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Council reviews \$2-million project

■ Talk to continue on July 20

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

City council members may tweak a few aspects of a \$2-million downtown sidewalk and landscape replacement project in Northville before the shovels hit the pavement next spring.

The volunteer Design Committee on the project will keep reviewing the project after

Bob Doyle of the urban planning firm JJR in Ann Arbor presented the preferred plan to council Monday night.

Some of the concerns expressed were the idea of using a combination of colored and regular concrete along certain areas of Main Street, the cost of special brick pavers at the intersection of Main and Center streets and the elimination of trees along Center Street.

Most of the concerns were expressed by Councilwoman Nancy Darga, who lives on Center Street.

"I walk my dog on Center Street, and I like walking by those trees," she said. "I don't know if I like the idea of eliminating vegetation along Center Street."

The debt service on the bonds to be purchased to pay for the project will be funded by the Northville Downtown Development Authority at a cost of about \$186,000 a

year, which is well within the authority's budget.

Tom Swigart, a former city councilman, has suggested that the project be placed as a ballot proposal to let local residents decide if the \$2 million should be spent on the project.

But, the DDA staff and board members say the improvements are greatly needed, and they want construction on the project to start next spring.

Lori Ward, DDA executive director, told council that many areas of the downtown have

OPPOSITION

See former city councilman Tom Swigart's letter, "DDA plan and the bond referendum," inside on the Opinion page.

not been redone for 30 years and are in need of the work. "We've been cold patching for almost 12 years," she said. "We want to create a friendly and safe environment."

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ON THE RECORD

Show your garden

"Garden fairies come at dawn, bless the flowers, then they're gone!" If your garden, or that of a friend, has been blessed with a bounty of blooms and/or a bevy of vegetables, The Gardeners of Northville & Novi would like to take a peek. The group will be treading down garden paths for the next few weeks in search of gardens to feature in the 2010 and 2012 Garden Walks. If you are interested, please call Audrey Murphy at (248) 349-0376.

Feed hungry

FORGOTTEN HARVEST
First Presbyterian Church of Northville is partnering with Forgotten Harvest to help feed the hungry in Detroit, collecting donated food every Saturday from 9 a.m.-noon until September 15. The church is located at 200 E. Main Street in downtown Northville. Use the south entrance on Cady Street. Tax receipts will be available. Call (734) 420-9039 for more information.

Doggie Days of Summer

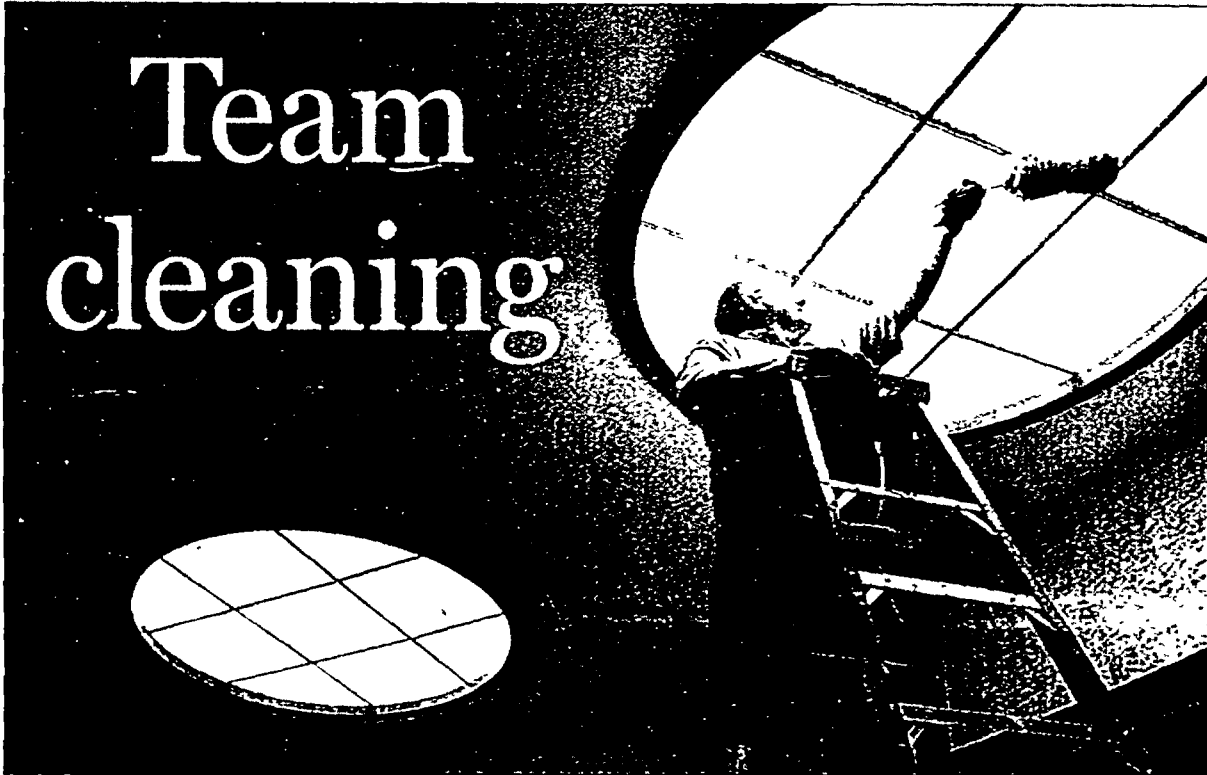
The Pendleton store in downtown Northville is partnering with the Golden Retriever Rescue Program of Michigan (GRRoM)

for a special fundraising event July 16-18. Mention the event and 10 percent of your purchase price will

be donated to GROOM. A rescue representative will be at the store from noon-3 p.m. with foster dogs and to answer your questions about GRRoM and Golden Retriever adoptions. Have your dog's photo taken with the Pendleton sheep mascot, Sir Wooliam, when you make a donation to GROOM. Refreshments will be served for you and your dog.

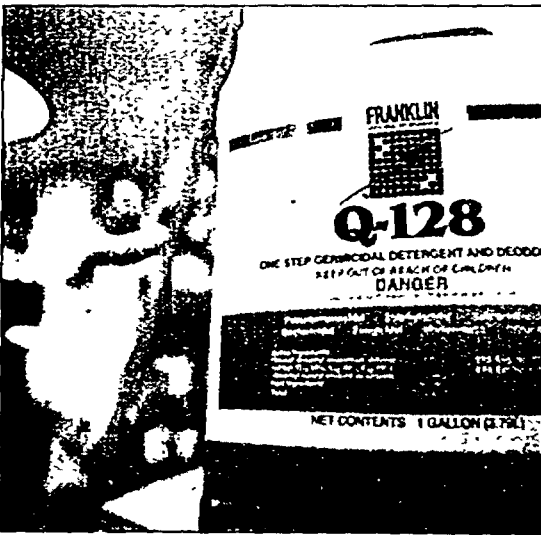
Pendleton is located at 117 N. Center Street. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; call (248) 596-9820.

Team cleaning



PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville School District custodian Jim Britton works on dusting and cleaning the lights in the library of Silver Springs Elementary on July 9. The district takes one week for each of its schools to give them a thorough cleaning in the summer before classes resume.



The Northville School District continues its disinfecting of Silver Springs Elementary on July 9 with some effective germicides. The school district always scrubs the schools at the end of the school year, but is paying particular attention to their many surfaces this year due to concern about viruses.



Mary White cleans one of the many student desks inside Northville's Silver Springs Elementary during its annual summer scrubbing.

Summer approach saves school district nearly \$17,000

BY NATHAN MENOIAN
SPECIAL WRITER

Work at Northville public schools doesn't stop during summer vacation.

The custodial and maintenance staffs continue their duties keeping each school building in top shape for the return of students come fall.

Halls, classrooms, windows, gymnasiums, bathrooms, and ceilings get full attention during the 12-week summer recess.

Kevin Cavanaugh, custodial coordinator for the district the past nine years, explained that a fairly new approach to their summer work is helping save the school district money.

"It's called team cleaning. We bring most of the custodial staff to a building for one to two weeks during the summer to completely clean the building top to bottom. Once it is finished, we move on to the next school building," he said.

Northville started this a few years back, and this is the second time they've done an entire summer using this approach.

Schools on this year's team-cleaning schedule include: Silver Springs, Winchester, Ridgewood, Moraine, and Amerman elementary. Also, Meads Mill middle school has been added to the list.

On-going summer programs prevent team cleaning at Hillside, Thornton Creek, Cooke, Old Village (connected to the Administration office) and Northville High school. Their regular custodial staffs

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Northville to save on gas

■ Switching suppliers to net about \$17,000 to city annually

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

The city of Northville will be able to save about \$17,000 on its natural gas bill for city buildings by switching companies.

Jim Gallogly, director of Public Works, said at the July 6 City Council meeting that knowing the city is facing declining revenues and increasing expenditures, city staff was asked to explore using an alternative supplier for natural gas.

This was possible under the Michigan's Gas Choice Program. Four alternative natural gas suppliers licensed to sell natural

gas in the state were contacted by city staff. Each was asked to provide their price for natural gas for several months, which was compared with Consumers Energy's price and the other companies.

The city has been obtaining its natural gas from Consumers Energy.

The city has seven accounts with Consumers Energy, which service the Northville Community Senior Center, the Northville Art House, the city yards, Pheasant Hill streetlights, Town Square, city hall and Allen Terrace.

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House, Senate put health reform plans on the table

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Marc Corriveau understands the new administration in Washington, D.C., has a health care plan.

He just doesn't think it's going to come fast enough or do enough to help Michigan residents who can't afford the skyrocketing costs of health care or are, worse, completely uninsured.

That's why Corriveau, the second-term Democrat from Northville who represents the state House's 20th District, is a sponsor of a health care reform package Democrats say would guarantee health care access to all Michigan citizens, prohibit insurance companies from rejecting or jacking up rates on the sick, and expand coverage for Michigan children. The plan would also rein in the skyrocketing cost of health care by creating a catastrophic health care fund to protect the sickest individuals.

"We're mindful of what D.C. is trying to do ... I was of the opinion we needed to move and move quickly," said Corriveau, whose

district includes Plymouth, Canton and Northville. "I started to break it down and look at it as a statewide problem."

The House Democrats' plan to guarantee access to health care takes aim at a key element of Michigan's health care crisis. As more and more workers lose their jobs and employer-based health care coverage, many find themselves being rejected by insurance companies because they have an existing medical condition, adding to the state's more than 1.1 million uninsured residents; Michigan leads the nation in unemployment - 12.6 percent in March according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

"Some businesses decide to drop it (to save money) and people are suddenly without health care," Corriveau said.

According to Corriveau, the House Democrats' plan will, among other things:

- Guarantee access to health care by requiring insurance companies to cover people who have pre-existing conditions, such as diabetes or cancer.

- Prohibit insurers from raising rates on individuals who become sick.

- Ban unfair market practices like cherry picking the healthiest individuals to cover, which drive up insurance rates and prevent some of the most vulnerable residents from obtaining care.

- Expand the state's MICHild program to help cover every child in Michigan.

"Our plan requires all insurance companies to guarantee health care coverage to Michigan citizens, and ends the outrageous practice of insurance companies refusing to cover the sick or elderly," said House Speaker Andy Dillon (D-Redford Township). "Health care reform is too important to wait for Washington to act - we need to take action here in Michigan to guarantee access to protect each and every Michigan citizen."

Senate Republicans have a plan of their own in committee. Central to the plan, according to Republicans, are its two programs to expand coverage for the uninsured. MI Access covers uninsured patients earning

under 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level, while MI Coverage protects those earning between 200 and 300 percent of that level.

State Sen. John Pappageorge, (R-Troy), one of the sponsors, said the MI Health package is an innovative approach that provides consumer protections and has the potential to cover half of the more than 1.2 million uninsured people in the state.

"This legislative package will help expand health care coverage to more of Michigan's uninsured people," said Pappageorge, R-Troy. "The Senate plan also will allow consumers to retain choice while keeping costs down, which is of paramount importance to me."

MI Health is the result of a series of bipartisan workgroup meetings chaired by Sen. Tom George that led to a four-bill package of reforms.

Among the chief differences, according to Corriveau, are what to do about "cherry picking" (insurance companies offering health insurance only to the young and/or healthy), and the funding source to address uninsured and low-income residents.

"Our package guarantees all carri-

ers' must not use health (as an insuring criteria), and thus no one will be rejected because they have diabetes, heart diseases, etc.," Corriveau said. "The Senate's package has a 1.8-percent tax on all claims paid. This would include all self-insured businesses such as Ford, Chrysler and GM. The hospitals are taxed and Blue Cross Blue Shield is asked to contribute their tax-exempt value."

Corriveau said he plans to meet with state Sen. Tom George, (R-Kalamazoo), one of the Republican sponsors, to "see if a compromise can be forged." If not, Corriveau said he'll move the House package to the floor for a vote.

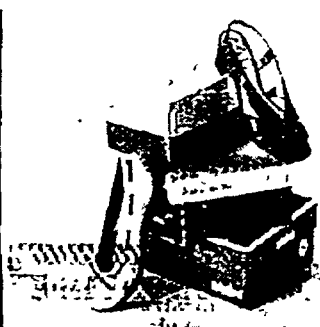
"Too many of our friends and neighbors have become victims of a broken health care system that allows insurance companies to deny coverage for people who are sick at the very time they need coverage the most," Corriveau said. "Our plan guarantees health care access for anyone who needs it and bans the shameful practice of rejecting the sick and cherry picking the healthy."

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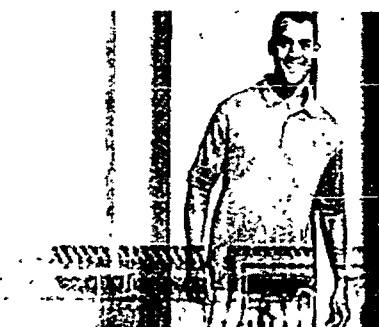
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Tunes on Tuesday

Caroline Lynch, 15 months, enjoys herself at June 23rd's Tunes on Tuesday in downtown Northville. Lynch was at Northville's Town Square with her mom Jamie, seen in back.



Musician Tom Hodgson entertains a crowd at June 23rd's Tunes on Tuesday gathering at Northville's Town Square. Hodgson sang a number of kid-friendly songs including "Old MacDonald" and "My Brother Eats Bugs." Tunes on Tuesday will take place each Tuesday beginning at 10:30 a.m. and continue through July 28.

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Providence Park Hospital welcomes new president

■ She says it's not just about technology

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Talk about climbing the ladder.

Jean Meyer, R.N., M.S.N., started her career in medicine as a nurse. She now serves as the new president of Providence Park Hospital.

Meyer, a native of the Chicago area who now lives with her family in Northville, has a degree in public health education from the University of Wisconsin's Lacrosse campus. She then received her bachelor's degree and master's degree in nursing from Loyola University in Chicago.

She lived in Indianapolis for 16 years while working as a senior vice president and chief nursing officer for Ascension Health, St. John Health System's parent company, before moving to Michigan.

"Ascension Health is the largest nonprofit, faith-based health care system in the country," said Lou Martin, director of public relations for Providence Park Hospital. "They (company representatives) work closely with the folks in Washington, D.C."

About a year and a half ago, an executive in Indianapolis moved to Michigan, assuming duties for St. John Health System, that consists of seven hospitals, as well as Ascension's entire Michigan market, that consists of five health care systems.

"She called a few of us in Indianapolis and said, 'I could use some help up here,'" Meyer said. So, several administrators made the move to Michigan.

When Meyer arrived in Michigan in January 2008, she was the chief nursing officer for the entire St. John Health System, with responsibility for all of the hospitals in the system.

Last July, she was asked to take on the position of chief operating officer for both Providence Hospital in Southfield and Providence Park

MEYER TO VISIT NOVI LEADERS

Jean Meyer, MSN, RN, the new president of Providence Park Hospital in Novi, will pay a visit to Novi City Council on July 21. The council meets at 7:30 p.m. at Novi City Hall. Her comments will also be posted live on the city's Web site, www.ci.novi.mi.us.

Hospital in Novi, with the goal being to try to integrate the two campuses.

"I think for a while there, it was such that they were competitors, and that did not make sense," Meyer said. "There's too much competition in health care anyway."

The goal now is to share programs, staff and resources.

"We're one medical staff, we're one board of directors, and we have a lot of people who go back and forth between the two hospitals."

Last fall, Rob Casalou, former president of Providence Hospital, left to pursue another opportunity, with Meyer serving as the interim hospital president.

"I decided I really like this," she said, and she was officially named president in April.

EDUCATION HER FIRST INTEREST

"My first interest was in education," Meyer said. "I wanted to be a teacher, and I got so excited about health care and wellness. But, when I graduated, there weren't a lot of positions for that degree. Some of my counterparts taught fitness classes in corporations, but that's not what I wanted to do."

She wanted to talk to patients about getting better and staying healthy. So she decided to become an oncology nurse.

"I dealt with cancer patients for a long time, and I loved it," she said. "It was very rewarding. When you're an oncology nurse, you see patients when they need you the most. I got cards for 20 years from families of patients whom I had cared for back when I first started in nursing. You really make an impact on

people. They remember what you did for them."

