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ON THE RECORD DIA lecture

The Northville Art House brings the Detroit Institute of Arts to Northville in a continuing series of lectures highlighting current exhibitions at the DIA on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Discover the art of South of the Border May 6, from ancient Americans to Diego Rivera and beyond. In addition, the DIA will discuss the symbolism of



and techniques used to create the images of the current retrospective exhibit of the colonial arts of Latin America called Saints & Angels

currently on display at the Art House. Cost is \$5 per person payable at the door of the Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady. Call (248) 344-0497 for more information.

Cox cleans up

Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox is hosting her fifth annual Park Clean-Up Day on



Saturday, May 9. The cleanup will take place at the Bennett Arboretum and Northville Recreation area from 9 a.m. to noon. Registration

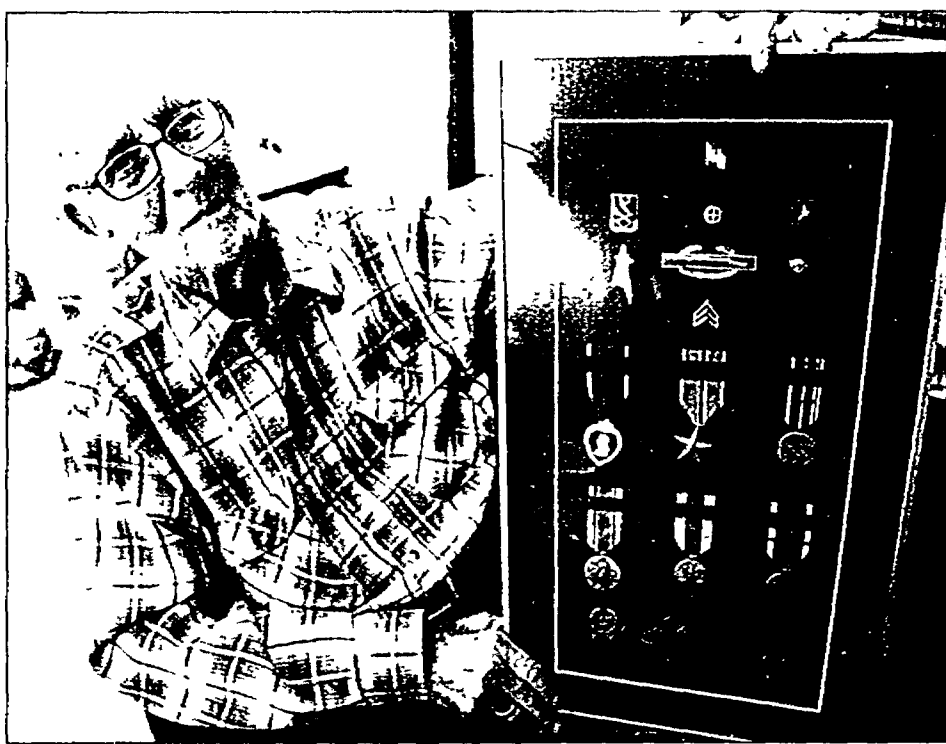
begins at 8:30 a.m. Parking is located across the street at Cass Benton. Commissioner Cox will provide the first 50 volunteers with a pair of tickets to a Detroit Tigers game.

Contact Jordyn Salmon at (313) 224-0946 to sign up.

Get gardening

Gardenviews, 202 W. Main Street in downtown Northville, will be offering a free gardening seminar from 1-2:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, featuring author/advanced master gardener Janet Macunovich who will share her favorite plants and why they are her favorites. Seating is limited and reservations will be taken by phone at (248) 380-8881.

■ Craft receives medal for role in WWII



WWII veteran and Northville resident William Craft displays a frame full of medals, including a Purple Heart, he received while fighting in Europe.

France honors former Amerman principal

BY CAL STONE
EDITOR

Most folks in Northville know William Craft as the former principal at Amerman Elementary School. Now he's been officially recognized by France as one of its heroes for his role as a soldier in World War II.

But before we go there, first some background...

Craft, now 85, started working in the Northville district in 1968 after 15 years as an educator in Detroit. He had graduated from Wayne State University under the GI (Government Issue) bill.

"They say that money spent to send veterans to college was the best investment the country ever made," said Craft. "I know it was beneficial to me."

When he got out of the service, Craft was working for a company in the shipping and receiving department. He asked his boss how long he'd been working there.

"Twenty-five years, and he was making \$1.20 an hour; I was making \$1.05. I said to myself, I think I'll investigate the GI bill," said Craft.

His boss told him he was too dumb.

"How's that for encouragement," said Craft. "If he hadn't said that, I might not have gone to school."

Craft said his first year at Wayne State was difficult, and he earned mostly C's and D's. He graduated in 1952 and then earned his master's at the University of Michigan in 1954. He served as an assis-

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ABOUT THE HONOR



The Légion d'honneur or Ordre national de la Légion d'honneur (National Order of the Legion of Honour) is a French order established by Napoleon Bonaparte, First Consul of the First Republic, on May 19, 1802. The Order is the highest decoration in France and is divided into five various degrees: Chevalier (Knight), Officier (Officer), Commandeur (Commander), Grand Officier (Grand Officer) and Grand Croix (Grand Cross).

The badge of the Légion is a five-armed "Maltese Asterisk" in gilt (in silver for chevalier) enameled white, with an enameled laurel and oak wreath between the arms. The obverse central disc is in gilt, featuring the head of Marianne, surrounded by the legend République Française on a blue enamel ring. The reverse central disc is also in gilt, with a set of crossed tricolores, surrounded by the Légion's motto Honneur et Patrie (Honour and Fatherland) and its foundation date on a blue enamel ring. The badge is suspended by an enameled laurel and oak wreath.

The honor was first awarded July 14, 1804. The maximum quotas for the five degrees are 125,000, Knight, 10,000, Officer, 1,250 Commander, 250, Grand Officer; and 75, Grand Cross.

Leaders: Northville weathers hard times

■ State of community far from critical

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Northville is suffering from the economic realities of 2009 like other communities, but it's holding its own, according to leaders in the city and township.

Four major players reported on the status of the city of Northville and Northville Township last Wednesday at the annual State of the Community luncheon, sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, at Meadowbrook Country Club.

This year, Rep. Marc Coriveau (D-Northville) presented some brief comments for the first time in the address' history. The state representative said the community has one of the lowest unemployment rates in the state.

"We have a lot going for us," he said. "And, although we're suffering through tough economic times, we are all on the same page."

Coriveau said the state is losing \$100 million a month in revenue and will surmount a \$1.5-billion deficit by 2012.

"We're used to the old Michigan, and we're going to be facing some very tough decisions," he said. "We're going to have to work together."

Coriveau said the manufacturing industry fed Michiganders for a century. "The reality that I see is that Michigan has to figure out how to do other things," such as promoting tourism even more and participating in what he



PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo addresses the annual State of Community luncheon held last Wednesday at Meadowbrook Country Club.



Northville Mayor Christopher Johnson addresses the State of Community gathering at the Meadowbrook Country Club on April 22.

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Northville Community Park paving denied

■ Budget concerns halt improvement costing \$100,000

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

It was a case of that was then and this is now.

Northville Township leaders had planned to spend about \$100,000 to pave the parking lot at Community Park on Beck Road north of Five Mile Road, but those plans were scrapped at last Thursday's township board meeting.

"We know that next year our

revenues in the township will be down by 10 percent, we are in a hiring freeze, anyone who leaves will not be replaced at this time, and department heads salaries are also frozen for now," said Mark Abbo, township supervisor.

So, the Community Park paving project is one capital improvement that Abbo and other board members said will

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Northville woman named Volunteer of Year

■ Angela Hospice picks Margaret Levine

With over 500 volunteers supporting its programs for patients and their families, Angela Hospice has a lot to be grateful for when it comes to the dedication of its unsung heroes. Volunteers assist the organization in a multitude of ways, whether providing companionship for patients, completing clerical tasks, answering phones, baking cookies and

pies, or any of the other duties they embrace. Volunteers make up the heart and soul of many organizations, and Angela Hospice is no exception.

"I know I speak on behalf of all of our staff and those we serve when I say how grateful I am for the volunteers who give their time and talents to Angela Hospice," said Sister Mary Giovanni, Angela Hospice

president and CEO. "I am always amazed when the hours are tallied up, to realize how much they give to our mission. Some volunteers have been with us more than 20 years."

The hospice took the opportunity to say "Thank You" last week during National Volunteer Week. Hawthorne Valley Country Club in Westland hosted a dinner and awards ceremony for Angela Hospice's volunteers on April 21, where awards were presented to volunteers who had reached milestones for each five years or 500 hours of service. Ninety-one volunteers received pins for these achievements, including 15 Northville residents. Among them were Lucille Hoedl and Marilou Weyburne who received their 20-year pins.

"In her more than 20 years of service, Lucille Hoedl has provided support to almost every department in our agency," said

NORTHVILLE RECOGNITIONS

Nancy Czanko (500 Hours); Michele Demers (1000 Hours); Carolyn Duncan (3000 Hours); Judi Fortuna (5 Years & 1000 Hours); Norma Hardenbergh (500 Hours); Lucille Hoedl (20 Years & 2500 Hours); Sue Kurylo (10 Years); Lily Lester (10 Years); Margaret Levine (2000 Hours & Volunteer of the Year); Judy O'Meara (10 Years); Jan Paquette (5 Years); Arnold Rzepecki (15 Years); Isabel Schultz (8000 Hours); Marilou Weyburne (20 Years); Carmen Zahra (10 Years).

volunteer and spiritual care manager Donna Kolodsick. "Lucille's willingness, sense of humor, and generosity of spirit are admired by all who work with her. Marilou Weyburne has touched the lives of countless patients and families with



PHOTO BY KEITH KOLODSICK

Northville resident Margaret Levine (center) was presented with Angela Hospice's Volunteer of the Year Award. She is pictured with (from left) the hospice's executive director Mary Beth Moning; volunteer coordinators Lisa Delgado and Syndie Best; and volunteer and spiritual care manager Donna Kolodsick.

her loving kindness, providing respite that replenished the caregiver, and companionship that nourished and uplifted the patient."

A special honor, Volunteer of the Year, was given to Northville resident Margaret Levine. Levine, who helps out with home care, the Angela Hospice Care Center, and bereavement services, showed surprise and humility as she accepted her award and was given a standing ovation by her fellow volunteers.

"We were proud to name Margaret our Volunteer of the Year," said Kolodsick. "She gives of herself and her time generously, offering a kind word, a listening ear, a gentle smile, and her warm heart to the patients and families she serves."

In total, volunteers contribute 35,000 hours each year to the programs of Angela Hospice. For more information or to apply as a volunteer at Angela Hospice, visit www.angela-hospice.org, or contact Donna Kolodsick at (734) 953-6024.

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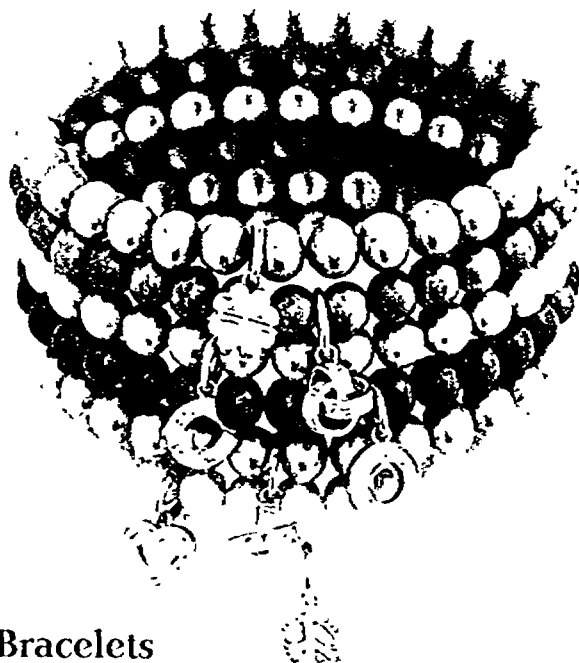
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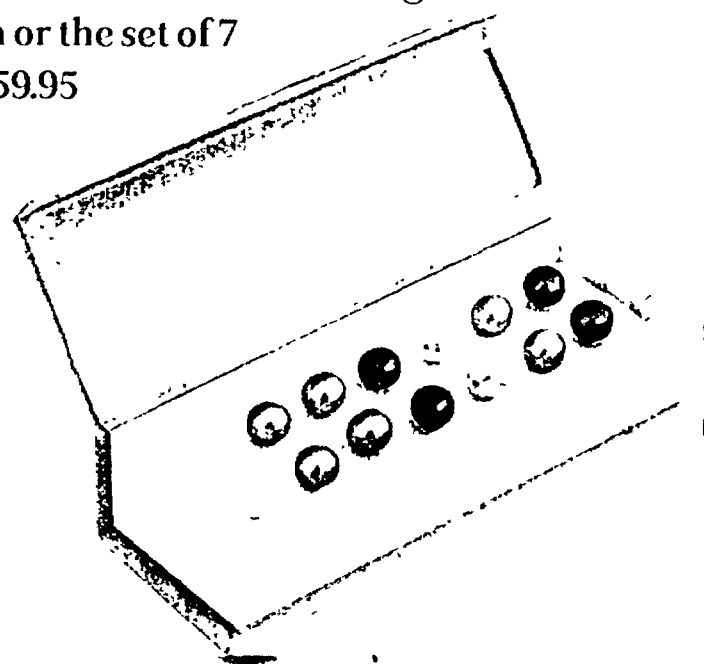
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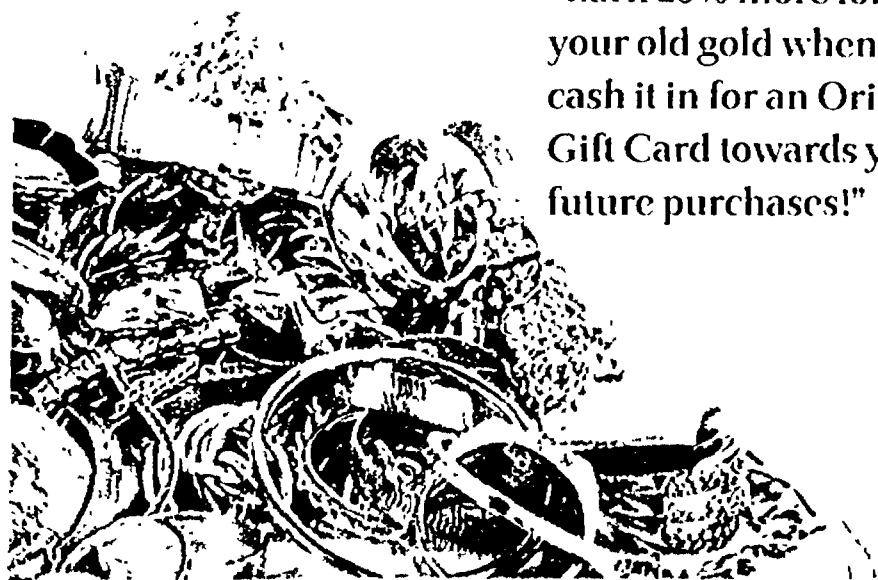


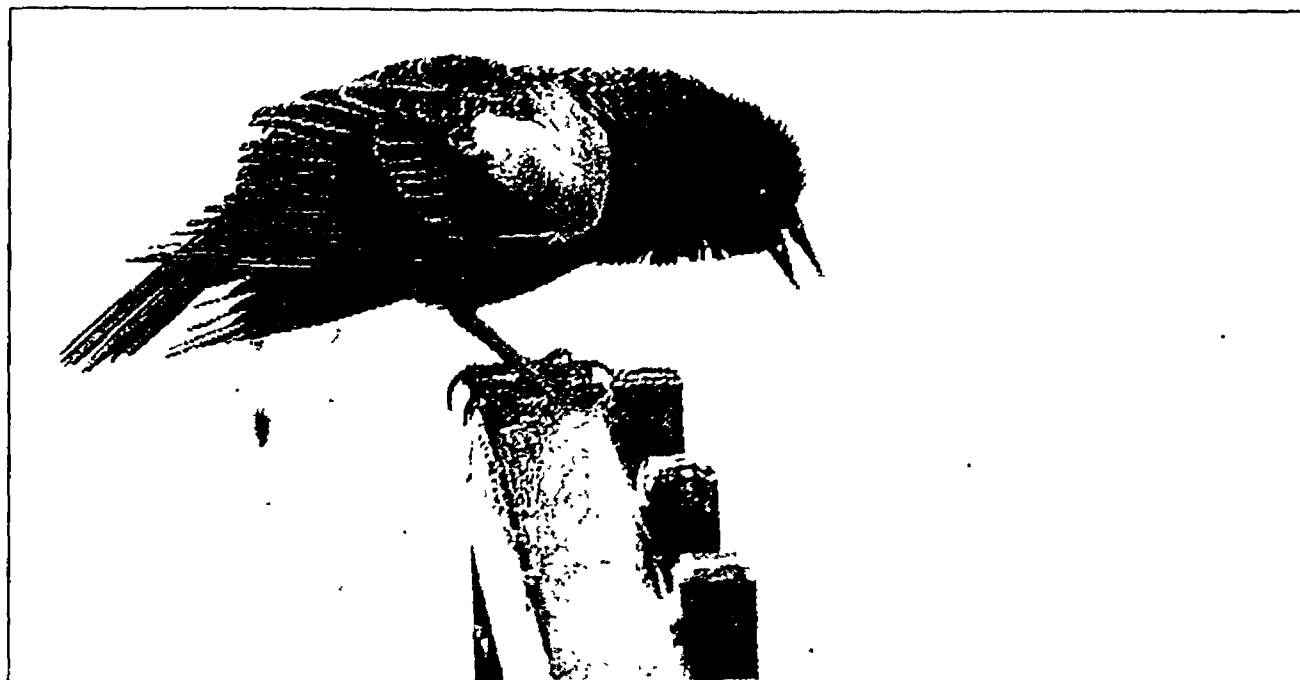
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Photographer Erick Lavoie has been capturing photos by land, air and sea as he has traveled around the world.



Northville Art House opens its exhibit, "Saints & Angels: Colonial Arts of Latin America," at the First Friday Art & Fashion Walk.

Saints & Angels: First Friday to feature Latin American art

■ Art House show runs through May 24

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Art aficionados can enjoy a rare opportunity to view art from south of the border when the Northville Art House opens its exhibit, "Saints & Angels: Colonial Arts of Latin America," at the First Friday Art & Fashion Walk Friday night.

Merchants from the Northville Central Business Association present the monthly event.

The Art House's opening reception from 6-9 p.m. will include complimentary refreshments for visitors while they view a retrospective exhibition of 50 paintings and sculptures from a private Michigan collection.

The exhibit, on view through May 24 in the main gallery at 215 W. Cady St., will feature works by anonymous artists and artisans, with the focus on 18th century religious paint-

ings from Latin America and 19th century Mexican folk retablos — small paintings of images on sheets of tin.

Older pieces show virgins, saints, angels and Christ figures. Many of the subjects are in elegant lace, satin and velvet, plumes or armor. The origins for the 18th-century paintings are art academies established by New World priests who trained Native Indian artists.

The works were generally inspired by European religious etchings. Local artists adapted the original images, and the art evolved into a unique Latin American style that featured native flora and fauna in the background, gold gilt decoration and brilliant use of reds and blues.

The Northville Art House provides art enrichment and education to Northville and surrounding communities through concerts, classes, art

shows and public art.

