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Victorian sale

The Northville Historical Society is holding a four-day Victorian Festival Clothing Sale at Northville Square (corner of Wing and Main streets, downtown Northville). Times are noon-7 p.m.; Friday, Sept. 11; 10-5 Sept. 12; noon-5 Sept. 13; and 10-5 Sept. 14.

Victorian-era clothing and accessories for adults and children will be available for purchase from various vendors. Some clothing is new, some gently used, some vintage. There is no admission charge; cash sales preferred; no credit cards. Some vendors may accept checks.

For more information and possibly expanded hours call the Northville Historical Society at (248) 348-1845 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Nature Walks

Beginning Sunday, Sept. 13, hour-long nature walks featuring forest and field ecology of Maybury Park will be held at 10 a.m.

By September, everything is preparing for winter. Take a closer look at nature's harvest on Sept. 13 for the Fields and Edges walk.

See how every living thing of the forest can be explored to unveil the nutrient cycle during the Sept. 20 Forest Ecology walk.

And the characteristics of Maybury's forest trees and special profiles per species will be the subject of the Sept. 27 Trees walk.

All walks begin at the concession building off of Eight Mile. Donations will be accepted for the Friends of Maybury.

To sign up, email tudor-brownes@gmail.com.

Clothing drive

First Presbyterian Church of Northville is holding a clothing drive to support the homeless and indigent poor through the Fort Street Open Door Ministry on Sept. 19 and Sept. 26 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Collection will be at the west side of the Northville Presbyterian Church on Dunlap.

Hospital land committee in works

Developer has 120 days to close

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Northville Township officials are working on creating a volunteer committee to start reviewing possibilities for the former state psychiatric hospital.

Mark Abbo, township supervisor, and Marjorie Banner, township trustee, will be collecting names of those interested in joining the committee in the coming weeks.

"We want to involve all aspects of the community," Banner said, "such

as school representatives, business representatives and residents. We want a variety of voices to be heard."

Banner said she and Abbo want citizens to "come to the table" and discuss just what they want to see on the property that the township will soon purchase from REIS-Northville, the partnership between Real Estate Interests Group and Schostak Brothers & Company.

"We want to put together a good cross-section of our community, so that it involves all elements of the community," Banner said.

Abbo and Banner haven't talked about exactly how many people will be on the committee.

"We have a few people in mind," she said.

REIS-Northville has 120 days from the special election, in which voters agreed to pay for the \$23.5-million land acquisition, to close on the property, which would be Dec. 4.

Currently, however, the township has put forth an application to obtain a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant, which if awarded, would bring down the purchase price by \$2 million, making the purchase \$21.5 million.

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"As important as the election was, this phase is equally, if not more, important as it will determine the future of the eastern edge of the township and really the whole township. It's going to be very important that we get it right, and we intend to do that. We will certainly do our best."



NORTHVILLE TWP. TRUSTEE MARJORIE BANNER

St. Mary Mercy to mark 50 years



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will soon celebrate 50 years in Livonia.

Changes, expands while keeping to its core mission

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

Fifty years ago the Felician Sisters in Livonia answered the need for a hospital to serve northwestern Wayne County. St. Mary Hospital opened in 1959 with 170 beds, 99 physicians and 300 employees.

Just as western Wayne County has grown and changed in the last 50 years, so has the hospital at the corner of Five Mile and Levan roads in Livonia.

Some of the changes include:

•1999: The Sisters of Mercy acquired the business operations of the hospital from the Felicians. The Felician Sisters retain ownership of the property and buildings.

•2000: The Sisters of Mercy Regional Community of Detroit and the Congregation of the Holy Cross consolidated health ministries to form Trinity Health. Trinity Health acquired the business operations of the newly named St. Mary Mercy Hospital. "We're local, regional and national," said Bud Lauderbach vice president of clinical services at St. Mary Mercy. "We can make all those things work for the people in this area."

The hospital — now part of the Saint Joseph Mercy Health System — continues to grow, expand services and develop programs in response to community needs, according to Lauderbach.

Please see 50 YEARS, A10

Heart attack patient praises quick response

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

When Paul Favero, 46, suspected he was having a heart attack his wife drove him to St. Mary Mercy, a hospital he refers to as small and close to home, yet equipped with the latest technology.

He learned that at 1 a.m., April 23 when he became

nauseous and was having chest pains.

"I knew something was wrong," according to the Salem Township resident. "It was nothing like I ever felt before."

"They got me right in, I told them what was happening and they hooked up the EKG," he says. "They took blood and they pretty much said, 'You're

having a heart attack."

Favero had emergency angioplasty and two stents.

HEART ATTACK

"I was surprised I had a heart attack," he says. "I was surprised at how quick and efficient they were. Afterwards they talked about

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Paul Favero

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Mother looks back on first birth 5 decades ago

Patricia McGarrie of Livonia is thankful her daughter, Laurie, was overdue a couple of weeks almost 50 years ago when she was due to deliver.

That meant she could go to the newly-opened St. Mary Hospital in her hometown instead of driving to Pontiac, especially since she almost delivered her second child on the way to the hospital not even a year earlier.

As it turned out Laura Marie (who prefers to be called Laurie) McGarrie was born 15 minutes after midnight Dec. 10, 1959, and was the first baby girl born at St. Mary Hospital.

Another baby at the hospital, a boy, was born shortly before

Please see BIRTH, A10



Laura Marie (who prefers to be called Laurie) McGarrie was born 15 minutes after midnight Dec. 10, 1959, and was the first baby girl born at St. Mary Hospital. She and her husband, Shahram Ariane live in California. They have a daughter, Sasha, 6.

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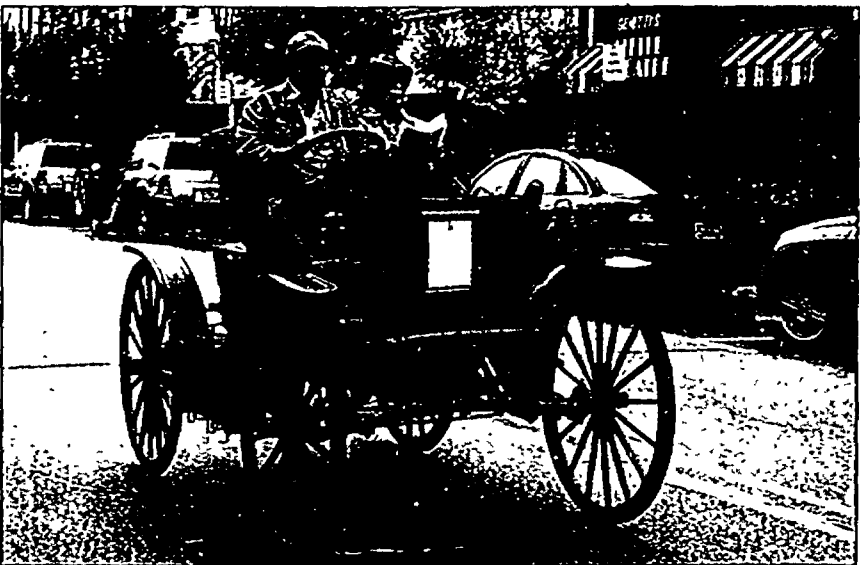
Horseless carriages coming to Mill Race Village

The South Michigan Motorists Chapter of the Horseless Carriage Club of America and the Snapper's Brass & Gas Touring Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America will be hosting the 28th running of the Lansing to Dearborn Run preceding the Old Car Festival at The Henry Ford. They will leave Lansing on Friday and are expected to reach Northville between noon and 1 p.m.

Around 25 vehicles are expected to grace the streets of Northville for a brief visit to historic Mill Race Village, located at 215 Griswold Street.

They are looking forward to exploring all that Northville has to offer, including the Victorian Clothing Sale which begins at noon in Northville Square, 133 W. Main Street.

Any pioneer gas, steam and electric motor vehicle built or manufactured prior to January 1, 1916, is considered a horseless carriage according to the Horseless Carriage Club of America. These early automobiles were called horseless carriages as they were capable of transporting people and freight faster and longer distance without the need of a horse to pull them. Unlike a horse, the automobile did not require feeding or veterinarians to maintain health when not in service, but like a horse they often got a colorful



COURTESY PHOTO

Vintage rides like this one will be seen in Northville tomorrow as the South Michigan Motorists Chapter of the Horseless Carriage Club of America and the Snapper's Brass & Gas Touring Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America will be hosting the 28th running of the Lansing to Dearborn Run.

lecture by the owner when they would not perform.
For more information, contact the Northville Historical Society at (248) 348-1845 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information on Mill Race Village visit our website at www.millracenorthville.org.

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NEW PATIENTS

Empire Deli to open Monday under new ownership

■ Sportscaster finds new niche

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Ron Cameron, the famous local broadcaster knows sports, but he also knows food. He recently opened Home Run Subs at a former Tubby's in downtown Detroit.

Now he's the new owner of the Empire Deli, slated to open Monday at 133 W. Main Street in Northville Square.

"I think Northville's a great city," Cameron said.

He wants people to consider his new place a "sports deli" and will have several flat-screen TVs playing nothing but sports.

Why would anyone expect anything different from a 38-year sportscaster?

From 1984-1991, Cameron used to appear on a TV sports talk show "Sports View" with Bob Page. Three decades ago, he also had a sports talk show on WXYT (1270 AM) from 1978-81.

"It was the longest-running sports show in America," Cameron said. "We had a million listeners a week."

Billed as the "Super Fan" and still America's longest-running sports talk show host, he can be heard live from 2-4 p.m. Sundays on WDFN (1130 AM). He hosts a similar show at 9 a.m. Fridays on WPON (1460 AM) and at 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays on WDRJ (1440 AM).

Cameron, who continually talks like he's giving a play-by-play, owned a Coney shop in West Bloomfield for a while and another restaurant in the Metro Detroit area.

He won't be making the subs at Empire Deli, but he may be around to talk sports with anyone willing to listen.

HOW DID IT HAPPEN?

So, how did a sportscaster come to be a downtown Northville deli owner?

"I heard it was available, so I bought it," Cameron says, matter-of-factly. He plans to serve breakfast, lunch and dinner and be open 8 a.m.-10 p.m. close to 365 days a year.

"OK. We might close on Christmas," he said.

Patrons can dine in (and watch sports) or carry out, and he'll even deliver. Catering is also offered.

The menu will feature homemade soups, all types of sandwiches, such as panini and wraps and some of the best corned beef in the Detroit area, homemade gelato, ice cream and more.

"We will serve quality sandwiches at reasonable prices and provide fast, friendly service," Cameron said.

He'll also sell meats, cheeses and pints of gelato and ice cream at the deli.

"This is going to be an upscale deli," Cameron said, with sandwiches to include coleslaw and a choice of potato salad or macaroni salad and a pickle.

His Northville Square neighbors, the Sweet 220 Pastry and Specialty Cakes shop and Solid Grounds Coffee

House, are glad to finally have someone purchase the deli, which has been vacant for several months.

