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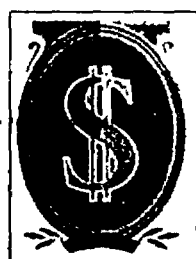
## Tank award

Northville Township's new million gallon water tank has been honored by the Steel Tank Institute and Steel Plate Fabricators Association as the elevated "Steel Tank of the Year".

Annually tank fabricators nominate projects for this national award and the manufacturer, Chicago Bridge and Iron Company, nominated the Northville Township tank in this year's competition. The tank was selected, in part, due to its setting in the Community Park and its graphic design. The engineer for the tank was Stantec Consulting and the graphic was designed by Cross Communications.

## City budget

City council members and city staff will meet at the following



times to review the next budget for the community: 7 p.m. on April 22 (review session); 7 p.m. on April 30 (review session); and

7:30 p.m. on May 18 (regular city council meeting).

A public hearing on the proposed budget will take place at this final meeting, during which the budget will be adopted and the operating millage rate will be established.

All meetings are open to the public and will be in council chambers at city hall, 215 W. Main Street.

For more information, contact Nickie Bateson, assistant city manager and city finance director, at (248) 449-9909 or nbateson@ci.northville.mi.us.

## Abstinence

Parents will have an opportunity to explore powerful tools and messages regarding abstinence from 6:30-9 p.m. on Monday, April 27, at the Northville District Library.

Helen Crown, an abstinence educator and country coordinator for the Choose To Wait (www.ctwusa.org) program, will present "The Love Wait: A Tool for Teaching Teens How to Live Out Their Sexuality as a Christian" from 7-8:30 p.m.

There will be a video viewing from 6:30-6:50 p.m. of "The Rules Have Changed" by Meg Meeker MD

Seating is limited; RSVP to drnancyouch@pol.net or call Nancy Couch at (248) 347-7842.

## Facing rising costs, lower revenues

## ■ City's police department must make extensive cuts

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Although they won't be leaving until the first of July, the city of Northville is already informing staff members of about 10 layoffs that will start with the new fiscal year.

The police department was hit hard, with the full-time records clerk, one full-time police officer and part-time officers faced with job losses.

The city's total budget of \$17,592,986 represents an increase over last year's budget of 3.2 percent.

The city will also cut its full-time assessor and at least two full-time clerks in the front office.

At the first budget review session April 8, council looked at several aspects of the 2009-2010 proposed budget, which is expected to be approved on May 18.

In public safety, the police department represents 13.6 percent of expenditures for the next fiscal year, hence, the staff cuts. The police budget was cut by \$72,000 for 2008-2009 and suffered

\$75,000 more in cuts for 2009-2010.

The department will close at 4 p.m. instead of staying open until 9 p.m. starting July 1.

Monitoring of downtown parking will also be reduced with the cuts.

Only one patrol car will be replaced in the next fiscal year.

No staff cuts will take place in the fire department, however, as Fire Chief Jim Allen is the only full-time employee, with the department operating completing with paid on-call firefighters.

The fire department does need to save for fire service equipment to be purchased in the not-too-distant future, however.

Nickie Bateson, assistant city manager and finance director, discussed the fact that health care costs are increasing, as are future retirement funding.

Still, Northville has had one of the lowest millage rates over the past decade in the state.

Funds the city receives from the Northville Downs race track were also discussed.

"We don't count on this money until we receive it, but this amount continues to decrease," Bateson said. These funds go into the city's Public Improvement Fund for capital expenditures.

"The race track is suffering as well in the current economy," said Mayor Chris Johnson.

Assessed values on property have decreased by

"We still have some challenges ahead."

NICKIE BATESON, assistant city manager/finance director

10.83 percent in the city. This is reminiscent of property values in 2003.

Taxable value has decreased 5.86 percent, making them just under what city property values were in 2006.

The general fund decreased 7.3 percent from last year, placing the city on a maintenance-type budget.

The Department of Public Works is facing a \$20,000 decrease in its budget, with one person set to retire in January. The fall leaf pickup will be handled in one pickup instead of two this year, which will save the city \$5,000.

The city is considering not mailing its newsletter and just having it available online, although a decision wasn't reached about this at the April 8 meeting.

The debt service has decreased significantly, which has really helped the budget, according to Bateson.

With staff cuts and other cost-saving measures, the budget is currently balanced, but, "We still have some challenges ahead," Bateson said.

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## Local residents want to Green Up Northville

## ■ First effort to focus on bottled water craze

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Only in America could entrepreneurs package something we have free access to in our homes and offices and turn it into a multi-billion-dollar industry.

That's what happened to water, and members of a new, local, grass-roots organization -- Green Up Northville -- want to see the current craze for bottled water curtailed.

The nonprofit environmental action group hopes to educate the populace and improve the quality of life in Northville by organizing projects focused on conservation, detoxification and recycling. The group's long-term vision is to transform Northville into a "green" town, making it more attractive for businesses and residents and having it serve as a model to surrounding communities.

Many Green Up Northville volunteers volunteered on the campaign to elect Barack Obama president. After the campaign ended, several volunteers who felt strongly about environmental issues formed the group.

The plan is to work on seasonal projects, collaborate with other groups and local government and participate in a variety of Northville events.

With Earth Day 2009 slated April 22, Green Up's primary project this spring is to

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Green Up Northville members (l to r) Susan Nichols, Dave Thomas and Teresa Pilarz, all of Northville, display the water bottles with the Green Up Northville logo they will have available at the Seedling Giveaway at Northville Township Hall on April 25 and hopefully soon at downtown businesses. The new grassroots environmental group is asking for a \$7 donation for each bottle and will use the proceeds to help make Northville a "greener" community. The group meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month at Solid Grounds Coffee House at Northville Square, 133 W. Main St.

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## Parks &amp; Rec cutting staff

## ■ But part-time job to be added

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Several cost-containment measures were approved for the proposed 2009-2010 budget by members of the Parks and Recreation Commission April 9.

Plans are to cut the full-time senior programmer at the Senior Community Center and a full-time parks and recreation programmer. These cuts will occur at the end of June.

The department also plans to lay off two of its maintenance staff members during non-peak months of the year.

However, the department does plan to hire a part-time operations coordinator to assist Traci Sincok, department director. Sincok said

that neither of the two programmers scheduled to be laid off, however, have the qualifications to fill the new part-time position, as the department is looking for someone with accounting experience.

The department may reallocate Community Development Block Grants. It is losing some of its Senior Alliance funding, so it plans to print the senior newsletter once every two months instead of monthly.

Another cost-saving measure is to have one park attendant instead of two that would travel between the various parks.

This will save on gasoline and overall vehicle costs. The attendant's cell phone number would be displayed in case he was needed.

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## PARKS & REC

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The department also plans to replace the fence and tennis nets at Fish Hatchery Park at a cost of \$45,000.

The shared service is facing a 10 percent reduction of revenue in the township and a 6 percent reduction in revenue in the city.

"We're all going to have to do more with less," Sincroff said.

The Parks and Recreation Department budget will be discussed by city council at the third budget review session on April 20. The next session is April 22.

The proposed budget was approved, with Sue Hillebrand casting a "no" vote because she did not support the layoffs slated to begin July 1.

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### RECORD CORRECTION

In an article in last week's paper on Arbor Hospice's 25th anniversary celebration this spring, it stated that the company was founded on June 11, 1974. It should have read June 11, 1984.

# Friends of Libraries plan May 13 fund-raiser

## Northville, Novi, Plymouth, Canton members involved

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Most people are intrigued about a story involving love, psychosis, murder and a pretty girl.

Now area residents can catch a glimpse into a local author's book that includes these themes.

Residents of four communities will bring Michigan author and television reporter Paula Tutman from Channel 4, who will present a talk about her new book, "Deadline", at the Friends of the Library Annual Spring Luncheon on May 13 at Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth Township.

Hosted by Friends of Northville, Novi, Plymouth and Canton Libraries, the event will begin at noon, with seating starting at 11:30 a.m.

Tutman, a WDIV reporter, released the book in March 2008. The fiction-based-on-fact

story is about two children who are senselessly shot and killed. Strangely, the killer lurks at the scene.

He catches a glimpse of his favorite television reporter and realizes if he keeps killing, the reporter will keep showing up, and he might get a chance to meet her. A crime of opportunity becomes serial murder when a sociopath decides the way to his true love's heart is through murder.

**ABOUT TUTMAN**

Tutman, who has served as both a reporter and an anchor, has worked at television stations in Knoxville, Tenn.; Louisville, Ky.; and Baltimore, Md., before coming to Detroit. She has been with Channel 4 for 15 years.

She has won an Emmy as well as several Emmy nominations for her reporting. The civic-



WDIV reporter and Paula Tutman will talk about her new book 'Deadline' during the Friends of the Library Spring Luncheon.

minded journalist is a member of many nonprofit boards and is the founder and board chair of the Children's Tooth Fairy Foundation, which funds dental care for uninsured children.

Tutman's talk on May 13 should begin about 1 p.m.

"This is a tradition that started in 1987," said Peggy Koppy of Northville Township, a member of the Friends of the Northville

District Library. "We always invite a Michigan author."

Koppy said Tutman is planning a sequel to her book.

The luncheon menu will be tossed salad, chicken piccata, rice pilaf, a fruit cup, homemade rolls, Tuvedo Mousse Cake, and coffee, tea or lemonade for \$25.

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### WHERE TO BUY TICKETS

Tickets are available at the following locations:

- Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St.;
- Novi Public Library, 45245 W. 10 Mile Rd.;
- Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St.; and
- Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Rd.

Fox Hills Country Club is located at 8768 North Territorial Road. Proceeds from the event are divided between the four libraries.

Checks should be made out to the Friends of the Novi Library, as there is a committee established for the annual event with each library providing a representative and Novi's representative serves as treasurer.



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**DETAILS:** There are openings for our Board of Directors. The Friends are volunteers who promote reading, support programs in the library and financially support projects not covered by the library's budget. Board members attend a monthly meeting and serve on a committee. If interested, send a letter to James Morche, President of the Friends, c/o Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., Northville, 48167

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Maria Lindo, along with sons Paul, 12, right, David, 14, and her nephew Billy Peralta, 9, far left, enjoy some Guernsey Farms Dairy ice cream during a recent trip to the Novi Road shop.

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## Guernsey helps food pantries



Greg McGuire checks the status of some 2% milk that Guernsey Farms Dairy is bottling on a Monday afternoon. Guernsey Farms will host an open house on Saturday April 25.

### Dairy hosting plant tour April 25

Come see how Michigan made products are produced for yourself from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 25 when Guernsey Farms Dairy will open its doors to the public for a tour of its dairy products production plant. The tour is free, and guests are asked to bring a non-perishable food item or make a monetary donation to the Novi Food Pantries.

"We are very excited to be able to help the Novi Food Pantries this year," said Guernsey's Rita Rice. "The need is great and we are happy to help. Guernsey Farms Dairy will deliver all the food donated after the tour and we will also match any monetary donations made to the Novi Food Pantries."

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This family friendly event will feature free samples of all Guernsey Farms Dairy products, from rich strawberry milk, creamy chip dip to an array award winning ice cream flavors. There will be music, entertainment, prizes and much more. Guernsey Farms Dairy founder John McGuire (who recently celebrated his 100th birthday) will be at this event to shake hands and greet guests, just as he has for the last 69 years.

Guernsey Farms Dairy has been a family owned and operated business, by the McGuire family, since 1940. Guernsey Farms Dairy offers a premium line of dairy products and often named as one of the metro Detroit's area favorite places to frequent for ice cream.

For directions or more information, please call Guernsey at (248) 349-1466 or visit the Web site at [www.guernsey-farmsdairy.com](http://www.guernsey-farmsdairy.com).

## Shakespeare-inspired play set in Northville

Preview shows begin Wednesday

Northville's Tipping Point Theatre will close its season with a zany, irreverent send-up of Shakespeare, "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)," by Adam Long, Daniel Singer and Jess Winfield.

Directed by Tony Caselli, "The Complete Works ..." opens April 25 and runs through May 31. Performances at the theatre at 361 E. Cady St. are scheduled at 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays; at 3 p.m. Saturdays (with the exception of April 25); and at 2 p.m. Sundays.

Ticket prices range from \$18-\$28. Preview performances, which include a post-show discussion with the director and cast, are at 8 p.m. on April 22, 23 and 24.

"The Complete Works ..." is a coproduction between Tipping Point and Williamston Theatres.

Tickets are available by calling the box office at (248) 347-0003. Box office hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday - Friday; noon to 5 p.m. Saturday; and 90 minutes prior to all performances.

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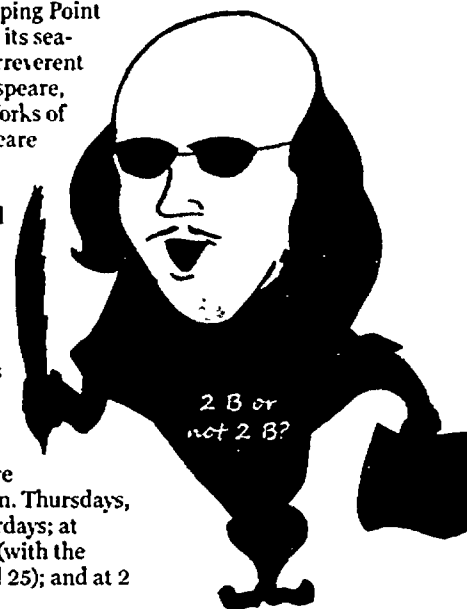
"The Complete Works ..." ran for 10 years on London's West

End and has been called "witty and wonderful" by Chicago Tribune critics.

Caselli, an accomplished director, makes his Tipping Point debut with this play. He serves as artistic director of the Williamston Theatre, where the production will take place in July. He has directed at Performance Network, Purple Rose Theatre, Michigan State University and numerous other theatres in Michigan.

The cast includes Laurel Hufano of Ferndale, Aral Gribble of Pinckney and Kevin T. Young of Ferndale. Hufano previously starred on the Tipping Point stage in the popular farce "Don't Dress for Dinner," for which she received a Wilde Award nomination. Gribble and Young are newcomers to the Tipping Point.

For more information, go to [www.tippingpointtheatre.org](http://www.tippingpointtheatre.org).

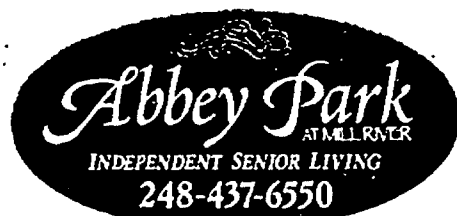


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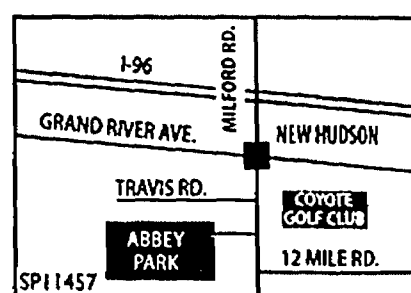
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# Northville Strictly Business

## IT'S YOUR BUSINESS - Q&A WITH NORTHVILLE LUMBER



Stewart Oldford explains Northville Lumber's deck options to customer Carlo Carlini Sr.

### 1. Tell us about your business, including types of services and/or products you feature.

We like to say "Like a Lumberyard Should Be." Northville Lumber carries a vast array of name brand building and remodeling products like windows from Andersen, doors from Thermo-Tru, siding from James Hardie, and decking from Trex and Azek. We are experts in many of the new "low-maintenance" products and we know what works and what doesn't. Northville Lumber has a replacement window and door division offering unique and innovative solutions to your window and door problems. We also do business with many reputable home improvement professionals and can refer you to a great contractor who can help you with virtually any home project.

### 2. How did you first decide to open your business?

John Miller opened this business as the first flour mill in the area in 1827, located in the northern section of Plymouth Township; the town would become known as "Northville".

### 3. Why did you choose Northville?

Our ancestors chose Northville for a variety of reasons, but we know that Northville and the surrounding area have the greatest customers that any business can hope to have. We couldn't find a better place to locate our business.

### 4. What makes your business unique?

Northville Lumber serves the homeowner and contractor with equal respect. Some homeowners are reluctant to shop at a store that sells to professionals, preferring to shop in anonymity at the local big box. Whether you need one piece of moulding or a whole house lumber and window package, you will always be greeted by a smiling face with a willingness to help. Large request or small, Northville Lumber is glad that you thought of us. We have embraced this policy for almost 200 years, stop by and see what we can do for you.

### 5. How has it changed since you opened?

In the last 20 years working at Northville Lumber, we have seen a change from a "do it yourself" to a "do it for me" culture. Less spare time and more complex projects certainly drove this change. Now, with the economy as it is, we are witnessing a shift back towards "do it yourself". Some of our customers are working with home improvement professionals in order to save some money. The homeowner may perform some of the necessary phases of the project and leave the more complicated or labor-intensive to the contractor. Northville Lumber can help anyone considering a home project ranging from crown moulding to a second-story addition, just come see us and we will be happy to discuss your ideas.

### DETAILS

**Business Name:** Northville Lumber Company  
**Address:** 615 East Baseline Road (OLD Eight Mile!!)  
**Name/Title:** Stewart Oldford Jr., president  
**Hometown:** Hartland  
**Business Opened When:** 1827  
**Number of Employees:** 15  
**Hours of Operation:** 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday; 8 a.m. to noon Saturday  
**Business Specialty:** full-service lumberyard  
**Phone:** (248) 349-0220  
**Web:** www.northvillelumber.com

### 6. Do you have a funny tidbit or story about your experience as a small business owner to share with our readers?

Many of our funniest stories come from directing people to our location. When you say 615 East Baseline, most people think 8 Mile. Truth is, it was 8 Mile until the railroad overpass was constructed. Now we are on "Old" Baseline or "Old" 8 Mile. We use Parmenters Cider Mill as our landmark. We are across the street and across the railroad tracks, same location since the early 1900s. We are also located in Oakland County. Explaining how we can be south of 8 Mile and in Oakland can be amusing as well. We love our "Cabbage Town" location and all of our neighbors and customers.

### 7. How has the recent economy affected your business?

The slowdown in the construction industry has been well publicized and we have not been immune. However, with people staying in their homes rather than moving, we are seeing substantial interest in home projects. Whether it is regular maintenance or a quality of life improvement, many people will be engaged in a home makeover of some type this year. Federal tax credits are even available on many energy saving improvements such as windows, doors or insulation.

### 8. Any advice for business owners?

Watch your expenses and cut where you can, but never, ever take your eye off your most important asset -- your customer. Treat everyone like you would want to be treated and you can weather most any storm.

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

Northville Lumber wants everyone in the area to realize that there is an alternative to the big box retailer. We will continue serve with enthusiasm and dedication. Competitive pricing, expert product knowledge and super service are the ingredients we expect to take Northville Lumber to its 200th birthday and beyond.

## Hospital offering med ed program

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is implementing for the first time, a graduate medical education program (GME) through an affiliation with the University of Toledo College of Medicine (UTCUM). The program, which designates St. Mary Mercy as a teaching hospital, includes medical student education, residency, research and training programs, and is expected to launch in summer 2010. St. Mary Mercy (a member of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System) and UTCUM will collaborate on approximately 10 new residency and fellowship programs and host nearly 150 residents.

Family medicine and internal medicine are the initial programs of focus for St. Mary Mercy and expect to be approved for accreditation soon. The program directors are: Kenneth Grimm, MD, family medicine; and Jeffrey Yanez, MD, internal medicine, both medical staff members of St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

Future potential graduate medical education residency programs at St. Mary Mercy Hospital may include obstetrics and gynecology, psychiatry, general surgery, emergency medicine, transitional year, otolaryngology, ophthalmology, podiatry and dermatology.

For additional information about St. Mary Mercy, please visit [www.stmarymercy.org](http://www.stmarymercy.org).

## Business workshops offered

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars in offered by the Oakland County Business Center. Business Basics workshops are now offered in the evenings on alternating months at the Oakland County Executive

Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, Waterford. For location specifics and pre-registration, call (248) 858-0783.

**Women's Business Certification Orientation (WBE)** -- Increase profits through opportunities available through the Michigan Women's Business Council certification. Learn about the benefits and process to take advantage through the national network. The class is held from 9-11 a.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, May 6. The fee is \$25, which includes all materials. No refunds.

**Pre-Business Research** -- Are you thinking of starting your own business and want to research your business idea? Are you a business owner who wants to understand which research sources to use for your business plan and where to find the information you need? The class is held from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 7. Presented by The Entrepreneur's Source, Oakland County's Business Center, Market Research Department, and Research Librarian. This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required.

**Microsoft Entrepreneur Series: Customer Retention** -- Learn how to build a strong customer base and "keep your customer, your customer". Did you know it costs four to 10 times as much to capture a new customer as it does to provide good service to an existing one? Small business owners are always thinking about growth, keeping customers and the best way to build repeat business. Come and learn how to accomplish these goals. Sponsored by Microsoft, Comcast, the Oakland County Business Center, Southfield Area Chamber of Commerce, City of Southfield and West Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce. The workshop is held from 8:30-11 a.m. on Monday, May 11, from

8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. This workshop is free of charge, but pre-registration is strongly advised.

**Team SBA Financing Roundtable** -- Before you apply for a business loan, attend a Team SBA Financing Roundtable. The roundtables are a free loan orientation conducted by a business banker, a business consultant from the SBA's network of Small Business Development Centers, and an SBA representative. During the roundtable, we'll debunk the myths and demystify the process of small business financing. You'll learn how the lending process works and what is expected of you and you'll understand how SBA can assist with our SBA Guaranteed Loan Program. This session is best suited to those who have good credit, a solid business idea, and some money to invest in their business. Because SBA does not provide loan guarantees to real estate investment firms, including purchasing and rehabbing houses for sale, this type of financing is not discussed at the roundtables. The class is held from 9 a.m.-noon on Wednesday, May 13. This workshop is free of charge, but pre-registration is required.

**Start a Business** -- A seminar for anyone thinking about going into business, participants examine their entrepreneurial skills, learn how to implement their ideas and receive a list of pitfalls to avoid when starting a business. The class runs from 9 a.m.-noon on Thursday, May 14. For location and pre-registration, call (248) 858-0783. The fee is \$30. No refunds.

**Write a Business Plan** -- A workshop for small business owners who are developing a plan to serve as their road map to success. The class is held from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday, May 21. The fee is \$40, which includes all materials. No refunds.

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## NORTHVILLE / NOVI AREA CHURCH EVENTS

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

**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 single place.org

### OAK POINTE CHURCH

**LOCATION** 50200 W. 10 Mile Road  
**CONTACT** (248) 912-0043 or visit oak-pointe.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 oak-pointe.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 NORTHVILLE

**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 10:15 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.  
**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  
**Spring into Summer**  
**TIME/DATE** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 13  
**DETAILS** Annual Juried Art/Craft Show. Go to [www.umcnovi.com](http://www.umcnovi.com) to view some last years vendor booths. All hand made crafts including but not limited to painting, sculpture, pottery, jewelry, needlework, lawn art, doll clothing, photography, glass, stained glass, wood carving and scrolling, sewn items, stone work, candles, wine lamps, children's books, face painting, frames, mud mats and UMW bake sale.  
**CONTACT** For an application to this juried show, e-mail your request to Pam Davis.  
**Church Yard Sale - Open to The Public**  
**TIME/DATE** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday, May 1-Saturday, May 2  
**DETAILS** Saturday Noon - \$2 Bag Sale. Furniture, appliances, clothing, toys, and TONS more!