MEANINGFUL MOMENT

Meyer shared a story about an encounter with a patient when she was a student nurse on an oncology clinical rotation at St. Joseph Hospital in Chicago.

"I always got assigned very complex patients, because I was an older student," she said, "and I got assigned to a patient who was very sick."

He didn't say anything to her the entire time she cared for him. Then, one day as she was leaving the room, she asked him if there was anything else she could do for him. "He asked me if I would pray with him," Meyer said.

The next time she went in, she learned the man had died shortly after their moment of prayer. She felt bad he had died alone. Recently, Providence Hospital started a program called No One Dies Alone (NODA). For any dying patient who has no family, volunteers are called in to sit with the patient.

"Those are the kind of programs that I think will help set us apart," Meyer said. "It's that compassionate care."

ALL IN A DAY'S WORK

Meyer said as president of Providence Park Hospital, "Every day is different." One of the things she insists on doing is getting out into the hospital. "I make rounds every day. I talk to the physicians and the staff." One recent morning she met with the entire operating room staff at 7 a.m.

She works with the lead-



Jean Meyer, CEO of Providence Park Hospital Novi, looks over a surgery schedule with Dr. Michael Jacobs on July 2.

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ers of Providence Hospital in Southfield on such things as program development, the physician staff and quality control.

"We look at patient survey data, always looking to see where we can make improvements," she said. "It's a complex place, and it takes a long time to make changes, and sometimes I get a little impatient. I'm energetic, and I try to instill that in others."

Meyer and her husband, Steve, have a daughter, Jennifer, 13, who will be an eighth-grader at Hillside Middle School in the fall. Meyer enjoys golfing, bike

riding and reading in her spare time.

ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The 200-bed Providence Park Hospital will already celebrate its one-year anniversary on Sept. 5.

"We've come so far in a year," Meyer said. "I think people underestimate the complexity of opening a new hospital." She noted that the hospital has a special focus on neurosciences, and pediatrics has been moved from the Southfield to the Novi campus.

The Stay Bridge Hotel is now open on campus, even though the hospital has a 24-hour visitation policy. Currently, the hospital sees about 1,000 patients a month, and emergency department visits have increased about 100 percent.

"We're focusing on customer service," Meyer said. "Our goal is to have a very engaged staff, and that will determine our success as we move forward. We can set the bar as high as we want. The future is in our hands."

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Marine leaves for Bangkok

■ He and family to spend 2 years overseas

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Northville Township native Lt. Col. Rick Zyla is raring to go on his next adventure as a U.S. Marine. He grew up on White Haven Court off of Six Mile Road with his buddies, Maj. Greg Allan, a fellow Marine, and Mike Harrall, a volunteer fire fighter in Algonac, Mich.

His two life-long friends were among more than 50 people who gathered July 5 for a change of command ceremony and party for the Marine, who headed to Bangkok, Thailand, that Monday morning, where he will work as a Marine Security Guard, protecting U.S. Embassies in 15 countries for the next two years. He will serve as the commanding officer of the entire region, overseeing 147 Marines at 18 embassies and consulates. His most recent assignment was in Okinawa, Japan.

The countries he will visit include Australia, Bangladesh, Burma, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Nepal, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

The event took place at the home of Jim and Marlene Allan, parents of Maj. Greg Allan.

"As a Marine major, when you're up for promotion, only about 50 percent of us get selected to (become a) lieutenant colonel," Allan said.

"The ones that do, we consider the elite of the elite. We're all very proud of Rick."

About 10 percent of lieutenant colonels are then selected to be in charge of battalions, placing them in command of younger Marines. Lt. Col. Zyla made that cut as well.

Allan views Zyla as his mentor, as he's the one who encouraged him to join the Marines.

"He's always pushing me," Allan said, continuously asking him, "What's next?"

"He's seared into my brain a goal-driven lifestyle. I can't tell you how much that has driven me to achieve and to be a better Marine, and he's now passing that off onto his junior Marines."

Harrall said the township trio that includes himself, Allan and Zyla have remained fast friends since childhood. And even though their separate lives mean they don't live in the same place, they still manage to meet annually.

"After college, most people drift apart," Harrall said. "We've stayed together. In 30 years, there hasn't been a year gone by that we haven't been together."

WHAT HE'LL BE DOING

The mission of the Marine Corps Embassies Security Group is to provide security services to



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Lt. Col. Rick Zyla at his change of command ceremony July 5 at the home of Jim and Marlene Allan of Northville Township with, from left, his son, Zach, wife, Carolyn, daughter, Tori, and parents, Betty Zyla and retired U.S. Army Col. Richard Zyla of Dandridge, Tenn. Zyla and his family left July 6 for Bangkok, Thailand, where he will serve for two years as a Marine Security Guard for 15 countries.

selected Department of State foreign service posts to prevent the compromise of classified material and equipment and to provide protection for U.S. citizens and government property. The program has been in place since December 1948.

The battalion is responsible for the training, assignments, administration, logistical support and discipline.

Marine Security Guards focus on security of the interior of the building.

"In only the most extreme emergency situations are they authorized duties exterior to the building," Harrall said. They do provide special protection to senior diplomatic officer off of the diplomatic compound.

CHIP OFF OLD BLOCK

Zyla, 39, followed in the footsteps of his father, Richard, 72, a retired colonel in the U.S. Army. He and his wife, Betty, traveled from their home in Dandridge, Tenn., near Knoxville, for their son's change of command ceremony.

"We are so proud of our son," she said. "We

wish he wasn't going so far away, but they have a lovely home in Colorado."

"It's a great opportunity for him, but we're going to miss him," Richard Zyla said. "But, we've got the Web cam on the computer, so we'll get to visit with him a couple of times a week."

The senior Zyla, who served in the 82nd Airborne, said he put in a total of about 31 years of active reserve in the Army. What interested him in a career in the military?

"I grew up during the second World War, and I watched a lot of movies with John Wayne," Richard Zyla said. "I always wanted to be a pilot, but when I enlisted the pilot program was full. So, I went into the Army and ended up jumping out of planes instead of flying them."

He's definitely proud of his son.

"I never thought he would follow in my footsteps," he said.

LT. COL. ZYLA SPEAKS

Zyla said he enjoyed his childhood. "What a wonderful environment ... I can't imagine a better place to grow up than Northville, Michigan.

This (ceremony) is really about friends and family. You truly honor me by being here today."

Zyla said Allan was the first person he when he was a boy and his family moved to Northville from California.

"I met Greg, and when I came home I was covered head to toe in mud," he said with a laugh. "My success in the Marine Corps wouldn't be what it is today without your advice, counsel and dedication to my family, Greg, and I appreciate it."

Zyla said about his wife, Carolyn, that he could not ask for a more dedicated and loving wife through all of his deployments.

"You truly are a special woman, and I love you very much."

Zyla will be on the road about three weeks out of every month, hopefully getting to come back to his home base in Bangkok on the weekends.

"It will be a hard and fast two years for us living overseas, but we're very much looking forward to it," he said.

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Kyle and Jenna Wargo of West Lafayette, Ind., announce the birth of their son Kegan Brady Wargo on May 6, 2009. Kegan weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces and was 21-3/4" long. Grandparents are Jerry and Janice Wargo of Northville and John and Jan Skierkowski of Michigan City, Ind.

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EDUCATION



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Having a field day

Above, Winchester Elementary School students Michael Stein, left, and Joey Cawley get a bit wet during a damp sponge relay event at a recent field day at the Northville school. At right, Winchester student Brilee Kieo advanced far into her class limbo contest during the field day event.



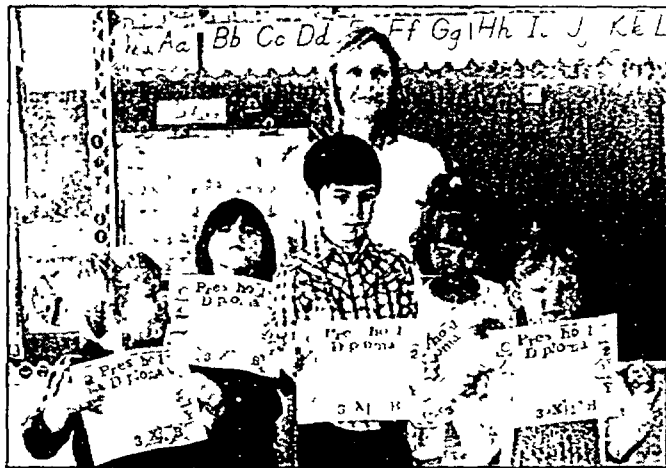
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Cheers

Graduating fifth graders of Ridge Wood Elementary School enthusiastically finish their school's pledge to be good students and citizens at the end of the recent commencement ceremony.

Class of 2009

Connie Rzemien's 4-year-olds Northville Co-op celebrated graduation for the preschool class of 2009. Shown (l to r) are Ryan Tuttle, Nikolas Haddad, Jasper John Gustafson, Daria Rorick and Sophia Iannarelli.



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Go Green Now!

Hundreds of poster entries were submitted by students who attend Northville schools for Northville Township's Go Green Now! recycling campaign. Two of the three winners were from the fifth Grade Class of Our Lady of Victory. Pictured with Northville Township Board of Trustees Member Mindy Herrmann are third place winners Allia McDowell and Marisa Hardenbergh.

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLICE REPORT

Malicious destruction

1 The association manager of the Lexington Commons Condominium Complex came to the police station to report that unknown persons had entered the swimming pool area at 835 Lexington Boulevard between 2 and 6 a.m. on July 5 and threw some chairs and flower pots into the pool. The fertilizer in the pots caused the pool water to discolor, with the manager estimating it would cost \$650 to clean. The flower pots were valued at \$90.

Juvenile thefts

2 Northville police identified four Northville Township juveniles ages 12-14 for stealing items from vehicles over the Fourth of July weekend. The thefts occurred on Lexington Boulevard, Springfield Court, Morgan Circle and Concord Court. One incident took place at 5:03 a.m. July 5 on Lexington Boulevard. Police were dispatched on a complaint of two teenagers hiding in the shrubbery in the boulevard divider on

Lexington Boulevard south of Eight Mile Road. The subjects were seen by a resident as she turned into the subdivision.

Police found several pieces of Teflon cooking sheets and a shattered Pyrex pan near the corner of Lexington and Clement. The items were still in their store boxes, and wrapping paper was found on the ground nearby. After investigating residences, police found a garage open and the driver side door to a minivan ajar. The homeowner's wife said the cookware was bridal shower gifts that had been in the unlocked van. The cookware was valued at \$90.

Springfield Court callers

3 Police responded to a caller on Springfield Court about some items scattered on a lawn. The items included a driver's license, two Northville High School ID cards and a credit card, which belonged to the homeowner's daughter. Suspects had entered two of the homeowners' unlocked vehicles

between 12:01 and 9:36 a.m. on July 5. A GPS unit was also stolen, valued at \$200.

Another incident occurred on Springfield Court between 8:30 p.m. July 4 and 9:15 a.m. July 5. A couple noticed that the driver's doors of both of their cars were partially open. A GPS unit and a package with three cigars were stolen from one of the vehicles. The Garmin GPS unit was valued at \$200.

Morgan Circle incident

4 A resident on Morgan Circle reported that someone had broken into her unlocked vehicle in the driveway and stole her purse between 4:30 p.m. July 3 and 12:30 a.m. July 4.

The purse contained a cell phone, two credit cards, a debit card and \$4 cash. The cell phone was valued at \$250.

Concord Court theft

5 A resident on Concord Court told police someone opened the unlocked driver's door of her vehicle and stole items between 6:30 p.m. July

3 and noon on July 4. Stolen items included a \$300 iPod, a \$10 wallet, a debit card and \$17 in cash from the center console.

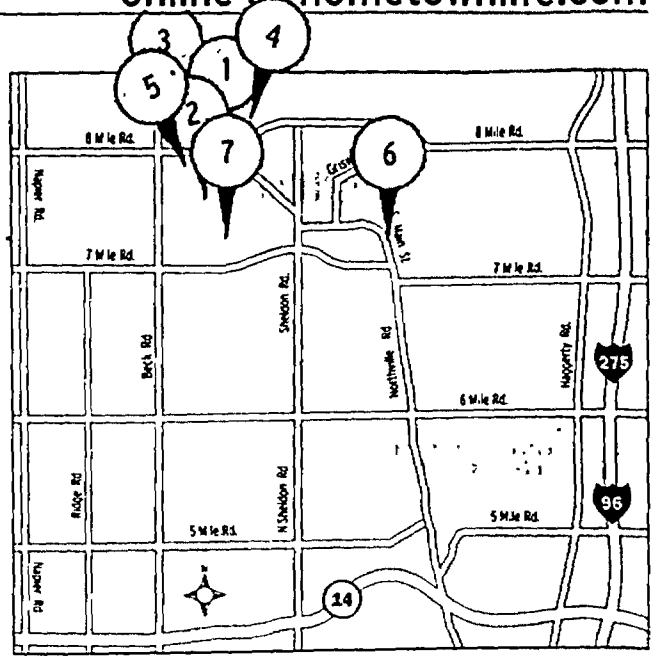
Operating while intoxicated

6 A 19-year-old Farmington Hills man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 2:52 a.m. July 9 at Doheny Drive and Main Street.

An officer stopped when he noticed a vehicle parked where the guardrail begins for the curve by the community water well on south Main Street. When he pulled up, he saw that the vehicle had been involved in a crash, and he could smell the odor of a deployed airbag.

The driver was found moving around in the trees just east of the vehicle, near the railroad tracks. He was bleeding from the forehead, nose and face. The officer could smell alcohol on his breath, and his speech was slurred.

He said he was coming from a friend's house in Northville, was text messaging, was unfamiliar with the roads, failed to make the



curve and struck the guardrail. He also said he and his friend had split a half gallon of Three Olives Cherry Vodka.

The man's blood alcohol level was more than twice the percentage for an operating while intoxicated arrest.


Lady of Victory altercation

7 A Canton man was arrested for larceny and felonious assault after police

responded to a call about a fight in progress between a priest and a man in the parking lot of Our Lady of Victory Church at 2:09 p.m. July 9 at 132 Orchard Drive.

The suspect involved in the fight, a heavy-set man in his 40s, was also responsible for a theft that had just occurred at the church.

The man told police he was poor and was trying to get enough money to get his cat out of impound.




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MARICO "MAC" BRUNETTI
Age 77 of Milford, died on July 11, 2009. He is survived by Jacqueline, his beloved wife of fifty years; children, Anthony, Jeannette, Jennifer, Steven (Angela), and Matthew; ten grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and many dear friends. Mac worked at Cobo Hall with Teamsters Union 299 for over thirty-five years. A Funeral Liturgy will be held at St. Mary's, 1955 E. Commerce Rd., Milford, on Thursday, July 16, at 11am. Friends may visit at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty, Milford, on Wednesday 2-9PM. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



ROBERT ALAN CURVIN
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A MENTOR...

It is with great sorrow the Curvin family announces the passing of Robert Alan Curvin, husband to Jo-Anne, father of Kimberly, Todd, Chris, Laurie and Robert. Bob Curvin, born Sept. 12, 1937, passed away on Friday June 12, 2009 after a 3 year battle with cancer at the age of 71. Bob was a life long member of the NRA, an avid outdoors man and successful farmer who lived life fully on his own terms. He will be remembered as a man of great character and presence and will be missed by all that knew and loved him. The Curvin Family will be holding a celebration of Bob's life on September 12th, 2009 in Belleville, OH. Bob we miss you and love you and will see you again in time. "Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die."
- Amelia Burr




DOLORES JEAN FEIGLEY
Age 77 of Milford, died peacefully surrounded by her family, June 30, 2009. Funeral Services were held at the Milford United Methodist Church on Tuesday, July 7, 2009. Memorials may be made to the church. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

JEAN E. HAGUE
Age 95, of Northville, formerly of Zephyr Hills, FL, passed away peacefully July 13, 2009. Beloved wife of the late Kenneth. A memorial service will be held at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida.

THOMAS J. KATONA, JR.
Age 84, of South Lyon passed away July 10, 2009. A Funeral Service was held last Tuesday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of South Lyon. Memorial Contributions to Henry Ford Hospice appreciated.

NONNIE P. (JONES) KIELIAN
Age 85, July 11, 2009. Funeral Services were held at Lynch & Sons, Milford, on Wednesday, July 15, 2009. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

JUDITH LEE RYAN
Age 62, and a long time resident of Milford, passed away on July 10, 2009. Memorial Services were held at Lynch & Sons, Milford, Tuesday, July 14, 2009. For further information call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



MARTIN KEVIN DUNLEAVY
Of Hollywood, FL and Highland, MI, died suddenly, July 11, 2009 in Deerwood, MN. Age 54. Preceded in death by his parents, James and Margaret Dunleavy and by his brother, Michael (Bridget) Dunleavy. Survived by his brothers and sisters, Peggy Ann (the late Kevin) Hopkins, James (Janice) Dunleavy, John (Margaret) Dunleavy, Thomas (Patricia) Dunleavy, Sally (Rod) Vernier, Patricia (Michael) Ogg, and Brian Dunleavy. Also many nieces, nephews, and extended family. Funeral from Church of the Holy Spirit, 3700 Harvey Lake Rd., Highland, Friday 10 AM Fr. Leo Lutko will officiate. Cremation will follow. Friends may visit at Lynch & Sons, 404 E. Liberty, Milford, Thursday from 2-9pm.

