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ON THE RECORD Northville Township to review grant

Northville Township Board of Trustees members invite the public to attend a special meeting tonight about a land grant.

The 7:30 p.m. meeting at township hall is designed to review an application to be submitted to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for a land acquisition grant.

The property consists of about 45 acres at the former site of the Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital at the corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads.

Township trustees have signed a purchase agreement to purchase 232 acres of the 414-acre site for \$23.5 million from developer REIS. The developer is a partnership between Real Estate Interest Group and Schostak Brothers & Company.

The purchase agreement, however, depends on voters approving a bond proposal to pay for the land. Residents will decide the fate of the agreement by answering a question about the bond proposal that will appear on the Aug. 4 special election ballot.

Mark Abbo, township supervisor, said if the township awarded the grant from the state, it would reduce the selling price of the property to be purchased by the township from REIS by about \$2 million.

The special meeting will provide the public adequate opportunity to review and comment on the proposed application. Northville Township Hall is located at 44405 Six Mile Road at Sheldon Road.

Civic Concern sale

All the proceeds from the garage sale at 46709 Merion Circle (Northville Hills Golf Club subdivision) from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7, will benefit Northville Civic Concern, a food pantry that serves the unfortunate Northville residents that have fallen on hard times. Items include snowblowers, antique dresser, new halloween costumes and much more that many giving friends donated to this worthy cause.

In good shape



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Dave Bolitho, Northville School District Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, replaces a "No Trespassing" sign on the Eight Mile Road football field. The district recently paid \$26,500 to re-sod the field and put in a new irrigation system.

Last of school projects finished from '04 bond

BY NATHAN MENOIAN
SPECIAL WRITER

Northville school improvement projects totaling \$35 million have been completed. The 2004 bond issue covered the expenditures.

Dave Bolitho, assistant school superintendent, says that for now all of Northville schools are in good shape. The tail end of the 2004 bond issue also covered \$1.5 million of additional projects wrapping up five years worth of on-going school improvements.

Since 2004, projects and purchases included replacement furniture; building additions; loose furnishings; safety upgrades for security, heating and cooling, athletic fields and walkways. The district also purchased 10 new school buses.

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Recreation Center at Hillside pool manager Lindsey Butzin pushes a button to begin covering the pool with its blanket on a recent Monday afternoon. The blanket, which was purchased with leftover funds from a recent bond millage, will save money by reducing the need to use the pool's heater. Recently, the pool's heater did not go on for eight days because of the blanket's insulating abilities.

Land proposal reviewed; now voters decide

Public given chance to ask questions

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Whether they are for or against the township's bid to buy a chunk of land from developer REIS, residents came out recently to voice their opinion at a special Town Hall Meeting.

The meeting at township hall reviewed the possible purchase of about 132 acres of the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital property on Seven Mile Road.

Residents will vote on a ballot question about the property in the Aug. 4 special election. The township clerk's office confirmed that absentee ballots were mailed this week to those who requested them.

The informational meeting was moderated by 35-year resident Laurie Marrs, former director of the Northville Chamber of Commerce for 20 years and a member of the grass-roots organization Citizens for Northville. Marrs said, "Now it seems like Forrest Gump has presented us with a box of chocolates," referring to the opportunity to purchase the property from REIS, due to market conditions.

"I'm not telling you how to vote," she said. "You as residents, as taxpayers, as homeowners can control your own destiny. You will, in fact, will make the choice of how the destiny of Northville will go by your vote."

She said in February the township learned that REIS was interested in selling the property for \$23.5 million. Purchasing the property would void the consent judgment with the developer.

"In this agreement, some development will occur," Marrs said. "We need this development to be able to pay for the brown-field cleanup."

The purchase of the property is contingent upon the ballot

SPECIAL ELECTION AUG. 4

Polls are open from 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Aug. 4 at all polling locations throughout the township for the special election to determine whether residents want to purchase 336 acres from developer REIS at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads for \$23.5 million. The ballot proposal language on a bond to purchase a portion of the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital is on the township Web site. Residents who don't have access to the Internet can call the township clerk's office to request a copy of the ballot language. This will be the only thing on the ballot. The clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, which is the last day to request an absentee ballot.

proposal passing.

Marrs said a home valued at \$300,000 will cost a taxpayer about \$12 a month to pay for the property. Township funds will not pay for any cleanup.

If the township is not satisfied with environmental issue, it has the right to terminate the purchase agreement.

The agreement to be used for commercial would be reduced by 50 percent from the consent agreement if the township and developer enter into the proposed purchase agreement.

Marrs said the plan has no effect on Northville Public Schools.

If the bond proposal is successful, the property will be placed in the township's master plan and be reviewed by the planning commission and the public. It will eliminate office, single-family and multi-family development and senior housing, and maintain green space.

If the bond proposal does not pass, the developer can develop 950,000 square feet of retail, up to 25 acres of office with four-story buildings, up to 450 units of senior housing and up to 500 units of single-family housing.

"It's up to you," she said. "It's your vision."

Please see **VOTE, A6**

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Buy Michigan Now Festival in full swing

Events run through Sunday

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Downtown Northville's Buy Michigan Now Festival that started Monday is in full swing, with events running through 5 p.m. Sunday.

The buy-local event was founded by Lisa Diggs and presented in conjunction with the Northville Downtown Development Authority.

At the opening ceremony on Monday, Northville Mayor Chris Johnson wel-

Please see **FESTIVAL, A10**

CAST AND CREW CALL

As part of the Buy Michigan Now Festival, a Cast and Crew Call for upcoming feature films will take place from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. tomorrow at Northville Square, 133 W. Main St. at Wing Street. Those interested should visit the information center at the Main Street Entrance on the main level of Northville Square. Head shots and a resume are encouraged.

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Northville Township resident returns to her native Russia

Alison Cornelius, center, and her mother, Ellen, left, recently visited the director of the Russian orphanage where Alison lived before being adopted by the Corneliuses at 27 months.



Alison Cornelius at age 2 with one of the employees of the Russian orphanage she lived in before being adopted by Bill and Ellen Cornelius of Northville Township at the age of 27 months. Alison, now 17, and Ellen recently returned to Russia to visit the orphanage and adoption facilitators.

NHS graduate visits orphanage where she lived

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Northville Township resident Alison Cornelius is an American through and through. But when she was 2 years old, she lived in a Russian orphanage and wore a kerchief on her head like other typical Russian girls. Cornelius, 17, who recently graduated from Northville High School, was adopted by Bill and Ellen Cornelius when she was 27 months old. An article about the international adoption ran in the Record on Jan. 13, 1994. She and her mother recently returned to Russia so Cornelius

could visit the orphanage where she first lived and talk to the orphanage director. They left on June 26 and returned on July 5. They also visited Tonya Terekhova and Vera Manaxoba, two Russian women who served as adoption facilitators during Alison's adoption 15 years ago. "We met them in 1993," Ellen Cornelius said. Terekhova was the one who found Alison at the orphanage. "And we actually had Tonya's kids stay with us for about a week in the late 1990s. I reestablished contact with them, and we met them in Moscow

for a meal," Manaxoba brought along her daughter, Nadya, 19, who was leaving that night to go to St. Petersburg, where the Corneliuses were to visit later in the week. The Corneliuses visited Moscow, Pechory (where the orphanage is) and St. Petersburg. The goal was to reintroduce Alison to her heritage and for her to see first-hand the beauty of her homeland. "She had expressed an interest in going back for many years," her mother said. "It's really beautiful," Alison Cornelius said. They were in Russia during what is called white nights because it never really gets dark. "It's just a dark blue color."

Already an accomplished artist, Cornelius works in ceramics and photography and will attend the California College of the Arts near San Francisco in the fall. She even has a ceramic piece that depicts matroushka dolls, a Russian doll.

EMOTIONAL EXPERIENCE

Alison Cornelius said it was an emotional experience visiting the children in the Russian orphanage. The one she had lived in had closed, with children moving to a larger facility about a year after her adoption. Alison was one of the first children to

be adopted from the smaller orphanage, which housed about 30 children; the new one houses about 100 orphans. (Three small orphanages were closed, with the children moving to the larger one.)

"All the kids just stare at you with sad eyes," she said. The mother and daughter showed up at the orphanage with two suitcases filled with supplies — from toys to medical supplies. "The people at Toys R Us were so wonderful about discounting items so we could take a lot of things," Ellen Cornelius said.

The Corneliuses visited Red Square, the Kremlin, Lenin's tomb and Gorky Park in Moscow and the Summer Palace in St. Petersburg. They said the subways are not like those in the U.S.

"They're more like museums, filled with artwork and chandeliers," Ellen Cornelius said. "There are subway stations that are known for different styles of art."

St. Petersburg was destroyed by the Nazis, so most of it has been rebuilt. The Corneliuses said it was much like Venice, Italy, with waterways and canals.

"I would highly recommend that people visit Russia," Alison Cornelius said. "There's a lot of stuff to do."

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This is the Russia orphanage where Alison Cornelius lived before being adopted by Bill and Ellen Cornelius of Northville Township. It has since closed, with the children being transferred to a larger building.



Alison Cornelius receives her diploma and a handshake from Northville High principal Rob Watson.

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CORRECTIONS

John Lamerato, one of the three owners of Poole's Tavern on E. Main Street in downtown Northville, called to say that contrary to an article in last week's paper about the restaurant expanding its outdoor dining area, the small area adjacent to the restaurant known as Hutton Park will not be blocked off to walkers. The circular area will be used, but people will still be able to walk through both sides of the park.

In an article in last week's paper about Solid Grounds Coffee House on W. Main Street being used to film a local independent short film, co-owner Teresa Berent's name was misspelled.

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50 years for St. Mary Mercy

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year with festivities on Sunday, Sept. 13. The facility will be hosting its 3rd Annual 5K run/walk for Cancer at 9 a.m. and Community Open House immediately following from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. with the theme, "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

The 5K run/walk, sponsored by Bright House Networks, is for cancer awareness, a celebration of life for cancer survivors, for those who have cancer, and an opportunity for family members and friends to participate to honor or remember a loved one. It is a time and place to come together to support and strengthen each other. Any proceeds from this event go toward St. Mary Mercy's Cancer Services to assist patients in need.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia (at the corner of Five Mile and Levan Roads). Register for the 5K on www.active.com. All activities at the Open House are FREE! For more information, visit www.stmarymercy.org, or call 734-655-1590.

Steve's Family Dining anniversary

Steve's Family Dining is a family-owned restaurant that opened its doors on July 31, 1996 at 40370 Five Mile Road in Livonia (734-420-1500). It is run by Steve and Julie Nedanovski, along with their sons Danny and David.

To celebrate the 13th anniversary of their opening, they are offering half off the total price of the bill on July 29-31 (dine-in only). To further show their appreciation to all their loyal customers, and to introduce new customers to their restaurant, for the first 13 days in August, they are offering one free dessert per customer (choice of ice cream or rice pudding, dine-in only). This is their way of saying "thank you" to all the loyal customers who have helped build their restaurant into a successful business. They would like to show their appreciation and extend a helping hand during these difficult economic times.

McCotter office hours

The staff of Congressman Thaddeus McCotter (Michigan District 11) will be holding office hours in several locations. This time is set aside so that the citizens served by the congressman have the opportunity to speak with a staff member one on one regarding any federal issue that they might have.

McCotter's staff will be available from 11

a.m.-noon on Thursday, Aug. 6 at the Northville Senior Center.

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

'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 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. 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.



PHOTO BY JOHN FEIDER | NORTHVILLE RECORD

Christine Walter checks out a blouse offered by Rock and John's Tamara Johnston, right, during last year's Northville Sidewalk Sale event.

Northville Sidewalk Sale set for tomorrow, Saturday downtown

■ Merchants need to clear items for fall

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Northville's downtown merchants will take it to the streets tomorrow and Saturday for the annual Sidewalk Sale.

Presented by the Northville Central Business Association, shoppers can find discounted items set up on tables outside many stores.

Hours are 10 a.m.-9 p.m. tomorrow and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday.

"This is a great opportunity for people to come out and take advantage of the end-of-the-season discounts," said David Cole, president of the association.

"The selection will be great, and they need to sell items to get ready for their fall collections."

Cole said the sale is designed to both entice and reward the community for supporting local merchants year-round.

Main Street will be closed from Hutton to Wing streets, with Center Street still open for north-

south traffic, to accommodate shoppers and events going on simultaneously during the Bay Michigan Now Festival, which runs through 5 p.m. Sunday.

"This is another great experience and a way to enjoy Northville," Cole said. Events are taking place at Northville Square at Wing and Main streets, Town Square on E. Main Street and at Old Church Square on N. Center Street.

"The Sidewalk Sale itself is wonderful, and now with the Bay Michigan Now Festival going on, this weekend will offer that much more of a draw," he said.

The downtown area will feature food and music for Sidewalk Sale shoppers.

Cole suggests serious shoppers get downtown early both days to have the best selection of sale items.

He said Northville residents have always supported downtown merchants, and this is just another way to do so.

"I can't tell you how fortunate we've been," he said.

WHAT IS THE NCBA?

The Northville Central Business Association is an organization for merchants in the downtown area. The purpose of the association is to support and facilitate an exchange of ideas and thoughts between downtown merchants and businesses. The board will act as the voice of the downtown merchants and businesses with the city, the chamber of commerce and the Downtown Development Authority. The goal is to continually enhance and extend the existent merchant and customer experience while simultaneously welcoming new businesses and educating them about downtown Northville. The NCBA meets at 9 a.m. the second Tuesday of each month at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St., or some months at other locations. For more information about the NCBA, go to www.downtownnorthville.com.

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Northville Democrat Marc Corriveau, state Representative for the 20th District, outlines an alternative energy plan during a press conference in Canton Monday.

Plan pushes alternative energy goals

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The last time Marc Corriveau stood in the lobby at Canton's Mechanical Energy Systems, he was there to push legislation that would have Michigan moving to cleaner alternative energy standards.

This time, the second-term state Representative (20th District) was there to push harder.

Corriveau, a Democrat from Northville whose district also encompasses the City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township and a slice of Canton, joined fellow Democrats Dian Slavens (Canton) and Deb Kennedy (Brownstown) at the Canton business to push a plan to "catalyze Michigan forward in alternative energy and make the state a magnet for clean, renewable energy jobs."

"There's an argument to be made this is good for our future, good for our kids," said Corriveau. "This is a way for Michigan to create a lot of jobs. We have a lot of displaced (manufacturing) workers looking for work in new fields. This feels good personally, and it feels good professionally."

Democrats say the plan builds on legislation passed last year and "further positions Michigan to meet growing demand for clean energy workers by offering powerful incentives for renewable energy development and manufacturing, energy efficiency and alternative energy production."

Slavens, a first-term, sponsored recent legislation that helped attract major advanced battery manufacturers to Michigan. She said Michigan needs to do something to outpace other states trying to get into the alternative energy game.

"We need to do what we can right now to seize this growing industry," Slavens said. "Other states are becoming established. We need to do things that put us out front... so Michigan is the place (manufacturers) come to put their businesses."



Donna Napolitano, who owns Mechanical Energy Systems in Canton with her husband, Joe, is all smiles after hearing about legislation passed in the House from state Rep. Dian Slavens, (D-Canton), during a press conference Monday.

Among other things, the plan will:

- Create incentives for alternative energy companies to come to Michigan by requiring 30 percent of the state's electricity come from renewable energy sources such as wind and solar energy by 2025. The plan builds on legislation passed last year requiring 10 percent by 2015.
- Require utilities to work with customers to decrease electricity usage so utilities sell 2 percent less energy per year.
- Slavens said utility companies have been cooperative in this plan.
- "We're implementing standards they've agreed to," she

said. "They know the economy is changing and they want to change with us."

• Revise building codes to increase energy efficiency.

• Encourage residents and businesses to become alternative energy entrepreneurs by allowing them to sell excess energy they create via renewable sources such as solar panels or wind turbines.

Donna Napolitano, who with her husband Joe owns Mechanical Energy Systems, is a proponent of the legislation.

"We've had a lifelong passion to bring alternative energy to Michigan, and we need to create a market for that to flourish," she said. "This plan provides incen-

tives for small businesses like ours to grow and create more jobs right here in Michigan."