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## Saints & Angels

The Northville Art House announces the opening of Saints & Angels: Colonial Arts of Latin America, a retrospective exhibition featuring 50 paintings and sculptures culled from a private Michigan collection, with a reception from 6-9 p.m. on Friday, May 1 and will be on view through May 24 in the main gallery at 215 W. Cady Street, Northville. The exhibition will feature works by anonymous artists and artisans, with the major focus on 18th century religious paintings from Latin America and 19th century Mexican Folk Retablos - small paintings of images on sheets of tin. The older pieces show Virgins, Saints, Angels and Christ figures with absorbed expressions. Far from being somber, many of the images are in elegant laces, satins and velvets; some with plumes or armor. The origins for the 18th century paintings were art academies established by new world priests to train native Indian artist. The works were generally inspired by European religious etchings. The local artists adapted the original images and the art evolved into a unique Latin American style to include native flora and fauna in the background, gold gilt decoration, and brilliant use of reds and blues. For additional information, contact the Northville Art House at (248) 344-0497, go to the Web site at [www.northvillearts.org](http://www.northvillearts.org), or visit the gallery, 1-5 p.m., Thursday-Sunday. The Art House is a facility of the Northville Arts Commission through the City of Northville. Admission to exhibits is always free and open to the public.

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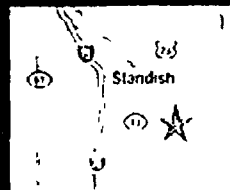
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Using paper plates, Silver Strength students work on the limbering up their leg muscles during a recent class.

Kirsten Ryan hoists a hand weight as she leads six people in a session of "Silver Strength" at the Northville Community Senior Center on Weds., April 1. Silver Strength is a low-impact weight training class that works on building muscles using small handweights, Thera-bands and stretching exercises. It will continue to meet through the spring. For more information on getting into this class or other



Ryan assists Suzanne Keley in how to properly work her triceps.



Using Thera-bands, Silver Strength attendees work on their upper chest muscles. From left: Cliff Thomas, (instructor) Kirsten Ryan, Denyse Peterson, Mary Ann Katos, Suzanne Keley, Linda Schuelenes, and Sophie Zelenka.



Silver Strength class attendee Linda Schuelenes lifts a handweight over her head during a recent class.

## OBITUARIES

### BRENDA L. BOYER

Of South Lyon, previously of Plymouth. Passed away peacefully at her home after an extended illness on April 4, 2009. She was born March 26, 1940 to the late William A. Foreman, of Northville, and the late Marguerite E. Fillmore, of Plymouth. Survived by her devoted husband of 50 years, Donald L. Boyer and loving mother to Donna (DeWayne) Mallett and Daniel (Sheila) Boyer, all of South Lyon. Cherished grandmother to DeAnna (Eric) Stephens of Whitmore Lk. and Shannon Mallett of South Lyon, also great-grandson Trenton Stephens. Sister of Gail (Russell) Mecklenburg of Northville. Interment Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens. Memorial Service will take place at Crossroads Community Church of South Lyon at a later date.

### KENNETH C. CAMBRA

Age 66, of Northville, passed away peacefully at home April 11, 2009. A service was held last Wednesday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. Contributions to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital appreciated.

### DOUGLAS L. FAULKNER

Age 67, passed away April 10, 2009. He was born on July 21, 1941, to the late Louis and Edna (Garwood) Faulkner. He graduated from Farmington High School in 1959. On October 25, 1969, he married his wife Barbara Andrews. He was formerly of Farmington, prior to moving to South Lyon in 1976. He was a former South Lyon Electrical Inspector. He was member of the National Service Managers Association and the Ham Radio Association South Lyon Chapter. Douglas is survived by his wife Barbara Faulkner, brother Nicholas (Lucy) Faulkner, sister-in-law Gail (Alan) McDonald, two nephews David and Mark McDonald. He was preceded in death by his brother Norman. Visitation was held on Tuesday from 3-8pm. A Funeral Service was held April 15, Wednesday, 11am at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to the Barbara Ann Karmanos Leukemia Research. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

### ROBERT M. JAMES

Age 80, passed away on Easter Sunday, April 12, 2009. He was born on August 9, 1928, in Ann Arbor, to the late Albert and Ruth (Austin) James. He was a lifelong resident of the South Lyon area, a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church and a council member for 50 years. He was a member of MacArthur's Honor Guard and had worked for over 30 years as a Process Engineer. Robert is survived by his beloved wife of 59 years Bernice (Melchert), his children Larry (Linda) Danielson, James of South Lyon, Carol (Kerry) Damesworth of Alhca, Keith (Julie) Boyce of James of Howell, David (Shannon) Raymond of James of Westland, Cheryl (Mark) Schembri of Howell, siblings Warren (Floy) Klein, James of Reese, Marilyn (Owen Jr.) Schlaug of Belleair, FL, Judy (Richard) Brogan of Howell, Patricia (Charles) Fritts of Ann Arbor, 13 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Visitation Wednesday 5-9pm, Thursday 1-9pm at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 West Lake Street (Ten Mile), South Lyon. Funeral Service April 17, Friday at 11am with final visitation at 10:15am at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 330 E. Liberty, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to the Immanuel Lutheran Church. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

### JOHN M. LLOYD

Known by many as "Jack Lloyd", age 94, passed away peacefully on April 9, 2009. He was born May 25, 1914 in Sharon, PA to John A. and Mary (Morrison) Lloyd. He was united in marriage to Jean Elizabeth Hazlett on April 26, 1941. His business career took him to many places in the Eastern US and to Italy. He was an active member of the Highland United Methodist Church. The love he gave his family and friends will always be remembered and cherished. He is survived by his sons, John E. (Debbie) Lloyd of Aberdeen, WA, James H. (Mary) Lloyd of Highland, Thomas M. (Betty Jo) Lloyd of Denver, CO, six grandchildren, one great-grandchild and his beloved friend, Martha Schwanninger. A host of other close relatives and dear friends also mourn his passing. A Memorial Service will be held at Highland United Methodist Church, 680 W. Livingston Rd. Highland, May 4th, 2009, time pending. For further information contact Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

### ROBERT M. MAIR

Age 76, of South Lyon, formerly of Hawks, Fenton, and Plymouth, passed away peacefully April 8, 2009. A service was held last Saturday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. Contributions to St. Andrew's Society or a Hospice of your choice.

For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Northville Calendar online at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

Send calendar submissions via e-mail to [estone@gannett.com](mailto:estone@gannett.com); by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Northville Record, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

## Local Events

### LITTLE MERMAID

TIME/DATE: 2:30 p.m., Saturdays, April 18, 25; Sundays, April 19, 26; Friday, April 17  
LOCATION: Northville Marquis Theatre  
DETAILS: Swim deep into the ocean and meet the Little Mermaid who loves to hear about the world above the waves. Don't miss one of the characters fly safely across the stage! Tickets \$8.50. Please no children under 3 years old. Group rates and reserved seating for 20 or more.  
CONTACT: For more information on please call (248) 349-8110, [www.northvillamarquistheatre.com](http://www.northvillamarquistheatre.com)

### GARDENERS VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m., Saturday April 18  
LOCATION: Tollgate Farms, 12 mile and Meadowbrook rds  
CONTACT: Info, [prentic@msu.edu](mailto:prentic@msu.edu) or see website, <http://web1.msue.edu/tollgate/>

### STATE OF THE COMMUNITY

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m., Wednesday April 22  
LOCATION: Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W. Eight Mile Rd, Northville  
DETAILS: The State of the Community Luncheon offers the opportunity to hear from its city and township officials on the future of the Northville Community. Featured speakers include Township Supervisor Mark Abbo, City of Northville Mayor Christopher Johnson, Northville Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Leonard Rezmierski, and State Representative Marc Corriveau. Tickets are \$40 for the event.  
CONTACT: For more information, contact Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or visit [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org)

### NORTHVILLE ROADRUNNERS AND RUNNING FIT - FREE CLINIC

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 22  
LOCATION: Running Fit store located at 17783 Haggerty, just north of 6 Mile Rd.  
DETAILS: Free running clinic for beginning and current runners. Sponsored by The Northville Roadrunners and Running Fit. Learn how to stay motivated and to run safely without injury. Be prepared to run a short distance (1-2 miles). This will be fun, informative and worthwhile.  
CONTACT: For more information contact Erin at (248) 212-8089.

## NORTHVILLE AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### SWING BACK INTO GOLF SEASON AT BOTSFORD'S GOLF EXPO

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, April 25  
LOCATION: Botsford Center for Health Improvement located at 39750 Grand River Ave. in Novi  
DETAILS: The Botsford Center for Health Improvement is launching this golf season with their third annual expo designed to make your first round of the season successful and pain-free. Botsford exercise physiologists and a PGA pro from Western Hills Golf & Country Club in Redford will help motivate you and help prepare for the upcoming season. The expo will feature a swing analysis booth and a "Benefits of Golf Conditioning" presentation. The Golf Expo will be held on at the. All attendees can shop for new gear at local vendor booths, receive discounts on golf lessons from Western Hills and enter a raffle for terrific prizes. Reservations are required for a free private swing analysis session with a PGA pro.  
CONTACT: Please call (248) 473-3100 to register or for questions

### SOCCER TEAM BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, April 25  
DETAILS: The Northville High School girls soccer team is having a Bottle/Can drive. The Bottle/Can drive is a fund raiser for the end of the year soccer banquet. Place any bottles or cans to be donated on your porch on before 10 a.m. The girls will be around to pick them up on that date.

### GUERNSEY FARMS DAIRY TOUR

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 25  
LOCATION: Guernsey Farms Dairy  
DETAILS: The doors will be open to the public for a tour of the dairy products production plant. The tour is free, and guests are asked to bring a non-perishable food item or make a monetary donation to the Novi Food Pantries. "We are very excited to be able to help the Novi Food Pantries this year. The need is great and we are happy to help Guernsey Farms Dairy will deliver all the food donated after the tour and we will also match any monetary donations made to the Novi Food Pantries," said Guernsey's, Rita Rice. Bring the whole family for a tour of this 28,000 square foot milk, ice cream and other dairy products production facility.

### BOTSFORD HOLDS CANCER CENTER OPEN HOUSE FOR COMMUNITY

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, April 25  
LOCATION: The Botsford Cancer Center, 27900 Grand River Ave. in Farmington Hills  
DETAILS: Botsford Hospital will host an open house at the new Botsford Cancer Center. Patients, family members, employees and community members are invited to attend the event that includes tours, an opportunity to meet staff members and a variety of educational and informational displays. Physicians affiliated with the Botsford Cancer Center will also be offering a

series of informational presentations throughout the day. Community members can also learn about Botsford's plans to renovate the Botsford Inn and purchase a brick in the Commemorative Brick Plaza directly outside the Inn. All funds raised will support the interior renovation of the Botsford Inn. A \$50 discount is available for anyone who purchases a brick at the open house.  
CONTACT: (248) 442-7986.

### FIRST GENTLEMAN BOOK SIGNING

TIME/DATE: 4-6 p.m., April 25  
LOCATION: As The Page Turns Bookstore & Gallery  
DETAILS: Book signing with Mr. Daniel G. Mulhern, First Gentleman of the State of Michigan. Preordering available. Leadership skills are so important in every aspect of life. Mr. Mulhern's book, Everyday Leadership: Getting Results in Business, Politics, and Life, is especially important for these challenging times

### ABSTINENCE NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY

TIME/DATE: 6:30-9 p.m., Monday, April 27  
LOCATION: Northville District Library  
DETAILS: An Opportunity for Parents to Explore Some of the More Powerful Tools and Messages. Keynote Presentation - 7-8:30 p.m. - "The Love Wall: A Tool for Teaching Teens How to Live Out Their Sexuality as a Christian." Presented by Helen Crown - Abstinence Educator and Country Coordinator for the Choose to Wait program. [www.ctwusa.org](http://www.ctwusa.org) Video Viewing - 6:30-6:50 p.m. "The Rules Have Changed" - Meg Meeker MD, this or another of the available videos will be viewed from 8:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Limited seating.  
CONTACT: Please RSVP to [drnancycouch@pol.net](mailto:drnancycouch@pol.net) or call Nancy at (248) 347-7842.

### BREAST CANCER FUND-RAISERS

TIME/DATE: 2-5 p.m., May 3  
LOCATION: Wine Sync on W. Main Street, Northville  
DETAILS: A wine tasting and auction.  
DATE: May 16  
LOCATION: Mobil gas station - Corner of Six Mile and Haggerty roads  
DETAILS: "Day of Caring" where donations will be accepted  
DATE: May 30  
DETAILS: A bottle and can drive in various subdivisions throughout Northville, White Lake and West Bloomfield  
TIME/DATE: 2 p.m., June 14  
LOCATION: Novi Bowl on Novi Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads.  
DETAILS: A bowling fund-raiser  
CONTACT: Local businesses or individuals who would like to make a contribution to fight breast cancer - go to the Web site [www.the3day.org/site/PageServer](http://www.the3day.org/site/PageServer), click on "Donate," and search for the Board of Directors page, or send a check made out to Breast Cancer 3 Day to Jan Connelly at 42654 Waterford, Northville, MI 48167.

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## Let's Dance!

Dear Savvy Senior,  
Spurred on by the television program "Dancing with the Stars," my husband and I are looking for some different resources that teach dancing. What can you tell us?  
Recently Retired

Dear Recently,  
It's amazing how "Dancing with the Stars" has lit a fire under the feet of millions of Americans - which is a good thing. Dancing is a great workout for your body and brain, not to mention a whole lot of fun. Here's what you should know and some resources to help you get started.

### LOT'S OF OPTIONS

Whether your groove is ballroom, square, swing, line, tap, clogging, jazz or even belly, dancing is a great activity for helping older adults get

and stay in shape. There's even chair dancing for seniors with physical limitations. On average, a 150-pound adult can burn about 150 calories doing 30 minutes of moderate social dancing. And people who dance are more likely to stick with it than they are other types of exercises.

### HEALTHY RESULTS

Like other moderate, low-impact activities, such as brisk walking, cycling or aerobics, dancing can help increase stamina and flexibility, improve balance and strengthen muscles. It can also help ward off illnesses like diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, osteoporosis and depression, but that's not all. Research shows that social dancing can also boost brain power, sharpen memory skills and even reduce the risks of developing dementia. The mental benefits are attained because dancers must learn and remember steps and sequences, utilizing think-

ing and retention skills.

### LEARN TO DANCE

To find dance classes near you call your local dance studios, dance clubs, health clubs, universities or community recreation centers. Some YMCAs, senior centers, churches, or synagogues may offer group dance classes too. You can also search online at sites like [www.accessdance.com](http://www.accessdance.com), which offers a network of dance studios, instructors, camps and coaches nationwide that are ready to teach.

If you don't have any luck finding a dance studio or teacher in your area, lessons are also available on the Internet enabling you to learn in the comfort of your own home. Here are some good sites to try:

- [Learn2dance.com](http://Learn2dance.com): Offers free video dance lessons, which teach visitors to ballroom dance, fox trot, salsa, and more.

- [Danceetv.com](http://Danceetv.com): Teaches ballroom dance, waltz, fox trot, and East Coast swing via a series of text-heavy pages. The site also sells a tutorial video and music CD for \$30.

- [Learning2dance.com](http://Learning2dance.com): Provides online lessons - some are free and others cost a few dollars - in the waltz, salsa, ballroom and other styles.

- [YouTube.com](http://YouTube.com): This site's massive video library includes free instructional clips in classical and contemporary dance moves. Just type in the kind of dance you're interested in learning in the search space at the top of the page, for a variety of demonstrative options.

You also can learn to dance with the help of dance videos or DVDs (many options exist) that you can rent from your local library or video store, or purchase at [www.collagevideo.com](http://www.collagevideo.com).

Savvy Tips: Another dancing/exercise option is Dance Dance

Revolution ([www.ddrgame.com](http://www.ddrgame.com)), a fun, interactive variety of video games that comes with a square, plastic dance pad that you place in front of your television. Players are challenged to match their dance steps with the flashing arrows on the screen while keeping up with the beat of the music. Some games require a gaming console like a Wii, Xbox or Playstation to operate them, while others can be plugged right into the TV.

Or, if you like to travel, dancing vacation cruises can be a fun option too - see [www.letsdancetravel.com](http://www.letsdancetravel.com). And as always, if you have a chronic health condition, be sure you consult with your doctor before you start.

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

# Your Invitation to

# Worship

## Brighton

**LORD of LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
5051 Pleasant Valley Road • Brighton, MI 48114  
810-227-3113  
9:30 a.m. Communion Worship  
10:45 a.m. Sunday School  
Rev. Dale Hedblad, Pastor  
[www.lordoflifelca.com](http://www.lordoflifelca.com)

**HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
[www.hsvcc.net](http://www.hsvcc.net)  
at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd  
810-231-9199  
Fr. John Rocus, Pastor  
Weekend Liturgies Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
Please visit our Shrine of Holy Display and Book & Gift Shop

## Farmington Hills

**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN, ELCA**  
Farmington Hills • 23225 Gail Rd. • 248-474-0584  
Between Grand River & Freedom  
Saturday Worship 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday Worship & Sunday School  
9:00 a.m. Traditional/Choral  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary  
Sunday School - all ages 10:15 a.m.

## Highland

**HIGHLAND COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
2350 Harvey Lake Rd. (248) 887-4556  
Contemporary Service  
9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. Sundays  
Men's Bible Study & Breakfast  
2nd & 4th Saturdays at 8:15 a.m.  
3rd-8th Grade Youth Tuesdays 7-8 p.m.  
Pastor Nick Ruffler

**HIGHLAND CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
1211 W. Livingston Rd., Highland 248-887-1402  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service & Children's Church  
6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Fellowship  
Wednesday - 9:45-11:15 a.m. Ladies Bible Study  
Wednesday - 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
w/full children's program

**NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
120 Bishop St., Highland  
off Milford Rd., 2-7/8 miles N of M-59  
• Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
• Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.  
• Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor Danny McInn  
689-7253 or 687-4556

**HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
680 W. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 48357  
248-887-1311 • [www.myhunc.com](http://www.myhunc.com)  
Sunday Worship 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
Kids Church 8:45 & 10:30 a.m.  
Youth Night - Wed. 6:45 - 8:00 p.m.  
Plus Young Adults, Recovery, Divorce & Kids, Grief & more

**HIGHLAND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
1605 N. Hickory Ridge Rd. (248) 887-1515  
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School For All Ages  
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service &  
Kids Church (4 yrs. - 4th grade)  
Child Care Provided  
Wednesday Ministries For All Ages At 7 p.m.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
3700 Harvey Lake Rd., Highland (248) 887-5364  
Rev. Leo T. Lukko, Pastor  
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5 p.m.  
Sunday, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Mon-Fri 9 a.m.  
Holy Day, 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.; First Saturday 9 a.m.  
Confessions - Saturdays 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.  
or by appointment

## Livonia

**FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Services held at  
Madonna University's Kresge Hall  
36600 Schoolcraft Road - Livonia  
Parking lot is NW Corner of Levan & Schoolcraft  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. - Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Dr. James N. McGuffee • Ministry Provided

## Milford

**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
PRESCHOOL & KDS - Mo. Synod  
620 General Motors Rd., Milford  
Church office: (248) 684-0895  
Regular Sunday Service: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Jun-Aug - Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.  
Monday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
The Rev. Richard E. Pape, Pastor

**FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD**  
VISITORS WELCOME!  
133 Detroit St., Milford • 684-5695  
Pastor Steve Swayze  
Sunday School (all ages) 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m. • Prayer Service - 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
Awards for age 3 to 5th grades  
Middle & Senior High programs

**SOUTH HILL CHURCH, S.B.C.**  
1250 South Hill Rd. Just south of downtown Milford  
(248) 685-3560 • [www.AboutSouthHill.com](http://www.AboutSouthHill.com)  
Contemporary Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
KIDS' Worship 10:15 a.m.  
Bible Study for all ages 9:15 a.m.  
Tuesday 7 p.m. Children - 8th Grade (5 groups)  
Wednesday 7 p.m. - High School Youth  
Call about our current small group studies.

**WEST HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH**  
11166 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380  
248-887-1218  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Ministries 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday All Ages: 7:00 p.m.

**MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805  
Sunday Worship: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School age 3 thru 5th grade @ 10:00 a.m.  
Nursery care available @ 10:00 a.m.  
R. John Harris, Pastor  
A heritage of area worship since 1836

## New Hudson

**NEW HUDSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
56730 Grand River  
Rev. Gerry Hunter  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
248-437-6212  
[renewhudson@siglobal.net](mailto:renewhudson@siglobal.net) • [www.newhudson.org](http://www.newhudson.org)

**NEW HOPE - A Unitarian Universalist Congregation**  
57855 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 48165  
Phone 248-474-9108  
Sunday Celebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m.  
Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister  
Website: <http://www.newhopeuu.org>

## Northville

**NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN**  
Experience Life Each Week  
Sunday Worship - 9:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.  
Sunday School and Children's Programs  
[www.ncalife.org](http://www.ncalife.org)  
41355 Six Mile Road  
248-348-9030

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE**  
349-1144  
8 Mile & Taft Roads  
Sunday Worship Services:  
8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
Rev. Dr. Steve Buck • Rev. Lisa Cook  
[www.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.org)

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE**  
200 E. Main St. at Hutton - (248) 349-0911  
Worship & Church School - 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Childcare Available at All Services  
Youth League Prog. - Wed. 4:15 to 5:45 p.m. 5:00 M.S. 5:45 p.m.  
Singles Pastor Ministry - Thurs. 7:30 p.m.  
Rev. W. Kent Dine, Senior Pastor  
Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor

**WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
40000 Six Mile Rd., Northville  
248-374-7400  
Sunday Worship:  
Traditional: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Contemporary 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Nursery & Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. services  
Service Broadcast Sunday 11 a.m.  
WROU AM 560 The WMAU Word Station

**OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
133 Orchard Dr., Northville  
WEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 7:30, 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.  
Church 349-2621, School 349-3610  
Religious Education 349-2559  
Rev. Denis Thorour, Pastor

## Novi

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
9 Mile & Meadowbrook  
Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod  
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 8:45 a.m.  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Thomas E. Schroeder, Pastor • 349-0565

**ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI**  
46325 10 Mile Rd. • Novi, MI 48374  
Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.  
Reverend George Charnley, Pastor  
Parish Office: 347-7778

**FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi, 248-349-2345  
1/2 mile west of Novi Rd.  
[www.faithcommunity-novi.org](http://www.faithcommunity-novi.org)  
WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM  
"Children, Youth and Adult Ministries"

**MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile  
248-348-7757 • [www.mbcoc.org](http://www.mbcoc.org)  
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.  
Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY**  
24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, MI 48375  
Weekend Hours  
Saturday: 5 p.m. (English) & 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Fr. Timothy Hogan, Pastor  
Rev. Henry Sands, Associate Pastor  
Parish Office: 349-8841 • [www.holyfamilynovi.org](http://www.holyfamilynovi.org)

**HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL**  
10 Mile between Meadowbrook & Haggerty, Novi • Phone 427-1175  
Sundays 7:45 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist • Sunday School & Nursery 10 a.m.  
Rev. Dr. Ray Baben, Interim Rector  
[www.churchoftheholycross.com](http://www.churchoftheholycross.com)

**OAK POINTE CHURCH**  
50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi  
Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m.,  
Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.  
Casual, contemporary service  
Phone (248) 912-0043  
[www.oakpointe.org](http://www.oakpointe.org)

## South Lyon

**CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN**  
(Missouri Synod) Pastor Terry Nelson  
437-8810 • 486-4335 • Griswold Rd. at 10 Mile  
Worship 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

**Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church**  
22200 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon south at 8 Mile Road  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.  
Sr. High Sunday at 6:30 p.m.  
Mid High Wednesday at 7 p.m.  
Rev. David Brown, Pastor  
248-437-2222 • [www.fellowshippc.org](http://www.fellowshippc.org)

**The Church of Christ**  
21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178  
248-437-3585 • [www.southlyoncc.org](http://www.southlyoncc.org)  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School,  
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship  
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.  
Rob Catcott, Pastor

**FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH**  
10774 Nine Mile Road  
Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) • SOUTH LYON**  
"WHERE THE SON ALWAYS SHINES"  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery Care Provided  
Check us out on the web: [www.fpcsouthlyon.org](http://www.fpcsouthlyon.org)  
248-437-2875 • 205 E. Lake (10 Mile) •  
Rev. Dr. Annemarie Kipper, Pastor

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN**  
Wisconsin Synod • Reynold Sweet Pkwy  
at Liberty St.  
Sunday Service 10:00 a.m.  
All Classes 9:00  
Pastor Scott Miller (248) 437-2289

For Information regarding this Directory, please call Senny Lee at 586-977-7651 or e-mail: [sslee@dnps.com](mailto:sslee@dnps.com)

## Westland

**STS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**  
36375 Joy Rd., Westland  
Sunday Services:  
Matins 8:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am  
Rev. Fr. Theodor Proustis  
Parish Office: 734-525-6789  
[www.stsccs.org](http://www.stsccs.org)  
Hellenic Cultural Center Banquet Hall  
734-525-3550

## White Lake

**WHITE LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
4805 Highland Rd. (between Bogue Ln & Orchard Rd.)  
(248) 887-4654 • Deborah V. Kerr Pastor  
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.  
Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Children Church School 10:30 a.m.  
Child Care Provided  
"The Friendly Church" Established 1835

## Whitmore Lake

**Living Water**  
North Campus of St. Luke Lutheran Church Ave. Acor  
Worship Celebration Sunday 10:15 a.m.  
Whitmore Lake High School  
7430 Whitmore Lake Rd. • Whitmore Lake, MI 48189  
Dan Flynn, Minister  
734-426-4006 • [www.livingwatermi.org](http://www.livingwatermi.org)

## South Lyon

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH LYON**  
60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178  
Phone: 248-437-2983  
Sunday School 8:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
Senior Pastor: Rob Friesdorf / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Peaks  
Website: [www.fpcsouthlyon.com](http://www.fpcsouthlyon.com)  
Email: [fpcsouthlyon@baptist.net](mailto:fpcsouthlyon@baptist.net)

**CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
28900 Pontiac Trail (Across from Erwin & Orchard)  
Saturday Service 5 p.m.  
Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship - Relevant,  
Bible Based Messages  
(248) 486-0400 • [www.crossroads.net](http://www.crossroads.net)

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
640 S. Lafayette (248) 437-0760  
Sunday Worship: 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Nursery Provided  
Reverend Sandra Wilboe  
[southlyonfirstumc.org](mailto:southlyonfirstumc.org)

**FAMILY LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH A/G**  
62345 W. 4 Mile Road 437 1472 • [www.familylcc.net](http://www.familylcc.net)  
Sr. Pastor Joseph R. Tabbi  
Sunday Christian Education 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Wednesday Christian Education and Family Nite 7:00 p.m.