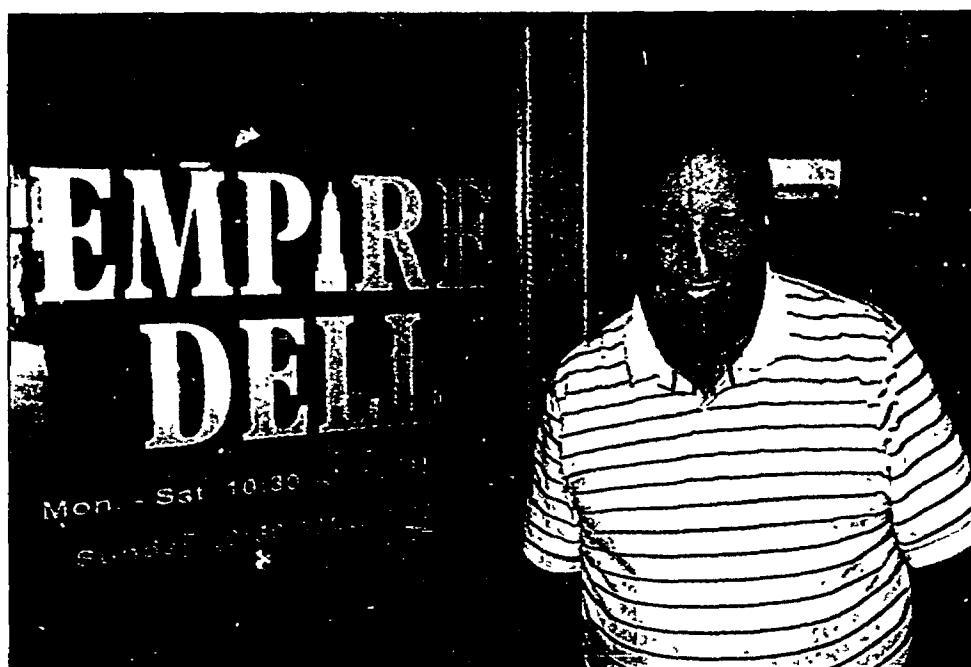
"They're all excited that we're opening here," Cameron said.

He said don't be surprised if Drew Stanton (quarterback for the Detroit Lions) is a regular customer at the deli, as well as Ken Holland (general manager for the Detroit Red Wings).

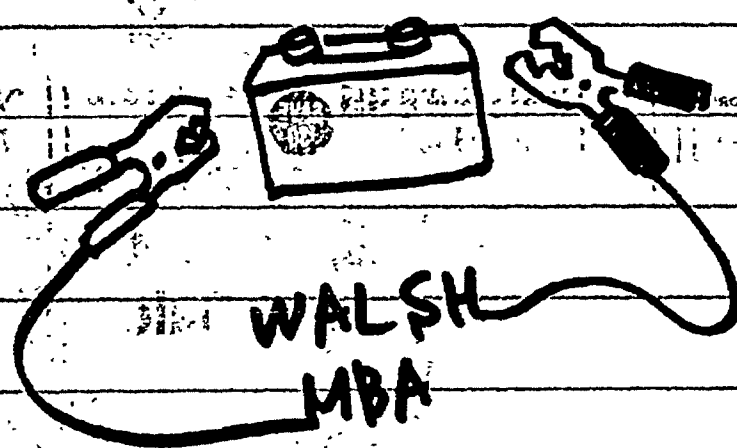
"We're gonna have some of the best corned beef and steak-and-cheese sandwiches around," Cameron said.

"If you want to talk sports, come on down."

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Ron Cameron is planning on re-opening Northville Square's Empire Deli on the second week of September.



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Kozma & Chandler
Novi residents Rachel Marie Kozma and Chase Douglas Chandler are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of John and Wendy Kozma of Novi. She is a 2007 graduate of Michigan State University, earning a bachelor of science degree from the School of Nursing. She is a registered nurse at Henry Ford Hospital.

The groom-elect is the son of Carl and Sally Chandler of Novi. He received his bachelor's degree from Albion College in 2006, attended Oakland University and earned his master's degree in accounting in 2009. He is a certified public accountant with Ernst and Young.

The couple are planning a Sept. 19 wedding at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth with a reception at the Inn at St. John's.



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

Local Events

NORTHVILLE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Meeting
TIME/DATE: 1:15 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15
LOCATION: Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady Street
DETAILS: There will be a roundtable on Vital Records: Civil and Parochial Records, followed by Ruth McMahon's program on Wayne County Research at 2:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend both, free of charge.
Writing Your Life Story
TIME/DATE: 1-2:30 p.m. Second Thursdays
LOCATION: Northville District Library
DETAILS: A class given by Tillie Van

Sickle; free of charge
CONTACT: (248) 349-9079

PRINCIPLES OF CLEANSING

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13
LOCATION: Northville Holistic Therapies & Education, 215 E. Main, Suite 201, downtown Northville
DETAILS: Learn simple, effective and inexpensive ways to cleanse your body; cost is \$30 and preregistration is required.
CONTACT: Paula Neys at (248) 982-5971 or pneys@wideopenwest.com

VICTORIAN FESTIVAL

TIME/DATE: 5-10:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18; noon-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19; and noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20
LOCATION: downtown Northville
DETAILS: The 21 annual event, presented by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, offers three days of activities for all ages. (See the special program for this event, published by the Northville Record, inside this week's edition of the newspaper.)
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MRS VARSITY GAME TAILGATES

DETAILS: Hungry before the big game? Come join us at the bridge in the Hillside parking lot before every home Varsity game. From 5:00-6:30 we'll be serving grilled specialties, side dishes and drinks. Show your school spirit and join in the fun. Suggested donation: \$5 per person/\$15 per family. Away game tailgates will take place in the parking lot of the opposing team. Proceeds benefit the Todd Schoenheide Memorial Scholarship Fund.

GUITARIST ROY SCOUTZ

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday
LOCATION: Tiramì Su, 146 Centermain Street, Northville
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MARQUIS THEATER

"Rumpelstiltskin"
TIME/DATE: 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday (through 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
Auditions for "Pinocchio"
TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13
DETAILS: For children 8-15. Sing "Do-Re-Mi" from "Sound of Music". Accompanist will be provided. Read a poem or monologue, no longer than 90 seconds. Does not have to be memorized.

NORTHVILLE HOME TOUR

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19
DETAILS: Visit four unique homes. Tickets are \$15 in advance; \$20 day of event. Ticketholders must be at least 10 years old. Tickets available at Gardenviews, Northville Chamber of Commerce, Starring The Gallery and Pear-aphernalia. Sponsored by AAUW.

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Art House provides classes for artists of all ages, abilities

■ Fall offerings begin this month

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

With the motto "Art generates joy!" the Northville Art House class is ready to get started with its fall classes this month.

"We have a nice selection of art exploration and painting classes for young artists and young-at-heart adults," said Sue Taylor, volunteer publicity chairperson for the Art House.

"For adults, we have a variety of painting and drawing classes, with a couple of open studio times where artists can come and paint and enjoy the camaraderie of being around fellow artists."

One of the open-studio times is fee-based with an instructor, with the other requiring only a small, drop-in fee and no instructor.

"When classes fill up, they fill up, so don't wait to sign up," Taylor said.

Following is a lineup of the fall 2009 offerings:

CREATIVE TOTS: PRESCHOOL ART EXPLORATION (AGES 3 AND A HALF-5)

Fascinated by shiny, sticky and gooey stuff? The job of creative thinking and self-expression can be brought to life using paper, paint, clay and glue. In this class, students construct projects that develop fine motor skills and enhance creative development. A materials fee of \$6 is payable to the instructor. Children should wear old clothes for this three-week class that meets from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Fridays from Sept. 25-Oct. 9; Oct. 16-30; and Nov. 6-20. Cost is \$27 for members and \$30 for nonmembers.

CREATIVE KIDS: PAINTING EXPLORATION (AGES 6-11)

Explore various painting mediums such as watercolor, gouache, acrylic, pastel, oil pastel and colored pencil. In these classes children will have an opportunity to learn about several painting mediums, materials and artistic concepts.

This class for adults will teach



JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville Art House store manager Carla Morabito works on a sketch in the building's basement. New classes for artists and creators begin this month.

to instructor the first day of class. This three-week class meets from 4-5:30 p.m. Thursdays from Sept. 24-Oct. 8 (watercolor/gouache/acrylic); Oct. 15-29 (pastel/oil pastel/colored pencil); and Nov. 5-19 (watercolor/gouache/acrylic). Cost is \$41 for members, \$45 for nonmembers. Projects vary from session one for returning students.

CREATIVE KIDS: SECOND SATURDAYS (AGES 5-10)

The joy of creative thinking and self-expression are brought to life in this popular once-a-month class. Learn a little art history while creating drawing, painting, sculpture and mixed-media projects. Scheduled activities are offered in conjunction with the current professional exhibit on display in the Art House Gallery. Children will take a gallery tour before each class for inspiration, then have fun as they become little artists. Sign up for any or all dates. A materials fee of \$3 per date is payable to instructor. This class is offered from 10:30 a.m.-noon on Sept. 12 (recreate Ansel Adams landscapes); Oct. 10 (mixed media/collage); Nov. 14 (crafts/gifts/holiday decorations); Dec. 12 (more holiday fun). Cost is \$14 for members, \$17 for nonmembers per class.

BEGINNING/INTERMEDIATE

This class for adults will teach

the fundamentals of watercolor painting. Paints, brushes, paper and all painting aids will be introduced. A strong emphasis on techniques and color theory will be covered. Daily classroom demonstrations will be included. A supply list will be provided at the first class. This class meets from 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays from Sept. 22-Oct. 27 and Nov. 3-17. Cost for the first class (six weeks) is \$108 for members, \$117 for nonmembers; for the second class (three weeks) the cost is \$54 for members and \$63 for nonmembers.

CONTINUING WATERCOLOR

This class for adults is designed to help artists improve their color sense, values and composition in watercolor. The instructor will focus on techniques, color theory and marks on paper through classroom demonstrations. Exciting setups will be provided, and a supply list will be provided in the first class.

This class meets from 10 a.m.-noon on Tuesdays from Sept. 22-Oct. 27 or from Nov. 3-17. The cost of the first class (six weeks) is \$108 for members and \$117 for nonmembers; cost for the second class (three weeks) is \$54 for members and \$63 for nonmembers.

BEGINNING/INTERMEDIATE DRAWING CLASS

This class for adults will teach

shapes and interpret form. Values and perspective will also be a big part in this learning-to-draw class. A supply list will be provided at the first class. This six-week class meets from 10 a.m.-noon on Wednesdays from Sept. 23-Oct. 28. Cost is \$108 for members and \$117 for nonmembers.

CONTINUING DRAWING CLASS

This is a great class for those who love to draw. It will review the basics of good drawing and introduce many techniques and materials. Values, perspective and marks on paper will be covered; the fun part will be learning to incorporate them with pencil, charcoal, conte, pastel, colored pencil plus pen and ink. A supply list will be provided at the first class. This six-week class meets from 1-3 p.m. on Wednesdays from Sept. 23-Oct. 28. Cost is \$108 for members and \$117 for nonmembers.