Democrats say research continues to show a "huge potential for growth" in the renewable energy industry. The U.S. Department of Energy has identified Michigan as one of four states that can create more than 30,000 manufacturing jobs in the wind sector alone. According to a 2009 Michigan Green Jobs Report from the Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth a sample of more than 350 green-related firms showed job growth of 7.7 percent; other businesses in the state lost jobs at a rate of 5.4 percent.

While the standards wouldn't be required for another 16 years, Corriveau believes workers could start seeing the effects of this plan soon.

"You can almost see jobs coming immediately," he said. "We know the country is going to renewable standards. We know if we can get a foothold, the jobs will come quickly. Renewable energy is growing by leaps and bounds, creating hundreds of thousands of jobs and bringing in billions of dollars. It's time for Michigan to take its place in the global economy before these jobs and investments pass us by."

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The members of the band "Woodward" relax in a Northville Township home on July 22 as they wait out a rain delay to completing a video they were shooting.

Local band films music video at Northville Township home

Woodward's new release featured in work

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Hollywood, eat your heart out. When it comes to filming movies or music videos, Northville is making a name for itself. Just last week, the local band Woodward, whose lead vocalist lives in Northville, shot a video for their new release Switch Hit Resistor, at a Northville Township home near Northville High School.

Woodward consists of four members: Jean-Paul Zammit, guitar and vocals; David Tilove, drums and vocals; Steven Hull, keyboards and vocals; and Mark Zammit, bass and vocals. They describe their music as "new vintage power pop."

Adam Szykiel, who directed the video, is originally from Birmingham and has lived in Los Angeles for the past 10 years. He grew up with two of the band members, so they contacted him about doing the video.

"It felt like a natural fit," Szykiel said.

Woodward has been together about three and a half years and will play live at 8 p.m. at The Berkley Front in Berkley, Mich., on Aug. 29.

Obviously, the band's name refers to Woodward Avenue, one of the major highways and byways in the Detroit area.

The video even includes a DeLorean sports car and some off-duty police officers from the area.

Their latest release is a collection of three singles, available on iTunes or preview their music at www.woodwardtheband.com.

The story of the video is a party which goes so well that it actually distorts reality. Key players include Jesus, Marilyn Monroe, Santa Claus and Millard Filmore (13th president of the United States).

"If you've ever been to a really good show, or a musical show that you enjoyed, it can sometimes feel like that (unreal). We're trying to represent that feeling in a visual form," J.P. Zammit said.

"They've got a lot of great local talent here," Mark Zammit said. The video also features a

love interest.

J.P. Zammit said the Internet has revolutionized music, as new bands like Woodward can introduce themselves to the world.

"The Internet is a lot cheaper and a lot more accessible," he said, than it used to be to introduce new music.

"The digital age has made it easier than it's ever been to get your music out to people," Tilove said. "You can find your audience all over the world," J.P. Zammit said. "You can create a presence for yourself."

"We are children of the digital age," Tilove said. Of course, with it being so easy to get music online, it's also more competitive.

The Switch Hit Resistor video is their first one.

Suzette Heathcote of Northville, came with her daughter, Mary Beth, 14, and her daughter's friend Madison Stapp, 13, to be an extra in the music video on July 22. "We're excited," Stapp said. "It was a lot of fun."

Jennifer Hampshire, who from the salon Alta in Farmington, came out to do hair and makeup for the cast.

Hana Rademacher, 17, of Northville, from

UPCOMING PERFORMANCE

Woodward will perform live at 8 p.m. on Aug. 29 at the Berkley Front, 3087 Twelve Mile Road, in Berkley, Mich. For more information about the band, go to www.woodwardtheband.com

One Source Talent of Troy, was another one of the extras.

"Her agent called her and told her to come over to be an extra," said her mother, Tammy. "She likes to meet new people and learning about the industry."

"It's tons of fun," Hana Rademacher said. "I love modeling, acting and dancing."

Meaghan Ruske was one of the lead actors in the video, and Jason George and crew members from United Production Company were on hand to film the music video. The full-service production company does weddings, private parties, and is working on its first feature film.

"We're looking forward to doing some great thing here in Michigan," George said.

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Northville native: Land deal presents questionable aspects

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

A native of Northville Township who works in real estate said he believes purchasing a sizeable chunk of the former state hospital property from developer REIS is not a good deal for the municipality.

Jerry O'Brien, who graduated from Northville High School and the University of Michigan, and has an MBA from the University of Chicago, read the lengthy appraisal of the property while flying to Europe on business.

O'Brien is the son of Barbara O'Brien, a former Northville Township trustee.

He believes purchasing property to control its destiny is not a good enough reason.

"You control a property's destiny with your ordinances, not with your treasury," O'Brien said. He also feels the asking price is an enormous cost per acre at \$23.5 million. REIS, a partnership between Real Estate Interests Group and Schostak Brothers & Company, has agreed to donate 100 acres out of the 232 acres that are to go to the township. O'Brien believes the developer is donating the 100 acres so it can stop paying taxes on that portion of the property.

O'Brien described the appraisal by Allen & Associates as "outrageously complex. And, that's the camouflage of the whole thing."

RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL

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"That one clause right there fundamentally changes this from an acquisition to a non-recourse, interest-free loan. They're basically saying, 'You hold onto this land, and we'll take it back from you if it's ever worth anything,'" O'Brien said.

O'Brien, managing director for CarVal Investors in Minneapolis, said he didn't want to drag his employer into the picture, "But, we're in the business of investing in loans, real estate and real estate development. If anybody who worked for me had that clause in a contract and failed to disclose it up front, it would be grounds for termination. There should be no continuing rights of the seller."

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HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE

O'Brien said the purchase agreement also has a hold harmless clause that mentions the seller, the State of Michigan, the holder of the land contract and Comerica Bank, the holder of a mortgage on the property. This means that if township leaders later feel they entered into a faulty agreement officials can't sue any of these parties. "Is the \$23.5 million going to Comerica that left Detroit to move to Dallas?" O'Brien asked.

APPRAISAL TO SELLER?

The purchase agreement also states that Allen & Associates must be retained in determining the fair market value of the property. Another aspect of the purchase agreement O'Brien questioned is that the appraisal is given to the seller. "Why are you giving your appraisal to the other side of the table?" he asked. "People don't do that. Usually you get your own appraisal, and you satisfy yourself." He said that it was a very short deliberation period on the appraisal — five days to deliver a price of \$23.5 million.

"I think the big question is 'Is this the best use of \$23.5 million?'" O'Brien said.

TOWNSHIP MAKES DEPOSIT

The township has also placed a deposit of \$125,000 for an escrow agent to hold for the property, and officials gave \$125,000 to the company itself. "What did they do that for?" O'Brien asked. "I think the township has been manhandled in the worst possible way."

TAX APPEAL WON

O'Brien also mentioned that REIS won a tax appeal in 2008 from the Michigan Tax Tribunal, reducing the value of the property to \$10 million, making the State Equalized Value \$5 million. "I don't fault them for asking \$23 million for the property, but they already proved the value to be \$10 million," O'Brien said. "Where's that appraisal?"

A FLAWED DEAL?

In O'Brien's opinion, the proposed purchase agreement is flawed on three levels. "One, it's not a good use of \$23 million. Two, it's not appropriately valued at \$23.5 million. There are several errant assumptions in the appraisal. Three, the terms and conditions of the agreement are egregious, particularly the seller's right of first refusal. That changes it from a sale to an interest-free loan for 10 years."

O'Brien added that he has no vested interest in whether the property is sold or not.

"I'd just hate to see the township squander \$23.5 million," he said.

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VIRGINIA ROSEMARY (MCMAHON) FOWKES

Gently past away Wednesday July 22. She was born May 6th 1922 in Detroit Michigan which is where she met our father James Charles Fowkes. The high school sweetheart married soon after graduation and remain sweethearts forever. She is survived by her children, Joanne & Bob McInn, Jim & Dianne Fowkes, Ron & Barb Fowkes, Mark & Linda Fowkes, Melissa & Tim Johnston, many grandchildren & great-grandchildren, brother Jerry McMahon & family. The family will hold a Memorial Celebration at a later date.



JAMES "JIM" LEE JACKSON

Age 74, of Highland Twp. July 26, 2009. Preceded in death by his son, Michael Lee. Survived by his beloved wife, Marie (nee Deckard); son, Larry (Karen) daughters, Vicki (John) Piloth, Linda (Butch) Maxwell, grandchildren, Sheila Maxwell, Nathan Pokowski, Rachel Jackson and Clayton Maxwell. Also survived by his brother, Ronald (Jan), numerous nieces, nephews, extended family members and several dear friends, including his longtime friends at the Detroit Police Dept., Milford American Legion and Highland Moose Lodge 2370. In addition to his Military Service, Mr. Jackson served as a Detroit Police Officer for 25 years. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 East Liberty, Milford on Thursday, July 30 at 11AM with the Rev. Dr. R. John Harris officiating. Military Honors will follow at the Milford American Legion. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Milford American Legion, Post 216. For further information please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

RONALD JAMES "JIM" OPTIECK

Age 74, passed away July 21, 2009. A Funeral Mass was held on July 25, Saturday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon Arrangements by PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

JULIE MARIE PETTY

Age 47, of Castle Rock, CO, formerly of South Lyon, passed away July 12, 2009. She was born on August 12, 1961, in Garden City, to James and Judith (Miller) Petty. Julie is survived by her parents James and Judith Petty, siblings: Wendy Petty, James Petty, grandmother Silver Petty, Aunt Susan and Uncle Thomas Petty and many aunts, uncles & cousins. A funeral service was held on July 22, 2009 at Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

EDWARD POLL

Age 84 of Milford, July 23, 2009. He is survived by his beloved wife, W. Sonia Poll, children, Richard (Carol) Poll, Stephanie (the late Douglas) Iversen, Elizabeth (David) Nash; grandchildren, Emily Iversen, Jonathon, Bradley, Bridget and Rachel Nash, Jordan, Lindsay and Daniel Poll and many dear friends. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Ann Poll. A Funeral Liturgy was held at St. Mary Catholic Church, Milford, on Monday, July 27, 2009, with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery. Memorials may be made in his name to Gleaners Community Food Bank. For further information please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

DORIS E. RUF

Age 87 of Novi died July 26, 2009. Beloved mother of Karen (Kathy Reynolds) Simpkins, Brian (Terri) Simpkins, Jan (Kyle) Young, Judy (Glenn) Allen. Grandmother of Shane and Jeff Simpkins, Rob, Janelle, Russ, Randy and Jena Young, and Kylee Allen. Great grandmother of Alyssa Tapper, Sister of Bertha Colver and David (Jeannie) McMahon. Also numerous nieces, nephews, friends and acquaintances. Memorial service to be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home 340 Pontiac Trail Walled Lake (3 Blks S. of Maple Rd.) Wednesday 11 AM. Friends may visit Tuesday 4-9 PM and Wednesday 10 AM until time of service. Memorials to the Manor of Novi appreciated. Condolences at LynchFAMILYFuneralDirectors.com

RUTH M. (DAWSON) WOLF

Age 89 and a lifelong resident of Milford, died July 23, 2009. Preceded in death by her husband Gilbert Wolf. Survived by her children, Thomas Wolf of Wixom and Thesia Wolf of Milford, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Services will be held privately. Memorials are appreciated to Western Oakland Meals on Wheels, 9525 E. Highland Rd., Howell, MI 48843, please write Memo. Ruth Wolf. For further information contact Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



MARK WARNER SEMEYN

Age 62, of Roscommon, MI and Placida, FL, died peacefully Friday, July 17, 2009, after battling cancer for 5 years. He was living in Milan, MI with family. Mark was born in 1947 in Midland, Michigan. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1970 and earned an MBA from the University of Michigan in 1971. He was a proud alumnus and loved supporting his Michigan Wolverines. He began a career in the automotive industry in 1972, joining Bendix Corporation as a financial analyst. He traveled the world, successfully completing mergers and joint ventures for Allied Signal automotive products, achieving Vice President positions within the company, including at Fram and AutoLite. In 1993 he joined Siebe PLC in Plymouth, England as President of the Fluid Systems Division. In 2000 he fulfilled a lifelong dream by purchasing Mullett Lake Marina in northern Michigan and ran it successfully with his son, Matthew, until 2004. Mark was an avid reader and enjoyed politics and American history. He took great pleasure in boating, fishing and spending time with family and friends at Higgins Lake. Most of all, he treasured every moment with his five grandchildren, to whom he imparted invaluable life lessons. He is survived by his parents, Don Bettes Semeyn and Eleanor Oaks Semeyn of Sarasota, FL; sisters, Marilyn (Hubert) Denison of Jacksonville, FL, and Patricia (James) Voth of Granger, IN; children, Mark (Lyn) W. Semeyn, Jr. of Milan, MI, Matthew (Jennifer) W. Semeyn of Novi, MI, Abigail (Steven) C. Fox of Grand Blanc, MI, and Erica A. Semeyn of Flagstaff, AZ; their mother, Caroline Wardwell Semeyn of Plymouth, MI; and five grandchildren, Max, Mackenna, Mitchell, Michael, and Alexa Semeyn. A memorial service will be held on September 3, at 4pm at The H Hotel, located at 111 W Main St. in Midland, MI. Memorial contributions can be made to: Higgins Lake Foundation, P.O. Box 753, Roscommon, MI 48653; Lakeside Memorial Fund, 504 Old Stage Road, Roscommon, MI 48653; American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria, VA 22312.

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Chopped

During a recent public tour of the former state psychiatric hospital property, Jim Porterfield talks about a double trunk red oak that was chopped down by developer REIS. Northville Township voters will head to the polls Aug. 4 to decide whether or not the township should purchase much of the 414-acres that REIS bought from the state.

VOTE

FROM PAGE A1

QUESTIONS FOR PANEL

A panel featured township supervisor Mark Abbo; township attorney Ernie Essad; and an environmental attorney, Paul Bond.

One resident asked, "Is the increase in cost for the residents a purchase or a loan?" Abbo said the property would be a municipal purchase.

Another asked, "What is in it for the residents?" Marrs said she thought it was because the residents get to decide what to do with the land.

"We eliminate some of the things we don't want," Abbo said. "What are the cons and pros?" another resident asked.

"The biggest con is the price," he said. "Residents think \$23.5 million dollars is a lot of money. But this is an opportunity that came to us because of the state of the economy. I think we're going to get one bite at the apple. We wanted to purchase the land from the state, and we never could."

A resident asked "For how many years will the \$12 a year have to be paid?" Abbo said the bond payments will run for 20 years and the amount will vary slightly.

A taxpayer asked "What property is eligible to be annexed by Livonia in 2010?" Marrs said if the property is not purchased

from REIS, in 2010, Livonia could again attempt to annex the land.

"What is the timeline for Northville developing the land if the bond passes?" Abbo said "We're hoping that will take place immediately."

"If the cleanup and teardown costs exceed the \$12 million-15 million estimated or if REIS development does not produce enough funds, are we residents liable to make up the difference?"

Bond said the scope of the cleanup is based upon REIS' dense land use.

Based upon more passive uses, the cost will be less, he said. "You're going to budget it before you spend it, based on revenue generated from the tax capture of the new development."

"Where is the master plan for this recreation area?" another resident asked. "We don't have a master plan," Abbo said. "We have a concept."

Jennifer Frey, director of community development for the township, said the township board asked her to look at immediate opportunities for the land. "We looked at accessibility and existing trails," she said. "We provided a map that shows existing trails, and there is an old railroad line that could be used as a trail. More long-term, the master plan will include public input. Decisions will be made by future boards."

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Grand families: Resources for grandparents raising grandchildren

Dear Savvy Senior,
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Grappling Grandma

Dear Grandma
You definitely have plenty of company on this issue. Across the U.S., more than 2.4 million grandparents are raising their grandchildren, as the parents struggle with a variety of serious problems such as drug or alcohol addiction, financial hardship, mental illness, prison time, domestic violence, divorce and more. While there are many financial, legal and even emotional issues to think about when you

SAVVY SENIOR
begin to raise a grandchild, you'll be happy to know that help is available. Here are some tips and resources along with supportive services to check into.