**SOLID ROCK BIBLE CHURCH**  
22183 Pontiac Trail (Behind Jazzercise and Oryx)  
10 a.m. Sunday Celebration  
Pontiac Trail and 9 Mile (South of Shopping Center)  
(Nursery & Children's programs)  
Office 248-486-4400  
[www.solidrocksouthlyon.org](http://www.solidrocksouthlyon.org)

**CROSSPOINT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Services held at: Kent Lake Elementary  
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



## WATER

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about the community about the bottled water habit. The group has officers, it is not a 501(c)(3) corporation. That's something we may consider," said Teresa Lantz of Northville, who is sponsoring the group.

We hope to have the Green Day Northville bottles around town," she said. The officers will agree to have the bottles available to the residents of the group.

### LEARN MORE

The group will have a display at Northville Township Seeding, Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 25 at the Northville High School. The bottles, made with the words "Green Day Northville" will be available for a suggested donation of \$2. The bottles will also be available.

For more information about the group, contact Teresa Lantz at (248) 942-7987. The group meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the South Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center. The group meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the South Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center.

### BOTTLED WATER OR TAP?

- Eighty eight percent of empty plastic water bottles in the United States are not recycled
- These bottles end up in landfills where it takes 700 years for a bottle to start to decompose
- Certain plastics can leach a toxin called bisphenol A (BPA) into your water
- The CDC says bisphenol A can have a hormone like effect on the human reproductive system as well as other negative health effects
- As much as 40 percent of the bottled water sold in the U.S. is just filtered tap water if a bottle reads from a municipal source or "community water" it is just tap water
- The EPA sets much more stringent quality standards for tap water than the FDA does for bottled water
- Tap water costs about \$0.002 per gallon compared to the \$0.89 to \$0.26 per gallon charge for bottled water
- Plastic bottles can leach chemicals and bacteria into the water if left in the sun heated or reused several times
- It can take nearly seven times the amount of water in the bottle to actually make the bottle itself
- Approximately 15 million barrels of oil - enough to run 100,000 cars for a whole year - are used to make plastic water bottles
- Transporting these bottles burns even more oil
- The expected U.S. expenditure for bottled water will be \$16 billion a year before the end of the decade

### Decision Day

Arbor Hospice, along with other national, state, and community organizations, is leading the charge to emphasize the importance of advance health care decision making - an effort that has culminated in the formal designation by the National Healthcare Decision Day coalition (NHDD) of Thursday, April 16 as National Healthcare Decision Day. The NHDD coalition includes more than 75 national organizations as well as 375 state and community organizations in every state.

As a participating organization in National Healthcare Decision Day, Arbor Hospice is providing information and tools for the public to talk about their wishes with family friends and health care providers in accordance with Michigan and 49 other state laws. It is a schedule an Advance Directive workshop for your group or organization, please e-mail [info@arborhospice.org](mailto:info@arborhospice.org).

### Divorce Recovery Workshop

The Single Place Ministry of First Presbyterian Church will be hosting divorce recovery workshops from 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, April 16-May 28.

Regardless of your age or circumstances, this workshop is for anyone who is recovering from the effects of a divorce," said Jim Russell, Single Place Ministry. "In his book, the Rev. Jim Smokey has said, 'You can go through a divorce or you can grow through a divorce. The support and help offered in this seven week series can reaffirm the real value of your personhood as well as assist in projecting that faith in self to family members and friends.'

The church is located at 200 E. Main Street in Northville, phone (248) 349-0911 or visit [www.singleplace.org](http://www.singleplace.org) for more information.

### Baby, Kid and Me Resale

M.O.M.S., a not for profit organization and support group for mothers, is hosting a Baby, Kid and Me Resale at First United Methodist Church, Eight Mile and Tenth Street in Northville. Times are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, April 24 and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 25. Admission is \$1. Enjoy the huge selection of designer children's and baby items. The support and help offered in this seven week series can reaffirm the real value of your personhood as well as assist in projecting that faith in self to family members and friends.

The church is located at 200 E. Main Street in Northville, phone (248) 349-0911 or visit [www.singleplace.org](http://www.singleplace.org) for more information.

### Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican dinner

The Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee Lincoln/Ryan Day Dinner will be held at Laurel Manor 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI, on Thursday April 30.

The evening's featured speaker is Michigan Republican Party Chairman Ron Weiser and the keynote speaker is Tim Skubick of Public Television's Off the Record. The doors open at 6 p.m. and the program begins at 7. Tickets are \$50 per person. \$90 per couple and a table of 10 is \$420.

Ron Weiser was former's owned a clothing store. He moved to Ann Arbor in 1963 to

### NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY BRIEFS



Weiser

attend the University of Michigan where he graduated in 1966 and went on to do post graduate work in law and business.

Weiser started his first business, a lawn service, in 1967, when he was in the business graduate school. In 1968 he left school and with \$5000 founded a real estate company, McKinley Associates. Over the years the company grew to employ more than 700 people with properties across the county.

Weiser retired as the CEO and Chairman in 2001 to become the U.S. Ambassador to the Slovak Republic. Since his return from the Foreign Service in 2005 he has been actively involved in political campaigns and non-profit work.

Tim Skubick is a author and producer of the weekly public TV series "Off the Record". He has anchored this weekly public TV series since 1972 and is the longest serving member of the state capital press corps.

"Off the Record" is seen on Michigan public television stations and has an audience of 100,000 viewers each week.

For more information, contact Patte Coughlin, (248) 474-3525, [Coughlin@att.net](mailto:Coughlin@att.net)

### Letter carriers food drive

The National Association of Letter Carriers, in conjunction with the United States Postal Service, will be collecting non-perishable food items like canned meats and fish, fruit, soup, juice, pasta, vegetables, cereal, rice and side dishes on Saturday, May 9. This will help families in need in the local community.

Northville residents can help by placing their food donations at their mailbox before 10 a.m. on May 9. The donations will be delivered to Northville Civic Center for distribution in the Northville community.

Please be sure to check the expiration dates on the cans or packages as expired food items cannot be distributed by Civic Center.

### Seeding give-away

The Beautification Commissions of the township and the city of Northville will sponsor the annual Arbor Day Seeding Give-away & Shred-it event from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 25 at the township hall 44405 Six Mile Road (southwest corner of Six Mile & Sheldon Road). Arbor Day Seedlings are available at no charge to city, township and Northville School District residents, bring proof of residency. You must attend in person to pick up your seedlings. Requests by phone or mail cannot be accommodated, nor large requests from groups or schools. Bring your paper documents for on-site shredding: up to six small grocery type bags, per household.

### Free health program

The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan is hosting a free health workshop in Northville until May 11. The Personal Action Toward Health (PATH) class will

meet on Mondays from noon to 2:30 p.m. at the Northville Senior Center at 303 W. Main Street.

The PATH Workshop provides information and skills to adults with ongoing health conditions such as arthritis, heart disease, chronic kidney disease, diabetes, bronchitis, asthma and depression.

Registration for the PATH Workshop is necessary and enrollment is limited. Contact Dennis Smith at (248) 949-4140 or call the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan at 800-482-1455.

### First gentleman promotes leadership

As The Page Turners Bookstore & Gallery will host a book signing with David G. Mulhern, first gentleman of the State of Michigan, from 4-6 p.m. on April 25.

Mulhern's book is titled *Everyday Leadership: Getting Results in Business, Politics, and Life*. Mulhern is a graduate of the University of Detroit Jesuit High School, Yale, where he received a BA in religious studies with magna cum laude distinction, and Harvard, with a JD degree with a cum laude distinction.

He will be at The Page Turners bookstore at 149 N. Center Street, Suite 102, in downtown Northville. Call (248) 912-0068 for more information.

### Economic outlook

Top economists from the University of Michigan will present their report on the economic outlook of Oakland County at the 2011 Annual Economic Outlook Luncheon on April 30 at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi. The 2009-2011 Employment Forecast for Oakland County, a joint venture of the Oakland County Planning & Economic Development Services (PEDS) and the Institute for Research on Labor, Employment and the Economy at the University of Michigan, will be presented at the luncheon, scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Hosts for the luncheon are Chase, Oakland Community College and Oakland County.

The cost is \$40 per person. Online registration begins March 16. Call (248) 858-8706 for information.


### Guernsey open house to benefit pantries

Guernsey Farms Dairy will open its doors to the public from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, for a tour of its dairy products production plant.

The tour is free, and guests are asked to bring a non-perishable food item or make a monetary donation to the Novi Food Pantries. The business is located on the east side of Novi Road, between Nine and Eight Mile roads.

Bring the whole family for a tour of this 28,000 square foot milk, ice cream and other dairy products production facility. Each month 1.5 million pounds of milk (140,000 gallons) and 10,000 gallons of ice cream are produced.

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From left to right: Megan McCally, Trainer Carley Freeman, Trainer Bobbie Jo Graham, Katie Collins, Grace Quigley, Mackenzie Becker and Athena Lewandowski (on horse).

## Riders put the 'win' in Twin Elm

Twin Elm Training, a full service horse boarding, training, lesson, and day camp farm in Northville, participated in the Michigan Academy Program horse show series. The competitors in the Hunt Seat Division included Mackenzie Becker (13, of Pinckney), Grace Quigley (10, of Brighton), Athena Lewandowski (8, of South Lyon), Katie Collins (12, of Brighton), Madi Lewis (13, of Canton), Tori Parelli (15, of Canton), Lizz Germaine (17, of Northville), Kendall Kelly (15, of Plymouth), and trainer Carley Freeman. The competitors in the Saddle Seat Division included Tori Parelli, Madi Lewis, and Athena Lewandowski. Athena Lewandowski also showed in the Western Division.

The Michigan Academy Program featured riders from several different horse farms throughout Michigan, and featured riders of all ages. The show series began their monthly shows in September and ended with a Championship show in March.

Each show was held at Cozy Cole Farm in Howell, and featured different judges.

At the awards banquet last month, Athena Lewandowski was awarded the Championship for each of the divisions she competed in: saddle seat, hunt seat, and western riding. She was also awarded the overall championship for the 10 and under division. Madi Lewis won Reserve Champion for Advanced Hunt Seat Equitation. Katie Collins earned Reserve Champion for her participation in the Walk Trot Pleasure Division.

Riders from Twin Elm Training were led to victory by their trainer, Bobbie Jo Graham. Graham is a member of the American Association of Riding Schools and an ARIA Certified Instructor. Several riders competed on schooling horses from Graham's farm, while others competed on their own horses.

To prepare for the show, the riders took part in once or twice weekly private or group lessons at Twin Elm Training.

## Montessori Center celebrates 25 years

BY VICTORIA MITCHELL  
STAFF WRITER

When Geetha Rao stepped onto American soil, she never believed she would be afforded the chance to foster a loving business approaching 25 years in the Novi community.

"I am so proud to be a citizen," Rao said. "I'm so thankful and so loyal, and I'm so grateful they gave me this opportunity."

"It's such a reward to see this," Rao, and her husband Keshav Rao, opened the Novi Northville Montessori Center 25 years ago with the dream of bringing their familiar educational model to the community.

The center is a private pre-school, kindergarten and day care program modeled after the educational style prevalent in India.

The couple has been in the current Novi Road location for 20 years after spending their first five years of business in the First United Methodist Church of Northville.

"We've been in business for 25 years and our strength is our staff," Rao said.

Rao said most Montessori staff members have been with the school for 20 years, which is a testament to the quality of the center.

All of her educators, called directresses, have formal Montessori training and are certified teachers.

Directress Nita Maley has been a center staple, educating children for years.

"I think it is in my genes because my mom was in her training when I was a baby," Maley said. "I'm very impressed with Montessori."

### HOME AWAY FROM HOME

To walk through the doors of the intimate educational center brings a sense of familiarity.

### NOVI NORTHVILLE MONTESSORI APPRECIATION PICNIC

1-3 p.m. May 31  
Picnic at Lakeshore Park  
All current and former students and staff members are invited to attend.  
For more information, call (248) 348-3033.

"I want parents to be comfortable, trust, love and receive a good Montessori education," Rao said. "We try our best to make this a true Montessori school."

Montessori is based on the philosophies of Dr. Maria Montessori, educator and psychologist. It is built on the child's need for freedom within limits. The classroom environment is prepared in such a way that the child moves naturally through a progression of materials that satisfy his or her emotional, physical, intellectual and social needs.

"We give children a lot of freedom," Rao said. "And we respect each child."

To foster the Montessori education, classes are divided not by age, but rather by skill level. The diverse center is comprised of about 100 kids, with 17 children in each session.

The nongraded students, ranging from 2 1/2-6, walk freely through their rooms, choosing whether to work on division through four numbers, read in the library, work on an extensive geography map project or have a snack break. Self-directed, sensory development and learning is promoted.

"It's the whole child, not just reading and writing," Rao said. "The main thing is you have to respect the children."



JOHN HEGER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A busy classroom inside the Novi Northville Montessori Center.

### AN EDUCATOR'S BACKGROUND

When Rao's now adult children were young, she enrolled them in a Montessori Center. Rao said she liked it so much she took the training, beginning a career as a Montessori educator.

"My soul is in this school," Rao said.

The center is fully licensed by the State of Michigan and American Montessori Society and Michigan Montessori Society certified. The center operates by the motto, "It's not what we say, it's what we do."

In Rao's building, children are reading, speaking French, computing math problems

— including addition, subtraction and four-digit division. Peace education and conflict resolution is also stressed in the center's curriculum.

Rao also teaches her children to think, analyze and learn to be self-corrective.

"They're not afraid of learning, not afraid of school," she said.

Rao said she looks forward to many more years with the community.

"We are grateful to the community to entrust us with their children," she said. "And we are grateful to all staff and all parents who have supported us."

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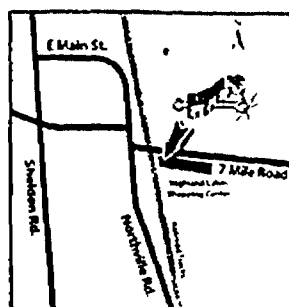
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# EDUCATION

## Walsh helps transitional workers take charge

BY VICTORIA MITCHELL  
STAFF WRITER

Janet Bloom was watching TV when she learned of an enticing opportunity to enhance her professional knowledge free with the help and advice of area educators.

So, she made a few phone calls, and weeks later found herself enrolled in two Take Charge workshops at Walsh College's Novi Campus.

"It was a phenomenal experience," Bloom said.

Walsh announced in January it was offering a series of Take Charge workshops for workers in transition. A tremendous response from the community resulted and the workshop sessions filled up in four days.

"By the end of March, 800 people signed up," said Stephanie Bergeron, Walsh College president and chief executive officer. "It's been for us, a phenomenal experience."

The success of the educational workshops prompted Walsh to offer another round of sessions now through May.

"We do it because we think it is the right thing to do," Bergeron said.

The workshops range from one day to four-week sessions. Course topics include accounting fundamentals, job search strategies, information technology security basics, leadership assessment and household budgeting and options in foreclosure.

The free workshops are intended for those unemployed or needing to reinvent themselves with a marketable career.

"We believe that our workforce in Michigan is our greatest strength," Bergeron said.

She said it was Walsh faculty members who came forward and wanted to help by donating their time for the classes. Workshops are taught by the college's professors and adjunct staff.

"If you ask any faculty member, they feel really good about what they did because people are there to learn," Bergeron said.

Walsh staff members emphasize there are opportunities out there, and viable fields of employment.

Bergeron said jobs are available in the fields of accounting, project management and information assurance.

The workshops offered cover these fields.

"We thought, why don't we show you what that field might look like," Bergeron said.

"Participants will learn how hard it is, what would the job be like and what would you have to learn to do it."

Walsh College also offers advanced job search



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

An instructor at Walsh College leads a discussion in its Leadership Assessment class, part of the Take Charge program.

### WALSH COLLEGE TAKE CHARGE WORKSHOPS

Spaces for the Take Charge workshops are limited, and registration is required. Visit the Walsh College Web site at [www.walsh-college.edu/takecharge](http://www.walsh-college.edu/takecharge) to register. For more information, e-mail [takecharge@walshcollege.edu](mailto:takecharge@walshcollege.edu).

assistance to its graduates. The college has seen an increase in returning students, looking to change career paths.

And all Walsh locations offer Walk-in Wednesdays where no appointment is needed to meet with an advisor. But Bergeron said those interested in Walsh College may visit any day.

"We're easy to talk to, and we're very friendly," Bergeron said. "We are a very, very friendly college."

Founded in 1922, Walsh College is Michigan's largest graduate business college. The College offers upper-division undergraduate and graduate business and technology degree and certificate programs to 4,600 students at campuses in Troy, Novi and Clinton Township, as well as online.

"I think as an institution there are things we hold near and dear to us," Bergeron said. "We feel good about how we teach and about what we teach."

Please be sure to visit us on the Web at [hometownlife.com](http://hometownlife.com) for many more school briefs

### Schools of Choice Deadline

Northville parents wishing to exercise the option of school choice by attending either Meads Mill or Hillside for the 2009-2010 school year must indicate this by letter no later than April 22. Open enrollment letters should be sent to Ms. Mary Kay Gallagher, Assistant Superintendent, 501 W. Main St., Northville, Michigan 48167.

Copies of the letter must also be submitted to both Sue Meyers, principal of Meads Mill and Jim Cracraft, principal of Hillside. Middle School parents who have students who are already open enrolled at Hillside or Meads Mill, must resubmit a letter yearly expressing their desire to attend a school which lies outside their boundary.

### Winchester Elementary

• Winchester Elementary is looking for a Monkey Costume or a Banana Costume to borrow for a short time (adult size, please). If you have one, or know someone who has one, that we might borrow from now until mid-May, please e-mail Tina Bhandari at [tinbhan@hotmail.com](mailto:tinbhan@hotmail.com).

• Please join the PTA in making Winchester Elementary School an even more beautiful place from 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, May 3 (rain date is Sunday, May 17). Bring a few gardening tools with your name on them, please.

• Since many Box Tops are set to expire over the summer and won't be valid for a fall contest, we plan to collect and mail all the Box Tops turned in to the front lobby collection bin before the school year ends. If you have a collection at home, please turn in your remaining Box Tops to the front lobby by Friday, May 1.

### NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS



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### Green on green

Students at Meads Mill Middle school had some fun and raised a Little Green on St. Patrick's Day. Participating students donated a dollar to Civic Concern to show their colors and to support our community. School-wide, the students and staff raised \$411.

If you haven't signed up on the Box Tops Web site yet, now is the perfect time! Each person who registers with our school before May 31, 2009 gets us entered for a chance to win 10,000 bonus Box Tops points. Register at: [www.boxtops4education.com/bus](http://www.boxtops4education.com/bus) before May 31. Also, consider doing your online shopping (for books, party supplies, etc.) through the Box Tops portal while you're there.

### Meads Mill Middle School

• All are welcome to participate in the Beatification Day from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, April 25. Help celebrate Earth Day by weeding, spreading mulch and planting flowers. Meet at the front entrance; bagels, doughnuts and water will be provided. Contact Jennifer Price at [jenp2@comcast.net](mailto:jenp2@comcast.net) or (248) 444-9495.

• Sixth grade performance

and instrument fit night for incoming students is Wednesday, April 22. Band Blast concert is Tuesday, May 19; sixth grade is at 5:30 p.m.; seventh- and eighth-grade jazz is 7 p.m.

### Senior All Night Party

• Not sure if you've already bought a Senior All Night Party ticket? Call Randy Buoy at 248-344-2240 or e-mail him at [buoyr61@gmail.com](mailto:buoyr61@gmail.com) to find out.