For additional information, contact the Northville Art House at (248) 344-0497, www.northvillearts.org, or visit the gallery from 1-5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday. The Art House is a facility of the Northville Arts Commission and is affiliated with the city of Northville. Admission to exhibits is always free and open to the public.

STARRING "THE GALLERY"

At Starring "The Gallery," at 118 W. Main St., artist Mary Poole of Northville, former owner of Poole's Tavern, and her mother, Elaine Major, will display several of their pieces. This is a pre-Mother's Day event, and the artists will be at the gallery to meet and greet visitors from 6-9 p.m. Friday.

For the past 12 years, photographer Erick Lavoie has been capturing photos by land,

air and sea as he has traveled around the world.

An engineer, Lavoie enjoys making the most of camera technology and computer processing techniques to create his images.

This includes combining multiple photos for panoramic images and multiple exposures.

Lavoie has a bachelor's degree and master's degree in mechanical and aerospace

engineering from Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. He is currently leading the launch of an automatic parking system at Ford Motor Co. called Active Park Assist.

He will be available to discuss his work from 6-9 p.m. at the gallery.

For more information, call (248) 347-1642.

Other galleries in downtown Northville participating in

the First Friday event include Northville Gallery at 123 E. Main St., (248) 465-9630, and the Tom James Gallery of Fine Art, 117 E. Main St., (248) 349-0105.

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Trustees tour REIS property

■ Developer takes township officials on look-see of former hospital land

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

As the saying goes, a picture is worth a thousand words.

Last Tuesday, Northville Township trustees and staff had the opportunity to go on a short tour of the grounds of the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital, with representatives from developer REIS-Northville.

REIS is a partnership between Real Estate Interests Group and Schostak Brothers & Company.

The tour took place at 2 p.m. and included walking the wooded areas and some of the buildings.

The township is in the midst of trying to negotiate a purchase of the property from the developer at a price of \$23.5 million. REIS purchased the land from the state for \$31.5 million.

Trustee Mary Gans said REIS

did collapse a certain section of the tunnels on the property so that trespassers can't go from building to building.

"They've done an awful lot of cutting (during the tree harvesting), but when you look around there's still an awful lot of good wood there," Gans said. "And, some of the trees were so thick that the harvesting may help the trees we have," by providing additional sunlight.

Gans said the trustees were impressed by the recreational building on the property that has a pool, a gym, an auditorium and a two-lane bowling alley.

"We don't know if it would be worth trying to renovate anything, because sometimes it's not," he said. Gans said the site is complex and beautiful, and there's quite a difference in the elevation from the north to the south.

SCOPE OF PROPERTY LARGE

Trustee Chris Roosen said, "It's kind of impossible to understand the scope of how large the property is until you can walk around it."

The group looked at some of the boundaries of what the developer would keep and what the township would obtain if the sale were complete.

Roosen said the forest consists of many tall, straight trees with the leaf canopy up high. "It doesn't seem like the next generation of trees are growing up because they're not getting enough sunlight," he said.

The various buildings the group toured were in various states, with some of them vandalized and some not.

"It's a very large, diverse situation with the buildings," Roosen said.

He said the trustees asked the

developer to secure the recreational building in case it is used in the future.

"It's a total unknown," at this point, Roosen said.

He said the board has signed a purchase agreement on the property, but there are all kinds of loose ends to tie up, such as title insurance.

"The property itself seems to offer much potential," said Mindy Herrmann, trustee. "The trees are beautiful, and the property is beautiful. Ultimately, each voter will need to decide whether the cost is worth the potential benefit. I don't think 10 years from now (if the property is purchased) township residents will regret their decision (if they vote yes on the millage to pay for the land) -- even though there will inevitably be some hurdles to cross along the way. Conversely, if the township



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Representatives from developer REIS-Northville took Northville Township staff and trustees on a tour of the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital property on April 21. From left are Mike Benoit, township attorney; Jennifer Frey, director of Community Development; Dick Zanotti from REIS; and Richard Henningsen, township trustee and treasurer.

doesn't purchase the property, I think the majority of residents would regret the extensive development authorized under the consent agreement, along with the associated traffic and beautification issues. Regardless, this

is a decision for our residents, and I hope everyone takes the opportunity to weigh in and vote on this issue."

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AAUW celebrates annual meeting

■ Local chapter holds evening of awards and scholarships

American Association of University Women Northville - Novi celebrated its 34th annual meeting on April 21 with an evening of awards and scholarship presentation at Northville Hills Golf Club. Twenty-two new members were welcomed.

Keynote speaker, Dr. Maureen Linker, PhD, noted that, as a student, she had received an AAUW scholarship. The audience was attentive as she related her adventure teaching women of the Scott Correctional Facility in Northville Township; a commitment that earned her the national AAUW 2006 Susan B. Anthony Award. Referring to prisoners as 'the forgotten women,' she said that unlike her college students, the women read every word of their assignments.

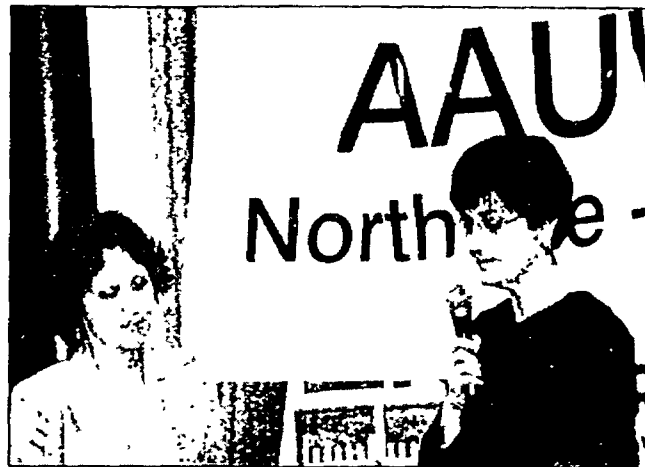
Event Co-Chair Ruth Rickard presented representatives of Schoolcraft Transition Center and Oakland County Community College Womencenter scholarship checks totaling \$1,000. Annual contributions are in addition to AAUW endowments established at both schools to assist a woman student who is completing her education after some lapse of time from high school.

Highlighting events of the year, President Corinne Vincent congratulated the membership on gifts to Remember the Ladies. Total giving of \$6,125 since

WHAT IS AAUW?

The Northville - Novi organization is one of 1,500 branches affiliated with the national American Association of University Women. Its mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research. The local AAUW directs its financial gifts to advance education in the local, national and international community. Membership is open to area college graduates. AAUW Northville - Novi holds a monthly member event, engages in community programs and has six enthusiastic interest groups. For information: northvillenovi-aauw@yahoo.com

the program was started, has purchased 247 books about women of achievement for media centers of 10 Northville - Novi lower schools. Nearly \$2,000 from the branch and its members was given to the Education Foundation for graduate study and research and to the Legal Advocacy Fund for college harassment



Charlotte O'Connor (left), Volunteer Program coordinator for the Transition Center at Schoolcraft Community College, is receiving a check for scholarships from Ruth Rickard, chair of the Northville-Nov American Association of University Women Education Foundation - Legal Advocacy Fund. Rickard was also co-chair for the recent AAUW Annual Meeting held at Northville Hills Golf Club.

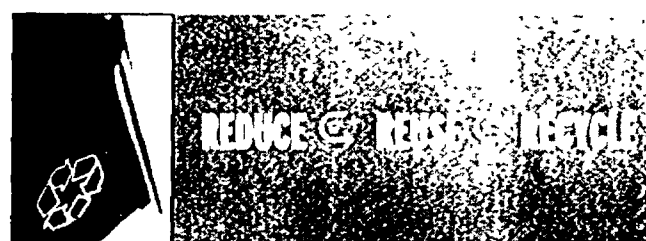
defense. A small gift was awarded to Kids for Afghan Kids.

Jean Hansen received special recognition for her volunteer leadership, over many years, to the Northville Public School, the Northville District Library and AAUW. Immediate Past President Joyce Murdock was presented the most prestigious award, AAUW Education Foundation Named Honor 2009.

Election results for

the next fiscal year are President Corinne Vincent, Vice President - Program Mary Starring, Treasurer Marianne Applegate and Nominating Committee Rhonda York.

AAUW End of the Year Spring Fling is scheduled for May 15 at Fair Lane, the Dearborn estate of Henry and Clara Ford. Plans are well under way for its signature event, the AAUW Home Tour, on September 19 during Victorian Festival weekend.



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NEIGHBORS

NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT



Tracz & Pomazak
Edward and Deborah Tracz, of Northville, announce the engagement of their daughter Rebecca Morgan Tracz, of Chicago, to Robert Rocco Pomazak, of Chicago, son of Angela and Bob Pomazak, of Arlington Heights, Ill. Rebecca earned a bachelor of arts in communication from DePaul University in Chicago and is an account executive at Tribune company. Robert attended North

Central College in Naperville, Ill., earning a bachelor of arts and is currently working on a master's in exercise science/sports performance and injury prevention at California University of Pennsylvania. He is a physical education teacher at Elk Grove High School, Elk Grove Village, Ill., and is the head sophomore football and baseball coach. They plan a July 2009 wedding in Michigan.

NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT



Agoston & Horning
Lou and Donna Agoston of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter Caitlin Anne Agoston to Tyler Horning of Ann Arbor, son of Jay and Tammy Horning of Lancaster, Penn. Caitlin is a 2002 graduate of Marian High School and

a 2006 graduate of Hillsdale College in marketing and communications. She is employed by a media firm in Ferndale. Tyler is a 2006 graduate of Hillsdale College in finance and business. He is employed by a financial firm in Toledo, Ohio. The couple plan a summer 2009 wedding.

NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT



Anderson & McPhail
Richard and Barb Anderson and Patrick and Carol McPhail, all of Northville, announce the upcoming wedding of their children Kara Kristine and Gordon Patrick. Kara is a 1999 graduate of Northville High School and a graduate of Indiana University. She is employed by Sanofi-Aventis Pharmaceuticals as a specialty sales representative. Gordon is a 1998 graduate of Northville High School and a graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed by Walsh Construction as a project engineer. The couple plans a June 6 wedding.

NORTHVILLE BIRTH



Violet J. Melville
Michael and Rachel Melville of Plymouth announce the birth of their daughter, Violet Jude Melville, on April 13, 2009, at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital in Commerce. Her grandparents are Patricia McLain, of Brighton; Blaine DiMassa, of Springhill, Fla.; and Tom and Christine Melville, of Northville. Her great-grandparents are Jean Melville, of Westland; Elsie Breivick, of Warren; Rosemarie DiMassa, of Westland, and Clara Hall, of Brighton.

NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT



Neville & Bezak
Mike and Pam Neville of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter Brittany Lynn Neville of Cleveland Heights, Ohio to Brett Joseph Bezak of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, son of Frank and Christine Bezak of Northville.

Brittany is a 2003 graduate of Novi High School and a 2008 graduate of Grand Valley University. She is employed as a special education teacher in Solon, Ohio. Brett is a 2004 graduate of Northville High School and a 2007 graduate of the University of Michigan and attends Case Western Dental School in Cleveland, Ohio. The couple plan a July 2009 wedding in Novi.

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 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.

NORTHVILLE 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.

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COMMUNITY

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calls the new energy economy.

"We're sitting pretty as far as that since we're going to be the new battery capital of the U.S.," he said, referring to the new automotive battery factory slated to open in the state.

He said the state has always done a good job educating its students but that we need to try to keep them here once they graduate. "We have to get Michigan people to want to live here as well."

He's encouraged by recent efforts to attract the film industry to the state, with its mountains, streams and farms.

"I think we're going to be OK," he said.

TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

Mark Abbo, township supervisor, said his community saw challenges in 2008 that it had never seen before with the failed annexation attempt on the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital.

"I'll never forget how I felt on that election day," he said, talking about the August 2008 primary election when the annexation ballot initiative failed. "We fought the good fight, and we won."

He sees 2009 as a year of moving forward together, especially with an operating millage rate that is 17 percent lower than other Michigan communities.

The township has reduced its budget by half a million dollars. It has also frozen department heads' salaries, initiated a hiring freeze and delayed some capital expenditures.

"This will translate into next year's wealth," Abbo said. "We're in the same boat, so we all need to paddle together."

He said that 12 community projects have been submitted to Gov. Jennifer Granholm for pos-



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Attendees of Wednesday's State of Community luncheon listen to a speaker.

sible funding through the federal stimulus package, and that collaboration in the parks and recreation arena between the city and township of Northville will bring the \$600,000 Coldwater Spring and Linear Park Nature Area to residents this spring.

He thanked Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox for her efforts in moving funding forward for the new pedestrian pathway to be built on Sheldon Road between Six and Seven Mile roads in the near future. The pathway will connect the township to downtown Northville.

"Without your commitment, this project would have never happened," Abbo said to Cox.

He also talked about the purchase agreement in the works with developer REIS-Northville that would give the township ownership of 332 acres of the former state psychiatric hospital on Seven Mile Road east of Northville Road.

If the residents approve a millage next August that would provide funding to make the purchase, it would ensure clean-up of the property; reduce the amount of commercial buildings

on the land, and preserve some of the woodlands, at an average cost of \$150 a year or \$12.50 a month to taxpayers.

The township's vision if the purchase occurs is to maintain the parcel as a low-impact, natural environment that takes advantage of existing pathways and natural rolling terrain so that residents can enjoy the historic trails and natural wildlife.

"We cannot know for sure what the future holds, but we want to lift our state to be the best it can be," Abbo said. "Things are going to be great in Northville."

CITY MAYOR

Mayor of Northville Chris Johnson, who has served for 22 years, said his city has focused on the Downtown Strategic Plan for the past year. He feels

the new Town Square, that opened in October 2008, is starting to get the kind of use it was designed for, as evidenced by large turnouts at the Friday Night Concerts in the summer.

The goal of the \$2-million Sidewalk and Streetscape Project this year is to make sure downtown Northville will be ready for the next 30 years.

Other major improvements he mentioned are the new highway signs that help motorists find downtown Northville, the redo of the Marquis Theatre Parking Lot, the cut-through planned from this lot to Main Street, the opening of Dr. Philip Mayer's office on Main Street where an old house used to be, and successful business seminars the Downtown Development Authority has presented.

Other highlights are the design firm HKS' move to the Water Wheel Centre on South Main Street and the new bookstore that will open soon on Main Street next to Great Harvest Bread Company.

"We are also going to balance the budget," Johnson said, despite having to cut about 10

positions.

He's pleased with the city's new Web site, and said Northville Youth Assistance still serves 1,700 children in the area. He reminded luncheon attendees of the Hazardous Waste Day at the Livonia DPW yard, and that Northville's parade season will kick off soon with the Memorial Day Parade.

SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT

Leonard Rezmierski, Ph.D., superintendent of Northville Public Schools, said the communities educate 7,300 students with a staff of 1,000. The three major efforts that the district focuses on are rigor, relevance and relationships.

"This is a fine, fine school district," he said. The communities attracted 80 new students in September and 37 in February while 87 percent of districts in the state are declining.

He's also proud of Northville students' MEAP scores, which are consistently above the national average. "Our district's scores are 10 percent higher than the state's average, with some scores 38 percent

higher than the state's average," Rezmierski said.

He showed a video of the Kids Against Hunger program in which Northville students packaged food for those less fortunate at an event at the Arab-American Museum in Detroit recently, noting that the food being shipped overseas has a five-year shelf life.

Northville students participated in 100 community service projects in 2007-2008.

"We're very proud of their efforts," Rezmierski said.

He said the district still tries to make each high school graduate possess the following traits: be an analytical thinker, an effective communicator, quality contributor, continuous learner and world-class citizen.

At the end of the presentations, Jody Humphries, chamber executive director, relayed the following message to residents and merchants in these difficult economic times: "If we continue to support one another, we can all get through this."

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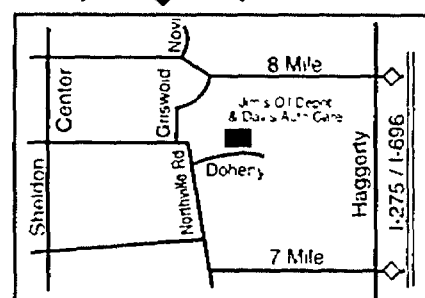
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If you drove through the older Edenderry subdivision last week you would have thought the fall season was just winding down. Homeowner Mike Mnich had a total of 210 bags of leaves. "Usually we wait until around Thanksgiving when all the leaves fall before we get a service to come out," said the longtime Edenderry resident. "But we got hit with a snow storm, and then another and then another...we never saw our grass until the thaw last month." Not sure what kind of mess they had on their hands, the Mnichs had a local service come out and when Mike came home Wednesday, he couldn't believe his eyes. "The first thing I thought of was that there was no way the rubbish removal crew was going to tackle this in one week. My wife felt so bad she even baked a plate of brownies and left them in a nice package with note on top of one of the bags." But to the Mnichs' pleasant surprise, all 210 bags were gone on Monday their regular pick up day. "I'm sure they had to be fairly sore after heaving all of these bags," said Mnich. With over 50 mature trees in their lot as well as many of the older lots in this neighborhood, this is a common occurrence... only in October, not April!



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tant principal in Detroit, and he had moved to Livonia in 1953 where he served on the school board.

Now, he and his wife, Mary, live in Northville, near Hillside Middle School. His first wife, whom he was married to for 48 years, had Alzheimer's and it became impossible for him to care for her, he said. Craft goes to Florida, but just to spend time with his brother. Next month, he's going in for some heart work (he has a pacemaker) and he says he's lost a lot of energy and is very weak.

"My feet were frozen in the war," he said, "and they're more sensitive as time passes. Even the sheets touching them. I wear socks when I go to bed."

Craft and his Army buddies held a reunion a couple of years ago, and several of them indicated they had received the Legion of Honor.

"They said, 'If you're interested, you could apply.' So last summer," said Craft. "I wrote a letter indicating what I had done in France."

In his own words, here is William Craft's experience in World War II.



PHOTO COURTESY WILLIAM CRAFT

Northville resident William Craft's WWII Army portrait. Craft, a recipient of the Purple Heart medal, will soon be receiving a citation and medal from the French government for helping to liberate its country.

as an infantryman, you started digging a hole. But the shells were coming in and you couldn't dig; we were just trying to bury our noses to the dirt as low to the ground as we could. The artillery continued for eight minutes. We started yelling for the medics who walk with the infantry. If you get wounded, about the only thing they can do is try to stop the bleeding. This was before penicillin. They had sulfa powder they'd pour in the wound and leave you until medics could get you out of there. The medics who had picked us up were with the tank battalion and rode in Jeeps. They put us on a stretcher on top of the Jeep and headed back to nearest aid station, a couple miles behind the lines. That's the first place a wounded person goes.

"When we were going back, the captain reached over to me and said, 'Craft, here's my watch and pistol. When you get back to company, give them to a certain lieutenant.' He had a Government-Issued watch and pistol, and he knew they were going to take those away from him at the aid station. When he returned to duty, he didn't know how long it would be before he got them back."

"When we got back to aid station, they took my boot off, both boots. Shrapnel in my right foot; quite a bit of blood in my boot and sock. But I wasn't in any pain, so doctor started sticking pins in my foot. 'Does that hurt?' 'No sir.' 'He kept moving till he found where it hurt. 'Didn't they tell you to keep your feet warm and dry?'"