SUPPORT GROUPS
Even if it's not your thing, support groups for grandparents raising grandchildren are fantastic tools to connect you with other people who understand what you're experiencing, not to mention it gives you a chance to learn and share information and resources. To find local and online support groups, visit the AARP Foundation Grandparent Information Center at www.giclocalsupport.org where

you can do a search by city or zip code.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Raising or taking care of grandkids can be a major strain on the pocketbook, but financial assistance is available depending on your circumstances. For starters, find out whether your grandchild or family qualifies for Social Security (www.ssa.gov/kids/parents5.htm), your state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program (www.waafhhs.gov/programs/ota) or food stamps (www.fnsusda.gov/fsp). Also visit www.benefitscheckup.org, a comprehensive Web resource that helps you search for additional government and private benefits you may be eligible for, such as supplemental

income, lower energy bills, discounts on prescription medications and more.

TAX BREAKS
Grandparents who are raising children may also be eligible for tax credits like the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), which is available to those with low or moderate incomes. If you make too much money to qualify for the EITC, you may be able to apply for the Child Tax Credit. And if you're raising three or more kids, you can try for the Additional Child Tax Credit. Also available is the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit to families who incur child care expenditures in order to work. Visit www.irs.gov or call the IRS helpline at 800-829-1040.

LEGAL STATUS

Ask a family law attorney to help you determine whether or not it would be beneficial for you to become your grandchild's legal guardian. This status will allow you to make important decisions for the child such as enrolling them in school (some states require it), or giving a doctor permission to treat them. For help finding legal advice or locating an attorney visit www.findlegalhelp.org, a consumers guide created by the American Bar Association that can also help you locate free legal services depending on your income.

HEALTH INSURANCE

If you need health insurance for your grandchildren, you can

apply for free or low-cost health insurance (depending on your income level) through your state government. To learn more and find out if you're eligible go to www.insurekidsnow.gov, or call 877-543-7669. You also may be able to get help through Medicaid. Also visit the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Web site at www.insureonline.org.

Savvy Tip: The best overall resource for grandparents raising grandchildren is AARP (www.aarp.org/family/grandparenting).

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

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Concours d'Elegance to feature local enthusiasts

Classic autos take over Rochester this weekend

BY CHRIS JACKETT & CAL STONE
CORRESPONDENT & EDITOR

The 30th Meadow Brook Concours d'Elegance will descend on Rochester this weekend and two of Northville's own will have their classical vehicles on display.

The Concours is a display of some of the finest classic pre-World War II vehicles, taking place 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Meadow Brook Hall Grounds Sunday, Aug. 2. The annual event's 2009 theme is "The Best of Detroit," drawing in locally-owned classic automobiles.

"Detroit's 'Big Three' auto makers have been perennial supporters of the Meadow Brook Concours. As a gesture of gratitude for their long-standing support, the Concours is pleased to commemorate its 30th anniversary with a celebration of Detroit's automotive heritage featuring the engineering and design excellence of General Motors, Ford and Chrysler," said Matthew de Larcinese, executive director for the Meadow Brook Concours d'Elegance. "The Concours enjoyed record attendance in 2008 and, with a strong local theme, we expect even more interest this year."

Although Sunday's Concours d'Elegance is the focal point of the weekend, several other events will be taking place, including tours and a reception Friday; an automotive design forum, the RM Auctions' 15th annual auction display and a gala Saturday; and a Kelly Services Afterglow gathering following the Concours Sunday.

Northville residents Larry Markey and Lee Barthel have both attended the "parade of excellence" for more than a decade, both as participants and spectators.

"It's a lot of fun. There's 200 cars," Markey said. "There's such a wide variety of cars, from modern cars to exotic cars and motorcycles. They display the car in groups and all you do is hope for good weather."

Markey's navy blue and black 1929 Rolls-Royce Springfield Phantom I Brewster will be one of about 12 Rolls-Royce Phantoms on display at the Concours as one of the featured models at this

year's event.

"I've owned the car since 1973. I'm the second owner. Someone told me the original owner had the car in their garage. They just had it stored for 30 years in the family garage," said Markey, who bought the vehicle from the son of owner J.E. Thompson in Duxbury, Mass. when Markey was 27. "I really own the car because I really like it. I like the engineering and quality of the car. The engineering was very advanced."

The Phantom was one of about 300 made per year in the vehicle's short production span. It cost \$21,000 in 1929 when a Ford Model A cost \$500. Markey bought it for \$2,500 with 54,000 miles on it.

For Barthel, the inclusion one of his vehicles in the Concours d'Elegance has become almost an annual event. His burgundy 1935 Auburn 851 Coupe with its limited-edition tan padded top is in this year's Concours, about the 10th year he has participated. He's owned the vehicle for about 15 years, since he bought it in Auburn, Ind.

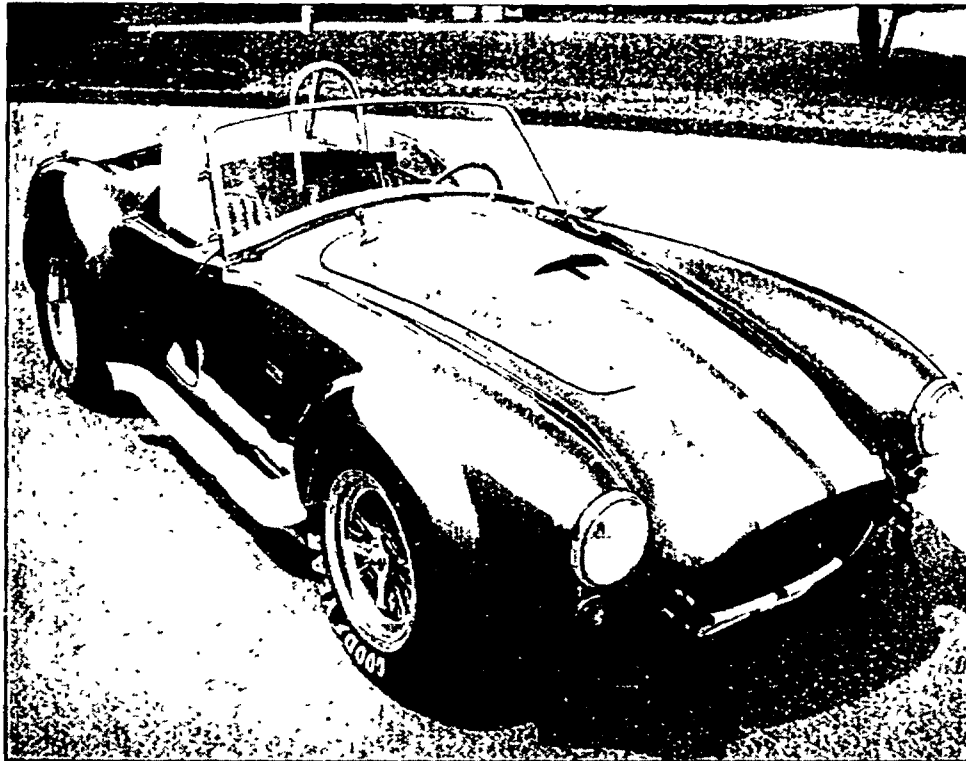
"They did not do very many padded tops," he said of his vehicle's most unique aspect. "It looks very much like a convertible, but it's padded."

Barthel has built quite the classic car collection since he purchased his first, a 1936 Pierce Arrow, in the mid-1970s. He has since purchased a 1932 Nash, 1940 Packard, 1941 Cadillac 60 Special, 1941 Cadillac 62 Series convertible, the 1935 Auburn on display at this year's Concours and, most recently acquired, a 1938 Bentley convertible he purchased about a year ago.

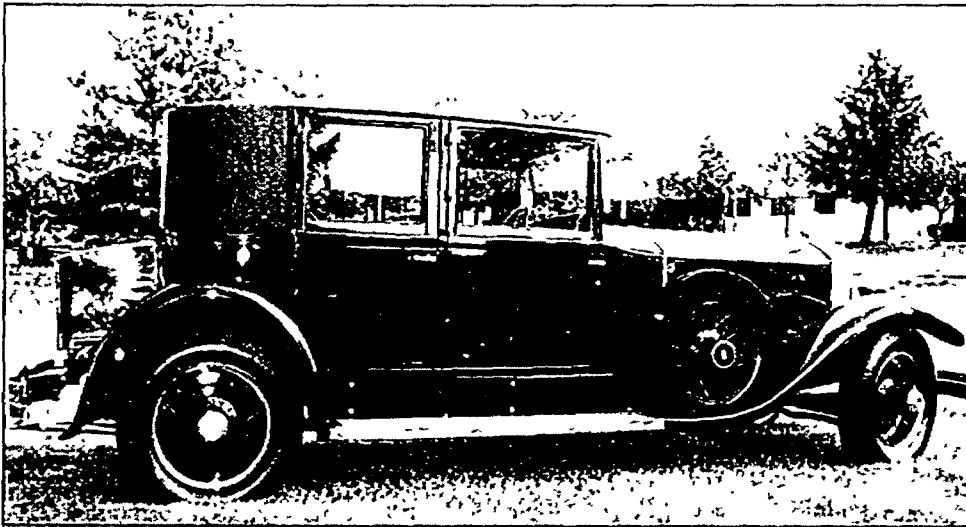
As a regular at the Concours d'Elegance and a member of the private Classic Car Club, Barthel has built friendships with dozens of other classic car enthusiasts throughout the nation. The Concours is a reason for many of them to get together.

"I love seeing the people I may not have seen for two or three years," Barthel said. "You talk about the cars, travel... whose kids have kids now. It's a little bit like a Greek reunion, but with strangers too."

Markey and Barthel both plan to attend some of the



Tom Celani's 1966 Ford Cobra.



Larry Markey's 1929 Rolls-Royce Springfield Phantom I Brewster

social and educational events leading up to Sunday's Concours d'Elegance, as both have attended and enjoyed such events in the past.

However, both look forward to the actual Concours the most.

"I really enjoy looking at other people's cars and enjoy other people looking at ours. It's kind of a two-way street," Barthel said. "We're in a different economy. It's a lot of entertainment, \$25 per person to see millions of dollars in cars. It's a good bargain."

NOVI CARS

Most people know him for his motorcycles, or rather his store -- Motor City Harley. But it's Tom Celani's love of cars that has him participating in this year's Meadowbrook show. "I've had some Ferraris over the years over there," he said. "This is the first time they called me and wanted a special car."

That would be his blue 1966 Ford Cobra with a 427 engine. It was in a Japanese muse-

um for about 15 years before coming to California. A friend out west told Celani about it and he made the trip to California to see it.

"When you collect cars, people know what your favorites are," he said. "They don't really come up for sale; they're traded without people knowing about it. I fell in love with the Cobra, and we've owned it for close to seven years."

The 1974 graduate of Novi High School has a couple of other rides that are worthy of any show -- like a 1970 Chrysler Challenger with a 426 Hemi and his favorite, an Enzo Ferrari.

"The street showstopper is the Enzo," he said. "It's a piece of art."

He just put a new ZR1 Corvette, with 650 horsepower, in his garage too.

"It's unbelievable as far as technology and power, for the price."

Celani is a very successful businessman. In addition to his Harley shop, he is involved in real estate and the Celani

Family Vineyard.

"We've got a rose, a chardonnay, a merlot blend, a cabernet blend and a cab -- Tenacious."

He's also been in the gambling business for 25 years. He used to own part of the Motor City Casino and is working on buying Greektown Casino out of bankruptcy, hopefully by the end of the year.

But he's been into automobiles "all my life. I used to race a vintage race GT 40, 1966, around the midwest, Watkins Glen, mid Ohio," he said. "If I had to So what's on this car buff's wish list?"

"I'd like a 70s Chevelle SS," Celani said. "I'm just waiting for the right one to come along."

Novi resident Gene Ledbetter will also be showing his 1938 Packard Super 8 Convertible Sedan at Meadowbrook.

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer living in Redford. Cal Stone is the editor of the Novi News and the Northville Record

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 csstone@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

GUITARIST ROY SCOUTZ

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday
LOCATION: Tirami Su, 146 Centermain Street, Northville
CONTACT: (248) 735-0101

"RUMPLESTILTSKIN"

TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday (Aug. 3-14); 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday (Aug. 8-Sept. 20)
LOCATION: Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main, downtown Northville
DETAILS: Classic tale of a wily gnome who magically turns straw into gold for a very high price. Tickets are \$8.50; please, no children under 3 years old. Group rates and reserved seating for 20 or more.
CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or visit www.northvillemarquistheatre.com

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.
• 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.northvilleeparksandrec.org>.

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).
CONTACT: For more information, including a full schedule of performers, contact Northville Parks & Recreation at 248-349-0203 or visit www.northvilleeparksandrec.org.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 07-06-09Z for the purpose of amending Article 21 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Northville regarding sign definitions, sign illumination, and window sign regulations within the Central Business District. The following sections were amended:

Section 21.01.b	Modify Sign Regulations	Definitions
Section 21.01.d	Modify Sign Regulations	- General Conditions, Illumination
Section 21.01.h	Modify Sign Regulations	- Permitted Window Signs

The City Council adopted said Ordinance on July 20, 2009, with an effective date of August 7, 2009. The complete text of the ordinance amendment is available for public review at the City of Northville Municipal Building, Office of the City Clerk or the Building Department, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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FRIDAY (R) 11:30
THE PROPOSAL (PG-13)
FRIDAY (R) 11:55, 2:20, 4:50, 7:15, 9:35
FRIDAY (R) 11:55, 2:20, 4:50
THE NANGOVER (R)
FRIDAY (R) 12:55, 3:05, 5:15, 7:35, 9:50
FRIDAY (R) 11:55, 12:15, 12:55, 3:05
G.I. JOE: RISE OF THE COBRAS (PG-13)
THURSDAY 6:30-9:00 AM

EDUCATION



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Swimmingly

Grant Jagacki, 3, floats on his back as his mom Karissa helps him get through a swimming lesson at the Recreation Center at Hillside on a recent Thursday morning. For more information about Northville Parks and Recreation swim lesson sign-ups, call (248) 349-0203.

Northville High School Class of 2010 excels on MME, ACT

The Northville High School (NHS) Class of 2010 gave a strong performance in all subject areas on the Michigan Merit Exam (MME) and ACT, according to results released last week by the Michigan Department of Education.

"Our high school curriculum is rigorous and our students meet the challenge," said NHS Principal Rob Watson. "The performance by our students on the MME and ACT is a testament to the strong partnership between our students, teachers and parents that is focused on the goal of success for all students. As we do each year, administrators and educators across the school district will use this data — along with other assessments of student learning — to improve our curriculum and instructional practices, and enhance student intervention and support programs."

This is the third year that high school juniors across Michigan took the MME, including the ACT, which has replaced the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test for high school students. As with the MEAP (which is still administered to elementary and middle school students), MME scores are one component used by the state to determine if individual high schools achieve Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as required under the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act.

In March 2009, more than 500 NHS students participated in the MME, which is comprised of three components:

2009 MICHIGAN MERIT EXAMINATION

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state benchmarks.

District	Writing	Reading	ELA	Math	Science	S. Studies
Novi	67	79	75	77	78	93
Brighton	63	77	72	72	78	93
Northville	77	86	82	82	85	96
South Lyon	54	76	67	65	73	91
Plymouth-Canton	62	76	71	71	74	92
Oakland County	54	66	61	56	63	84
State of Michigan	43	60	52	49	56	81

Source: Michigan Department of Education

- A free ACT college entrance exam score that students can use to apply to college. ACT scores indicate the extent to which students are prepared for college-level work and are required by the vast majority of colleges in Michigan and throughout the United States as part of the admissions process. The ACT provides a composite (overall) score, along with subject area scores.

- A free WorkKeys job skills assessment that connects work skills, training and testing to improve students' education and job opportunities.

- Michigan assessments that measure student knowledge in

math, science, social studies and persuasive writing not covered in the ACT and WorkKeys tests.

The combined MME assessment measures student learning under the Michigan high school standards, benchmarks and core content expectations contained in the new Michigan high school graduation requirements (which went into effect with the Class of 2011).

