Thursday, Feb. 19. Help is needed from 5:30-8 p.m.

• Please remember that we only have Monday, Feb. 16 off for Winter Break.

• Friday, February 13, from 10:45-11:30 a.m., Arie Lipsky, Conductor of the Ann Arbor Symphony, is doing a presentation for all fifth graders.

• Moraine is now taking names for incoming kindergartners for the 2009-10 school year. Please call the Office for more information.

• The Yearbook committee is looking for some First Day of School pictures for this year's Yearbook. We are specifically looking for GROUP shots and any on-or-off the bus photos. We will try to use as many as possible. If you have a photo you would like to submit, please e-mail it to Diane Zubkus: jdzubkus@yahoo.com by Feb. 13.

Ridge Wood Elementary

• Muffins with Mom is scheduled for Feb. 24-26.

Thornton Creek Elementary

• With the leadership of student council, students voted to have monthly spirit wear on the following Fridays: Feb. 27; March 27; April 24 and May 29.

• Friday, Feb. 27 is the 12th Annual Gator Gala where Thornton Creek is transformed into a carnival-like environment.

Winchester Elementary

• Your Winchester PTA would like to hear from our families about what you think is important for us to focus on in the coming years. Your opinion matters to us and will guide us in determining what programs we sponsor that best support our school. Look for our PTA Survey in your Monday Envelope. Please take a few minutes to fill it out and return it to school by Friday, Feb. 20.

• March is Reading Month: Volunteers needed for the month of March to tabulate hours. Winchester students could use your help. Tabulation of hours read by first-fifth graders is done weekly during the month of March. The amount of volunteer time is small but the benefit is huge. One hour of your time, weekly, is all that is needed to get this piece done. Karen Alameddine has created a

NORTHVILLE STUDENTS ON CAMPUS Michigan Technological University

The Dean's List for the fall 2008 semester has been released, recognizing students who achieve grade point averages of 3.5 or higher. Included from Northville are Matthew B. Duncanson, Kathryn G. Hietala, Andrew E. Jaworski, Alex P. Klinkhamer, Erik L. Markstrom, Cameron T. McNamara and Michael P. Petroskey.

Arizona State University

Troy Warren Engelland graduated from the W.P. Carey School of Business with a degree in marketing/business on Dec. 18, 2008.

Elmhurst College

Monika Mikulonis of Northville is among the students named to the Dean's List for the fall term of the 2008-2009 academic year.

Northern Michigan University

Elizabeth S. Souther of Northville is among the students named to the Dean's List with a grade point average of 4.00. The following Northville students qualified with a grade point average of 3.25-3.99: Erin E. Hietala, Lucy R. Hough, Ashley L. Susick.

Spring Arbor University

Dana Behler of Northville has graduated in Youth Ministry.

Loyola University Chicago

Jennifer Clemens of Northville has been named to the College of Arts and Sciences' Dean's List.

program that simplifies the job. So, if you can spare some time on the following dates, please e-mail Mary Wilson at WilsonMa@northville.k12.mi.us to volunteer.

• Market Day order sheets are due Friday, Feb. 13; Internet orders are due Tuesday, Feb. 17; Pick-up is Monday, Feb. 23 from 4-5 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

• Please join Mrs. Messing and Officer Demeter for a discussion about how to improve the parking situation at Winchester on Friday, February 20th at 9:30 a.m. in the Faculty Room. Bring your issues and ideas for improvements. Let's work together to find a solution. We encourage you to write down your thoughts on the parking situation's current shortcomings and any ideas you have to make it better. Send an email to winchesterparking@gmail.com and your comments will be viewed by Mrs. Messing and those helping to find a solution.

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Orchards co-founder dies at 88

■ J.W. Erwin known for being poised salesman, loving role model

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

J.W. Erwin, one of the founding fathers of Erwin Orchards and an esteemed salesman for many years, died Feb. 6 after a long battle with health problems. He was 88.

Erwin, like his father James and brother Edward, was a farmer; more specifically he was the one who marketed their product and made the business money. The three of them started Erwin Farms in 1946 at Novi and Ten Mile Roads in Novi prior to expanding to the current location in South Lyon in 1955.

Two of his four sons, Thomas and Bill, said J.W. practically lived at Eastern and Western Markets in Detroit and truly loved the sales game because he was so good at it.

"Anything we had to sell, he could do it," said Bill, who currently runs Erwin Orchards with his wife Linda. "He could probably sell the Brooklyn Bridge to someone if he really wanted to."

Thomas, who traveled with his dad to the markets and eventually took over his job as salesman when J.W. retired, said the other farmers used to follow their lead in terms of

"He could probably sell the Brooklyn Bridge to someone if he really wanted to."

pricing because his father was always watching the market. Back then Erwins sold pears and peaches to go along with their always-popular apples.

In fact, the Erwins were a step ahead of everyone else because they were one of the first orchards in Michigan to have controlled atmosphere storage, allowing them to preserve the fruit longer.

Because of his extensive knowledge, J.W., a graduate of Northville High School, also was a member of several well-respected industry boards. He served as the president of the Michigan State Horticultural Society, was on the Michigan Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Board and on the Michigan Certified Farm Markets among many more.

He also was secretary of the South Lyon School Board and served on the Oakland County School Board.

"Dad was always very well-read and always looked at both sides of the story," Thomas said. "He taught us boys to be proud of what we do and what we accomplish, and instilled

in all of us boys to not criticize someone until you have walked in their shoes.

"He was a very proud man, proud of what he did and proud of his four boys."

Adra Erwin, Thomas' wife, said she recently wrote a note to Shirley, J.W.'s wife of 64 years, to tell her how blessed she was to have him in her life.

"He was a fun man to be around and had a great sense of humor," Adra said. "He just took so much joy out of life."

When J.W. retired from the farm in the early 1980s he pursued his love of travel, visiting Africa, Australia and Europe among others. He and his wife eventually moved to Arizona for the warm weather.

Bill, who still runs the family business, said he thinks about his dad, grandfather and uncle every day.

"I look back and say, 'Geez, would they be proud of me?' he said. 'And I would presume when they look down they would be happy with what they see.'"

Donations in J.W.'s honor can be sent to the Michigan State Horticultural Society, 63806 90th Ave, Hartford, MI 49057.

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(248) 437-2011 ext. 255

MILESTONES

Houslander & Schmuckel

Bron and Kathy Houslander, of Northville, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan Kathleen Houslander, to Martin John Schmuckel, son of Janet Engelhardt and John Schmuckel, of St. Clair Shores.

Megan is a 2002 graduate of Northville High School. She has a bachelor's and master's degrees in speech-language pathology from Michigan State University. She is a speech-language pathologist at the University of Michigan Mott Children's Hospital.

Martin is a 2003 graduate of Lakeview High School and has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Michigan State University. He is employed as an executive team leader at Target. The couple plans an April 2009 wedding.



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Getting in line

Above, moving feet take part in a Monday morning line dance class at the Northville Senior Community Center. At left, Rosemary Krest leads and teaches a line dance class at the Northville Senior Community Center on a recent Monday morning. For more information about classes and programs at the center, call (248) 349-4140.

NORTHVILLE NAMES IN THE NEWS

"The Body Eclectic" juried exhibition for the month of February at the Lawrence Street Gallery in Ferndale was judged by Sarah Balmer, manager for the Detroit Artists Market. Balmer was charged with choosing what would be exhibited from among the approximately 200 submitted works and awarding prizes to the most outstanding. Best in

Show was awarded to Candace Brancik of Milford, for her mixed media work titled "Stripes". Steven R. Miller of Bloomfield was awarded First Place for his gypsum sculpture, "Peer Gynt's Bride". Helen Gotlib of Ann Arbor was awarded First Place for her ink, crayon and gouache work, "Sarah with Blanket".

Honorable mentions went

to Edward Baranski of Royal Oak for his watermedia work "Making Magic Too", Jeff Cangelosi of Northville for his Pen and Ink work "Fallen", Colin Delaney of Ann Arbor for his pen on paper work, "After the Bath", Clay Dodson of Rochester Hills for his oil painting "Bonita" and Jaime Kervan of Novi for the Mixed Pencil work "Pow".

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FOR CLARITY'S SAKE

Perhaps because many consumers associate the word "clarity" with clearness and transparency, they automatically assume that a diamond's clarity grade is directly related to its brilliance and sparkle. The fact is, however, that clarity grade has little effect on a diamond's appearance, with the exception of the lowest grades. Few people can discern any visible difference in the clarity between diamonds until they reach the imperfect grades. Even then, it is difficult to see anything without magnification. Diamonds do not have to be flawless to be beautiful. The importance of clarity grade is that it gives an indication of how "clean" a gemstone is. The cleaner the diamond, the more rare and costly it is. Cut determines a diamond's brilliance.

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Northville life coach initiates phone classes

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BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Susan McKenna knows people are busy these days.

A life coach, motivational speaker and author in Northville, she offers classes at her office or home on a variety of topics. Her class at her home on Jan. 28, for example, focused on the topic, "Our Lost Childhood," discussing "what brought us to the point we are," she said.