JAMES B. SHOLLENBERGER
A resident of Milford, and former resident of Redford and Livonia, fell asleep in death on July 6, 2009 at the age of 78. He is survived by Kay, his beloved wife of over 56 years; son, James C. Shollenberger; daughters, Stephanie (Ted) Mallures, Rebecca (Joel) Hoffmann, Heather Shollenberger, Holly (Thomas) Whelli; grandchildren, Kyle and Grant Mallures, Dakota, Dylan and Lacey Hoffmann, and Ariel and Sarah Whelli. He was preceded in death by his parents, James A. and Marie Inman Shollenberger, and sisters, Eleanor Meyers and Helen Shafer. Jim worked as a Systems Analyst for Ford Motor Company for over forty years and has been an active Jehovah's Witness for over fifty years. A Memorial Service will be held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 56385 Ten Mile Road in South Lyon on Saturday, July 18, at 4PM. Memorials may be made to the Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

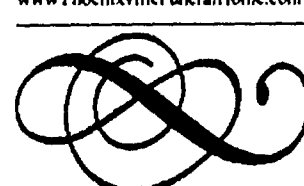
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ATANASIO CANDIDO FAJARDO, MD
Age 90. Passed away July 7, 1990 in Worcester, PA. For more information and to send condolences please go to www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com



CLEANING

FROM PAGE A1

throughout the summer will maintain those facilities.

"The motivation for team cleaning was to see if we could cut down on expenses and energy costs during the summer," Cavanaugh said. "Energy costs at the other schools on our list are minimized as they wait to be cleaned."

He calculated a savings of nearly \$17,000 from a six-week period last summer in energy costs alone.

Cavanaugh expects the savings to be higher this year, and said that team cleaning will be the standard practice going forward.

The custodians go through each facility performing a variety of duties: Cleaning classrooms, washrooms, light lenses, changing lights, replacing ceiling tiles, washing walls, dusting and cleaning furniture, and a host of other tasks. Additionally throughout the summer they scrub floors, carpets and gymnasiums.

"We buy our products from a professional cleaning company, going green as we can. Floor stripper is one product that needs to be relatively strong to remove several coats of wax. But so far we haven't found one that has been a green product," Cavanaugh said.

One more way the custodial department is saving the district money is by working four 10-hour days, from 6 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

One very specific thing Cavanaugh says he is proud of is how much square footage the staff of 54 custodians clean each year.

"We have in excess of one million square feet that we clean each year. Since 1999, we've added over 200,000 square feet of structure to our district without increasing staff," he said.

Unfortunately, due to the very recent cost reductions the school board approved, the custodial department will be affected.

"Our annual substitute budget was cut from



JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Brenda Moore, custodian for Silver Springs Elementary School, disinfects one of its many bathrooms during the second week of July. The school district takes one week during the summer to clean each of its school buildings.

\$150,000 down to \$50,000. That will make next year more challenging," Cavanaugh said. "We pretty much need to have subs on hand to cover sick days, injuries, vacations, etc. So we won't be able to hang on to as many substitutes as we have this year."

Cavanaugh said the custodial staff is also responsible for the immediate perimeter for lawn mowing and snow plowing and the Maintenance Department takes over from there.

"I think our buildings speak for themselves, a credit to the guys actually doing the work. It's oftentimes a thankless job."

Nathan Menoian is a freelance writer living in Milford.

PROJECT

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NEIGHBORING DOWNTOWNS
Ward added that many neighboring communities have made improvements to their downtowns, and the project is necessary in the current economy.

Greg Presley, DDA chair, said the lighting needs to be updated in the downtown because the lamps will soon no longer be available and a more economical form of energy should be used. Existing light poles will be used with just the lamps being replaced.

Ward said plans are to have an electrical outlet on every pole now for holiday lighting. Currently, only every other pole has an outlet.

"This is mostly just a repair and replacement program," Ward said.

JJR REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS
Doyle said JJR staff evaluated existing conditions in the downtown.

"We also looked at 'How do

people use the downtown?" he said.

Downtown Northville has a lot of great assets — its architecture and the new Town Square."

He said it has a subgrade tree planting system, however, and that the 3-foot-by-3-foot grates are not adequate to keep thriving trees.

"We looked at areas like Dumpsters and electrical boxes, benches that are having a hard time maintaining their finish and crumbling walls," Doyle said. JJR staff think the guard rail on the East Dunlap and Hutton Street curve, for example, is not appealing to the eye.

The goal is to have fewer trees in the downtown area but healthier ones.

"The goal is to have a streetscape that's unobtrusive," Doyle said.

The reason JJR was going to have colored concrete at the intersections and regular concrete elsewhere is that some new areas have a heat-melt system underneath the concrete, and JJR didn't want to have to tear this out and replace it. Darga also questioned the

colored concrete from a maintenance standpoint, saying that it fades over time.

"I'm afraid this is going to give it a splotchy look," Darga said. She also wants all of the lights to look the same in the downtown. The city owns and controls about 200 light poles downtown.

JJR has been instructed to review comments made at Monday night's meeting. A new schematic will be presented before construction begins.

"It's worth considering what it (Center Street) would look like with more trees," Doyle said. "There's not a fixed plan at this point. Nothing is written in stone."

He said 70 percent of the budget for the project is in lighting and sidewalk upgrades and that the one area that could be eliminated is the special pavement treatment at intersection of Center and Main streets.

Darga said she didn't see the current plan as extravagant. "I'm feeling comfortable with your approach," she said.

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GAS

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If Northville purchases its natural gas from an alternative gas supplier, Consumers Energy personnel will continue to deliver its natural gas, read its meters, administer its billing and respond to all

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Based on the amount of gas used per year by the city of Northville and the average savings of the lowest-priced company, Realgly, the city could save as much as \$17,000 in natural gas purchases each year," Gallogly said at the July 6 meeting.

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Healthy Tips for Aging Golfers

Dear Savvy Senior
I used to think golf was a leisurely game, but at age 68, my back and wrist sure don't think so. Do you have any tips or know of any equipment that can help seniors?
Aching Golfer

Dear Aching,
Most golfers don't think much about it, but the game - played by about 25 million Americans - can take a surprising toll on the body. And for older golfers especially, who aren't as strong or flexible as they once were, it can lead to multiple aches and pains as well as injuries. Here's what you should know.

SAVVY SENIOR

A Rough Game

According to the National Safety Council, last year golfers suffered around 35,000 injuries that required a trip to the emergency room or doctor. This is due to the simple fact that golf is a physical game that requires lots of twisting and turning, gripping and swinging, and bending and stooping, which places a lot of stress and strain on lower backs, hips, knees, shoulders, hands, wrists and elbows. And while walking a 9 or 18-hole round of golf over hilly terrain is great exercise, it,

too, can take a physical toll on the body.

On top of that, many golfers drink caffeinated or alcoholic beverages before and during play, and aren't aware that prescription medications, especially some heart medications, interfere with the body's ability to cool itself - all of which increases the risk of heat sickness.

What to Do

You can head off some of the physical stresses that come with golf by improving your golf fitness and by warming up before you play. Older golfers especially need to take time stretch their muscles, focusing on their

legs, shoulders and back (see Mayoclinic.com/health/golf-stretches/SM00089 for a slide show of golf stretches).

And for instruction on how to improve your golf fitness and reduce injury there's a variety of resources you can turn to such as the Titleist Performance Institute (www.mytpi.com), where you'll find tips on golf exercises, stretching and injury prevention. It also offers a searchable database to find a fitness pro, lets you solicit expert advice online and more. Golf Fitness Magazine Web site (www.golffitness-magazine.com) is another good resource that offers a golf fitness survey, blog, online exercise videos and a wide variety of helpful fitness articles. There are also dozens of books that provide tips on golf fitness such as "Dr. Divot's Guide to Golf Injuries" and

"Golf Rx" which you can find online at Amazon.com.

In addition to improving your fitness, there's also a variety of golfing gadgets and equipment that can help too. Here are some different items that can help, depending on your problem:

- **Stiff, achy back:** Because golf is a game that requires a lot of repetitive bending and stooping, back problems are a common problem for older golfers. To address this issue, the Uprightgolf company (www.uprightgolf.com; 319-268-0939) offers a variety of affordable products that eliminate the bending and stooping that comes with teeing the ball up, repairing divots, marking the ball while on the green, retrieving the ball, picking a club up off the ground and more.
- **Hand and wrist pain:**

Gripping a golf club can be challenging for golfers who have carpal tunnel syndrome, hand or wrist arthritis or limited hand strength. To help, there are specially designed golf gloves (see www.bionigloves.com, www.powerglove.com and www.suregripsports-glove.com) you can purchase that can enhance your grip. Or you can get larger, softer grips installed on your golf clubs, for around \$5 to \$10 per club, which makes them easier and more comfortable to hold onto. Your golf shop manager should be able to help you with this.

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Saturday 5:00 p.m.
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Parish Office: 347-7778

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Worship 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
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22200 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon (south of 1 Mile Road)
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
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Mid High Wednesday at 7 p.m.
Rev. David Brown, Pastor
248-437-2222 • www.fellowshippc.org

The Church of Christ
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248-437-3585 • www.southlyonoc.org
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10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship
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Rob Callicott, Pastor

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Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
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www.stcons.org
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734-525-3550

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Dan Flynn, Minister
734-426-4006 • www.livingwater.org

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Rev. June M. Smith, Pastor
248-348-2652
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Fr. Timothy Hogan, Pastor
Rev. Henry Sands, Associate Pastor
Parish Office: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilynovi.org

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10 Mile between Meadowbrook & Haggerty, Novi • Phone 427-1175
Sundays 7:45 a.m. and 10 a.m.
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Rev. Dr. Ray Babir, Interim Rector
www.churchoftheholycross.com

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Saturday Worship 5:15 pm.,
Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
Casual, contemporary service
Phone (248) 912-0043
www.oakpointe.org

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60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178
Phone: 248-437-2983
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 Freshour / Assoc. Pastor Randy Weeks
Website: www.fbcouthlyon.com
Email: fbcouthlyon@bellsouth.net

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Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
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Services held at: Kent Lake Elementary
30181 Kent Lake Rd.-S. Lyon
Sunday Service Times
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Rev. Kenneth Warren-596-531-2021

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LOCAL OPINION

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COMMENTARY

A community that loses its local paper loses part of its community soul

What if our local newspaper went out of business? What would we lose as a community the day our newspaper dies? If our local paper dies, could it be resuscitated?



Tom Watkins

It hit me watching the Fourth of July parade in downtown Northville. I thought I would enjoy reading the local newspaper, the *Northville Record*, next week to capture the simple joys of a parade — kids marching, the smiles on young and old faces as the clown came by, and the salutes from the war veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and the recent heroes back from fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

But what if our hometown paper ceases to exist? No, I haven't even heard a rumor to this effect — but given what is happening to the newspaper business across the county — the thought is not that far-fetched.

We are losing great newspapers and writers to budget cuts. What makes us believe our local community paper will be immune? This would be an enormous blow to our collective freedom and our democracy. The great news reporter, Walter Cronkite, remarked, "Freedom of the press is not just important to democracy; it is democracy." We need to know what is going in our world, nation and state — but no one covers our hometown like the local paper.

What if the *Observer & Eccentric* and the *Hometown* weeklies go the way of far too many good newspapers across the country and disappear with the latest wave of economic bad news? Sure, you will still get the Tigers, Lions and Red Wings scores, the latest problems from our State Capitol and updates on the most recent national scandal. You don't need the local press to be inundated with the Michael Jackson stories of the world — unless you want the "local angle."

Our newspapers and our democracy are dependent on the our economy and advertising dollars. Both are in a sharp decline. The reality is that ad revenue is down for newspapers. Advertising reportedly represents 75 to 80 percent of most newspaper companies' revenue. It is a sad and unfortunate reality that the cost of our freedom and knowledge is dependent on the bottom line.

But a community that loses its local paper loses part of its community soul.

No, our world will not come to an end if we don't read about the newest flavor at Guernsey's Farm Dairy, that the cow had a new calf at the Farm in Maybury State Park, the Tuscan Cafe's women's softball team made the playoffs (even though all teams that sign up make the playoffs), what's happening at Jack's Barber shop, what is playing at the Tipping Point or Marquis Theater, the father-daughter St. Valentine Day's dance will be held at the Rec Center again this year, or our local schools produce nationally recognized students while struggling financially due to the state's economic woes.

This is our hometown community, family, friends, connections. The true simple pleasures in life that happen close to home are what truly matters. It is good to see the news about our local businesses, and what our hometown mayor, City Council, County Commission or Township Board are doing.

The *Detroit News*, the *Detroit Free Press* and the *Oakland Press* all do an admirable job attempting to cover the multitude of small communities that make up southeast Michigan. Yet, as hard as they try, they cannot capture the local culture and makeup, nuances and the small things that make our local communities unique. Nor will they devote the ink or newsprint to cover the PTA, VFW, Rotary, Optimist, Lions, Moose, new school bus routes, police blotter, the new technology at our local library and the many other events that document the wonderful things about our local community.

DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU GOT TIL IT'S GONE

What can you do to help?

Do you believe having a hometown newspaper adds value to your hometown? If the answer is yes, I highly encourage you to take the following action:

- 1) The first and easiest thing we all can do is to renew or take out a subscription to your hometown paper.
- 2) Encourage your neighbors to sign up for a subscription.
- 3) Advertise in the local paper.
- 4) Frequent the local merchants that advertise. These businesses give back to our community in many ways and need our support and help to stay in business during these tough economic times.
- 5) Send news to the local editor. Like most businesses, our local papers have cut back and don't have enough reporters to "dig up" the news — so send it to them. Tell them about how Grandpa is turning 100, that the new baby has arrived, the baseball team went undefeated, how the Robotics or Odyssey of the Mind team did at the national competition, and the acts of kindness shown by the local high school students
- 6) Send a letter to the editor telling them how you value your hometown news.

The time to act is now. Our community newspaper is a business. Like all businesses it needs our support to survive and prosper. We should do all we can to help keep our local newspapers alive and covering the good, the bad and ugly to keep us informed about our town. Let's not let the ink go dry in our community.

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COMMUNITY VOICE

What food do you most like to grill?



My favorite is Italian sausage — spicy.
Steve Ciric



Hamburgers — quick and easy, cooked with tender love.
Phil Martinez



I like a salmon filet with butter and lemon — and foil to protect the grill.
Al Samouelian



I like an entire meal on the grill — a nice steak or lamb chop; sliced eggplant; long, hot green peppers; and even potatoes.
Charlie Winstel

LETTERS

DDA plan and the bond referendum

I attended the July 6 City Council meeting where the Downtown Development Authority revealed their plans for the next phase of their downtown project to the council and the public (a month after the council approved intent to issue bonds for the project and the day after a holiday weekend). Here are some observations.

The DDA presented this phase as a practical necessity, emphasizing repair of aging sidewalks, improving lighting, outdoor dining, crosswalks and curbs for practical and safety considerations. Ignored, as much as possible, were the fluff and failures of phase one, the town square. These included budget overruns, functional design deficiencies, mechanical issues, safety issues and high maintenance costs which now are a legacy of the project. Council thanked DDA Director Lori Ward for "permitting" us (council and public) to see their plan.

I commented at the meeting that we are losing city services, and if offered choices, like police personnel vs. decorative trees, I may choose police. At least we, the public, should be aware of the choices. A council member contacted me after the meeting and stated that I was being "disingenuous" to make such a comparison. Incidentally, we are losing services. Personnel have been cut from police and other city staff. Services have been cut. Even the first Saturday access to the recycling area at the DPW is gone, saving a few dollars.

Aren't trade-offs what proper budgeting is about? Isn't it about looking at all community needs and allocating dollars and other resources for maximum benefit? We are told that these are "DDA" funds. The DDA is part of the governmental structure that was created to serve the public need. As Dr. Phil would say, "How is this working for us?" Check out the vacancy and turnover in our downtown and draw your own conclusion. If the structure is not working, revise or eliminate that part of the structure (and save some salaries as well).

There are better approaches. The effort to Petition for Referendum on the Bond Issue is not an attractive option and it may even cost some opportunities for grant funds. However, I believe that it is the only public option that can bring transparency and action to address issues confronting our community.

A few people are working on the petition, but not nearly enough to get the job done by the July 25 deadline. Check www.northvillenotices.com for details on how you can help. Some are saying that this is a "done deal." True only if you, the voters, allow it to be. If more people come forward to help, it can still happen.

Tom Swigart
Northville

Vote no on bond proposal to purchase land

I am amused and horrified the township is flirting again with this property after getting snake bitten a couple of times. This is a REIS/Schostak bailout and a very expensive burden potentially being thrown on Northville township taxpayers.