"But when you're in the infantry that does the actual fighting, you don't have clean or dry socks. You're just trying to stay alive! I didn't have an extra pair of socks. I didn't know anyone who did. Once you get back to battalion headquarters, five miles behind lines, they're eating hot meals. I thought, 'Jesus Christ! How long has he been in service? Chastising me for not having warm and dry socks!'"

He said, "It looks like we'll have to take some toes or a foot off."

I said, "Whoa! Hold on doc before you start doing that." He said, "We're going to move you back to the rear."

"I'll tell you, I wasn't unhappy about that. I couldn't walk. I ended up in Paris in an ambulance. People ask me what Paris was like. I don't know; all I saw was looking out the window of the ambulance. They put me on plane and flew me back to England. It was the first time I'd been on an airplane. I was in

England 10 weeks. When my foot got better, I'd go to shoot darts at the pub.

BACK AT IT

"Then it was either the 'ZI' -- zone of the interior (back in U.S.) -- or send you back to duty. I went before a hearing of doctors, and they said, 'We're sending you back to duty.'"

"I was young, that was alright. I didn't say, 'Wait a minute!' I was a private first class; you didn't question a first or second lieutenant. That was the way it was."

"I returned to my unit and then captain was back who had been wounded. He said, 'Where the hell have you been?'"

"I said, 'The hospital in England.'"

"Really? Where's my pistol and watch?"

"I said, 'I sold them and bought a bicycle when I was in England.'"

"He said, 'Where's my bicycle?'"

END OF THE WAR

"I was back in duty in early February, and the war ended in May."

"There were five campaigns in Europe; one was the Battle of the Bulge in Bastogne. That was the only one I missed of the five. I'm glad I missed that one because we lost a lot of men in the other battles, but we lost a LOT in Battle of Bastogne... snow and cold. I was in a hospital around a pot belly stove with a hot cup of coffee."

"We went on to Germany and came out of there, most of the division, in August or September and I was shipped home. Harry Truman had been in the 35th in WWI. He was now our president; Roosevelt had died. Truman was coming to meet with Joseph Stalin and Churchill at Potsdam. We were the 35th Infantry. The regiment was kept there to be Truman's honor guard. We were stretched out with our rifles saluting him as he drove by, but he went by about 50 mph an hour and you're looking straight ahead."

"After that, we were shipped out of France and sailed home, landing in New York. I was discharged in Chicago and came home."

"I went in the Army weighing 122 pounds; I came out of the service and weighed about 134. My mother said, 'Oh Billy, what did they do to you?' 'I'd grown a little mustache. She said, 'What is that silly thing?' It was off that night."

I have a lot of memories; but I can't remember yesterday."

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OBITUARIES

ELEANOR MARGARET DERY

Age 89 of Petoskey and formerly of South Lyon, MI, passed away on Monday, April 20, 2009 with loving care at Autumn Joy Adult Foster Care Geriatric Family Home in Charlevoix. Previously Eleanor's home of eight years was Independence Village of Petoskey where she had many dear friends. Preceding Eleanor in death was her husband of 58 years, Bernard John Dery, her brother, Melvin F. Auch and her sister in law, Etel Auch. She is survived by her daughter Carolyn (Terry) Chase of Conway, MI, granddaughter, Tamara (Danni) Torongo of Brighton, MI, grandson Ryan Chase (Jenny Dorn) of Indian River, MI, great-grandchildren, Chase, Cora and Morgan Torongo and step great-grandchildren, Taylor Max and Jacob Dorn. Private family services are planned at a later date on Crooked Lake. Family and friends wishing to honor Eleanor's memory with a charitable contribution are asked to consider Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, One Highland Drive, Petoskey MI 49770 or Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield St., Charlevoix, MI 49720. Anyone wishing to offer condolences or share memories of Eleanor with her family is encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com

EDWARD W. DODDS

Of St Ignace, MI. Born August 5, 1970 in Royal Oak, MI. Passed away Monday April 20, 2009 at Northern Michigan Hospital, Petoskey MI. Ed was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, the St Ignace Men's Bowling League and an avid hunter. He was a USA Hockey Referee and recently officiated as a linesman for the Red Red Wings game at the Little Bear East Arena. He was employed as a corrections officer at the Hiawatha Correctional Facility. Survived by his wife, Amy Smith, children, Jake, Haley and Joel, mother Carol Dodds of South Lyon, MI, brother Robert (Keith) Dodds of Novi, MI, father-in-law David (Nancy) Smith of Paradise MI, mother-in-law Garleen (Maun) Quisitalo of Moran, MI, sister-in-law Kimberly (Andrew) Dunowski of St Ignace, MI, step-sister-in-law Lisa (Jimi) Stabile and their daughter Emily of Petoskey, MI, step-brother-in-law Jeff Clarke of Paradise, MI, nieces and nephews Rachel Dodds and Ryan Dodds of Novi, MI and Jana Dunowski of St Ignace, MI. Also survived by many aunts and uncles. Predeceased by his father, Gerald Dodds and many grandparents. Visitation was 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Friday April 24, 2009 and funeral was 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 25, 2009 at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor George Kaiser officiating. Committal services were held on Saturday, April 25, 2009, 2:00 p.m. at the North Ridgeland Cemetery. Memorial contributions to a memorial fund for Ed's children at the UP State Credit Union, St Ignace, MI would be appreciated. Dodson Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

ARLENE A. DUDGEON

Age 74 of Milford, April 24, 2009. Survived by her beloved husband, Robert and their children, Pamela (Ken) Emerson, Deborah (Douglas) Aubrey, Linda (Tom) Krumm, Bob Dudgeon, Lisa Wilson, George (Anita) Dudgeon, 13 grandchildren: two great-grandchildren, brothers, Ralph (Lynn) Maly Roy (Roseanne) Maly and Ken (Sharon) Maly. Also survived by her sisters-in-law, numerous nieces, nephews and loving friends. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty, Milford, Thursday, April 30th at 12 p.m. with Fr. Leo Lukko officiating. For further information please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

DIANE L. HERTLING

Age 67, of Milford, formerly of W Bloomfield, passed away on her Birthday, 4-22-09. Services were held through Lynch & Sons Funeral Home Milford on 4-25. For further info please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

KATHLEEN KUCINSKI

Age 51, of Milford, April 22, 2009. Beloved wife of Randy, Loving mother of Randy and Ryan. Dear sister of Maureen Van Tubergen, Eileen Grima, Mary Gagin and John Sheehan. No services are planned. The family suggests memorial contributions to MDA, 3300 East Sunrise Dr, Tucson AZ 85718 or mda.org. Memorial Service was held Wednesday, 10 a.m. at St Raphael Church, Garden City Generations Funeral & Cremation Services.

EDNA L. MOORE

Age 86, and a lifelong resident of the Milford area, passed away in the care of her family on April 26, 2009. She is survived by her children, Terry Moore and Lisa Moore, both of Highland; grandsons, Pvt. Ryan Bartok, U.S. Army, Nicholas Cooper and Christopher Cooper, brother, Henry Diehl and many dear, loving friends. She was preceded in death by her sister, Katherine Hogan. Edna was well known for her work at National City Bank in Milford where she worked as an assistant manager for many years. Funeral Services were held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Milford, on Wednesday, April 29, 2009, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery. Memorials may be made in her name to Hospice Advantage. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

WILLARD B. NEWMAN

Age 67, of Northville, passed away peacefully April 25, 2009. A Funeral Service was held last Tuesday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. (248) 349-0611. Contributions appreciated to The Capuchins or Mercy Hospice.



RALPH POHL

Age 77, of Milford, April 24, 2009. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Barbara (d. 2000) and his daughter Amber (d. 2008). He is survived by his sons, Ralph Jr. (Jackie) Scott (girlfriend, Jean) grandchildren, Terra, Jamie, Jennifer, Kevin, siblings, Jackie (Jack) Edwards and Melvin Pohl. Also leaves many loving nieces, nephews, extended family members and dear friends. Funeral Service and Military Honors were held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Milford, April 28, 2009. Memorials may be made to Hospice Advantage. For further information please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

GRACE G. RICHARDSON

Passed away peacefully on her 94th birthday, April 18, 2009. Mother of Robert (Cham) Burdick and the late Suzanne and William Cleton. Grandmother of 6 and great-grandmother of 13. Sister of the late Rose, Fred and Robert. Aunt of many nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held on Saturday, April 25. Memorial donations may be made to either the Ewald Branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library or the Novi Public Library in memory of Grace Richardson. Online condolences: www.obitsonlinefuneralhome.com

KATHLEEN L. ALCORN STREETMAN

Age 38, April 25, 2009. Beloved wife of Brentt. Loving mother of Abigail Justice and Brentt John Adam. Adored daughter of Mark and Alice Alcorn. Dearest sister of Mark K. (Carrie) and John (Karin). Dear aunt of Nicholas, Timothy, Audrey and Jackson. Daughter-in-law of Gary and Rosemary Streetman. Sister-in-law of Amy (Neil) McWilliams and Adam (Carla) Streetman. Aunt of Russell, Emma, Bradley Kyle, and Ethan. Funeral Services were held at the First United Methodist Church in Northville. Memorial contributions may be made to CARE House (www.carehouse.org). Please leave a message for the family at www.harrywillfuneralhome.com

REV. EDMUND H. WILT

Age 79, passed away April 21, 2009. A service was held on April 26, 2009 at Fellowship Baptist Church. Arrangements by PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

ALFRED ROBE "WOODY" WOOD SR.

Age 86 of Milford, formerly of Bloomfield Hills. Passed away on April 26, 2009. He is survived by his wife Shirley (Mainland) Wood, children, A Robe Wood (Mary Ellen), Bruce C. Wood, Missy M. Chabot, Laura J. Czarniecki (James), and seven grandchildren. Woody was a highly decorated Naval fighter pilot in WWII. He will be greatly missed by family and friends. Memorials may be made in his name to your favorite charities. Condolences may be left at www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

OBITUARY POLICY

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PAVING

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have to wait.

"I think it's silly to spend this kind of money on paving until we have more money," said Margie Banner, trustee.

The lots are gravel now, combined with a grassy area.

"I think people could park on grass or gravel

until we have more money," Banner said. The funding for the project was designated funding, however, as it was to come from the parks and recreation millage specifically collected for park improvements. This is part of the city of Northville's and township's shared services agreement.

The parking lot services the dog park 365 days a year as well as soccer fields in the park.

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NORTHVILLE / NOVI AREA CHURCH EVENTS

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

LOCATION: 41415 Nine Mile Road, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi
 CONTACT: (248) 349-0565
 Sunday Schedule
 TIME: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.
 CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 or visit first-pres.net
 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 oakpointe.org
 Worship Services
 TIME: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday
 ReNew Life Ministries
 TIME/DATE: 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday
 DETAILS: Ongoing Life Groups that support and facilitate personal growth, heal-

ing, learning and change from a Christian perspective

CONTACT: For more information or to register call (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org
 Charmed Influence
 TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday
 DETAILS: Studying the book "Surviving a Spiritual Mismatch in Marriage"
 CONTACT: Joy Ruby at joy@oakpointe.org or call the church

FIRST UNITED METHODIST OF NORTHVILLE

A Stephen Ministry church
 LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or funorthville.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.-4 p.m., Saturday, June 13
 DETAILS: Annual Juried Art/Craft Show Go to www.umcnovi.com to view some last years vendors booth. 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 sawn 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.-4 p.m., Friday May 1-Saturday, May 2
 DETAILS: Saturday Noon - \$2 Bag Sale Furniture, appliances, clothing, toys, and TONS more!

WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978
 Sunday Worship
 TIME: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 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
 TIME: 11 a.m. every Sunday on WRD7-AM 560, The WNUZ 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

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 www.lordoflifechurch.com

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 620 General Motors Rd., Milford
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 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Jun-Aug - Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.
 Monday Evening 7:00 p.m.
 The Rev. Richard E. Pope, Pastor

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 Sunday Worship - 11 a.m. • Prayer Service - 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
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SOUTH HILL CHURCH, S.B.C.
 1250 South Hill Rd. Just south of downtown Milford
 (248) 685-3560 www.AboutSouthhill.com
 Contemporary Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 KIDS' Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Bible Study for all ages 8:15 a.m.
 Tuesday 7 p.m. Children - 6th 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 48330
 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.
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 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
 WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM
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 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile
 248-348-7757 • 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: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilynovi.org

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL
 10 Mile between Meadowbrook & Haggerty, Novi • Phone 427-1175
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 Holy Eucharist • Sunday School & Nursery • 10 a.m.
 Rev. Dr. Ray Babin, Interim Rector
 www.churchoftheholycross.com

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 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

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

Westland

STs. CONSTANTINE & HELEN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
 36375 Joy Rd., Westland
 Sunday Services:
 Matins 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
 Rev. Fr. Theodor Petzulu
 Parish Office: 734-525-6789
 Hellenic Cultural Center Banquet Hall
 734-525-3550

White Lake

WHITE LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 4905 Highland Rd. between Bogie Ln & Ormond Rd.
 (248) 887-4654 Deborah V. Kerr, Pastor
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
 Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
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 North Campus of St. Luke Lutheran Church Ann Arbor
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 7430 Whitmore Lake Rd. • Whitmore Lake, MI 48129
 Dan Flynn, Minister
 734-426-4006 • www.livingwatermi.org

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 Farmington Hills • 23225 Gall 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
 Saturday Night Service 6:00 p.m.
 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

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 1211 W. Livingston Rd., Highland 248-887-1402
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 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
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 120 Bishop St., Highland
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 • Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
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 Pastor Danny Miller
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 248-887-1311 • www.myhmc.com
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 Mass Leo T. Lukko, Pastor
 Mass Schedule: Saturday, 5 p.m.
 Sunday, 8 a.m. & 11 a.m.; M-F-W-F 9 a.m.
 Holy Day, 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.; First Saturday 8 a.m.
 Confessions - Saturdays 11 a.m. & 15 p.m.
 or by appointment

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 Services held at:
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 Single Place Ministry - Thurs. 7:30 p.m.
 Rev. W. Kent Cline, Senior Pastor
 Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor

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 248-374-7400
 Traditional: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.
 Contemporary 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.
 Women & Single Adults during the 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. services
 www.wardchurch.org
 Service Broadcast Sunday 11 a.m.
 WNUZ 560, The WNUZ Word Station

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 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 Theroux, Pastor

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 Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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 22200 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon 3 mi. S of 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.fellowshippepc.org

The Church of Christ
 21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178
 248-437-3585 • www.southlyoncoc.org
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship
 Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.
 Rob Callicott, Pastor

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 Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582
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 60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178
 Phone: 248-437-2993
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
 Senior Pastor Rob Freston / Assoc. Pastor Randy Means
 Website: www.fpcsouthlyon.org
 Email: fpcsouthlyon@bellsouth.net

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 Saturday Service 5 p.m.
 Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
 Contemporary Worship - Relevant, Bible Based Messages
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 640 S. Lafayette (248) 437-0760
 Sunday Worship: 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
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 Reverend Sandra Wilkobe
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FAMILY LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH A/G
 62345 W. 8 Mile Road 437-1472 • www.familylifecc.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.

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 22183 Pontiac Trail (between Aztec and Oreg)
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 Office 248-486-4400
 www.solidrockchurch.org

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 Services held at: Kent Lake Elementary
 30151 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

PUBLIC SAFETY

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORT

Retail fraud at Kohl's

1 Police arrested an 18-year-old Livonia woman for shoplifting at 4:55 p.m. April 7 at the Kohl's department store at 20155 Haggerty Rd.

The district auditor for the store told police she watched the woman select a bra, blue tank top and yellow shirt.

She then entered a fitting room. When she left the fitting room she did not have the items nor did she leave them behind.

The woman also removed tags for the three items and left them in a pocket of a pair of jeans hanging in the same fitting room.

The woman then purchased a different bra and a black shirt.

Later, she was found to be wearing the three items she did not pay for under her clothing.

The items were valued at \$56.80.

Drunken driving arrest

2 Police arrested a 36-year-old West Springfield, Mass., man for operating while intoxicated at 1:57 a.m. April 8 at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads.

An officer was sitting on the shoulder of Seven Mile Road west of Haggerty when he saw a vehicle stop for a red signal with the driver looking left and right and then proceeding through the light.

The man told police that when he arrived in Michigan that a co-worker told him not to stop for red lights in Detroit.

Police could smell intoxicants coming from the vehicle, and the man admitted to drinking two Labatts Blue

bottled beers. His eyes were also bloodshot and glossy, and his speech was slurred. He later said he had begun drinking at lunch, then went to another bar where he consumed a few beers, then went to another bar, where he consumed the Labatts.

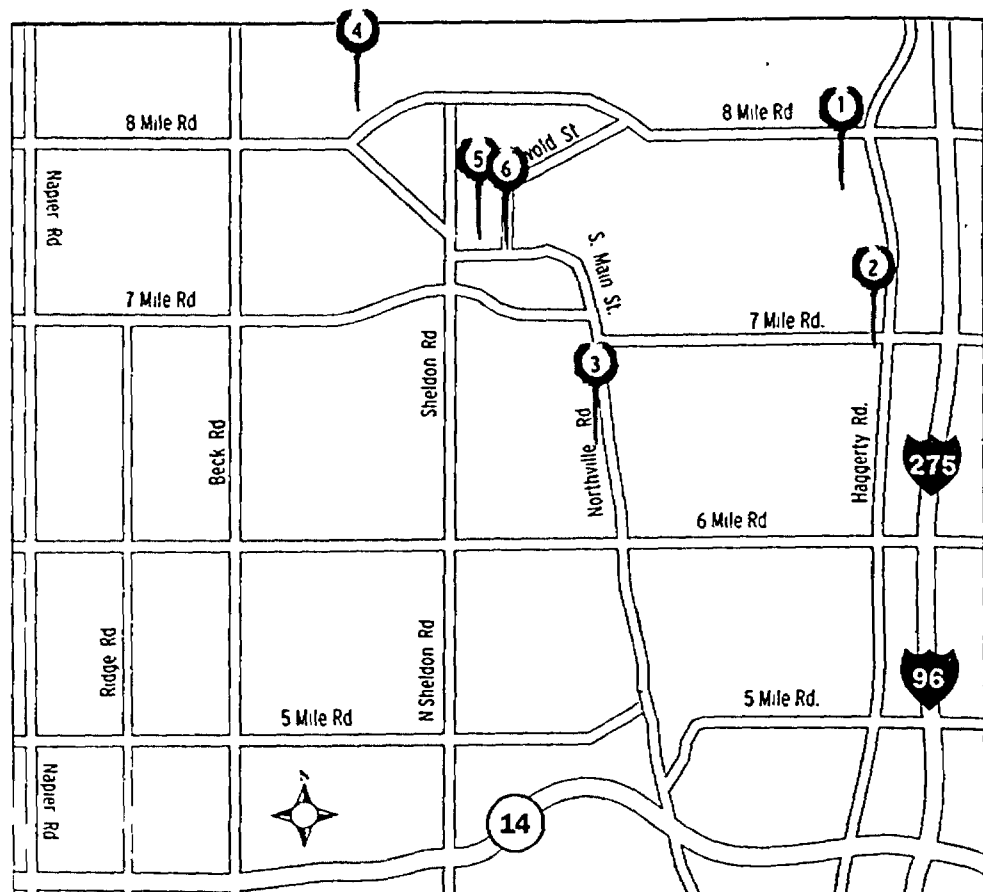
He said he was coming from Denny's Restaurant.