• If you haven't bought your ticket, they're still on sale for \$75. 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

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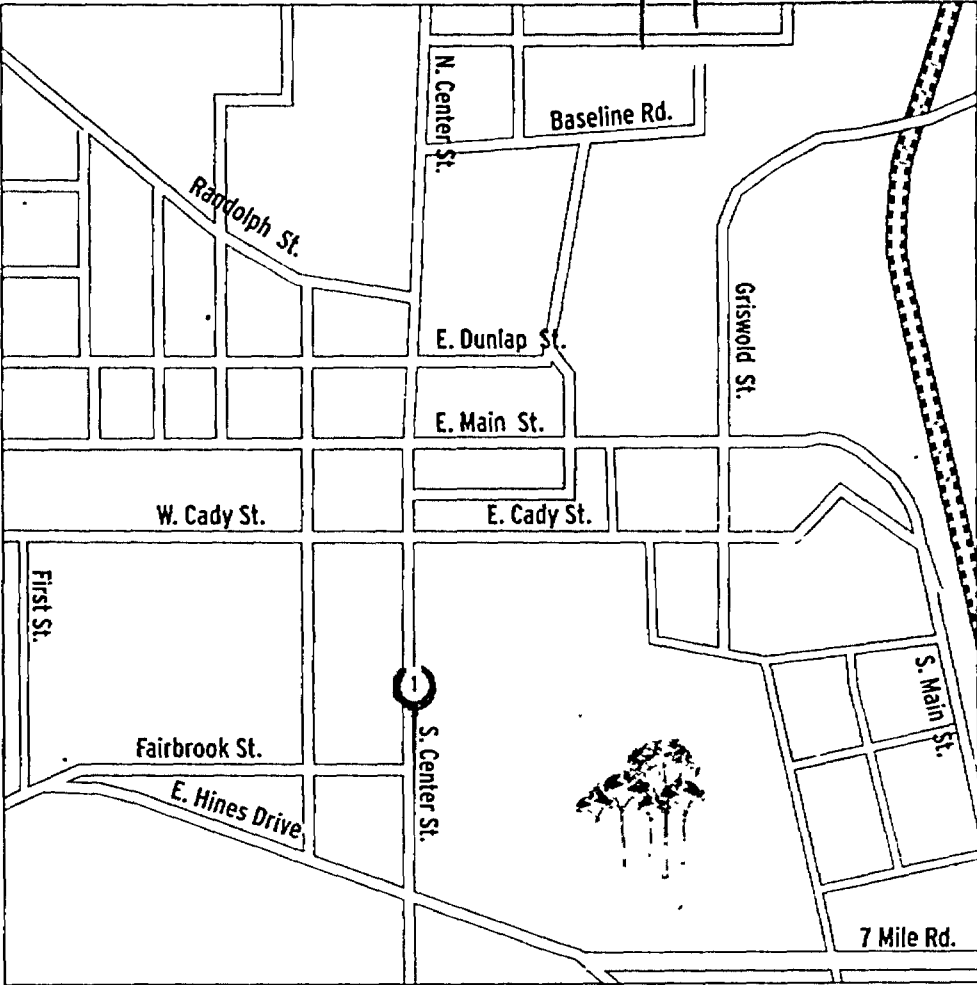
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# PUBLIC SAFETY



Oakland County Prosecutor Jessica Cooper addressed Northville Democratic Club members and students from a Northville High School civics class and Contemporary American Issues class April 9 at Hillside Middle School in Northville. Cooper, of Bingham Farms, defeated former Republican State Representative David Law of Commerce Township in last November's general election.



## Prosecutor visits Northville

■ She touts ethics and warns of 'sexting'

**BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER**

Newly elected Oakland County Prosecutor Jessica Cooper says there's a saying in her office: "It's ethics over all else."

And as someone who sat on the bench for 28 years, she believes she knows how to be fair.

Cooper, who defeated former Republican State Representative David Law to become Oakland County Prosecutor last November, was invited to Northville's Hillside Middle School April 9 by Northville Democratic Club members to discuss her priorities and policies.

But, she wound up addressing a few club members and a roomful of students from a civics class and a Contemporary American Issues class at Northville High School.

Jennifer Hart, a NHS teacher, decided to assign her students to attend the talk after reading about it in the Record. Students were instructed to write a two-page essay about the address and how it relates to what they're learning in class.

Cooper discussed the role of the prosecutor and said that most people become a prosecutor and then run for a judge's position instead of vice versa like she did.

**BEGAN AS ASSISTANT DEFENDER**

She began her career as an assistant defender in the Michigan State Appellate Defender's Office, then moved into private practices as a civil rights attorney. In 1978, she was elected as a judge in the 46th District Court in

Southfield. In 1986, she was elected as a judge to the 6th Circuit Court in Oakland County and then in 2000 to the Michigan Court of Appeals.

In 2007, she returned to private practice as a labor and commercial mediator and arbitrator.

Cooper believes prosecutors have a lot of discretion, but those with the greatest amount of discretion are the police.

"The whole process starts with the police officer on the street," Cooper said. "Are they going to arrest you, and what are they going to arrest you for?"

The prosecutor simply has the last word before a case goes to court.

"We get to decide if there's going to be a charge and what that charge is going to be," she said.

Prosecutors also get to decide if a juvenile will be tried as an adult. Julie McMurtry, chief of Juvenile Justice in the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office, who formerly worked for the Michigan attorney general, came with her boss, Cooper, to the event.

"That's a tremendous amount of power, and prosecutors have to have respect for the (U.S.) Constitution and due process of law," Cooper said. "A prosecutor's job is to see that justice is done."

**PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Cooper said prosecutors' offices are not like what people see on television, and prosecutors follow a code of professional responsibility.

"But that doesn't mean we don't play hard," she added. "The way you win is by being prepared and excellent."

She said Oakland County has a huge volume of cases as Metro Detroit has one of the highest crime rates of any major city in the Midwest. Pontiac, where the Oakland County Circuit Court sits, has 13 times the national average as far as violent crime.

**WARNS ABOUT "SEXTING"**

Since she was addressing high school students, Cooper talked at length about the dangers and seriousness of a relatively new practice -- "sexting" -- creating and/or sending sexually explicit images via cell phones.

"If you pass such images from phone to phone and the person in the image is under age 18, you're actually distributing child pornography and, if convicted, you can be placed on the sexual offenders' registry," McMurtry said.

McMurtry said one national study claims that in five students admit to "sexting," and law enforcement personnel believe the numbers may actually be much higher.

She said if a boy or girl ask asks an under-age-18 friend to take a sexually explicit photograph of themselves and send it to them, it is considered solicitation of child pornography.

"It has caused college applications to be revoked, and one girl committed suicide over a 'sexting' incident," McMurtry said.

"You have no idea what this ('sexting') means to you as a young person," Cooper said. "What you may think is cool can affect your life forever. You don't ever want your personal business to become my business."

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### CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLICE REPORT

**Phone stolen at race track**

**1** - A 43-year-old Belleville man who is a harness racing driver/trainer reported that his cell phone was stolen at 8 p.m. April 2 at Northville Downs race track at 301 S. Center St.

He claimed to have last seen his cell phone while in the poker room at the track. He left the poker table for just a few minutes, and when he returned the phone was missing.

The phone was valued at \$300.

**Suspicious circumstance**

**2** - Police were dispatched to a home on Horton Avenue about a possible larceny from vehicle incident.

The homeowner's neighbor requested that police come after the neighbor walked across the street to check his neighbor's mail while the homeowner was out of town.

He noticed that the driver's door of the man's car was not completely shut, so he called police. Police discovered that someone had gone through the vehicle's center console.



**GPS units, glasses stolen**

**3** - A 59-year-old resident of Horton Avenue told police that someone entered his minivan and stole two GPS units and two pair of sunglasses between 11 p.m. April 4 and 12:10 p.m. April 5.

All items were located on the front seat of the van. Police were able to obtain three fingerprints on the vehicle and logged them as evidence.

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Compiled by Pam Fleming



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**TIME/DATE:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, June 6  
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**Art of Russia**

**TIME/DATE:** 7:30-9 p.m., third Wednesday through May  
**DETAILS:** THE newest series at the Northville Art House will feature the Art of Russia as presented by local art historian, Michael Farrell. Tickets are \$10 at the door, or \$40 for the entire 5 lecture series.



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**The Pajama Game**

Three Northville residents have key roles in the Spotlight Players' presentation of "The Pajama Game." Pictured (l to r) are Susan Behrens, musical director; Nicole Wevok (portraying Poopise); and Dr. Scott Behrens, director. They don't make 'em like this anymore, a musical romantic comedy classic about a labor dispute at a pajama factory that pits a union leader against a manager, both of whom get way more than they're bargaining for. Come see why this show was a hit movie in 1957 and a hit Broadway revival in 2006. "The Pajama Game is your classic love story," said Scott. "Boy meets girl, they fall in love, there's a crisis that gets between them, everything works out and they live happily ever after. What makes it different is that in the middle of all of this there is a whole lot of laughter and great music." Show dates are April 24-26; May 1-3; and May 8-9. Times are 8 p.m. with matinees on April 26 and May 3 at 2 p.m. The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. For ticket information, call the box office at 734-394-5300.

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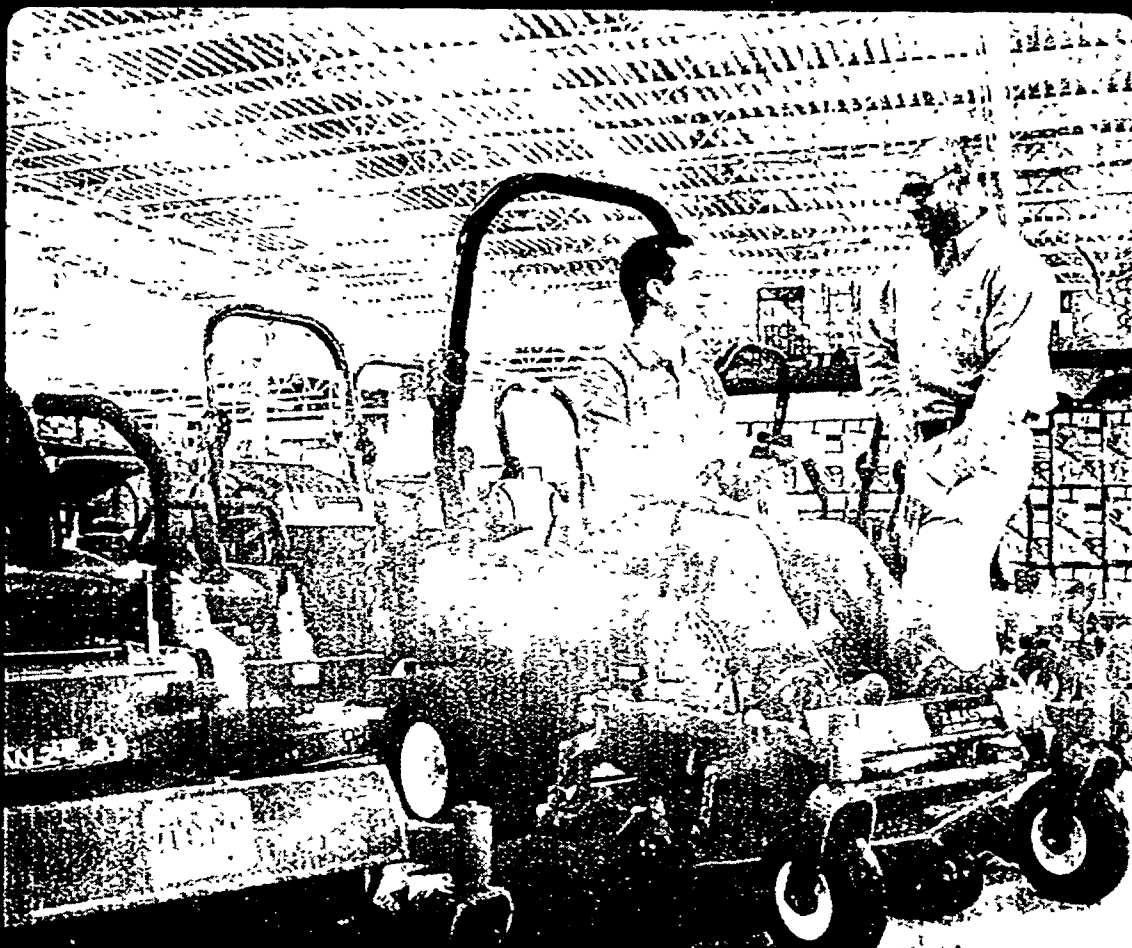
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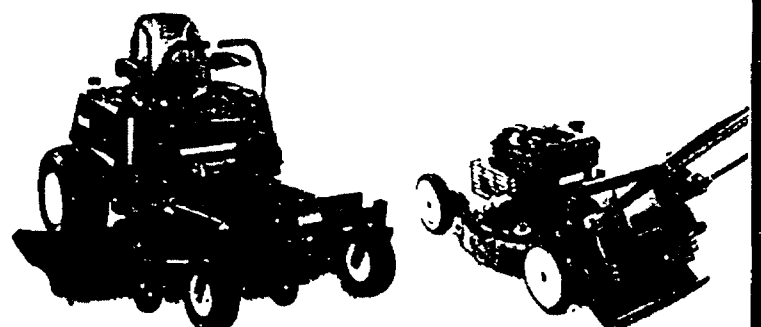
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# LOCAL OPINION

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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

### Everyone affected by down economy

Today's lead story regarding staffing cuts at the city of Northville hits home with us here at the *Record* and our sister publications including the *Novi News*, *South Lyon Herald*, *Milford Times* and *Eccentric Newspapers* to the east.

On Monday, we learned that *Herald* editor Jim Mitchell, *Novi* writer Kelly Murad and our receptionist, Maggie Petrucci, will only be with us until the end of May due to declining revenues. They're three among 44 individuals in this company who will be losing their jobs next month.

In fact, four of our *Eccentric* papers will be closing, including Birmingham's, which has been around since 1878.

Yes, times are tough. For many, as tough as they've ever been in our lifetimes.

So when we report that the city will be laying off 10 employees, we feel their pain. And it doesn't matter if these are full- or part-time positions; everyone depends on their wages to survive.

Even the Parks & Recreation Department is looking to slash positions and rethink how it functions.

Businesses are having to modify their hours, re-evaluate equipment upgrades and basically look at every facet of how they operate in order to survive in this recession.

Take a look at your downtown. It's getting leaner and leaner with each passing week. Empty store fronts are more the norm than not. And the ones that are still in business are fighting daily to hang on.

We don't know when all this is going to end and things will start turning around. Chances are we haven't even bottomed out yet.

If you're fortunate enough to still be employed, take time to realize how those who aren't as fortunate are trying to cope. Think about how close you could be to walking in their shoes, and then try to lend a helping hand if possible. We need each other to get through this.

These are challenging times, folks. And we'll get survive them. But how we conduct ourselves now will determine what kind of society we'll be on the other side of this mess.

## Join the discussion

Is it fair for the state of Michigan to grant tax rebates for the motion picture industry?

Go to hometownlife.com to give us your feedback.

## IN YOUR VOICE

The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues, In Your Voices, on the Web at hometownlife.com

### Time is good for Palin

Sorry, Jim, but if the best the Republicans can put forward is a former sports reporter who cannot comprehend basic economic and foreign policy, then the party is hurting. Governor Palin is very average intellectually, and I think this country deserves someone with greater intellect...thank goodness for President Obama. Governor Palin is a very nice person, and I agree that she has received a lot of negative publicity, but I just have to look at her wicked campaign comments and attacks she made towards President Obama to feel maybe she got what she deserved. Her election would have posed the greatest threat to national security that we have ever seen. I know Republicans cannot stand to see a president who is so popular after the disaster of President Bush. Republicans have already shown their true "patriotism" by wishing failure for our President. Even Bush got more respect and support (especially after 9-11) until he governed based on ideology and not what was best for the country.

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## COMMUNITY VOICE

What do you think of the Detroit Tigers' chances this baseball season?



"I was at the opener. It was nerve-racking after last year. Leland hasn't gotten the credit he deserves. He's done a great job. My instincts tell me they'll be OK. I've got a good feeling about it. They made some good choices."

- Gordon Michaels



"They've got a chance - marginal. They've got all the hitting they need. I'm surprised they didn't go out and get the pitching. But this is a welcome surprise."

- Paul Sikora



"They're starting out good and doing a lot better than last year. With the downturn in the economy, it's always positive for a local sports team to do good."

- Mike Jaafer



"The big question mark was pitching. And they appear to have stable pitching now, which should carry them farther than last year's last-place finish."

- Dan Delano

## LETTERS

### Be a hero and read

Be A Hero and Read was our theme this year at Amerman for March is Reading Month. We had a lot of heroes from our community read to us. We would like to thank them: Mrs. Covert, Northville Civic Concern; Mrs. Campbell, Northville Youth Assistance; Steve Ort, City of Northville Fire Department; Dr. Rezmierski, superintendent; Mrs. Wadsworth, school board; Senator Cassis; Mrs. Ramsden, Northville youth Librarian; Detroit Ignition; Tipping Point Theatre; Representative Corriveau; Mrs. Paciorek, school board.

Also, we would like to thank Pizza Cutter for pizza coupons for all our students that completed their march reading calendars.

Finally, we would like to thank our PTA for our two authors that came in and shared their books with our school, Mark Crilley and Herbert Yee.

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### Trashy behavior

As I was preparing my home for Easter Sunday, vacuuming in my living room I saw a young woman slow down in front of my home and throw out of her window a large empty (plastic) cup that once was

filled with a beverage from a McDonald's restaurant. In disbelief of such a rude act, I quickly ran out and yelled at her to "stop, come back and pick this up".

I know she had to of heard me, since her window was still open but she continued to drive down Gable east toward Merriman in her small red SUV, I believe to be a Pontiac Vibe. I have to believe there must be at least two cup holders in that vehicle; certainly you could have put your empty cup (trash) in one of them and disposed of it when you got to your destination. Or were you just lazy and decided to just toss it out? You'll be happy to know that your "litter" is now a "recyclable" in my recycle bin. Needless to say, my family had an enjoyable Easter and will keep an eye out for our "lady litter bug". I hope you would treat other people's neighborhood like you own, or maybe that's what your already do.

Arnold "Chip" Weingart  
Livonia

## GUEST COLUMN

### State must retain our brightest college grads

Ron French wrote a piece in the Detroit News April 10 that should terrify anyone with the slightest shred of concern for our state.

French, one of the best journalists remaining in our rapidly shrinking newsrooms, revealed the following:

- \* More than 18,000 college-educated Michigan residents moved elsewhere in 2007, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The biggest loser was New York State, at 43,000; Michigan was second.

- \* The number of Michigan State graduates leaving the state has doubled since 2001, from 24 percent to 49 percent, according to a school study. There are more recent MSU grads living in Chicago than in any other metro area... including any in Michigan.

The exodus of University of Michigan grads is far worse; 53 percent left in 2008, according to the university.

And if you think the outflow is limited to our two biggest and somewhat "elite" universities, think again. A survey of all 2007 Michigan public university graduates conducted by Michigan Future, Inc. found that half left the state within a year after graduation.

What's happened with the economy and the auto industry since then would suggest that figure may be even higher today.

Five years ago, the governor appointed a special commission on Higher Education and Economic Growth. Led by Lt. Gov. John Cherry, (and usually called the Cherry Commission) it was a high-powered group gathered to study and chart a course for the state's future. It set one major goal: Doubling the number of college graduates in Michigan within a decade.

Since then, the number of graduates has increased slightly to 41,250, up from 38,615. But it is nowhere near the pace the Cherry Commission hoped. And the swelling numbers of new degree holders fleeing the state has overwhelmed and canceled any gains.

Michigan Future President Lou Glazer has been arguing for years that a state's competitive position is largely determined by the number of college graduates in the population. Study after study has confirmed his thesis. "If we don't keep those young, highly



Phil Power

educated Michiganders," Glazer says, "we'll get poorer and poorer because we simply won't be able to compete with other states."

So how come so many young, newly graduated Michigan kids decide to pull up stakes and leave home? When I ask, most young people simply say, "There's nothing here for me." That's probably true, given our current 12 percent unemployment rate. That will, eventually, turn around.

But the roots of the problem go much deeper. Partly, our problems stem from the culture that grew up with the automobile industry, says John Bellow, executive director of The Center for Michigan. "For decades, the idea was that all you needed to do was get a high school diploma and catch on with Generous Motors to assure your economic future."

"That's all over now, but the habit dies hard," Bellow noted.

Another part of the problem: The scanty number of exciting, high-tech start-up companies in the state. Comparing the tolerance for risk in Michigan's business culture with, say, Silicon Valley is illuminating. Aside from the companies in the supply chain, it's hard to find many technology-driven new companies spinning out of our auto industry. But go to the Stanford University campus in Palo Alto and you'll find lots of entrepreneurs who bear it as a badge of honor that they started two, three, four companies which went bust... and then hit a home run on the last one. And you'll find lots of young people excited about a career with such an outfit.

So what to do?

Obviously, Michigan needs more people with college degrees. The state does now offer a \$4,000 grant toward college graduation. Beginning with high school seniors who graduated in 2007, about 100,000 students received this stipend, which can be used at any post high-school institution, public or private.

But lots of college graduates flee the state, often without even trying to find a job here. The Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce will put up later this year a site - www.intern-

inmichigan.com - linking college students with internships with Michigan employers.

A high percentage of young people who take internships upon leaving college go on to begin their careers with the same employer, so this site is a good first strategic step.

Another approach comes from the too much derided "Cool Cities" program, launched by Gov. Jennifer Granholm during her first term. So far, the state has handed out \$4.6 million to 48 communities around the state. The idea is simple: Many young people decide where they want to live before they start looking around for a job.

Thriving, vibrant, diverse communities are attractive to young people, whether we call them "cool cities" or not.

Another program, MichAgain, is aimed at Michiganders who had left the state but who might be induced to return. Some evidence suggests that many young people figure Michigan is a great place to come home to live and raise a family after sowing their wild oats in Chicago. MichAgain unfunded as yet, but it could prove valuable.

But at the end of the day, Michigan's attractiveness to young people will define the number of college grads who stay. This has as much to do with the quality - and affordability - of life here in Michigan. So our woods and waters, our arts and culture, our cities and our universities are all vital in the competition for brains.

Sadly, you don't find many policy-makers in Lansing focusing on this. Witness Gov. Granholm's proposal to zero out the pittance -- \$6.3 million - budgeted for arts and culture.

Our demography, to a great extent, defines our future. The bottom line: If we cannot retain our brightest and most highly educated young people in Michigan, we'll have a state whose people are poorer, older and increasingly denied the prosperous future we need in the years to come.

Former newspaper publisher and University of Michigan Regent Phil Power is a longtime observer of Michigan politics and economics, and a former chairman of the Michigan chapter of the Nature Conservancy. He is also the founder and president of The Center for Michigan, a centrist think-and-do tank which publishes the Michigan Scorecard.

# Here are some tips for the older job seeker

Are you convinced that you cannot find a new job because you are over age 50? While this is a common perception, there is a lot of evidence that the over 50 age worker has actually been very successful in staying in or re-entering the work force since about 1995. In fact, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the federal agency which collects, analyzes and publishes all kinds of data, projects that the number of workers between ages 65 and 75 will continue to grow by more than 80% through 2016 to a rate of 6.1 percent of the total labor force, up from only 3.6 percent of the labor force in 2006.

So it appears that older workers have been successful in joining the labor force, especially over the last three years. But, conventional wisdom says that these older workers will be the hardest hit during a recession, as employers will target them first when layoffs are needed. However, once again, the data paints a different picture. As of February 2009, the current unemployment statistics for all workers over age 16 was 8.1 percent. When broken down by age, the group with the highest rate at 12.9 percent is workers aged 20 to 24, those aged 25-54 is at 7.2 percent but those aged 55 and older is at 5.6 percent.

The more important statistic in unemployment rates is education level. Regardless of age, if you have a high school diploma or less, you are at a severe disadvantage. There are simply fewer jobs for people with less formal education. So, what can you do?

In Michigan, the No Worker Left Behind program may be a resource for you. You can find information about the program on this Web site <http://www.michigan.gov/nwlb> and learn more by contacting Michigan Works! at [www.michiganworks.org](http://www.michiganworks.org) or call (800) 285-WORKS (9675). If you qualify, funds are available to train you in high demand jobs, including some in green technologies, which are projected to grow in demand. This program is working both with job seekers and with employers to match employers' needs with qualified workers.

If you are an older worker who already has an Associate's degree or higher, you may still decide that you need additional training to make yourself more competitive in the market. Michigan Works has some training available, and you may qualify for No Worker Left Behind if you've been laid off from your previous job. In addition, you may be able to find additional training through professional associations related to your career field, community colleges' Transition

Centers, and through community resources such as your public library.

If you are simply embarking on a job search, you will have more confidence and make a great impression if you keep in mind some general tips:

1. **Keep your mind and body healthy** – eat good foods, exercise, get enough sleep and see your doctor if you have lingering depression. Employers want to hire people who have high energy and positive attitudes. By taking care of yourself, you are also increasing the probability that employers will see those traits in you.

2. **Evaluate your appearance** – your hairstyle and wardrobe and make sure that your clothing is neat, up to date and fits well. You want to make a terrific first impression when you walk in the door at a networking meeting or job interview. If you need some updated items, try thrift or consignment stores or shop sales. Take your shoes to a shoe repair shop to replace new heels and soles and hide scuff marks.