"To be successful at letting go of codependent behaviors and issues and gain control over a more positive life, you must address what your unmet needs are. If you don't, they will only come back to haunt you ... and each time with more intensity, causing more problems."

McKenna said a life coach is someone who uses their own experiences in life to help others as opposed to someone who just does therapy.

"Therapists often focus on the problem, and a life coach focuses on the solution," she said.

She lives in the Northville area and has many years of experience helping others.

New this year are her phone classes people can take, via telephone, in the comfort of their own home, at their convenience. Each month, different classes are offered. Topics range from self-esteem to weight loss, from loneliness to anxiety, from reaching goals and being more positive, to improving relationships and changing negative behaviors, all with a life-coach emphasis that not only offers knowledge but also motivates people to make healthy differences in their lives.

"With the economy in the state that it is, these classes



Susan McKenna, a life coach, motivational speaker and author in Northville, works out of Psychotherapy & Counseling Services in Northville. She counsels people in the office, at her home and offers phone classes for informational purposes.

offer support when mental health care may not be an affordable option," McKenna said. "In addition, for those who are on a tight schedule or like their privacy, the classes are a great option."

Most of the phone classes are only \$12 and last 30-45 minutes. The classes are pre-recorded, so they are available for three days in a row, and registrants may call in to listen anytime of day, 24 hours a day.

The phone classes are designed to offer information only, rather than counseling, and they are not to be used instead of therapy.

Listeners must register for the phone classes. They are under no obligation to take the classes, but they must have a signed registration on file to obtain instructions and class

schedules. They are billed only when they listen to a class and their phone number appears on the call record. Their bill will come via e-mail on a monthly basis. Class offerings, dates and instructions will be e-mailed to registrants.

McKenna counsels men, women, teenagers and couples. Overall topics include codependency, self-improvement, divorce, anxiety, health issues, relationships and problem solving.

"Clear out the weeds, prepare the soil and grow someone new and fresh — someone that you like," McKenna said. "Plant some new seeds, then feed them with knowledge, motivation and encouragement."

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about Susan McKenna's classes, either at her office, home or via telephone, contact her at (734) 420-8175 or e-mail her at CoachInfo@yahoo.com. Group sessions are \$12-15 each; one-on-one sessions are \$35 for 45 minutes with \$10 for each additional 15 minutes; telephone classes start at \$12. One-on-one classes can be in person, over the phone or via e-mail. Packages and promotions are available for special offerings. McKenna works through Psychotherapy & Counseling Services in Northville at 215 E. Main Street, Suite 201, across from Starbucks.

NORTHVILLE AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FINANCIAL ADVICE WALK-IN CLINIC

TIME/DATE: 7-8 p.m., Feb. 17, March 3, 10
LOCATION: Northville Senior Center - Russell Room
DETAILS: Ameriprise Financial's downtown office is inviting the public for answers to questions on any financial topic. This FREE walk-in clinic is an informal way to get a quick answer or detailed explanation on your individual situation.
CONTACT: John at (248) 348-0080

HOW TO SELECT THE RIGHT BUSINESS// HOW TO MARKET YOUR BUSINESS IN TODAY'S ECONOMY

TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 17
LOCATION: Northville Square, 133 W. Main Street/Main level
DETAILS: Northville Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is hosting this free business seminar. The seminar will provide attendees with some useful information steps to take if they are planning to open their own business along with tips for new and current business owners on how to market themselves. Featured guest speakers for the evening include business experts Mark Cory - owner / operator of Franchise Network (FranNet) Detroit and Paul Bensman - commercial real estate expert and president of "Details In Retail," an organization which provides services/consulting to small businesses and those looking to open a business. Seminar is free and is open to the public. Those who wish to attend the seminar are asked to RSVP by February 13 via e-mail or phone to: jeapne@imjcommunications.com or 248-547-5576. Walk-ins are also welcome the day-of-seminar too.
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TIME/DATE: 3-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 21
LOCATION: Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main
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TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 21
LOCATIONS: Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady
DETAILS: The Base Line Folk Society - formed in September 2005 - pro-

vides a forum for the enjoyment of traditional, acoustic music in a casual setting. The Society meets the 3rd Saturday of each month, September through June at the Northville Art House. An emcee serves as a featured performer and gets 30 minutes to perform. The rest of the evening is an "open mic" format where up to five other performers receive 15 minutes (or 3 songs of their choosing) to perform. They are selected on a first come first serve basis. The Art House opens at 6:15 p.m. for registration. While there is no fee to pay - and no pay either for the performers - a \$5 donation is collected from guests to offset costs of maintaining the building. The fee also includes coffee, baked goods and cookies.

VFW BLOOD DRIVE

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday, Mar. 8
LOCATION: Northville VFW Post 4012, 438 Northville Rd., Northville
DETAILS: Approximately one hour time frame to complete the process for each donor - cookies and OJ provided afterward.
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TIME/DATE: 10:30-11:15 a.m., Friday, Feb. 13
DETAILS: Books to two-year-olds, read with parents or caregivers, enjoy music, simple stories and playtime. No registration required.
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TIME/DATE: Noon, Saturday, Feb. 14
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TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Beautification Commission
DATE: Third Monday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Youth Assistance
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
TIME: 8 a.m.
LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road
CONTACT: Sue Campbell (248) 344-1618

Senior Events

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
LOCATION: 303 W. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-4140
Thursday
 8 a.m.: Walking Club
 9 a.m.: TOPS; Massage by appt.
 10:30 a.m.: Yoga
 11 a.m.: Cribbage
 Noon: Walking Club
 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
Friday
 8 a.m.: Walking Club
 11 a.m.: Poker
 11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
 Noon: Walking Club
 1 p.m.: Movie
Monday
 8 a.m.: Walking Club
 9:30 a.m.: Mah Jongg
 10 a.m.: Beginning Line Dance;
 Oxygene
 11 a.m.: Adv. Line Dance
 Noon: Walking Club

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre
 7:15 p.m.: Tai Chi
Tuesday
 8 a.m.: Walking Club
 10:30 a.m.: Yoga
 11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
 Noon: Walking Club
 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
Wednesday
 8 a.m.: Walking Club
 9 a.m.: Foot Reflexology by appt.
 10 a.m.: Oxygene
 11 a.m.: Strength Training
 11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
 Noon: Bridge; Walking Club
 1 p.m.: Cribbage
 7 p.m.: Bridge
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TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, Friday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
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CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Adult 50+ Fun Co-ed Volleyball
TIME/DAYS: 1-3 p.m. every Tuesday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: Games scored to 15 points with creative team rotation; \$1 per session; all skill levels welcome.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and

Recreation (248) 449-9947
Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Basketball
TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-noon each Thursday
LOCATION: Senior Community Center
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Health Walking
DATE: Monday-Friday
TIME: 8-10 a.m.
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
Pilates Class
TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. each Tuesday
Bunco
TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. second Thursday of each month
DETAILS: Call Senior Community Center 24 hours in advance to register; \$1 per person.
Friday Flicks
TIME: 1 p.m. every Friday
DETAILS: Cost is \$1.

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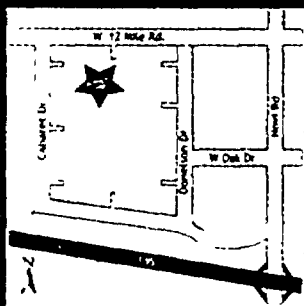


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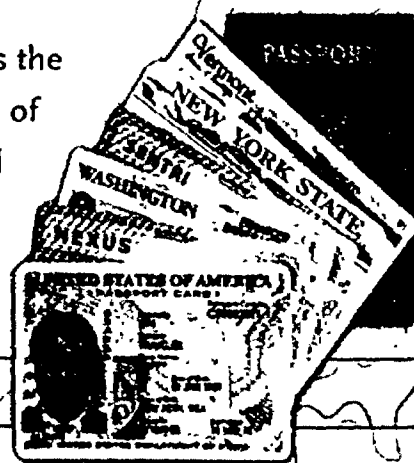
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LOCAL SPORTS

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'Player of the Week'
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Banner day for Northville wrestling team

BY ED WRIGHT
RECORD STAFF WRITER

For the first time in six years, the wrestling banner that hangs on the north wall of the Northville High School gymnasium will need some alterations.

The digits "09" will need to be added under the "Division Champs" category after the Mustangs captured the inaugural Kensington Lakes Activities Association Central Division title Feb. 4 with dual-meet victories over South Lyon East (61-16) and Salem (40-25).

"Looking up at the banners reminds us that this has been a long time coming," Northville coach Jeff Balagna said, moments after his team's convincing triumph over the Rocks. "One of my assistants said he'd climb up the wall and change the banner himself if we won it."

"This has been a goal of ours since the first day of practice this season. When this group of seniors were freshmen, we knew it was going to be a good class. And we had 10 junior step up this year, too. It's nice to be able to send the seniors out as division champs."

The Mustangs' quest for a conference title was curtailed Friday night when they lost to South Division champ Livonia Franklin, 29-24.