The man was also issued a citation for initially refusing to provide a breath sample to police.

Failure to report traffic accident

3 Police arrested a 32-year-old Plymouth man for failure to report a traffic accident at 1:30 a.m. April 9 at 18120 Jamestown Circle.

Officers were dispatched to the location about a



sedan that was blocking the entrance to the Jamestown Circle subdivision.

They found a note under one of the windshield wipers that said there would be a tow truck coming for the vehicle in the morning.

Police talked to the driver's mother at the scene, who said her son was driving the vehicle and hit a piece of furniture in the road. The woman was told to ask her son to come to the police station during the officer's shift on April 10 to discuss the incident.

The man told police that he did not report the accident or come with his parents when the vehicle was towed because he was tired.

his from lawn between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. on April 11.

Two of the scooters belonged to his children, and the other two belonged to his neighbor's children.

Two of the scooters were valued at \$50 each, and two were valued at \$30 each.

Malicious destruction

5 A Northville Parks and Recreation employee told police that between 10 a.m. March 3 and 11 a.m. March 7 someone removed a Mutt Mitt Box used to dispose of dog feces from the grounds at Ford Field at 150 Hutton St. and threw it into the Rouge River.

The woman also said that some obscene statements were written in black marker on the third base foul pole as well as a light pole next to the foul pole.

The woman said there have been several incidents recently in regard to graffiti on the

poles, and the graffiti can't be removed.

No suspects or witnesses are available at this time.

Public property damage

6 A Northville Parks and Recreation employee reported that between 3 p.m. April 9 and 7 a.m. April 13 someone broke out the light fixture that illuminates the control box for the Ford Field irrigation system as well as the lighting system at 125 Griswold St.

Police found a rock about the size of a grapefruit on the ground underneath the fixture, graffiti on the front metal control panel door of the control box for the irrigation system and the lighting system and the wooden stair rails leading to and from Hutton Street.

There are no suspects or witnesses at this time.

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Scooters stolen from lawn

4 A 48-year-old Northville man who lives on Morgan Circle told police that someone stole four scooters from

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MADD to honor Northville officers

■ Officers say some getting the message

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Don't drink and drive!

Sgt. Justin Chmielewski said people are starting to get the message. The numbers when it comes to drunken driving arrests are down in Northville, and he can take part of the credit for police officers' effort to save lives.

Chmielewski, of the Northville Police Department, will be one of the officers from Oakland and Macomb counties who will be honored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving on May 15 at the 20th Annual LifeSaver Law Enforcement Recognition Luncheon at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Troy.

The event honors those who have a demonstrated record of removing drunken drivers from Michigan's roadways.

A native of St. Louis, Mo., Chmielewski graduated from the Wayne County Regional Police Academy at Schoolcraft College in Livonia and has been a full-time officer in Northville since June 2001. He was promoted to sergeant in 2006 and is currently the day-shift sergeant responsible for road patrol. He is a department firearms instructor, Simulations instructor, field training officer and active shooter instructor. This is the sixth year he has received the MADD LifeSaver Award.

DAVIS HONORED LAST YEAR

In Oakland County, Chmielewski tied with Ofc. Peter Davis last year for the most number of drunken driving arrests for Northville, but Davis was selected to receive the award due to other departmental accomplishments, according to Capt. Michael Carlson.

Chmielewski has led the department in alcohol enforcement arrests since 2002. Last year, he was responsible for 35 percent of the department's total Oakland County drunk driving arrests.

He is the only person involved in law enforcement in his family. However, a former neighbor who lived by his family's summer home was a Highland Park police lieutenant. "Talking with him really got me interested (in law enforcement)," Chmielewski said. "I can't imagine myself doing anything else."

ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

Although officers learn how to spot drunk drivers at the academy, Chmielewski said he's learned a lot just observing them on the road. So, a lot of the training just comes

from dealing with intoxicated people.

"You learn what to look for," he said. "There are so many subtleties." He was also sent to a standardized field sobriety testing class of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Chmielewski said, "No one is immune to drunk driving. The vast majority of people simply make a mistake. One of the unfortunate realities is that alcohol reduces your inhibitions. So, the more you drink oftentimes the better off you think you are. People very frequently just cross that line and make that mistake."

He said he and other officers often hear from drunk drivers, "I'm fine. I can drive."

"But, unfortunately, they're not," Chmielewski said, "and it puts everybody in jeopardy. My overall goal, and I tell people this all the time, is to make sure everybody gets home safely. That's my focus."

WAYNE COUNTY WINNER

Officer Claudia Finn will receive the city of Northville award for Wayne County arrests. A member of the force since 2006, she is currently assigned to the afternoon shift, but has spent most of her career on the midnight shift. In 2008 she was responsible for 30 percent of the department's total Wayne County drunk driving arrests. Finn was profiled by the Record last year when she received her first MADD LifeSaver Award.

TRAGIC CONSEQUENCES

Richard Rondeau, executive director of MADD for Southeast Michigan, said 18 years ago, his 33-year-old cousin and her 4-year-old daughter were killed by an underage drunken driver. "They had gone to the corner to pick up pizza for dinner and were less than a half mile from their home. I am committed to doing everything I can to prevent that kind of tragedy from ever happening again."

"What people don't realize is that every 33 minutes someone in this country is involved in an alcohol-related crash and unless we prevent or remove the drunk driver from our roads you or someone you love could be next."

Every year, nearly 14,000 people are killed by drunk drivers with an illegal alcohol level of .08 percent BAC (blood alcohol content) or above. This represents more than 1,000 families every month that must live with the tragic consequences of drunk driving.

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Sgt. Justin Chmielewski of the Northville Police Department will be honored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving May 15 at the LifeSaver Awards Luncheon for the number of drunken driving arrests he made in Oakland County in 2008. This will be his sixth such award since he joined the force in 2000.

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Fighting cancer

Sisters Jan and Judi Connelly of Northville; Joan Connelly of West Bloomfield; and Joyce Fennell of White Lake will walk in this year's 60-mile Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk in Southeast Michigan Aug. 14-16.

They're affectionately known as the Board of Directors in their family. And that's the name they have selected for their team in the walk.

They have planned three local fund-raisers that will help provide breast cancer research, education, screening and treatment through the Susan G. Komen for the Cure and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund.

The sisters are planning the following events to help them raise money for their team prior to the walk:

■ May 3 - a wine tasting and auction from 2-5 p.m. at Wine Sync on W. Main Street in Northville;

■ May 16 - a "Day of Caring" at the Mobil gas station at the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty roads, where donations will be accepted;

■ May 30 - a bottle and can drive in various subdivisions throughout Northville, White Lake and West Bloomfield; and

■ June 14 - a bowling fund-raiser at 2 p.m. at Novi Bowl on Novi Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads.

Local businesses or individuals who would like to make a contribution to the sisters' walk to fight breast cancer can go to the Web site 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. If one sister has already achieved the \$2,300 goal set by each, donate to another as money can't be transferred from one person to another.

Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican dinner

The Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee Lincoln/Reagan Day Dinner will be held at Laurel Manor, 39000



JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Arbor Day maples

Jim Gallogly, Northville Public Works director, and Arica Raab, from Stuart Leve, a landscaping company in Milford that donated five maple trees worth about \$350 each to the city of Northville in observance of Arbor Day on April 18. "The company has actually done quite a bit of work for the city, and the five trees were given to the city as kind of a thank you for using their services," Gallogly said. Mayor Chris Johnson signed a proclamation designating April 24 as Arbor Day in the city of Northville. The trees were installed on Taft Road north of the roundabout.

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 \$450.

For more information, contact Pattie Coughlin, (248) 474-3525, Coughlanlvn@att.net.

Day of Prayer

Northville Township's Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church will present a National Day of Prayer again this year on Thursday, May 7.

The public is invited to attend the event at Ward, located west of Haggerty Road and north of Six Mile Road directly behind the shopping center.

The church reaches out to many communities, including Northville, Livonia, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Novi, Plymouth and Canton.

The Ward Church sanctuary will be set up exclusively for focused prayer. The church will have seven prayer centers, providing opportunity for prayer for our nation in the following areas: Business, Church, Education, Family, Government, Media and the Military. Each prayer center will have a tri-fold display board along with written materials to aid in focused prayer. The sanctuary will be open for prayer that day from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Two church services focused on prayer for the nation will take place in Hess Chapel at noon and 7 p.m.

The theme for the 2009 National Day of Prayer is "Prayer ... America's Hope."

Tipping Point presents William Shakespeare

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 ..." 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; and at 2 p.m. Sundays. Ticket prices range from \$18-\$28.

"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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Saints & Angels

The Northville Arthouse exhibit Saints & Angels: Colonial Arts of Latin America, a retrospective featuring 50 paintings and sculptures culled from a private Michigan collection opens Friday, May 1 and will be on view through May 24 in the main gallery at 215 W. Cady Street, Northville. The Art House will host an opening reception from 6-9 p.m. on May 1.

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 originals 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

Soldiers Dinner

The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund will host their Fourth Annual Auction Dinner at 6 p.m. on May 2 at Laurel Manor Banquet & Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia. Keynote speaker will be Marcus Luttrell, Navy SEAL and author of New York Times best-selling book "Lone Survivor." Seating is limited so make reservations early by contacting Ann Cornelius at (248) 346-5976 or ann4fwfs@aol.com.

Stewart to run for Senate

Former state Rep. John Stewart of Plymouth, who served three terms in the state

House of Representatives as a Republican, has filed papers with the Secretary of State to run for the state Senate as a Democrat.

Stewart will compete in the Aug. 3, 2010 Democratic primary for the seat currently

held by Republican Sen. Bruce Patterson (Canton), who is term-limited. Stewart switched parties shortly after his third term ended in 2006.

The L-shaped 7th Senate District in Wayne County runs from Northville south and over to Grosse Ile. The district includes 16 communities: the City and Township of Plymouth, City and Township of Northville, townships of Canton, Van Buren, Sumpter, Huron and Brownstown as well as the communities of Belleville, Woodhaven, Gibraltar, Trenton, Flat Rock, Rockwood and Grosse Ile.

Stewart, a 59-year-old lawyer, was born and raised Downriver in Wyandotte. He served in the House from 2000-2006 before being term-limited in December 2006.

During his three terms as state representative, Stewart was on the appropriations committee for six years and served as chair of appropriations for higher education and chair of judiciary.

McCotter office hours

The staff of Congressman Thaddeus McCotter (Michigan District 11) will be holding office hours in several locations, including the Northville Senior Center from 11 a.m.-noon on Thursday, May 7. This time is set aside so that the citizens served by the congressman have the opportunity to speak with a staff member one on one regarding any federal issue that they might have.

Congressman McCotter's staff will also be available at the following locations and times:

Tuesday, May 5: 9-10 a.m., Livonia Civic Park Senior Center; 10:30-11:30 a.m., Redford Community Center; 1-2 p.m., Garden City Maplewood Center; 2:30-3:30 p.m., Westland Friendship Center.

Thursday, May 7: 9-10 a.m., Canton Summit Senior Center; 12:30-1:30 p.m., Plymouth District Library; 2:30-3:30 p.m., Van Buren September Days Senior Center.

McCotter has two offices in the district to serve his constituents. The Livonia office can be reached by calling (734) 632-0314 or the Milford office is available at (248) 685-9495.



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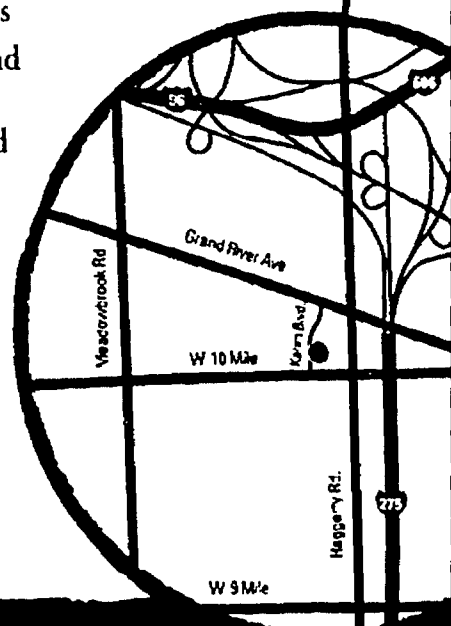
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■ Council OKs suggestions so far

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

"They haven't enjoyed doing it, but city council members have approved all recommended budget cutbacks so far for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

Council and city staff members met for the second budget review session April 22, leading up to a May 18 public hearing and budget adoption.

The final review session will be at 7 p.m. today in council chambers.

Sue Campbell, Northville Youth Assistance director, said the organization that assists troubled youths has been trying to rein in expenses and has cut the after-school program at the high school.

Northville Arts Commissioners are moving closer to making the Northville Art House self-sufficient. This includes making major physical improvements to the facility on W. Cady Street, such as redoing the second-floor gallery.

The Art House's \$87,000 in revenues will be primarily used to fund outreach programs and expand class offerings.

"We're disappointed that

we haven't gotten the funding that we have in the past, but we understand (the budget constraints)," said Gerry Culpepper, arts commissioner.

There are already 100 applications for June's Art in the Sun festival, and the commissioners see some viable projects they can explore in the future, including obtaining approval for the organization to become a 501(c)(3) charity.

BEAUTIFICATION FUNDING

The Northville Beautification Commission's funding will be cut from \$7,300 to \$2,500 in 2009-2010, but Jim Gallogly, Department of Public Works director, said, "We don't think we'll be pinched with this budget."

Gallogly explained that the entire DPW staff is involved in the commission's planting projects throughout the downtown area, such as caring for the 60 planters purchased by the Downtown Development Authority.

SENIOR HOUSING TO INCREASE

Sherry Necelis, Housing Commission director in charge

LAST CHANCE

The final budget review session for Northville City Council and city staff members will be at 7 p.m. in council chambers.

of Allen Terrace senior housing, said, "We've done very well saving as much as we can."

However, the senior living center's air conditioner is going to have to be replaced at some point, and the awning not scheduled to be replaced until 2014 is already starting to rip.

Allen Terrace residents who live in one of the 98 one-bedroom apartments will see a 1.93 percent increase in their rent in the next fiscal year - from \$622 to \$634 a month. Rent will not be increased in the two-bedroom apartments, and there are only two of those.

DDA BUDGET APPROVED

The DDA will still take on its two major projects planned for 2009-2010 - the \$2-million Sidewalk & Streetscape Project and the \$800,000 cut-through from the Marquis Parking Lot to Main Street.

In the cut-through project, slated to be completed in spring 2010, \$250,000 will come from

the city's Public Improvement Fund.

Councilmember Nancy Darga said \$13,800 had been dedicated for the ice melt system at the new Town Square, that she heard it hasn't been working very well, and that she doesn't think the city should float a bond (borrow money) to pay for the repairs.

Lori Ward, executive director of the DDA, said a meeting was scheduled April 23 with McCarthy & Smith, the firm that provided construction services for Town Square, to discuss the ice melt system and some other issues surrounding that project.

STREET REPAIRS REVIEWED

Council approved all budgeted projects in the Street, Drainage and Sidewalk Improvement Fund, which is a dedicated millage established in 1997. Current repair projects include Main Street from Wing Street to Hutton Street in conjunction with the streetscape project, E. Dunlap Street from Center to Hutton, Novi Street from Allen Drive to Baseline Road in conjunction with a water main replacement project, the intersection of Cady and Wing streets - the city's number one pedestrian intersection due to its proximity to the post office

- and Lake Street from Center to Grace streets.

"These are big improvements paid for out of a millage we all worked for (to pass) in 1997," Gallogly said. "We've made a significant improvement to the city."

City staff is also trying to obtain funding for street improvements through the Wayne and Oakland County Public Improvement Funds as well as federal road funds.

Gallogly said the section of Center Street south of Eight Mile Road to Baseline Road is eligible for federal funding.

"This intersection is a nightmare, and we get a lot of complaints about it," he said. With federal funding, the government pays 75 percent of the repairs, and the city provides the remaining 25 percent.

As for parking lots, Gallogly said the city does not plan to redo the lot behind Northville Square until 2011.

BUDGET STABILIZATION FUND

Nickie Bateson, assistant city manager and finance director, said the city is not in a position to add to its Budget Stabilization Fund at this time. The city set aside money in the fund when the economy was better in the 1980s, but depleted funds in 1991-92 when the city had some financial problems.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Council members approved

the Parks and Recreation Department budget, a shared service between the city and Northville Township. Township trustees approved the shared budget earlier this month. The budget reflects a 6 percent decrease from last fiscal year, and Community Block Grant Funds will be used to offset building expenses at the Senior Community Center.

The two proposed layoffs (parks and recreation programmer and senior services programmer) were approved as well as the layoffs of part-time park maintenance staff during non-peak times from mid-November through mid-March and the cut-back of one of the part-time park attendants.

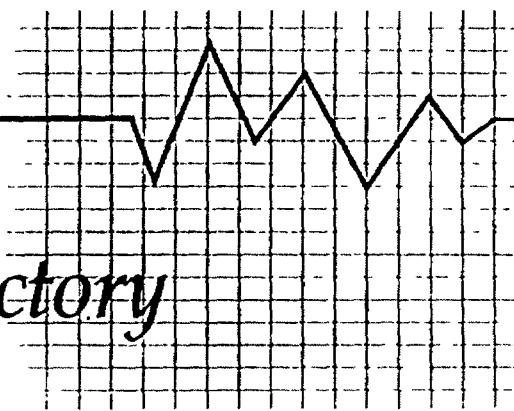
The city also approved the new 30-hour-a-week part-time operations coordinator position, who will be under the direction of Traci Sincok, department director.

Approved capital expenditures include replacing the pond aerator and fencing around the park and top coating and painting the tennis courts at Fish Hatchery Park; removing dead trees in the two communities' 11 parks; replacing a van that provides residents transportation to the Senior Center; and replacing some of the banquet chairs at the Senior Center.

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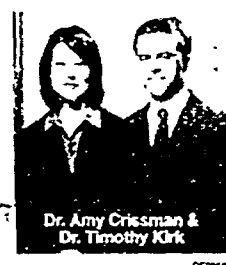
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EDUCATION

'Gators Get Movin' at Thornton Creek

BY NATHAN MENOIAN
SPECIAL WRITER

Thornton Creek Elementary is on the move with this year's theme, 'Gators get Movin'.

Sharon Irvine, the school's principal for the last four years, calls it a 10-minute active break from the classroom setting.

"Learning how to integrate movement into our learning," she said, "is about taking a very brief time for students to move out of the classroom and into the hallway, gymnasium or cafeteria.

Every usable space in the school was captured for the activity centers, Irvine said.

The cafeteria holds different stations utilizing toys like hula-hoops, jump ropes, and light gym equipment. A couple of classrooms also are set up for dance activity for less strenuous movement. Students dance in movement to music from a radio or CD player.

Benefits include less boredom and fidgeting, as well as keeping kids more interested in subject matter once they're back to class.

Results from any hard data on the project will take more time to compile, but so far Irvine and the teachers are seeing only positive results. There is no cost to the district or parents for the program.

The school's basic initiative is energizing a particular area of focus. Last year it was 'social and emotional'; this year it is movement, with the overall and continuing premise being the development of the whole child.

Irvine said the next element, perhaps a year or two from now is a cognitive development, focusing on vocabulary and developing the analytical side. But they may yet extend the movement theme an additional year. Students still have gym class and outdoor activities. 'Gators Get Movin' is in addition to those times.