3. **Smile and sit up straight** – look interested and engaged, even on the phone or computer. Make sure your communications, whether in person or by telephone or e-mail, telegraph a positive outlook and confidence in yourself. If you don't believe you can land a job, you will telegraph that attitude in everything you do.

4. **Make sure your resume is up to date and meets current standards.** The Riley Guide, an online resource covering every conceivable aspect of job searching (<http://www.rileyguide.com/resprep.html>) has a number of links to good sources for guidance and examples. Other good sources are available in your public library. Show your resume to a few colleagues to get their feedback and to help make sure you don't have any hidden typos or other errors.

5. **Use your network.** Up to 80% of job openings are never advertised, so you won't find them in the newspaper, or on job posting sites like Monster, Careerbuilder or Michigan Talent Bank. Your network is the best source of information and leads as you try to determine which employers might be interested in your talents and strengths. As an older worker, you have a distinct advantage over younger workers in having a large and diverse network. Don't assume that valuable contacts are only those whom you know through work, either. Your friends, family, neighbors, church, community and small business contacts may prove to be just as valuable. Use LinkedIn (<http://www.linkedin.com/>) as an online tool to build your professional network.

6. **Define specific job targets and be able to talk about them clearly with your contacts.** If you do not want to change career fields, identify new employers or industries that hire people with your background. If you are considering a change in career fields, learn everything you can about it so you can clearly describe how your experience and skills can be transferred into the new career. Then ask your contacts to help you meet new people who can help you learn more or get your foot in the door with employers who can use your talents.

7. **Stay active.** While you are searching for a job, spend 20 to 40 hours a week on your job search. Get active in professional organizations related to your career interests and serve on a committee. Volunteer for an community or service organization where you can contribute your talents and make new friends and contacts.

8. **Upgrade your computer skills if necessary.** You need to be proficient in using Microsoft Office – Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook – in many business settings. Look for free or low cost training programs. If you don't have this software on your computer, you can purchase it using an educational discount if you enroll in a course at your local community college – even a non-credit course.

9. **Evaluate your attitude toward working for a younger person.** Don't let your own prejudices prevent you from getting an offer. Even with the gains older workers have made in the workforce, chances are you will report to someone younger, even someone MUCH younger than you. Your job, in part, is to make your boss look good, so accept that you may serve somewhat as a mentor to the person you report to.

10. **Consider selling your talents as an independent contractor or a consultant.** By virtue of your years of experience and contacts in your field, you may be able to create a market for your skills and knowledge.

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Northville Newcomers and Neighbors' members get together for a visit. From left: Claudia Snyder, Barb Dingwall, Kathy Lee, Carolyn Kugler, Sandy Salloum, and Paula Smith.

## Northville Newcomers & Neighbors set Spring Banquet

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

You don't have to be getting married to like weddings.

Members of the Northville Newcomers & Neighbors want all area romantics at heart to attend "Dine by Design: The Wedding," the group's Annual Spring Banquet, slated for 6 p.m. May 13 at Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth Township.

The event will include a fashion show of the latest spring and bridal fashions, a buffet dinner and surprise dessert served on a variety of creative "tablescapes," while guests listen to live music.

The tablescapes will feature



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popular honey-moon themes and destinations.

"For example, we will have a Valentine's wedding table with red-and-white decorations," said Paula Smith, publicity chair.

"I'm doing a table with the theme 'Paris with a Kick,'" said Kathy Lee, event chair.

Door prizes will also be awarded, including a trip to Chicago, pearls from the Orient, a gift certificate from Orin Jewelers, gift certificates from Simply Wine and Wine

Sync, Bonefish Grill restaurant and more.

Fashions will hail from Van Dam's Boutique and David's Bridal.

"We're doing an entire bridal weekend, with fashions from the rehearsal dinner to the wedding and the honeymoon," Lee said.

A cash bar will also be available.

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RSVP to Pam Grigsby at [pam.grigsby@yahoo.com](mailto:pam.grigsby@yahoo.com) or (248) 348-3944 or Helen Wotherspoon at [hwotherspoon@comcast.net](mailto:hwotherspoon@comcast.net) or (248) 924-3019.

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Those who would like to join the group can contact Colleen Nametz, membership chair, at (248) 596-1940 or mail a check made out to Northville Newcomers & Neighbors or NNN for \$12.50 per household for half-year dues (February through August) to her at 16612 Brooklane Blvd., Northville, MI, 48168.

For more information, go to [www.northvillnewcomers.com](http://www.northvillnewcomers.com).

[pffleming@gannett.com](mailto:pffleming@gannett.com)  
(248) 349-1700, Ext. 260

## CHURCHES

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### Sunday Worship

TIME: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 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  
WRDT-AM 560, The WMU2 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., May 8, June 12

LOCATION: Knox Hall

DETAILS: Biblical guidelines on building relationships along with light refreshments and lively conversations.

CONTACT: For more information, contact the Single Adult Ministries office at (248) 374-5920

Singles Book Club Discussion Group

TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m., June 7

DETAILS: Discussions from a single adult, Christian perspective. Currently reading "At Home In Mitford" by Jan Karon.

Lighthouse Café.

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., May 22, June 26

DETAILS: Also known as game night. This is a great way to end your work week. Guest musicians provide background music, snacks

provided, free child care. Tickets \$5 at the door. CONTACT: For more information contact Ward Church (248) 374-5920.

### Euchre Game Night.

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., May 9.

CONTACT: For more information contact Ward Church (248) 374-5920.

### Ballroom Dance Lessons.

TIME/DATE: 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., May 9, May 23

LOCATION: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile Road.

DETAILS: Wear comfortable, non-stick shoes. Minimal admission fee

CONTACT: For questions, contact Monica at [mcmc77@yahoo.com](mailto:mcmc77@yahoo.com) or the Single Adult Ministries office at (248) 374-5920.

### Softball League Sign-up.

TIME/DATE: 6:15-7:30 p.m.,

Thursday evenings, May 7-August 6

DETAILS: For single guys and gals; all skill levels welcome. \$30 due at sign up.

CONTACT: Sign up at Ward Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville (248) 374-5920.

### Memorial Day Picnics

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m., May 25

LOCATION: Hines Park Northville, East Pavilion

TIME/DATE: noon to 5 p.m., May 25

LOCATION: Cass Benton Park off Northville Road, between 6 and 7 Mile roads

DETAILS: Hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks provided. Cost, \$5 at the picnic and your favorite dish to share. Children and grandchildren are welcomed. \$3 for ages 12 and under.

CONTACT: (248) 374-5920.

### CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road

CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit [holynovi.org](http://holynovi.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. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; 7 p.m. Tuesday; 5 p.m. (English), 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Saturday

Holy Days: 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Reconciliation, beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment

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 [detroit-nazarene.org](http://detroit-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

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

LOCATION: 217 N. Wing

CONTACT: (248) 348-1020

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

### FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN

LOCATION: 44400 W. 10 Mile Road

CONTACT: (248) 349-2345 or visit [faith-community-novi.org](http://faith-community-novi.org)

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Cantata "I Believe"

TIME/DATE: 4:30 p.m. every Wednesday

DETAILS: A celebration of the Apostle's Creed in scripture and song

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## 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](http://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: First Monday of every month  
TIME: 8 a.m.  
DETAILS: Individuals and organizations invited to attend  
LOCATION: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

### NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP

**Planning Commission**  
DATE: Last Tuesday of month  
TIME: 7:30 p.m.  
LOCATION: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile  
**Board of Trustees**  
DATE: Third Thursday of month  
TIME: 7:30 p.m.  
LOCATION: Township Hall  
**Zoning Board of Appeals**  
DATE: Third Wednesday of month  
TIME: 7:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Township Hall  
**Beautification Commission**  
DATE: Third Monday of month  
TIME: 7:30 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** Township Hall  
**Youth Assistance**  
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month  
TIME: 8 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road  
CONTACT: Sue Campbell (248) 344-1618

## 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; Oxyrise  
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  
9 a.m.: Foot Reflexology by appt.  
10 a.m.: Oxyrise  
11 a.m.: Strength Training  
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club  
Noon: Bridge; Walking Club  
1 p.m.: Cribbage  
7 p.m.: Bridge  
**Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Volleyball**  
TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
**LOCATION:** Recreation Center at Hillside  
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.  
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947  
**Adult 50+ Fun Co-ed Volleyball**  
TIME/DAYS: 1-3 p.m. every Tuesday  
**LOCATION:** Recreation Center at Hillside  
DETAILS: Games scored to 15 points with creative team rotation; \$1 per session; all skill levels welcome.  
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947  
**Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Basketball**  
TIME/DAYS: 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.

## Library Lines

### NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY

**LOCATION:** 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall  
TIME/DAY: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday.  
CONTACT: (248) 349-3020 or [northvillelibrary.org](http://northvillelibrary.org) for information regarding programs and library materials.  
**Book Donations**  
DETAILS: Book donations can be dropped off any time during operating hours. Be sure to get a receipt for your taxes. Arrangements can be made by calling the library, for Friends to pick up a large donation from your home.  
**Book Cellar Open**  
TIME/DATE: 1:30-4 p.m. Saturdays; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays  
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**Winter Storytime for 4s, 5s and Kindergartners**  
TIME/DATE: 4-4:45 p.m. Mondays; 10:15-11 a.m. and 2-2:45 p.m. Tuesdays.  
Special six-week series of 45 minute storytimes. Register by phone at 248-349-3020 or in person beginning Jan. 20.  
**Drop-In Morning Storytime**  
TIME/DATE: 10:15 a.m. Thursdays - starting Jan. 29 - six week series  
DETAILS: Storytime for toddlers and preschoolers. All ages welcome to attend with caregiver accompanying children 3 and younger. No registration needed ... just drop in! Six week series of winter season drop-in storytimes.  
**Spring Break Movies & Munchies**  
TIME/DATE: Noon, Friday, April 17  
DETAILS: Bring your lunch to the library and enjoy the movie WALL-E (Walt Disney/Pixar. Rated. G).

Snacks and beverages provided. All ages welcome. Ages 4 and younger must attend with a caregiver. No registration needed.  
**Junior Books, Chat & Chow for 4th & 5th Graders**  
TIME/DATE: 4:15-5 p.m., Wednesday, April 29  
DETAILS: Make friends, have treats and enjoy a lively book discussion of "Marley" by Josh Grogan. Registration begins April 1.  
**Kidz Time for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Graders**  
TIME/DATE: 4:30-5:15 p.m., Thursday, April 23  
DETAILS: Join this fun after school program featuring stories, games and crafts all about rocks. Registration begins April 1.

## Parks & Rec

### NORTHVILLE PARKS & RECREATION

**LOCATION:** 775 N. Center St. (back entrance of Hillside Middle School)  
CONTACT: For registration and information on camps, classes and activities call (248) 349-0203 or visit [northvilleparksandrec.org](http://northvilleparksandrec.org)  
**Parks and Recreation Commission**  
DATE/TIME: 7 p.m. second Wednesday, every other month beginning in Jan.  
**LOCATION:** Northville Township Hall, 44405 W. Six Mile Road  
**Group Fitness Classes**  
DETAILS: Classes include Yoga, Pilates Ball, Aerobics, Step, Kickboxing, Cycle and overall strength training. Class schedules are flexible and vary; monthly calendar available at Web site or call. Fees are \$8 for drop-ins or \$50 for an unlimited monthly resident pass. Classes held at Hillside Recreation Center or Senior Community Center. All fitness levels welcome to participate; certified instructors provide safe and fun workouts.  
**Open Adult Basketball**  
TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. every Sunday  
**LOCATION:** Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.  
DETAILS: \$3 per person.  
**Open Family Basketball**  
TIME/DATE: 4-6 p.m. every Sunday  
**LOCATION:** Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.  
DETAILS: \$2 per person.  
**Open 40+ Basketball**  
TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 p.m. every Wednesday  
**LOCATION:** Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.  
DETAILS: \$3 per person.  
**Open Volleyball**  
TIME/DATE: 7-10 p.m. every Thursday  
**LOCATION:** Recreation Center at Hillside  
DETAILS: \$4 per person.  
**Open Badminton**

## Golf Outings

### PROVIDENCE HEALTH FOUNDATION 30TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

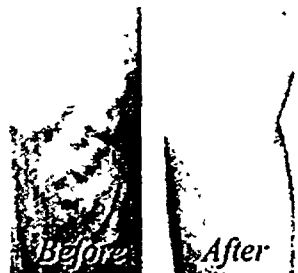
TIME/DATE: Shotgun start at 10 a.m., followed by cocktails and a gourmet buffet dinner at 5:30 p.m., Monday, June 1  
LOCATION: Indianwood Golf and Country Club, home of the 2012 Senior Open, 1081 Indianwood Road, Lake Orion.  
DETAILS: With the goal of helping people in the community who need assistance, the Providence Health Foundation is hosting its 30th annual Golf Classic. The cost for the Golf Classic is \$425 per golfer. Sponsorship and underwriting opportunities are available.  
CONTACT: For more information on the 2009 Providence Golf Classic, please contact Lorraine Owczarek at (586) 582-7509.

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# NEIGHBORS

## Township resident earns Westland businessman honor

BY JULIE BROWN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Jeff Juenemann remembers well the day he bought his insurance business from Robert Hamzey in 1982.

"April Fool's Day it was," Juenemann, a Northville Township resident and owner of Juenemann Insurance at 33652 Ford Road in Westland, said with a grin.

The joke wasn't on him, however, as the business has prospered. Juenemann was recently named this year's Business Person of the Year by the Westland Chamber of Commerce, an honor he was surprised and flattered to receive.

He and wife Linda have two children, David and Kristen. Juenemann is active in Westland Rotary, handling its foundation duties, bell-ringing for the Salvation Army and packing backpacks for Wayne-Westland elementary students. He's a past president of Westland Rotary and of the chamber, as well as past president of the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents. He's volunteered as an adult leader for the Boy Scouts.

"I was very excited for him," said chiropractor Dr. Amanda Apfelblat, chair-elect for the Westland chamber who currently chairs community and educational development. "I think it's well-suited for him."

Apfelblat has a business relationship with Juenemann for her chiropractic practice. "I've always been very happy with their insurance company and their services," she said. "He's very active in the community."

"Very well-deserved," Apfelblat added of the Business Person of the Year, to be given Thursday, April 23. "He's always giving to the community. I believe his business is a first-class business."

Juenemann is well-versed in the insurance business, highlighted on his firm's Web site at [www.juenemanninsurance.com](http://www.juenemanninsurance.com).

"It's meant to protect from financial catastrophe as opposed to maintenance," said Juenemann, who lives in Northville Township. "I think a lot of the common-sense assumptions



Jeff Juenemann is this year's Business Person of the Year for the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

you make are inadequate. Everybody assumes when the basement floods, they have insurance coverage."

Juenemann Insurance Agency has bought several smaller Livonia, Westland and Ypsilanti agencies, blending them into the current office. The agency represents several national and regional insurance carriers, including Auto-Owners Insurance Co., Progressive Insurance and Indiana Insurance for property and casualty line of coverage. It also represents Jackson National and Blue Cross Blue Shield for life and health policies, among several other carriers.

Juenemann agreed there's more variety in insurance, beyond the big companies with big ad budgets: "Positively. Huge variety. Big, small, personal, commercial."

He explained that insurance policies are meant to cover losses that would cause financial hardship to the policy holder. Coverage is not a warranty or maintenance contract for small, expected or routine expenses. Customers are advised to use the savings from higher deductibles to pay toward smaller claims.

"You can't just say, 'Hey, I want to be an agent' and go," he said of training for his career. "It's almost like the old apprentice thing." There's licensing along with continuing education requirements to consider.

### SPRING AWARDS

What: Westland Chamber of Commerce's Spring Awards Celebration

When: 6 p.m. Thursday, April 23

Where: American Legion Post 32, 9318 Newburgh, south of Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

Why: The celebration will honor the 2009 the first Citizen and Business Person of the Year as well as its longtime members

Cost: \$35 per person which includes a dinner buffet and open bar.

Information: To reserve tickets, call the chamber at (734) 326-7222 or go online to [www.westlandchamber.com](http://www.westlandchamber.com).

Juenemann's dad was an insurance agent and he knew it wasn't for him.

"Of course, years later I graduated with an insurance degree from MSU and began my career with the family business. Later I split out and bought the agency in Westland. However you get into it, insurance is a good business for detail-oriented, service-minded individuals."

He's found several factors make his business somewhat recession-proof. The state requires car insurance to drive; mortgage companies insist on homeowners coverage to protect their collateral, your home. There's Department of Labor-required worker's compensation when workers are hired.

He encourages customers to come in so they understand insurance policies, which are long, hard to read contracts developed over many years. Juenemann has a funny story or two from his nearly 30 years in the business.

"I received a call from a customer this past spring. She was opening her large above-ground pool. Finding it empty, she filed a claim for theft of 15,000 gallons of water. The company responded to the report, but was skeptical that a theft had occurred. It was later determined that the pool had a leak, causing the loss of water. Unfortunately, there was no coverage."

### NORTHVILLE NAMES IN THE NEWS

Charlotte Morrow, of Northville Township, an 11th grade student at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, was elected president of the Michigan Junior Classical League (JCL), an organization which promotes the study of Latin, Greek, classical mythology and the ancient classics in secondary schools within Michigan. She was elected and

served as historian of the Michigan JCL last year. Charlotte is a third year Latin student at Mercy and a member of Mercy's JCL Club. This summer, she will be attending the Junior Classical League's National Convention, to be held on the campus of the University of California-Davis, where she will be running for a national position.

### NORTHVILLE IN THE SERVICE

Marine Corps Cpl. Aaron J. Rock, a 1998 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School, Novi, along with more than 2,200 Marines and sailors of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C., returned from a seven-month deployment to the Navy's 5th and 6th Fleets' area of operations in support of Maritime Security Operations and the Global War on Terror aboard ships of the USS Iwo Jima Amphibious Ready Group (ARG), Norfolk, Va.

Rock joined the Marine Corps in March 2005.

While deployed, the MEU supported regional security and stability operations in Iraq and the Horn of Africa as well as conducted theater security cooperation exercises with regional allies and impromptu counter-piracy operations off the coast of Somalia. The MEUs CH-53E Super Stallion helicopters were detached for six months to support Marine Aircraft Group 16, Al Asad, Iraq. The Marines also conducted bilateral training for humanitarian assistance and disaster relief as well as noncombatant evacuation operations.

The U.S. Secretary of the Navy, the U.S. Ambassador to Spain, the Spanish Minister of Defense, former Marine and actor R. Lee Ermey as well as officers from countries

throughout the 5th and 6th Fleet visited the Iwo Jima and the MEU to foster moral and continued international cooperation.

During the past seven months, MEU Marines traveled through the Mediterranean, the Red Sea, the Gulf of Aden and the Arabian Gulf and visited the countries of France, Italy, Spain as well as many nations surrounding the Arabian Peninsula. Marines participated in community relations projects including improvement of the grounds of the Cassa Della Beneficenza Orphanage in Florida, Sicily, and in Rota, Spain, the Marines improved landscaping at La Cartuja Monastery and delivered sport equipment and school supplies to the Hogar Nuestra Sra Del Rosario Orphanage.

The Iwo Jima ARG consists of the amphibious assault ship USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7); the amphibious dock landing ship USS Carter Hall (LSD 50); the amphibious transport dock ship USS San Antonio (LPD 17); the guided-missile cruiser USS Vella Gulf (CG 72); the guided-missile destroyer USS Ramage (DDG 61); all homeported at Norfolk; the guided-missile destroyer USS Roosevelt (DDG 80), homeported at Mayport, Fla.; and the fast attack submarine USS Hartford (SSN 768), homeported at Groton, Conn.

### NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT

#### Moehle & Esper

Weston and Jeannine Moehle of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter Heather Moehle to Matthew Esper, son of David and Diane Esper of Northville.

Heather is a 2003 graduate of Northville High School, a 2007 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of science, and a 2008 master's

in public health. She is employed by the William Davidson Institute.

Matthew is a 2002 Detroit Catholic Central High School graduate, and has a 2006 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of mechanical engineering. He is employed by Black and Veatch.

The couple plan an Aug. 22 wedding.

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NORTHVILLE BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT



**Danica Joy Pilarz**  
Dan and Stacey Pilarz of Ypsilanti announce the birth of their daughter Danica Joy Pilarz on April 3, 2009, born at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. She was 8 pounds 10 ounces at birth.  
Danica was welcomed home by her sister, Maria, 18 months old. Grandparents are Bonnie and Dave Pilarz of Northville and Becky and Rod Lucas of Rudolph, Ohio. Great-grandparents are Chuck and Irene Trost of Garden City; Mr. and Mrs. Baxter of Northville; and Florence Pilarz of Ohio. She has many aunts and uncles -- Mike of Chicago, Ill.; Sarah of Northville; Christine and Christopher of Farmington; Katie and Roman from Chicago; and Zack of Ohio.

BIRTH

**Boden D. Wesley**  
Jeff and Nicole Wesley, of South Lyon, announce the birth of their son Boden Douglas Wesley on March 1, 2009, at Huron Valley Sinai Hospital in Commerce.  
Boden has one brother, Auben Jack, 2.  
Grandparents are Doug and Linda Wesley, of Northville, and Jack and Sue Koch of Jackson. Great-grandparents are Amelia Adamov, of Livonia, and Jean Wesley, of Novi.

**Elizabeth Morelli, M.D.**, has joined the Beaumont medical practice located in Novi to provide family medicine with a focus on women's health. She's teaming up with George Nicoloff, M.D., who provides family care and specializes in sports medicine.

"I chose family medicine for the opportunity to treat the whole person while connecting and building rapport," Morelli said. "More and more, people are looking for a primary care physician they know as both healer and trusted advisor."

Morelli is a graduate of Purdue University and completed her residency in family practice at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. She joined Beaumont in 2007. "Beaumont is a world-class medical facility and I am proud to be affiliated with it," said Morelli, who joined Beaumont for its long-standing commitment to the community, dedication to quality care and leading-edge technology and research.

Beaumont's Novi practice is a modern, well-equipped facility offering same-day appointments, well- and sick-child visits, women's health care, annual examinations, sports medicine and more. It has an onsite lab and keeps electronic medical files for fast and accurate patient information from any point within the Beaumont system. The practice is located at 24230 Karim Blvd., Novi. Call (248) 615-3564.

Southfield-based Brooks Kushman P.C. announced that Mark S. Sparschu, of Northville, has joined the law firm.  
Sparschu joins the leading intellectual property (IP) law firm as a senior attorney and will be responsible for client counseling in trademark and other IP law matters, including brand protection and trademark development,

clearance, counterfeiting and litigation.  
Most recently, Sparschu served as chief trademark counsel for Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn, where he had overall responsibility for the trademark law matters for Ford and its worldwide subsidiaries, including the Ford, Lincoln, Mercury, Volvo, Land Rover, Jaguar and Aston Martin brands. In this capacity, he led a group of eight trademark professionals in four countries and outside counsel throughout the world.  
Prior to that, he worked at Volvo Car Corp. in Gothenburg, Sweden, where he served as chief patent and trademark counsel. In this role, Sparschu had overall responsibility for all patent and trademark law matters. Previously, he served as patent counsel for Ford, responsible for various patent law matters for the company's vehicle and component businesses. He began his career at General Motors Corp., where he held engineering-focused positions of increasing responsibility.

Sparschu earned a juris doctor degree, graduating with honors, from Wayne State University in Detroit, a master's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and a bachelor of electrical engineering degree, graduating first in his class, from General Motors Institute (now Kettering University) in Flint. Sparschu is a registered patent attorney, licensed professional engineer, as well as a member of the State Bar of Michigan, Michigan IP Law Association and International Trademark Association.