First of all, there is no chance this property will be developed anytime soon for any kind of residential housing, so relax. Michigan, especially with its dismal economy, has been "redlined" by the banks for any kind of housing development. There

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters via the following formats.

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Blog: You may also let your opinions be heard with your own blog at hometownlife.com.
Deadline: Letters must be received by 9 a.m. Monday to be published in the Thursday edition.

are huge numbers of houses for sale in our town with no buyers! Second, even if the township buys the property, how much is it going to cost to knock down the buildings and clean up the environmental problems? I have firsthand knowledge in these areas; I would summarize no less than another \$15 to \$20 million, so the final cost may be close to \$50 million or more! Evidently, there has been an environmental report identifying these types of remediation costs. Where is this money going to come from and for the new infrastructure? The environmental report should be public knowledge and be put on the township's Web site before the election.

What are we going to do with it once we do buy it? Hundreds of thousands of dollars a year of maintaining it, trying to figure out what to do with it. Do we need another park? Maybury, Hines, Ford Field, numerous athletic parks — isn't this enough? In the meantime your property value will go down, with the added burden of more mills on your taxes, for this white elephant. Keep in mind also that the state (and the fed) is seriously in the red, and your other taxes are going to go up soon.

I also really question the appraisal of \$30 million for the property. Did the appraiser consider cleanup in his methodology and the freefall in housing? There are usually three values in an appraisal: 1) Willing buyer and willing seller in a normal economy; 2) Orderly liquidation with a ample sale time component; and 3) Fire sale/distressed, auction value. In these economic times the latter would definitely apply, since again there is a very weak market at best for development. Banks, by the way, only lend on scenario 3 values.

Finally, I find it appalling this vote is on a August 4 primary election. What? Get it jammed through while everybody's on vacation. Make sure you get your absentee ballot now and vote no for this fiscal irresponsibility. A yes vote may burden the township for years to come.

John Cauffiel
Northville Township

Watkins columns void of specifics

Tom Watkins' past two columns beg the question: Why is he constantly telling readers of his column about things that need to be radically changed? Recently he wrote about the need for

radical change in state government, and most recently he writes that our schools must be radically changed.

There is nothing wrong with improving a school or a curriculum, a government, but Mr. Watkins seems to have President Obama's campaign mantra about change you can believe in continually echoing in his head. But his columns are empty and meaningless.

Mr. Watkins offers no solutions on how to "radically change" state government or public schools. He merely drops that phrase into a column and then quotes other people's opinion about the subject. But he hasn't shown the courage to plainly write who and what he would change in state government, or Michigan's public schools.

It's easy to repeat what other people say, but perhaps one day Mr. Watkins will be man enough to come out from behind his past titles and positions and lay it out for all to read.

I ask you, Mr. Watkins, what specifically would you change in our government, our schools, and our economy that would make you happy?

Nathan Menoian
Milford

ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS

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

Letters to the Editor: Township focuses on ex-hospital property

This is nothing more than the residents being asked to bail out the developer. The piece of property in question was supposed to be for residential development. Now REIS has realized, with our bad economy, residential development isn't lucrative. Now the "morally challenged" government of Northville wants to raise taxes for the residents to purchase the property for them. I don't think so! I urge you all to vote a big "no" on this one. Let the developer get themselves out of this mess.

GuppyC

Like many of you, I do not trust the developer at all! With that said, I think buying this property is a good idea for several reasons. First and foremost is the fact that it will stop the developer from putting a mall the size of 12 Oaks there. As for the price, any time you buy property you must have an appraisal done in order to obtain financing. That is 101. Therefore, if the township does not have an appraisal from a reputable company they will not be able to get financing. It is that simple. As for Mr. Tulley, the last thing he should be is applauded (maybe you're trying to get your job back, Jon). Mr. Tulley should have allowed the township to come to the meeting and present all of the facts so that the board could make an educated decision. Unless you believe in dictatorships.

Wateriver91

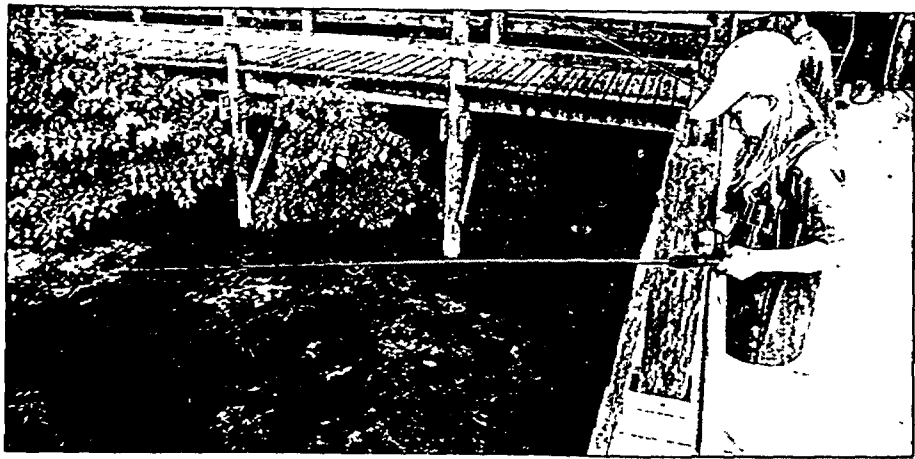
NORTHVILLE RECORD



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Gone fishing

Emma Phillips, 7, was one of a dozen Maybury State Park day campers that hit the park's pond on July 10 for some fishing. Armed with rods and reels, bobbers, hooks and worms the kids worked the water along the pond's west side and caught a good amount of bluegill and small largemouth bass.



JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Career and life management skills

I recently attended my 35th college reunion, and participated in a discussion group on Making Meaning & Charting New Courses.

As mid-range Baby Boomers, my classmates are dealing with a common dilemma - planned and unplanned transitions from current jobs/careers in a tough economy when retirement accounts have been hard hit.



Martha D. Adamson

What do we do next? Is there a realistic chance to find a job in harmony with your inner values, that you look forward to each day, that allows you to follow your dreams, make a difference, make a salary large enough to cover expenses and rebuild retirement funds, and create a new look to retirement as we live well into our 80's or 90's?

I believe there is. One key to doing this is to examine your current life and identify the areas and roles that are important to you and assess how you stand with them. Start with identifying your Values - what is important to you in your work and life. Values are often motivators - what you drive for when performing a job or living your life. If you are in tune with your values, you feel energized, optimistic and content in your work.

Next, look at the important areas of your life - Health & Habits, Family & Friends, Career & Avocation, Geographic Location & Preferences, Personal Growth & Development, Leisure & Recreation, Money Matters. These areas impact your worklife in many different ways.

Taking charge in these areas can help you feel more energized and empowered. Set some achievable short and long term goals in each area

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of your life to maintain those elements that are positive and take steps to change those that are negative.

Get in touch with your personal wishes and dreams. These often hold clues to core interests and goals that you yearn to fulfill. Can you realistically begin to reach your wishes and dreams by beginning to make a plan?

Finally, create your Personal Mission statement, taking into account the work you've done on your Values, Life/Work balance and Wish Lists. This exercise should integrate your self-examination findings and serve as a guide for evaluating future choices. If you revisit your personal mission statement whenever you have to make major decisions, you are more likely to stay on track for your future.

Life is truly a journey. We rarely are able to plan our careers and personal lives in a predictable fashion. Life events happen that take us off course, but the more in touch you are with your true self - your Mission - the more you will be able to take advantage of unexpected opportunities that will help you grow and develop and meet your core needs.

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How should my company be taxed?

In my last column, I discussed the differences between corporations, LLCs, partnerships and sole proprietorships ... except I left out the discussion on the tax consequences of these entity types.



Dan Hoops

So where do they differentiate? Taxes? Well, that is the starting point, but not the final answer. You see, an LLC can be taxed as a partnership, as an individual (meaning you report on Schedule C of your 1040), as an S-corporation, or as a C-corporation. A corporation is taxed either as an S-corporation or a C-corporation.

That's complicated, so let me break this down.

The letters "S" and "C" come from the subchapters S and C in the Internal Revenue Code. Subchapter C means that there is a corporate level of income tax. For every dollar the C-corp earns, it must file a tax return and pay income tax at the corporate rate (up to 35%). The left over money is distributed to the shareholders as dividends and they must pay income tax on that money at the capital gains rates. So there are two layers of income tax on the same dollars.

For the S-corporation, the dollars are passed directly through to the shareholders, so the money is only taxed one time at the shareholder's personal income tax rate. LLCs that are taxed like partnerships or under subchapter S pay taxes the same way as S-corps (as a pass-thru entity).

Here's an example of the double tax for C-corporations:

C-corp. has \$1 million in taxable income (putting it in the 34% rate for corporate income tax) and will pay out its after-tax income as a dividend to Shareholder. Shareholder is in the 35% rate and 15% dividend rate (capital gains rate). The tax consequences are as follows:

Taxable Income	\$1,000,000
Corporate Tax Rate	34%

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Corporate Tax	\$340,000
Dividends Distributed	\$660,000
Dividend Tax Rate	15%
Shareholder Tax	\$99,000
Total Tax Paid on Income =	\$439,000
Total Tax Rate on Income =	43.9%

Using the same example, but under the pass-thru tax rules for S-corps or partnerships, see how this works:

Taxable Income	\$1,000,000
Individual Tax Rate	35%
Owner-Level Tax	\$350,000

Then, for tax purposes, why would anyone want to be a C-corp? Let's change the facts around, assuming instead of \$1 million in taxable income, let's make it \$50,000.

Taxable Income	\$50,000
Corporate Tax Rate	15%
(corporate tax rate on \$50k)	
Corporate Tax	\$7,500
Dividends Distributed	\$42,500
Dividend Tax Rate	15%
Shareholder Tax	\$6,375
Total Tax Paid on Income =	\$13,875
Total Tax Rate on Income =	27.75%

As a pass-thru (S-corp or partnership)

Taxable Income	\$50,000
Individual Tax Rate	35%
Owner-Level Tax	\$13,875

So the numbers can be deceiving when it comes to the double-tax.

Other tax reasons for selecting one entity versus another type include whether or not the business will generate losses in the beginning stages. Losses for pass-thru entities are reported directly on the individual's return, subject to strict rules based on the type of loss and

type of income or gain the individual intends to off-set those losses against.

For C-corporations, the losses are off-set against the all of the income of the corporation under less complicated rules. If the business generates substantial capital gains, the C-corp is not permitted to use the reduced capital gains tax rates (e.g. 0/15%, 25% or 28%) and must report them at its standard income tax rates.

Most pass-thru entities must use the cash method of accounting and must use have a calendar year (e.g. 12/31) as its year. Most C-corps may use the accrual method of accounting and select a fiscal year for its calendar year.

A C-corp has flexibility in its reporting of items of income and loss, but it also means that when dividends are distributed to shareholders, the timing may be beneficial to both the corporation and the shareholders (e.g. 9/30 year end for the corporation and 12/31 year end for the shareholders).

As I mentioned in last week's column, there really is no right or wrong answer in selecting one entity over another. It all depends. For purposes of taxation, part of the "it depends" includes the owner's personal income tax picture.

In addition, I should point out that this discussion on taxation is very brief and there are many exceptions to many of the rules. It is very important that you discuss any business transaction or entity selection with your tax professional, every neat 'idea' that you may think of for your company ... has probably been tried, tested and extinguished by Congress.

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NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY BRIEFS

'One' movie for everyone

"One," an 80-minute movie created and directed by Ward M. Powers of Northville, presents the views of notable thinkers, authors, and spiritual leaders as well as youths and everyday people on a selection of 20 questions like: "Why are so many people depressed?" "When is war justifiable?" "What is wisdom, and how do we gain it?" and "What are we all afraid of?"

Elicited from family and friends, the questions were proffered to Deepak Chopra, Barbara Marx-Hubbard, the Dalai Lama, Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev, Father Thomas Keating and others. Their answers may not differ from your own thoughts as much as you think. And, surprisingly, the thoughts rendered by everyday folks and youths are often as wise as those of the icons and masters.

One, the movie, will be shown at 7 p.m., Friday, August 7 at Madonna University's Kresge Hall. Ward and his wife, Diane, will discuss their two-year, first-time film project after the movie. A \$10 donation is requested to benefit the ONE PEACE event celebrating the United Nations International Day of Peace, Saturday, September 19th at the Schoolcraft Community College Vistatech center. (www.onepeace.us).

For further information, contact Colleen Mills, 734-425-0079 or cmills0079@yahoo.com.

Concert to benefit Northville Civic Concern

On Thursday, July 30, community vocalists, organ,

and chamber orchestra will assemble to present the Fauré Requiem in a concert benefiting Northville Civic Concern at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary of Northville First United Methodist Church on 8 Mile at Taft Road.

The Northville Summer Chorale, comprised of 35 youth, adults and seniors from the area, was initially conceived as a way for parents to sing in a public performance with their young adult children. The beautiful and beloved Requiem by Gabriel Fauré was chosen as a classical, uplifting piece that could display the talent of singers from the Novi and Northville School Districts. The idea quickly grew to include a chamber orchestra, organ accompaniment, husbands and wives, parents and kids, and ages ranging from 16-83.

Northville Civic Concern provides food and assistance to over 380 people in our immediate area. With the need for assistance greater than ever, the Summer Chorale is dedicating their concert to benefit Northville Civic Concern and asks the community to turn out on Thursday evening, July 30 to help support this important assistance program. Professional musicians in the group are donating their time, Northville First United Methodist Church is donating rehearsal and performance space, and the community is asked for a free-will donation of cash or non-perishable goods. All proceeds from the concert will go directly to Northville Civic Concern.

E-Newsletter

The *Northville Record* will offer E-Newsletters on Thursdays, and local business



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Safety Town

Safety Town students Haley Brown, left, and Katie Zipparo drive around the namesake village located on the floor of the gymnasium of Northville's St. Paul's Lutheran Church on July 2. Safety town, sponsored by Northville Parks and Recreation, gives kids ages 5 and up the chance to learn how to be safe in their homes, schools and towns. It teaches them about water, bike, fire, electricity, and traffic safety through visits by the Northville Fire and Police Department, life guards from the pool and representatives of DTE.

and entertainment newsletters will come out once a week.

To sign up, click on the E-Newsletters tab on Hometownlife.com (top left of the home page).

Win Mac Bridge walk trip

Northville Parks & Recreation presents a series of walks, and with every one, you have a chance to win a trip for two to participate in Michigan's famous Labor Day Bridge Walk and visit Mackinac Island. Walks will be held rain or shine. You must be 18 or older to win; Northville Township & City employees are not eligible to win. Walks will be held:

- * Wednesday, July 22, 7 p.m. at Northville Town Square (2 miles)
 - * Saturday, July 25, 8 a.m. at Recreation Center at Hillside (3 miles)
 - * Wednesday, July 29, 7 p.m. at Community Senior Center (1.5 miles); drawing for winner of the Labor Day Mackinac Bridge Walk will be held immediately following this walk.
- Contact Joanna Harris, Special Events coordinator for more information at (248) 349-0203 Ex: 1411 or JHarris@ci.northville.mi.us.

Maybury Family Over Night Campouts

Nothing says "summer" like going camping. Come join the annual family campout experience at Maybury State Park. Scheduled activities include hiking, fishing, crafts, campfire, sing along, s'mores. Based at the park's day camp building (use Beck Road entrance). Campsite set up can begin at noon. Registration fee (each camp) is \$25 per family of 4; \$3 each additional person. Includes campsite, activities, continental breakfast. Pre-registration is required at the Parks and Recreation Department. State park entrance requires a daily or annual DNR motor vehicle permit. A campout is scheduled for July 11-12 and August 15-16.

Summer Nature Camp at Maybury State Park

Calling all nature lovers: Parks and Recreation has teamed up with Maybury State Park to present an awesome day camp experience for children ages 6-12. Spend each day in the beautiful Maybury State Park environment learning and celebrating cool facts about nature. Activities include hiking, games, crafts, theme related projects and making a lot of new friends. When two or more campers from the same family register, the second child in the family gets a discounted rate. One week fee is \$135 for residents; second or more child is \$105.

- The Summer Nature Camp is a State of Michigan Licensed Day Camp and is held 9-4 p.m. Camp dates and themes are:
- * July 20-24 Reptiles & Amphibians (frogs, turtles)
- * July 27-31 Earth (constellations, weather, going green)
- * August 3-7 Birds: (birds of prey)
- * August 10-14 Maybury Buffet (a bit of everything)

Safety Town

City and township police and fire officers participate in teaching safety lessons important for children to learn before they enter kindergarten at the community-based program modeled after the National Safety Town program. Instruction includes games, crafts, videos and practice on the Northville "Safety Town". Classes held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Monday through Thursday for two weeks (July 13-23; July 27-August 6 and August 10-20). Morning and afternoon sessions are available. Resident fee is \$95; pre-registration is required.

The Ins and Outs of Roundabouts

An informative workshop to learn how to safely and comfortably navigate Michigan's traffic calming devices, known as round-

abouts, will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 29 at the Community Senior Center. The presentation will include a video and handouts. Pre-registration is required by July 27 for this free event.