BEGINNING WATER-SOLUBLE OIL PAINTING

This class will teach the fundamentals of oil painting with water-soluble oils. Paints, brushes, mediums and painting surfaces will be introduced. A strong emphasis on color theory and painting with a restricted palette will be covered. Daily classroom demonstrations will be included. A supply will be provided on the first class. This class meets from 1-3 p.m. on Thursdays from Sept. 24-Oct. 29 or from Nov. 5-19. Cost for the first class (six weeks) is \$108 for members and \$117 for nonmembers. Cost for the second class (three weeks) is \$54 for members and \$63 for nonmembers.

CONTINUING WATER-SOLUBLE OIL PAINTING

Create a painting with the look of traditional oils while enjoying the easy cleanup with no toxic solvents. Learn how to block in color and keep your colors clean as you learn various techniques in oil painting. Classroom demonstrations and exciting setups will be included. A supply list will be provided at the first class. This class meets from 10 a.m.-noon on Thursdays, Sept. 24-Oct. 29 and from Nov. 5-19. Cost of the first class (six weeks) is \$108 for members and \$117 for nonmembers. Cost of the second class (three

weeks) is \$54 for members and \$63 for nonmembers.

OPEN STUDIO - ALL MEDIUMS

This open studio offers a great opportunity to meet other artists, have group discussions and learn about different mediums. Students may choose to develop paintings/drawings already in progress or start something new. An instructor will be present to provide individual attention when needed along with teaching about different mediums and their techniques. Occasional classroom demonstrations will be included. This class is open to the medium of the artist's choice for drawing and/or painting (please, only water-soluble paints; i.e., watercolor, acrylic, water-soluble oils). Artists may choose to work from still lifes that will be provided and/or photographs they bring. Although this is not a class for the rank beginner, extensive drawing and painting knowledge is not needed. Students are to provide their own supplies. A limited number of easels are available. This class meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursdays from Sept. 24-Oct. 29. Cost is \$108 for members and \$117 for nonmembers.

PAINTING & DRAWING DROP-IN OPEN STUDIO - STILL LIFE

Join the Art House Artists for camaraderie and encouragement while pursuing personal artistic goals. This open drawing and painting studio is for the beginning or the accomplished artist who work in any two-dimensional media. No instruction is provided, but fellowship is encouraged. For those who wish, still-life setups will be provided. A small number of easels may be available. Preregistration by phone (248-344-0497) is suggested by the day before, but drop-ins are welcome as space permits. Artists are encouraged to bring a snack or sack lunch. This class meets from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. the second Thursday of each month from Sept. 10-May 13. Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers.

BECOME A MEMBER

Annual Art House membership provides discounts on classes, monthly updates through its news-

MEET THE INSTRUCTORS

Dawn Johnson graduated with degrees in fine art and commercial art. She loves sharing her passion for painting through teaching. She especially enjoys wildlife and landscape painting and is looking forward to painting her new adopted dog. She likes working and experimenting with charcoal, pastel, colored pencil, watercolor, acrylic and oils. Johnson has exhibited extensively throughout the metropolitan area, has received several awards and has been featured as a guest artist for several wildlife groups. Her work can be found in collections of individuals and businesses in Michigan and Florida.

Julie Woodard received her master's degree in clinical psychology and turned to art as therapy. Over the last 17 years as her passion for art grew, she studied and read books on art, attended demonstrations and workshops, joined a watercolor guild and began teaching until she decided to make art her full-time career. She has been in several shows, sells her watercolor cards locally and has done a variety of commissioned works. She feels art can teach problem solving, improve self-esteem and be a wonderful stress-reliever. Her philosophy about teaching art is to always be positive, and she believes strongly in nurturing creative growth in all students.

Class size is limited. Register by calling (248) 344-0497 or go to www.northvillearts.org for a class registration form. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street in downtown Northville.

letter, an invitation to participate in the member-only exhibition and discounts at the Art House Store. Annual memberships are \$25 for an individual, \$45 for a family, \$100 to become a Patron, and \$300 to become a Sponsor. pfleming@annett.com | (248) 349-1700, ext. 260



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Theatre presents Members' Choice Awards

■ Shakespeare parody selected as Best Show

The Tipping Point Theatre celebrated its 2008-09 Season on Aug. 30 with its first annual Members' Choice Awards ceremony.

The ceremony, in addition to honoring the season's actors, designers and directors, offered attendees a sneak peek into Tipping Point's 2009-10 Season through readings of scenes of the upcoming productions.

The theatre's Producing Artistic Director James Kuhl served as emcee for the evening. The ceremony was followed by an after-glow party in the theatre's lobby.

The winners in each category, as chosen by Tipping Point Theatre's members, were:

Best Designer: Charlie Gaidica, "The Dinner Party"

Best Director: Tony Caselli, "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)"

Best Actor: Dave Davies, "The Dinner Party"

Best Actress: Julia Glander, "The Dinner Party"

Best Show: "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)" Davies, who this season played Albert in "The Dinner Party," was born in Detroit and raised in Warren. He has traveled to such places as Flint and Hamtramck before landing



Nominee for Best Actor, Kevin T. Young, center, with Tipping Point Theatre Board President Chuck Gaidica and Board Member Susan Gaidica at the Tipping Point Theatre's first annual Members' Choice Awards on Aug. 30. Young starred in the season's performance named Best Show, "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)."

here at Northville's Tipping Point Theatre for the second time, having appeared last season as Robert in "Don't Dress for Dinner."

Davies has been a performer for more than 15 years with a primary focus on improv. He can still be seen improvising nearly every Monday night at Hamtramck's Planet Ant Theatre. He has also performed in such shows as "J Park: The Musical" and "An Evening with Roberto Gonzalez." Davies has also dabbled in the fields of directing, writing and stand-up comedy.

"The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)," which attempts to review 27 of Shakespeare's plays in one fast-paced comedic performance, starred Kevin T. Young, Aral Gribble and Keith Kalinowski.

The membership program at Tipping Point Theatre raises funds for the nonprofit theater, now in its third season. Funds raised allows the theater to continue to bring high-quality, professional theatre to the region at affordable ticket prices. The opportunity to vote for

and attend the Members' Choice Awards is just one of many benefits of donating to the program and becoming a member. For more information, go to www.tippingpointtheatre.com or call Jennifer Steger, marketing and development director, at (248) 347-0003.

The mission of Tipping Point Theatre is to foster human interactions and relations, creating a unifying, yet personal experience through affordable, professional theatre performances and community outreach.

Local University Women's Home Tour Sept. 19

■ Proceeds benefit group's causes

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Dianne McCulloch encourages area residents to reserve Sept. 19 to tour four local homes at the annual American Association of University Women Northville-Nov's Northville Home Tour.

McCulloch, chairperson of the home tour, said proceeds from the event from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (rain or shine) go toward the group's many worthy causes.

Tickets are \$15 in advance at Gardenviews of Northville, the Northville Chamber of Commerce, Starring "The Gallery" or Pear-aphernalia or \$20 the day of the tour. Tourgoers must be at least age 10.

This year's Northville Home Tour will feature homes built in different periods that offer an opportunity to view life in this area from different perspectives.

The homes include a historic Greek Revival built about 175 years ago; a 1929 home that may be a Sear's Roebuck Kit Home; a Victorian-inspired home built in 2000 with its collection of antiques; and a more modern home in Northville Township, with its eclectic collection of art works that the owners have gathered in their travels. In September 1995 the local branch of the AAUW sponsored its first home tour. AAUW members as well as others in the community serve as hostesses for the homes. This year's tour was scheduled to coincide with the Victorian Festival, and the tour has been a sell-out event each year.

"We drive around Northville, get suggestions from people," McCulloch said. "We try to find unusual homes — those that are a little different."

Addresses for the homes are listed in the Victorian Festival guide.

WHERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS

Advance tickets for the Northville Home Tour are \$15 and are available at Gardenviews of Northville, the Northville Chamber of Commerce, Starring "The Gallery" or Pear-aphernalia. Tickets are \$20 the day of the tour.

Community College and the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College.

The group has also increased its donations to AAUW's Educational Foundation, the Legal Advocacy Fund and the Virginia Gildersleeve International Foundation. Proceeds also support the Amerman Elementary School Gender Equity Project.

PROMOTING EQUALITY

The Northville-Nov's branch of the AAUW, which now boasts about 85 women, welcomes new members. "Our goal is to grow to 100 members this year," McCulloch said.

The only requirement to join is to have a two-year college degree or currently be attending college. Annual dues are \$69 for regular members or \$24 for student members.

The group's philosophy is "promoting equality for all women and girls, lifelong education and positive social change."

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is a national organization with about 100,000 members in more than 1,500 branches who promote education and equity for all women. The Northville-Nov's Branch was established in 1975. Membership in the Northville-Nov's Branch of AAUW offers women networking opportunities with women of many different interests, the chance to work on community action projects, learn leadership skills, join interest groups and make new friends.

McCulloch, a tax accountant, joined the organization about a year ago. She had known about it for a long time, attended one of their events and decided that she wanted to join. The group meets monthly.

"We have a wide variety of women with many different ages and occupations," McCulloch said. The organization also has several special interest groups, such as the Lunch Bunch Group, a Movie Group and Great Decisions Group.

For more membership information, call Harriet Sawyer at (734) 420-3270 or e-mail her at sawyerh@wowway.com.

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THE APPLIANCE DOCTOR

The Greek Revival home will feature a special guest — Joe Gagnon, "the Appliance Doctor," who has a radio show on WAAM 1600 AM and WDTK 1400 AM stations. Bring some cash foraffle tickets, as there will also be some gift baskets at one of the houses on the tour.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Proceeds from the tour go to establish scholarship endowment funds for the Women's Center at Oakland

COMMITTEE

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REIS-Northville, who put up \$2 million for the matching portion of the grant, would receive about \$6 million if the grant is approved.

Township officials won't know for several months if the grant is going to be awarded.

EQUALLY IMPORTANT TIME

Banner said that the discussions that the new committee members will have to be extremely important to the future of Northville Township. "As important as the election was, this phase is equally, if not more, important as it will determine the future of the eastern edge of the township and really the whole township," Banner said. "It's going to be very important that we get it right, and we intend to do that. We will certainly do our best."

She said she is excited about bringing the community together on the project.

"We will reach out and touch other groups in the process," Banner said, even if they are not part of the committee. "If they have something to offer, such as ideas or information, we will be open to that. They'll have our ear and our attention."

Banner said the group plans to meet before the developer and the township closes on the property.

"We'll be putting our heads together in the next couple of weeks to get things started," Banner said. "We're not going to drag our feet on this. We're anxious to get going on it."

Those who may be interested in possibly joining the committee can contact Abbo at mabbo@twp.northville.mi.us or Banner at mbanner@twp.northville.mi.us.

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SHIRLEY M. ADAMS

Age 83, wife of Donald E. Adams, deceased, died September 1, 2009 with family and friends by her side. Surviving are two daughters, Janet Zabawski of Hartland, MI and Gail Wehby of Wheaton, IL, three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. A private memorial service will be celebrated in Illinois at later date.