**Christina Ketvirtis**, of Northville, earned top honors with Farmington Hills-based lia sophia's Excellent Beginnings Program Achievers for her outstanding sales accomplishments and

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professionalism.  
Having just joined the fashion jewelry business, Ketvirtis earned this prestigious accomplishment in her first 15 weeks by attaining certain sales levels and by sharing lia sophia with other new advisors.  
"This immediate success is a result of their hard work and dedication," said Bonni Davis, vice president of lia sophia. "lia sophia is fortunate to have them as part of our team and we look forward to celebrating their future successes."

All new lia sophia Advisors have the opportunity to increase their earnings and earn free jewelry as part of the Excellent Beginnings Program. The plan celebrates the success of Advisors who stay on track in the first four months in business. lia sophia provides ongoing opportunities for recognition including monthly, quarterly and annual awards.

University of Michigan Health System Director of Pharmacy Services and College of Pharmacy Associate Dean James Stevenson, of Northville, will receive the Michigan Pharmacists Association (MPA) Pharmacist of the Year Award during the association's Annual Convention & Exposition, held Feb. 27-March 1 at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center. This award is Michigan's highest honor in the pharmacy profession.

The MPA Pharmacist of the Year Award is given to a pharmacist who demonstrates professional excellence and exemplary service to the profession in advancing public health at either the state or local level. This pharmacist displays all the traits and characteristics of someone with a true commitment to advancing the pharmacy profession and Michigan's health care system.  
Stevenson is a local, state and national pharmacy advocate, recognized at all levels for his advancement of the profession. Stevenson currently serves as director of pharmacy services for the

University of Michigan Health System and associate dean for clinical sciences with the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy, a position held since 1999. Through the health system and university, Stevenson serves on many committees, including pharmacy and therapeutics, continuous quality improvement, patient safety and operations. His leadership and innovation has brought the University of Michigan inpatient and outpatient pharmacy services national recognition. He previously was the executive director of pharmacy services at the Detroit Medical Center, where he embraced many pharmacy leadership roles.

Stevenson continues his influence on pharmacy at the national level, currently serving on the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Board of Directors and the ASHP Council of Educational Affairs. He contributes to the Medication Safety Advisory Group, Joint Commission International Center for Patient Safety and Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, as well as the United States Pharmacopeia Convention, International Pharmaceutical Federation Pharmabridge Program steering committee, Great Lakes Pharmacy Residency Conference steering committee and numerous other task forces. Stevenson has also contributed professional work to a myriad of pharmacy publications and presented to many audiences around the country.

Stevenson earned his bachelor of science and doctor of pharmacy degree from Wayne State University.

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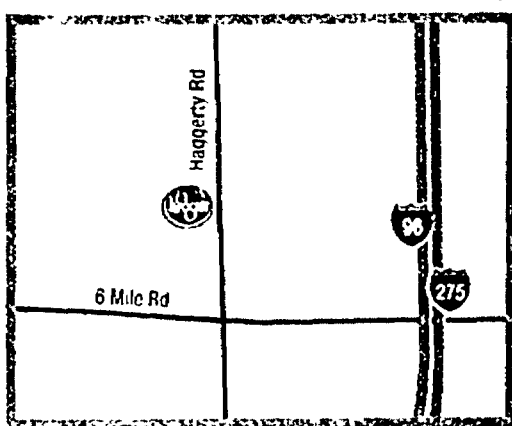
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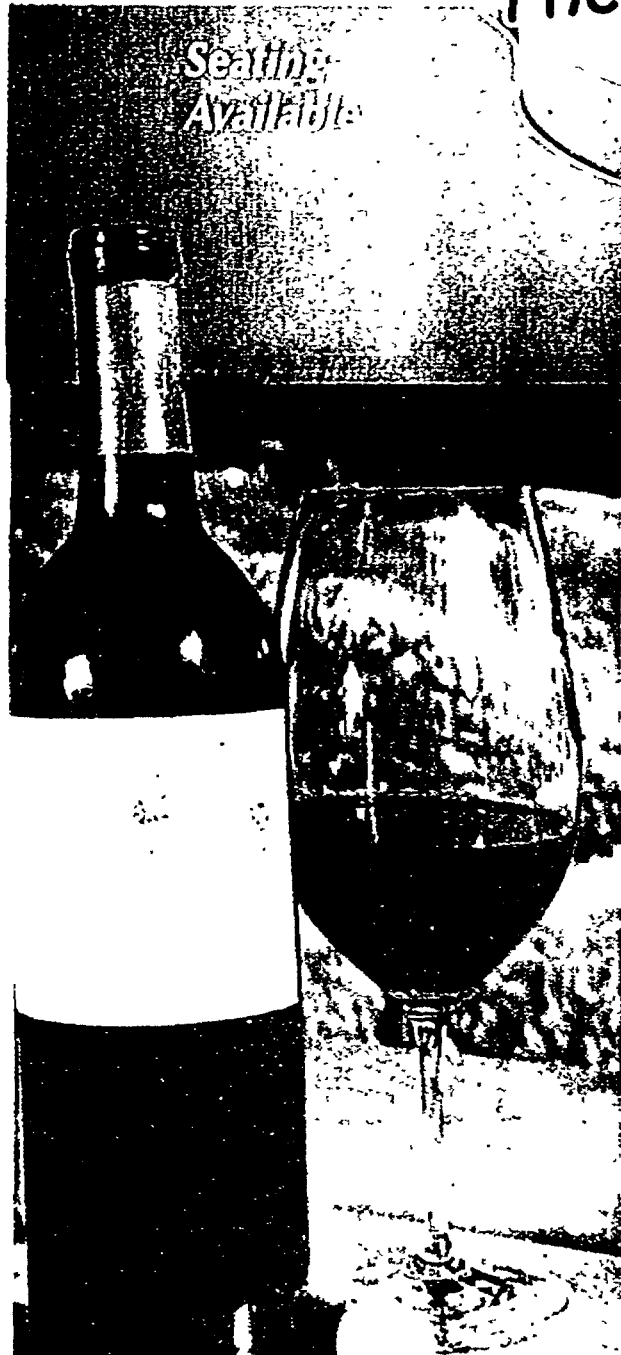




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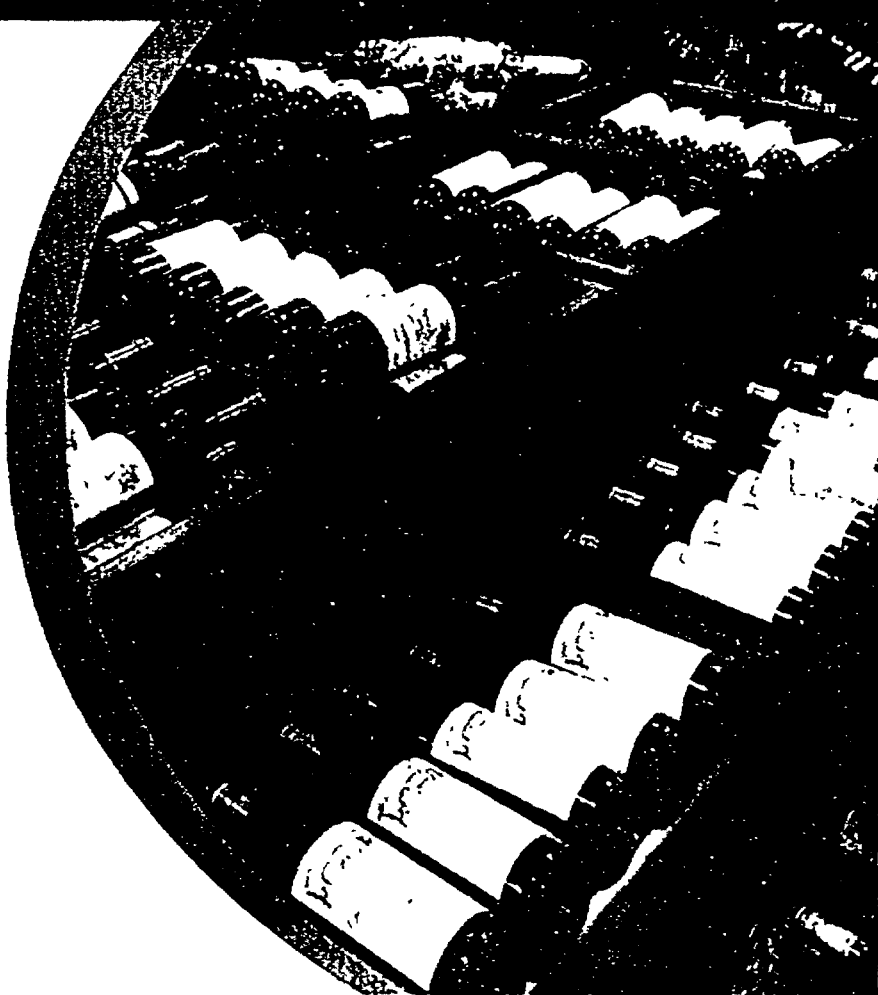


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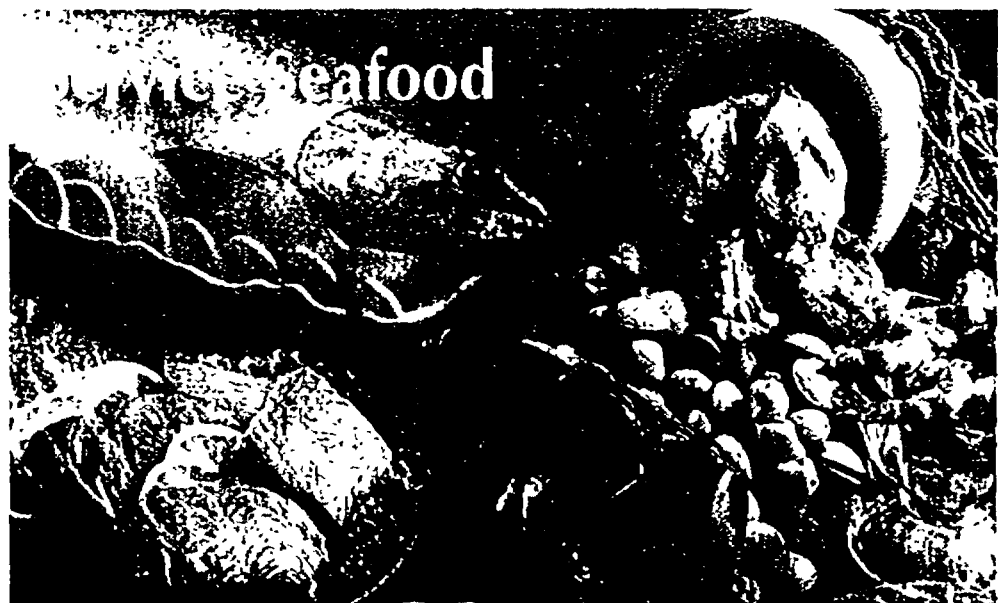
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## Mustang sluggers win 13-1

BY ED WRIGHT  
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Spring Break started with a spring-loaded hitting attack Thursday afternoon for Northville's baseball team.

Led by senior first baseman Bobby Thomas's 4-for-4 effort and home runs from Anthony Sergi and Ryan Mullen, the Mustangs banged out a 13-1, five-inning, mercy rule-shortened triumph over host Canton.

The victory improved Northville's record to 5-1 overall and 1-1 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

The Mustangs are idle until April 20. Canton will host Belleville in a double-header on Tuesday (the first game is set to start at noon) before competing in the Milan Invitational on Saturday.

Senior right-hander Kevin Uberti pitched a complete game for the winners, yielding the Chiefs' lone run in the fourth when Kevin Delapaz singled and eventually scored on a ground out. Junior Andrew Tidwell suffered the loss for Canton, which sent five men to the mound.

The Mustangs' top of the scoreboard looked like a full-house poker hand as they scored three runs in the first, second and fourth innings, with a pair of twos in the third and fifth.

The convincing win was much-needed, said Northville coach John Kostzewa, whose team's previous game was a 19-4 setback to Salem on April 1.

"Baseball is unlike football in that you usually only have to wait a day or two to get the bad taste of a bad loss out of your mouth, but we had to wait eight days (after the Salem loss), which was challenging," Kostzewa said. "I was proud of the way the kids played after not playing a game for so long. We did a lot of hitting indoors and our pitchers threw some bullpens, so they stayed pretty sharp."

Uberti was sharper than a needle, limiting a talented Canton line-up to just one run in five frames.

"Today was typical of Dave," said Kostzewa. "He's a control pitcher, so he's not going to strike out eight or 10 guys. He got behind a lot against Salem and it was 7-0 before we knew it. You don't see your No. 1 guy have back-to-back bad outings, but I was certain he'd bounce back today and pitch a solid game for us, which he did."

The Chiefs have been riding an early-season rollercoaster. After defeating Novi, 7-3, in its season opener, Canton dropped a 14-0 decision to Livonia Franklin before bouncing back to knock off Livonia Churchill, 13-6, on Wednesday.

"They just flat out out-hit us today," said Canton coach Mark Blomshield, whose team spent Monday afternoon show-



Northville catcher Sarah Rounsifer, pictured during a game last season against Livonia Stevenson, will be a key component in the Mustangs' quest to win a Kensington Lakes Activities Association Central Division title this spring. On March 27, the Mustangs opened the season with by sweeping Wayne Memorial, 17-2 and 17-0.

FILE PHOTO

## Talent at the top

### All-Stater Rounsifer leads Mustang softball team

#### PREP SOFTBALL PREVIEW

First-year Northville softball coach Kary Couchman is optimistic about the upcoming season — and who can blame her after the Mustangs opened by outscoring Wayne Memorial, 34-2, in a doubleheader sweep late last month.

Samantha Doud and Paige Wilson registered the mound victories for Northville against the Zebras.

The hitting stars were Sarah Rounsifer, who belted two home runs; Mariel Wilson and Karly Fisher, who both ripped triples; and Natalie DeMuro, who collected a two-out, pinch-hit single in the first game.

"I'm excited about the new talent on varsity this year," Couchman said when asked about her outlook on the upcoming spring. "We have a lot of girls who are getting their first chance to play at the varsity level, and they're fighting for their spots."

Couchman didn't hesitate when asked about her team's No. 1 strength.

"Sarah Rounsifer is a definite strength," the first-year coach said. "This will be her fourth year as a varsity softball player. She's an All-State catcher who will be playing at Princeton next year. She brings leadership and experience that our younger players can learn from."

Question marks surround the rest of

the starting lineup, Couchman said.

"At this point, we don't have a definite starting lineup," she said last week. "Because we have so many new players on the varsity team, the positions are still up for grabs."

A quartet of seniors tops the Mustangs' 12-player roster: Rounsifer, Wilson, DeMuro and Doud.

Northville will carry just two juniors this spring: Megan O'Malley and Paige Wilson.

Four sophomores — Karly Fisher, Mary Rounsifer, Natalie DeMuro and Katie Fenech — and a pair of freshmen — Jennifer Buckingham and Meredith Williams — will gain valuable varsity experience that should evolve into future stardom.

## CC's Darnell leads All-Area puck squad

BY JEFF THEISEN  
SPORTS WRITER

Catholic Central's Brent Darnell carries a good-sized 6-0, 180-pound frame onto the ice, but it's his game that really stands out.

Darnell finished runner-up for Mr. Hockey in Michigan after the Shamrocks blasted through the playoffs en route to a State title.

The junior was voted to the Dream Team (a team made up from the best from any division), All-State, All-Catholic, First Team All-MIHL and MIHL co-MVP.

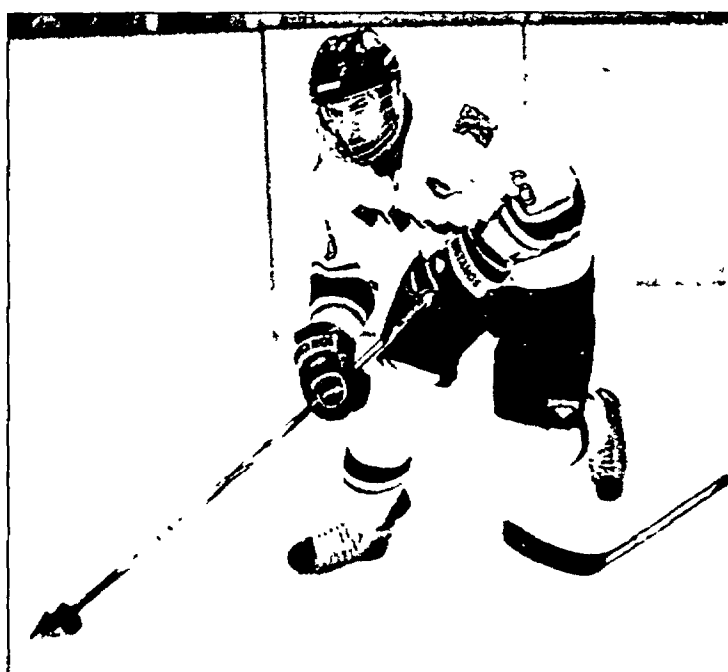
Darnell plans to play at Michigan State after his high school career ends.

#### All-Area First Team

##### TONY THOMAS - CC SENIOR

Thomas is a hulking forward for high school hockey at 6-3 and right around 200 pounds.

But aside from being big, Thomas used skill and soft hands to tally .... on the Division I State champion Shamrocks. He earned All-State, First Team All-MIHL, All-Catholic and Academic All-State honors.



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Northville's Matt Kreager earned 1st-Team All-Area hockey honors.

## GAME WRAPS

### Crusaders split with Siena Heights

The Madonna University baseball team finds itself tied for first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference following a doubleheader split Saturday at home against Siena Heights University at Hitt Ballpark.

MU won the opener, 8-5, as winning pitcher Jeff Sonnenberg (8-1) went the distance, allowing one earned run on six hits. Sonnenberg, who picked off the Saints' Brent Cork at first to end the game, struck out six and did not allow a walk in seven innings.

Third baseman Aaron Hacias went 3-for-4 to pace the Crusaders' 12-hit attack.

Matt Kay (Canton) delivered a key three-run double while Shawn Little (Canton), Zach Flavin and Ryan Morrow contributed two hits apiece.

Siena Heights bounced back to win the nightcap, 6-5, as Justin Root knocked in two runs.

The Saints broke a 5-5 deadlock with the game-winning run in the sixth.

MU's Andy Omilian, who worked the final three innings in relief of starter Kyle Bolton, took the loss. Omilian (2-1) gave up two earned runs on four hits.

Kevin Zerbo (Farmington Hills Harrison) went 2-for-4 with two RBI, while Little delivered a key two-run single in the fifth inning to knot the game at 5-5.

Jack Cross (1-3) got the win in relief for the Saints, allowing just one walk on no hits and two strikeouts in 2 1/3 innings.

MU is now 28-5 overall and 7-3 in the WHAC (tied with Indiana Tech).

The Saints fall to 15-22 and 3-7.

### Haeger signs recruit

Madonna University baseball coach Greg Haeger announced the signing Monday of Tom Atkinson (Alpena) to an NAIA letter of intent.

Atkinson jones four other MU signees, including Brad Lineberry (Plymouth), Alex Charles, Donny Holland and Steve Pelletier.

Atkinson hit .344 as a junior while earning scholar-athlete honors. He also lettered in football, as he was named All-Big North Conference special mention.

"Tom is another in a long line of talented baseball players we have been able to recruit out of the Alpena area," Haeger said. "He continues in the tradition of players like Scott Anderson, Brandon Jaskolski, Bob Hamp, Jeff Warholik and most recently Jason Barbeau, who have come from that area and have had very good careers at MU. I have no doubt that Tom will do the same."

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## Quartet of Mustang boys icers earns All-State status

Four members of the Northville High School boys hockey team — which finished 18-1-3 and was ranked No. 1 in the state at one point this past season — earned Division I All-State honors recently: Wes Gates (All-State Dream Team), Alec Arthur (1st Team), Ted Keranen (1st Team) and Alex Brewin (2nd Team).



Brewin



Gates



Arthur



Keranen

compiled nine goals and 21

assists with a plus-minus rat-

ing of plus-29.

Arthur, a senior captain, netted 12 goals and 20 assists while Brewin registered 13 goals and 18 assists.

Keranen went 13-4-3 against some of the toughest competition in the state, allowing just 1.62 goals per game. His save percentage was 92.7 and he notched six shutouts.

## Four Mustang lady icers honored on All-State squad

Four members of the Northville High School girls hockey team were recently honored as All-State caliber: left winger Hannah Deacon, defenseman Melissa Kosztowny, right winger Becca Champagne and goalie Julia King.



Champagne



King



Kosztowny



Deacon

team to upend Grosse Pointe South in the regular season.

Deacon, who earned honorable mention All-State status,

netted eight goals and 18 assists.

Kosztowny, also an honorable mention selection, tallied five goals and five assists while honorable-mention choice Champagne recorded 18 goals and 13 assists.

King earned 1st-Team All-State honors. Her statistics were not available as of press-time.

## ALL-AREA

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### MICHAŁ SZUMA - CC SENIOR

Szuma helped anchor a defense that virtually shut their way out of the playoffs. The Shamrocks pulled off five shutouts in six playoff games, including the 7-0 whitewash in the finals against Howell.

The 5-11, 180-pound senior was voted First Team All-State, All-Catholic, Second Team All-MIHL, Academic All-State and Academic All-Catholic.

### TREVOR LLOYD - LAKELAND SENIOR

Lloyd was instant offense for the Eagles. He averaged more than two points a game with 20 goals and 34 assists in 24 games. He finished a remarkable plus-31 with only 16 penalty minutes.

"Trevor is a great character kid and a 3.46 GPA student," said Lakeland coach Charles Kennedy. "He aspires to play hockey at next level (Juniors) and become a doctor later in life."

### JAYSON CRONK - LAKELAND SENIOR

Cronk missed a couple of games due to injury, but still managed to rack up a staggering 47 points in 18 games (23 goals, 24 assists). He also finished the year plus-31.

"Heart and Soul of team (MVP)," said Kennedy. "He has been playing all year with lower back injury and still put up these numbers. Jayson is an All-State golfer who is planning to play golf and possibly hockey at club level in college." Cronk is also a 3.25 GPA student.

### MICHAEL PESENDORFER - NOVI SOPHOMORE

Pesendorfer was strong throughout the year, but he played some of his best hockey during the playoffs.

In 26 games played, Pesendorfer (14-7-5) finished with a 1.81 goals against and a 90-percent save percentage. Thanks to "Pez" and the defense, the Wildcats allowed just five goals in four playoff games to reach the final four in Division 2.

"We only had two games in our last 10 or 12 games with more than one goal against," said Novi head coach Todd Krygier. "We finished the year with the lowest goals against average in the history of the program. I think that was a team effort, but obviously, without goaltending you can't touch that."

### MATT KREAGER - NORTHVILLE SENIOR

Kreager anchored a defense that helped the Mustangs go undefeated in a potent K.L.A.A. Central Division that featured final four teams Novi (Division 2) and South Lyon (Division 1) as well as a potent Livonia Stevenson squad.

The senior finished with 19 points (8 goals, 11 assists), a plus-24 and only 20 penalty minutes.

"Matt was a captain on the team that led on and off the ice," said Northville head coach Clint Robert. "He was really the heart and soul in the locker room. He was a huge part of what we did this season."

### All-Area Second Team

It's safe to say the All-Area Second Team looks as good as any All-Star team in the rest of Michigan.

Two defenseman that were largely responsible for CC's run through the playoffs were senior Nick Gatt and junior Steven Hensley.

Both were voted to the First Team All-MIHL and had a large hand in the shutout streak through the playoffs.

South Lyon's Chris Eckler proved to be a talented scorer on a team that stressed defense. The senior scored 22 goals and had 21 helpers in 26 games as the Lions rolled into the final four of Division 1 before losing to CC, the eventual champs.

Novi's Nolan Valleau led the Wildcats in scoring with 28 points - nine goals and 19 assists. The sophomore also played the game with a chip on his shoulder as he also led the team with 60 penalty minutes.