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.

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.

Corriveau's office hours

State Representative Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) invites residents to talk with him about any issues or concerns during his office hours on the first Monday of each month from 10-11 a.m. at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., in Northville. Corriveau also holds coffee hours and other events throughout the 20th District to talk with as many resi-

dents as possible about any issues or concerns. If your business or organization would like to schedule an event with Corriveau, please contact his office toll-free at (877) 20TH-REP, or send an e-mail to MarcCorriveau@house.mi.gov.

Good Grief golf outing for New Hope

On Saturday, Sept. 12, the 11th Annual "Good Grief" Golf Outing will be held at Tanglewood Golf Club in South Lyon with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. The proceeds from this outing will benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support, a bereavement outreach center located in Northville. New Hope provides free grief support services and resources to men, women, teens, and children throughout southeastern Michigan.

The cost for this four-person scramble, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, dinner, contests, and prizes, is \$125 per golfer. Dinner only is \$35 per person. Channel 4 meteorologist, Eric Braate, will be special guest and emcee.

For information, contact Pattie Bingham at (248) 348-0115 and visit www.newhope-center.net.

SK8 Park

The Northville SK8 Park is open from 2-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday on the tennis courts of Hillside Middle School (8 Mile and Center Street). Daily pass is \$5; season pass \$50 (includes access to skate park, tennis, inline hockey and basketball). The park is supervised. Helmets are required for skate park use. T-shirts are available for purchase for \$15.

"Sicko" screened

Is universal health care right for America? Join the Northville Democratic Club for an open free screening and discussion of the film "Sicko" by Michael Moore at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21 at the Northville Sports Den in the Northville Square Building, 133 W. Main Street. There will be a cash bar, pizza and salad buffet (donations welcome).

CITY OF NORTHVILLE
July 2009 BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice of Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for the City of Northville, Wayne/Oakland County, Michigan will convene on July 21st 2009 at 4:00 P.M. at the Northville City Hall, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48176. This meeting will be held in accordance with MCL 211.53b for the purpose of:

- Changes in Taxable Value due to a newly recognized Ownership Transfer as provided for under MCL 211.27a(3) as amended by PA 415 of 1994, which are treated as clerical errors.
- Clerical Errors of Mutual Mistakes of fact as provided under original MCL 211.53b(1).
- Appeals of "Homestead" or "Qualified Agricultural Property", as provided for under MCL section 211.7c and 711.7ee as amended by PA 237 of 1994.
- Appeals for Poverty Exemption for the current year (2009), as provided for under MCL section 211.7u and amended by PA 74 of 1995

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2009 Novi Street Water Main Replacement and Street Reconstruction

The City of Northville, the OWNER, will receive sealed Bids for 2009 Novi Street Water Main Replacement and Street Reconstruction at the City of Northville, Office of the City Clerk, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167, until August 11, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. local time. No Bids will be received after that time. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:05 pm at the City of Northville municipal offices.

This project consists of curb, specified sidewalk, and asphalt removal on Novi Street. Reconstruction of road structure, drive approaches and sidewalk construction, construction of new 12-inch water main and water services, and miscellaneous construction items. Bids are solicited on a Unit Price basis.

Bidding documents may be examined at the City Clerk's Office, City of Northville, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 or at Midwestern Consulting, LLC, 3815 Plaza Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48108

Documents shall be available for pick-up at the Ann Arbor office of Midwestern Consulting, LLC, beginning July 13, 2009. Documents will not be available at the City of Northville offices. Prospective bidders shall contact the Engineer, Brandon W. Walker, PE, Midwestern Consulting, LLC, 3815 Plaza Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48108, 734-995-0200 to make arrangements for Contract Document pick-up. Contract Documents will be made available for a non-refundable check payment of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).

Net classification required for this project is: 659 Ea or Comb/ Jt 659 Cb, K. In addition to the above minimum pre-qualification requirement for prime contractors, this project includes sub-classifications of Cb, Ea, J and K. If the prime contractor is not pre-qualified in those sub-classifications it must use pre-qualified subcontractors. Those subcontractors must be designated prior to award of the contract to the confirmed low bidder.

Each Proposal shall be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check, money order or bid bond, payable to the OWNER, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Proposal, as a Bid Security. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance Bond, Labor and Material Bond, and in the amount of One Hundred Percent (100%) of the Contract and satisfactory insurance coverage. Withdrawal of any Proposal is prohibited for a period of 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

The City reserves the right to accept any Proposal, to reject any or all Proposals, and to waive any irregularities in any Proposal, in the interest of the City. The City of Northville, MI, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin in consideration of a bid award. Bidders shall not discriminate against any employees or firm due to origin, race, age or physical conditions. Contractor shall be an equal opportunity employer.

James Gallogly, Director of Public Works Dianne Massa, City Clerk

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TRANSFORMERS: REVENGE OF THE FALLEN (PG-13) 11:45, 3:15, 6:20, 9:40

THE PROPOSAL (PG-13)
11:50, 2:20, 4:50, 7:15, 9:35
FR/SAT LS 11:55

THE HANGOVER (R)
12:55, 3:05, 5:15, 7:35, 9:50
FR/SAT LS 11:55

NORTHVILLE AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Northville Calendar online at www.hometownlife.com. Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Northville Record, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

Local Events

FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERTS
TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. Fridays
LOCATION: Town Square, downtown Northville (on Main, across from the Marquis Theatre)
DETAILS: Downtown Northville's popular Friday Night Summer Concert Series - sponsored by the Northville Downtown Development Authority and Wine Sync - returns for the 2009. Every Friday night through August 28, guests can enjoy the music of some of the finest local musicians while taking in the charming atmosphere of downtown Northville. The following performances are scheduled for July.
 • July 17 - The Kris K Band (Sponsored by Northville Downtown Development Authority) - Rock 'n' Roll/Americana
 • July 24 - Soul Academy (Sponsored by Northville Downtown Development Authority) - Detroit Soul Review
 • July 31 - Fifty Amp Fuse (Sponsored by Northville Downtown Development Authority and Varsity Lincoln Mercury) - Detroit's Premier Party Band
 For more information, including a full schedule of performers, call the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640 or Northville Parks and Recreation Department at 248-349-0203 or visit www.northville.org or <http://www.northvilleparksandrec.org>.

AS THE PAGE TURNS BOOKSTORE
LOCATION: 149 N. Center Street, Suite 102, downtown
PHONE: (248) 912-0085
Beverly Jenkins book signing
DATE: July 18
Lilli Babits
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. July 23
DETAILS: Author of "Northern Destinies" will sign her book.

TUNES ON TUESDAYS
TIME/DATE: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays
LOCATION: Town Square, downtown Northville (on Main Street, across from the Marquis Theatre)
DETAILS: The popular free concert series for kids - sponsored by Toll Brothers, the Northville Downtown Development Authority and Northville Parks & Recreation - returns for the summer in downtown Northville every Tuesday morning through August 18. Performances will be held rain or shine. Rain location will be at Genitti's Little Theatre (108 E. Main).
 • July 21 - Guy Louis and the Chautauqua Express (sponsored by Abir Faraj, D.D.S., P.C.)
 • July 28 - Palamazoos (sponsored by Rangel Orthodontics)

CONTACT: For more information, including a full schedule of performers, contact Northville Parks & Recreation at 248-349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org. The following performances are scheduled for June:

KNITTING CAMP
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 20-24 and Aug. 17-21.
LOCATION: Northville Candle & Gifts, 124 N. Center Street
DETAILS: Award-winning knitter/designer Tina Sherfield will teach a one-week camp for beginners ages 11 years and up; \$80 fee includes classes and materials (pre-payment required).
CONTACT: (248) 380-7059.

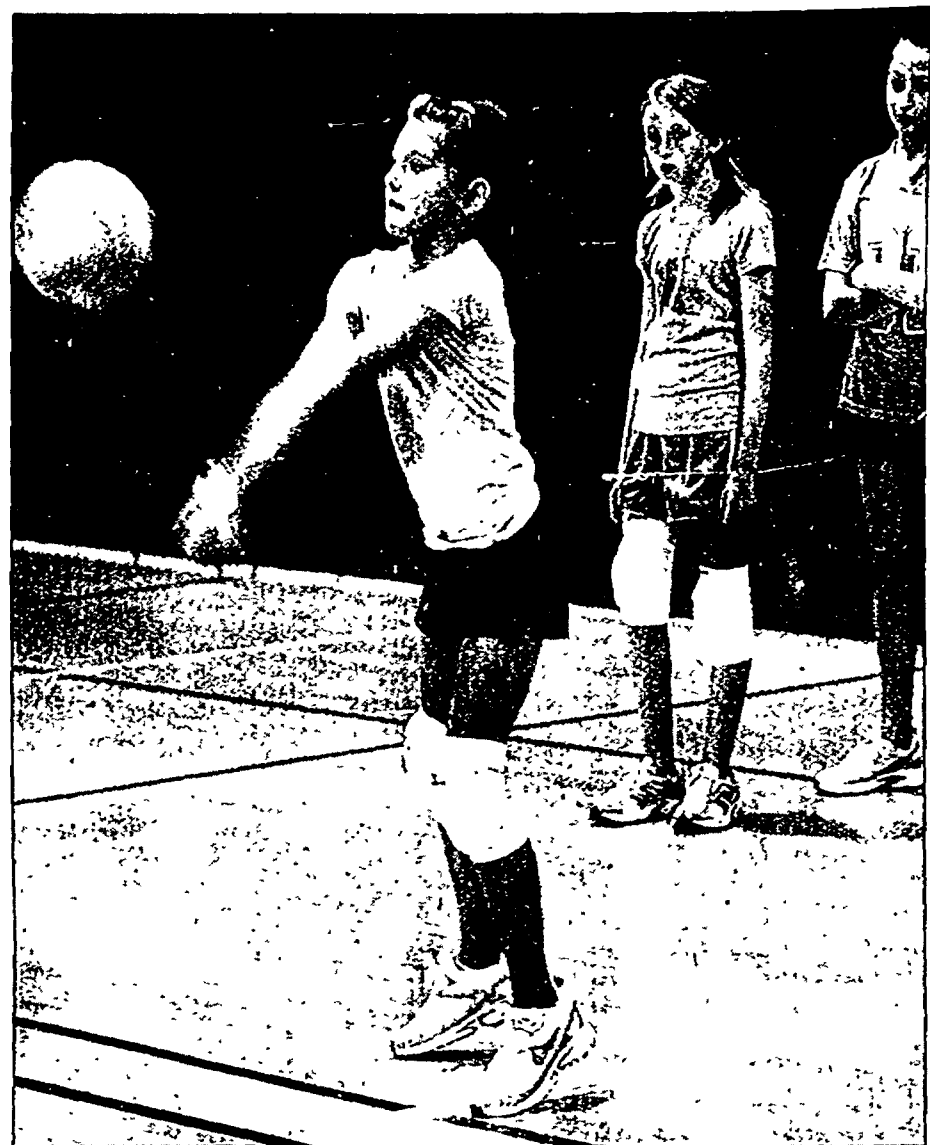
FREE FAMILY FUN DAY AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, July 25
LOCATION: The Learning Experience, 16635 Ridge Road, Northville
DETAILS: A free family fun day with games, ice cream and of course, tours of our fabulous childcare center. The Learning Experience provides child care and preschool to children ages 6 weeks to 8 years old.
CONTACT: (248) 374-2495 for more information.

5TH ANNUAL NORTHVILLE GRUB CRAWL
TIME/DATE: 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 28
DETAILS: Indulge in Northville's unique collection of restaurants as you sample their signature specialties. Twelve restaurants are offering free samples of appetizers and entrée items along with cash bar specials for our "Crawlers". Crawlers can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl" on their own. 2009 Participating restaurants are Brann's Steakhouse & Grill, Claggagh Irish Pub, Deadwood Bar and Grill, Five Restaurant, Gaucho Brazilian Steakhouse, Genitti's, Little Italy Ristorante, Northville Sports Den, Poole's Tavern, Rusty Bucket Corner Tavern, The Turning Point Grill, and Wine Sync/Red Pepper Deli. Free shuttle transportation - Courtesy of Millennium Limousines. Grand Prize drawing for Barbeque Gas Grill - Courtesy of Home Depot. Tickets are \$30 prepaid (must be 21 or over) and are now available at Gardenviews, Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce. The Northville Grub Crawl is proudly sponsored by Gardenviews, Good Time Party Store, Home Depot, Northville Record, Remerica Hometown One-Patti Mullen & Associates, Residential Design Consulting.
CONTACT: For more information, call the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

FRESH FOOD FOR CIVIC CONCERN
TIME/DATE: 8 a.m. 3 p.m. every Thursday to Sept. 24
LOCATION: Northville Farmers Market, Booth #57, Center Street and Seven Mile Road
DETAILS: Growing your own vegetables this summer? How about planting a row for Civic Concern, the food pantry serving families in Northville, Northville Township, and Northville School District? Share that fresh lettuce and those juicy tomatoes with Wayne County neighbors in need. Master Gardeners of Wayne County will accept your produce at their Information Table in booth #57 at the Northville Farmers Market every Thursday until 3 p.m. Or, if the rabbits get to the romaine before you do, you can buy some produce from Market vendors and walk it over to the booth. Civic Concern will also accept contributions at their office in Highland Lakes Shopping Center (42951 Seven Mile Road) every Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
CONTACT: Sher Watkins, Farmers Market Master, (248) 349-7640

MILL RACE HISTORICAL VILLAGE
LOCATION: 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field
DETAILS: Office open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday. Village buildings open 1-4 p.m., Sundays, mid-June to mid-Oct.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1845
 Weekly Events (*Grounds closed to public)
 Thursday: 9 a.m. Archives Open; 7 p.m. Historical Society Meeting
 Friday: 9 a.m. Archives Open; 5 p.m. Rehearsal; 6 p.m. Rehearsal
 Saturday: 1:45-3:45 p.m. Wedding; 4:15-6:15 p.m. Wedding
 Sunday: 1-4 p.m. Buildings Open
 Monday:
 Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang
 Wednesday: 1:30 p.m. Private Tour; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation Group

NORTHVILLE FARMERS' MARKET
TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays through October 29
LOCATION: Northville Downs, 7 Mile & Center Street (Sheldon Road)
DETAILS: The Northville Farmers' Market returns for the 2009 season. There's something for everyone at the Northville Farmers' Market. Visitors will enjoy 100 stalls of Michigan-grown fresh produce. For all the green-thumbs out there plants and flowers are available while other finds such as are fine juried crafters, garden art, soaps, jewelry, furniture, woodworking, and home accessories are also featured. Guests can also check out the CHEFS AT THE MARKET series with local chefs, fresh produce, free recipes, cooking demonstrations, and samples. For those who want to do their part to help the environment, the "Can you Dig It?" plastic pot recycling station will also be featured. The Farmers' Market is presented by Tom Holzer Ford and sponsored by the Northville Downs, Patti Mullen - Remerica Hometown One, Toll



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Volleyball camp

Gabby Kwasy, 10, returns a volleyball serve during a four day camp at the Hillside Recreation Center on July 1. Kwasy and other girls ranging in age from 7-14 got a beginner's introduction to the game, its rules and play and positioning from Northville High freshman volleyball coach Meghan Polce.

Brothers, St. Mary's Hospital and Varsity Lincoln Mercury.

SOLID GROUNDS COFFEEHOUSE
LOCATION: 133 W. Main St.
Open Mic Nite
TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. every Tuesday
 Roger Ponder and Dell Smith, blues and folk singer songwriters
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. every Thursday
 Carol Smallwood, classical guitarist
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon every Saturday
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
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
Preschool Class
TIME/DATE: 1:30-2:30 p.m., Fridays
DETAILS: Wear grubbies, as these classes can be messy! Preschool Art 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
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

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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 firstpresville.org
 Sunday Worship
 TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m.
 Walking in the Park
 TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. every Saturday

LOCATION: Meet at the Visitor's Center of Heritage Park (Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads)
 DETAILS: Group meets for lunch afterwards.
 CONTACT: Sue (734) 459-0016
 Single Place Ministries
 TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. social time, 7:45 p.m. opening, 8 p.m. program, every Thursday
 DETAILS: Informative and entertaining programs of interest to singles, \$5 per person. Check Web site for details singleplace.org

ONE POINTE CHURCH
 LOCATION: 50200 W. 10 Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST OF NORTHVILLE
 A Stephen Ministry church
 LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or funcnorthville.org
 Sunday Worship
 TIME: 8:30 and 10 a.m. through Labor Day
 DETAILS: Pastors Rev. Dr. Steve Buck and Rev. Steve D'Angelo
 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.
 Crafters and Vendors are needed
 TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 24
 DETAILS: The annual Community Bazaar Bazaar to benefit Village Banking at First United Methodist Church Northville. This is a great opportunity to showcase talent or business to hundreds of local customers. As cost is nominal, booth space is filling up fast.
 CONTACT: For details and reserve a space email Pat Breslin at BazaarBazaar@care2.com. For more information regarding Village Banking: www.villagebanking.org.