GISELA G. BERRY

Of Novi was born in Konigsburg, Germany on April 5, 1925 to Aloise and Gertrude Otto and died September 3, 2009 at her daughter's home in Milford at the age of 84. She is the beloved wife of Henry Berry. Loving mother of Isabella (Thomas) Rowell and Baris Arakelian. Grandmother of Baris Carl Arakelian, Kristen Rowell and Thomas Rowell II. Great grandmother of Haley Whitmore. Sister of Eva Scrauch. Mrs. Berry was a longtime member of the Walled Lake United Methodist Church and enjoyed bowling and crossword puzzles. She will be missed by her loving family and dear friends. Funeral was held from the Walled Lake United Methodist Church, Tuesday 11 AM. Interment was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi. Visitation was at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Walled Lake, Monday 3-9 PM. Memorials to the Walled Lake United Methodist Church appreciated.

NORMAN C. COLLINS

Age 71 of Northville passed away peacefully Aug. 27, 2009. Funeral was held last Monday at Elton Black & Sons. Mr. Collins was laid to rest at Highland Cemetery.

ELLEN H. HUNTER

Aug. 31, 2009, age 63. Innumeral contributions to the American Cancer Society. Condolences at obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

CECIL HEWISON

In loving memory of our beloved Cecil Hewison who passed away at his home at South Lyon on August 25th, 2009. Born in Detroit, Michigan on October 20, 1927, he graduated Mackenzie High School, in Detroit, in 1946 and entered the U.S. Army that same year. He served his country towards the end of WWII as Corporal and received the Service and Victory Medals. He was employed by Ford Motor Company as a Tool and Die Maker for 35 years. He had a life long love of planes and went flying every chance he could. He had a gentle spirit and a tremendous amount of inner strength and courage that aided all who knew him. He was preceded in death by his father Cecil and mother Phoebe from England and by his two brothers Frank and John "Richard". He is survived by his loving wife Joan Hewison of 49 years, his son Christopher Hewison (Mary Beth), son Robert Hewison, daughter Carol Smithson (James), grandsons Robert Jr., Graham, Connor and granddaughter Natalie, his sister-in-law Barbara Hewison and nieces Cheryl Hewison and Beth Meade (Jason). To all of our dear family, friends and neighbors, thank you for your many years of loving support and prayers. A private family gathering has been arranged. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com



MAX BUTLER JOHNSON

Passed away Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at his home. He was born August 31, 1925 in Cedarville, Michigan a son of Edwin & Adda (Butler) Johnson. On September 10, 1955 he was married to Helen Rohrbough in Detroit, Michigan moving to Belleville from Highland in 1987. Mrs. Johnson preceded him in death on June 22, 2003. Mr. Johnson proudly served his country in the U.S. Marine Corp as a field cook on board a naval ship during WWII. Mr. Johnson was a member of the Allen Park Masonic Lodge. He serviced on the Van Buren Township Public Safety Committee for 24 years. Mr. Johnson loved his horses and his dogs. He was truly a family man, devoted to his son, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Johnson is survived by his loving son, Mark (Tammy) Johnson. Dear grandfather of Edwin J. Johnson and Sunday Johnson. Fond great grandfather of Tariq, Angelina and Giovanni. He also leaves behind his extended family of the U.S. Marine Corp and the Public Safety Officers of Van Buren Township. Preceded in death by his brother Dale Johnson. Visitation was held on Fri., Sept., 4, 2009 from 2-8 P.M. at the Higginson & Neal Funeral Home, 209 Main St., Belleville (734-697-9400). Funeral services were held on Sat., Sept. 5, 2009 at 11:00 A.M. at the funeral home. The family has suggested memorial contributions to either the U.S. Marine Corp Toys for Tots or the Michigan Humane Society. www.hnfhome.com



MARGARET E. KINSLER

Age 74, passed away August 30, 2009. She was born on December 11, 1934, in Detroit, to the late George and Jean (Patterson) Francis. Margaret is survived by her loving children: Cynthia (Ralph) Petty of Novi, Linda (Mark) Lucas of Basingstoke, England, Mark (Sue) Kinsler of Grand Rapids; seven grandchildren: Rafe, Andrea, Julia, Sarah, Alison, Matthew, and William. She was preceded in death by her husband Gilbert Kinsler in 2003. A Funeral Mass was held on September 2, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

BILL C. WOLFE

Sept. 5, 2009, Age 82. Funeral Srv held Sept. 9. Memorial contributions may be made to: Detroit Firemen's Fund, 250 W. Larned, Detroit, 48226 or Wounded Warrior Project, 7020 AC Skinner Pkwy, Ste 100, Jacksonville, FL 32256 Condolences: obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

NORMAN E. ZEUNER

94, of Venice, FL, formerly of Detroit passed away Wednesday, August 26, 2009. Mr. Zeuner served his country during WW II in the U.S. Army. He is survived by brothers-in-law Donald Charlick of Highland, Kenneth Charlick of Highland, Gerald Charlick of Milford, Gary Charlick of Howell, & Dale Charlick of Fenton, sister-in-law Lorraine McDaniel of Sun City Center, FL, and numerous nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be private, with inurnment in Bushnell National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL. Arrangements under the direction of Lemon Bay Funeral Home, 1935 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice, FL 34293, 941-493-4900.

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NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORT

Larceny from auto

1 A 70-year-old resident of Old Bedford Road reported that someone had entered his unlocked vehicle and taken his GPS unit between 9 p.m. Aug. 19 and 8 a.m. Aug. 20. The Magellan unit was valued at \$150.

The vehicle was parked in his driveway.

Attempted theft

2 A 28-year-old Northville Township woman reported an attempted larceny from auto at 8:09 p.m. Aug. 25 at 42265 Seven Mile Road.

A policeman stopped when he saw two people standing

and looking at the driver's side rear window of a vehicle that was broken.

The woman, who lives on Corlina Drive, had been parking in the parking lot of an antique mall on Seven Mile Road for the last week and half because there was not enough parking available on Corlina.

Nothing was stolen from the vehicle, because she had no personal items in the car since she is selling it.

License violation

3 A 29-year-old Farmington Hills woman received a citation for violating a restricted driver's license at 2:44 a.m. on Aug. 27 at the Meijer store

parking lot at 20401 Haggerty Road.

The woman was pulled over when she ran a red light from westbound Eight Mile Road onto southbound Haggerty Road, causing northbound Haggerty Road traffic to wait.

iPod stolen from car

4 A 50-year-old resident of Windridge Drive (19531) reported a larceny from auto at 9:30 p.m. on Aug. 27.

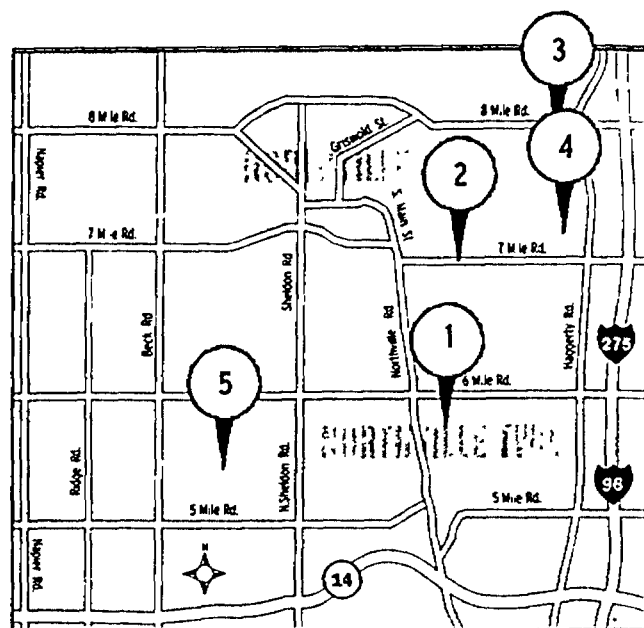
Someone had broken the front passenger door window from her vehicle and stole an iPod. The vehicle was parked in her driveway. The iPod was valued at \$200.

False alarm on theft

5 A 39-year-old woman who lives on Crystal Downs reported that someone had stolen her purse from her vehicle between 6 p.m. Aug. 27 and noon on Aug. 28. Stolen items included a Coach purse, which contained about \$40 in cash and two credit cards.

However, the woman later told police that the manager of Northville Hills Golf Club had contacted her to tell her that one of his employees had recovered the woman's belongings that had been left in a golf cart at the course at 15565 Bay Hill Drive.

Compiled by staff writer Pam Fleming



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Novi

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10:30 a.m. - Morning Service
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EDUCATION



COURTESY PHOTO

Amerman staff members (l to r) Mr. Babich, Mrs. Thomas, Dr. Anderson, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Lightfoot put in the base to the new greenhouse to prepare for the Amerman Dads Club to complete on Sept. 12.

Amerman Elementary School greenhouse needs volunteers

■ Assembly begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday

BY NATHAN MEMOIAN
SPECIAL WRITER

Amerman Elementary has purchased a greenhouse kit with grant money from The Mother's Club of Northville and the PTA. Now they need help putting it together.

Principal Steve Anderson is asking parents and students, willing to volunteer a couple hours of their time, to meet at the school at 9 a.m. on Saturday, weather permitting. The school is located at 847 North Center Street.

Anderson believes this is a chance to work on a construction project with your child and get them connected to the school. "I think this is a great opportunity to raise your student's self-esteem if they can point to the greenhouse and say to their friends, 'I built that.'"

He added that the greenhouse will be a great asset to the students, and that they'll soon be able to put what they learn in the classroom into practice.

Several grades will be using the greenhouse. "We'll be looking at which classes have a focus on plants. Our kindergarten classes study the rain forest, so we'll take a look at possibly growing some rain forest plants for them to study," Anderson said.

Volunteers should bring a pair of work gloves with them to the site. The rectangular-shaped greenhouse measures approximately 9' wide x 17' long x 7' high.

Last week Anderson, along with teachers and other volunteers, spent time anchoring the base of the green-

FUNDING

Amerman's greenhouse kit was purchased from Home Depot for \$2,500. A grant of \$2,000 was received from The Mother's of Northville. The Northville PTA also put in \$500 towards the greenhouse.

house to the cement footings and slab. The cement work was poured and donated earlier this summer by the J.S. Vig Construction Company, in Taylor.

Owner Joseph Vig, a Northville Township resident said, "I heard about the principal's desire to build the green house, through the Dad's Club. I have a child in the fourth grade there. His class is very active in green building activities, which is a real focus of the school. We were glad to help them out."

In addition to running his construction company, Vig recently launched Project Green, based in Ann Arbor. It's a building program designed to expand the company's sustainable construction practice area and educate property owners, developers and the general public on the benefits and costs associated with green building.

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Grants are approved if they meet the club's rigorous standards of improving class

curriculum. The application deadline is early February of each school year.

Ann McCutcheon, chairperson of the enrichment committee for the Mother's Club of Northville said they received Anderson's application last year.