Northville's Alec Arthur scored 12 goals and dished out 20 assist while finishing a plus-29 for the Mustangs. The 5-7, 150-pound senior was also second on the team with 22 penalty minutes.

Catholic Central's last line of defense was goalkeeper Zack Cisek. He backed the entire run through the playoffs, finishing with five shutouts in six games to win the title.

### HONORABLE MENTION

Players receiving Honorable Mention include Novi's Shane McCusker and Tyler Perpich; Catholic Central's Kyle Nelson, Dan Brown and Zack Cisek; Lakeland's Sean Staples; South Lyon's Joonas Jaskari, Michael Hoy and Nick Dirado; Northville's Teddy Keranen, Seth Perry, Jake Atkinson, Matt Dembicki, Derek Raymond and Alex Belanger and Milford's Alex Gibson, Nick Rhodes, Cody Beck and Brian Clayton.

# TEE TIME

## First time visitor to the Masters — one more check on the bucket list

By David Graham

As a lifelong fan and avid golfer, the dream has always been to visit the Masters tournament. When you enter your sixth decade, having a bucket list (as in what I want to do before I kick the bucket) seems pretty natural. Wednesday of the 2009 Masters Tournament, I was able to check off attending the Masters Tournament from my list.

Countless authors have documented the biggest surprise — Television cannot do justice to the change in elevation from tee to green. Until you actually see it, you just cannot appreciate it. Better yet, walk all 18 holes as I did on Wednesday and truly experience it. Whoever claims that golf is not an athletic event requiring stamina should make that walk and understand I up and down the hills of Georgia, these golfers are truly world-class athletes who must be in good shape.

Everywhere you look is perfect green grass that is perfectly trimmed with fairways better than some of the greens I have putted. And massive pine trees — I was challenged to find a pinecone or two to take home since the maintenance staff would not want anything to be out of place (I did find two, one for my bookshelf and another for a friend's). The flowers were Azaleas of pink, purple, red and shades between with blooming white dogwoods to contrast. Truly some great eye candy! And one of the best is the Great Old Oak tree between the clubhouse and the first tee. Reported to have been planted in 1850, it is truly a majestic tree that embodies the dignity of

this great tournament.

Our hosts at Augusta National want the "patrons" who visit to have a wonderful experience that is affordable. One of the more famous sandwiches served is the Pimento Cheese on White Bread. Sounds boring but actually is quite delicious. Combine it with a bag of chips and a sweet ice tea and you've got a perfect lunch at a perfect golf course for the grand sum of \$4.

As I walked the course up and down the hills, I had flashbacks to great Masters moments. Jack's charge and victory in 1986, Scott Hoch's missed 2 foot putt on #10 in 1989, Greg Norman's collapse against Nick Faldo. They say the tournament doesn't start until the back 9 on Sunday. The front 9 is incredible. The back 9 is even more spectacular starting with an unbelievable tee ball down the hill on #10, a 495 yard par 4. Next up, Amen Corner starting with #11, a 505 yard par 4 with a pond fronting the green (how about Larry Mize pitching in to steal the green jacket from Greg Norman in 1987). Next is #12, a short 3 par of 155 yards that is devilish due to the swirling Georgia winds. Next up, #13, a 505 yard par 5 that challenges the players to get home in two for a shot at an eagle (remember Curtis Strange dumping his approach into Rae's Creek fronting the green leading to Bernhard Langer winning the Green Jacket in 1985). Let's jump ahead to #16 where Tiger created the greatest impromptu commercial for Nike when he pitched his second shot from the swale left of the green to the ridge on the green and watched as it

trickled ever so slowly down the hill and with its last turn, swoosh logo perfectly face up, falls into the hole. Wow! I watched several patrons re-enacting that shot (without club or ball) with friends for their own Kodak moment.

Onward to #18, the player is hitting their tee ball through the chute of Georgia pines. Another great climb up the hill to that final green. I recalled Ben Crenshaw collapsing in tears as he rolled in his last putt to win his second green jacket in 1995.

As spectacular as it was to spend the day walking Augusta National, it got even better that evening as a guest at the annual dinner meeting of the Golf Writers Association of America. We attended to recognize our good friend and long time writer for the Detroit News, Vartan Kupelian's election as President of the GWAA and his hosting of the Players of the Year awards. Padraig Harrington, Julie Inkster, Jay Haas and Jack Nicklaus — among others — were recognized. What a thrill to meet Mr. Nicklaus, shake his hand and thank him for the thrills he has provided golf fans over the years.

If you are a golf fan and you ever get the chance, whatever it costs, go to Augusta National to experience walking those Georgia hills, amongst those pines and relive all of your Master's memories. Next up on my bucket list to play Augusta National! How cool would that be?

*David Graham is the Executive Director of the Golf Association of Michigan and lifelong fan of the game of golf.*

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Cheer open call

Michigan Xtreme Cheer and Dance, a cheerleading training center, is holding open call for its 2009-10 season. Michigan Xtreme, which offers classes for various ages and skill levels, ranging from competitive cheer teams to tumbling and dance, has locations in Canton, Ann Arbor, Hartland and Lansing. Evaluations for

placement of Canton teams is being held on Thursday, April 16 from 5-6:30 p.m. at the Canton location, 7857 Ronda Drive.

Michigan Xtreme's two level 5 competitive cheer teams will travel to Florida to compete at the Cheerleading Worlds, which is a huge honor according to Director/Coach Lisa Hemmie. If you want to

learn what Michigan Xtreme is all about, families of these athletes are hosting a "Kick-off to Worlds Friends and Family Night" to celebrate this accomplishment on April 21 from 5-6:30 p.m.

For more information on the program and/or to register for classes, please call the Canton office at (734) 737-0560 or visit our Web site at [www.mix-cheer.com](http://www.mix-cheer.com).

## BASEBALL

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eling three inches of snow off the infield so that Thursday's game could be played. "We stung the ball a few times, but we hit it right at them. Defensively, they were way better than us."

"We have a lot of stuff to work on. We're far from where

we need to be. The good news is we know what we need to work on now."

Mullen knocked in a team-high five runs for the Mustangs. Sergi's three-run blast to straight-away center came after Thomas and Dan Mills singled to start off the fourth.

Senior Dane Staples was the lone Canton hurler to shine as he struck out two of the four batters he faced in the fifth without allowing a hit.

## CANTON 13, CHURCHILL 6:

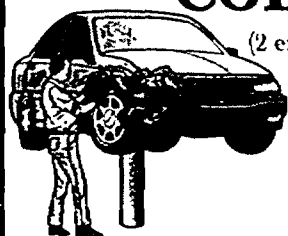
On Wednesday at Churchill, the Chiefs rallied behind the red-hot bat of Dan Stoney, who registered three hits and two RBI. Cody Blakita (two doubles), Seth Tschetter (two hits) and Nick Tomilenko (two hits) also sparked at the plate for the winners.

Staples evened his record at 1-1 with a win in relief.

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# League of their own

## Livonia's Jones, Wixom's Snow set the standards

The name Pam Jones appears at or near the top of practically every leaderboard in just about every bowling center in which she has competed in league or tournament play.

And Jones has now added two more venues to her list.

On March 28, the Livonian bowled in the Michigan Women's State Tournament in Bay City where she rolled a 299 game in doubles competition at Eastland Lanes. Her series was 726.

Only a week earlier, Jones fired a 279 in the team event at Monitor Lanes.

"They told me that nobody would top that 279 game," Jones said. "I told them 'we'll see about that.'"

Jones made good on her word as she topped her own score with only a stubborn 7-pin short of perfection on the final ball.

• Wixom's Lee Snow also has left his indelible mark in high places in both league and tournament competition, recently led his team to the championship in the Ray Melnick Invitational Tournament held at Oak Lanes in Westland.

Lee's team was comprised of Krista Snow, Justin Snow, Tim Bishop and Mark Konopatski.



Ten Pin Alley

Al Harrison

"This win was very special to me, by winning while bowling with my two kids," he said. "That feeling is very easy to relate to for those of us who have raised our own children, while giving them the opportunity to excel at bowling and be able to enjoy the sport for many years to come."

• Mayflower Lanes in Redford boasts one of the top men's senior leagues with the Wednesday Men's Senior Classic.

Metropolitan Lincoln-Mercury was the second-half winner and defeated first-half champ Hunt's Ace Hardware for the overall championship in the season finale roll-off.

Hunt's squad is comprised of Larry Best, Ozzie Hovsepian, Abe Borborian, Jesse Macciocco and Walt Witkowski.

• Mayflower Lanes also offers some great summer action with the Detroit Tigers Party in the Park mixed league.

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ing, free league record sheets and season-ending pizza bash.

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• If you ever get out to Minneapolis, you might want to stop in at Lake Bryant Lanes.

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Al Harrison is a resident of Southfield, and a member of the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame and the Bowling Writers Association of America. He can be reached via e-mail at [tenpinalley710@yahoo.com](mailto:tenpinalley710@yahoo.com)



Plymouth goalie Matt Hackett was spectacular during his team's recent series with Windsor.

# Whalers eliminated by Windsor in six games

The Plymouth Whalers' splendid 2008-09 season came to a halt Saturday when they were defeated by Windsor, 4-2, in Game 6 of the Ontario Hockey League's Western Conference best-of-seven semifinal series.

The Spitfires, who entered the OHL post-season as the overall No. 1 seed, won the

series four games to two.

Carrying the momentum of a Game 5 win on Thursday night in Windsor, the Spitfires surged to a 2-0 first-period lead thanks to goals from Dale Mitchell — his 11th of the post-season — and Adam Henrique, who netted his fourth. Andrei Loktionov and Eric Wellwood assisted on Mitchell's goal, which came 5:54 into the contest, while Henrique's goal was set up by Taylor Hall and Rob Kwiatt at the 6:53 mark.

The lone second-period goal was chalked up by Plymouth's Ryan Hayes, who scored off an assist by A.J. Jenks with 9:37 left in the stanza.

Windsor re-established its two-goal advantage just over a minute into the third period

when Henrique beat Plymouth goalie Matt Hackett off assists from Ryan Ellis and Greg Nemisz.

Undeterred, Plymouth closed its gap to 3-2 on Matt Caria's ninth lamp-lighter of the post-season 6:01 into the third period, but Windsor capped the game and the series when Henrique slid the puck into an empty net with 43 seconds remaining in the game.

The Whalers' penalty-kill unit was outstanding, blanking the Spitfires on their five man-advantage opportunities. Hackett, who was sensation- al the entire series, stopped 40 shots.

Windsor's Andrew Engelage turned away 32 Whaler shots.

Henrique's hat-trick earned him the game's first star. Caria was named the second star and Hayes the third.

Windsor earned the right to take on the London Knights in the OHL Western Conference finals.

Brampton and Belleville will meet in the Eastern Conference finals.

Plymouth finished the 2008-09 regular season with a 37-26-5-0 mark.

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## Charter Township of Northville NOTICE OF HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE EDENDERRY HILLS SUBDIVISION ROAD RECONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS AND REHEARING ON NECESSITY OF THE IMPROVEMENTS

The Township Board of the Charter Township of Northville previously received petitions signed by the record owners of land whose total road frontage constitutes more than 50% of the total road frontage in the hereinafter described Edenderry Hills Subdivision Road Reconstruction Improvements Special Assessment District and, after a public hearing, determined to reconstruct Edenderry Drive, Fermaugh Drive, Donegal Court, Fermaugh Court, Laraugh Drive and Arselot Drive in the Edenderry Hills Subdivision in the Charter Township of Northville, Wayne County, Michigan, as further described on the attached map and approved an estimated cost of the improvements. The improvements will also include traffic calming measures to be installed on Edenderry Drive between Seven Mile and Pickford. Such cost shall be assessed to the Edenderry Hills Subdivision Road Reconstruction Improvements Special Assessment District consisting of the following parcels of land located in the Edenderry Hills Subdivision identified by the following property tax identification numbers:

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8277 033 04 0046 000 through 8277 033 04 0066 000  
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8277 038 99 0030 000 through 8277 038 99 0036 000  
8277 033 02 0011 000

The estimated cost of the improvements, the amount to be specially assessed and the amount to be a general obligation of the Charter Township of Northville are as follows:

Estimated Cost	\$1,010,000
Amount To Be Assessed Against Lands In The Special Assessment District	\$1,010,000
Amount To Be A General Obligation Of The Charter Township Of Northville	\$ -0-

A special assessment roll assessing all of the cost of said improvements in the sum of \$1,010,000 to the aforesaid special assessment district has been prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a public hearing will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2009, at the Township Hall located at 4405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., at which time any interested person will be given the opportunity to object to the petitions, the making of such improvements, the assessing of the cost thereof to the special assessment district and the special assessment roll as prepared by the Township Supervisor. A person objecting to the special assessment roll shall file the objection in writing with the Township Clerk before the close of the hearing or within such further time as the Township Board may grant.

Appearance and protest of the special assessment at the hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may protest the special assessment by letter filed with the Township Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing, in which case appearance in person is not required. If the special assessment is protested as provided above, the owner or any party having an interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal or other court of competent jurisdiction within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.

The petitions, maps showing the location of the improvements and the special assessment district, plans, specifications and the cost estimate for the improvements are on file with the Township Clerk for public examination.

**ALSO PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that an informational hearing on proposed construction activities for both the road improvements and the companion water main project will be held on May 14, 2009, at the Township Hall located at 4405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., for all interested persons.

SUE A. HILLEBRAND, Clerk  
Charter Township of Northville

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

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

Saturday, April 25, 2009

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

Marie Barr, Chairperson  
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

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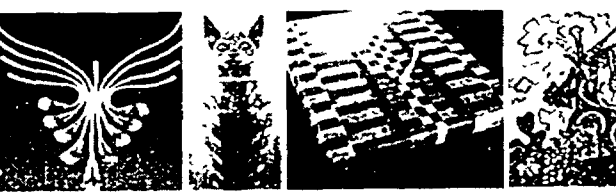
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Presented by  
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### ORAL INDICATIONS

Many people are not aware of the many ways in which oral health is linked with overall health. For instance, according to a survey recently conducted by the Academy of General Dentistry, nearly 60% of those surveyed did not know that a painful jaw is one warning sign that may indicate an impending heart attack. Thus, a visit to the dentist may be a patient's first sign of an impending dangerous heart event. In fact, research indicates that over 90% of systemic diseases have oral symptoms. With this in mind, careful dental examinations of patients with a history of heart disease (or other conditions) for signs of oral pain, infection, or inflammation is crucial to overall health.

Acknowledging the inherent connection between oral health and a patient's overall health, your dentist will use many techniques to diagnose, treat, restore, and promote total patient well-being. We offer this column in the hopes of educating the general public about the benefits of oral health. If we can help either by answering questions or by providing comprehensive dental care, please call us at 734-453-9413. State-of-the-art dentistry and a dedicated professional dental team make 496 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Ste. 201, Plymouth, the ideal place to achieve optimum oral health. We are located one block east of Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

P.S. Recent studies also suggest that people who have gum disease are at a higher risk for heart attack.

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## NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The correct date of the public hearing for the proposed water system improvements of approximately 7,750 feet of water main construction along Thornapple Drive, Valencia Street, Seven Mile Road and Pickford Avenue, is Monday, April 27, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at Township Hall located at 4405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168.

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# Xtreme achievement

## Ignition capture inaugural XLS title in overtime

BY ED WRIGHT  
RECORD STAFF WRITER

In a league that features some of the best players in the world, it was a home-grown talent who put the icing on the Detroit Ignition's championship cake Friday night at Compuware Arena.

Livonia native Tino Scicluna — the head coach for the Madonna University men's soccer team — capped his first season with the Ignition in grand style when he rocketed a low missile between sprawling Chicago goalie Baryard Elfvig 6:15 into overtime to give Detroit a 14-12 triumph in the season finale for both teams.

Detroit, which finished with a 12-7 mark, clinched the inaugural four-team Xtreme Soccer League title last Sunday when the New Jersey Ironmen edged the Milwaukee Wave, 15-14.

However, Friday night's pre-planned, post-game celebration wouldn't have been

as sweet without a final-game win.

It took a frantic, final-quarter Chicago rally to send the game into OT. Trailing 12-6, the visitors netted six straight points — the final two coming when Andy Rosenband secured the ball off the wall and steered it past Ignition goalie Danny Waltman with 1:31 left in regulation.

Chicago came within inches of winning the game 5:10 into the extra session, but Ian Bennett's rising laser banged off the crossbar.

Just over a minute later, Scicluna controlled a pass near mid-field and dribbled up the left side before unleashing his crowd-pleasing 22-footer.

The announced crowd of 4,299 went bonkers as Scicluna was mobbed by his joyful teammates.

Scicluna got things rolling for the Ignition 2:15 into the game when his high, hard shot from the left

wing found the upper-right corner of the net to stake Detroit to a 2-0 lead. Mike Apple assisted.

A pair of Dregs — Callahan and Ducker — added two-pointers to help the Ignition post a 6-4 lead after one quarter.

Detroit extended its lead to 10-4 at the half thanks to goals from Miki Djerisilo and Josh Rife, who scored off a re-start.

Waltman made a pair of circus saves — one when he managed to re-direct a shot while seated on his backside — with 3:30 to go in the second quarter.

The Ignition looked as if it was well on the way to a rout when Leo Gibson lit up the scoreboard with a two-pointer with 1:04 left in the third quarter, but the fast-moving Storm responded with an 8-0 run.

Thanks to Scicluna, however, it wasn't enough to spoil the Ignition's party.

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## MHSAA searching for Student Advisory Council candidates

The Michigan High School Athletic Association is looking for a group of student-athletes to be named to its Student Advisory Council beginning with the 2009-10 school year. Four boys and four girls from the Class of 2010 will be selected to a two-year term, and will meet on matters related to maintaining and promoting a proper perspective and sensible scope for high school sports in Michigan. Eight members from the Class of 2010 are already serving on the council, while eight members of the Class of 2009 are leaving the council this spring.

To be eligible for the committee, candidates must complete the official application, including answering the three short-answer questions; submit a letter of recommendation from a school administrator; be a member of the Class of 2010; intend to participate in varsity athletics as an upperclassman; have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale); be available for all scheduled meetings.

In addition, candidates should show a history of leadership on athletic teams as well as with other extracurricular activities, community service projects, or in the workplace; show an understanding of the role of school sports; and have ideas for promoting a proper perspective for educational athletics.

Applications are due in the MHSAA office by 4:30 p.m. on April 22. Applications can be downloaded from the Student Leadership page of the MHSAA Web site, filled out on the computer or handwritten, and returned to the MHSAA office by e-mail, fax or any mail delivery service.

The Student Advisory Council acts as the voice of Michigan's student-athletes; serves as a student sounding board for the MHSAA's Representative Council; assists in planning Sportsmanship Summits, Captain's Clinics and other student leadership events; participates in a yearly focus group about the state of high schools sports for Michigan State University's Institute

for the Study of Youth Sports; and assists with medal ceremonies at MHSAA championship events.

Members of the Student Advisory Council from the Class of 2009 are: Abby Cohen, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood; Willie Cruz, Harrison Township L'Anse Creuse; Michelle DeMuro, Muskegon Reeths-Puffer; Adam Dingman, Cedarville; Matthew Herman, East Kentwood; Molly Lockwood, Fife Lake Forest Area; Jeffrey Petsch, Montague; and C.C. Weber, Goodrich.

Members of the Student Advisory Council from the Class of 2010 are: Mackenzie Lawler, Okemos; Andrea McIntosh, Ann Arbor Greenhills; Elyse McKenna, Algonac; Ryan Moore, Central Lake; Taylor Schultz, Richland Gull Lake; Nicole Trevarthen, Iron Mountain; Alex Van Tiem, Detroit U-D Jesuit; and Daniel Yats, Clare.

For more information, contact Andy Frushour at the MHSAA - 517-332-5046 - or afrushour@mhsaa.com.

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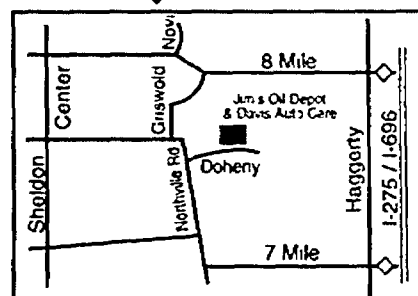
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BY JOHN R. HALL  
SPECIAL WRITER

In a tight economy, more homeowners are looking for a change of scenery close to home — and affordable landscaping is a great place to start.

Sprucing up your yard with fresh flowers, plants, hardscapes and more is a great way to add value and beauty to your home.

And finding the right landscaper is easier than one might think — Brien Worrell, owner of Brien's Services, Inc. in Milford recently won the People's Choice 2009 Landscaper of the Year Award from the readers of the Milford Times.

The 28-year-old business has literally made a name for itself with its creative and meticulous seasonal care of lawns and flowers.

"We have the history, the experience and the hands-on knowledge to serve our customers," Brien said. "We also know that times are tough right now with the economy, and people are trimming their spending and looking for deals anywhere they can. Our services remain affordable and we'll help you find the beauty in what you already have."

Brien knows all about the beautification process, too, with his extensive history in landscaping design.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

From April through November, Brien Worrell and his staff focus on spring clean-ups, creative landscaping and irrigation design, professional bed maintenance and everything else that goes into making your landscape look good.

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He started out cutting grass at the age of 12 and has never looked back.

An active member of the community, Brien also knows there are many other businesses in the area that are doing what they can to provide the best service in a down economy — and the best way to do that is by providing excellent customer service.

"We keep up on all of the latest technology for our customers,

from the appropriate chemicals to use on trees and plants to the latest floral and lawn trends," he said.

Knowledgeable about the West Oakland area climate, Brien remains aware of area environmental issues that can affect landscaping, including recent problems with the emerald ash borer and how it has drastically affected the planting of ash trees.

"There is concern for the wood wasp, which burrows into Austrian Pines," he said. "There are no known treatments for it, but we are always looking for as much information as possible, especially information coming out of the local universities."

Brien added that the wood wasps are not as serious of a threat as the emerald ash borer and there are currently no quarantines on Austrian Pines.

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"We believe in investing back into our community," Brien added.