The MME also is one of the eligibility requirements for students to qualify for the \$4,000 Michigan Promise Scholarship that can help families pay for college, technical and trade schools.

NORTHVILLE STUDENTS ON CAMPUS

Merit Scholarship

An additional 2,000 winners of National Merit Scholarships financed by colleges and universities have been announced by National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). These Merit Scholar designees join over 2,800 other college-sponsored award recipients who were announced in late May.

Included in the list is Northville's Linda R. Wang, studying dentistry at New York University.

Berklee College of Music

Davis Davis of Northville has earned placement on the Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2009 academic year. To be eligible for this honor, a full-time student must achieve a grade point average of 3.4 or above; a part-time student must achieve a grade point average of 3.6 or above.

Ohio Northern University

Northville's Zachary J. Firlit has enrolled in the College of Engineering at Ohio Northern University for the 2009-10 school year. He will be a freshman majoring in mechanical engineering.

Marist College

Northville's Joanna M. Foss was named to the Marist College Dean's List for the spring 2009 semester. She is a member of the Class of 2012 and is majoring in psychology.

University of Findlay

The Dean's list for spring semester includes Northville's Lindsay Miglio, equestrian studies major. To be included on the list, students must attain a grade

point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Northwood University

Northville's Jennifer Best received a bachelor of business administration degree, graduating with the spring 2009 class.

Kaplan University

Patrice Cokley of Northville has been awarded a master of business administration degree, celebrated during a live graduation ceremony on July 25 in Chicago.

The College of Wooster

Laura Valencia has been named to the Dean's List. A first-year student from Northville, achieved a grade point average of 3.65 or above.

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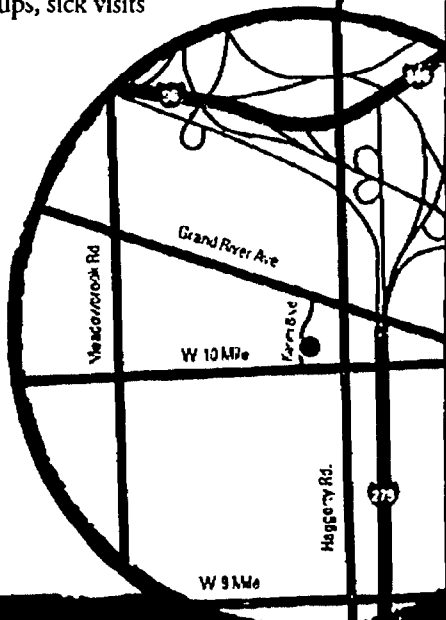
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PROJECTS

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since 2004.

According to Bolitho, there isn't money left to cover the next round of basic interior and exterior maintenance projects. Community support for any school millage increases at this point would be extremely difficult to find.

"We're on hold just like every other school district," he said. "A few possibilities exist to help the district attain funds, perhaps another bond issue. But times are tough and we'll have to wait and see."

Most of the schools had upgrades to mechanical controls for fans, boilers, AC, and HVAC going from pneumatic controls to electronic controls, which are more energy efficient.

From a 1983 bond issue, rooftop HVAC units were installed that had a lifespan of 10-12 years. Those had to be replaced with 2004 bond issue.

Hillside Middle School's swimming pool heating and cooling unit (HVAC) needed to be replaced. A new unit was installed on the roof, and huge energy savings have been documented.

Also, a fully mechanized swimming pool cover has been purchased for the school, and that has been so effective, according to

Bolitho, that the new HVAC unit has rarely had to run.

"In each of the old buildings we had unit ventilators in each classroom, for fresh air, AC, and heating. We've replaced 20 of those units at Hillside and that cost \$437,000, but they are much more efficient," he said.

The district's goal was to bring all the schools up to par with Thornton Creek and Ridgewood schools. Bolitho said that most of the \$35 million was spent doing that the past five years.

SCHOOL BY SCHOOL

Meads Mill Middle School: Mechanical controls, hot water heater, all light fixtures with occupancy sensors, security alarm, fire alarm, security lighting, carpet, entrance doors, one section of roof, addition of seven classrooms and three science rooms. Also installed new track and stadium bleachers.

Amerman Elementary: Mechanical controls, 18 unit ventilators, all light fixtures (with occupancy sensors), fire alarm, clock, system, security alarm and PA system, all carpet, and all ceiling tiles.

Moraine Elementary: Replaced 20 unit ventilators, boiler, all light fixtures with sensors, clock system, PA, security alarm, all ceiling tiles, allocation to improve

playground.

Ridgewood Elementary: Six classroom additions, plus technology and site work.

Silver Springs Elementary: Mechanical control replacements, light fixtures, security alarm, fire alarm, clock system, all carpet, added a multi-purpose room for lunch, drama and music, and large group meetings. A kitchen was also included, along with loose furnishings and equipment.

Thornton Creek Elementary: Mechanical controls, occupancy sensors, replaced carpet, and playground improvements.

Winchester Elementary: Mechanical controls, all light fixtures, fire alarm, clock and security systems, and multi-purpose room.

With all of the mechanical improvements, occupancy sensors on lighting fixtures, unit ventilators, and HVAC units, the energy savings have greatly improved throughout the district. The schools are state-of-the art, and insulated very well, Bolitho said.

There also were improvements at the Eight Mile athletic field that included turf upgrades. And for safety issues the disintegrating asphalt walkway was replaced with concrete.

Nathan Menolan is a freelance writer living in Milford.

DETAILS

No.	Expenditures	Amount
1	Electronic File Storage System (CEO)	14,162.00
2	High School Swimming Pool Boiler Replacement (Long Mechanical)	11,732.00
3	Amerman Play Area Drainage (Kocian)	(estimate) 20,000.00
4	Hillside Handicap Door Operator Replacement (IDN)	4,300.00
5	Thornton Creek AED	1,745.10
6	Thornton Creek HVAC Condenser Replacement (Long Mechanical)	11,925.00
7	Hillside Clock Replacement (National Time & Signal)	7,840.00
8	Stadium Irrigation Sod (B & B Sod)	36,200.00
9	Stadium Concrete Replacement (A-1 Cement)	21,800.00
10	Silver Springs Light Pole Replacement (3) (Bottomline Electric)	6,000.00
11	Silver Springs Library Cart, Bookcase, Cabinet, Chairs, Cubbies (School Specialty)	6,705.00
12	Silver Springs Marker Board (School Specialty)	986.00
13	Silver Springs Balance Beam (School Specialty)	1,175.00
14	Winchester Handicap Door Operator (IDN)	7,545.00
15	Winchester Marker Boards (School Specialty)	8,385.00
16	Winchester Desks, Chairs, Filing Cabinets (School Specialty)	6,610.00
17	Central Office Administrative Assistant Desks (4) (School Specialty)	4,437.00
18	Transportation Administrative Assistant Desks (2) (School Specialty)	1,779.00
19	Hillside Student Desks (120) (School Specialty)	20,240.00
20	Hillside PA Upgrades (Sound Engineering)	5,319.00
21	Amerman Student Desks, Chairs (School Specialty)	19,219.00
22	Amerman AED	1,745.10
23	Moraine Desks, Filing Cabinets (School Specialty)	5,463.00
24	Moraine Tackboard (School Specialty)	498.00
25	Educational Technology - Cables	3,188
26	Education Technology - Keypads	17,200
27	Educational Technology Network Fiber Upgrade (A Comm)	3,388.00
28	Educational Technology (83 carts) (School Specialty)	6,889.00
29	Educational Technology Rack	5,802.00
30	Hillside Swimming Pool Cover (3,862 Contingency) (Alta Enterprises)	56,138.00
31	Access Control (Bid 27,881 plus 10,000 adds) (Security by Design)	28,881.00
32	Athletic Field Mower (Allocation \$17,000, bids due June 1st)	17,000
33	Zero Turn Mower (Allocation \$9,000, bids due June 1st)	9,000
34	Custodial Equipment	(42,000 allocation, 4,416 balance to be spent)

Balance of \$1,534 plus remaining contingencies if not spent.

FESTIVAL

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comed festival-goers to Northville.

"This is kind of fun," Johnson said. "This is a chance for us to actually start to do something to give back to the economy."

Johnson said people can complain and moan, "But, one of the things you do each and every day is have a choice to spend your dollar here in Northville, in Michigan, or send it off to China. I'm not one wanting to send it off to China. I want to spend it right here in our great state of Michigan."

Johnson encouraged people

to stop in Northville stores and Michigan stores to help the small businesses. "This is really important," he said. "It makes our economy go. If you spend your dollars here, the state will survive."

HOW IT ALL BEGAN

Diggs said the Buy Michigan Now initiative started in November 2007. "We had a small Web site at the time, and it was pretty much just me telling people I had this idea about how we could help our economy if we all started to buy more Michigan products."

She went to grocery store after grocery store reading labels, visiting the Internet and making phone calls to put together a grocery guide and some ideas for holiday gifts.

The Web site was launched the day before Thanksgiving 2007, the start of the holiday gift-buying season.

"It started simply, and people really started to respond to it," Diggs said.

She said the birth of the idea came from a trip she made to South Africa in May

2007. She found there were many similarities between South Africa and the Detroit area, mainly the attitude of the people.

"I think Michiganders, particularly in the Detroit area, have a remarkable instinct for survival. We've had a lot of tough times, and we keep coming back to 'What can we do?' 'How can we make it better?' 'How can we grow?'" She found South Africa has had similar experiences.

For example, South Africa's unemployment rate was 68 percent in 2007.

"Yet, there were these people with this warm, welcoming style and amazing way of embracing one another," Diggs said.

They really took care of one another, she said, and they treated every community like one community. The South Africans also place a strong emphasis on education, much like Michigan.

"I knew at the time I wanted to do something to make a difference," Diggs said. "I had been to many states around the country because I have a performance consulting business called the Catalyst Company. Most of my work comes from outside the state, but I come back and spend my money inside the state."

It seemed that there were so many states that were doing better economically than Michigan. She knew the state could improve.

"I asked myself, 'What are we going to do to make the next generation more prepared to face the challenges of managing their finances,

getting jobs, being industrious and creating new industries?'"

Another thing she was struck by in South Africa was that everywhere she went, people said, "Thank you for coming, and please tell our story."

"I feel like our story as a state and a metropolitan area is distorted a lot around the country," Diggs said. "I think we are outstanding people with a ton of fabulous human and natural resources."

Diggs thinks we can all be ambassadors for Northville, Detroit and the state and work on improving the state's image.

"We need to promote the positive things that are happening in this state and this area. Those were the things that I had in mind when I came back from South Africa and decided to start the Buy Michigan Now campaign."

"Instead of waiting for something to change, we can be the change."

Diggs encourages area residents to buy Michigan products this week and every week and to tell their children to do so as well.

The goal is for them to grow up with an understanding that this is important, and that we all have a civic responsibility to support our local and state economies.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT

She said Rep. Marc Coriveau (D-Northville) was instrumental in getting the

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Northville Mayor Chris Johnson welcomes everyone to the city during the opening ceremony Monday morning for the Buy Michigan Now Festival downtown. Johnson encourages people to shop in local stores and other stores throughout the state to spur Michigan's economy.

Buy Michigan Festival off the ground. He was also present at the opening ceremony.

"For every \$10 that a family spends in a week in Michigan rather than somewhere else translates to \$37 million a week," Coriveau said. "That is something very real we can do today."

BLOOD, SWEAT AND GEAR

The festival will also feature "Blood, Sweat and Gear," which translates into an American Red Cross Blood Drive that took place on Monday; Blight Busters, an urban renovation program; and Operation: Kid Equip, a drive to collect school supplies for area children. Motor City Connect, an organization with about 3,700 members is involved in the community service effort.

Blight Busters, that has a booth at the festival, are currently working in the Brightmoore area in Redford Township.

"It's all about changing the energy in our area," said Terry Bean of Motor City Connect.

Menachem Kniespeck, co-founder and director of Operation: Kid Equip, which

also has a booth downtown this week, said although Oakland County is one of the wealthiest areas of the country, there are still needy children who don't have basic school supplies and clothing. Drop-off boxes for children clothing and school supplies are located this week at Solid Grounds Coffee House at Northville Square, the Bee's Knees on E. Main Street, the Stampedder Plus at Old Church Square at Dunlap and Center streets; Northville Candle & Gifts on N. Center Street and Genitti's on E. Main Street.

PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

At the end of the opening ceremony to the festival, President's Volunteer Service Awards signed by Barack Obama were presented to Renee Howarth, who received a Bronze Level Award for more than 100 service hours; Bean, who received a Gold Level Award for more than 500 service hours; and Diggs, who received a President's Call to Service Award for more than 4,000 hours of community service.

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Northville High School senior Todd Truran.



Northville Mustang earns pilot's license

BY KELLY MURAD
CORRESPONDENT

Northville High School senior Todd Truran was flying before he was driving. And on July 9, the 17-year-old earned his official private pilot's license.

"I don't know many people that are my age that already have their license," said Truran, who started flying at 14.

But in the Truran family, flying planes is a traditional pastime.

"I just want to fly for fun, as a hobby," said Todd, noting he's considering a career in aeronautical engineering. "It's a feeling of freedom in the air. It's

so peaceful and so calm."

Todd's father, Phil, earned his license just out of high school, and his grandfather, Howard, was in the Aero Club in the Air Force.

"It's really important to have a hobby you enjoy, other than work. An escape," said Howard, explaining the difference between a private and commercial license is that Todd can't fly and get paid for it.

Although Phil originally considered a career in aviation, flying his plane has become a leisure activity.

"One of the reasons I wanted him (Todd) to get his license is I felt learning how to fly helps a person with their deci-

sion-making skills and critical thinking," Phil said.

According to the Trurans, one of the most difficult adjustments when flying a plane is learning to rely on the aircraft and its instruments, as opposed to your senses.

"There's a lot of things you have to pay attention to, and there's a lot of decisions you have to make when you're flying a plane," Todd said.

Along with flying, Todd is also actively involved in the high school swim team and his church youth group.

"Trying to balance swimming, homework and flying got straining," he said.

So what that kept him going?

"A lot of encouragement from my grandpa and dad. And I knew if I could get my license at this age, I'd be one of the few."

Todd has yet to take his first trip as a licensed pilot, but his grandpa has already reserved the seat as his first passenger.

"I was (Phil's) first passenger, and I want to be (Todd's)," Howard said.

Todd completed his training through Flight 101, a privately-owned flight school, which operates out of Oakland County International Airport in Pontiac.

For more information regarding Flight 101, visit www.flight101ptk.com or call (248) 666-2211.

NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT

Ross & Godward

Amanda Mae Ross and Thomas Edward Godward Jr. are engaged to be married Oct. 24 in Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be, of Farmington Hills, is the daughter of Spencer and Donna Ross of Westland. She graduated from John Glenn High School in 2001 and Kettering University in 2005. She is a project engineer for Nissan Technical Center North America.

The groom-elect, of Farmington Hills, is the son of Thomas and Janet Godward of Poland, Ohio. He graduated



from Poland Seminary High School in 1998 and Kettering University in 2003. He is a senior engineer for Badenoch LLC.

NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT

Bitell & Ceane

Lauren Elizabeth Bitell and Christopher J. Ceane are engaged to be married Oct. 9 at Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Detroit with a reception in Livonia.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Al and Linda Bitell of Northville. She is a graduate of Northville High School and earned a degree in fashion design and merchandising from Wayne State University. She is employed by Bartech Group for General Motors Company.



The groom-elect is the son of Janet Cavallaro and Chris Ceane of Novi. He is a Northville High School graduate and earned a degree in business and marketing from Western Michigan University. He is employed by GMAC Financial Services.

NORTHVILLE ENGAGEMENT

Benish-Raper

Amanda Benish and Abraham Raper announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Terry and Donna Cheney and Stephen and Linda Benish, all of Northville. Her fiancé is the son of Lanny and Beulah Raper of Garden City.

Amanda and Abraham both are students at Schoolcraft College.

They plan to wed in September 2009.