"We solicit grant applications from Northville schools for things they're doing to support curriculum," she said. "Anderson's application was one of the ones that had a new and innovative approach to improving classroom curriculum."

The greenhouse kit will be constructed in the school's courtyard, and includes PVC plastic materials, glass panels, a doorframe and door. Anderson is hopeful they will receive additional grant money to install lights, a heat source, and a drip irrigation system.

In applying for the \$2,000 grant, Anderson listed several of the school's efforts to maintain an energy efficient and green-based program at the school:

The school recycles paper; reuses magazines and newspaper for other projects; has an energy savings program in the school; has solar power presentations or experiments including a solar cookout; sets a goal of 5% less energy usage in the school; has a printer cartridge-recycling; recycles batteries; recycles cellular telephones and receives money for the telephones from recycling companies that work with schools.

Nathan Memoian is a freelance writer living in Milford.

NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

Robostangs recruiting

The Northville High School Robostangs (FRC Team 548) would like to graciously invite you to our first ever Great Lakes Team Recruitment Day (GLTRD).

GLTRD will be held at Northville High School (45700 Six Mile Road) on Saturday, Sept. 12 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

The purpose of this event is to educate the community about FIRST Robotics and to encourage Michigan high schools to start teams of their own. FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) is an organization devoted to inspiring and educating young people to pursue careers in the engineering and technology fields.

High school students participate in FRC (FIRST Robotics Competition). FRC is made up of over 1,500 teams worldwide, reaching nearly 38,000 students. Each team is allowed a period of six weeks to design and build their robot from the time each year's new game is announced.

Students will work alongside teachers and mentors with technical expertise to create a machine to complete the specified task. Come any time to see FRC robots playing the 2009 game "Lunacy" on a full competition field. Robotics team members and mentors will be present to answer any questions.

Following our build season, each team will bring their creation to competitions to play matches against other high school teams. If teams score high enough, they may be invited to compete in the FIRST National Championships in Atlanta, Georgia with the best teams from around the world.

Transportation program update

As a result of input from the Northville Public School community, the following are revisions to the 2009-10 Transportation Program.

* Arcadia Ridge students will receive temporary transportation service to Ridge Wood Elementary School until the sidewalk section on the south side of Six Mile has been constructed. (Expected completion is during the first week of school.)

* Stonewater students will receive temporary transportation service to Ridge Wood Elementary School until the sidewalk connections from the east/west sidewalk on the south side of Six Mile to the east/west sidewalk on the north side of Six Mile are completed. (Expected completion is during the first week of school.)

* Beckenham students will receive temporary transportation service to Thornton Creek Elementary School until the traffic study has been completed. (Expected completion is Sept. 30.)

* All of Dunbarton Pines students will receive transportation service to Hillside Middle School.

* Clement/Woodhill/Main Street/Bloomcrest, gravel areas, etc. students will receive transportation service to Hillside Middle School and Moraine Elementary School as last year.

Bus stop locations and the stop times will be communicated to you via listserv on Friday or Saturday.

Senior All Night Party planning meeting

Parents, at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 21 in the Northville High School Forum, learn about the Senior All Night Party theme, choose volunteer activities, and purchase tickets and Mustang figures for your seniors.

If you have any questions, visit NHS2010.com or contact Mary Zervos at greekclan@sbcglobal.net. For SANP 2010 forms, visit www.nhs2010.com, click on SANP Info, then Information Packet, or visit www.northville.k12.mi.us/nhs, click on Seniors, then Senior All Night Party Packet.

The senior all-night party will take place on Sunday, June 6 from 9 p.m.-3 a.m.

The dates to purchase tickets for the Senior

All-Night Party are as follows:

- * Senior Parent Night, Sept. 10, 7-8 p.m.
- * Open House, September 16th, 6-8 p.m.
- * SANP parent planning meeting, Sept. 21, 7 p.m. in the forum
- * Parent/Teacher conferences, Oct. 13, 3-6 p.m.
- * Parent/Teacher conferences, Oct. 15, 3-6 p.m.

Meads Mill

The Parents at Lunch (PAL) program at Meads Mill is in great need of volunteers. Please contact Dottie Garrity at PALVolunteer@aol.com if you can volunteer just once a month. PAL runs from 10:45 a.m.-12:25 p.m. It is a great opportunity to see what those middle school kids are up to while helping to monitor the hallways and recess areas.

Ridge Wood notes

The PTA's "First Week of School" committee has been an important link to that smooth transition for your child(ren) in the past, and we are once again in need of many volunteers to continue to make this a reality.

Please consider donating 30-45 minutes of your morning to ensure that all Ridge Wood students get to their classrooms safely. All volunteers gather at Ridge Wood at approximately 8:30 a.m. and are typically done by 9. Volunteers are only needed for the first three days of school. So whether you can commit to one day or all three days, we need your help and look forward to hearing from you!

For safety reasons, and to ensure that we have adequate help in place, all volunteers must be pre-registered with the committee. No walk-up volunteers will be allowed. If you are interested, please contact Mary Ann Ralph at bmnralf@aol.com or (248) 347-1969 (or)

Chantel Keppler at chanteljim@yahoo.com or (734) 335-7021.

Corral Club

The Northville Educational Foundation invites you to join the 2009-10 Corral Club. Donors who contribute \$175 or more to the Northville Educational Foundation will become members of the Corral Club that will benefit Northville Public Schools. Member benefits and include:

- Family NHS Athletic Sports Pass for the 09-10 school year (a \$100 value) for immediate family members.
- Reserved parking pass for all home 2009 varsity football games in the Corral Club parking area behind Cooke School (Thurs, Sept. 3, and Fridays - Sept. 18, Oct. 2 (Homecoming) and Oct. 23 (Seniors Night).
- Choir Concerts and Musical performances - purchase of tickets with reserved priority seating at performances for the NHS Winter and Spring Choir Concerts and the NHS Spring Musical. Selected performances will also include Corral Club Member Receptions.
- Completed applications mailed with checks by Aug. 15 will be processed before the first home football game. Applications that are received after August 15 will be processed as soon as possible. Families who have already purchased 09-10 NHS Athletic Sports Passes may join the Corral Club for a donation of \$85 or more.

Complete the Corral Club Membership application form and send with your check donating \$175 or more payable to the Northville Educational Foundation and mail to the Northville Educational Foundation, c/o Northville Public Schools, 501 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167 - Attn: Jan Purtell. Memberships will be assigned in the order qualifying donations are received.

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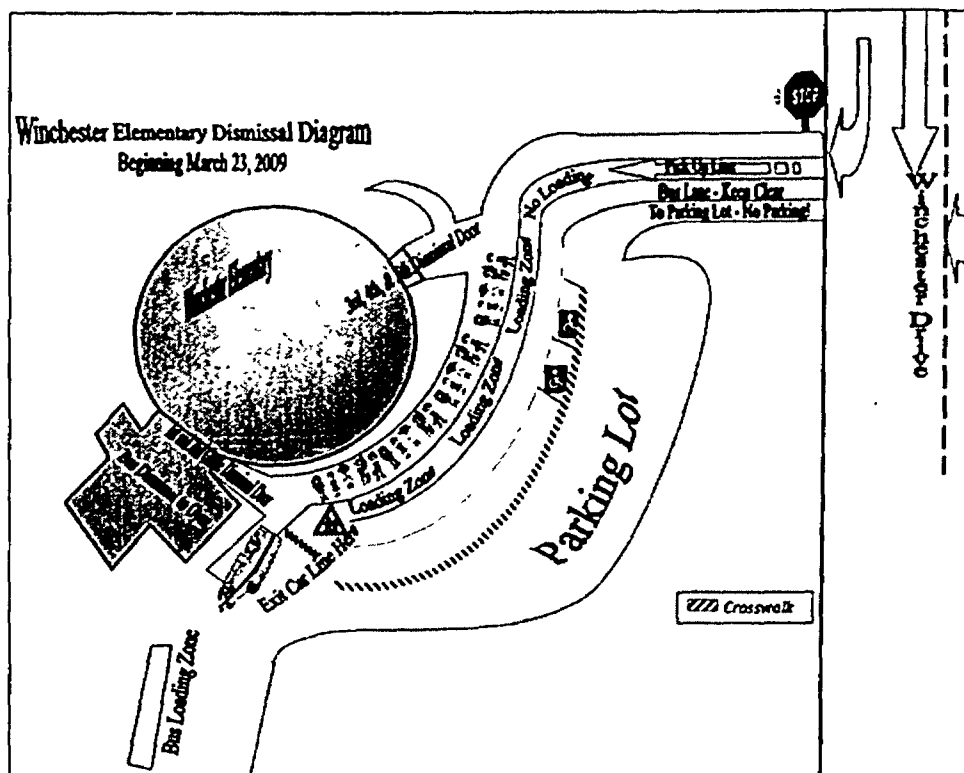
Northville High sideline cheer gets the crowd into last Thursday night's game.

NORTHVILLE STUDENTS ON CAMPUS

Madonna University

Named to the Dean's List in recognition for superior academic achievement during the spring/summer 2009 term were the following Northville residents: Becki A. Azeez, Cheryl Nicole Barker, Kathleen E. Beger, Kristin Lynn Buddenborg, Lauren Ann Duggan, Jaclyn Louise Hoekstra, Casimir Huyck,

Catherine Kasperek, Thomas Llewellyn, Christina Lynn Luch, Gustavo Luis dos Santos Martin, Jonathan Paul Mix, Teresa McKenna Mochty, Donald Cody Pickren, Danielle Bronwen Rogers, Rebecca Sakowski, Cassandra L. Schmitt, Christie Elizabeth Teliin, Brittnay Nicole Webster and Samantha Brianne Wood.



Parents, note traffic flow pattern at Winchester

Welcome back to school! I hope everyone had a great summer, and I know that you are all excited meeting your teachers, making new friends, and all the fun of going back to school.

As the school year opens, we just wanted to remind everyone and inform all the new families of the traffic flow pattern at Winchester Elementary. This traffic pattern helps keep our students safe. Please review the diagram that will allow you to visualize the flow.

Please remember, parents, that traffic will back up onto Winchester in only the southbound lane. (Northville police advised that cars will not be allowed to wait for a left turn off the northbound lane.) Cars that backup onto southbound Winchester must wait tight to the curb and stay at least 1 1/2 car lengths back from the stop sign to allow passing traffic to see the stop sign.

Students are only allowed

to load on the curb that runs in front of the school in the far right lane. Parents who choose to park in the lot must only use marked spaces and must use the crosswalk to meet their children and walk them back across the crosswalk. (Parents and students cutting between traffic is not allowed and is extremely dangerous given the curved shape of the drive and the three lanes of traffic. You wouldn't want your kids crossing a three lane street in a traffic jam, so let's keep them safe by not allowing it in the school parking lot, either.)

If you are in the pickup line in the parking lot or waiting on Winchester, DO NOT leave your vehicle or go around cars that are loading. Please DO use the same courtesy that you hope others will give you, pull as far forward as possible to allow a maximum amount of cars loading (makes it quicker for everyone), and please, please, please

be patient. Last year, on the rainiest days, it took less than 10 minutes to clear the parking lot after the final bell rang. We didn't get any practice in the snow last year, but I bet if we all stick to the plan, rain, snow or shine, we'll all be on our way home by 4 p.m.