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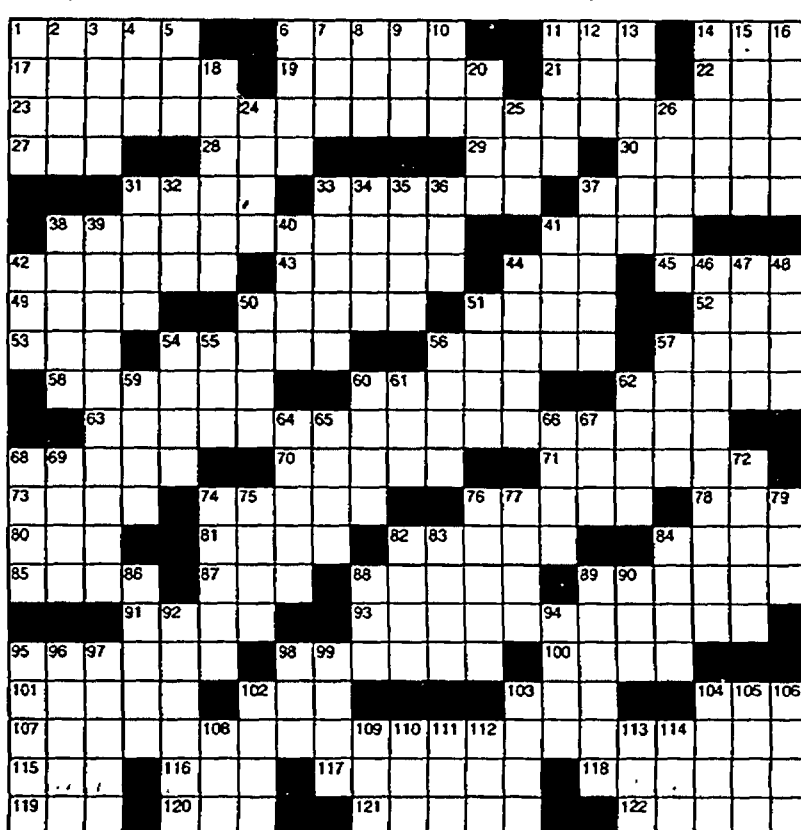
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6 Rent  
11 Light touch  
14 Baseball's Magie  
17 Ed of "Married ... with Children"  
19 Novelist Leonard  
21 Actress Hagen  
22 Nav. rank  
23 Start of a remark by  
27 Actor Chaney  
28 — Margarita  
29 Nutritional abbr.  
30 Deck of destiny  
31 "— Coming" (69 song)  
33 Holy  
37 Tranquil  
38 Part 2 of remark  
41 Luke Kojak  
42 Chivalry's country  
43 See 35  
44 Slippery swimmer  
45 Orthodox image  
49 Pakistani language  
50 — Carla  
51 Shoe type  
52 Pindaric poem  
53 Hum bug?  
54 Hume's rulers  
56 Tooth —  
57 Energy source  
58 Plant disease  
60 Deli buy  
62 Pref. of remark  
63 Part 3 of remark  
68 Alaskan city  
70 "Unlovable" Ness  
71 "Seinfeld" character  
73 — vera  
74 Cheer-leader's maneuver  
76 Hands (out)  
78 Gnome's kin  
80 Troop grp.  
81 Buster Brown's dog  
82 Florida city  
84 Mughal's city  
85 Disney dog  
87 — stands by  
88 Jeremy of "Bridgeshead Revisted"  
89 Combat mission  
91 Give off  
93 Speaker of remark  
95 Fix  
98 One of the Judds  
100 Smell — (be suspicious)  
101 Gather rulers  
102 Fast fier  
103 Singer Sumac  
104 Large tub  
107 End of remark  
115 Canterbury can  
116 Past  
117 Pleasant  
118 Natural gas component  
119 Bnol brew  
120 Comics' nose  
121 Demi or Dudley  
122 Hook on a hawk  
**DOWN**  
1 Thwart  
2 In the know  
3 Pull the Trigger?  
4 "M\*A\*S\*H" extras  
5 Urban transport  
6 Tourist's neckwear  
7 "Nightmare" street  
8 Current unit  
9 Impresario  
10 Before, to Byron  
11 Sousa-phone's cousin  
12 Tucked in  
13 Soft tone  
14 Induce the jitters  
15 Chef's shield?  
16 Lenya or Lehmann  
18 Actress Davidovich  
20 Ra son d'—  
24 Obi, for instance  
25 Curious component  
26 — Gras  
31 Son of Isaac  
32 Inc., in England  
33 Unexpected obstacles  
34 Related  
35 With  
43 Across, famed puppeteer  
36 Env. abbr.  
37 Like some pretzels  
38 Martin or Lelo  
39 Grasped  
40 Steel beam  
41 Endure  
42 Try bger  
44 Yale or Root  
46 Began to like  
47 Redolence  
48 Verne captain  
50 Baseball essential  
51 Express Bombeck  
55 Curly poker?  
56 78 Stallone flick  
57 Pro Joe LeMay  
59 Draft device  
60 Make argyles  
61 — Orn  
62 Lupino and Canlor  
64 Hagar the Horrible's wife  
65 First name in tennis  
66 Actress Wilson  
67 — de France  
68 Novelist Below  
69 "Casa-blanca" character  
72 — Marbles  
74 Flight segment  
75 English statesman  
76 Vinile  
77 In addition  
79 Charge  
82 Spoken  
83 Command to Fido  
84 Formerly, formerly  
86 It makes rye high  
88 Adjective suffix  
89 Juan's wrap  
90 "Sat — tuffet ..."  
92 Accident  
94 Siren  
95 Dread-locked one  
96 High-tech messes  
97 Singer Freda  
98 Horse's relative  
99 Forest father  
102 February forecast  
103 Knight time  
104 Perfume bottle  
105 Periodic table  
106 MTV newer  
108 — top  
109 — Kippur  
110 Overly  
111 Cable channel  
112 End for "auction"  
113 Legendary  
114 — Na Na



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ARIA BORON BARBER TARA  
LESS IDIOT SNIPER OLLIN  
CASCADES RUT DRAINING  
EXEIS TERRA ODD  
AGNES REENACT SEGAL  
CLOTIS WOE SCROO ARBOR  
AIM HITS TOGET RATE  
TSE ALLIGHT SAMOA STE  
TRIBUTE ALOIS UPSHOT  
NOISE MAIR A CAIR  
PEANUT LAPSE CZARINA  
EAR TENOR AMOUNT OHO  
ATOM ROBOT DIOR TEA  
RESIN GOURD LEE CARAT  
NEXUS SNEERED CLAED  
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(29014294) \$245,000



**Highland** 248-684-1065  
Enjoy the 1/2 acre parcel backing to nature preserve! 2 story foyer, HDWD flrs. GR w/ stone FP vaulted ceiling. MBR w/ WC. 3 car heated garage.  
(28203761) \$200,000



**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Luxury riverfront condo in downtown Milford across from Central Park! Craftsman style inspired with fin w/o oak cabs, granite tops, HDWD flrs, deck.  
(28129939) \$460,000



**Novi** 248-348-6430  
Island Lake 5 BR, 3.1 BA w/ 1st fl Mstr BIT in 2002. Prof decorated. Open floor plan, 4007 sqft, LG lot w deck & stamped patio. 2 starcases, 2 furnaces, 2 a/c, daylight BSMT, close to schools & X way.  
(28099363) \$617,500



**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Darling Bungalow! Almost 1 acre. Newly painted, hardwood flrs thru-out. Stained woodwork, new window, new vinyl siding. Plaster walls w/ oval archways. Formal dining & living rm.  
(28086463) \$159,000



**Birmingham** 734-455-7900  
BIRMINGHAM BEAUTY! Stunning home, an extra + in dream 3BR/3 BA fin bsmt. HD flrs, recessed lighting, granite w/ kitchen, granite & phenomenal mstr ste. Seeing is believing.  
(29033748) \$675,000



**Commerce** 248-684-1065  
Waterfront! 24 Ft. pontoon included for night offer! Wrap around deck, patio, shed, paver walk to boat dock. Don't leave in lower level. Pella windows.  
(290126239) \$349,000



**Holly** 248-684-1065  
Beautifully maintained 2 BR ranch w/ lake access to Spring Lake and all sports. Crotched Lake 3 car garage & separate heated Workshop. Wooded lot.  
(29016532) \$119,500



**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Home with 3.9 acres. First floor laundry. Unfinished basement. Two car attached garage with side entry. Dining, living and family rooms. Library study.  
(29017806) \$334,900



**Novi** 248-348-6430  
Friendly Family Sub. Great Location! Remodeled colonial w/ LG GR & MSTR. Neutral Paint, Pella Windows, newer roof, furnace & A/C. MSTR w/ WC, 5 therapeutic spa tub. Fenced yard w/ pool & brick patio.  
(28191537) \$299,700



**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Ready To Move In Ranch style condo w/ open flr plan. Features 2 BR, mstr br 2/2 closets, 2 full baths, grm w gas fp, dining rm w doorway to deck. Home is handicap accessible.  
(28150911) \$139,900



**Brighton** 248-437-3800  
Great Home To Entertain In Wide open floor plan! Plus, vaulted ceilings, fireplace & lots of windows. 1st flr mstr suite w jetted tub. Large kitchen w island floors. Prof fin bsmt.  
(28187801) \$259,000



**Commerce Twp** 248-348-6430  
Great Home. With Many Updates! New roof & siding, newer windows, well & finished W/O BSMT. Newer decks on front & rear. Enjoy lake access on all sport lake! Must see, ready to move right in!  
(28144672) \$179,900



**Livonia** 248-851-4100  
OPEN FRI SUN 1.5 8 MILE & NEWBURGH AREA. New, spacious & open. High ceilings, large GR & DR, eat in kitchen, 1st flr laundry. Customized to suit. Site includes landscape & street maintenance.  
(28181554) \$279,900



**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Country setting, beautiful, move in ready ranch home on 2.36 acres across from Highland Rec Area. Huge FR w/ fin W/O LL. Barn, hay loft, pole barn.  
(29007050) \$319,900



**Novi** 248-348-6430  
Lovely Colonial Backs To Woods. Dramatic 2 story foyer welcomes you! Open floor plan, lovely GR w fireplace, gourmet KIT w granite & 42" maple cabinetry, extensive use of hardwood & much more.  
(29013211) \$289,900



**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Just Listed! Take a closer look at this all brick ranch fm. Brand new carpeting in large living rm w dining area. Spacious kitchen w eating area was remodeled 05. Quick Occ.  
(29041467) \$139,900



**Canton** 248-851-1900  
COMET GRANITE KITCHEN! WONDERFUL 3 BR/2 BA w island & stainless steel appliances. Vaulted master suite w WVC & living tub. 2 story foyer. 2nd floor laundry. 1st flr turn to granite wet bar 2605 SF.  
(29045522) \$275,000



**Dearborn** 248-348-6430  
Charming 80 Sq Ft Ranch Newer A/C, furnace, water heater, roof, flooring & kitchen counter windows 1996. Knotty pine finished basement. Tons of Storage. Just move in!  
(29018590) \$72,000



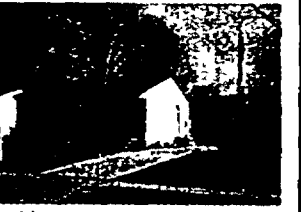
**Livonia** 734-591-9200  
Colonial listed in Mayflower Estates. Get curb appeal & shows like a model home. New hdwd flrs in LR & DR. Eat in kitchen, 1st flr laundry. Customized to suit. Site includes landscape & street maintenance.  
(29019433) \$249,900



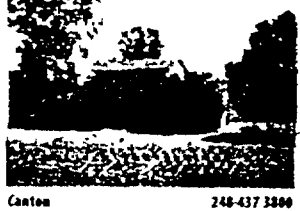
**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Custom 2900 Sq Ft home on .79 acre lot. Minutes from Village, Granite, wood & ceramic flrs. F, FP, B pavers, fresh paint t/o, 3+ heated Gar. Priced to sell fast!  
(29043383) \$314,900



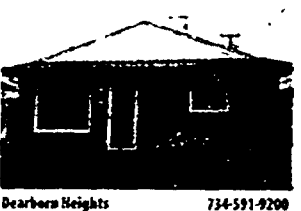
**Novi** 248-348-6430  
In The Heart Of Novi Where Everything Is Walk to the holiday parades, Civic Center, Library, high school, tennis courts & police station. 3 BR, 2.5 BA, LIB, great FM w FP, newer KIT, LG deck w hottub.  
(29015226) \$284,500



**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Contemporary Remodeled Home. Stately brick ranch exterior disguises this contemporary remodeled fm. Eat in kit, w maple cabinets, stainless steel appl, ceramic flr & open to living rm.  
(29043249) \$134,900



**Canton** 248-437-3800  
Colonial on 5.10 Prime Acres! 1 acre splits available. Hm offers lrg finished bsmt & incred ble land on both sides of Fellows Creek. Perfect to update or tear down & build your dream home.  
(28161094) \$249,500



**Dearborn Heights** 734-591-9200  
Clean 3 Bedroom, Two Bathroom Ranch in Crestwood School District. Updtd incl full fin BSMT w full BA, kit updt'd w poss bility of Breakfast Bar. Upstps BA remodeled 08. brick paver patio, lg blk yd.  
(28078061) \$134,900



**Livonia** 734-284-5400  
PACK YOUR BAGS & COME HOME! 3 possible 4 BD, 2.5 BA brick colonial. Natural fireplace in family room w/ door wall to deck & backyard w/ 2 Koi ponds. Fin basement. 2 car attached garage.  
(28197688) \$189,617



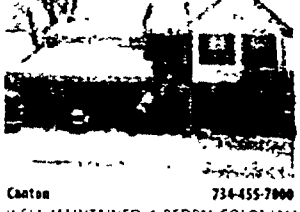
**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Charming 3 BR ranch w/ 1.1 BA, HDWD flrs, New carpet. Neutral decor. Skylight in kit. Part fin bsmt. Patio and fenced yard. Sep. fenced kennel shed.  
(29003227) \$110,000



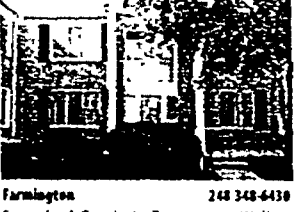
**Novi** 248-348-6430  
Lovely 3 Bedroom Colonial with cherry kitchen, granite island, great room with transom window & gas fireplace, formal dining room, 2nd floor laundry, large basement plumbed for bath.  
(29015355) \$260,000



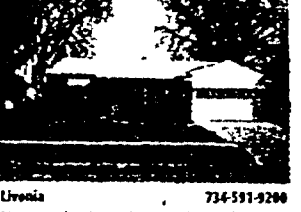
**South Lyon** 248-437-3800  
Cute smaller home on double lot! Lots of upgrades and natural charm. Great for first time home buyer or investor. Newer roof and windows, front door, furnace, electric and plumbing. A Must See!  
(28170169) \$99,900



**Canton** 734-455-7900  
WELL MAINTAINED 4 BEDRM COLONIAL! Corner lot w side garage, 2 story hdwd foyer, kitchen w breakfast nook. Fam rm w FP, formal dining, living rm, fin bsmt. Exterior painted in 08. Priced to sell!  
(29011426) \$230,000



**Farmington** 248-348-6430  
Furnished Condo In Farmington Walk to downtown Farmington from this furnished condo including all kitchen appl, & washer & dryer. New paint, new carpet. Move right into this upper unit.  
(28119721) \$49,500



**Livonia** 734-591-9200  
Nice size brick ranch in the heart of the city. Newer kitchen, cupboards, hardwood floors in bedrooms. under carpet in LR, spacious corner lot.  
(29027682) \$174,900



**Novi** 248-288-2900  
Awesome brick home! Tastefully decorated 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath tudor home. Updated kit, newer flrs w windows, recently painted. Hdwd flrs, fin bsmt w trlp, spacious liv rm w trlp.  
(28192562) \$126,900



**Plymouth** 734-455-7900  
YOUR PERFECT SHANGRI LA ON 1.24 ACRES! Fabulous resort estate on priv cul de sac. Brick circular dr is gateway to this home w magnificent 2-story stone FP, tennis, basketball, pool, sauna & hot tub.  
(29037228) \$985,000



**Walled Lake** 248-684-1065  
Well maintained and updated condo! HDWD flrs on entry level. Natural FP in cathedral ceiling living room. Part fin bsmt. Some ceilinging apply.  
(29019456) \$135,500



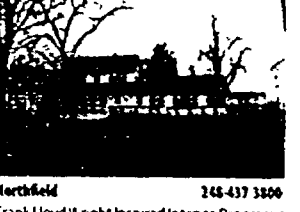
**Canton** 734-455-7900  
PERFECTION + QUALITY = AMAZING! Newly remodeled t/o w hardwood flrs, granite, cozy fr. This 2 story grand room condo awaits you. 2.5 BA + lg lot overlooking grand rm. 2 car garage + bsmt.  
(29034855) \$159,890



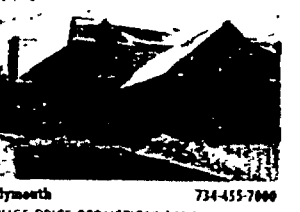
**Garden City** 248-348-6430  
Beautifully Remodeled 3BR brick ranch. 1945F. Gorgeous updated KIT LR, FR, BR, FST RM. Full BSMT. Newer roof, windows, All appls. Move in ready. Walk to elementary LG fenced yard.  
(29043758) \$125,000



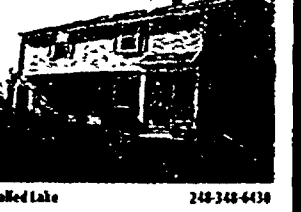
**Livonia** 734-591-9200  
Get curb appeal. 3 BR Brick Ranch. Updtd kitchen, bath, just painted new glass blk, newer roof. Turn 10 yrs old, fin area in bsmt. Cld be 4th BR. Huge 1/2 acre lot. Hme warranty. Not Bank owned or short sale.  
(29043723) \$159,500



**Northfield** 248-437-3800  
Frank Lloyd Wright Inspired Interior Panoramic views of private all sports Horse Shoe Lake. Vaulted open 1st flr w extensive windows captures views from most rms. 4 season rm w southern exposure.  
(29019404) \$299,900



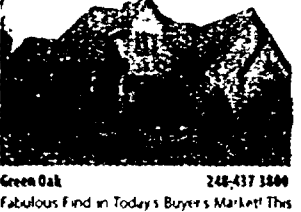
**Plymouth** 734-455-7900  
HUGE PRICE REDUCTION! \$60K in upgrades in 07. Fin w cherry cabs, corian countertop & ceramic tile. New paint. 07 Hickory dwd flr in GR & foyer. 1st flr mstr BR & laundry.  
(29024591) \$279,900



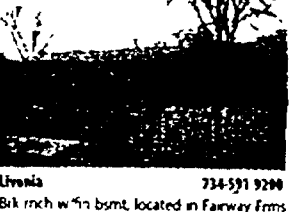
**Walled Lake** 248-684-1065  
Updated End Unit Townhouse Bargain Price! Just listed Walled Lake condo w brand new hardwood flrs, updated kitchen & baths, FINISH BSMT & ATT garage. Newer windows & all appliances ready to move in W/OBS!  
(28174084) \$89,000



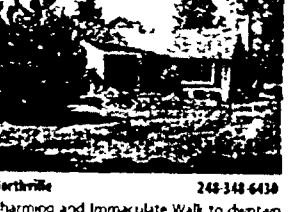
**Canton** 734-455-7900  
CONTEMPORARY RANCH CONDO! Stylish 1st flr mstr suite w high ceilings, granite kitchen, fireplace, 1st flr attached garage. Call today!  
(28162752) \$144,500



**Green Oak** 248-437-3800  
Fabulous Find in Today's Buyer's Market! This colonial home with 1st floor den has lots of potential. Home in great neighborhood. Beautiful back yard setting to enjoy. Spacious kitchen all appl.  
(29033034) \$219,000



**Livonia** 734-591-9200  
Bk ranch w fin bsmt, located in Fairway Farms Sub n't to Wild GC. Vinyl w/d updt'd furn & AC. Updtd elec, newer landscap w sprinkler syst. Glass blk wind, open kit w pargo flr. Appl incl. 1 fam rm w gas fp.  
(29039805) \$169,900



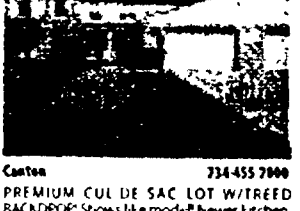
**Northville** 248-348-6430  
Charming and immaculate Walk to downtown Northville! Cozy yet bright & cheery home. Updates w/d roof furn HVAC. LT new carp t/o. Cove cel, gas FP w bk hearth in LR. 11m w skylight.  
(28139466) \$320,000



**Redford** 248-348-6430  
Custom 2006 Home Priced To Sell! Living room with fireplace. Dining area overlooks large backyard. Outstanding master & BA w jacuzzi & se, shower & WC. First floor L&V & laundry 2+ garage.  
(29004547) \$164,900



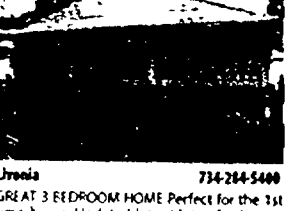
**Waterford** 248-348-6430  
Hard To Find Ranch In Lake Shores Sub! Well maintained home nestled in wooded lot. Spacious 1st flr w bay window & LG eating area. 1st flr laundry. 3rd BR used as den (no closet). Hardwood flrs. Deck.  
(28119638) \$200,000



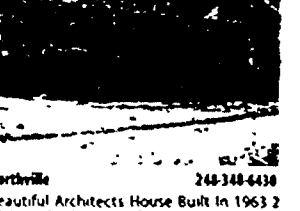
**Canton** 734-455-7900  
PREMIUM CUL DE SAC LOT W/TREED BACKDROP! Shows like model! Newer kitchen, bamboo flooring t/o 1st flr, gas FP garden tub, sep shower, huge d/drm, decor color, etc. So much more for the money!  
(29040724) \$139,900



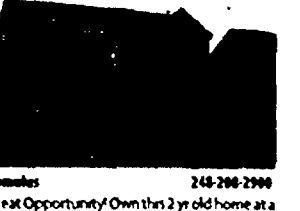
**Highland** 248-684-1065  
Custom built lakefront home, 1.7 acres. Maple cabs & granite t/o 2 kts & baths. 2 story GR w/ gas fp. 1st flr mstr w ba & 2 WCs. Fin W/O, prof landscaping.  
(29045312) \$499,900



**Livonia** 734-284-5400  
GREAT 3 BEDROOM HOME! Perfect for the 1st time buyer. Updated kit w lots of cabinets. Appl are included. New furnace & hvt in 2003. Lifetime composite deck around above ground pool.  
(29036097) \$79,900



**Northville** 248-348-6430  
Beautiful Architects House Built In 1963. 2 way fireplace in living room, eat in kitchen. Great storage space. Close to shopping, dining, expressways.  
(28164581) \$214,900



**Romulus** 248-200-2900  
Great Opportunity! Own this 2 yr old home at a great price! 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths, just needs some elbow grease and kitchen rehab.  
(28167307) \$84,900



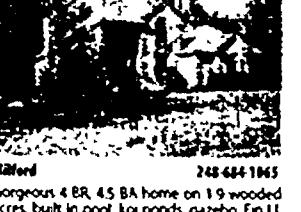
**Westland** 734-591-9200  
Clean Ranch. 1103 sq ft. 4BRs 1.5 Bath. Refin hdwd flrs, updt'd kit, updt'd BA's, new AC and Furn 2006. Home in well kept Walled Lake elem schoolbck yd w pool. Grt yard for entertaining.  
(29015365) \$134,900



**Canton** 734-455-7900  
BETTER THAN NEW! 2 bedrooms/2 full baths, cathedral ceiling, lots of windows, all appliances, neutral decor, attached garage, close to pool.  
(28110431) \$110,000



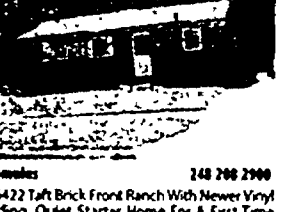
**Highland** 248-684-1065  
Sweet home in Huntwood! Neutral & move in ready! Fin BSMT w/ corner bar Mstr BA w/ stone tile HDWD flrs, crown moulding, ceramic baths, jetted tub patio.  
(29017348) \$229,000



**Milford** 248-684-1065  
Gorgeous 4 BR, 4.5 BA home on 1.9 wooded acres, built in pool, koi ponds, gazebo, Fin LL W/O w/ enclosed hot tub rm, wet bar & FP. 1st flr MBR. Patio deck.  
(29029411) \$550,000



**Northville** 248-348-6430  
Beautiful Condo For Lease! Long term accepted. 2 way fireplace in living room, eat in kitchen. Great storage space. Close to shopping, dining, expressways.  
(29042961) \$1,550



**Romulus** 248-200-2900  
16422 Taft Brick Front Ranch With Newer Vinyl Siding. Quiet Starter Home For A First Time Home Buyer Or An Investor. Bank Owned Being Sold As Is.  
(27210874) \$50,000



**Tyngton** 248-437-3800  
Just Listed! Hard to find ranch on a spacious southern exposure lot. Offering spacious mstr suite w private bath, giant open kitchen w/ oversized new frg, heated pool.  
(29041764) \$148,900

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