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

OUR VIEWS

Vote yes Aug. 4 on land purchase

Last year, citizens of Northville Township rallied their neighbors in Livonia to shoot down an attempt to annex 414 acres of land, commonly referred to as the former state psychiatric hospital property, owned by developer REIS.

Now, township residents faced with a vote of their own -- whether or not to buy most of that land from the developer at a price of \$23.5 million.

REIS would retain the prime corner of land at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads for future commercial development.

During these unbelievably tough economic times, each voter must ask themselves if they can afford it. The cost to a homeowner with a \$300,000 house would be \$12 per month. That may or may not be a lot of money; each voter will have to make that determination. If you feel that's affordable, we would encourage you to vote yes. Here's several reasons why:

- * This is probably a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to purchase 336 acres for future use that township residents will have a say in, via Master Plan public hearings.

- * Commercial density will drop to half of what the developer will be allowed to do currently (which is the equivalent of another 12 Oaks Mall), and the traffic congestion will be much less.

- * Planned office, single- and multi-family housing and multi-story senior residential will be eliminated.

- * The possible need for another school will be eliminated.

- * The possibility of a second annexation attempt would be eliminated. Livonia has lost four large taxpayers (Quicken Loans, a GM assembly plant and three auto dealerships), and its residents may be more accepting of an annexation.

- * The bond will not be used to fund the property cleanup and residents will not pay for the cleanup. The Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act will allow the township to capture new taxes from REIS's 68 acres of development for the cleanup.

- * The appraisal by Allen & Associates values the property at \$6.5 million more than the proposed purchase price.

If the above points make sense to you; if you trust that your elected officials are doing what is best for you; and if you feel that you can afford the additional taxes ... vote yes on Tuesday.

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: Vote no on bond proposal to purchase land

Michigan just hit 15.2% unemployment, and they want to raise property taxes and further drive down your personal property value to create some kind of park, but there will be no money to knock down the building and remediate the land. Its going to cost another 10 to 15million to make into a park. My guestimate is 60 million by the time they are done ! What about annual security and maintenance cost? Is it even that good of a location for a park, its in a dead end location. How is this going to better than Hines or Maybury? What is wrong with this Country, where we can just keep raising taxes on everything and passing on obligations to our kids and the unborn. The whole Country is going to have a day of reckoning.

Reaganwasmyhero

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

In my experience, local papers are more often fascist than democratic in nature. Every now and again though, the blind pig finds an acorn, making the endeavor entirely worthwhile. What I like most about my local paper is that it provides better for individual voices. In the continuing debate on freedom, that can only be a good thing.

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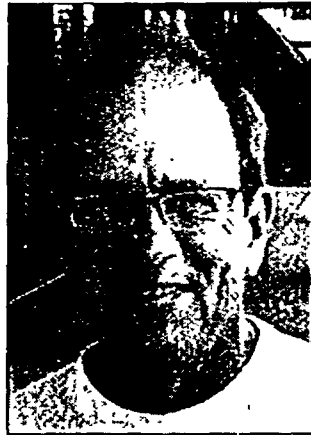
COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you think voters should support the Aug. 4 bond proposal to purchase the former state psychiatric hospital property from developer REIS?



Sounds like a good idea. It would stop dense development. There's some pristine land there.

Kathy Hain



For Northville, buy it if there's money. I think it's a good idea.

Paul Doeden



Yes. It's part of Northville Township. I worked with the anti-annexation group.

Virginia Harrington



They should. It's great land.

Phil Rapezzi

LETTERS

Vote no on bond

Initially, the Northville Township Board might have been embarrassed over the gamesmanship of REIS in an effort to annex the state hospital property to a more accommodating political jurisdiction. At that time, the township supervisor took much of the heat. The failed Livonia annexation effort was a costly promotion for REIS right up to its end. The annexation question for this property was dumped by the City of Livonia. Filled with holes, that political play is now a dead duck. Undaunted, REIS has arranged for a township taxpayer "bailout" through a township bond proposal to be decided by voters on Aug. 4. REIS once again has energized and funds a serious campaign to complete the purchase of the state hospital property -- but the township voter must buy it!

A convoluted deal. Having been previously a longtime member of the township board and the Planning Commission, I try to sort this stuff out. Did our township board yield to an inflated argument from REIS of fabulous tax income arising from their proposed development for the township general fund? This should have been a very difficult sell when the outlook for commercial development appears to have simply stopped and potential new residential vaporous. The "deal" is contingent upon the township taxpayer buying the property "for" REIS from the State of Michigan. Any possibility of boosting the township general fund eagerly whets the appetite of the current board. Taxpayers will see the additional high price of other bad public policy from our state and federal governments soon. A local bailout plan removes pressure from REIS and materially benefits only REIS at taxpayers' expense. Ornamental presentations should be examined carefully since they are always designed to make everything look borderline meritorious.

All costs, obligations, and bonded debt of local governments and schools are funded only by its property owners who pay property tax. Every voter has an opportunity to vote on this (even in choosing mistakes). Retaining the status quo here allows any eventual land use possibilities to remain intact. No one can predict the future, and any new development is subject to the economy and access to utilities. The unaddressed problems with this land site, like any other, must be attached to and run with its ownership for correction. This bond proposal outruns good judgment and suggests the township board is being very defensive on a very speculative side, and at a high cost.

Some may be committed themselves too quickly to this plan. In the current environment, this type of proposal is totally unnecessary and better decisions can be made by the township. Anyway, no need for more monuments to lie in fallow like the township acreage next to the State Police Post. Others may thoughtfully arrive at similar conclusions and vote no on the "bailout" bond proposal on Aug. 4.

I chose to send my opinion on the matter to the *Plymouth Observer* as many township taxpayers are connected to the Plymouth community and might be overlooked on these proposals that affect them.

Jim Nowka
Northville

Vote yes for park

I am a resident of Northville Township (the Lakes of Northville subdivision) and urge all voters to vote yes on Aug. 4. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to take control of our future and keep this site the beautiful wooded area we deserve. We won't get another chance to do this. We can

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have a beautiful park in our own backyard. Let's keep this area green for all of our children and future generations. This is a small price to pay for immediate benefits and to take control of our property.

I urge everyone to vote yes.

L. Clark
Northville Township

Property purchase unwarranted

I read with some amusement the letter last week from the Northville Trails Homeowner's Association in support of the bond proposal to purchase the psych hospital property. One of their selling points for this property is "the possibility of ... cross country ski trails (think hot chocolate, coffee, ski rentals and ski lodge vibe inside the historic buildings currently located on the property)". I, personally, have never had a "ski lodge vibe" from these buildings. I have more of a "morgue, electro-shock, straight jacket" kind of vibe from these buildings. The buildings really have no historical significance, they have been vandalized, are in disrepair and any one of them would take lots of money (i.e. tax dollars) to bring up to code. How are we going to fund "a premier biking path, hiking paths and cross country ski facilities" after paying \$23 million for the property? You're probably going to need a machete sooner than skis. Besides, we have miles and miles of these trails right down the road in Hines and Maybury parks.

In our current economic climate where many people, even in Northville, are in rather dire circumstances, a tax increase is unwarranted, especially for a piece of property with such a nebulous future.

Kathryn H. Peltier
Northville

Great time to buy property

As a Northville business, we support a yes vote on Aug. 4 because we can finally stop any possible future annexation attempts and control the future use of this property. The hospital property has been a burden too long, and now we have the opportunity to control our own future and make into a jewel in the community. A smaller development will still create jobs as well as produce fewer traffic issues. This is also an opportunity to protect 200-year-old trees and water quality in the Rouge River.

We support this proposal for many reasons, and one of the biggest is that we will never have the opportunity to get this property at such a bargain price. When the

economy rebounds, the property will not be available at such a low price.

Please vote yes on Aug. 4.

Randall K. Metz, VASLA, VP
Grissim Metz Andriese Associates

It won't be annexed

Please do not be intimidated. Livonia is not interested in Northville property.

Rather than focusing on the truth and providing facts to help residents make an informed decision, township leaders have focused much of their efforts on scare tactics to persuade voters. This can be evidenced by the "vote yes, prevent annexation" signs and the messages delivered at the informational meetings. Instead of listening to the rhetoric, I contacted the mayor and city council of Livonia. According to an official statement, "the Livonia City Council has not discussed the matter of annexation. The voters spoke and it has not been discussed".

When casting your ballot, do not let scare tactics influence your vote. It would have been helpful if our leaders would have provided the residents with facts-not conjecture.

Voter no on hospital property purchase.

Maureen Osiecki
Northville

Garden Walk thanks

The Country Garden Club of Northville thanks all who helped to make our 16th Annual Garden Walk a huge success. Northville's Original Garden Walk attracted over 900 visitors to our community, who enjoyed beautiful gardens, unique shopping, and dining at local restaurants. Many local and state organizations benefit from the funds raised by our event, including the Northville Historical Society, Northville Parks and Recreation, the Michigan 4H Foundation, and Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy. The club also grants an annual \$1000 scholarship to a NHS student. As economic belts tighten, these contributions are vital in assisting our civic organizations in their missions and students in their quest for higher education.

We deeply appreciate the support of the Northville Chamber of Commerce by answering inquiries and the local businesses for displaying our promotional materials. Thank you to the Northville Record for the wonderful photos and in-depth article before the event, followed by fabulous coverage of the day of the walk. Our thanks go to the Northville Art House for featuring "Art in Bloom" as a mutually beneficial exhibit. We appreciate the Northville Historical Society for accommodation at Cady Inn and Mill Race Village, a one-of-a-kind location that makes the Original Garden Walk so outstanding.

Special gratitude goes to Lou Mascolo and his staff at Gardenviews for ticket sales and generously donating a raffle item for additional fundraising.

Finally, we offer gratitude to the garden owners who so generously opened their exquisite spaces to the public. The care and attention displayed in their gardens delighted and inspired all visitors. The Country Garden Club is always honored to showcase such people and their gardens that make our community truly remarkable.

Juliana Cerra, Publicity Coordinator
The Original Northville Garden Walk

TAKIN' CARE OF BUSINESS

How do you backup your important documents?

I am an old school computer guy that remembers the days of computers that would frequently crash and floppy disk that would fail or get lost. I learned the importance of backing up my work from a series of painful and costly losses. The worst incident was losing a week's worth of work on school



Jeff Livermore

papers and having to start over with a paper due the very next day. I never want to experience that anger and frustration ever again.

I now back up my critical files every Sunday evening. What has changed over the years is the media I use to back my files up on. As computer technology has evolved, so has my backup method. I originally backed up to floppy disks. I stored the floppy disks in a giant Rubbermaid tub in my basement.

This was expensive, time consuming and took up a lot of space. I upgraded the process and installed a tape drive in my old desktop computer. Every Sunday I would insert an expensive tape and let the computer chug away for an hour or two backing up my hard drive to tape. This mechanism was slow and time consuming but I had a nice backup of all my software and data files.

With the advent of CD technology, I began backing up to CD. I could back up my flash drive to a CD and then back up most of the documents to another CD. The price of CDs fell rapidly to the point where I could buy a spool of CDs for less than a nickel a CD. Backing up to CDs was quick and cheap. This was the perfect backup solution for quite a while.

The problem soon became the amount of files that I needed to back up. I became hooked on iTunes and my library grew to 36 gigabytes. Once my iTunes library

took more than 17 CDs to back up I knew that I had to find another solution. The answer came to me while I was going through an advertisement from a local office supply superstore. This store was selling a 500 gigabyte external hard drive for \$69. I bought it and connected it to my computer that afternoon. I clicked on "My Documents" and did a cut and paste backup of all my personal files to the external hard drive.

I liked this solution so much that I later bought a one terabyte external drive on sale for the same \$69 price tag. I use that drive to backup my desktop computer at work, my laptop, and a secondary backup for my home computer. This \$69 solution has brought me a great deal of peace of mind. The drive is extremely portable since it connects via a USB cable and has more than enough capacity to back up the "My Documents" folder from all of my machines.

Every computer user should back up their files. Backing up is cheap and easy. I recommend that you buy an external hard drive with backup software. Installation is simple; all you do I plug in the power cable and connect the new drive to your computer by plugging in the USB cable. The hardest part will be putting the backup software CD in your computer and deciding how often you want the automatic backups to occur. If you buy a backup drive that is at least as big as your computer's primary hard drive, you can backup the entire drive and just let the backup software run once a week.

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Successful jobseekers have measurable skills, qualities

What makes a jobseeker successful? Is it luck? Being in the right place at the right time? Having good connections? Being the best qualified?

While all of those things can give someone an edge, there are some measurable skills and qualities that successful jobseekers have. These were identified and categorized by Howard E. Figler and explained in this book, *The Complete Job-Search Handbook* (Henry Holt, 1999.)



Martha D. Adamson

Many of these skills are 'transferable,' meaning that you use them in many different situations. Thus, most jobseekers will have a good number of these skills and may only have to work on a few additional skills to improve their success in the job hunt.

The skills fall into five areas: Self Assessment, Connectivity, Communication, Selling Yourself, and Interviewing. Most jobseekers focus on the last three areas and ignore or slight the first two. Unfortunately, you cannot excel in the last three areas without spending quality time developing your foundation in the first two areas.

Self Assessment includes understanding your values, objectively assessing your financial situation and needs, trusting your intuition as you make decisions, understanding your skillset, using your imagination to set goals and overcome roadblocks, being able to reality test your ideas, and developing self-reliance to keep your job search moving forward with confidence in yourself. During a job search, your self-confidence and self-esteem may suffer because it can be a boring, tedious, discouraging process, but your ability to find ways to monitor your moods and attitudes and find strategies to maintain a positive outlook is a key success factor.

Connectivity includes understanding that jobs are everywhere -- they are advertised (some) and unadvertised (most), building your network

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and relationships is key to finding opportunities, developing information interviewing techniques and skills, understanding how to avoid networking mistakes, be willing to directly approach a decision-maker at an employer that you have determined would be interested in your skills, be open to accepting interim jobs to develop knowledge, skills and abilities or to keep you afloat financially until you find the right work, and learning how to do effective research in the library or on the internet. If you can view your job search as fun and interesting (I know this is a challenge!) and look at it as an exploration of possibilities instead of a hunt for an elusive prize, your energy and enthusiasm can kick in to keep you going. Practicing your networking conversations and questions with close associates will help you hone these skills.

Communication includes developing skills in listening, questioning, initiating -- being proactive, writing and public speaking. All of these may be self-evident except initiating. In this context, we mean being able to initiate meetings and conversations and being persuasive in getting your contacts to be willing to talk with you. This is the skill that often takes the most practice, so try it out in practice sessions with people you trust and build your skill and confidence before taking it out to your broader network.

Selling Yourself includes demonstrating confidence and dignity, learning how to ask for opportunities without pushing, learning how to make offers come to you, and selling yourself long distance if you are seeking

YOUR NEXT JOB

ing work outside your home territory. Surprisingly, selling yourself with confidence and dignity is tough for many people because they either aren't aware of their strengths or are hesitant to talk about them. If you work through the self-assessments of your skills and accomplishments, you simply need to be able to talk about them using real stories. That's not bragging -- that's telling the truth.

Finally, Interviewing includes telling employers reasons that they should want you because you can solve problems for them, demonstrating your skills, abilities, knowledge and qualities through real life stories and examples, knowing how to pick up on signals and factors that help you demonstrate that you'll be a good fit, understanding and countering the ways in which you are undermining yourself, and meeting the objectives of interviewers. Again, self-assessment and practice is a key to mastering these skills. Role play with trusted advisors, get feedback, adjust, and practice again.

A jobseeker is developing a sales campaign to sell herself. A good salesperson knows every detail about what she is selling, seeks to understand her customer's needs, and is able to explain to the customer how her product or service meets those needs. If you take the time to plan a strong sales campaign and use these skills, you'll improve your success rate tremendously.