"It's great to see them engaged in this. They're hav-



PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Thornton Creek Elementary School kids work out at a variety of exercise stations in the classroom during their "Gators Get Movin'" exercise class. Thornton Creek Elementary's nickname is the "Gators."



While Thornton Creek student Charles Han does some resistance running against a closet door, fellow fourth grade student Karigan Niemi runs through an agility course during a Gators Get Movin' class at the Thornton School.

ing fun in those 10 minutes and are eager for it. We're also doing Mileage Club, where kids earn special tokens. Some have walked 20 miles," she said.

Chris Modrack, a first grade teacher at the school, loves having structured ways to provide her students a ten-minute

physically active session break from their academics.

"It's a good way to reset them and their brains from a morning of intensive learning, because in first grade we have an uninterrupted block of learning time. And we know they learn fast in the morning," she said.

"We do a specific set of movements that can be done every day in three or four minute sessions in the classroom. Kids practice them up and down the hallway in route to music or gym class, the library, or on their way to lunch. These movements help with brain development in reading and writing."

The key is that students have to keep moving. Modrack said they run to the gym or out to the playground, and once there have to remain moving up or down, left to right, changing directions.

"Parent are learning about this from our communications, I think every parent knows that America's kids need to get moving. When they find out this movement is hooked to greater success with learning, it's a win-win situation," she said.

"District expectations are

that we set at our site level, strategies to improve our specific student's lives, academically and physically, addressing the whole child. Our principal has organized school improvement meetings with all of the staff actively involved at an equal level time wise to one of our school improvement goals."

Thornton Creek has 477 students, and 21 sections of classes. The school teaches up to the fifth grade.

Irvine describes the school's on-going goal to help develop the whole child with terms like 'brain gym', global phenomenon, and optimal brain function. The bottom line is that the students are enjoying it, and parents are supporting it.

Last year's theme was along the lines of social and emotional issues - being nice to and considering the feelings of others.

"The middle schools and district are looking to see what we're doing with 'Gators Get Movin', and will be interested in the results," Irvine said. "It's sparking a lot of energy and enthusiasm in the students."

Nathan Menoian is a freelance writer from Milford

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AB-1 CITY OF NORTHVILLE INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Northville, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 2:00 pm, Thursday, May 21, 2009 for the following:

CHURCH STREET PARKING LOT (located on Church Street, Northville, Michigan)

The project is the construction of a new 24 space asphalt municipal parking lot in downtown Northville with associated removal, grading and storm sewer.

Specifications are available at Michael L. Priest & Associates, 40655 Koppernick Road, Canton, MI 48187 on Thursday April 30th, 2009. A non-refundable fee of \$35 dollars if picked up or \$42 if mailed will be charged for the bid packet. The phone number is (734) 459-8560. Bid documents are available for review at the Department of Public Works at City Hall located at 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, and at Michael L. Priest & Associates. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an acceptable bid security in the form of a certified check, cashiers check or standard form bid bond made payable to the City of Northville in the amount of not less than five percent of the base bid submitted. The accepted bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory performance bond and labor and materials bond, each in the amount equal to 100% of the contract. Proof of insurance will also be required.

The City of Northville reserves the right to waive any irregularity or informality in bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, or to award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in its best interest to do so.

JAMES P. GALLOGLY, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

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, Fernmanugh Drive, Donegal Court, Fernmanugh 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:

8277 033 03 0001 000 through 8277 033 03 0015 000
8277 033 04 0046 000 through 8277 033 04 0066 000
8277 033 99 0005 002 through 8277 033 99 0004 000
8277 033 99 0005 004
8277 033 99 0006 000
8277 033 99 0007 001 through 8277 033 99 0007 003
8277 033 99 0008 001 through 8277 033 99 0008 002
8277 033 93 0016 001
8277 038 01 0016 000 through 8277 038 01 0030 000
8277 038 02 0031 000 through 8277 038 02 0045 000
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 44405 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 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., for all interested persons.

SUE A. HILLEBRAND, Clerk
Charter Township of Northville

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

The following ordinance amendments will be presented to the Board of Trustees for a second reading and adoption at the regular meeting of the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees to be held on May 21, 2009 at 7:30 P.M. at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan, 48168.

The purposed adopted ordinances will become effective upon publication.

Chapter 39 - Special Assessments - repeal

Chapter 64 - Construction Site Maintenance - repeal

Chapter 145 - Signs - The intent of this chapter is to regulate outdoor advertising and all signs within the Township.

Section 145.5

1. To permit temporary open house signs for the purpose of identifying residential properties for sale.
Chapter 58 - Building Construction - The Township assumes responsibility for the administration and enforcement within the Township of the State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of Michigan 1972, as amended, and the building, residential, uniform energy, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical codes promulgated thereunder, as amended.

1. Clarified the requirement to prevent infestation and harborage of insects and rats in accessory structures.

2. Added Article V - Certificate of Occupancy requirements.

3. Added minor corrections to Purpose, Legislative Intent, Prohibited Actions, and Corrections under Article VI.

4. Added Article VII - Performance Guarantees.

Chapter 77 - Fences - The intent and purpose is to secure the public health, safety and general welfare, provide for required fencing of certain property for the protection of adults and minors from loss of life or limb and the protection of persons and property from unattractive nuisances; to provide required fencing for certain property; to provide for the administration of the requirements and the enforcement thereof, to provide penalties for violations of the provisions of this chapter; repealing all chapters, or parts thereof, in conflict with this chapter.

The Current provisions will be deleted and replaced with fence standards, a series of amendments and clarifications are proposed. The additions and amendments include certain fences 36i in height or less are exempt from obtaining a permit, chain link fences are only permitted in the Consumer industrial zoning district and various height, design and location requirements for fences on residential lots and within non-residential zoning districts.
Chapter 139 - Water and Sewer - Article 1, II, III - As authorized by the laws of the State of Michigan, there is hereby established a Northville Township salvage disposal, which shall be maintained and operated as a single public improvement on a public utility basis in accordance with the Master Utility Plan and all applicable provisions of the Township Code. Revisions proposed for Chapter 139 are as follows.

- Article 139 - 10 penalty amounts have been increased
- Article 139-15 eliminates the need for a cash deposit by tenants
- Article 139 - 16 prohibits connections to the water system without a permit.
- Article 130 -17 provides for access to water meters, prohibits tampering with water meters, and allows the department to estimate water use when a meter malfunctions.
- Article 139-18 through 20 has been reformattd.
- Article 139-21 through 29 has been eliminated
- Article 130-30 renumbered to Article 139-20 and penalty amounts have been increased.
- Article 139-31 through 139-44 renumbered to Articles 139-21 through 139-34.
- Article 139-34 (new) penalty amounts have been increased

A complete copy of the adopted ordinance is available in the Clerk's office at Township Hall during regular business hours, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday and on the Township Website www.twp.northville.mi.us.

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF CODE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION CHAPTER 170

The following ordinance amendments were adopted at the April 16, 2009 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees

Article 17 (Consumer Industrial).

- Created consistent requirements for all types of outdoor storage; behind the front plane of the building or 50' from the R.O.W. for lots without a building and must be screened (Section 17.4 Required Conditions)

- Added automobile/vehicle sales and rental as a special land use and subject to the outdoor storage and screening requirements.

- Operations having the appearance of a junk or salvage business are not permitted.

Article 24 (Landscape), 28 (Private Roads) 33 (Site Plan Review) 35 (Site Condominiums)

- Updated to be consistent with the proposed amendments to the building construction ordinance.

Article 35 (Site Condominiums)

- Updated to be consistent with the proposed amendments to the building construction ordinance.

- Streamlining/Consolidation

Article 40 (Administration)

- Added the duties of the planning commission, board of trustees and director of community development. Moved the duties if the ZBA from Article 41 so they are all together.

- Updated public notice requirements per the state statute.

- Relocated building department procedures to a separate article, Article 42 (Building Permits)

- Deleted reference to financial guarantees because it was redundant with Article 33.

- Expanded the overview of fees.

- Updated penalty provisions to be consistent with building construction ordinance.

- Streamlining/Consolidation

Article 41 (ZBA)

- Relocated membership, procedures and jurisdiction to Article 40.

- Remaining article is limited to types of ZBA reviews and criteria.

- Replaced Zoning Board of Appeals with ZBA throughout.

- Updated per the state statute.

- Streamlining/Consolidation.

Article 42 (Building Permits)

- Moved items related to building department permits and processes into a new article.

- Streamlining/Consolidation

Article 43 (Amendments)

- Several updates required per the state statute.

- Updated references to other sections of the ordinance.

- Streamlining/Consolidation

- Section 3, 3A-C and 3.4 A (Fences)

- Repeat and relocate to Chapter 77 Fences

A complete copy of the proposed changes are available in the Clerk's office at Township Hall during regular business hours, 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday and on the Township Website www.twp.northville.mi.us. The amendments of the Code of Ordinance to Chapter 170 Zoning will become effective upon publication 04/30/09.

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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us entered for a chance to win 10,000 bonus Box Tops points. Register at: www.boxtops4education.com/bus before May 31.

Athletic physicals

The Northville High School Athletic Department is working in conjunction with Beaumont Hospital for athletic training services. Along with these services, Beaumont doctors will be doing athletic physicals on June 1 for the 2009-2010 school year. Physicals will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the Athletic wing. The cost will be \$20 per physical.

Physicals need to be done on the MHSAA physical form and can be downloaded from the district Web site. Please make sure all information, especially needed signatures by parents and students are filled out.

Winchester Elementary

Winchester's annual Fun Run will be held from 2:15-3:30 p.m. on Friday, May 8 at the school. In the event of rain, the event will be held at the same time on Friday, May 15. This year's event will be a fund-raiser to raise money for the continuation of Winchester's playground improvements.

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

Breakfast with a Buddy is coming May 14-15. Volunteers are needed for this event. If you are able to volunteer your time on either morning, look for the sign-up form coming home in the Monday Envelope or contact Toni Owens at tonicowens2000@hotmail.com.

Junior Enrichment Series: May 7 (times vary by class) is "Instrument Petting Zoo." During this kindergartners-only assembly, a representative from the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra will introduce violins and cellos to the students. She will show the different parts of the instruments, will discuss how to care for the instruments, and will teach the students how to hold and play the instruments. Then, kindergartners will get a chance to play the violins and cellos; they really enjoy this hands-on assembly.

Box Tops Collection: 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. Each person who registers with our school before May 31, 2009 gets

Science Olympiad

Over 500 high school and middle school/junior high teams competed at the Science Olympiad Regional competitions during February and March. Ninety-six advancing regional teams will be competing in the 27th Michigan State Finals on Saturday, May 2, on the Michigan State University campus. Hillside Middle School is returning for its seventh year of nine, and Meads Mill Middle School is returning after a short absence.

Forty-six competitive events will be held in various locations on the MSU campus. Some events are Robo-Cross, Crave the Wave, Science Crime Busters and Forensics (SCI type events), and a variety of events in between. Team shirts, medals and trophies are all a part of the discovery hoopla. State Champions and runners-up teams will go on to the National Science Olympiad Tournament at Augusta State University, Augusta, Ga. on May 15-16.

Senior All Night Party

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

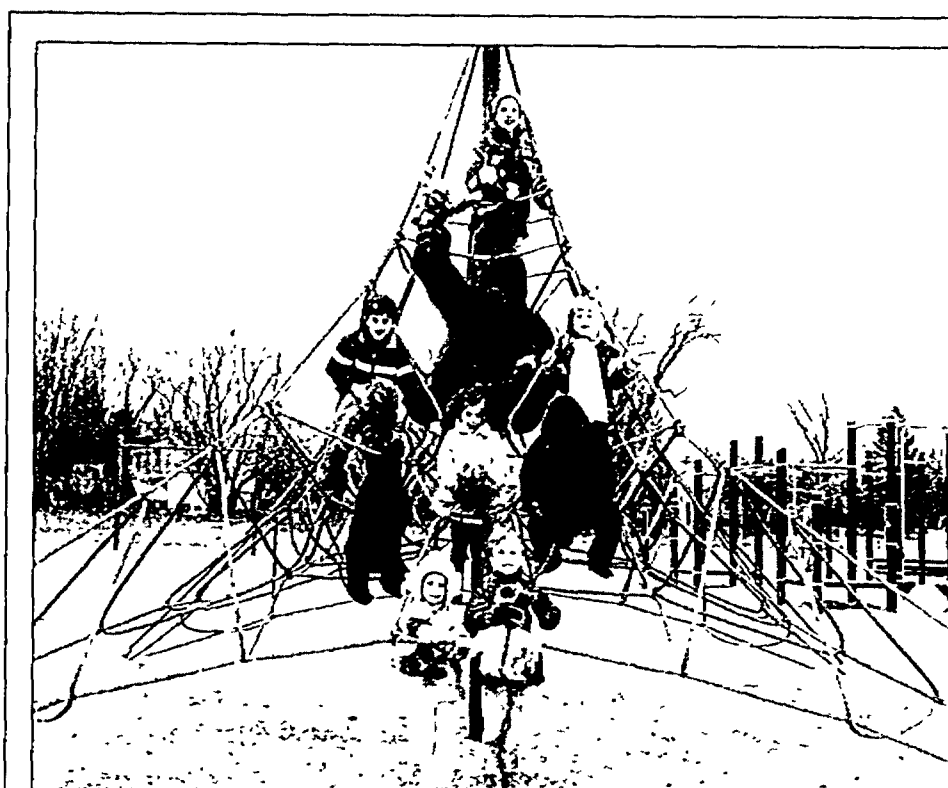
Not sure if you've already bought a Senior All Night Party ticket? Call Randy Buoy at (248) 344-2240 or e-mail him at buoyr61@gmail.com to find out.

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.

These are tough times for many of us. If you can't afford a ticket but your child would like to attend the party, please contact NHS Assistant Principal Monty Shambleau at (248) 344-8420. The information will be kept strictly confidential.

Donations are needed! Due to the economy, donations from businesses are down. Parents, all donations are welcome - cash, gift cards, services, merchandise - get creative! Call Ann Pritchard at (248) 449-3014 or Robin Porreca at (248) 465-0237. Names of all donors will be printed in the Northville Record and you'll get a certificate of thanks.

Permission and Liability Waiver Forms and the Prescription Medication Forms (if needed) MUST be turned in



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Winchester Fun Run

Winchester Elementary students aren't just monkeying around, they are serious about raising money to continue their playground improvements. This year, Winchester's annual Fun Run from 2:15-3:30 p.m. on May 8 (rain date is May 15) will be a fund-raiser to support the purchase of new playground equipment. The Fun Run is a one-mile run or walk that takes place toward the end of the school day. Students, with their families, will be obtaining donations for their participation in this event. The money raised will be used to fund the continuation of Winchester's playground improvements. The students will actively play a major role in making their playground a safer and even more enjoyable part of their school day.

to the NHS office or to Randy Buoy (see address above) or your child CANNOT attend the party. Forms are available on the NHS Web site at www.northville.k12.mi.us.

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

Federal Stimulus Plan

There has been much speculation and discussion recently about the impact the Federal

Stimulus Plan, officially known as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) will have on local school districts in Michigan. However, the truth is that much remains unknown.

Northville Public Schools officials are working closely with representatives from the Wayne County Regional Educational Agency (WCRESA), the Michigan Association of School Boards, and Michigan Association of School Administrators to monitor and interpret information at both the state and federal level as it becomes available.

In an effort to keep school families and community members informed, district officials will

provide regular updates on the district Web site (www.northville.k12.mi.us) and via LISTSERV as details of the Stimulus Plan and its impact on Michigan and Northville unfold.

ACT and SAT

Do you know where your scores will take you? The Princeton Review has several free events coming up to help you prepare yourself for the ACT, SAT, and the college admissions

process. Take a practice test and see where you stand.

In Novi, a free practice ACT session will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 9, and a National Free SAT Day will be held from 9-1 on Saturday, May 16.

The practice tests will be administered to you in a way that's very similar to how the real ACT and SAT are given. Why? Because you need to become familiar with the format of the ACT and SAT and the testing environment you'll face.

A Scores Back and Strategy Session will be held in Novi from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 30.

Parents and students are welcome to attend Scores Back and Strategy Session. Receive your scores, learn strategies for section on the test, and find out how to gain admission into a top-notch school. Students should walk away from the practice tests and Strategy Session with a feel for where they stand on the tests, where their scores will take them, and the confidence to ace the exams.

Spots are limited - please call The Princeton Review at 800-2Review, or visit us online at PrincetonReview.com/events to reserve your spot today.

Summer Connections

Brochures for Summer Connections are now available for review online at <http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/instruction/summerschool.asp>. Copies will also be available at each building by the end of this week. This expanded summer school program is offered at three levels through Elementary Summer Connections, Middle School Summer Connections and High School Summer Connections. Registration will begin on Monday, May 11, at which time PaySchools will be activated as well.

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OUR VIEWS

Leaders tell why Northville's a great community

If you were fortunate enough to be able to enjoy lunch last Wednesday at Meadowbrook Country Club, you went away with a full stomach and a warm feeling in your heart.

The room was nearly full for the annual State of the Communities Address, sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Attendees heard from four of this area's leaders -- State Rep. Marc Corriveau; City of Northville Mayor Chris Johnson; Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo; and Northville Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski.

It wasn't all chocolates and roses, but the bottom line is that Northville is doing better than many other communities in Michigan.

Yes, unemployment statewide is the worst in the nation, but Northville has one of the lowest rates in the state.

Yes, we're watching our auto industry crumble before our eyes, but Michigan could soon be the auto battery capital of the world. And Northville may one day be home to a movie studio.

Yes, the attempted annexation by Livonia of the former state psychiatric hospital was an enormous drain on the township, but now Northville is on the verge of purchasing the majority of that land.

Yes, the township was forced to slash its budget by \$5.5 million, but its millage rate is 17 percent lower than other communities.

Yes, money is tight, but funding was available for a pedestrian pathway to connect the township with downtown.

Yes, the city is going to have to cut 10 positions, but it will be able to balance the budget.

Yes, empty storefronts have increased downtown, but efforts have been made to help attract businesses and customers (new Town Square; Sidewalk & Streetscape Project; highway signs; and a new parking lot behind Marquis Theatre).

Yes, many school districts throughout Michigan are losing students, but Northville gained 117 this school year and the district's MEAP scores are 10 percent higher than the state average.

And, yes, people are suffering all over, but Northville students are helping out by getting involved in community service projects.

If you're looking for a silver lining in these tough times, we know a great place to start -- Northville.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you think Northville would be a good location for a movie studio?

"I think so. Around Northville Downs, you can find just about every type of person."

— Jim Freeman



"Of course! They've got the older, period housing."

— Bob Klipple



"It's OK with me ... more jobs. My son-in-law is in that, so it might bring him up here. We need to reinvent our state."

— Tom Nickels



"Yes. Where the psychiatric hospital is. They need to put something there. It'll bring jobs and be good for the economy."

— Kristina Wittner



"Yes. It's a cute little town. It would bring in business."

— Dawn Geiseman

LETTERS

Novi Signature Park - a sign of hope

To paraphrase philosopher Edmund Burke: "To make us love our city, our city ought to be lovely." Lovely cities are places where people want to live, work and raise a family. They are places where businesses want start, stay, and expand.

On May 5, voters in the City of Novi can choose to make their city a lovely place by making a modest investment in a Signature Park - a park that reflects the unique character and identity of the community and an investment that will pay dividends to present and future generations.