If you are available from 8:30-8:50 a.m. or 3:30-4 p.m. to volunteer in the parking lot any day or days for the first four weeks of school, please contact me at nadiah1217@hotmail.com to let me know when you could volunteer. Last year, we had a parent volunteer to watch the volunteer's children on the playground or in the gym on wet days, so parents in the parking lot could feel comfortable being outside. I'm sure we will be able to do that again this year. I look forward to hearing from you and meeting some new people.

Thank you,

Nadia Hamade

Parent, Winchester Elementary



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50 YEARS

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EXPANSION

Now a 304-bed facility, St. Mary Mercy has undergone several major expansions in facilities — most recently the Our Lady of Hope Cancer Center, Heart and Vascular Center, Inpatient Rehab Center — and programs — medical/surgical, intensive/cardiologic (Primary Emergency Angioplasty), oncology/radiation, birthing services, women's health, diagnostic services (Open Bore Magnetic Resonance Imaging, 64-slice CT Scanning, Photon Emission Tomography-PET), physical medicine and rehabilitation, behavioral medicine, 24-hour emergency care, wound care, sleep center, child care, community health education — since it opened in 1959.

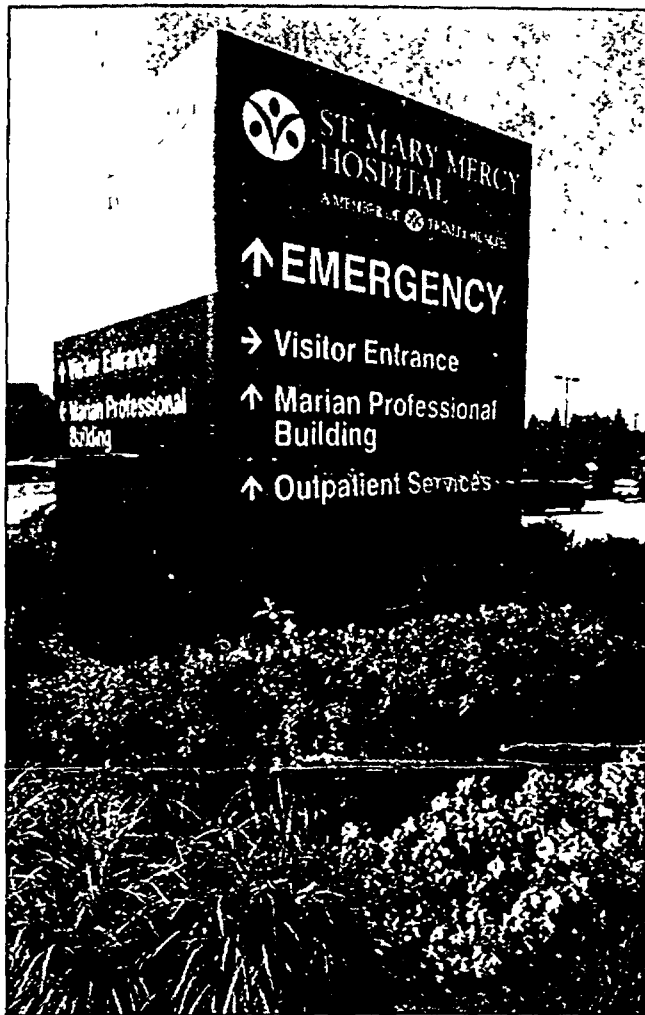
Robotic intervention, for stroke, is also available through the Michigan Stroke Network, which allows 24-hour daily access to neuroendovascular technology "that can mean the difference between life and death for our stroke victims," said Jodi Galdes, MD, Emergency Medicine.

RECOGNITION

The hospital has been honored for clinical quality and patient safety throughout the last decade including the 2004 National Quality Award (Trinity Health), the 2005-2008 HealthGrades Distinguished Award for Clinical Excellence and Distinguished Award for Patient Safety and 100 Top Hospitals Award from Thomson Healthcare for large community hospitals for the last three years.

And change continues at the Livonia hospital. In July 2010, St. Mary, through an affiliation with the University of Toledo College of Medicine, will begin graduate medical education residency programs in Internal Medicine and Family Medicine Residency.

"We have grown as the community has grown and I think our service offerings have very much been in keeping with the Felician principle of responding to the needs of the time. That's been our objective for the last 50 years," said David Spivey, president and CEO of St. Mary Mercy, adding, "Beyond being



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will soon celebrate 50 years in Livonia.



Spivey

a health-care provider we are a significant employer, one of the largest employers in Livonia with 1,700 full and part-time people.

"We sponsor a variety of involvements with community organizations and we try where we can to utilize local businesses and vendors," Spivey said.

As part of the Saint Joseph System, St. Mary Mercy taps into services and programs regionally as well as nationally with its affiliation with Trinity Health, the third-largest Catholic Health System in the United States.

The Saint Joseph system, which spans five counties in southeastern Michigan, includes seven hospitals, five outpatient health centers, five urgent care facilities and more than 25

specialty centers. The regional system includes a team of nearly 13,000 nurses and staff, and 2,400 physicians.

About 75 percent of St. Mary Mercy patients live in Livonia, Plymouth, Northville, Farmington Hills, Redford, Westland, Wayne and Garden City, as well as a portion of Farmington.

The hospital is an integral part of Livonia and other western Wayne County communities.

"I think Livonia would not be the Livonia it is today if St. Mary hadn't developed into the hospital that it is," according to Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey. "It has always remained a very pliable, up-to-date, cutting-edge facility — not only to citizens, but people passing through."

"They have not just been there to provide the medical aspect, but also work with the community on other important things," Kirksey added.

SENSE OF HISTORY

Looking back at decision made years ago, Sister Mary Renetta Rumpz, CSSF provincial minister of the Felician Sisters, Livonia, former St. Mary Hospital president and member of the current board of trustees of Saint Joseph Mercy Healthcare System, said: "I am proud that our foundress" (Blessed Mary Angela Truszkowska Foundress of the

EVENTS

Sunday, Sept. 13

• 5K Run/Walk for Cancer Begins at 9 a.m. on St. Mary Mercy hospital grounds, (Five Mile and Levan Roads). The event for cancer awareness is 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. Proceeds go to St. Mary Mercy's Cancer Services. For information or to register, call (734) 655-8670, go to stmarymercy.org or Active.com.

• Community Open House, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," the open house will immediately follow the 5K, offering fun, music, games, food, health information and screenings, and a variety of activities for everyone. All activities are free.

Friday, Oct. 9

• Black-Tie gala Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. Event begins with hors d'oeuvres and a cocktail reception at 6:30 p.m., followed by a gourmet dinner, dancing, and musical entertainment by Simone Vitale Band. Tickets are \$100 per person. Proceeds benefit Clinical Research for the Graduate Medical Education program. Corporate and individual sponsorship opportunities available. Call St. Mary Mercy Hospital Foundation, (734) 655-2980.

Felician Sisters) charism has been shared by the entire hospital team in a spirit of caring, reaching out to the community, maintaining high standards and providing quality care all in the goal of restoring good health."

"As a Felician Sister, I have been privileged for 32 years in administration to be part of the team that preserved the mission and values in the ministry of Catholic health care."

Sister Mary Modesta Piwowar, CSSF, coordinator of the supportive care program and a former president of St. Mary Hospital, has worked at the hospital since it opened in 1959. "Whether in the laboratory or administration, I have had the opportunity to listen and respond to the needs of God's people. I just wanted to be the hands and feet of Jesus to serve His people willingly and joyfully," she added.

For more on the hospital, services, facilities and a listing of community health programs, see www.stmarymercy.org.

HEART

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the statistics and that one in three adults who have heart attacks don't survive it. I was pretty scared. One blockage was 98 percent blocked and the other was 90 percent."

The father of three boys, 11, 13 and 15, says there wasn't any permanent damage to his heart, because he had such quick care.

"I know it's a smaller hospital, but I think that's to their benefit," says Favero, whose wife, Holly, is a nurse practitioner at St. Mary Mercy.

"I pretty much saw all the same people and I was there for three days," he says. "I've had surgeries at other hospitals and sometimes you don't see the same person twice."

PPCI PROCEDURE

St. Mary Mercy is the third community hospital in Michigan to be approved for the emergency angioplasty, also called, Primary Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PPCI) procedures since Michigan granted non-open heart surgery facilities the ability to perform emergency angioplasty in 2003.

It has emerged as the preferred treatment for heart attack because clinical evidence has shown that it results in a reduction in the overall death rate.

Individual survival rates also increase when PPCI is performed within 90 minutes of the onset of a heart attack, according to medical experts.

"Many studies have demon-

strated the superiority of PPCI over medication therapy for treatment of blocked arteries," said Freida Craig, director, Cardiovascular Services, St. Mary Mercy.

The hospital has met required standards and stringent criteria recommended by the American College of Cardiology (ACC), and adopted by the Michigan Department of Community Health to ensure the quality and safety of the program.

"Interventional cardiologists and the catheterization laboratory staff also must meet the experience and skill criteria outlined in the national standards," added Craig.

The non-open heart surgery hospital must have an agreement with an open-heart facility and a protocol to transfer a patient within 60 minutes, should emergency open-heart surgery be required. St. Joseph Mercy in Ann Arbor, also a member of Trinity Health Systems, is St. Mary Mercy's tertiary facility.

IN CHARGE

Dr. Chamon Sohal, director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at St. Mary Mercy, oversees the interventional program. Sohal is associated with Allen Park Cardiology, PC, and performs over 1,000 catheterization laboratory procedures per year.

"I had no symptoms before that night," Favero says.

In fact, two days after his heart attack, his 50-year-old brother, who lives in Chicago, also had a heart attack.

"They concluded it was probably hereditary," Favero said.

BIRTH

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Laurie.

"He just beat her," McGarrie says.

To commemorate the milestone, The Felician sisters, who operated the hospital, gave McGarrie and her husband, Tom, an Infant of Prague statue and Livonia city officials awarded her a \$25 U.S. Savings Bond.

While McGarrie was recuperating from the delivery, she says she remembers looking out the hospital window.

"It was surrounded by farmlands and way off in the distance I could see the beginning of construction for subdivisions," she says. "I often thought, 'What is this hospital doing way out here?' But, there was a need for it as the subdivisions

sprung up all around."

McGarrie, even five decades after the delivery, still seems amazed by the idea that all the rooms were brand new when she was a patient.

"I was the first person who was ever in the bed," she says.

McGarrie, who has three living children (one died shortly after birth less than a year before Laurie was born), says after she gave birth to Laurie she was most thankful she was healthy.

"And I was really happy to have a hospital nearby, especially in the winter," she says.

Laurie, who will celebrate her 50th birthday in December, and her husband, Shahrar Ariane live in California. They have a daughter, Sasha, age 6.

- by Diane Gale Andreassi

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There will be a PUBLIC HEARING on the budget for the fiscal year January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 at the Northville Township Civic Center, 44405 Six Mile Rd., Northville, MI 48168 at 7:30 p.m. September 17, 2009.