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

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

OAK POINTE CHURCH

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST OF NORTHVILLE

A Stephen Ministry church
LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or fumcnorthville.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 Bizarre 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: BizarreBazaar@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 umc-novi.com
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:45 a.m.
Healing Service and Holy Communion
TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month
Peace Vigil
TIME/DATE: Noon, first Sunday of every month
LOCATION: In front of the church
DETAILS: Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.
Advent Service
TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. Sunday

WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978
Sunday Worship
TIME: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Traditional: 9:30 a.m. Contemporary.
Nursery and Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services
Service Broadcast
DETAILS: 11 a.m. every Sunday on WRDT-AM 560, The WMUZ Word Station.
Single Point Ministries - 45 and older
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday for fellowship and Bible study.
Single Focus Ministries - 35-50 years
TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. Sunday to deepen your personal relationship with Christ
Single Purpose Connections - 20-30 years



PHOTO BY JULIANA CERRA

Gardens sought

Do you have a special garden or know someone who does? The Country Garden Club of Northville's garden seekers, Ronnie Cambra and Beth Russo are now scouting for the elite spaces that belong on the 17th Annual Original Northville Garden Walk. Please call Ronnie at (248) 348-6098 or contact them through the Website www.cgcnv.org.

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday in the Chapel for singing, Bible study, and fellowship.
DETAILS: For single adults. Active ministry offering various Bible study classes, volleyball, bicycling group, tennis group, support groups, support group for widowed over age 50, fellowship, friendships and more. Contact the number below for more information.

CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
Bible Studies and Prayer Nights
Learner's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Mondays Room A101
Men's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 6:30 a.m. Wednesday Single Adult Ministries office
Single's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Room C309
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

DETROIT 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. Wing
CONTACT: (248) 348-1020
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays
Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN

LOCATION: 44400 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-2345 or visit faith-community-novi.org
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

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'A Sleeping Country' to open

■ Comedy focuses on insomnia

Northville's Tipping Point Theatre will open its 2009-2010 season with a comedy about insomnia, "A Sleeping Country."

The opening performance for the Michigan premiere of Melanie Marnich's work will be at 8 p.m. on Aug. 22.

Preview performances, which include a post-show discussion with the director and cast are at 8 p.m. Aug. 20 and 21.

Ticket sales began on Tuesday. Prices range from \$18-\$27 and are available by calling the box office at (248) 347-0003.

Box office hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, noon-5 p.m. Saturday and 90 minutes prior to all performances.

The play, directed by Julia Glander, who was part of the theatre's production of "The Dinner Party," will run through Sept. 27.

Performances will be at 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Saturdays (with the exception of August 22) and 2 p.m. Sundays.

"A Sleeping Country" follows Julia, a New Yorker who is certain she has the worst insomnia in the world. In search of a solution to her problem, she travels to Venice to chase down a fabulous, beautiful and sleepless countess who might be a distant relative and have a remedy for her sleeplessness.

Will her journey bring her the resolution she dreams of or lead to more sleepless nights?

The conclusion confronts the issue of facing one's fears — and knowing the difference between not sleeping and being truly awake.

"A Sleeping Country" made its world premiere in 2008 at the Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park, where it was chosen for the Mickey Kaplan New American Play Prize. Marnich's work has also been presented twice at the prestigious Humana Festival of New American Plays in Louisville, Ky. She is currently a writer for the HBO series "Big Love."

Glander, who has appeared on the Tipping Point stage, makes her Tipping Point directorial debut with "A Sleeping Country."

Comprising the play's ensemble cast are Sarab Kamoo of Lathrup Village, Aaron T. Moore of St. Clair Shores, Andrea Boswell-Burns of Ann Arbor and Connie Cowper of Rochester Hills.

Crew members include Charlie Gaidica, scenic designer; Tod Barker, costume designer and properties designer; Rita Girardi, lighting designer; Chad Keilman, sound designer; and Tracy L. Spada, stage manager.

2009-2010 SEASON LINEUP

Other productions in theatre's 2009-2010 season, titled "LAUGH," include:

"Every Christmas Story Ever Told (And then Some!)," written by Michael Carleton, James Fitzgerald and John K. Alvarez, Nov. 5-Dec. 20.

Three quick-witted actors put the audience to the test as they portray as many holiday traditions and stories as they can remember.

Say bah! to traditional Tiny Tim (here's always next year) and ha! to a show that takes Christmas traditions to the extreme. The Grinch, Frosty, Linus, Rudolph, Marley and more...in only 90 minutes!

If you liked "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)," you'll love this madcap romp through our beloved holiday season classics.

"The Lady with all the Answers," written by David Rambo, Jan. 28-Feb. 28, 2010. For decades, advice columnist Ann Landers answered countless letters from lovelorn teens, confused couples and a multitude of others in need of advice. No topic was off limits.

On a late night in 1975, in her Chicago apartment, an ironic twist of events confronts Landers with a looming deadline for a column dealing

with a new kind of heartbreak — her own. As she shares her struggles to complete the column, we learn much about the wise, funny and no-nonsense woman whose daily dialogue helped shape the social landscape of the last half-century. A Michigan premiere.

"The Smell of the Kill," written by Michele Lowe, March 18-April 18, 2010. Take three delicious, malicious wives, add three miserable, unloving husbands, and chill.

Nicky, Debra and Molly have tolerated one another during once-a-month dinners for years. While their unseen spouses play golf in the dining room, the women exchange confidences for the first time, revealing that all three marriages are on the brink of disaster.

When the men mistakenly lock themselves in a basement meat locker, the women are faced with a life-or-death decision: Should they leave the men out in the cold — permanently — or let them thaw? A co-production with Williamston Theatre.

"Southern Comforts," written by Kathleen Clark, May 13-June 13, 2010. When longtime widow Amanda Cross visits a small northern New Jersey town, she isn't prepared to have her peaceful life turned upside down.

Then she meets Gus Klingman, a cantankerous widower. Beautiful and deliciously Southern, Amanda peels away the rough layers of Gus' unhappy heart to reveal his silenced passions.

Filled with sweet surprise, cozy charm and unpredictable tribulation, "Southern Comforts" proves that it's never too late in life to mend the holes in your heart.


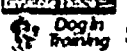
This season marks the first time that Tipping Point Theatre has included five productions in their regular season.





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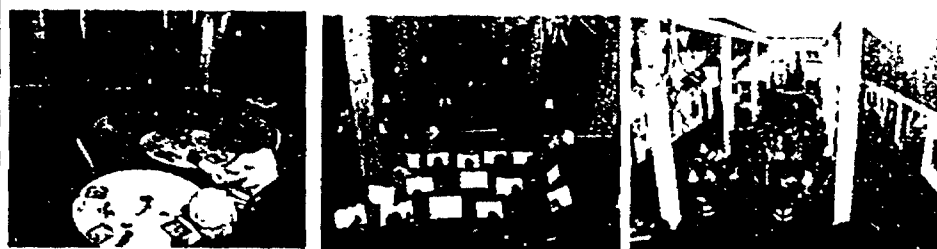
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Black Locust Course open at Kensington Metropark

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Disc golfers packed the parking lot July 23 for opening day at the Black Locust Disc Golf Course at Kensington Metropark near Milford.

Redesigned using a few holes from the old Tunnel course, the new course boasts 27 holes and two practice baskets. Upgrades include longer holes and relocated baskets. Another plus, the course is separated from a nearby equestrian trail. The new course is across the road from the original course, near Martindale Beach.

"We are excited to offer new

challenges to our disc golfers, many of whom have been playing here since the original course opened in 1996," said Kimberly Jarvis, Kensington Metropark park superintendent.

Discraft designed this pay-to-play facility, and donated new baskets for the course. Fees are: Annual Bag Tag \$50, Annual Bag Tag - Senior/Junior rate \$30, daily wristband \$2. The Annual Bag Tag gives unlimited play at all Metropark disc golf courses all year.

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HAL GOULD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jillian Draheim, Kathleen Kennedy and Corrin Hepburn at Kensington Metropark golf course.

New disc golf course opens

BY PHILIP ALLMEN
STAFF WRITER

Goodbye Tunnel, hello Black Locust. Disc golf aficionados have a new course to play at Kensington Metropark. Officials opened the Discraft-designed Black Locust course at the metropark last week, replacing the old Tunnel course, known as one of the better disc courses in the state.

The changes add more holes for users, as well as a new pay-to-play fee.

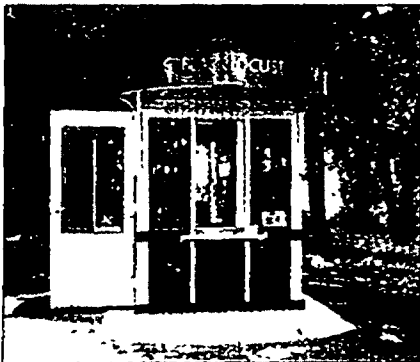
Fans of the Tunnel course will still find some of the old holes on the new Black Locust Course. Now, all the holes are found east of Huron River Parkway. The old course crossed the road near Martindale Beach.

"It uses some of the holes from the tunnel, and it uses some new holes," said Denise Semion, chief communications officer for the metroparks. "Some of the holes are longer now, too. You don't have to cross the street for any of the holes."

When the original disc golf course opened in 1996, metropark officials never envisioned how popular the course would become. Had they known, Semion said the course would have been designed differently.

"Some of those holes were in sensitive areas we would rather have them not be with so much foot traffic," she said.

Another benefit of the new course is that the disc golf and equestrian



Disc golfers at Kensington Metropark will find a toll booth near the first hole at the Black Locust course. Daily fees to play are \$2. Users can buy an annual pass for \$50, which allows use at Kensington, Hudson Mills and Stony Creek metroparks.

trails no longer cross, which increases safety for both metropark users, Semion added.

There's a new parking area for disc golf players located across the street from the Martindale Beach parking lot. There, users will find a manned toll booth and two practice baskets to warm up before the round starts. The course is set up with 18 holes north of the parking lot, which includes several of the old Tunnel holes, and the final nine holes to the south. The layout makes it convenient for players wanting to play nine, 18

or 27 holes. Score cards, which include the course layout, can be picked up at the booth.

About half of the holes offer two tee boxes.

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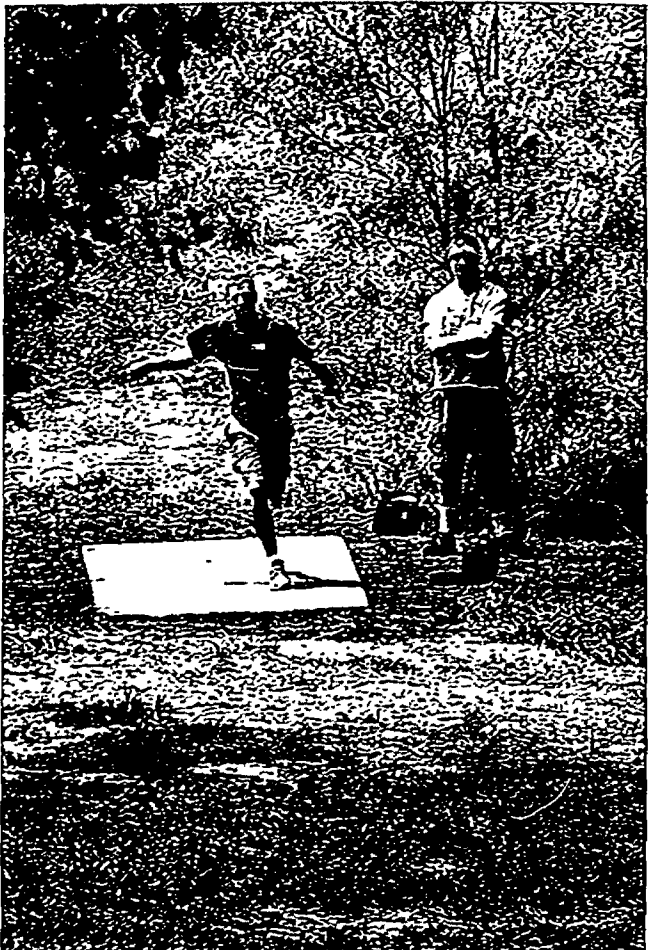
Disc golf players will find daily wristbands to play the course cost \$2. Annual bag tags are available for \$50. Senior/junior rates are \$30. Those bag tags give the user unlimited play at three metropark courses — Kensington, Hudson Mills and Stony Creek. Hudson Mills has two 24-hole course and Stony Creek has one 24-hole course. Willow Metropark's disc golf course has no charge.

"We started charging at Hudson Mills a few years ago," Semion said. "People understand the maintenance of the course and that pay-to-play is here to stay."

Daily fees can be paid at the toll booth. Both the daily and annual fees can be paid at Kensington's main office.

A vehicle entry permit is required to enter any metropark. Daily fees are \$4 and \$20 annually. Find the metroparks online at www.metroparks.com.

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Tony Mancuso launches a drive off the front tee box of the first hole at Kensington Metropark's new Black Forest disc golf course, which opened last week, as Cord Collins looks on.

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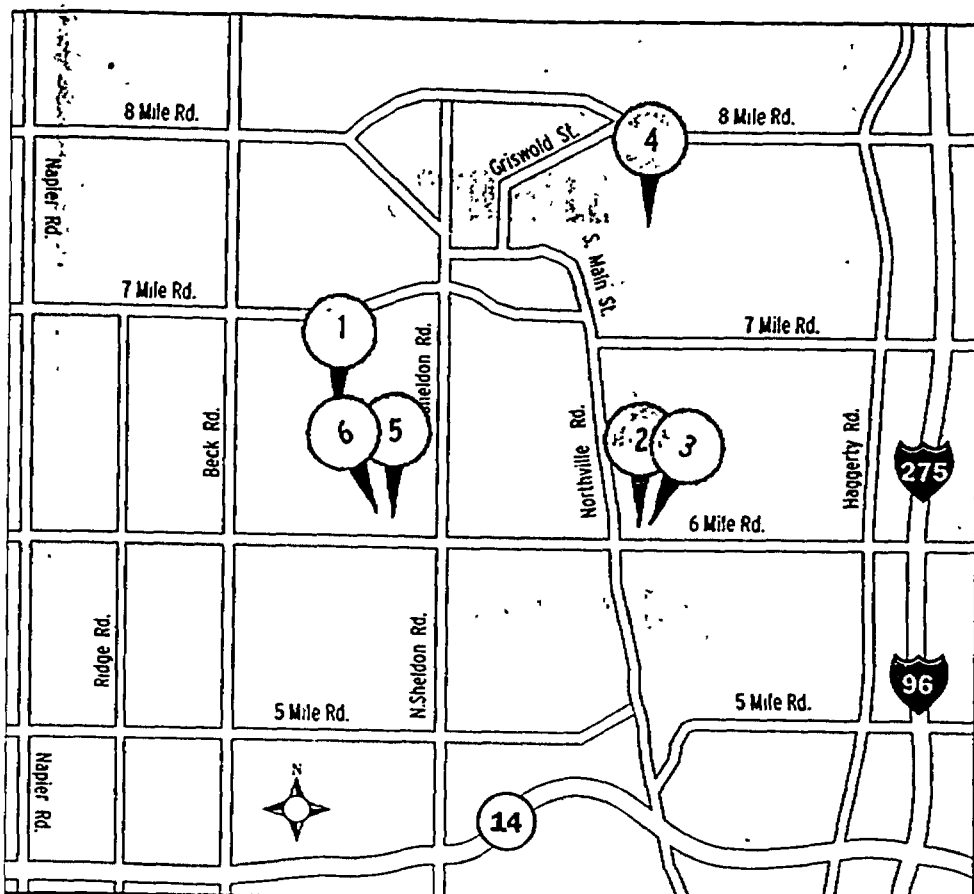
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Sunglasses stolen

1 An officer was dispatched to a residence on Shadbrook Street about a larceny from motor vehicle report at 5 a.m. on July 17.

A 38-year-old woman said when her husband went out to his vehicle, he noticed that someone had been in his vehicle and that his Ray Ban sunglasses were missing. He then looked into his wife's car and found that someone had been in it as well as there were CDs lying on the front seat. However, nothing appeared to be missing.

The sunglasses were valued at \$150.

GPS unit taken

2 A 37-year-old resident on Cedar Lake Circle reported that a Tom Tom GPS System was stolen from her vehicle between 7 p.m. July 16 and 8:30 a.m. July 17. The system was valued at \$250.