NOVI UNITED METHODIST
 LOCATION: 41671 W. 10 Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com
 Sunday Worship
 TIME: 9:45 a.m.
 Healing Service and Holy Communion
 TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month

Peace Vigil
 TIME/DATE: Noon, first Sunday of every month
 LOCATION: In front of the church
 DETAILS: Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.
 Advent Service
 TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. Sunday

WARD ETHERICAL 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 11:00 a.m.
 Traditional; 9:30 a.m. Contemporary
 Nursery and Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services.

Service Broadcast
 DETAILS: 11 a.m. every Sunday on WRD1-AM 560, The WJLZ Word Station.
Single Point Ministries - 45 and older
 TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday for fellowship and Bible study.
Single Focus Ministries - 35-50 years
 TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. Sunday to deepen your personal relationship with Christ
Single Purpose Connections - 20-30 years
 TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday in the Chapel for singing, Bible study, and fellowship.
 DETAILS: For single adults. Active ministry offering various Bible study classes, volleyball, bicycling group, tennis group, support groups, support group for widowed over age 50, fellowship, friendships and more. Contact the number below for more information.
 CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
 Bible Studies and Prayer Nights
 Learner's Bible Study
 TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Mondays Room A01
 Men's Bible Study
 TIME/DATE: 6:30 a.m. Wednesday Single Adult Ministries office
 Single's Bible Study
 TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Room C309
 Softball League Sign-up.
 TIME/DATE: 6:15-7:30 p.m., Thursday evenings, through August 6
 DETAILS: For single guys and gals; all skill levels welcome. \$30 due at sign up.
 CONTACT: Sign up at Ward Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville (248) 374-5920.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY
 LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road
 CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit holyfamilynovi.org
 Mass Schedule
 TIME/DAY: 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; 7 p.m. Tuesday; 5 p.m. (English), 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Saturday
 Holy Days: 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
 Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment
Adoptive Parent Networking Meeting
 TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. last Wednesday of each month
 DETAILS: Free, informational meeting open to all adoptive families in Oakland County. Child care is available. Registration is required.

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN
 LOCATION: 44400 W. 10 Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 349-2345 or visit faithcommunity-novi.org
 Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
 LOCATION: 201 Elm St., Northville
 CONTACT: (248) 349-3140
 Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. Blended; 11 a.m. Contemporary; 11:30 a.m. Traditional

WESTMONT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 348-7600 or visit dcnazarene.org
 Sunday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Worship service with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments; 11 a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 6 p.m. Evening Service, Children's program, Youth Worship Service
 Tuesday Schedule: Tuesday 9:30-11:15 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study with childcare available for through age 5, 6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study; 7 p.m. Men's Evening Bible Study
 Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast
 Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group; 7 p.m. Tae Kwon Do

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC
 LOCATION: 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi
 CONTACT: (248) 347-7778
 Mass Schedule
 TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE
 LOCATION: 217 N. Wingo
 CONTACT: (248) 348-1020
 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.
 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
 Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays
 Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month
NOVI FAMILY INTEGRATED CHURCH
 LOCATION: 45301 W. 11 Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptist-churchofnovi.org
 Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m.
 Family Worship: 11 a.m.
 Bible Study: 6 p.m.
 Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every month.

NOVIVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY
 LOCATION: 41355 Six Mile Road
 CONTACT: (248) 348-9030
ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH
 LOCATION: 23455 Novi Road
 CONTACT: Pastor Jon Hix (248) 349-5665

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH
 LOCATION: 770 Thayer, Northville
 CONTACT: (248) 349-2621 or ovmnorthville.org
 Saturday Worship
 TIME: 5 p.m.
 Sunday Worship
 TIME: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.
 DETAILS: Nursery staffed by Nanny Poppinz.
OUR SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 LOCATION: 140 N. Center, above Tutto's in Old Church Square, Northville
 CONTACT: Pastor Bill Burke at (734) 927-0891
 Sunday Worship: 11:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service

GRACEPOINTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 LOCATION: The Novi Civic Center, Council Chambers
 CONTACT: Rev. Brian C. Sleeth, Pastor (248) 497-3178 or gracepointe@mac.com, and gracepointe@pc.org
 Sunday Worship
 TIME: 10 a.m.
 DETAILS: Nursery staffed by Nanny Poppinz.

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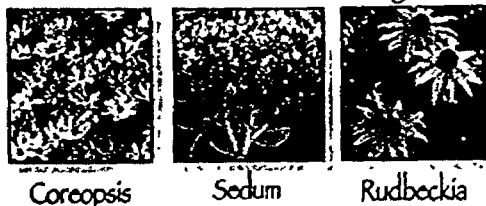
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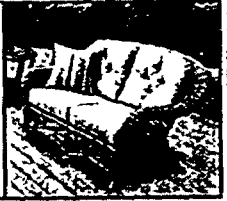
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Northville garden walk



Visitors tour a garden on Randolph Street during the annual Northville Garden Walk.



Visitors of this year's Northville Garden Walk check out some desserts offered by members of the Garden Club inside Mill Race Village's Cady Inn on July 8.

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This home along Randolph Street in Northville was one of eight that were opened to visitors on July 8 during the annual Northville Garden Walk.



An Asian lily stands above a koi pond at a home off Five Mile Road involved in this year's Northville Garden Walk. Hundreds of visitors went around to the eight gardens on this year's tour.



A large white oak ringed with a circle of ivy and flowers sits in the back yard of one of the homes on this year's Northville Garden Walk.



Visitors to Northville's Mill Race Village take a look at some flowers for sale during the gathering for the Northville Garden Walk on July 8. Many vendors set up shop in the village to cater to those in town for the garden tour.

CHURCH

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Preschool/Kids Choir
TIME/DATE: 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday
DETAILS: For ages three to six; ongoing event, no need to pre-register; all are welcome.

CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH
LOCATION: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointe-meadows.org.
Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.
Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages
DETAILS: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
LOCATION: 40700 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 427-1175 or churchofthe-holycross.com
Sunday Worship: 7:45 a.m., 10 a.m.
Sunday School and Nursery Care
TIME: 10 a.m. Worship Service
Alzheimer's Support Group
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills
CONTACT: (248) 474-0584 or visit stjohnlutheran.com
Saturday Worship
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Sunday Worship
TIME: 9, 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School
TIME: 10:15 a.m.

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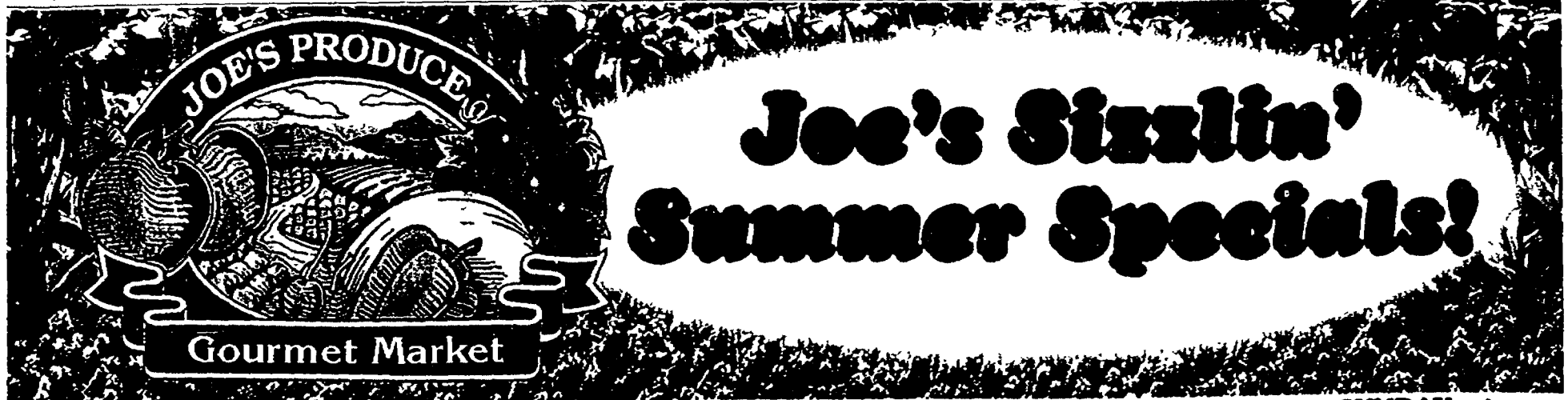
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South Lyon's DiRado brings the defense

BY JEFF THEISEN
SPORTS WRITER

While scoring is necessary, having a strong defense can keep a team in every game.

South Lyon's Nick DiRado was the rock on the Lion defense that went all the way to the regional finals for the first time in school history.

He was voted First Team All-State unanimously for his efforts.

DiRado led the team with 90 ground balls while finding the time to chip in 10 goals and three assists.

"Nick was our emotional leader and leader by example," said head coach Joseph Laird. "When he was on the field, it pumped up the rest of the team. When we were down, he got us up."

"Nick played offense and defense and, at times, was a clearing machine. I hope that he continues to play lacrosse well beyond his high school years."

Laird said the team didn't keep stats on takeaway checks, but his ability to do so is what set him apart. He used his 6-3, 215-pound frame to jar the ball loose whenever possible.

"If we needed one on one defense to prevent a goal, we marked up Nick on their man because of his ability to take the ball away," said Laird. "As well as if we needed the ball back at any time, he was the one that was going to get us the ball back."

DiRado is the 2009 All-Area Lacrosse Player of the Year.

"It was definitely a pleasure having Nick as a player," said Laird. "The nice thing is he has such a good knowledge of the game that us coaches did not have to spend a lot of time with him. It allowed us to develop our other guys, as well as having him help us develop the other guys when we were not able to."

FIRST TEAM

Tyler Corcoran

South Lyon

The Lion midfielder helped out in many ways. He was second on the team with 31 goals, led with 40 assists, won 68 percent of faceoffs and was second on the team with 83 ground balls. He received First Team All-State for his efforts.

Matt Mandeville

Novi
The senior led the Wildcats in goals (48) and overall points (70). He produced a seven-goal game during the season and was pulled well before the end of the game. He is headed to Grand Valley State to continue his career.

"He's just a true goal scorer," said Novi head coach Tom Stephanoff. "We relied on him when we needed a big goal, and he usually came through for us."

Paul Favorite

Novi
Along with Mandeville, the

senior provided a potent scoring compliment. He finished second on the team in scoring with 39 goals and 24 assists.

"Paul is the best athlete I've ever coached," said Stephanoff. "I couldn't take him off the field. He never got tired."

Jack Petroskey

Novi

The senior handled the chores of anchoring the defense and taking on the opponent's best attackman.

"He was probably our smartest player ... like an on-field coach almost," said Stephanoff. "We would put him on their best attackman, and he usually shut them down pretty good."

Chris Nemes

Catholic Central

The senior also received votes for Player of the Year after helping to lead the Shamrocks to the final four in Division 1. He poured in 29 goals and 19 assists to earn All-State First Team (unanimously) and All-America honors.

CC head coach Dave Wilson called him the emotional and team leader for the Shamrocks.

Mitch Burgin

Catholic Central

The sophomore played like anything but an underclassman. He netted 29 goals in just 16 games.

"He has a nose for the net," said Wilson.

Robby Brzezinski

Catholic Central

The junior midfielder stepped up his game during the playoff run for the Shamrocks.

"He was responsible for owning the ball during the playoffs," said Wilson. "He went 50 percent against Brother Rice in the semifinals."

Kevin Lerg

Catholic Central

The netminder was the last line of defense for the Shamrocks in a brutal Catholic Division which featured three of the final four teams in Division 1 and a finalist in Division 2. He received Third Team All-State honors.

"He can take over a game," said Wilson.

Ian Meador

Northville

The junior was all over the place. He won better than 60 percent as a faceoff specialist, scooped up 93 ground balls, scored 20 goals and handed out 16 assists. He received First Team All-State honors.

Alec Stirton

Northville

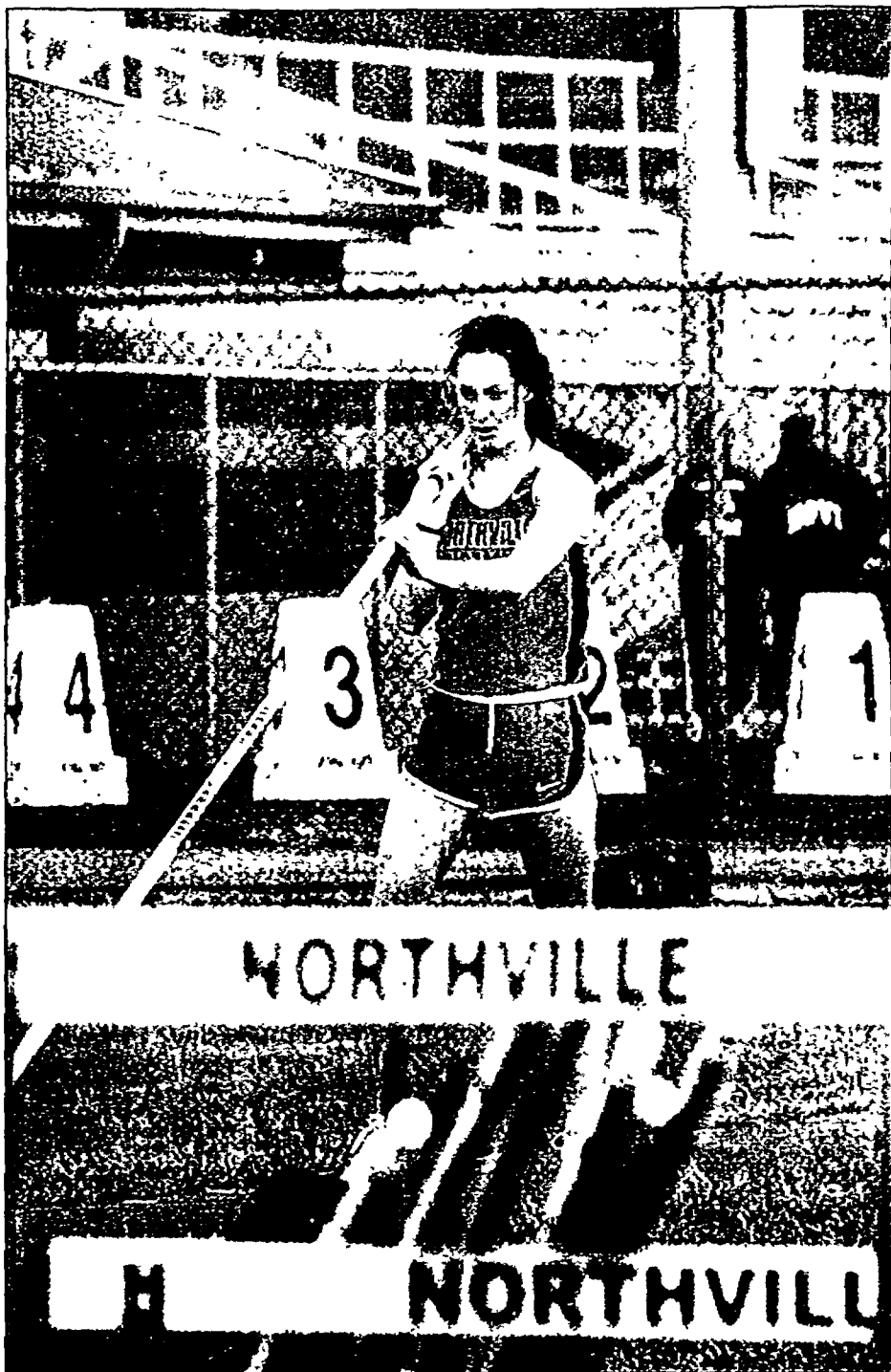
The senior defender received Second Team All-State honors for his work against the opponent's top attacker throughout the year. He also led the team with 108 ground balls.

Connor Sutton

Huron Valley

The defenseman was

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Northville's Amy Reynolds prepares for the pole vault attempt. She is the 2009 All-Area Girls Track Athlete of the Year.

Northville's Reynolds vaults to the top

BY JEFF THEISEN
SPORTS WRITER

Northville's Amy Reynolds is known for being a high flyer.

She capped off her track career with a fourth-place finish at the State meet, clearing 11-6.5 in the pole vault for a new school record.

She is the 2009 Girls Track Athlete of the Year.

"Her approach to vaulting was based on exceptional technical detail and a focus on continued improvement," Northville head coach Kerry Barnett said.

Reynolds was a two-time All-State performer. She was also a two-time division, conference and regional champ for the Mustangs.

Reynolds was also a star performer for the Northville gymnastics team, a sport which obviously lends some of the same characteristics of athleticism to pole vaulting.

For her efforts, Reynolds was awarded a spot on the Midwest Meet of Champions as one of the top three senior class vaulters in Michigan.

She will attend Grand Valley State University next year.

FIRST TEAM

The All-Area First Team is loaded with medal winners at both the regional and State level.

Elizabeth Roach

Northville

The sophomore has the make-up to be a top

performer for the next couple of years for the Mustangs. She cleared 5-5 in the high jump for sixth place at State and also set a new school record in the process of her All-State performance.

She was divisional, conference and regional champion in the 400 meters and was part of the 1,600 relay.