Heading into last Wednesday's quad meet at Northville, it appeared the evening's nightcap between Salem and Northville would decide the division title. However the Rocks were upended by South Lyon during the night's opening match, which all but clinched the crown for the Mustangs.

"This means a lot to us," Northville

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HAL GOULD (STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER)

Northville's 135-pound Josh Wright (top) pinned South Lyon East's Kevin Case during the two teams' Feb. 4 dual match at Northville. The Mustangs earned their first division title since 2003.

GAME WRAPS

NHS swimmers fall

The Northville High School boys swimming and diving team dropped a 114-71 decision to Livonia Stevenson Feb. 5. The loss dropped the Mustangs to 8-2.

Two Northville athletes turned in first-place efforts: Kevin Bain, who won the diving competition with a score of 245 points; and Nate Lunn, who touched first in the 200-yard free-style in 1:49.65.

"We were dominated from start to finish," said coach Northville coach Bennetts. "It was not a good performance."

Northville hosts Plymouth tonight at 6:30 p.m. for "Senior Night."

Ignition triumphs

The Detroit Ignition strengthened its grasp on the Xtreme Soccer League's top spot Sunday with a 10-4 win over the visiting Milwaukee Wave.

The victory was the Ignition's 15th straight win at Compuware Arena and fifth consecutive victory this season.

The triumph improved the Ignition's record to 6-2 while the second-place Wave washed in at 6-4.

Forward Worteh Sampson staked Detroit to a 2-0 lead late in the first quarter off an assist from Josh Rife. Nathan Sabich answered for the Wave at 4:14 of the second to tie the clubs up at 4-all, a score that would remain the same going into halftime.

Following a slow first half by indoor-soccer standards, the Ignition's fans caught a lot more action in the last two stanzas. Vahid Assadpour netted a two-point goal for Detroit just 25 seconds into the third, which was quickly equaled with a two-pointer from Milwaukee's Troy Dusosky.

The Ignition was able to stifle any possible momentum from Dusosky's goal with a 6-0 run thanks to goals from Sampson, Assadpour, and Livonia native Nic Djokic, who scored the first goal of his professional career.

The Ignition and Wave will stage a rematch on Sunday at U.S. Cellular Arena.

Freshmen cagers win

The Northville High School freshmen girls basketball team walloped Salem, 44-11, on Feb. 5.

The Mustangs surged to a 9-2 first-quarter lead and never looked back as they improved their record to 11-2.

The Mustangs led 19-4 at the half before outscoring their foes 13-4 over the final eight minutes.

Northville was led by Allyson Coppock, who scored 10 points and grabbed seven boards. Laura Pond grabbed 12 rebounds and added nine points in the victory.

Other scorers included Suzanne Hasse (five points), Maggie Stewart (four) and Emily Poland (four).

FLIPPIN' AMAZING

Mustang gymnasts fourth at Canton Invitational

In a competition that was every bit as rich in talent as next month's state meet, Northville's gymnastics team proved it's in the elite class by placing fourth at Saturday's 18-team Canton Invitational.

The event was won by Grand Ledge, which chalked up a record-setting 151.375 points. Livonia Blue placed second with 146.35, following by Farmington (146.125) and the Mustangs, who registered 144.025.

"We started out strong on the vault, had a couple difficulties on bars, which has been a struggle for us this year, but we also showcased some newer and more-difficult skills," Northville coach Erin McWatt said. "We had an uncharacter-

Results from Canton Invitational, B3.

istically difficult time on beam — usually our strongest event — but we finished strong on floor.

"Because there are so many teams, this tournament usually lasts all day, so the girls have to keep themselves focused, relaxed and pumped up for a good 10 hours. But it's a great preview of what's to come at the state meet in March."

A pair of Mustangs placed in the top 10 in the Division 1 all-around competition: Chloe Presley, who placed fourth with a score of 37.45, and Makenna Pohl, whose 36.4 was good enough for ninth. Cassidy Winter recorded

a stellar 35.125 in the all-around.

Presley won the balance beam competition with a 9.675 and tied for fourth on floor with a 9.5.

Amy Reynolds, Michelle Steslicki, Julie Davison and Amy O'Brien also excelled for the Mustangs.

"At this point in the season, we already know how to stay on the equipment and get through the routines, but if we want to be competitive at the state meet and place as well as we did last year, the game now becomes who can not only stay on, but nail the skills and routines," McWatt said. "A few tenths of a point are all that separate the good teams from the great teams."



ANDY RUBENSTEIN

Northville's Chloe Presley performs a back-flip in the balance beam during Saturday's Canton Invitational. Presley finished fourth in the all-around.

Instant classic

Northville edges Rocks in triple OT

BY ED WRIGHT
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Just when it appeared there was no conceivable way Thursday night's Northville-Salem boys basketball game could get any more spine-chilling thrilling, it did — over and over again.

And as soon as the 200 or so fans in the Salem gym figured they'd seen the most clutch, pressure-packed shot they'd seen in a long time, another jaw-dropping, long-range, buzzer-beating effort ripped through the net.

Then another, and another.

When the final buzzer sounded — following 32 minutes of high-tension regulation play and three out-of-this-world overtime sessions — the Mustangs survived with a 72-70 victory in a game so exciting it made last Sunday's Super Bowl seem as dull as a lawn-bowling tournament.

Sophomore guard Al Myers ended the drama with a running, eight-foot bank

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PHOTO BY JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Northville senior captain Alec Arthur has been a catalyst in the team's drive for a state title.

Arthur knows one gear: first

BY ED WRIGHT
RECORD STAFF WRITER

When you stand 5 feet, 7 inches and weigh 150 pounds like Northville hockey player Alec Arthur, and you play one of the most bone-jarring sports known to man, you'd better be equipped with many of the attributes Arthur carries on to the ice every second of every shift.

"Alec is as tough as nails and he never gives less than 100 percent — never," said Northville coach Clint Robert. "You know what you're going to get from him every practice and every game — his best effort. He's a great role model for the younger guys on the team."

Arthur, a senior captain for the No. 1-ranked Mustangs, is a lot more than an "effort" player who inspires others with his hustle. His statistical contributions — 10 goals and 18 assists through last week's games — are testaments to a lofty skill level that started getting sharpened along with the blades of his skates at the age of 8.



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CLASSIC

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shot with eight seconds left that broke a 70-all deadlock. Salem failed to get a decent look as time expired on the classic.

"That is definitely, without question, the most exciting game I've ever been a part of as a coach, at any level," said Northville coach Todd Sander, whose team improved to 3-9 overall and 2-4 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association. "The best part about it was that we never got down. The kids always kept their spirits up even when it would have been easy to go the other way."

The drama was old hat for the Rocks, who have played in more nail-biters than yawns this season.

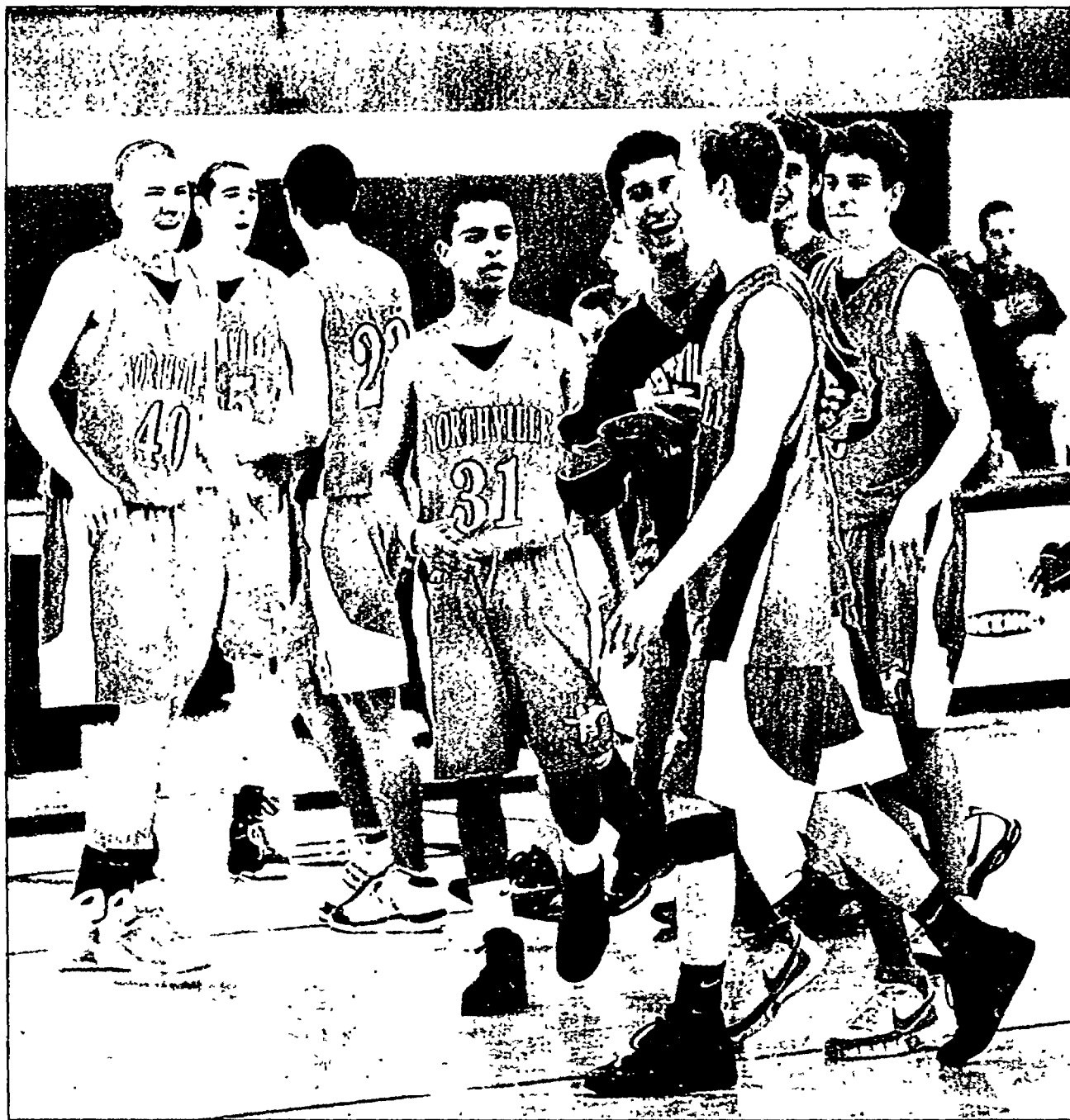
"We've played in a lot of exciting games this season — the last time we played Northville we won it at the end when Heath Parling made a three and got fouled," said Salem coach Bob Brodie, whose squad dropped to 4-8 overall and 2-4 in the division. "The Canton game went down to the wire and the Garden City game went two overtimes."