Parks and recreation services are essential to the local economy. High quality local parks and diverse recreation opportunities rank at the top of the list of community attributes sought by business because they meet worker needs for respite and relief. Especially in this time of economic stress, families in Novi and across Michigan who can't afford to travel to Disneyland or other vacation spots need local recreation options.

Parks and recreation services are essential to the creation of community. Parks are the public places where families connect and the very fabric of community is woven. They are the green spaces and open places that are the focal point of community pride. They are the essential glue that holds communities together even as unemployment, foreclosures, and business failures threaten to tear them apart.

Recreation programs are essential to our families. They provide the safe and supervised environment for our children to build character, leadership, and self-confidence. They provide opportunities for seniors to remain active and build networks of mutual support and sustenance.

Vibrant parks and accessible recreation are key components for keeping communities safe and strong. Active, involved, and

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interacting citizens create caring communities that keep criminal elements at bay. And numerous studies show that properties located near community parks keep their value and continue to contribute to local revenues even in the hardest of times.

If hope and fear are the two most powerful motivators of human behavior, then let hope guide the decision of Novi voters on May 5. Because hope is like a road in the country; there never was a road, but when many people walk on it, the road comes into existence. Voting for the Signature Park is an expression of hope for the City of Novi.

Dennis L. Schornack
Executive Director, Michigan Recreation and Park Association

Use federal funds to demolish old hospital

It is a prime time to demolish the Northville Psychiatric Hospital with federal stimulus funds. This should be a number one priority for our governor and local politicians.

This is a shovel-ready project that has been here too long. It does not require spending money on environmental studies

or years of preparing engineering plans. The State of Michigan left the waste behind and should take action to help clean the site up. The project is a labor intensive project that will create local jobs, and generate tax revenue, if contracted to a Michigan firm.

The original 2006 demolition estimate of \$15 million should be much lower now due to economic conditions and the drop in fuel costs. At the local level, nearby landfills could be contacted to convince them of the benefits of lowering or competitive bidding on the disposal fees for the debris. Even the landfills have not been immune from the building and consumer slump. They should welcome the revenue.

Using federal funds to clean up the site will bring outside money into the state vs. using state funds to rob Peter to pay Paul. It will pave the way for some useful commercial development of the land or a hotel conference, performing arts and public recreational center. The use of federal funds will also eliminate the need to capture school and property tax, thus saving the state and local taxpayers millions. It all adds up to a huge savings for this community. The concept is so beneficial that the City of Detroit is discussing razing the old train depot with federal funds.

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GUEST COLUMN

Sex education in Northville - what will the outcome be?

There's a lot of talk and debate these days about sex education in the public schools. Issues like, what should be included, what should be excluded, moralizations, and tolerance, abound. Many involved in the debate will say they're trying to do what is "best" for the youth; that by giving them the A to Z on reproduction and contraception is what needs to be done to "help" this generation reach their (sexual) potential. I would beg to differ.

Much of the current sex education material presented in public schools today is based on Dr. Kinsey's notion that children are sexual beings from birth, and therefore, must be given information of how to experience and express their sexuality from very young ages. With due respect to Dr. Kinsey, his research on young children was criminal and the implications of his findings, disastrous, for future generations. You see, just because all the parts are present, doesn't mean they're ready to be implemented. Yes, all the physical parts pertaining to one's sexuality are



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present in humans from the time of birth (truthfully, from the time of conception) but those parts, along with one's emotional and spiritual aspects, develop over-time. Youth are not equipped emotionally or spiritually to process information pertaining to sexuality or the complexity of intimate relationships until their late teens/early twenties. Youth are not equipped physically either as recent research on the immature cervix of teen girls and frontal lobe brain development of both genders indicates.

Teens who are given the message from adults, whether parents or educators, "Well, we'd prefer that you'd wait to become sexually active until you're in a committed long term monogamous relationship, but we know that's pretty unlikely, so we're going to equip you with plenty of options. If you don't want to choose abstinence because you

think you're ready to have sex, here are some condoms, birth control pills, sponges, depo privera, or maybe the diaphragm or an IUD is right for you?" Then these same curricula spend inordinate amounts of time talking about all the negative consequences of the decision to become sexually active at a young age. "You could become pregnant. You'll be at risk for some treatable sexually-transmitted infections like Chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis, all of which can show up in the throat as well as our posterior orifices. And be especially afraid of contracting the incurables: HIV, HPV and Herpes."

The emotional and psychological negative consequences are inadequately addressed. Any mention of spiritual consequences might be considered illegal. All this to "help" our youth.

I have an idea. What if we focus on teaching our children the benefit of restraint and self-control when it comes to their sexuality? Focus on the benefits of abstinence.

Allow me to go one step farther as a Christian; what if we teach them God's plan for sexuality? God designed sex to occur in the committed relationship we know as marriage, to be defined as one man and one woman. Sex was made for marriage and marriage was made for love (as defined by 1 Corinthians 13:4-7). It is only under these conditions that sex is completely protected from the litany of negative consequences. This is the only safe sex for humans of any age.

When schools educate youth extensively about contraception (with parents' permission, by the way) they shouldn't be surprised when these young people go out and practice what's been presented. Educators educate for outcome; we teach what we want the student to learn. It would be as if you want to teach someone arithmetic, but you give up almost immediately by handing them a calculator. That young person will likely use the calculator and skip the arithmetic. If you want youth to practice abstinence, you can't throw it out

the window by saying, "You probably won't learn it anyway so here's a pack of condoms."

What do we truly want the outcome of "sex education" to be? If we want it to be sex, then teaching teens, and essentially giving them permission to employ, the plethora of contraceptive choices, is the way to go. If we, parents and educators alike, want the educational outcome for our children to be delaying sexual activity until a mutually monogamous relationship, i.e., marriage, then the educational tactics of sex education will need to shift.

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Pet Insurance: Is it a good idea for seniors on a budget?

Dear Savvy Senior
My widowed mother-in-law has two cats and a dog (her adopted family) and would be willing to spend her life savings to take care of them. Is pet insurance a good idea for her?
Concerned In-law

reimbursement for offering a reward for lost pets. Other basic plans cover only accidents and illness. Cost, too, will vary ranging from around \$10 to \$25 per month for basic coverage, to \$25 to \$75 for a comprehensive policy.

SHOPPING TIPS

To help your mother-in-law find a policy that meets her pet's needs and budget, here are a few tips:

• **Shop and compare:** To compare benefits, co-payments and deductibles of major pet insurers go to www.petinsurancereview.com. Many insurers offer discounts for insuring multiple pets - be sure you find out. It's also not a bad idea to check with your mom's veterinarian to see if they have a recommendation. And do not buy a policy from an insurer that's not licensed in your state.

• **Know what you're getting:** Be clear on what the policy covers and doesn't cover, and that it works with your mom's vet. Some companies, like Pet Assure (www.petassure.com), are membership discount plans but only work with the vets in their network.

COST CUTTERS

Whether your mother-in-law chooses pet insurance or not, here are some other ways she can cut her vet bills.

• **Look for discounts:** Humane societies often host events or they may know of local clinics where she can get pet care and vaccinations at reduced prices. Also, find out if her vet offers discounts to seniors or offers reduced fees for annual checkups if she brings in multiple pets.

• **Get a second opinion.** Before committing to expen-

sive treatments or drugs, get a second opinion from another vet. Another option is to consult the Merck Veterinary Manual (www.merckvetmanual.com) for a rundown on her pet's condition and recommended treatments.

• **Shop around for meds.** Get a written prescription from the vet (ask for generic if possible) so she can shop for the best price. Discountpetmeds.com is a good resource that has links to sites that offer lower-priced medications. And it doesn't hurt to ask the vet if he or she has free samples they can give her.

Savvy Tips: Studies have shown that many pet owners can manage medical expenses between \$500 and \$1,000, but have difficulty paying beyond that level. If your mother-in-law fits that category, low-cost, high-deductible plans that cover catastrophic injury or illness are considered a sensible option. To help her decide, the American Animal Hospital Association offers a pet insurance buyer's guide that she can access at www.healthypet.com/sealofaccept.aspx.

You also need to know that many animal advocates think most pet owners are better off forgoing pet insurance and instead putting the money they would have spent on premiums into a savings account. Depending on the policy, pet coverage can cost \$1,500 to \$6,000 over the life of an average pet, and most pet owners will never spend that much for treatment.

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

Changing careers - education & training for new occupation

Once you have decided to change careers, you may also decide that you need further education or training to be able to enter the new field or to fine tune or update your skills or knowledge to current standards.

There are various ways to go about selecting the best options for yourself. Start with your network. Talk to knowledgeable people engaged in the occupation you are considering and review your educational and work history with them to identify areas in need of updating or learning new.

Ask for advice on your best options for getting this training or education. Contacts who are already involved in your field of interest will know what kind of education or training you need and which schools or training organizations provide the best preparation.

Then interview the schools. Find out what their programs entail, and how much your prior education and work experience might apply toward the new programs.

Determine if they are accredited by recognized educational accreditation organizations. Ask for information on where their graduates have found jobs. Find out if they include internship experiences

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in their programs. Learn about Financial Aid.

Find out if there is a professional association affiliated with your occupation of interest. Most major libraries have a copy of the Encyclopedia of Associations in their reference collection. You can use that to find affiliated professional associations and investigate their websites or write or call national headquarters to see if they recommend specific programs or have member schools.

Programs which have internship components are your best choice. You will have a chance to try out your new occupation in a real work setting, learn what it is like on a day to day basis, and make valuable connections for when you are job-seeking.

In Michigan, we have a program called "No Worker Left Behind" which is currently making grants for tuition to education & training program which meet requirements for training people to go into selected high demand occupations.

Your gateway to this program is through your Michigan Works! office. You can review program information online at <http://www.michigan.gov/nwlb> to learn about the high demand occupations and how to get started.

Your chosen new occupation might be one in which apprenticeships are used to learn the job.

You can learn about apprenticeship programs through trade groups and unions associated with the occupation.

You may find that the only way to learn your newly chosen occupation is to learn on the job. Ask for a chance to volunteer to job shadow for a time to determine if you are interested in pursuing the field.

If you are considering starting a business, seek an entry level position in a similar business to learn the ins and outs of daily life. You can also seek counseling through SCORE - Service Corp of Retired Executives or the Small Business Administration which runs workshops on all aspects of starting and running a business.

Your dream of changing careers can come true if you take the time to learn what you need to know to be successful.

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RISING COSTS

The cost of owning a pet has gone up quite a bit in recent years. New technologies in medical treatment now make it possible for pets to undergo similar treatments as humans for many life-threatening diseases. But just as with humans, these treatments don't come cheap.

PET POLICIES

Pet insurance is actually very similar to human health insurance.

Typically pet policies come with deductibles, co-pays and caps that limit how much will be paid out annually. Pre-existing health problems and hereditary conditions can exclude many animals, and the older the pet is, the more you'll have to pay out in premiums. Some insurers won't even cover pets older than 8.

Pet policies also vary widely on what's covered.

Some policies are comprehensive, including such things as annual checkups and vaccinations, spaying/neutering, death benefits and even

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Local Events

THE CHILDREN'S EXHIBIT - CAPTURING EVERYDAY MOMENTS

TIME/DATE: 5-7 p.m., Opening night May 1. Exhibit open through May 14.
LOCATION: Northville Square, 133 W Main Street.
DETAILS: Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Education and Extended Day Programs. This exhibit includes a sampling of work from each of the classes in the NPS Early Childhood programs. In our fourth annual exhibit we invite you to join us as we celebrate children, honor their unique qualities and capture the power of ordinary moments that constitutes the child's story.
CONTACT: For more information please call (248) 344-8465 or visit www.northville.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood.

BREAST CANCER FUNDRAISERS

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/Pages/Server, click on "Donate," and search for the Board of Directors.

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page, or send a check made out to Breast Cancer 3 Day to Jan Connelly at 42654 Waterford, Northville, MI 48167.

AUTHOR DOC FLETCHER SPEAKS AT NOVI LIBRARY

TIME/DATE: 7-8 p.m., Wednesday, May 6.
LOCATION: The Novi Library is located at 45245 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi.
DETAILS: Northville resident and author Doc Fletcher will speak at the Novi Library about his two books "Weekend Canoeing in Michigan" and "Michigan Rivers Less Paddled". The hour long program is a photographic journey down a few rivers from each book. The event is free, and a no charge canoe/kayak rental for a trip down the Grand River will be raffled off after the talk.

ROUGE RESCUE 2009

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, June 6.
LOCATION: Fish Hatchery Park.
DETAILS: Please save the date for the 2009 Rouge Rescue Event.
CONTACT: If you have an idea or would like to participate in the planning please contact Jill Rickard at (248) 662-0497.

GENITTI'S LITTLE THEATER

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.
CONTACT: Call for reservations (248) 349-0522 or genittis.com.
Genitti's Acting Workshops
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LOCATION: 124 N. Center St.
CONTACT: (248) 380-7059.
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Beginning Knitting Class
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. to noon, noon to 2 p.m., 2-4 p.m., or 4-6 p.m. every Tuesday.

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LOCATION: 133 W Main St.
Open Mic Nite

TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. every Tuesday.
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Singles Mingle - Socialize with local singles in a relaxing environment
TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month.
CONTACT: (248) 348-9737.

THE ART HOUSE

Open 1-5 p.m. every Thursday-Sunday; 1-9 p.m. on "First Fridays" of the month.
LOCATION: 215 Cady St.
DETAILS: Admission to Art House shows is always free and open to the public.
CONTACT: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or northvillearts.org.
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.
Baseline Folk Society Open Mic
TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. third Saturday of each month, Sept.-June.
LOCATION: Northville Art House, 215 Cady.
DETAILS: Enjoy traditional, folk and acoustic music in a casual setting. Five open mic spots available on first to sign up basis beginning at 6:15 p.m. Tickets \$5 at the door.
CONTACT: (248) 344-0954.
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CALENDAR

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Exploration (Experiment with Mixed Media) Age: 3-5 yrs Fascinated by shiny, sticky & gooey stuff? The joy of creative thinking & self-expression are brought to life using paper, paint, clay and glue. Together, construct projects that develop fine motor skills & enhance creative development. Materials fee of \$6 payable to instructor. Instructor: Christine Laginess. \$33/\$43 per session
Learn To Draw
TIME/DATE: 1:30-2:30 p.m., Saturdays
DETAILS: Drawing and Illustration Age 5-9 years Bring a favorite toy and learn how to draw! Or a still life of fun objects will be set up for the students. Learn to draw from life objects. Look past what an object seems to be and instead see the myriad of shapes and color that comprise our visible world. Students will develop illustration techniques: line drawing, shading, stippling and use various materials

In their exploration of this fundamental artist skills. Supply list will be provided to the student. Also a great class for home-schoolers.
Instructor: Dawn Johnson \$50/\$60 per session
Creative Kids
TIME/DATE: 10-11:30 a.m. second Saturdays
DETAILS: The joy of creative thinking and self-expression are brought to life in this class. Art activities including drawing, painting, sculpture and mixed media will be offered in conjunction with the current professional exhibits on display in the Art House Gallery. Instructor: Staff Age: 5-10 years \$18/\$20 per date.
Potential Potters
TIME/DATE: 9:30-10:30 a.m., Saturdays
DETAILS: Invent new shapes while exploring hand building techniques using clay. Encourage small motor development and hand-eye coordination, creating and molding animals, figures, cups or boxes with stoneware. All work will be glazed and fired using food safe materials. Materials fee of \$10 payable to instructor. Instructor:

Christine Laginess Age: 4-7 years \$40/\$50 per session
Intermediate Sculpture
TIME/DATE: 11-12:30 p.m., Saturdays
DETAILS: Expand knowledge of ceramics as you explore sculpting techniques and begin to use a potter's wheel! Express yourself creatively as you make action figures; wild, wacky or realistic animals; or caricatures of yourself or friends in clay! These are just a few of the possibilities you can create as you stretch your imagination with ceramic stoneware. Your creations will be finished using clay slips and fired, using food safe glazes. Materials fee of \$10 payable to instructor. Instructor: Christine Laginess, Age: 8-13 years, \$50/\$60 per session
You Can Paint with Watercolors!
TIME/DATE: 4-5:30 p.m., Thursdays
DETAILS: Learn balance, composition, color and value as you experiment with watercolor to create original pieces of art on a small scale. No prior drawing or painting skills are necessary! Material fee of \$2 per session, payable to instructor. Instructor: Julie Woodard, an accomplished artist. Age: 10-15



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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
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

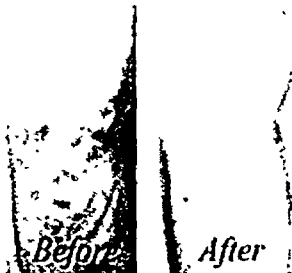
LOCATION: 303 W. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-4140
Thursday
8 a.m.: Walking Club
9 a.m.: TOPS; Massage by appt.
10:30 a.m.: Yoga
11 a.m.: Cribbage
Noon: Walking Club
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
Friday
8 a.m.: Walking Club
11 a.m.: Poker
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
Noon: Walking Club
1 p.m.: Movie
Monday
8 a.m.: Walking Club
9:30 a.m.: Mah Jongg
10 a.m.: Beginning Line Dance, Oxyose
11 a.m.: Adv. Line Dance
Noon: Walking Club
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre
7:15 p.m.: Tai Chi
Tuesday
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10:30 a.m.: Yoga
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Noon: Walking Club
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

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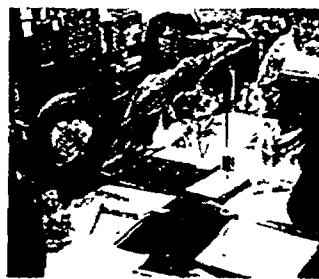
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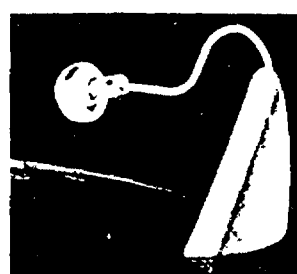
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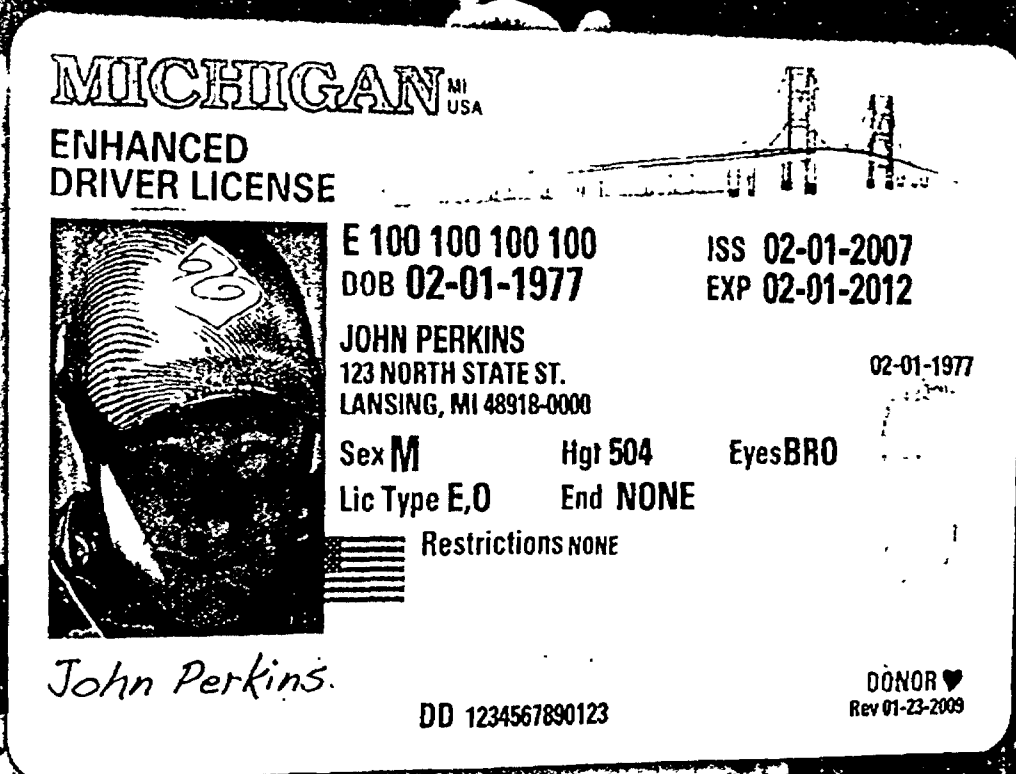
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Northville
soccer still
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Stevenson ousts NHS boys track and field team

In weather that could be labeled horrible even by mid-April-in-Michigan standards, Northville's boys track and field team dropped a 79-58 decision to visiting Livonia Stevenson April 21.