All interested residents are invited to attend. Comments and questions concerning the proposed budget will be heard at the public hearing.

A copy of the proposed budget will be available for public inspection at the Township Clerk's office beginning September 14, 2009 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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ACTION BEGINS AT 9:30 A.M. ON SEPT. 14,

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www.treasurer.waynecounty.com

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LOCAL OPINION

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

OUR VIEWS

St. Mary Mercy still focusing on mission after 50 years

One of northwest Wayne County's major institutions — St. Mary Mercy Hospital — is celebrating its 50th anniversary with events planned for this month and next.

We congratulate St. Mary Mercy on the service it has provided all these years to Livonia and neighboring communities, including Plymouth, Northville, Farmington Hills, Redford, Westland and Garden City, from where 75 percent of its patients come.

St. Mary Mercy was built in 1959 on Five Mile Road between Newburgh and Levan when the area was mostly farmland. It opened with 170 beds, 99 physicians and 300 employees.

From those humble beginnings, the hospital has nearly doubled in size to 304 beds. Renamed St. Mary Mercy Hospital in 2000, today it operates a cancer center, heart and vascular center and inpatient rehabilitation center. Its services include surgery, emergency angioplasty, oncology/radiation, birthing, women's health, behavioral medicine, 24-hour emergency care and community health education.

It employs 1,700 full- and part-time people.

It has been honored for clinical quality and patient safety throughout the last decade and was named one of the top 100 large community hospitals by Thomson Healthcare for the past three years.

As part of a larger system now — Saint Joseph Mercy Health — St. Mary Mercy is stronger, poised for the challenges of the years to come and able to make an even bigger difference in health care, not only for the immediate area, but beyond.

St. Mary Mercy is able to tap into national programs with its affiliation with Trinity Health, the third-largest Catholic Health System in the United States.

In July 2010, through an affiliation with the University of Toledo College of Medicine, it will begin graduate medical education residency programs in internal medicine and family medicine.

Despite its growth, St. Mary Mercy has held fast to its Catholic mission to "be the hands and feet of Jesus," as former president Sister Mary Modesta Piwowar put it, by reaching out to the community, maintaining high standards and providing quality care with the goal of restoring good health.

In addition to providing health care, the hospital has contributed to the communities it serves, sponsoring events and, when possible, buying supplies from local businesses.

Three events are planned — a 5K Run/Walk for Cancer and Community Open House on Sept. 13 and a black-tie gala on Oct. 9.

We encourage residents to attend the events and offer St. Mary Mercy their own congratulations for the difference it has made in their lives and in their communities.

Jane Smiley

Bill Mills

Angela McKnight

George Homanick

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you think the Detroit Tigers will make the playoffs this season?



"Yes, I do. So far, they're several games ahead right now, and it's September. So, there aren't that many games left to play."



"I think they'll make it to the playoffs, but I don't think they'll win. They've been doing real well. Good pitching. Bad hitting."



"Yes, because they're doing so well, and they've got a good team."



"Yes, I think they will. They've demonstrated in the past that they can put it all together, and I'm confident they're going to be able to do it this year."

LETTERS

Boutique's tradition continues

In her Sept. 3 letter to the editor titled "Triumph and tragedy," Joan M. Farrell expressed concern over the closing of the Women's Boutique at Schoolcraft College. She labels the closing a "tragedy" and asks the question, "Should we not be reaching out and extending a second hand rather than closing up shop completely?"

The fact is, Schoolcraft College is continuing this outreach, using an approach that upholds the Boutique's tradition of caring while offering the potential to serve even more people.

Over the years, many women have turned to Schoolcraft College to receive the education they need to begin a new career. For some of them, paying for school and taking care of their families meant that there was little money left over for purchasing that much-needed new outfit to wear to job interviews. The Boutique offered them quality used and donated clothing, as well as caring volunteers to help them with selection. The idea was to send the women into the job market looking great and knowing that the college cares about them.

The Boutique required a large time commitment among volunteers and staff to receive, sort and organize the cloth-

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ing, and it required women to come to the Radcliff Center at specified times. The new approach takes the College out of the business of managing an inventory of clothing but retains the most important benefits of the program: Access to free clothing and personal attention from caring volunteers. Under the new approach, \$50 Kohl's or other store gift cards are being purchased

with funds raised from Women's Giving Circles, our annual Spaghetti Dinner and other fundraisers. Criteria are being established for determining which students can benefit from the program. The \$50 amount was chosen because it is enough to purchase clothing suitable for the workplace. Volunteers also will be available to serve as professional shoppers.

The previous model served approximately 60 women per year during selected months when the Boutique could be staffed by volunteers. The new model will make the benefits of the Boutique accessible to both men and women year-round. Meanwhile, the clothing that had been in the Boutique inventory has been donated to Jackets for Jobs, Lighthouse and The Women's Center of Southeastern Michigan, charities that maintain active inventories of professional attire for individuals entering the job market.

We are proud to be able to retain the noble works of the Boutique in a manner that focuses on helping students in an efficient and effective manner.

Stacey Stover

Director of the Transitions Center, Schoolcraft College

How will our state leaders be judged?

It has been said that we will all be judged by how we treat the least among us.

Nowhere is that more true than what is transpiring in Lansing this month as the fate of the state budget is being negotiated between the governor and legislative leaders. How will the 2009-10 budget treat the least among us?

What should concern us all is that the budget is being negotiated out of the public view, behind closed doors. There have been limited, if any, public



Tom Watkins

hearings held by legislative committees to enable the public and those impacted by the expected state budget cuts to weigh in on how these cuts and or tax increases will

impact them. In fact, many legislators have complained they have been kept in the dark by their "leaders." The governor and legislative leaders have the legislative body cooling their heels, waiting for the white smoke to emerge from the governor's chambers. Are they attempting to run out the clock and spring nasty cuts and tax increases on the state at the 11th hour, to force the legislative body to accept what they are given with no input and not willing to run the risk of another government shutdown?

Budgets, be they personal or governmental, are statements of priorities. What is that old saying made famous by the first President Bush, "read my lips?" Well, as the news or rumors of budget deals leak out of the governor's and legislative chambers, we need to put an addendum on President Bushes utterance: "Don't just read their lips — watch their hips!" Don't just react to what the governor and legislative leaders "say" they are going to do — watch what they do!

What will the priorities of Michigan be when the smoke clears and the "winners and losers" are tallied? How will people with mental illness or developmental disabilities be treated; how will children who are abused, neglected or poor be treated?

Clearly, our elected leaders have a huge burden on their shoulders. They must constitutionally balance the Michigan budget that has been in free fall for the past eight years and imploded this year. It is estimated that the budget deficit they are attempting to fill is approaching \$3 billion.

Many depend on government to live up to the expectation of protecting and serving the least among us. People without economic resources, people with mental and developmental disabilities, and children are

scared and worried as the new state budget is taking shape. You see, they don't have the luxury of having powerful, multi-client lobbyists fighting on their behalf.

Bill Nowacki, a longtime advocate for persons with disabilities, told me people with mental illness and other disabilities are "overwhelmed by the report of massive budget cuts to come and the pain it will cause to real people's lives." He continued, "people have been living productive, dignified lives in the community with the help of medication, housing and support that is likely to be stripped away along with their livelihoods and dignity — it is frightening and sad."

During former Gov. William Milliken's tenure, Michigan took the lead in how it treated persons with developmental disabilities and began the process of closing large, dehumanizing state institutions that warehoused. Through the years, successive governors, Democrats and Republicans alike, continued to invest in community-based care for people with disabilities.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm has shown leadership in attempting to protect persons with disabilities from budget cuts during her tenure. Her job is getting exceedingly more difficult.

On Sept. 17, one such non-

profit organization, Community Living Services, will celebrate 25 years of supporting persons with disabilities living in our communities at Laurel Manor in Livonia. (Tickets are available by calling Tiffany Devon at (734) 722-7185 or check out their Web site <<http://www.comliveserv.com/>> www.comliveserv.com.) The people that work with and support persons with disabilities along with persons with disabilities themselves are frightened about the cuts they fear are coming. They are scared about losing their medications, housing or support staff that allow them to live with dignity in their home in their community.

The budget cuts of the last few years have been tough on the organizations serving and, more importantly, on people with disabilities.

As Community Living Services celebrates just how far we have come — let's hope the governor and legislature will not balance the budget on the backs of those with the least resources to fight back.

Remember, budgets are priority statements on what we truly value as a society.

Tom Watkins is an education and business consultant. He served as state superintendent of schools, 2001-05, state mental health deputy and director, 1983-90 and as an elected Wayne County charter commissioner, 1980-82. E-mail comments to: tdwatkins@aol.com. Read Watkins' China/change blog at: pod08.prospero.com/tomwatkins.

ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS

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

■ Good taste: Aubree's of Northville to open next month

Congratulations to Aubree's. Know they will do well as the food is great. Keep it coming and keep that friendly smile on your face. Good luck.

Josebellie

■ EDITORIAL: Without state health revamp, expect cuts at students' expense

Are you kidding? Attacking the health care coverage of public employees is not a solution to Michigan's financial problems! Adopting a sound tax structure, supporting core public services, and providing communities that are safe to raise families should be Michigan's first priority. This environment would bring businesses and families back to Michigan for the long term. The preliminary draft of this proposal by Speaker Dillon shows no discernible savings, especially when combining hundreds of thousands of workers and retirees into a single plan. The Michigan Legislature should get off their soap box, stop whipping public employees and ensure Michigan's future as a quality place to live, work, and raise a family!

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GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 or visit firstpres-nville.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 oakpointe.org
Worship Services
TIME: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday
ReNew Life Ministries
TIME/DATE: 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday
DETAILS: Ongoing Life Groups that support and facilitate personal growth, healing, learning and change from a Christian perspective.
CONTACT: For more information or to register call (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org.
Charmed Influence
TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday
DETAILS: Studying the book "Surviving a Spiritual Mismatch in Marriage".
CONTACT: Joy Ruby at joy@oakpointe.org or call the church.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST OF 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: Rev. Dr. Steve Buck
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. to 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 e-mail 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 umcnovi.com
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:45 a.m.
Healing Service and Holy Communion
TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month
Peace Vigil
TIME/DATE: Noon, first Sunday of every month
LOCATION: In front of the church
DETAILS: Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.
Advent Service
TIME/DATE: 9:45 a.m. Sunday
Randy and Marli in Concert
TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20
DETAILS: Join us for a musical program of light contemporary inspirational music performed by South Lyon based husband and wife duo who live in their motor home with their two children, Kennedie and Kadison.

As a family they travel the country calling home wherever they park and perform to glorify God.