Another GPS unit stolen

3 Another resident of Cedar Lake Circle reported that his Tom Tom GPS System valued at \$250 was stolen between 10 p.m. July 16 and 8 a.m. July 17. The 30-year-old resident said the front window on the passenger side was shattered.

Motorcycle helmets gone

4 A 32-year-old resident of E. Northville Place said two motorcycle helmets valued at about \$160 were stolen off of his motorcycle between 4 p.m. July 2 and 10:10 p.m. July 16. The cycle was parked under the carport near the man's apartment. The seat can be removed with a key, and it has hooks under it that lock two helmets in place.

The suspect used a tool to manipulate the lock and get to the helmets. The lock was broken, and the seat cannot be set back in place.

Radio, sunglasses stolen

5 A 56-year-old resident on Oak Hill Drive told police that a portable Sirius Satellite Radio and some prescription sunglasses were stolen from his car between 9:30 p.m. July 14 and 8 a.m. July 15. The radio was valued at \$120, and the glasses were valued at \$150.

Home invasion reported

6 A 47-year-old resident on Spring Hill Road said someone came into his open garage and stole his Garmin GPS unit between 9 p.m. July 13 and 8 a.m. July 14.

The unit was mounted on his windshield and was valued at \$265.

SEC names Northville man in Ponzi charge

The federal Securities and Exchange Commission has obtained a court order to halt an alleged Ponzi scheme conducted in the Detroit area by two individuals, including a Northville businessman.

The SEC alleges that John J. Bravata of Brighton and Richard J. Trablusky of Northville raised more than \$50 million from at least 440 investors by offering them membership interests in a purported real estate investment fund with promised

annual returns of 8 to 12 percent.

However, according to the SEC, not even half of the money raised was actually spent acquiring real estate, and Bravata and Trablusky used money from new investors to make Ponzi-like payments to earlier investors. The SEC alleges that they also spent several million dollars of investor money on themselves and Bravata's family.

"Investors thought they were investing in a safe and profit-

able real estate investment fund, but instead their money was being used to pay for luxury homes, exotic vacations, and gambling debts of the defendants," said Merri Jo Gillette, director of the SEC's Chicago regional office.

The SEC's complaint, filed in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, also charges Bravata's son, Antonio Bravata of Brighton, for selling the unregistered securities and acting as an unregistered broker.

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Flying through water

■ Northville Swim Club offers opportunities for youth swimmers

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

As the sun emerged from behind the clouds, Darby Mroz's yellow swim cap emerged from the pool at Northville Swim Club.

The 11-year-old Northville resident was up first for her team's four-person, 100-meter medley relay, swimming the 25-meter backstroke length of the pool against the top-ranked Plymouth Colony Swim Club's Crocodiles.

Finishing just a stroke back of Plymouth's top swimmer, Mroz's teammates swam their breast, butterfly and freestyle strokes to earn a second place finish in the event, the first of 49 events taking place between Northville and Plymouth in a crowded outdoor swim club hidden behind the trees west of Hillside Middle School's tennis courts and the Northville water tower.

"I like being with the coaches because they're really nice and really helpful. (They) helped me with starts and turns," Mroz said during warm-ups. "I like the people who are on the swim team because they're fun."

The Northville Swim Club's Penguins team features about 125 members, ages 4-18. Combined with the larger Plymouth team, hundreds of parents and swimmers packed the Northville Swim Club July 21 for the final home meet of the season, setting up lawn chairs, laying out blankets and getting set to cheer on family and friends of all swimming abilities.

The team has 43 years of history connecting local families from one generation to the next.

Assistant coach Baily Talbot was a team member from ages 7-18 and has coached the team the past two seasons.

"I love it because you kind of know everyone who comes through here. It's very comfortable," Talbot said. "We have a really great program here. Kids love to come here to learn how to swim."

One of Talbot's former coaches, Sheila (Osborne) Ebel, stopped coaching years ago, but is now involved as a team parent since her daughter, Kendra, swims the 25-meter back- and freestyle strokes in the 8-and-under age group.

"I almost think I'm more nervous because I want her to do well. She betters her times every meet," Ebel said. "It's so family oriented and you can just enjoy the day. The kids are doing healthy things. There's nothing better than that."

Ebel sewed the pennant flags hanging above the pool with her grandmother more than a decade ago. Other events such as Coney Night and family parties also help bring the team and club members together.

Several local high school swimmers either got their start with the team or went on to coach or lifeguard at the club. The family-oriented atmosphere also makes the team more enjoyable for the older swimmers, which is the smallest age group in the league.

"It's more easygoing than year-round teams," said Ryan Winkler, a 16-year-old junior at Northville High School. "I really like the sport. It's really fun. This is just a fun get-together."

Winkler said there are key differences between the club and high school teams that make it less strenuous. The competitions aren't as closely



A Northville Swim Club member hits the pool during an evening meet on July 21 versus Plymouth Colony.

guarded for penalizing starts as they are in high school and the club pool is 25 meters long, slightly shorter than the 25-yard high school pool. Since the 15-18 age group is so small throughout the league, only four events are offered: the 50-meter backstroke, 50-meter freestyle, 200-meter medley relay and 200-meter freestyle relay. Winkler also gets a little more sleep, as his club age group practices at 7:30 a.m., as opposed to the 5:15 a.m. high school swim practices.

Because the club services such a wide range of ages, the age groups practice during three separate time blocks weekdays between 7:30-10:15 a.m., with most meets taking place Tuesday and Thursday nights through June and July.

"Drills are age and skill appropriate. They do mostly endurance and strengthening drills; skills are obtained through lessons, which are also provided at the club," said parent volunteer Amy Storm. "We have swimmers of all abilities, from little ones who can barely make it down the lane without touching the side, to high school all stars. It is a 'lifetime' sport, one you can participate in at any age. Works every muscle and is not hard on the joints."

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer living in Redford



Northville Swim Club "Penguin" Julia Scavnick, 10, has "eat my bubbles" written on her back before the start of a meet.

NORTHVILLE SPORTS BRIEFS

Swim champs reunite

It's been 36 years since the Northville High School boys swim team won the school's first state swim championship, and they're getting together for a reunion on Saturday, Aug. 1 at the old pool (which is Hillside Middle School now) from noon-2 p.m.

They do some fun relays and events and reminisce before heading down to the Hines Park picnic area to continue catching up and bonding.

For further information, call former swim team co-captain Bill Witek at (269) 327-3939.

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.

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Fall sports tryouts

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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.

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

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

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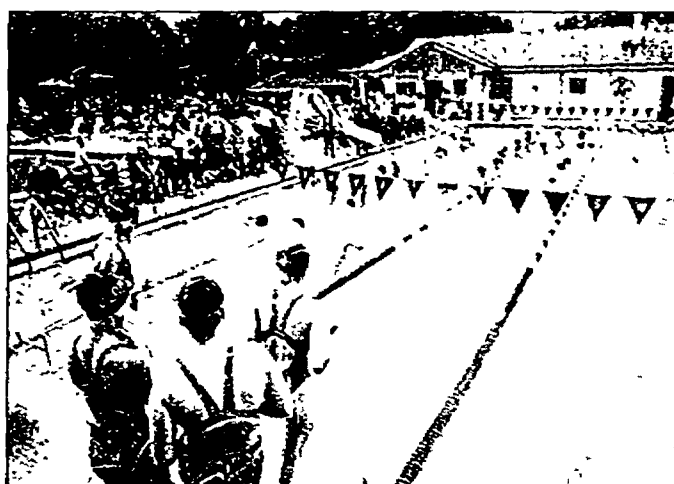
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T.J. Paterson, 9, gets some help in adjusting his swim goggles from his mom before he hits the water at the Northville Swim Club.



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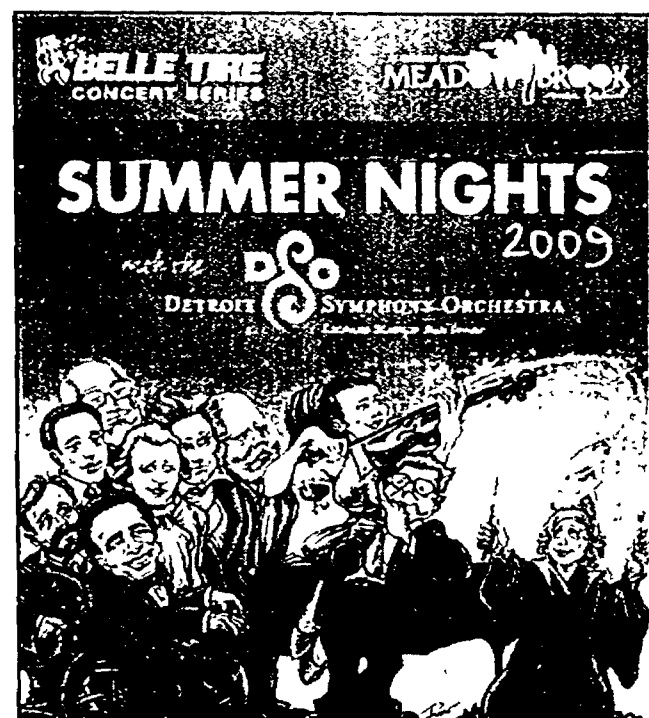
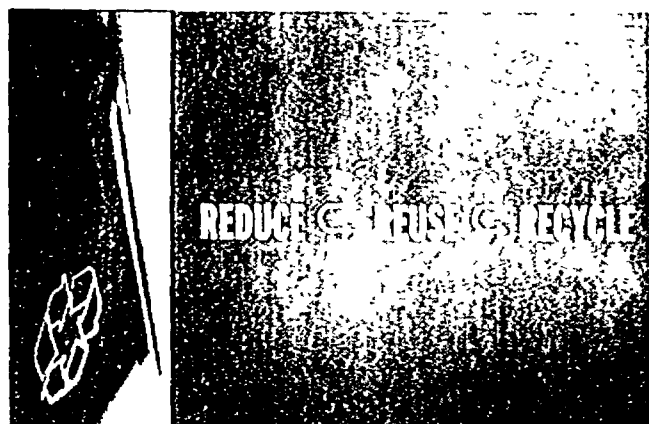
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Misconceptions associated with resistance training

BY BENITO OLMOS

In the last column I made the distinction between resistance training aimed at health and fitness purposes and resistance training applied to sports and performance.

Due to the lack of theoretical categorization of the different types of resistance training, many theories and misconceptions have been created regarding resistance training programs.

It is still predominant the notion that resistance training will result in extreme gains in the muscle mass generating as consequence a bulk appearance. I particularly call this misconception: "the myth of excessive hypertrophy".

First of all, muscular hypertrophy is the technical name that describes the growth of muscle tissue ultimately resulting in increased muscle size. The muscle tissue is made of a group of muscle fibers. Each

muscle fiber is able to increase their volume thus increasing the muscle volume.

Resistance training is the most effective method for gains in muscle size but those gains will be limited by many factors such as: age, gender, natural hormones level, training protocol, nutrition, life style habits and overall genetics.

Many people are afraid to engage in any serious resistance training because they are afraid to become too big in size, which they consider unattractive.

Certainly anyone with this preconceived notion is making a direct association between resistance training and bodybuilding, believing that lifting weights automatically results in extremes gains in muscle size.

A lot of fellow bodybuilders would love that this assumption were true.

But they know that gains in muscle mass do not come as easily!

Like discussed before, protocols for muscle gain are very specific and they demand a lot of factors perfectly aligned to generate an extreme muscle volume improvement.

Many experts agree that genetics are the most important attribute for someone striving to improve their muscle mass to Herculean size.

Individuals with a better potential for gains in muscle size are born with a bigger number of fibers per muscle than the average.

In consequence when they submit their muscles to proper procedures they experiment better.

Understanding this rationality shows that for the average "Joe" engaging in a moderated intensity program designed with health purposes they most likely will not obtain significant gains in muscle size. They will, however, achieve excellent gains in health and well-being. In the same token, women

that are afraid of masculinization due to the gain in muscle size are by nature less prone to build muscle mass. This is mainly because women have, in average, less muscle fibers than men and smaller concentration of testosterone.

By the way, testosterone is the major hormone involved in the muscle hypertrophy and its level is approximately ten times lower in females.

Therefore if your goal is for extreme muscle gain, good luck. The odds are most likely not playing in your favor. As always, remember to seek for good supervision.

Have a safe and good work out!

This column was written by Benito Olmos the General Manager at Planet Fitness in Northville. Benito is also a Certified Personal Training and Nutrition Coach by APEX. He holds a bachelor's degree in Physical Education and he is a published author and well-known Health and Fitness expert in Brazil.

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The Northville Marlins are the F-League World Series Champions. Pictured (l to r, front row) are Chad Dufault, Austin Ruppert, Jack Blackhurst, Danny Roach, Eric Tresh, JP Mulcahy; (second row) Ben Satterfield, Will Hartnagle, Nick Lowe, Andrew Sarokin, Zack Werksma; (back row) Coach Ruppert, Coach Hartnagle, Coach Mulcahy, Coach Blackhurst; and (not pictured) James Carpenter.



Stormin'

Northville's Team Storm finished their spring season of the WSSL U10 Girl's recreational league on June 13 with a 9-2 win over the visiting Garden City Chargers. Team Storm finished 6-0-2 for the season, tied for first place. Pictured are (l to r, front) is Kathryn Moorman, Jessica Moorman, Jesse Fannon, Breanne Warner, Julia Kelm; (second row) Noreen Khan, Lauren Sibley, Isabella Wood, Lexi Yu; and (on top) Carmen Orlich. Not pictured are Ciara Lopus and coaches Jill Fannon, Nancy Wood and Joe Moorman.

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My favorite courses in Michigan

By David Graham

In my position as Executive Director of the Golf Association of Michigan, it is probably a politically incorrect position to express what golf courses make my personal list of favorites for obvious reasons. But like you, I do have favorites around the state of Michigan and I am willing to provide my two cents on the topic. This list is courses that if invited, I would make time in my schedule to play in a heartbeat. I must also state up front that I have not come close to playing all of the fantastic courses in this state. We are so fortunate to have so many great options. Also, I believe there is a bit of a halo effect on ones likability assessment based on how well one plays and scores at a particular course. I suspect that influence has impacted my selections. So this assessment is very subjective, and

while it will include some obvious courses on everybody's list, it probably is not your list. It does include both private and public facilities.

Dave's Faves in alphabetical order:

- Arcadia Bluffs – spectacular links style course along Lake Michigan. As the wind blows, so will one's score. No. 17 is an awesome par 3 when played with a breeze in your face it can be particularly difficult to score.
- Belvedere – Tom Watson spent his summers on this gem in Charlevoix. No. 16 is a shorter par 4 with the green wedged into the side of a hill. Great fun particularly if the hole location is on the right side of the green. Beware of an overly aggressive putt.
- Crystal Downs – Alistair

Mackenzie design with support from Perry Maxwell recognized as one of the finest courses in America. No. 10 is a great par 4 that demands an approach shot kept below the hole. If not, 50/50 chances you may putt off the green.

• Eagle Eye – Newer course with a lot of great holes including an exact replica of the 17th at the TPC at Sawgrass (Island Green). One of my favorites is no. 15 which is a par 4 that has a raised green with severe slopes around with collection areas for any wayward shots.

• Franklin Hills – A great Donald Ross design. No. 2 is a superb par 4 with a severely slanted green... do not be above the hole on your approach shot if at all possible.

• The Gailes – One of three courses at Lakewood Shores Resort, it is a very challenging links layout with hidden fairway pot bunkers throughout. Bring your "A" game

and you'll have a great time.

• The Heathers at Boyne Highlands – Robert Trent Jones design, no. 18 is a great risk reward hole that requires an approach shot over the lake for any realistic chance at a birdie finish.

• Indianwood Old – My home course, it plays different each day depending on the wind. No. 18 is a great finishing hole with a huge green. Putting over and around some of the buried elephants can be a challenge!

• Kingsley Club – Newer course receiving excellent national exposure. No. 9 is a modest par 3 until you get to the green. Unless you are below the cup you may have some interesting challenges. If chipping or pitching on from behind the green, good luck!

• Meadowbrook – Great set of green complexes throughout the course. No. 9 is a great shorter par 4

with a severely sloped green. Hands of a surgeon instead of a blacksmith will serve one well.