"The biggest thing with this game was the number of clutch shots that players made to tie the game or give their team the lead at the end."

Arguably, the game's most incredible sequence — during a night when their were countless incredible plays — unfolded during the closing seconds of the first overtime. With Salem securing a 52-49 lead, Northville inbounded the ball with 5.2 seconds left.

The Mustangs worked the ball to Bryce Groshek, who defied a suffocating Salem double team and swished a game-tying triple from the deep corner as the buzzer sounded to extend his team's chances.

Ironically, Groshek had knocked down an equalizing



Members of Northville's basketball team congratulate Al Myers (foreground) after he sank the winning basket in the Mustangs' Feb. 5 triple-overtime victory over Salem. Bryce Groshek (31) led the Mustangs with 23 points.

triple moments earlier, however, it came a split second after Sander had signaled for a timeout.

"I knew they were going to try and guard me above the

screen and play me tight," Groshek said, remembering his big-time shot. "I knew they would rise on my first shot, so I gave a pump fake, both of the players guarding me went

up, I took a little dribble in the corner, got a little space and shot it."

Groshek, a sophomore, netted a game-high 23 points and drained 9-of-11 free-throw

attempts. The Mustangs were in a zone at the line, sinking 17-of-20.

"Bryce doesn't get rattled too much," Sander said. "He wants the big shots. He gets excited

when he gets to take the big shots.

"I felt horrible when I called the timeout and then Bryce made the three at the end of the first overtime, but he bailed me out a little bit later."

A mid-game uniform change (from No. 5 to 40) due to a bloody jersey didn't faze Northville's Andrew Baldwin, who contributed 14 points and five rebounds.

Tim Hasse (11 points) and Scott Wagner (10) added to the winners' balanced scoring attack.

Senior guard Anthony Mullins sparked for the Rocks, scoring 22 points, including a long-range three with 15 seconds left in the third OT that knotted the game at 70-all.

Senior forward Jim Dexter also played well, netting 13 points and eight rebounds.

The lead changed hands or was tied by shots nine times during the final 5:12 of regulation.

Northville secured a 63-60 lead with 10 seconds left in the second overtime on a pair of Hasse free throws. However, Salem senior forward Joe Posler answered with a wide-open triple from the wing as the buzzer sounded.

The Mustangs built a 68-63 edge early in the final four-minute stanza thanks to a Baldwin three and two Groshek free throws. But the Rocks battled back to within 68-67 on a Jake Peterson basket and two Parling free throws.

Baldwin calmly canned two freebies with 35.8 left to extend Northville's advantage to 70-67, but Mullins stroked another clutch triple 23 seconds later to tie it.

Forgoing a timeout, Northville rushed the ball up the court on its ensuing possession and was rewarded when Myers banked in the game-winner.

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Right on track

Northville senior Amy Reynolds is pictured signing a letter of intent to participate in track and field beginning next fall for Grand Valley State University. Reynolds is a pole-vaulter. Pictured are (top row from left) James Reynolds (Amy's dad), Nancy Smith (Northville girls track and field coach), (bottom row from left) Becky Reynolds (Amy's sister), Amy Reynolds and Kathryn Reynolds (Amy's mom).

Whalers' rally upends Bulls

For two periods Saturday night at Compuware Arena, the Belleville Bulls showed why they are one of the top teams in the Ontario Hockey League Eastern Conference.

Led by goaltender Mike Murphy (who leads the OHL with a 2.01 goals against average and .944 save percentage), the Bulls held a 2-1 lead over the Plymouth Whalers through 40 minutes.

But the Whalers showed why they are one of the most-improved teams in the OHL when they exploded for five goals in the third period in a span of 2:40.

— to chase Murphy and record a convincing 6-2 victory over Belleville before a crowd of 2,344.

The Whalers improved to 26-22-5-0, good for 57 points and a tie for fifth in the Western Conference race with Sarnia.

Young players and veterans alike were keys to the Whalers' victory. Seventeen-year-old Tyler Seguin led the Whalers' attack with two goals and two assists.

Plymouth veteran and captain Chris Terry contributed four assists while third-year player AJ Jenks scored a goal and added an assist.

The Whalers also received goals from veteran Joe Gaynor, overage Matt Caria and Ryan Hayes.

Brandon Mashinter and Shawn Lalonde scored first-period goals for Belleville, while Matt Caria scored the first period. Seguin cut the Belleville lead to 2-1 just 56 seconds after a deflection in front of Murphy after receiving a pass from Terry.

Plymouth outshot Belleville, 18-10, in the second period and 38-24 through forty min-

utes with Murphy playing well.

But Plymouth tied the game on Gaynor's goal at 3:21, set up by Seguin, who blew by a Belleville defender on the right wing of the Bulls zone and got the shot on Murphy.

Jenks gave Plymouth its first lead at 4:00 when he rifled the puck from the right circle past Murphy. Fifteen seconds, Seguin extended the Plymouth lead to 4-2 after Josh Bemis' shot from the left point was stopped by Murphy. Terry picked up the puck at the left circle and found Seguin at the right hashmark. Caria scored to give Plymouth a 5-2 lead at 6:06 after accepting Seguin's pass from the right wing in tight on the left doorstep and beating Murphy.

At that point, Belleville head coach George Burnett pulled Murphy in favor of Philipp Grubauer. Hayes closed out the scoring with a power play goal at 12:28 of the period with a hard shot from the high slot.

Plymouth outshot Belleville, 58-30, in the game. Seguin was asked what his team talked about during the second intermission in trailing 2-1 against the best goaltender in the OHL.

"Before the third period, in the dressing room we talked about how we need these two points for the standings and the Western Conference race," Seguin said. "We went out there and played our game, won the period and won the game. We're really gelling as a team. Everyone's playing their own style of game. We're all coming together and playing a hard 60 minutes and getting some victories."

Waza Flo edged by Stockton in overtime

The Detroit Waza Flo Pro staged an incredible comeback Sunday, but dropped a 7-6 overtime decision to the Stockton Cougars 7-6 at Compuware Arena.

Stockton jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first half, but Waza cut the deficit in half on goals by Adam Nesbitt and Blake Ordell.

Late in the third quarter Daniel Trosper snuck behind the Cougars' back-line and fired a shot into the roof of the net to score short-handed, igniting the crowd and shifting the momentum in Waza's favor.

Aaron Susi restored

Stockton's two-goal lead with five seconds left in the third quarter and Majell Aterado finished off a counter attack 1:56 into the final frame to restore the three-goal cushion for the visitors.

Dominic Scicluna brought Waza to within two when he redirected Darrell Quinn's shot 5:06 into the fourth quarter. Rogerio Oliveria then tucked the ball home at the far post following an end to end run by Ryan Mallord to bring Waza within one.

Scicluna completed the comeback with a little over four minutes left when his quick toe poke caught

Stockton keeper Jesus Molina off guard.

Waza had a chance to clinch the match in normal time as Tommy Eller had a break-away with the clock running down, but Eller's shot went agonizingly wide and hit the glass to the right of the goal as time expired.

Waza was shorthanded in overtime as Scicluna took a penalty with less than a minute to go in normal time and was given a yellow card.