"Beth is also an accomplished soccer and basketball player and one of the hardest workers on the Northville team," Barnett said.

Katie O'Leary

Lakeland

The senior handled several field events for the Eagles. She was undefeated in six dual meets in the high jump and third at the conference meet. She was also seventh in the discus at the conference and regional meets. Her personal bests were 31-7 in the shot put and 103-7 in the discus.

Stephanie Lock

Lakeland

The sophomore traded the top spot for the Eagles with O'Leary in the throws all year. She was third in the discus (106-1) at the conference meet and fourth in the shot put (32-3.25). She also placed fifth in the shot and eighth in the discus at regionals.

Kristyn Wade

Lakeland

The junior specialized in the 100 hurdles. She won the divisional meet, was seventh at the conference meet and fifth at regionals. She just missed advancing to State in the 300

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SIDELINES

Mustang Scramble/Auction

The Northville Mustang Boosters Club, Inc. will hold its Golf Scramble and Dinner Auction at Fox Hills Golf Club on Saturday, Aug. 29.

The cost is \$100 per golfer for golf, lunch at the turn, dinner, open bar and auction; \$50 per person for dinner, open bar and auction.

Deadline to register is August 1. Make Check payable to Northville Mustang Boosters Club, Inc. (a 501 (c)(3) organization) and mail registration to Sue Baldwin, 1004 Shannon Court, Northville, MI 48167.

Midweek Triathlon Series

The first of three midweek sprint triathlons began June 24 at Island Lake Recreation Area in Brighton.

The course which will remain the same for all three events includes a 0.5 mile swim, 12 mile bike, 3.1 mile run and is simple enough for beginners while offering a practical fitness level check for athletes training to compete in additional events.

The swim, organized in waves, is extremely straightforward, in addition to the bike and run portions of the course, which are all on paved surfaces. Volunteers will line the course to ensure the smooth flow of participant 'traffic' and answer any questions along the way.

Participants who are up to the challenge and enter all three events - Triceratops Tri on June 24th, Pterodactyl Tri on July 22nd, T-Rex Tri on August 19th - will receive a distinctive Series Finisher pint glass, a chance to win exclusive T-Rex series age division awards and discounts on race series entry fees.

All events will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be limited to 600 participants.

For course maps and more information on this T-Rex Triathlon Series, sponsored by Running Fit, please visit: <http://www.runtretri.com/> or call: (734) 929-9027

Fall sports tryouts

The Northville High School fall athletic season begins with football on Aug. 10 and all other sports on Aug. 12. Students must have a physical on file with the Athletic Office to try-out or practice.

For more information see the Northville High School Web site: www.northville.k12.mi.us/nhs

Following are tryout times and locations

Football, Aug. 10,

Northville High School (NHS), 8 a.m. varsity, 3 p.m. freshman/junior varsity.

Boys Cross Country, Aug. 12, NHS, 8 a.m.

Girls Cross Country, Aug. 12, NHS, 8 a.m.

Boys Soccer, Aug. 12, Community Park, 5-8 p.m.

Boys Tennis, Aug. 12, NHS, 9 a.m. ninth and 10th grade, 10:30 a.m. 11th and 12th grade

Girls Golf, Aug. 12, 7 and 9 a.m., Tanglewood Golf Course

Girls Swim, Aug. 12, NHS Pool, 8 a.m.

Volleyball, Aug. 12, NHS, 9 a.m. junior varsity and varsity; 11 a.m. freshman



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hurdles, placing third at the regionals. Her personal best in the 100 was 16.3 and 49.7 in the 300 hurdles.

Lauren Kettle Milford

The sophomore provided a ton of versatility for the Mavericks. She competed in events from the 400 to the 3,200. She qualified for State in the 1,600 and as part of the 4x800 relay.

Margeaux Canup Milford

The Maverick sophomore was the KLAA Conference champ in the 100 hurdles and was fourth at the Oakland County meet. She also competed in the long jump, high jump and pole vault for Milford.

Nicole Prokes Milford

Teamed with Canup to form a potent 1-2 punch in the hurdles. She qualified for the State finals and reached the semifinals in the 100 hurdles.

Jenna Law Milford

She graduates as one of the top throwers in the area three years running. She was a medalist at the conference, regional and Oakland County meets in the discus.

Elle Robinson Novi

The senior has been one of the top distance runners for a couple of years running. She finished regional runner-up in the 3,200 and competed at State.

Jasmine Ward Novi

She finished KLAA Kensington Conference and regional champion in the 100 meters. She was also part of the conference and regional champion 4x100 team.

Brittany Davis Novi

She finished regional runner up in the 200 meters and was part of the regional champion 4x100 team and regional runner-up 4x200 team.

Kelly McCloskey Novi

She captured a regional title in the 300 hurdles and was part of the runner-up 4x200 team.

Katelyn Shelar Novi

The top vaulter for the Wildcats finished runner-up at the KLAA Conference, Oakland County and regional meets.

Katie Liebig South Lyon

The senior qualified for State in the long jump after leaping 16-6.75 for second place at regionals. She was first in the KLAA Central Division meet, fourth at the conference meet and sixth at Oakland County.

She was a four-year runner and a captain.

Megan Morad South Lyon

The senior qualified for State in the 100 dash but did not compete due to a prom conflict. She was runner-up in the 100 at regionals, third in the 200 and was also a top player on the soccer team during the same spring season. She is the school record holder in the 100 and 200. She will play soccer at Saginaw Valley State next year.

SECOND TEAM

Ashley Mancogna Lakeland

The Eagle junior placed second at the divisional meet, third at conference meet and sixth at regionals. Her personal best was 9-6.

Jenna Bedich South Lyon East

The junior pole vaulter made the varsity finals at the Oakland County Meet.

Lindsey Green South Lyon East

The sophomore long jumper just missed qualifying for the State finals, placing third in the long jump at regionals.

Alyssa Sandell South Lyon East

She finished one spot behind Green in the long jump at regionals as a sophomore.

Hannah Wikaryasz Milford

The freshman threw a season best 33-4 against Pinckney in the shot put, adding depth behind Law.

Heather McKeachie Milford

She finished division runner-up in the 400 and was part of the 4x800 team at State. She scored points in the 400 and 800 throughout her junior year.

Rachel Hofsess Milford

The junior added key depth in the distance and distance relays.

Heather Armiak Novi

She was the regional runner up in the high jump and competed at the State meet.

Abby Chandler Novi

She finished conference runner-up to Robinson and was part of the State-qualifying 3,200 relay team.

Emily Hall Novi

Went to State after finishing runner-up in the 800 meters at regionals.

Lyndsay Tyler South Lyon

The sophomore was fourth in the high hurdles at the divisional meet with a best time of 16.7. She also competed on relays and ran the 300 hurdles. She was part of the sixth-place finishing 4x200 relay at regionals.

Michelle Steslicki Northville

She qualified for State in the pole vault after clearing 10-0. She also earned All-Conference honors, providing strong depth behind Reynolds.

Sarah Rounsifer Northville

Despite starring on the softball team, the senior found time to be the divisional and conference champion in the shot put with a top throw of 30-3.5. She will continue her softball career at Princeton next year.

Jaclyn Konopka Northville

She earned All-Division and All-Conference honors in the 100 hurdles. She just missed going to State, finishing third at regionals. She also competed in the 300 hurdles.

HONORABLE MENTION

Receiving All-Area Honorable Mention are Milford's Meg Stando, Claire Slaughter, Kat Slaughter and Kayla Schoenle; South Lyon's Taylor Remstad, Tori Remstad, Maggie Sadler, Christina Swain, Caitlin Millis and Miranda Spencer; South Lyon East's Lauren Timm, Liz Fortino, Leah Creech and Paige Whitaker and Northville's Chelsea Ciampa, Julie Davison, Amy O'Brien, Shelby Johnson, Gina McNamara, Courtney Minghine, Alexandra Moyes, Shannon Lohman, MaryKay Brzesinski and Chloe Presley.

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responsible for marking the top attackman every game and didn't disappoint.

"He usually was the guy shutting down whoever I needed him to," said coach Greg Ristau. "He played just about every minute of every game."

Kasey Mardis Huron Valley

The senior attackman scored 32 goals and dished out nine helpers to help lead the offense.

"Near the end, he kind of picked the team up," said Ristau. "He was one of those athletes that needed to be on the field and would do what-

ever I asked of him."

SECOND TEAM

John Dwyer Catholic Central

The senior defender will continue his career at University of Detroit.

Jason Roberto Huron Valley

The junior tallied 22 goals and 20 assists for the Titans.

Ron Cain Huron Valley

The senior scored 12 goals and passed out nine assist from the midfield position.

Nick Diegel Northville

The senior received Third-Team All-State honors after pouring in 29 goals and 16 assists despite missing 12 games because of an injury.

He was voted team Comeback Player of the Year.

Dylan Gelven Northville

The sophomore attacker led the Mustangs in points with 27 goals and 39 assists. He earned All-Region honors.

Nathan Haynes Novi

The senior midfielder helped provide support on both offense and defense for the Cats.

Sean Murphy Novi

The senior midfielder also had to provide a two-way game for Novi to make it back to the regional finals.

Tom Machisak Novi

The senior attackman helped lead the Wildcat

offense to the regional finals.

Dylan Pesch South Lyon

The Lion attacker led the way with 65 goals and provided 10 assists.

Adam Lalik South Lyon

The Lion netminder stopped 65 percent of the shots he faced, guiding the Lions to their furthest finish ever.

HONORABLE MENTION

Receiving All-Area Honorable Mention are South Lyon's Will Marnell and Corey Cupp; Novi's Dan Burris and Andrew Donatto; Northville's Dan Stern, Drew Lamoureux and David Ketelhut; Catholic Central's Mike Birney; and Huron Valley's Phil Garcia and Cody Muirhead.

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Why did you choose Northville?

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The biggest change, though, has been with our customer base. Until the early 1990s, we were almost exclusively consumer-based. As the 1990s progressed, we found ourselves increasingly involved with the commercial trade. Today, our business is almost a 50/50 split between consumer and commercial business.

Do you have a funny tidbit or story about your experience as a small



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Mark King and Kay Dziuban of Mark's Outdoor Power Equipment on Northville Road.

business owner to share with our readers?

I think it was 1982 that Laurie Marrs and the Northville Chamber of Commerce decided to hold a riding mower grand prix in downtown Northville. I had to race against Lisa Foote, who was the daughter of Charlie Foote of Foote tractor in Novi. She won when I lost control of the tractor and almost crashed into one of the stands on the sideline. I subsequently retired from professional racing.

How has the recent economy

affected your business?

Our business has held up reasonably well. We are probably more adversely affected by weather conditions than the economy. If it snows or the grass grows, we will always have business of some magnitude. If we don't get some consistent rain soon, though, I may have to change my response.

Any advice for business owners?

It is far easier in the long run to satisfy your existing customers and build upon those relationships than to constantly try to attract new

customers to replace those whom you have not taken care of properly.

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

Really nothing more than to continue to improve and expand upon our existing business model. At some point I will have to start to look at succession, which I hope will come from within our organization. We are extremely fortunate to have a staff which has been with us for decades, and I hope to cultivate the leadership needed to carry it forward.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Buy Michigan Week

Downtown Northville has announced they will partner with Buy Michigan Now to be the host location for "Buy Michigan Week" July 27-Aug. 2. The weeklong festivities - produced by Ta-Dah Productions - will include various Michigan entertainment, educational seminars and products.

Launched in 2007 by Lisa Diggs, Buy Michigan Now is a statewide initiative to inform, educate and encourage Michiganders (organizations and consumers alike) to support the local economy by purchasing products and services made in Michigan and from Michigan-based companies.

The Buy Michigan Now initiative is further enhanced by the official proclamation from Michigan Governor Jennifer M. Granholm stating that the week of July 27, 2009 is Buy Michigan Week in Michigan. In the proclamation, Governor Granholm states her support of the initiative. "I encourage all residents of this state to take advantage of the many great products and services that the state of Michigan has to offer by buying Michigan first."

New auto shop

Accelerated Performance Automotive recently opened in Northville. Owned by Jeff Williamson of Belleville and Steve Podlaskowski of St. Clair Shores, the shop services vehicles of all makes and models, domestic and import. Repairs, maintenance and performance enhancements are among the many services provided. Aftermarket parts are available for do-it-yourselfers, and warranties are included on all parts and labor.

The shop boasts "dealership quality parts at lower than average rates" with 40-plus years of mechanical experience, personalized service, flexible scheduling, low labor rates and ASE and state certified technicians.

The shop is located at 17000 Northville Road, Suite 300. Call (248) 344-0066 or visit xpauto.net.

4th Annual Grub Crawl

The fourth annual Northville Grub Crawl is on tap for another fun-filled, filling evening of "crawling" from 6-10 p.m. on July 28.

Participating restaurants -- including Northville Sports Den (formerly Dino's), Poole's Tavern, and Rusty Bucket Corner Tavern -- will provide free samples of appetizers and signature items along with cash bar specials for "Crawlers". Highlights include free shuttle transportation and a grand prize drawing for an outdoor grill, compliments of Home Depot (7 Mile).

Ticket holders receive a brochure containing an event map and their starting point. Free shuttle transportation operates on a 15-minute schedule to take "Crawlers" from one restaurant to the next, or you can "crawl" on your own.

Tickets (\$30 each; must be 21 or older) may be purchased at the Northville Chamber of Commerce (195 S. Main, (248) 349-7640),

Gardenviews (202 W. Main, (248) 380-8881), and Good Time Party Store (567 Seven Mile Rd., (248) 349-1477). Tickets are limited and this event does sell out, so get your tickets early! This year's event is sponsored by Patti Mullen - Remerica Hometown One, Northville Record, and Residential Design. Contact: Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 for more information.

Hiller's highlights Michigan products

"There is so much talent in the state of Michigan - as a business owner, I am honored to highlight the hard work of my neighbors and support our economy by buying their products," says Hiller's Markets CEO Jim Hiller.

In concert with the statewide initiative known as Buy Michigan Week, Hiller's Markets will host local companies and products in the Northville store, with samples for shoppers, Aug. 1-2, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. As a leader in the Buy Michigan Initiative, Hiller's hosted three hugely successful Michigan food fairs in the spring. This will be the first Michigan food fair for the Northville store at 425 N. Center, (248) 344-4001.

"We are responsible for our own salvation," says Hiller, who launched the Buy Michigan initiative last year and has devoted energy and resources to featuring Michigan companies in the Hiller's biweekly circular, launching a collaborative Hometown First program with locally-owned businesses and identifying Michigan products with special shelf tags. "Working together, we ensure the viability of this region that much faster."

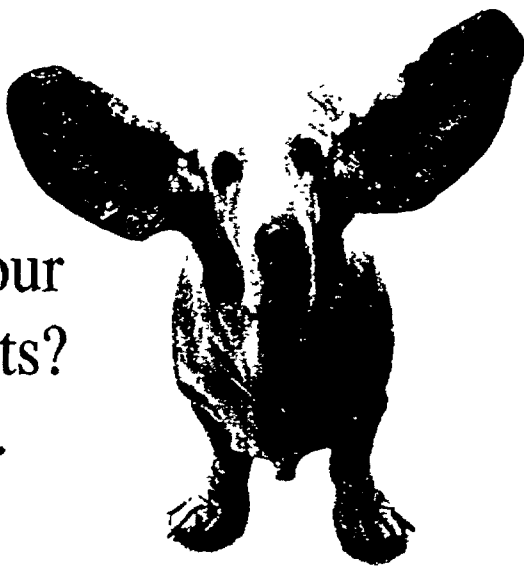
Participating vendors at the food fair will include Boar's Head, Charley Marcuse's Ballpark Mustard, Guernsey, Moo Moo's, Polly's, Community Tea, Carmella, Better Made, Beirut Bakery, Laura's Delites, Germs Begone, Global Warming Salsa, Grandad's Sweet Tea and Co-op Elevator. Hiller's will simultaneously have an exhibit full of information during the downtown Northville Buy Michigan street fair that weekend.

Hiller's has long been committed to showcasing locally-made, grown and produced food items. Among the many Michigan products Hiller's sells are Garden Fresh Salsa, Pioneer Sugar, Guernsey Farms Dairy, Olga's Kitchen, Bareman's, Better Made, Hamilton Eggs, Old Orchard juices, Michigan navy beans, Polly's Pastries and others. Additionally, Jim Hiller has mentored many local food entrepreneurs, including Garden Fresh's Jack Aronson, Polly Levey-Carpenter of Polly's Pastries and Alice Gembee of Community Tea House. "All of us are feeling the pangs of this troubled economic time and only by working together to highlight the extremely full landscape of Michigan talents will we make it through," says Hiller.