• Oakland Hills South – Spectacular host course to countless major championships as well as the Ryder Cup. No. 17 is a really cool par 3 uphill to a green surrounded by deep bunkers and equally challenging rough. A par on this hole is a great achievement.

The above is a sampling of the great courses in Michigan. If a friend should extend an invite to play any of the above, don't hesitate to accept and keep me in mind if you need someone to fill out your group.

David Graham is the Executive Director of the Golf Association of Michigan. Check for his Tee Time column every Thursday through September

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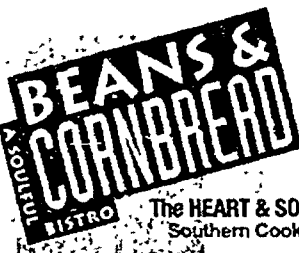


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U11 champs

The Northville U11 Mustangs captured the championship title in the 2009 Frankenmuth Baseball Classic tournament in Frankenmuth June 27-28. Pictured are (1 to r, front) Sam Bradley, Michael Carollo, Paul Steffes; (middle) Kyle Zwarych, David Dillon, Michael Townsend, Cameron Maxwell, Andrew Malick, Ben Harthun, Brendan Nostrant; (back, standing) Coach Mike Zwarych, Coach Dave Malick, Redding Haines, Coach Chris Steffes, Dominick Montone and Coach John Bradley.

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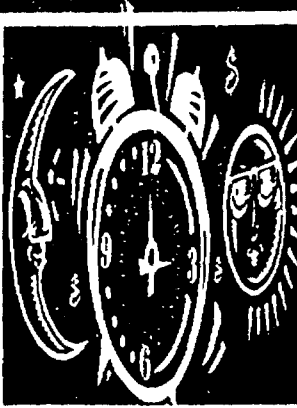
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I have always been very active in the fitness field and fitness crazy for years; I even did some bodybuilding and usually working out seven days a week in health clubs. My dream was always to do some sort of health club. My wife, Ellen, was also very active and fit, but then faced some serious health challenges after we were married and basically fell away from health clubs for a very long time. When she finally got back to where she could return, she felt uncomfortable, out of shape and out of place at all the current fitness clubs. No one, not even the trainers, understood how she felt or how to manage her. That is when my dream of having a health club and our compassion for people like Ellen who have been away from a club or never been a member of any health club was born. With every new health challenge we have, our dream and understanding gets bigger. This dream keeps us going every day.

Why did you choose Northville?

We loved Northville and moved our family there in 1994. We were bike-riding when we saw the "available" sign on the Water Wheel building. We knew that minute that it was the perfect place for our dream club, and downtown Northville has been a great place to grow our business. We have made a lot of wonderful friends here over the years.

What makes your business unique?

Three things: the environment, the people and the philosophy. All of these things combined create a "judgment-free zone" that let's people relax and be themselves while achieving the

DETAILS

Business Name: Planet Fitness
Address: 235 East Main, Northville; 3635 Highland Road, Waterford; coming soon Novi and Canton
Your Name/Title: Chris & Ellen Klebba - owners/operators
Your Hometown: Pinckney
Business Opened When: 1995
Number of Employees: 15
Hours of Operation: 24 during the week and 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on weekends
Your Business Specialty: Judgment-free health club designed for all fitness levels with special emphasis on beginners.
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results they desire. More than the outstanding equipment are the details such as the "Lunk Alarm" system that sounds when loud banging and grunting occurs as a friendly reminder to members to keep noise levels to a minimum as not to intimidate or bother other members. Members also enjoy Planet Entertainment, which essentially is an entertainment center connected to the cardio machines that let's them watch their favorite TV shows while exercising. Our philosophy permeates everything we do, from our brightly colored energetic interior to our once-a-month coffee bagel mornings and pizza nights as a way to thank our members, all for memberships with no commitment at \$10 a month. We also are the only franchise that offers reciprocal nationwide memberships to several hundred clubs.

How has it changed since you opened?

We started as an independent health club called the Water Wheel Health Club in 1995 and operated as such for over 11 years. After close review and analysis, we identified that we were not reaching enough of the people we really wanted to help, particularly people that have never been in a health club or have been away for some time, so



JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Patrons of Northville's Planet Fitness gym work out on their many ellipticals and treadmills.

our business model evolved to the Planet Fitness franchise about three years ago. This model was perfect and structures memberships, services and an atmosphere specifically designed to reach many more people as well as those that have never set foot in any club before.

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

We opened in the old Ford Valve plant that is very rich in history and has a very unique design and architecture -- windows on all exterior walls, several levels and floors, etc. Well, being such an old building and our facility being open 24 hours a day, we do have an occasional visit from a friendly resident bat. Don't worry, he doesn't come often and when he does it is after 11 p.m. and we do chase him out, but this makes for a fun evening when he decides to fly in.

How has the recent economy affected your business?

We certainly are not breaking records in this state and we have to fight every day to assure we are bringing the best service, quality and facility to our members, but our unique package with membership so affordable and flexible continues

to appeal to many people.

Any advice for business owners?

Find something that drives you and don't be afraid of risk or failure. Don't overthink it, just go for it. We opened our Northville club with every penny we had and some we didn't, a sick wife, two kids (and one more shortly after that). At one point, we had only one car, three kids and two cats in a condo, and only our dream to keep us going. We are now about to open our third and fourth clubs, our oldest son has been part of the club for 12 years and is now starting his own career; the other two are grown up. We still have health challenges to remind us to keep our dream pure, but we just kept going.

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

Consistent improvements to our two current facilities. We are updating the locker rooms in Northville and adding more tanning rooms and new cardio equipment. We are also opening new facilities in Novi this year and Canton next year. Most of all, we are happy that we can bring affordable, clean, friendly, non-intimidating health club facilities to people in Michigan.

BUSINESS MILESTONES

Sidewalk Sales

Do you love a good sale? If so, Downtown Northville is the place to be July 31 to Aug. 1. Shoppers attending the two-day Sidewalk Sale will enjoy purchasing great finds at the many unique businesses located in Downtown Northville. Additional details will be posted on ncbanorthville@yahoo.com as they become available.

Franchise seminar

Mark Cory of FranNet will present "Careers in Franchise Ownership," a seminar where attendees will learn franchising basics and a safer approach to the search and selection process. There is no charge. To register for the event, call Cory at (313) 821-5060 or e-mail mcory@franet.com.

The seminar will be held from 4-5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 30 in the Northville Square Mall (133 W. Main Street, corner of Wing).

"Careers in Franchise Ownership" seminars are great opportunities to get some fran-

chising basics, including the array of categories and investment levels available (starting at around \$50K), and how to go about defining your own personal vision, matching that up with viable choices, and conducting proper due diligence to make sure your selecting the right fit for you.

Business workshops

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars in offered by the Oakland County Business Center.

Business Basics workshops are now offered in the evenings on alternating months at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, Waterford. For location specifics and pre-registration, call (248) 858-0783. The Web site address for Oakland County Planning & Economic Development Services Workshops is www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar.

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BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Polasek certified

Lake-Effect Marketing announced that Tracy Polasek, resident, earned certification as an Inbound Marketing Professional. The certification from Inbound Marketing University acknowledges proficiency in Inbound Marketing principals such as



Polasek

blogging, social media marketing and Search Engine Optimization (SEO).

A Northville resident, Polasek leads the marketing services firm that serves Michigan-based businesses. Prior to joining Lake-Effect Marketing, she was Vice President of Marketing for Michigan Heritage Bank. Polasek also served as segmentation and analytics manager in the Marketing Strategy Department for Ford Motor Company.

"It's imperative to blend online or inbound marketing tactics with traditional outbound media," Polasek said. "The Inbound Marketing Professional

Certification is one example of how Lake-Effect Marketing invests heavily in training, especially education embracing non-traditional advertising or newer marketing methods."

Polasek holds an MBA degree in marketing from Michigan State University and a bachelor's degree in communication and psychology from the University of Michigan. Polasek is a member of the American Marketing Association and the Direct Marketing Association.

McKervey earns award

Northville resident Kevin McKervey, business adviser and shareholder of Clayton and McKervey, P.C., received the Professional Growth and Scholarship Award from the University of Michigan-Dearborn in a ceremony this spring.

A 1977 graduate of UM-Dearborn, McKervey has utilized his degree in business administration while serving as a member of numerous professional affiliations, including as chairman of the International Business Development Committee for PKF North American Network and

membership with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, where he is former chairman of the international committee.

McKervey also is active in the Detroit Regional Economic Partnership, the German-American, French-American and Michigan Hispanic Chambers of Commerce, and the Canadian United States Business Association. An author of many articles related to global business, McKervey's recent articles include "Five Keys to Globalization for the Entrepreneur" for Crain's Detroit Business and "Mergers and Acquisitions: They're Not just for Big Corporations" in the Oakland and Ann Arbor Business Reviews. McKervey speaks frequently on international topics, most recently facilitating the Association for Corporate Growth meeting on the impact of doing joint ventures in China. He serves as a member of UM-Dearborn's College of Business (formerly School of Management) Dean's Advisory Council.

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(Left) Kristie Sherman Kava, PT, MS, DScPT, OMPT works with music student Sarah Slonim on postural training to strengthen Sarah's large trunk muscles and relieve tension in her forearms, neck and back.

(Below) Kava assists Slonim in a side plank to build endurance, strength and stability.

BY ALISON BERGSIEKER
ADVERTORIAL COORDINATOR

Students enrolled in Michigan State University's College of Music challenge themselves daily with private practice, workshops, classes and concerts.

Sarah Slonim, a senior jazz piano student at MSU, practices two to three hours each day on top of her normal class schedule.

Just before the end of her junior year in April, she decided to double her playing speed on technical exercises to improve her overall performance.

"I was working a lot harder and started to feel soreness in the top of my forearm that would reoccur and go away every five minutes," Sarah said. "It got to the point where the pain was in both arms all the way up to my elbows. I was supposed to write a 9-page paper but I couldn't type or write, and I had to pass up an internship this summer to allow time to recover from the injury. By finals week in May, I couldn't drive and I couldn't pack my clothes."

Sarah, originally from Seattle, Wash., decided to stay in Michigan with relatives this summer and began therapy at Oakland Physical Therapy, P.C. in Novi with Kristie Sherman Kava, PT, DScPT in hopes to go back to school in the fall with the ability to continue her rigorous school and practice schedule.

Performing Arts Physical Therapy

Dr. Kava, co-owner of Oakland Physical Therapy, P.C., is an orthopedic manual physical therapist who has worked with musicians for many years. She is a certified Stott Pilates instructor and has performed doctoral degree research involving musicians' injury prevention and treatment.

Also a member of The Musicians

Wellness Team at MSU's College of Music, she was eager to help Sarah improve her injury symptoms and prevent it from happening in the future.

"Musicians work very hard to perform beautiful music regardless of what instrument they master," Dr. Kava said. "Sarah works hard at her music and is one of the most motivated and compliant patients that I have ever treated."

Dr. Kava began treatment by evaluating Sarah while playing the piano to develop more efficient body positioning and to ensure that Sarah was using the appropriate muscles. Further treatment included deep tissue massage, flexibility exercises and joint mobilization and range of motion for shoulders, upper back and ribs. Dr. Kava developed a program to strengthen Sarah's weaker trunk muscle (known as the core stabilization) by using a Pilates mat and reformer program to increase flexibility, strength and endurance.

"Before doing the rehabilitation,



to use her larger abdominal and back muscles to support her arms thereby reducing the workload and symptoms in her arms.

While Sarah is still improving, she is seeing dramatic differences in her ability to perform.

"I've come a long way since we started," Sarah said. "I can now play for longer periods of time without pain."

And when she returns to school in the fall, she'll have access to MSU's Wellness Team to continue her efforts.

"Young musicians are such an important population because they can have chronic injuries that can change their whole career," Dr. Kava said. "It's a very prominent problem in musicians that's just beginning to come to light. Repetitive stress injuries occur within people of all ages and activities. Musicians need to develop healthy practicing techniques and become more aware of their body positions and posture while playing their instrument and while performing functional activities."

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I had tension in my shoulders and neck," Sarah said. "We started doing a lot of work to strengthen my core and that takes a lot of pressure off of my shoulders, neck, back and forearms."

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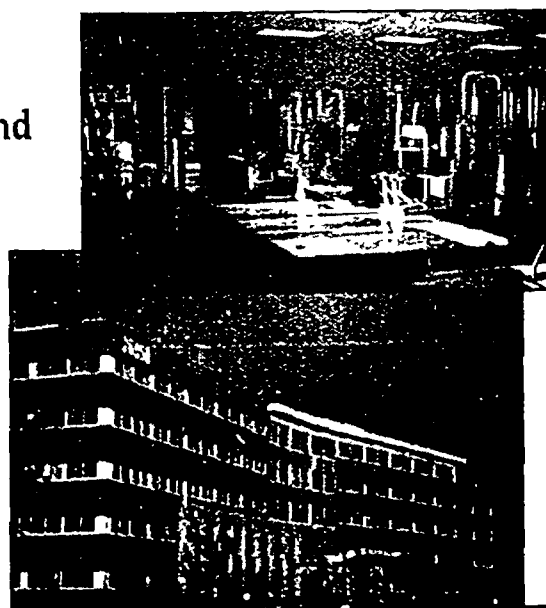
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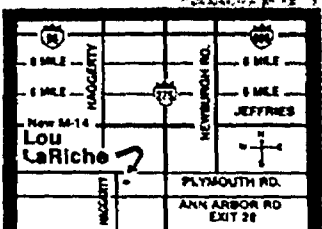
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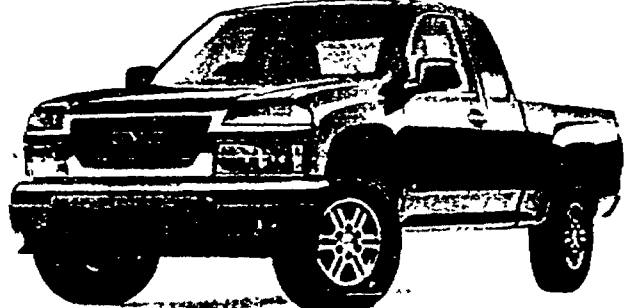
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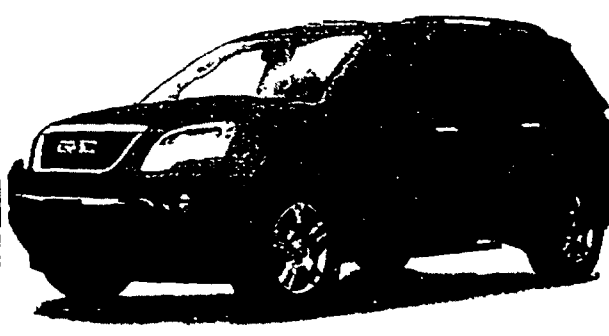

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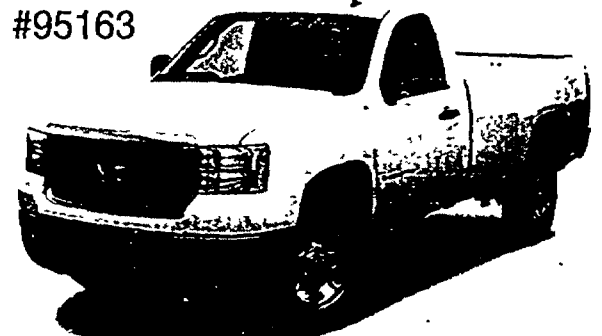
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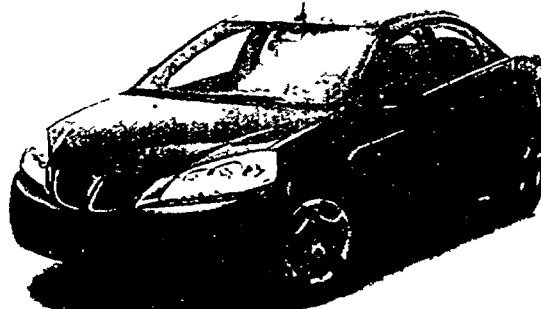
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