Stockton took full advantage as Lilavois completed his hat-trick, one-timing Nelson Santana's feed past the disparaging dive of Waza goalkeeper

Brian Alenky for the game winner 1:42 into overtime.

"I'm real proud of the way our guys kept their heads up and continued to fight for the entire match," Scicluna said after the match. "We beat Eastern Conference leaders 1790 Cincinnati in our last match and we took the Western Conference leaders to overtime."

"That just shows you that we are a solid team that can compete with anyone in this league."

Waza faces 1790 Cincinnati (10-2) on Friday, Feb. 20 at 4:15 p.m. at Compuware Arena.

sustain an MVP-caliber 3.47 grade-point average.

"It all comes down to time management," he said, revealing the key to his academic success. "I don't have a lot of free time between school and hockey, so I know I have to get my homework done right away."

In the fall, Arthur will attend Michigan State University, where he hopes to play on the school's club hockey team.

But first, he aspires to help the Mustangs win a Division I state crown.

"The thing I'm going to miss the most about high school hockey is just going to the rink every day and getting to hang out with my classmates," he said. "Hopefully, we can go out on top."

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Asher honored

Northville High School graduate and Adrian College senior Brett Asher has been named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District Team.

Asher, a District IV Second-Team selection in the College Division, was one of 10 college basketball players to receive the honor among Division II, III and NAIA programs. Asher, a power forward for the Bulldogs, is majoring in English and holds a 3.91 GPA.

On the court, Asher has started all 19 games for Adrian. He leads the team in rebounding (4.9 per game). He has led the team in rebounds nine times this season. Asher also contributes with 5.7 points per game.

His first career double-double came this year against Kalamazoo on Jan. 10. Asher finished the game with 15 points and 10 rebounds. The power forward just missed his second double-double of the season during his last game, which was also against Kalamazoo. He finished 4-of-8 from the floor to finish with nine points while hauling in a game-high ten rebounds.

Northville basketball 'Elementary Night'

Please join Northville High School's basketball team on Friday, Feb. 20 for "Elementary Night." All Northville Public Schools elementary students will be admitted free with a paying adult.

Students are encouraged to

wear school apparel.

More information can be found by viewing the flyer located at <http://northvillebas-ketball.com>.

Rec softball registration

Registration for all returning Northville Parks and Rec adult softball leagues teams will be accepted March 4-6.

New team registration — teams that did not play in 2008 — begins March 9 on a first-come, first-served basis until the leagues fill up.

The team entry fee \$410, \$56 of which will be returned if your team has no forfeits.

Extra fees include \$18 for non-residents and \$14 for umpires.

The 2009 season begins the week of May 3 and runs through early August.

The co-ed league will play on Sundays; the men's league will play on Mondays; and the women's league will play on Tuesdays.

For additional information, contact Charlie Gabbear at (248) 449-9947

Scouting combine

SportsWeave will be holding its 2009 All-American College Football Scouting Combine and free NCAA Football Recruiting Seminar at Velocity Sports Performance of Canton on Saturday March 28, 2009. Open to all High School Football Players graduation classes 2009 through 2012. Top Performers will be invited to the annual All-American Football Skills Academy in April 2009. Register before 2.27.09 at www.SportsWeave.com.

GYMNASTICS RESULTS

CANTON INVITATIONAL GIRLS GYMNASTICS MEET Feb. 7 at Plymouth H.S.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Grand Lodge, 151.375; 2. Livonia Blue, 146.350; 3. Farmington, 146.125; 4. Northville, 143.625; 5. Sturgis, 140.975; 6. Grand Rapids Forest Hills, 138.050; 7. Canton, 138.000; 8. Howell, 135.800; 9. Portage, 135.475; 10. Salem, 135.425; 11. Livonia Red, 133.325; 12. Brighton, 133.225; 13. Holt, 131.500; 14. Walpole Lake Western, 130.550; 15. Freehold, 130.425; 16. Fraser, 129.325; 17. Plymouth, 115.475; 18. Hartland, 29.950

YOUTH 1. Meghan McWhorter (GL), 9.9; 2. Alexis Bryington (GL), 9.8; 3. Hannah Grow (GRFH), 9.55; 4. Alyssa Bresso (Farm), and Calthy Huang (Canton), 9.5 each; 6. Katie Koetting (Salem), 9.4; 7. Kaitlin Abbs (Sturgis) and Britany Jarvis (Blue), 9.35 each; 9. (tie) Emily Quint (Blue), Makenna Pohl (Nville) and Robyn Prower (Canton), 9.3 each.

Uneven bars: 1. McWhorter (GL), 9.7; 2. Bryington (GL), 9.55; 3. Grow (GRFH), 9.45; 4. Samantha Kohl (Farm), 9.35; 5. Quint (Blue), 9.3; 6. Elana Coker (Farm), 9.2; 7. Bresso (Farm), 9.175; 8. Meghan Powers (Blue), 9.175; 9. (tie) Chloe Presley (Nville), Katie Koetting (Salem), Kelly Charniga (Blue), 9.0 each.

Balance beam: 1. Presley (Nville), 9.675; 2. Bryington (GL), 9.5; 3. Quint (Blue), 9.35; 4. McWhorter (GL), 9.3; 5. Pohl (Nville), 9.2; 6. Coker (Farm), 9.175; 7. Abbs (Sturgis), 9.15; 8. (tie) Corrine Jones (GRFH) and Katie Strazbas (Portage), 9.15 each; 10. Charniga (Blue), 9.0.

Floor exercise: 1. McWhorter (GL), 9.75; 2. Quint (Blue), 9.6; 3. Koetting (Salem), 9.525; 4. (tie) Bryington (GL) and Presley (Nville), 9.5 each; 6. Bresso (Farm), 9.4; 7. Abbs (Sturgis), 9.375; 9. (tie) Powers (Blue) and Pohl (Nville), 9.3 each.

All-around: 1. Whorter (GL), 38.65; 2. Bryington (GL), 38.35; 3. Quint (Blue), 37.55; 4. Presley (Nville), 37.45; 5. Grow (GRFH), 36.90;

6. Koetting (Salem), 36.65; 7. (tie) Bresso (Farm) and Kohl (Farm), 36.425 each; 9. Pohl (Nville) and Coker (Farm), 36.40 each; 11. Powers (Blue), 36.35; 12. Abbs (Sturgis), 36.225; 13. Jarvis (Blue), 36.075; 14. Charniga (Blue), 35.975; 15. Monica Cauley (Howell), 35.85

DIVISION 2 RESULTS
Vault 1. Madeline Burman (GL), 9.6; 2. Laura Nomura (Blue), 9.45; 3. Kelsey Pierce (GL), 9.4; 4. Nicole Wood (Holt), 9.325; 5. (tie) Brianna Maroulis (Portage) and Allison Kemp (Nville), 9.3; 7. Amanda Lumley (Farm), 9.25; 8. (tie) Nicole Jacobs (Salem) and Courtney Schappars (Howell), 9.2; 10. Meridith Robinson (Brighton), 9.15

Uneven bars: 1. Christine Wilson (GL), 8.95; 2. (tie) Nomura (Blue) and Pierce (GL), 8.85; 4. Wood (Holt), 8.8; 5. Kessa Martinez (GRFH), 8.75; 6. Kate Scheske (Sturgis), 8.7; 7. (tie) Kaitlin St. Pierre (Red) and Amanda Scholok (Howell), 8.65; 9. Maroukis (Portage), 8.6; 10. Megan Weesles (Portage), 8.55

Balance beam: 1. Wilson (GL), 9.45; 2. Pierce (GL), 9.4; 3. Mary Boyd (Sturgis), 9.125; 4. (tie) Burman (GL) and Julie Dardson (Nville), 9.0; 6. Jacobs (Salem), 8.95; 7. Scheske (Sturgis), 8.925; 8. (tie) Natalie Zaleski (Holt) and Allie Seager (Free), 8.7; 10. Whitney Gilbert (Free), 8.675

Floor exercise: 1. Burman (GL), 9.375; 2. McKyleigh Geddert (GL), 9.35; 3. Lumley (Farm), 9.325; 4. Wilson (GL), 9.3; 5. Boyd (Sturgis), 9.15; 6. Maroukis (Portage), 9.075; 7. Marina Moretti (Brighton), 9.0; 8. Jacobs (Salem), 8.925; 9. Scheske (Sturgis), 8.6; 10. Martinez (GRFH), 8.75

All-around: 1. Wilson (GL), 36.7; 2. Burman (GL), 36.025; 3. Boyd (Sturgis), 35.275; 4. Wood (Holt), 35.125; 5. Jacobs (Salem), 35.075; 6. Maroukis (Portage), 34.8; 7. Martinez (GRFH), 34.65; 8. Nomura (Blue), 34.375; 9. St. Pierre (Red), 34.275; 10. Moretti (Brighton), 34.025

ARTHUR

FROM PAGE B1

"I've loved the sport since the minute I started playing it," he said. "It's fast, exciting. I started playing year-round when I was 10 or 11 because you learn quickly that if you want to play with the best, you have to play a lot."