"Stevenson is down a bit from last year, but they still have a decent team," Northville coach Scott Szukaitis said. "Our times were better than our previous dual meet, but our focus and effort seemed lacking. I was very disappointed in our performance with a few exceptions."

Among the exceptions were juniors Ali Arastu and Paul Gibson and senior Noel Key. Arastu won the 110-meter high hurdles and 300 intermediate hurdles and anchored the Mustangs' first-place 1,600-meter relay contingent.

"Ali ran strong in all events," Szukaitis said. "He had a standout performance in the four-by-400."

Arastu also excelled at Saturday's Mehoek Invitational, where he finished second in the 300 hurdles to the No. 1-ranked hurdler in the state of Ohio.

"To my knowledge, that is the best 300 time in the state of Michigan to date this year," Szukaitis said.

Gibson placed second in the 300 hurdles and ran a strong leg as part of the Mustangs' winning 1,600-meter relay contingent.

"Paul has been a quick study in his first year of running the hurdles," Szukaitis said. "The

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Northville's Dave Brown clears the high-jump bar during a meet last week against Livonia Stevenson.



Mustang Megan Sklut throws the discus.

'Pole' position

Record-setting vault propels girls to win over Spartans

Sparked by a school-record performance in the pole vault, Northville's girls track and field team placed fifth at Saturday's West Bloomfield Invitational.

The Mustangs' Amy Reynolds set a new mark of 11 feet even in the pole vault to pace her team's 44.5-point effort. Chelsea Ciampa also sparked for Northville, winning the long jump with a personal-best distance of 17-2.5 and the 300-meter low hurdles in 17.4 seconds.

Northville also received points from 100-meter hurdler Jaclyn Konopka, who placed third in 16.2 seconds; the shuttle hurdles relay contingent of Konopka, Ciampa, Shelby Johnson and Kanika Kochhar, which placed third; and freshman high jumper Alex Moynes, who tied for sixth.

NORTHVILLE 82, LIVONIA STEVENSON 55
April 21 at Northville
3,200-meter relay: 1 Northville 10:51.2

Stevenson
100-meter hurdles: 1 Jaclyn Konopka (N) 16:37.2
Chelsea Ciampa (N) 16:55.3 DeMarco (LS) 17:34
Discus: 1 Olubra (LS) 96 feet 1 inch 2 Meghan Sklut (N) 85-7.3 Saah (LS) 78-4
100 dash: 1 Walter (LS) 13:70 2 Laura Cheaney (N) 13:77 3 DeMarco (LS) 13:81
Long jump: 1 Chelsea Ciampa (N) 16-2 2 Bayer (LS) 15-2.5 3 Stone (LS) 15-1.5
800 relay: 1 Northville 15:6.2 Stevenson 15:7.5
Shot put: 1 Sarah Rounsifer (N) 28-5 2.5 2 Gudeman (LS) 27-1.5 3 Saah (LS) 26-4 2.5
1,600 run: 1 Ca'ka (LS) 5:22.22 2 Gina McNamara (N) 5:46.28 3 Opydyk (LS) 5:55.03
400 relay: 1 Northville 55:04 2 Stevenson 59:65
400 run: 1 Beth Rocash (N) 1:03.3 2 Shannon Lohman (N) 1:07.09 3 Gudeman (LS) 1:07.82
300 hurdles: 1 Adamcheck (LS) 46:62 2 Chelsea Ciampa (N) 46:89 3 Jaclyn Konopka (N) 51:72
800 run: 1 Ca'ka (LS) 2:31.2 Opydyk (LS) 2:36.3 Amy Badtor (N) 2:42
High jump: 1 Beth Roach (N) 4-9.2 Shannon Lohman (N) 4-7.3 Alex Moynes (N) 4-5
200 run: 1 Beth Rocash (N) 27:18 2 Erickson (LS) 28:98 3 Batschen (LS) 29:25
3,200 run: 1 Joss (LS) 14:37 2 Stephanie Hamel (N) 15:31 3 Sara DeDonna (N) 16:22
1,600 relay: 1 Stevenson 21:00.0 2 Northville 28:00.0
Pole vault: 1 Amy Reynolds (N) 10-6 2 Amy O'Brien (N) 8-0 3 Julie Davison (N) 8-0



A Northville runner completes a leg in a relay during last week's victory over Livonia Stevenson.

SIDELINES

Mustang golfers continue to shine

The Northville boys golf team continued its early-season surge by ousting border rival Novi, 155-167, Monday at Walnut Creek Country Club. The victory improved the Mustangs to 2-0, while Novi slipped to 1-1.

Northville senior captain Wes Gates earned medalist honors by carding a 2-under-par 34. Others contributing to the Mustangs' victory were Trevor Grigg (39) and Alex Bernstein, Steve Brown and Brandon Cameron, all of whom fired 41. Eric Goebel turned in a 44 for the Mustangs.

Scoring for Novi were Brent Womack (40), Steve Raykovich (40), Kyle Edwards (43), Nic Hanson (44) and Tyler Manning (47).

On Friday and Saturday, Northville placed second in the prestigious Traverse City Central Tee-off Tournament, which was played at the challenging Grand Traverse Resort. The Mustangs, who led the event after the first day, finished with a score of 313, two shots more than defending state champion Grand Blanc.

Gates earned medalist honors Friday after firing a 70 on the Wolverine course. Overall, the senior placed fourth in the 240-player field.

Also excelling for the Mustangs were Grigg (74-78), Bernstein (78-78), Goebel (78-80) and Brown (76-80).

Softball update

Northville's softball team doubled both ends of a doppelheader to Plymouth Friday afternoon, 9-6 (12 innings) and 12-5. Sarah Rounsifer belted a pair of home runs in the nightcap. More details of the twinbill were not available.

Athletic physicals

The Northville High School Athletic Department announced recently that it is working in conjunction with Beaumont Hospital for its athletic training services. Along with these services, Beaumont doctors will be conducting athletic physicals June 4 for the 2009-10 school year. Physicals will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the high school's athletic wing. The cost will be \$20 per physical. Physicals need to be done on the official MHSAA physical form, which can be downloaded from the NHS athletic department's Web site. Please make sure all information — especially needed signatures by parents and students — is completed.

Coaches: Please report results

Local high school athletic coaches are encouraged to report the results of their team's contests to Record Sports Editor Ed Wright, who can be reached at (734) 578-2767 or ewright@hometownlife.com. The weekly deadline is Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Mustang netters off to strong start

Northville's girls tennis team faced a "wind/win" situation during Monday's key Kensington Lakes Activities Association match against Novi.

The Mustangs defeated the elements — most notably a gusting wind — and the Wildcats, 5-4, to improve to 4-0.

"It was a very close match on all courts and the conditions were extremely difficult," Northville coach Sandy Woolfall said. "I was counting on my doubles teams to give us the win and they all came through."

"Our first, second and fourth singles had all lost to Novi on Saturday (in a tournament in Ann Arbor), but (on Monday) they all had closer matches and did very well considering the wind."

With the score knotted at 4-4, Monday's victory was cemented by the Mustangs' No. 2 doubles tandem of Abby Grajek and Sabrina Masciulli, who edged Novi's Jenna Snyder and Megan Wenzl, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.

Novi swept the four singles matches before the Mustangs rebounded to win all five doubles contests.

On Saturday, the Mustangs placed

second in the talent-rich Ann Arbor Invitational. The host Pioneers won the tournament with 17 points, three more than Northville. Novi and Grosse Pointe South accumulated 13 points each.

"I was extremely pleased with our performance at the tournament," Woolfall said. "Seven of the teams are ranked in the top 10 in the state."

No. 1 singles player Haley Johnston won her first-round match against GPS before dropping her second- and third-round matches against state-ranked opponents.

No. 2 singles player Tanya Joseph rebounded from an opening-round loss by defeating foes from GPS and Holly.

Joanne Weber lost 2-1 at No. 3 singles, with her only loss coming against a highly accomplished opponent from Pioneer, while No. 4 player Erin Doud went 1-2.

The Mustangs' No. 1 doubles team of Laura Taylor and Ursula Cauffiel earned a third-place medal thanks to a 6-4, 6-4 third-round win over Novi.

The No. 2 doubles team of Abby Grajek and Sabrina Masciulli, the No.

3 team of Maudie Smith and Amy Bernstein; and the No. 4 team of Valerie Juan and Mackenzie Powers all placed second in their respective flights.

NORTHVILLE 5, NOVI 4 Monday at Northville

No. 1 singles: Amanda Border (NVI) defeated Haley Johnston 6-2 6-2. No. 2: Sara Carlson (NVI) def. Tanya Joseph 6-3 7-6. No. 3: Joanne Weber (NVI) def. Abby Wang 6-3 6-2. No. 4: Jennifer Felcher (NVI) def. Erin Doud 7-6 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: Laura Taylor/Ursula Cauffiel (NVI) def. Lauren Fekcher/Julia Thomas 6-3 6-2. No. 2: Abby Grajek/Sabrina Masciulli (NVI) def. Jenna Snyder/Megan Wenzl 6-2 4-6 6-3. No. 3: Maudie Smith/Amy Bernstein (NVI) def. Andrea Lott/Meggie Riegel 7-6 6-2. No. 4: Valerie Juan/Mackenzie Powers (NVI) def. Natalie Murphy/Shaeen Sheikh 6-4 6-4. No. 5: Ca'li Darish/Jenna Grezik (NVI) def. Michele Barber/Narya Talluri 6-3 6-1.

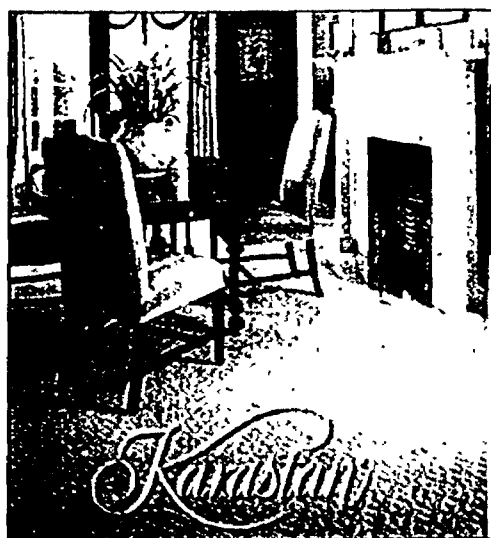
NORTHVILLE 9, SALEM 0 Friday at Salem

No. 1 singles: Haley Johnston (N) defeated Ali Carpenter 6-1 6-1. No. 2: Tanya Joseph (N) def. Lisa Larsen 6-0 6-0. No. 3: Joanne Weber (N) def. Anna Norman 6-0 6-1. No. 4: Erin Doud (N) def. Morgan Spencer 6-0 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Laura Taylor/Ursula Cauffiel (N) def. Rachel Norman/Ariel Rojo 6-1 6-0. No. 2: Abby Grajek/Sabrina Masciulli (N) def. Kerry MacDonal/Alex Lamb 6-3 6-1. No. 3: Maudie Smith/Amy Bernstein (N) def. Victoria Broitz/Kayla Zabowski 6-1 6-1. No. 4: Valerie Juan/Mackenzie Powers (N) def. Ashley Davis/Katie Fletcher 6-1 6-2. No. 5: Ca'li Darish/Jenna Grezik (N) def. Emma VanHoot/Bethany Haler 6-2 6-1.



Northville No. 1 singles player Haley Johnston, pictured practicing following Friday's win over Salem, has led the Mustangs to a 4-0 start.



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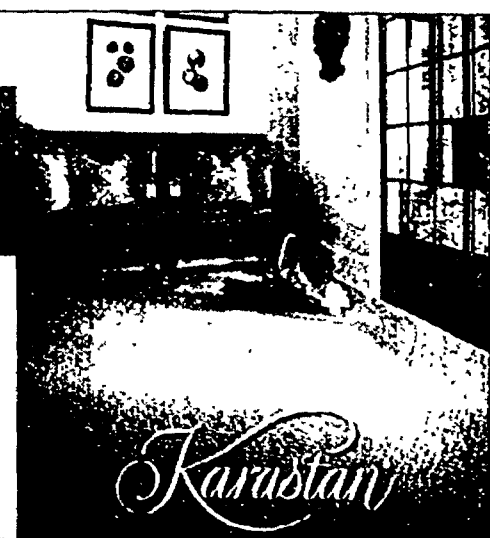
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Northville kickers remain unbeaten

Northville's girls soccer team remained unbeaten by blanking Livonia Stevenson, 2-0, on Monday and South Lyon, 5-0, on April 22.

The victory over the Spartans was highlighted by a pair of second-half goals from senior Jeanette Dolmetsch and Jenni Borawski.

Dolmetsch's goal came with 29:56 left when she drove a header into the back of the net from five yards out off a corner kick from junior Stacey Clough.

Borawski's insurance goal came with 6:33 remaining when she secured her own rebound and ripped the ball past the Stevenson goalie.

Kathryn Jansen was flawless between the pipes for the Mustangs, who received defensive play from Kelsey Baskins, Nicole Miller, Tori Wright, Heidi Haller and Dolmetsch.

The Mustangs were 4-0-2 heading into Tuesday night's action.

Northville's dominating performance against the Lions included 20 shots on goal and nine corner kicks. On the other hand, South Lyon registered zero shots on goal and were held without a corner.

Scoring for the winners were Camille Junca, Jessica Lyon, Mallory Weber, Jenni Borawski and Jill Allumbaugh.

Garnering assists were Amy Sweetapple, Caroline Castelli, Nicole Miller, Kelsey Fiscus and Junca.

Elana Ryznar and Shelby Foerg shared time in net for the Mustangs. Defensive standouts included Baskins, Wright, Dolmetsch and Haller.



Northville's Mallory Weber dribbles up the field during a match earlier this season. The Mustangs improved to 4-0-2 Monday with a 2-0 victory over Livonia Stevenson.

JUMP

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coaching staff expects his times to continue dropping in the 300 as he becomes more comfortable.

Key finished second and third in the 400- and 200-meter dashes, respectively.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 79 NORTHVILLE 58
April 21 at Northville
3,200-meter relay: 1 Stevenson 8:46
2 Northville (A. Arastu, P. Gibson, N. Putman, J. Dalton) 8:49
110 high hurdles: 1 Ali Arastu (N), 15:31
2 Buffel (LS), 16:49, 3 Al Haymi (LS), 17:84
100 dash: 1 Anagnostou (LS), 11:11, 2 White (LS), 11:37, 3 A. Marilley (N), 11:45
800 relay: 1 Stevenson 1:42:35, 2 Northville (Noel Key, C. Ciric, Brandon Love, A. Marilley) 1:36:99
1,600 run: 1 House (LS), 4:45, 2 J.

Girbach (N), 4:52, 3 Frank Griffiths (N), 4:54
400 relay: 1 Stevenson, 4:47, 2 Northville (Noel Key, Brandon Love, C. Ciric, A. Marilley), 4:64
400 dash: 1 Sergeson (LS), 52:59, 2 Noel Key (N), 52:09, 3 Adair (LS), 54:09
300 intermediate hurdles: 1 Ali Arastu (N), 41:18, 2 Paul Gibson (N), 45:47, 3 Adair (LS), 45:59
800 run: 1 Jack Dalton (N), 2:07:52, 2 N Dembicki (N), 2:10:7, 3 Smetana (N), 2:11:54
200 dash: 1 Anagnostou (LS), 22:91, 2 White (LS), 23:21, 3 Noel Key (N), 23:82
3,200 run: 1 House (LS), 10:09, 2 Frank Griffiths (N), 10:29, 3 J. Girbach (N), 10:35
1,600 relay: 1 Northville (Noel Key, Paul Gibson, N. Putman, Ali Arastu), 3:34, 2 Stevenson, 3:36
Long jump: 1 Sergeson (LS), 20 feet, 7 inches, 2 Simor (LS), 19:10, 3 Burek (LS), 19:2
Pole vault: 1 Weyand (LS), 10:11, 2 Gudeman (LS), 10:11, 3 N. Menovick (N), 10:5
High jump: 1 D. Brown (N), 6-0, 2 A. Myers (N), 5-9, 3 Stahl (LS), 5-8
Shot put: 1 Aneel (LS), 42:27, 2 K. Hnatuk (N), 42:25, 3 Nelson (LS), 40:05
Discus: 1 K. Hnatuk (N), 122:11, 2 Aneel (LS), 120:8, 3 D. Burrell (N), 112:1

Whalers' Terry receives OHL humanitarian award

The Ontario Hockey League announced today that Plymouth Whalers captain Chris Terry has been named the recipient of the league's Dan Snyder Memorial Trophy as OHL Humanitarian of the Year.

Terry, 20, earned the award with his tireless devotion to the Whalers Community Relations efforts, becoming the Whalers' lead ambassador in appearing at countless public events, including hospital visits, Learn-to-Skate programs, school visits and other

unscheduled appearances. Terry was instrumental in coordinating the Whalers first-ever Pink Out! for Breast Cancer Awareness in October, an event that saw the entire Plymouth team dye their hair pink for the event and raised public awareness towards breast cancer.

"We're proud of Chris for a lot of reasons," said Plymouth President, General Manager and Head Coach Mike Vellucci. "Not only is he a leader on the ice, but he is also a leader off the ice. He's very

deserving of this award. His contribution to the Plymouth organization and the community of Plymouth will have a positive impact for years to come."

Terry is the first member of the Whalers to receive the Dan Snyder Memorial Trophy, named after the former member of the Owen Sound Platers (1995-99) who won the team's Humanitarian of the Year Award twice before playing in the National Hockey League with the Atlanta Thrashers in 2002-03.

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CC's Mooradian heads All-Area wrestling contingent

BY JEFF THEISEN
SPORTS WRITER

It isn't often a freshman is even in the mix for a player of the year in any sports.

But what Catholic Central frosh Alec Mooradian accomplished is even more rare.

The 112-pounder not only captured a State title, he did it without losing a match.

"Alec is one of the smartest wrestlers I have seen at this level," said CC head coach Mitch Hancock. "He finds ways to win close matches and that's because of his confidence."

"The funny thing is, he's never satisfied. He always wants more of himself. The young man is a very dedicated wrestler, and he has plans of winning a national title this summer."