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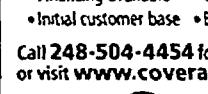
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Crossword Puzzle

Hop Till You Drop

ACROSS
 1 Move swiftly
 5 Oases' partner
 9 Leams fast?
 14 Spill the beans
 18 Art deco designer
 19 Concept
 20 Spartan sort
 21 "Train" (71 hr)
 22 Marsh duck
 23 Cronaca craftsman
 25 Kickoff
 28 Riddle: Part 1
 30 Ell
 31 "A mouse"
 32 Slippery
 33 Paris, lo Helen
 37 -de-lance
 39 Take the honey and run
 43 - ghanouj
 47 On a whale watch
 48 Hoher
 50 Pay up
 52 Actor
 53 Wreath
 55 Preats
 58 - stands
 59 Heavyweight
 61 Riddle: Part 2

64 With hands on hips
 65 Activist
 66 Mejudge
 67 Went logging
 69 Sew a toe boiler
 73 Figs.
 74 By means of
 75 Alphabet sequence
 77 Duncan's denial
 78 Singer
 80 "Waking - Devine" (98 film)
 82 Part of SASE
 83 Coral outcrop
 85 Cruise
 87 Riddle: Part 3
 93 Luncheon-ette lure bit
 94 Every last
 95 Distort
 96 Bryant or Eberg
 97 "Unforgettable" name
 98 Shocked a socklecock
 101 Sharp
 103 Thicken
 104 Sika's st.
 106 Take the reins

107 - dem
 108 On the beach
 110 Torrid
 112 Beams or Burrows
 114 Soupy Sales' dessert?
 115 Answer to riddle
 124 Serengeti group
 126 Dunk it
 127 Cabinet member
 128 Dorke
 130 Seasonal song
 131 "Gay"
 132 Ryadh resident
 133 "Ca-Dabra"
 134 Fret
 135 Barrett and Jaffe
 136 Spanish surrealist
 137 Bog, for short

7 Slender
 8 Polaroid inventor
 9 Rub the wrong way
 10 Some movies
 11 Be - unto oneself
 12 Lorré role
 13 Tend the sauce
 14 Saupely
 15 Endure
 16 Mr. Lucky's card
 17 Wager
 21 Shooting match?
 27 Even if, informally
 28 Above, to Arnold
 29 Boat bottom
 33 Credit alternative
 34 " - forgive those ..."
 35 Betty sound
 36 Buccaneers' headquarters
 37 Cereal bit
 38 Nobelst
 40 Remini of "The King of Queens"
 41 Furry fisherman
 42 Child welfare org.
 44 Flier

45 Ms. Strainsand
 46 "Tennis, -?"
 49 Plaza Hotel
 51 Lodge brother
 54 Library abbr.
 56 Keanu of "Hardball"
 57 Short races
 60 Land a hand
 62 Portierhouse alternative
 63 TV's "Have Gun Will -"
 64 Composer
 68 Perceptive
 70 Cigar city
 71 Lacking
 72 Honda
 76 Skeleton
 79 Snead or Shepard
 81 Investigate
 83 Capp character
 84 "The Elephant Man" director
 86 Vapor
 88 Nautical adverb
 89 Gardner's tool
 90 Mideastern dough

91 "Ripley's Believe - Not"
 92 Conductor Jeffrey
 94 Collectibles, collectively
 99 Thro's Villa d' -
 100 Blood count?
 102 "Out of Africa" setting
 105 - of a Doubt (43 film)
 107 Cello part
 109 Wine word
 111 Hurler
 113 Hershiser
 114 Correctional consonants
 115 Employ
 116 - -Nesse competitor
 117 Singer
 118 Aware of
 119 Gowned
 120 Blood components
 121 Gulf country
 122 "A Tiger Walks" actor
 123 Philanthropist
 124 Off, equipment
 129 Turn sharply

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Absolutely No Early Birds!</p> <p>BRIGHTON Pictures, frames, cab maker hardware, tools, antiques, printers, elect. track N. fixtures, old records, audio parts, office mtls hunting, snow blr books, lawn chairs, theatre fronts & more Fr-Sat 9-5, 1996 Hunter, corner Hwy</p> <p>BRIGHTON 120 N Fifth St. Furniture, antiques, misc.</p> <p>BRIGHTON Genoa Twp. Several sellers Glassware, Fiesta, homehold, Christmas & misc. items July 16, 17, 8 to 3pm 6285 Crooked Lake Rd</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>BRIGHTON July 16, 17, 8 to 4pm Multi-family 4640 Crows Nest Ct. south of Spencer Rd</p> <p>BRIGHTON MULTI-FAMILY Lots of stuff! July 17, 18, 9am to 4pm 2492 Hacker Rd</p> <p>BRIGHTON MULTI-FAMILY sale Thurs, 9 to 4pm. Fri, 9 to 2pm 1010 Lakeside Dr</p> <p>CANTON 3 family Garage Sale July 16, 17, 9-5 July 18, 9-2 2500 Woodmont W Canton Center Rd & Palmer</p> <p>CANTON 2 COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE AT ACADEMY WESTPOINT Michigan Ave and Haggerty July 16-19, 9-7pm.</p> <p>CANTON Moving/Garage Sale Lots of household! July 16 & 17, 8-2pm 45300 Lothrop Rd, Glenary Village, Canton.</p> <p>CANTON Buckingham Place Sub sale! July 17 & 18, 8-5pm Between Beck & Ridge off Warren. Household items, baby/diut clothes</p> <p>CANTON Housewares, kitchen items, women's clothes, odds & ends July 16-18, Thurs-Sat 10-5PM, 45410 Danbury Ct Off Canton Center, btwn Cherry Hill/Palmer.</p> <p>CANTON Sub-wide Sale- 7/17-18-19 Fr-Sat 9-5, Sun 9-3 Tottenham Sub, btwn Palmer/M, WAlley at White Hart, Furniture, baby & misc.</p> <p>FARMINGTON GARAGE SALE Copr Centers, Misc items. 7/16/ & 7/17, 9am-4pm. Downtown Farmington - 33606 Hillcrest.</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Furniture, college dorm & household items. July 17-18, 9-4 26164 Springfield, 1st St N of 11 Mile, E of Orchard Lk.</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Fri & Sat July 17 & 18, 9-4. Many household items. Including mini dorm fridge, ping pong table, couch, chair, etc. Canterbury Commons Sub. 29943 Valleyside, NW corner of Orchard Lake & 13 Mile.</p> <p>GARDEN CITY 32232 Windsor St, off Merriman, btwn Warren/Ford, 1 blk from Hubbard, Thurs-Sun, 9-5pm. Misc. household items including furniture, ladies' clothing & shoes.</p> <p>HARTLAND JULY 17, 18, 19, 9 to 2pm. 4242 Sunny Lk. Dr. Collectibles, antiques, misc.</p> <p>HARTLAND-SAN MARINO MULTI-SUB WIDE SALE!!! Over 200 Homes in Subs!!! Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun, July 16, 17, 18, 19, 9am-2pm. M-59, 1.5 Miles W of US23.</p> <p>HIGHLAND Misc household items, boys clothes sizes 0-9mos. 7/17 & 7/18, 9-4pm. 1881 White Lake Rd, before the construction.</p> <p>HIGHLAND Thurs-Sat 9-6. 1585 Blue Heron Dr. 48357.</p> <p>HOWELL FARM ESTATE Sale 7/17, 18, 19, 9am-5pm, 636 & 633 Argentine Rd S of M-59</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>HOWELL Multi-Family Subdivision Sale in Amber Oaks Sub off Oak Grove Rd in Howell, 2 miles north of M-59. Lots of great deals! Electronics, household furniture, toys, books, clothes, accessories, baby stuff & much more! Friday & Saturday 9-4 p.m.</p> <p>HOWELL Huge garage sale July 16, 17, 18, 9 to 4pm. July 19, 10 to 2pm. 5540 Chippewa Dr., Red Oaks Sub.</p> <p>HOWELL Multi Family/moving sale, July 16, 17, 18, 19, 10am to 5pm. North on Burkhardt to 3845 W Mar Rd Furniture, decor items, baby items, clothing, tools, etc</p> <p>LIVONIA - 5 FAMILY SALE July 16, 17, 18, 9-5pm. 15633 Fitzgerald (S and Newburgh area). Household, electronics, tools and clothing</p> <p>LIVONIA 7/16-7/18, 9-5pm. 9037 Mevhn, W of Middlebelt, N of Joy. Household items, washer/dryer, some furniture, book cases & books.</p> <p>LIVONIA 2 Family - July 16-17, 9-5pm & July 18, 9-3pm 20025 Irving (W of Farmington, N of 7 Mile).</p> <p>LIVONIA 7/16-18: 9-6pm. Vending machines, cabinets, misc. 28334 Gza Court, E of Middlebelt/S of 5 Mile, Off Harrison.</p> <p>LIVONIA Estate Sale - 36334 Grandon, Livonia, Off Ann Arbor Trail, E of Newburgh. 7/17-7/19 9am-5pm. Furniture, Baby/Kid Stuff, Plus Size Clothes.</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>LIVONIA Furniture, toys, clothes, baby & kids' items & furniture, teacher items, misc. July 17-18, 9-4pm. 34190 Bretton Dr, 7 Mile & GM Rd</p> <p>LIVONIA-ESTATE SALE Furniture, household, tools, collectibles & more! 33630 Orangeawn, Plymouth Rd, off Farmington. July 15-18, 9-5.</p> <p>LIVONIA-HUGE SALE! Almost new women, little boys, teen girls, toys, housewares, etc. 14680 Fairlane, off 5 Mile Rd, W/Farmington. Thurs-Fri, 9-4</p> <p>LIVONIA: Fri. & Sat. July 17 & 18, 9-3 30138 Puritan, Btwn Middlebelt/Merriman and S & 6 Mile. Large Furniture.</p> <p>LIVONIA: 27837 Oakley Huge! July 17-19, 9-5 30. Cute clothes (8-14), shoes, art deco, air conditioner, furniture, & misc. S of 5, W/Inkster</p> <p>LIVONIA Multi-Family Garage Sale. Thurs-Sat. 8-4. Stove, player piano, exercise equipment, etc. 7 Mile & Levan. 18807 Coonstock.</p> <p>MILFORD - 237 Noble St. by the Post Office. Thurs-Sat. July 16-18, 9-1. Toys, clothes, books, furniture & more!</p> <p>MILFORD HUGE SALE. REPEAT OF A SELL-OUT! Antiques, collectibles, household, lots more Everything must go! Thurs-Sat. July 16-18, 9am-4pm 474 Milford Meadows Dr (off South Hill, N of Dawson). No Early Birds!</p> <p>MILFORD: Yard Sale. Fun! Books, radios, microphone, seat vibrator, 6 second Axis. Lamp stand, flooding chairs. 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Beck & Joy area July 16-18, 9-5pm.</p> <p>REDFORD 7/16-7/18, 10am-5pm. Rain or Shine! 20436 Woodworth, off 8 Mile. Clothes, exercise equip., stuffed animals, bike & more!</p> <p>REDFORD HUGE GARAGE SALE - Free Stuff! July 16-19th, 10am-5pm. Household items & everything else! 13560 Royal Grand, 1 blk E. Beech Daly, S of 96 Service Dr.</p> <p>ROCHESTER 520 7th, University & Ludlow, Estate Sale Thursday 6/11 - Saturday 6/13. Collections including postcards, buttons, collector plates, sheet music, weekly nickle magazines (1915), littlehouses, David Winter Cottages, pattern glass, costume jewelry, lace, books, leaded glass panels and more!</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - July 16-19, 9-5pm. 3 Family - Electronics, collectibles, furniture, housewares, jewelry, toys, home decor & more! 61420 Fairland Dr, Pontiac Tr & Silver Lk.</p> <p>SOUTH LYON / NORTHVILLE 56800 8 Mile Rd, 2 Miles E of Pontiac Trail. 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CAReport



By Dale Buss

Automakers are expressing more optimism about the U.S. car market despite the fact that overall sales in June fell by 28 percent compared with a year ago, to about 859,000 vehicles. That represented only a slight improvement in year-ago comparisons over results for the first five months of this year.

Jesse Toprak, executive director of industry analysis for Edmunds.com, characterized the month cautiously. "It means, if nothing else, that things are not getting any worse, although things are not getting that much better, either."

"There was a lot of volatility, but there were signs of life," Toprak added that June was "probably the best retail-demand month of the year."

Led by a big gain in market share by a surging Ford, industry sales came in at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of about 9.7 million units for June; the SAAR for June, 2008, was 13.6 million units. This June's rate was a good mite better than the low-9-million-sales rate that prevailed during the first quarter, and about equal to that in May, and so OEM executives viewed it favorably overall.

Emily Kolinski Morris, Ford's senior economist, said that the downturn "appears to be reaching a turning point."

"The industry is holding steady," added Mark LaNeve, North American

vice president of sales and marketing for General Motors. "The low point was February, and we have stabilized at a level higher than that."

Clunkers On Call
Actually, reaching 10 million in annual sales is a crucial number because GM and Chrysler, under federal control, and most of their competitors are using that level as a target for their restructuring efforts. GM and Chrysler are working with the Obama administration to try to ensure profitability for the scaled-down, drastically overhauled companies at a minimum of about 10 million sales a year, far short of the 16- to 17-million-unit years the industry recently enjoyed — and even well below last year's 13.2 million sales, which were the worst since 1992.

And there is reason for OEMs to hope that the sales pace might pick up in coming months as the government launches its "cash-for-clunkers" program on July 24. The Car Allowance Rebates System (CARS) will provide vouchers valued at \$3,500 to \$4,500 to consumers who trade in a vehicle and purchase a higher-mileage new one, through November 1, up to a total federal disbursement of \$1 billion.

"Our dealers are totally activated" around the launch of the program, said

Jim Farley, Ford's executive vice president for marketing and communications. The company set up a CARS web site on Thursday and already has had more than 100,000 visitors.

In fact, GM executives believe that a substantial number of consumers actually moved to the sidelines in late June to wait for the commencement of the CARS program, robbing momentum from a month that he had expected to end with a SAAR of about 10.2 million.

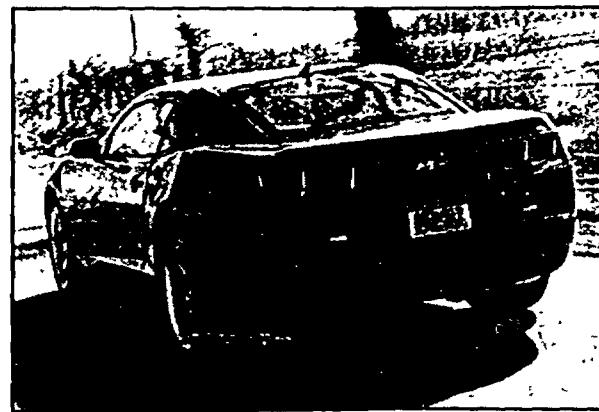
Toprak projected that the sales stimulus from the CARS program would aid a general, if erratic, economic recovery in returning the U.S. industry to a sales rate of 10.8 million for the second half of the year. Added to the calamitous first half, that would yield a total of about 10.4 million in sales for all of 2009.

Economic Tea Leaves

Ford broke out from the pack of major automakers in a significant way last month, posting just an 11-percent sales decline compared with a year ago. Farley credited Ford's products and dealers — and the woes of its competitors.

Meanwhile, the rest of the Big Six OEMs reported June drop-offs more or less in line with their dismal performances so far in 2009: GM sales fell by nearly 34 percent, Toyota's by

The 2010 Chevrolet Camaro already has become one hot seller for the "new" GM.



New GM CEO Fritz Henderson is betting on a better second half.

nearly 32 percent, Chrysler's by nearly 42 percent, Honda's by nearly 30 percent, and Nissan's by more than 23 percent.

Smaller-volume makers varied in their assessments of June. It was "rainy but warm with some bright spots," said Jim O'Donnell, president of BMW North America, whose sales fell by more than 20 percent compared with a year earlier.

Still, there was no sugar-coating the problems that the industry still faces. America's economic recovery has been slow in developing and halting at best. The unemployment rate continues to rise. Consumer confidence remains shaky.

And as Toprak noted, gasoline prices have resumed a brisk rise over the last few months, to around \$2.60 a gallon. That's a far cry from the peak of more than \$4 a gallon reached last July, he conceded, which is why — for now at least — "we're seeing relatively stable demand for trucks and SUVs."

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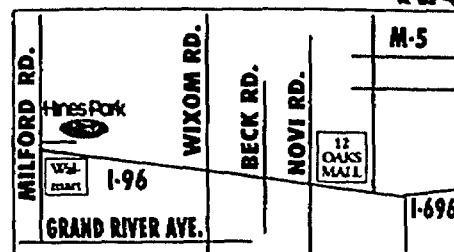
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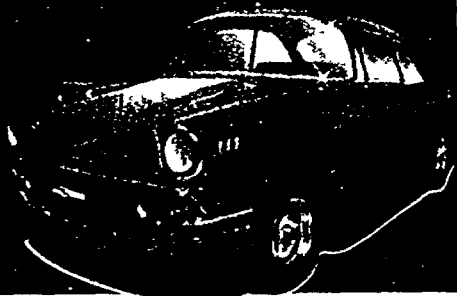


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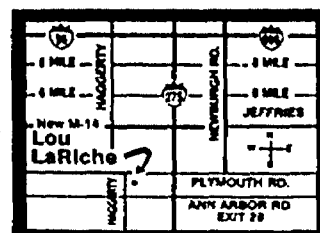
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