Like the team he plays for, Arthur's game has improved in one essential area since last season, Robert said.

"The biggest adjustment Alec has made from last year to this year is that he's a lot stronger in the defensive zone," Robert said. "He's one of our best back-checkers and he's really bought into our system."

Arthur concurred with his coach's assessment.

"I like to think of myself as

THE ARTHUR FILE

Name: Alec Arthur
Age: 17
Academic status: 3.47 grade-point average
Athletic status: Senior captain on Northville's No. 1-ranked hockey team
Favorite NHL player: Ilya Kovalchuk
Favorite sports movie: "Friday Night Lights"
Favorite TV show: "Sportscenter"
Favorite restaurant: Red Robin
If there was one rule I would change in high school hockey, it would be: The icing tag-up rule. I would make it like the NHL, where it's not icing until a player touches the puck.

a defense-first kind of player," Arthur said when asked what part of his game he takes the most pride in. "Having played for so long, I think I have a natural ability to be in the right place at the right time, too."

Arthur accepts the responsibilities that go along with being a captain with a large

dose of pride.

"It means a lot to me knowing that the younger guys on the team look up to me, so I always try to do the right thing — both on and off the ice," he said.

Despite his 12-month hockey agenda and a job at Red Robin, Arthur has managed to

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WRESTLING

FROM PAGE B1

152-pounder Matt Hagan said, referring to the school's first division title in wrestling since he was in middle school. "As you can see," he said, pointing up at the banner, "we haven't won it in a while. This is a huge step for the program."

The Mustangs displayed their resilience against Salem, which surged to an 18-3 lead during the first five matches.

However, Northville countered by winning the ensuing six matches.

"We were a little worried when we fell behind like that," 189-pounder Colin Maresh said, "but our middle and upper weights have carried us for most of the season. We have a lot of young guys in our lower weights with our experience up top."

"The young guys didn't all win tonight, but they wrestled well."

Balagna pointed to Harry Eichholtz's pin of Johannes Olind at 140 as the pivotal match against Salem.

"We were expecting to win, but not by a pin," Balagna said. "Our team really got into the match emotionally after that win."

NORTHVILLE 61 SOUTH LYON EAST 16

Feb. 4 at Northville
103 pounds: Ian Straton (N) pinned Tyler

Foley:
112: Alex Hubbard (SLE) pinned Adam Bentley;
119: Greg Lorrain (N) won by major decision over Nick Byrnes;
125: George McClymont (N) won by technical fall over Nick Adams;
130: Dan Amaro (N) won by default;
135: Josh Wright (N) pinned Kevin Case;
140: Brent Parzucitowski (SLE) won by injury default over Harry Eichholtz;
145: Jon Nelson (N) won by major decision over Mike Persicini;
152: Matt Hagan (N) won by major decision over Jake Haddad;
160: Kevin Mantay (N) pinned Brett Dippoliti;
171: Nick Pankowski (N) pinned Tim Windling;
189: Colin Maresh (N) won by default;
215: Bobby Lahiff (N) won by default;
285: Steve Wodzinski (N) won by default

NORTHVILLE 40 SALEM 25

Feb. 4 at Northville
103 pounds: Nick Kim (S) won by technical fall over Ian Straton;
112: Ian Phillips (S) won by major decision over Adam Bentley;
119: Greg Lorrain (N) decisioned Devin Stratton;
125: John Bills (S) decisioned George McClymont;
130: James Middleitch (S) pinned Dan Amaro;
135: Josh Wright (N) pinned Alex Witoslawski;
140: Harry Eichholtz (N) pinned Johannes Olind;
145: Jon Nelson (N) won by major decision over Robbie Schultz;
152: Matt Hagan (N) pinned Chris Sweet;
160: Kevin Mantay (N) decision Colin Gross;
171: Nick Mudar (N) pinned Nick Gunnunu;
189: Sam Lepper (S) won by major decision over Bobby Lahiff;
215: Colin Maresh (N) won by void;
285: Blake Abbey (S) decisioned Steve Wodzinski

Salem's defense stymies valiant effort by Northville lady cagers



Julia Ramey drives to the basket during the Mustangs' Feb. 5 game against Salem.

BY ED WRIGHT
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Driving across the area's pothole-battered roads is a cakewalk compared to driving to the basket against Salem's much-improved defense these days.

Northville's girls basketball team found that out first-hand Feb. 5 when it dropped a 36-28 decision to the Rocks in a rare Thursday night contest played in the Mustangs' gym.

Northville was unable to shake off a cold first quarter when it managed to post just two points — both of which came via free throws.

The Mustangs fought back to within 26-25 after three quarters, but hit the skids offensively in the fourth.

"It's frustrating when you play well enough defensively, but then don't produce on the offensive end," said Northville coach Todd Gudith. "Salem is big inside and that's tough to overcome."

"Salem did a good job of keeping us off the offensive glass. We did not move around much on offense in the first

quarter, but we got back on track in the middle quarters. We kept things close, but could never get over the hump."

Junior Katherine Jansen led the Mustangs with seven points. Seniors Jeanette Dolmetsch and Kelsey Baskins both scored six points each for Northville.

Trailing 26-21 late in the third quarter, Northville tallied four straight points before missing the front end of a one-and-one free-throw opportunity.

The Mustangs played strong defensively during the final quarter, but succumbed to red-hot free-throw shooting from Salem, which connected on 6 of 7 fourth-quarter attempts from the charity stripe.

"If you would have told me we would be down by one going into the last quarter and that we would hold them to just one basket, I would've told you we should have walked out of there with a win," Gudith lamented. "We had too many long stretches without scoring in the fourth quarter."

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Senior Night ends on high note for South Lyon hockey squad

BY JEFF THEISEN
SPORTS WRITER

South Lyon and Novi met with a shot at second place in the crazy-tough KLAACentral Division on the line Monday at the Kensington Ice House.

The Lions scored a 5-on-5 goal, a power play and a short-handed and held off a late comeback attempt for a 3-2 victory on Senior Night for South Lyon.

"It was a really fun night,"

South Lyon head coach Mike Falahee said. "It was great to have them come out with the effort they did and compete as they did, especially on senior night."

The first period was all defense, as Novi's Michael Pesendorfer and South Lyon's James Stratton stayed unbeaten between the pipes.

The second period was a different story.

Novi just about killed off both ends of a 5-on-3 penalty kill when South Lyon

struck with five seconds left on the second penalty.

Kyle Betz brought the puck in on a 2-on-1 and skated down the left side. Nick Dirado went to the net and was rewarded with a perfect feed for the game's first score with 11:53 left in the second. Jack Schueneman also picked up an assist.

The lead lasted just 40 seconds.

Novi's Erik Aepelbacher shot the puck high on net from outside the blue line, but the puck caught Stratton off guard and though he looked initially stopped, it trickled over his shoulder and into the net for a 1-all tie.

Just a couple of minutes later, Novi went on the power play, but it backfired.

"They have an excellent hockey team. They're rated above us in the top 20," Novi

head coach Todd Krygier said. "If we want to move up we've got to beat teams like them."

"I don't think we played very disciplined. We took too many unnecessary and bad penalties. When you play good teams it's going to cost you."

Chris Eckler broke out of the zone on a 2-on-1. He kept the puck as the defender tried to take away the pass, but Eckler skated in from left to right and slid the puck five-hole for short-handed goal and a 2-1 lead.

The insurance goal for the Lions came in the third, and they would need it.

South Lyon kept the pressure on in the Novi zone and it paid off when Danny Diroff fed Matt Skvarce with a perfect pass on the tape for an easy deflection goal on the door step with

11:31 remaining.

Novi put on the pressure, but was unable to find the back of the net until 11 seconds left when Nolan Valteau tipped in a pass from Alex Cova with Pesendorfer pulled for a 6-on-5 goal.

South Lyon defended the final 11 seconds and gave the seniors a great night to remember.

"As we come down the stretch here, they have a shot at finishing in second place," Falahee said. "In this league, that's a real statement to these men."

South Lyon sits at 5-3-4 in the division for 14 points. Stevenson also has 14 points with a 6-3-2 record, but still has to play No. 1 ranked Northville and Novi.

The Lions lone game in the division is against last-placed Walled Lake Western.

Novi is 5-4-3 for 13 points.

SOUTH LYON 3, FARMINGTON 2: A 2-0 deficit after the first period was completely erased with a three-goal second which stood as the final score for the Lions on Saturday against Farmington.

Lion goalie James Stratton stopped everything after the first period to get the win.

The comeback started with a goal by Trevor Eckler with assists to Kyle Betz and Derek Jones.

Chris Eckler scored next from Betz and Max Franz.

With his third point of the night, Betz scored the game winner with Chris Eckler and Joonas Jaskari getting assists.

The Lions improve to 13-6-4.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
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The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, February 16, 2009 in observance of Presidents' Day. The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2009.

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Request for Proposals documents may be obtained by calling the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930.