Mooradian finished 50-0 with 32 pins. The titles he collected along the way included the Kent County champ, Oakland County champ, Goodrich champ, CC Invite champ, Observerland champ, Catholic League champ,

District champ, Regional champ and State champ.

Other highlights included beating three-time champion B.J. Sutor from Swan Valley and two-time champ Victor Vitesse from Avondale.

Mooradian is just the second freshman Shamrock wrestler to win a State title.

As good as Mooradian is on the mat, Hancock says he's just as good off it.

"He's very well mannered and very respectful type of kid," Hancock said. "He's a 3.9, 4.0 kind of student."

"He's the kind of kid that we want our program to be role modeled after."

All-Area First Team

TODD MELICK, 103 POUNDS, CC FRESHMAN: Melick turned in a spectacular season, placing fourth at State. He finished 11-5 with 31 of his wins coming by fall.

He captured titles at Kent County, CC Invite, Observerland and at districts.

"Todd is a phenomenal athlete with a lot of potential,"

Hancock said. "He is very exciting to watch, and I predict he will win a State title very soon for the Shamrocks."

JUSTIN MELICK, 119 POUNDS, CC SOPHOMORE: Melick, like his brother, also put in a spectacular season, culminating with a sixth-place finish at State.

He finished 38-10, and won titles at Observerland and at districts. He finished runner-up at Oakland County, CC Invite and at regionals.

"Justin has to be one of the strongest pound for pound wrestlers that I have coached," said Hancock. "Once he gets his hands on you, you're in trouble."

"I like what Justin brings to our room as far as his competitiveness. He hates to lose and our team feeds off of him."

CHARLIE JOSEPH, 125 POUNDS, CC JUNIOR: Joseph earned a trip to the State finals after going 36-14 throughout the year.

His highlights include titles at Observerland and at districts. He was voted most

improved wrestler for the Shamrocks.

"Charlie worked very hard last summer to have the season he did this year," Hancock said. "He traveled to various camps around the country to gain experience and confidence and it paid off."

"If he can work as hard this summer, as he did last, watch out."

DOUG ELDRIDGE, 130 POUNDS, CC JUNIOR: Eldridge saved some of his best wrestling for the State finals, placing fourth.

He went 41-12 with highlights that included being the Catholic League champ, district champ, Observerland runner-up and third at regionals.

"Doug is one of the most fierce wrestlers on our team," Hancock said. "He is not afraid to get after it and it showed at the State tournament."

NICK BURT, 135 POUNDS, MILFORD JUNIOR: Burt went 31-18 and earned a spot into the State finals.

BILLY CURRY, 140 POUNDS, MILFORD SENIOR: Curry finished off his senior season with an eighth-place finish in his final meet, achieving All-State honors.

JON NELSON, 145 POUNDS, NORTHVILLE JUNIOR: Nelson turned in a 43-11 record on his way to qualifying for States.

He was third at districts and regionals and second at the KLA Conference championships.

"He was outstanding from day one for us," Balagna said. "This was his first year in the varsity lineup. I knew he was a special kid, but I didn't expect this out of him so early."

"He is one of the hardest workers on the team, and it showed as he improved every week." He peaked at the right time as he qualified for the State Finals and won a match.

TREVOR O'CONNOR, 152 POUNDS, CC SENIOR: O'Connor proved all year he was ready for the State tournament, where he finished seventh. Along the way, O'Connor won titles at Kent County, Observerland and at districts. He finished runner-up at Oakland County, the CC Invite and at regionals.

"Trevor is the epitome of a Captain," Hancock said. "He led this team all year with character and humility, yet dominated on the mat. He was in the finals of every tournament he entered except one."

"If he was healthy going into the state tournament I think he would've been in the mix to win it all."

JOE POWELL, 160 POUNDS, SOUTH LYON SENIOR: Powell captained the South Lyon squad and finished 41-12 in qualifying for State. He was runner-up at the KLA

Conference meet, second at districts, runner-up at the South Lyon Invite and fourth at regionals.

NICK MUDAR, 171 POUNDS, NORTHVILLE JUNIOR: Mudar picked up medals in five of seven tournaments, four of them championships.

He won the district title and a KLA Conference championship.

"Nick is just a work horse," Northville head coach Jeff Balagna said. "He lead our team in victories and falls. You could always count on Nick to get you team points, especially in big matches."

He finished the season undefeated in dual meets, which is almost unheard of. I was heartbroken when he didn't qualify for the State finals."

MIKE KINVILLE, 189 POUNDS, CC JUNIOR: Kinville went from the football field to the mat in a seamless transition. He finished seventh at State and compiled a 38-13 record along the way.

Highlights included winning the Observerland, Catholic League and district tournaments.

"It was neat to see Michael continue his family legacy," Hancock said. "He now becomes the third and final brother to accomplish All-State honors in wrestling."

"This young man has a work ethic that is second to none and that's why he was chosen as our captain for the 2009-2010 season."

COLIN MARESH, 215 POUNDS, NORTHVILLE SENIOR: Mareshe captained the Mustang ship and ripped off a 41-11 record. He was a regional qualifier.

Rocky Mikulec, heavy-weight, Milford senior

Mikulec finished off his senior year with a trip to the State finals, where he won a match. Mikulec went 43-11.

Advertorial

TEE TIME

Your local golf guide

One person's view of Tiger's impact on golf

By David Graham

As golf fans, we have all seen it and all have been part of it. Isn't it amazing how Tiger Woods creates interest in golf tournaments?

When he is in a tournament, galleries grow dramatically and TV ratings sky rocket. Why is that? In my humble opinion, there are a number of reasons for this extraordinary popularity.

- He is a great player. He has extraordinary power. Beyond that, he has such extraordinary touch around the greens. He can shape shots, too. Stuck behind a tree? No problem — just draw the ball around the tree and leave it below the hole for a very makeable birdie putt.
- His creativity is legendary. At the Buick Open years ago when Fluff Cowan was still his caddy, we watched in awe as he put on a virtual clinic practicing out of a sand bunker. Fluff would drop two balls in the bunker. Tiger would hit each ball, with the first coming out low and with a lot of spin. The second would be high and soft and both would land next to the hole. Over and over they practiced this drill, alternating between the two types of shots. Oh yeah, the whole time he held his left arm behind his back and was making the shot just gripping the club in his right hand.
- He is a great athlete. If he weren't a great golfer, he is so strong and so fit; you could easily envision him as a star NFL Defensive halfback or an NBA point guard.
- He is handsome and has a stunningly beautiful wife and two healthy kids are the All American family. He looks so strong you aren't surprised when you read about his workout regimen. So the guy looks like a stud and truly is dressed for success on the course. His clothes complement his physique, and he is simply the total package. No surprise that women, young and old are absolutely drawn to him. But the fact is guys are drawn to him, too. I have seen more men in their Sunday red shirts and Tiger Nike golf caps because it is Tiger cool.
- He has succeeded in making thoughtful comments about the stuff he knows about golf. He avoids controversy. He could have acted sooner in support of Fuzzy Zoeller years back when Fuzzy made his unfortunate comments regarding the Masters Champions dinner menu. But time has helped us forget his oversight.
- He seizes the moment better than anyone before him. He just seems to thrive under pressure and seek out those opportunities when he has to perform when everything is on the line. We all have watched in awe as he has rolled in putts to win the Arnold Palmer Invitational at Bayhill on the 18th green the last two years in a row. How about the putt on 18 to force the playoff with Rocco Mediate at Torrey Pines South at last year's U.S. Open? And how cool are those fist pumps he employs after dropping yet another great putt?
- When Tiger returned to his first tournament this spring in Arizona following knee surgery and an extended period of rehabilitation, there were a couple of schools of thought on how he would perform. One group said it would be a long time before he would get his tournament game back while another seemed to think that he would turn it on immediately and pick up where he had left off. Winning. I was honestly split in my view. I did not think he would win the WGC event in Arizona however I also felt that if he had, I would not have been surprised. The mystique and legend simply grows bigger with each championship won.
- Will he break Jack Nicklaus' record for major championships? In my mind, the only question is when. And that is why Tiger has had such an impact on the game of golf.

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

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Northville's Pear-aphernalia's Lori Stempien, left, and Pat Finnegan get ready for another day of business in their East Main Street furnishings shop.

Pear-aphernalia offers décor, gift items, jewelry, candles

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

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

We first met working on the Art and Environment Committee at our church. There we decorated our altar and entrances to the church on a weekly basis, as well as other gathering spaces for special occasions. We learned the importance of scale, texture, time management, and budget. Through the 10 years of working together on a volunteer basis, we developed a mutual respect for each other's strengths and abilities. Feeling confident we could work well together and make the transition, Pear-aphernalia was born.

3. Why did you choose Northville?

Northville is a very special place. Although in close proximity to larger urban areas, it offers a small town atmosphere. We wanted to operate in a town where personal relationships with our customers were possible. Northville is friendly and charming and it offers exactly such an environment. It's not just

DETAILS

Business Name: Pear-aphernalia, Inc.
Address: 184 East Main Street, Downtown Northville
Your Name/Title: Lori Stempien and Pat Finnegan, Owners
Business Opened When: October 2001
Number of Employees: four
Hours of Operation: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Saturday
Business Specialties: home décor
Phone: (248) 596-1430

about selling products, but offering a listening ear to someone who might need to talk. In this way, we have been part of the small town experience and have established many friendships through our store.

4. What makes your business unique?

We incorporated not only beautiful eye-pleasing displays, but also soothing music, pleasant scents, and a friendly staff. Our customers frequently comment that "a trip to Pear-aphernalia is a mini-vacation". A relaxing environment, no-pressure sales, and respect for and commitment to our customers, makes us unique in a busy world.

5. How has it changed since you opened?

Pear-aphernalia first opened on Center Street and later moved to our present location on Main Street. Our business has grown to include many more product lines. Through listening to our customer's wants and needs, we have expanded our artwork offerings. We are the leader in single-store sales for Ashton

Pictures in the state of Michigan. Along with four other picture vendors, we have become known as a destination for affordable framed artwork and mirrors.

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

One late afternoon a customer who had been looking through the store for a few minutes came over to us and stated she had been passing our store on the way home from work for a number of months and thought how appealing the windows were to her and someday she would need to come in and look around. She stated that we needed to put a sign on our window — "It Looks Expensive but You Can Afford to Shop Here!"

7. How has the recent economy affected your business?

We have always been known for quality home accessories at affordable prices. This has continued to be our strength in these slower economic conditions. One of our goals has been to add more products made in the U.S.A. One such line is Lakeshore Candles made in Zeeland, Michigan. It benefits three Michigan businesses: the local soybean farmer, Lakeshore Candle, and, of course, Pear-aphernalia.

8. Any advice for business owners?

Love what you do!

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

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Embrace new technologies

I have a friend who refuses to learn how to use e-mail or even his family's new computer. He feels that if enough people refuse to accept these new technologies that they will go away. He gets his wife to open e-mails for him and he asks all of his friends



Jeff Livermore

to not use e-mail to communicate with him. It is challenging to deal with him because we often use one e-mail to inform all of our family, friends, colleagues of news or events of common interest. It is frustrating to have to remember that one e-mail reaches everyone but him and we need to make a separate phone call to reach him. He is doing his best to resist technology.

A similar situation arose when the citizens of a village in the United Kingdom tried to block the arrival of Google Street View into their neighborhood. When the town residents found out that Google Street View was going to include their village's photographs in the application, they feared that their world would be forever changed and their privacy lost. To stop the cameras, the citizens took to the street

and physically blocked the camera vehicle. Their protest was as effective at stopping Street View as my friend's resistance to e-mail.

In stark contrast to the British reaction, Canadian citizens embraced the arrival of Google's camera and used them to promote the personalities of their cities. Bicycle groups swarmed the camera cars to show that Canadians support the environment and document that Canadians commute to work on their bicycles. Other groups of Canadians staged parades and even a medieval sword fight along the camera vehicle's route to show the sense of whimsy to the world.

I also notice the resistance to technological change at the gym where I go to work out. There are still some old Sony Walkmans in use and a few bulky radios.

Not every one has embraced the latest iPod products and some people still use bulky headphones instead of ear buds. The majority of the gym rats do use the latest technology; I see a lot of feather light iPods and tiny ear buds. The benefits of the newer technology make it hard to resist.

All new technologies carry benefits and risks. Using the Internet or even a cell phone carries a risk. Your computer may be attacked by a virus and your cell phone may be hacked for your billing code. All of us need to assess whether the rewards of the new technology outweigh the risks of the new technology.

Sometimes the acceptance of new technologies forces us to accept them and give up cherished older technologies. Many newspapers are being forced to give up their print editions in favor of publishing their content on the Internet. Readers will have to choose whether they wish to accept the new technologies or do without I am a huge fan of sitting in my recliner and enjoying a good newspaper. I find that more enjoyable than sitting in front of my computer in the evening to catch up on the news. My wife and I have been loyal readers of the Novi News for more than a decade, but if this newspaper goes online only, I will embrace the new format and roll with it.

Another friend of mine compared new technologies to waves at the beach. Like it or not, a new wave rolls in every minute. We do not get to choose the pace or size of the waves. We cannot stop the waves from coming in; all we can do is choose whether we will ride the waves or get washed over by them.

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Providence Park names new president

Northville resident Jean Meyer, R.N., M.S.N., has been selected as the new president of Providence Park Hospital in Novi. She will be responsible for the hospital's day-to-day operations and continued growth. She will assume her role immediately.

During her 22 year career in health care, Meyer has held various leadership positions. Prior to serving as senior vice president and chief nursing officer for St. John Health System, chief operating officer for the Providence Region and interim Providence Park administrator, she served as senior vice president, Operations and chief nursing officer for St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis, Ind.

Prior to this position, she served as the executive director of the Oncology Service Line and director, Breast Services and Cancer Screening for St. Vincent Hospital.

Jean received her bachelor's degree in public health education, from the University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse. She completed her work for a bachelor's and master's of science in nursing from Loyola University of Chicago.

Botsford names VP, chief nursing officer

Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills has promoted Marge Hasler, R.N., M.S.N., to vice president and chief nursing officer. Before this, she served as Botsford's administrator of nursing services. This new position was created for Hasler when she was asked to lead Surgical Services in addition to Nursing Services.

Hasler now has about 1,100 employees in some 20 departments and nursing units reporting to her. She began at Botsford Hospital in 1988 as nursing director for the Critical Care Center and Cardiology Services.

Prior to her career at Botsford Hospital, this resident of Farmington Hills was director of nursing for Critical Care and Emergency at the former Grace Hospital in Detroit.

Hasler served active duty in the U.S. Navy at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. She also worked at the Veterans Affairs Healthcare System in Ann Arbor. Hasler retired from the Naval Reserve Nurse Corps at the rank of commander. She holds degrees from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana, and University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.



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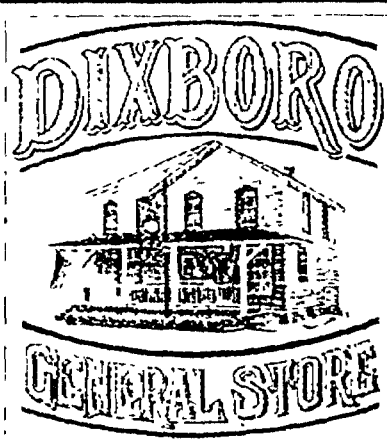


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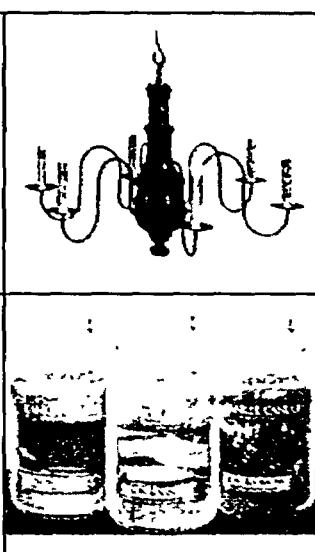
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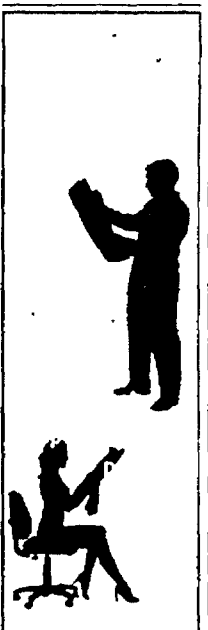
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21 Antitoxins
22 Dashed
25 Evangelist
26 Wield an axe
27 Hood or Tell
28 Have a hot dog
29 Woods dweller?
30 Explorer
32 Choose, with 'for'
34 Actor
36 'Mr. Television'
38 Loaded
40 Squan people
42 H.R. or Haggerly
43 Harper Lee book
48 Utah city
49 Dole (out)
50 Algerian seaport

51 'My word'
55 Won over
58 Singer John
61 Work like a horse
62 Slip cover?
63 Mauna
64 Soap ingredient
65 Actor's lunch?
68 Mark Bowden book
73 'Ask - Girl' (59 film)
74 Main drag
76 Mare's morsel
77 Textbook headings
79 Senator
80 Kathy of country
83 Solidified or stapled
87 Mantian
88 Sprinter group
89 Grandma
91 Emulated the
92 Vakyms
92 Agatha Christie book
98 Conflict
101 Rational
102 Geometry calculation
103 'Rawhide' prop

104 Indifference
106 August one?
107 Religious belief
109 Big vein
110 1 Down, e.g.
112 Adds a lane
115 Bell and Barker
118 Composer Siegmund's book
119 Wila Cather book
123 Word with dance or dunk
124 Art supporter?
125 -- Neisse
126 Tenor
127 Internet acronym
128 Put on a pedestal
129 Actor
130 Burger topping

DOWN

1 British city
2 Pan
3 Make coffee
4 With 46 Down, 'Veneto' star
5 Oklahoma city

6 So out
7 Vote in
8 Hit hard
9 Opposite of aweather
10 'Baby - Want You' (71 hit)
11 Jeeves' profession
12 Namo or Willy
13 Crowd-burst?
14 Itch
15 McRaney or Ford
16 Lawrence's locale
17 Scrimshaw material
21 Weeps
23 Warhol subject
24 Dress
26 European peninsula
31 Hall and half?
33 Sweater letter
34 Meat out
35 Always, to Arnold
36 -- yesterday (naive)
37 Got by, with
38 'Ballet' (naive)
39 Like some donuts
40 Brute
41 Stowe sight

43 Sock part
44 Basic organism
45 Battlefield doc
46 See 4 Down
47 Farmer's place
52 Festive
53 Connect-cut town
54 Moist
56 Photo book
57 Annoy
59 Bring bliss
60 At once
61 Present company?
64 Riddle
65 'Very funny'
66 Tel -
67 Insignificant
69 Yaphet of 'Homode'
70 Toque or loup
71 Guitant
72 Available
75 DEA officer
78 Knee-slapper
80 Nasly
81 Zenith
82 Pay to play
84 Night noise
85 Actress
86 -- Planes, IL
88 Corset part

89 'The truth at last'
93 Hibachi residue
94 Rob Roy's refusal
95 Adult
96 Coming from Cork
97 'Savvy Ryan'
98 Solon
99 Lunar spacecraft
100 Tire type
105 Swamp (w/nt)
106 Surgical tool
107 Postpone
108 Threshold
110 Food fish
111 Cuban
112 Volant
113 Ostrich
114 Extinct bird
115 Christmas visitors
116 Chop off Woody's block
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119 Actress
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