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James P. Gallogly
Director, Department of Public Works

Dianne Massa
City Clerk

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2009 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW**

The Northville Township 2009 Board of Review will conduct hearings on the following dates for appeals from citizens, regarding the 2009 assessment, at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. All appeals are by appointment. Beginning Monday, February 23, 2009 you may call (248) 348-5810 to schedule an appointment. Letters of appeal must be received by March 17, 2009. Postmarks are not accepted.

Date	Time	Meeting
Tuesday March 03, 2009	4:00 - 5:00 pm	Organizational Meeting
Appointment Dates:		
Saturday March 07, 2009	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	
Monday March 09, 2009	9:00 am - 12:00 noon 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	
Tuesday March 10, 2009	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
Thursday March 12, 2009	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
Saturday March 14, 2009	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	
Wednesday March 18, 2009	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	

All persons protesting their assessment must complete a petition (form L-4035) which can be obtained at Northville Township Hall or at www.michigan.gov/treasury. Click on Forms, then click Property Tax, Board of Review (L-4035).

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Plymouth Whalers forward Tyler Sequin was recently named OHL Player of the Week.

Whalers Tyler Sequin OHL Player of the Week

The Ontario Hockey League announced Tuesday that forward Tyler Sequin of the Plymouth Whalers is the Boston Pizza OHL Player of the Week for the week ending Feb. 8. Sequin tallied three goals and three assists for six points in two games with a plus-minus rating of plus-6.

On Friday night Sequin tallied a second period assist and would add a late third-period insurance goal to help the Whalers to a 5-3 home win over the Owen Sound Attack.

On Saturday, Sequin and the Whalers found themselves down 2-0 in the first period against a top Eastern Conference opponent the Belleville Bulls.

Sequin put his team on the scoreboard late in the first period with the first of five unanswered goals for the

Whalers. He assisted on two of those goals including the tying goal in the third period and would also score the insurance marker for his fourth point of the night. With his best offensive game of his young OHL career, Sequin was named first star of the game.

Sequin, a 17-year-old rookie from Brampton, Ont., is enjoying a great first season with the Whalers. He ranks ninth in OHL rookie scoring with 12 goals and 29 assists for 41 points in 46 games.

His 41 points are good for third on a Whalers team that find itself tied for fifth place in the Western Conference standings.

Sequin, a product of the Toronto Young Nationals, was selected in the first round, ninth overall in the 2008 OHL Priority Selection.

Sims leads Madonna over Siena Heights

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

He was Madonna University's version of Cedric The Entertainer, but the joke was on the Siena Heights men's basketball team.

MU guard Cedric Sims tied his career-high with 32 points, including the dramatic game-winning three-pointer at the buzzer Saturday afternoon to give the host Crusaders a much-needed 76-73 overtime win over the Saints.

MU is now 10-16 overall, while Siena Heights falls to 13-13. Both teams are 4-6 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

The victory also gave interim coach Myron Brown his first win following Monday's sudden and stunning revelation when fourth-year coach Chuck Henry resigned.

The 6-foot Sims, a senior from Wayne Memorial High via Schoolcraft College and Wayne State, came off the bench didn't enter the game until 14:34.

But his impact was felt immediately throughout his 34 minutes of action.

He was 11-of-17 from the

field, including a perfect 3-of-3 from three-point range, to go along with 7-of-10 from the foul line. Sims also grabbed eight rebounds.

Sims' basket with 1:32 left in regulation sent the game into OT (61-all). The Crusaders also held their breath when Mark Snipes short attempt went in-and-out as time expired.

In the overtime, MU led by as many as five, 71-66, but Siena Heights evened the count at 73-all on a basket in the paint with only 7.4 seconds remaining by Curtis Stephens, who led the Saints with 22 points.

Brown then called a timeout and Sims took the inbound pass from Bryant Slaughter. Sims dribbled through traffic up the middle of the court and launched his game-winning shot just beyond the top of the key with a Siena Heights defender draped all over him, sending the Crusaders into a wild celebration.

For Sims, it was his first buzzer-beater since his junior college days at Frank Phillips (Tex.).

"The ball did not bounce our way a couple of times, but we

continued to go hard and we stayed together as a unit," said Sims, who tied his season-high of 32 against Cedarville (Ohio) on Nov. 15. "It was pure joy, excitement. We've had a lot of adversity and we celebrated this win as a family."

The Crusaders were coming off two WHAC straight losses, including a 72-47 shellacking Wednesday at Cornerstone.

"It was a great, great win for the guys," Brown said. "It was a heck of a shot and I'm real excited. They responded tonight and I'm extremely proud of the team the way they came to practice and were ready to work. I have a saying, 'It's not what you do, it's how you do it.' I'm a teacher first and that's how I break the game down. I focus on certain things."

MU junior center Leroy Allen added 11 points and seven rebounds before fouling out in overtime. Slaughter added 10 points, while Ryan Waidman (Canton) grabbed a team-high nine rebounds in 41 minutes.

Courtney Smith added 13 points for Siena Heights, while 6-8 center Brian Champine added 12 before fouling out as

well.

Sims, meanwhile, wished his new bride, Katherine, had been able to witness his performance.

"She couldn't make it today, she really missed a game today," he said. "And I just like to say something about Madonna: 'Through all the adversity, it's still a good program it will be better in the future.'"

KIRTLAND CC 90, SCHOOLCRAFT 84: On Saturday, Charles Brown scored 28 points and dished out five assists to lead host Kirtland Community College (10-14, 6-8) to an MCCA Eastern Division win over Schoolcraft College (6-19, 3-8).

Latvia native Klavs Bogdanovics added 21 points and eight rebounds, while Nick Simpson and reserve Robert Phillips contributed 16 and 11 points, respectively.

Greg Leavell (Farmington Hills Leavell) had a team-high 27 points and 11 rebounds for the Ocelots. He was 10-of-11 from the foul line.

Bruce Watson added 16 points and eight rebounds. Ryan Matthews contributed 12 points and Eric Henry added eight.

Schoolcraft women's cagers thump Kirtland

The Schoolcraft College women's basketball team inched closer to wrapping up the Eastern Conference title in the MCCA with an 80-43 triumph Saturday at Kirtland Community College.

The Lady Ocelots, ranked No. 2 in the latest NJCAA Division II poll, improved to 21-2 overall and 14-0 in the conference. They have won 23 straight conference games and 55 of their last 57.

Taylor Langham (Salem) led Schoolcraft with 19 points and seven rebounds.

Other contributions came from April Goins (15 points, eight rebounds); Amber Avery (13 points, eight rebounds); Antania Shepherd (nine points, seven rebounds) and Brittany Collins (eight assists). Whitney Bonham paced the Warblers (15-7, 9-5) with 19 points. Natasha DeWald added 12.

Kirtland shot only 23.5 percent from the field (16-of-68), while Schoolcraft hit 29-of-62 shots (46.7 percent).

The Lady Ocelots, who led 41-24 at halftime, also con-

nected on 19-of-26 free throws (73 percent) and outrebounded Kirtland, 52-38.

Schoolcraft can earn at least a share of the MCCA Eastern Conference with a win Wednesday at home against Wayne County CC. (Game time is 5:30 p.m.)

MADONNA 65, SIENA HEIGHTS 52: Katie Mount scored 16 points in 37 minutes Saturday as Madonna University (11-15, 6-4) downed host Siena Heights University (10-16, 4-6) in a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference encounter.

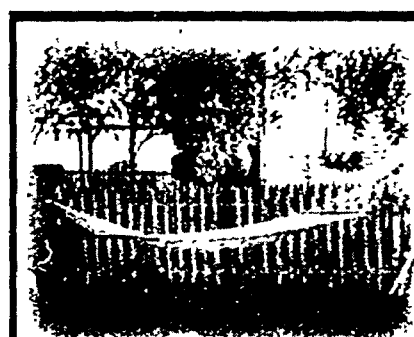
Erin Bentley added 12 points off the bench for MU, which jumped out to a 35-18 halftime lead.

Alyssa Guerin (Salem) contributed 10 points, while Kim Olech (Plymouth) finished with a game-high 12 rebounds for the victorious Crusaders.

Ashley Jackson was the only Saints player to score in double figures with 11.

The Crusaders won despite 28 turnovers and shooting just 38.5 percent from the floor (20-of-52). MU hit 7-of-15 three-point shots and made 15-of-18 free throws.

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NORTHVILLE BUSINESS MILESTONES

EVENTS

■ Taste of Northville Business Showcase, March 14 at Northville High School. Contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 for more information (and see Chamber Chat on this page).

OPENINGS

■ Salon Tre Bella V celebrated their arrival in downtown Northville with a grand opening celebration Jan. 30. The salon is a full-service hair salon and also offers manicures and pedicures, facials, waxing and make-up services. Hours are 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays; 8-8 Tuesdays-Fridays; and 8-5 Saturdays. For more information, call (248) 305-9850.

■ Northville Nail Boutique opened Dec. 26 and offers hand-care services for women, children and men; foot-care services; French and American manicures; and pedicures. Hours are 10-7 Mondays-Wednesdays; 10-8 Thursdays; 10-7 Fridays; and 10-6

Saturdays. For more information, call (248) 449-8890.

RELOCATIONS

■ The Bee's Knees is now at 149 E. Main, just two doors east of its previous location.

■ Monroe Bank & Trust moved to a "new" old location at 201 E. Main Street.

■ Residential Design Consulting, Inc. moved to 120 W. Main Street, Suite 201.

OFFERS

■ To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first blanket that rolled off the loom in Pendleton, Oregon, the Pendleton Shop at 117 N. Center is offering you an opportunity to win a Pendleton blanket that tells the story of your family.

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SALES

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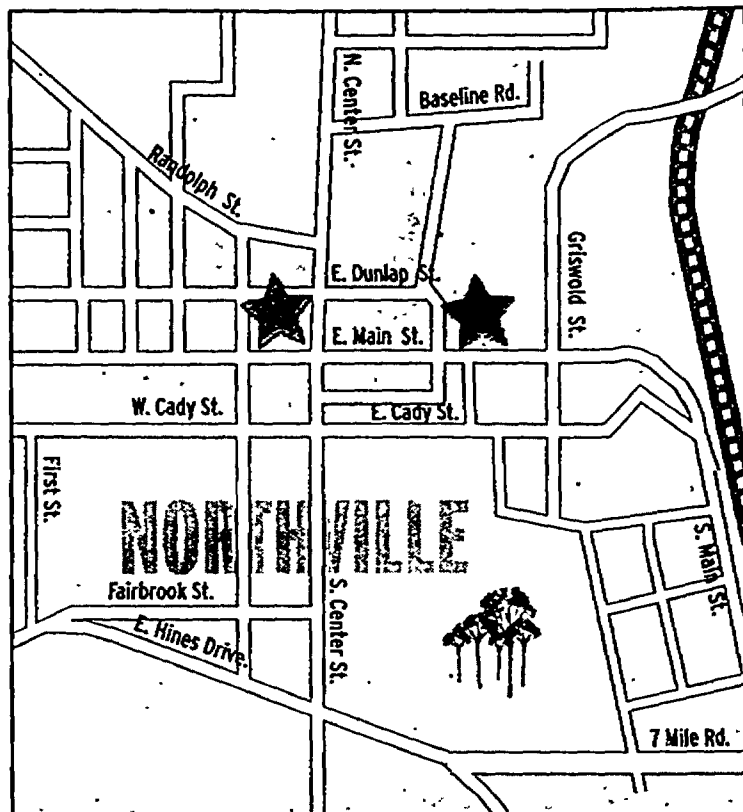
■ Oasis Tropical Tanning & Rejuvenation Spa, 133 W. Main: Through February, enjoy savings of 1/2 off unlimited monthly packages for a full month of tanning.

■ Goody Two Shoes, 124 E. Main: Buy one get one free on all Stride Rite shoes and 25 percent off all New Balance shoes.

■ As The Page Turns, 149 N. Center, Suite 102: Buy one book and receive 10 percent off; buy two books and receive 20 percent off; buy three books and receive 30 percent off.

ANNIVERSARIES

■ Chocolates by Renee, 118 E. Main, celebrated its 13th year in business on Feb. 9.



IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A WITH THE UPS STORE



PHOTO BY CAL STONE/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Mike Ladwig, owner of The UPS Store in downtown Northville, with manager Barbara Davies (left) and customer service advisor Tammy Bingham. Those tags above them represent \$1,027 worth of customer donations to Toys for Tots, placing the store second in the fund-raiser out of 95 UPS stores in the state.

IT'S YOUR BUSINESS - Q&A WITH THE UPS STORE

On Feb. 1, The UPS Store of Northville started its 17th year of serving Northville and surrounding areas. "After shipping over 1/2 million packages, printing over six million black-and-white and color copies, and sorting over 135,000 pounds of mail for our Private Mailbox holders, we are still plugging along," said store owner Mike Ladwig.

How did the business start?

"When the store originally opened on February 1, 1993, we were a Mail Boxes Etc. store in the Main Centre Building. Many people didn't know what we did, so we got a lot of calls for mailbox sales. It took a while to educate our customers to the full range of services we do provide—packing, shipping, moving and storage supplies, private mailbox rental, document services and printing, fax service, postal products, notary services, passport photos and office supplies, among others."

How has it changed since it opened?

In 2003, we changed our name to The UPS Store when UPS bought the franchise holder. This gave us an opportunity to offer customers a very competitive shipping rate and brought many new customers into our store to see the array of services we offer. We have

adapted product and service offerings to meet ever-changing customer needs. After 16 years in town, we have learned to adjust our offerings to meet the customers' needs. The two things that have not changed are the necessity to provide a level of service that exceeds the customers' expectations, and the genuine niceness of the Northville community. In this day and age, businesses often give lip service to outstanding customer service; as a hands-on owner, I can assure we actually provide genuine quality service. Not to brag, but I believe I have an outstanding staff of caring, helpful associates.

What makes your business unique?

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2. Northville's only full-service digital printing resource.
3. The "Pack & Ship Promise" -- If The UPS Store packages a shipment, a claim may be filed for the packing and shipping costs, not just value of the goods shipped.

How has the recent economy affected your business?

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but we've lived through recession before and come back even stronger. Back in 1993, we opened in the midst of a recession. Now we are back in recession mode, but instead of being negative about the future, I see this economic malady as something we can overcome, just like we did back then. I remember the simple adage, "Just give the customer what they want and they will keep coming back." Northville is a tight-knit, sharing group of really nice people; it has been an honor and privilege to work with them. They have returned a lot over the past 16 years, and I look forward to being around, and of service, for the next 16.

Any advice for other businesses?

Give the customers what they want, when they want it, at a fair price.

What's in store for the future of your business?

More Private Mailbox rentals as the economy dictates office closings and as more on-line purchases are ordered that require someone to sign for receipt of packages. Increased shipping business, in light of the AAA Discount and the Pack & Ship Promise.

The UPS Store is located at 143 CadyCentre Building in downtown Northville. Phone (248) 344-1980 or email store2021@theupsstore.com for more information.

NORTHVILLE CHAMBER CHAT

20th Annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase

The 20th Annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase is arriving on March 14 at the Northville High School. The Business Showcase is an opportunity for a business or civic groups to introduce their products and services to the community. Attendees learn about businesses in their backyard and exhibitors have a spirited event to market their services.

Applications are now available on the Northville Chamber web site, www.northville.org. The cost to exhibit is \$30 for non-profits; free for restaurants; \$150 for chamber members; and \$250 for non-members. There are also Gold and Silver sponsorships still available.

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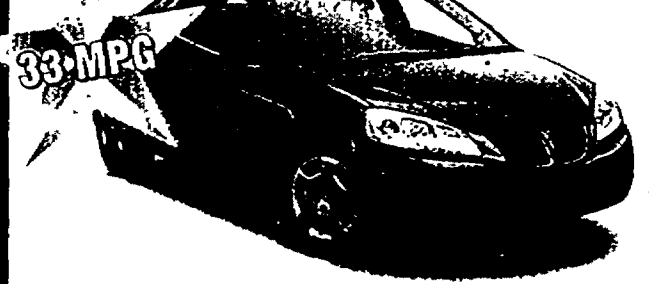
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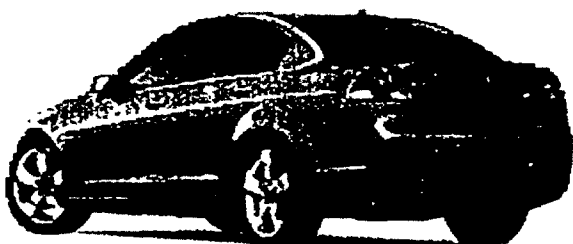
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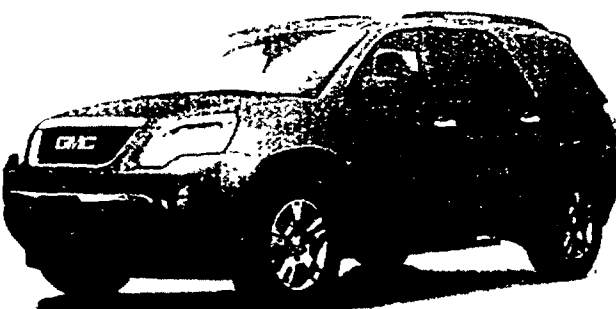
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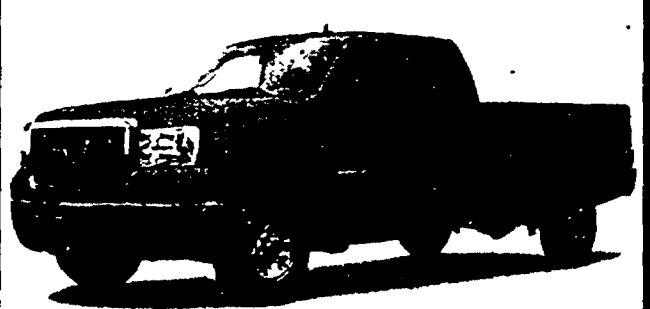
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