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LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978
Sunday Worship
TIME: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Traditional: 9:30 and 11 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
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
From Grief to New Hope
TIME/DATE: 7-8:45 p.m. on eight consecutive Mondays, beginning Sept. 14
DETAILS: This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. Each session will begin with a presentation about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators. Attendees will be placed in groups with others who have had similar losses.
CONTACT: For registration information, call Barb at Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5943. For information about other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief

Support, call (248) 348-0115 or visit our website www.newhopecenter.net.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit holyfamily-novi.org
Mass Schedule
TIME/DATE: 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 dfcnazarene.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
Women of the Word
TIME/DATE: 9:25-11:15 a.m. beginning Sept. 15
DETAILS: The W.O.W. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study welcomes you to their study of the Book of Exodus. There is a \$15 registration fee, which includes interdenominational study materials. Childcare will be available in the morning for children through age 5.

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC

LOCATION: 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi

CONTACT: (248) 347-7778
Mass Schedule

TIME/DATE: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday
Mothers Group
Time/Date: 9:30-11 a.m.
Monthly, first and third Wednesday, September 16, 2009-May 19, 2010
LOCATION: St. James Parish Hall A
DETAILS: We provide mothers with fellowship, support and opportunities to grow their faith in order to nurture their children with confidence and Christian values. Through activities such as article discussion, crafts, and speakers, moms are given the opportunity to connect with other moms in support and friendship. Free childcare is available but children are also welcome to join their mothers during meetings.
CONTACT: Becky McKee (248) 305-5924 or Kris Endreszl (248) 946-4080

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 faithcommunity-novi.org
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

LOCATION: 201 Elm St., Northville
CONTACT: (248) 349-3140
Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. Blended; 11 a.m. Contemporary; 11:30 a.m. Traditional

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL

LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and Nine Mile roads
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Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
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Meetings

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education
DATE: Second and fourth Tuesday of the month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Old Village School

CITY OF NORTHVILLE

City Council
DATE: First and third Monday of the month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: City Hall, 215 W. Main St.
Downtown Development Authority Meeting
DATE: Third Tuesday of each month
TIME: 8 a.m.
LOCATION: City Hall Meeting Room A, on lower level, 215 W. Main St.
CONTACT: downtownnorthville.com
Planning Commission
DATE: First and third Tuesday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: City Hall
Housing Commission
DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
TIME: 3 p.m.
LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.
Historic District Commission
DATE: Third Wednesday of month
TIME: 7 p.m.
LOCATION: City Hall
Arts Commission
DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.
Beautification Commission
DATE: First Monday of every month

TIME: 8 a.m.
DETAILS: Individuals and organizations invited to attend.
LOCATION: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP

Planning Commission
DATE: Last Tuesday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile
Board of Trustees
DATE: Third Thursday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Zoning Board of Appeals
DATE: Third Wednesday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Beautification Commission
DATE: Third Monday of month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Township Hall
Youth Assistance
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LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road
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Senior Events

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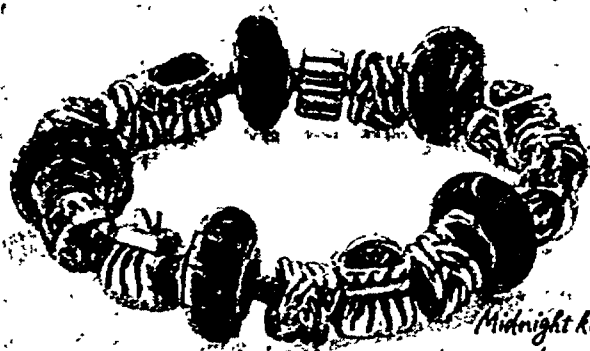
LOCATION: 303 W. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-4140
Thursday
8 a.m.: Walking Club
9 a.m.: TOPS; Massage by appt.
10:30 a.m.: Yoga
11 a.m.: Cribbage
Noon: Walking Club
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
Friday
8 a.m.: Walking Club
11 a.m.: Poker
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
Noon: Walking Club
1 p.m.: Movie
Monday
8 a.m.: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

7:15 p.m.: Tai Chi
Tuesday
8 a.m.: Walking Club
10:30 a.m.: Yoga
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
Noon: Walking Club
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
Wednesday
8 a.m.: Walking Club
9 a.m.: Foot Reflexology by appt.
10 a.m.: Oxyrise
11 a.m.: Strength Training
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
Noon: Bridge; Walking Club
1 p.m.: Cribbage
7 p.m.: Bridge
Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Volleyball
TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, Friday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.
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TIME/DAYS: 1-3 p.m. every Tuesday
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
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CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Co-ed Adult 50+ Open Basketball
TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-noon each Thursday
LOCATION: Senior Community Center
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947
Health Walking
DATE: Monday-Friday
TIME: 8-10 a.m.
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
Pilates Class
TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. each Tuesday
Bunco
TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. second Thursday of each month
DETAILS: Call Senior Community Center 24 hours in advance to register; \$1 per person.
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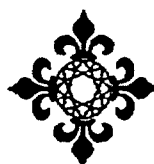
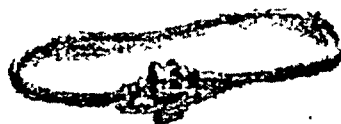
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The 'referral' networks

A question I get asked frequently is "do you know someone who does?" Similar to physicians referring patients to specialists, most other professionals work within an established network of specialists, in and out of their fields of practice. A popular business network these days is



Dan Hoops

LinkedIn.com - an Internet social network for business people to connect and provide referrals to other professionals. It is important for professionals to know who they can trust to refer matters to and from whom to accept referrals. A professional without a good network of individuals that he or she has the highest level of confidence is at a major disadvantage in practicing their trade. This is the entire basis of these business referral networks, both on-line and with professional networking groups.

For the most part, referrals between professionals (attorneys to accountants, financial advisors to attorneys) are absolutely necessary to maintain a professional practice. Most quality clients do not find professionals in the phone book. They are referred to the professional

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from someone who understands and appreciates the client's matter and "who is best for the job." In addition, most professionals prefer clients that are referred to them because these clients are "pre-screened" by the referral source. Blind phone calls or referrals by other clients are often treated as "hit or miss".

You may ask yourself, "why am I being referred to this particular person?" Is someone being paid off because of this arrangement? Although some attorney-to-attorney referrals can result in a "referral fee" being paid, the majority of referred legal matters are not handled with 'referral fees'. It is ethical in Michigan for an attorney to receive a referral fee under some circumstances. Referral fees, for example, are very common in matters involving personal injury and contingency fee lawsuits. Referral fees, however, are completely unethical in other states such as Colorado where such payments are considered "unearned fees" if the referring attorney has not performed any services.

Cross-referral fees (e.g. insurance agent to attorney, attorney to financial advisor) are absolutely prohibited under the regulatory bodies that govern most professions (such as the AICPA that oversees public accounts or the Michigan Bar Association).

If you are referred to a professional by another professional, I suggest you look for the following:

1. Is there a personal or only a professional relationship between the parties?
2. Can the referring party

attest to this person's skills for the particular matter?

3. Was the referral by a formal introduction or simply a "mention my name"?

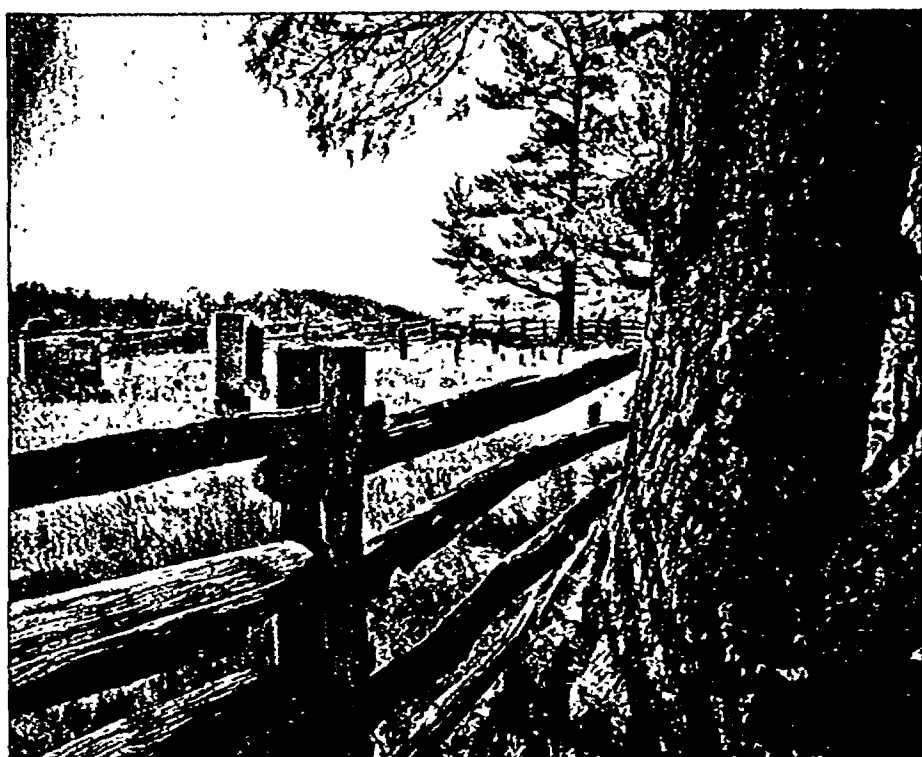
4. If any problems should arise with the referred professional, will you be able to call the referring professional to discuss those problems immediately?

5. If there is a serious problem with the matter, will the referring professional assist you or 'cover for the referred professional'?

If the relationship between the professionals is purely personal, it is advisable to seek other names in the event the relationship runs sour. In many instances, it is highly recommended that a professional provide clients with the names of two to three professionals and allow the client to "interview" the candidate so they may hire the person with whom they feel most comfortable. (This is also advisable for the professional to avoid or limit any claims that could be made if the referral commits malpractice and the professional is sued for making a negligent referral).

Finally, something that my father often discussed with us regarding referrals. If the referral does a lousy job and doesn't realize and rectify it, they need to understand that they're cut off the list. The reason being, any referral is a reflection of the professional making the referral. If the referral does a poor job, the person introducing the client to the professional has likewise done a poor job. Without trust in others, you can't have trust in yourself.

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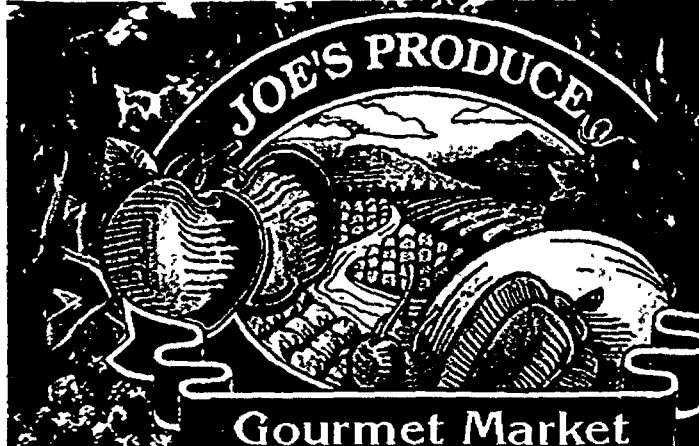
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Mustangs' rally falls short in home opener

Grand Blanc tops Northville

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

Who knows what the finale would have been had the onside kick landed in the other team's hands.

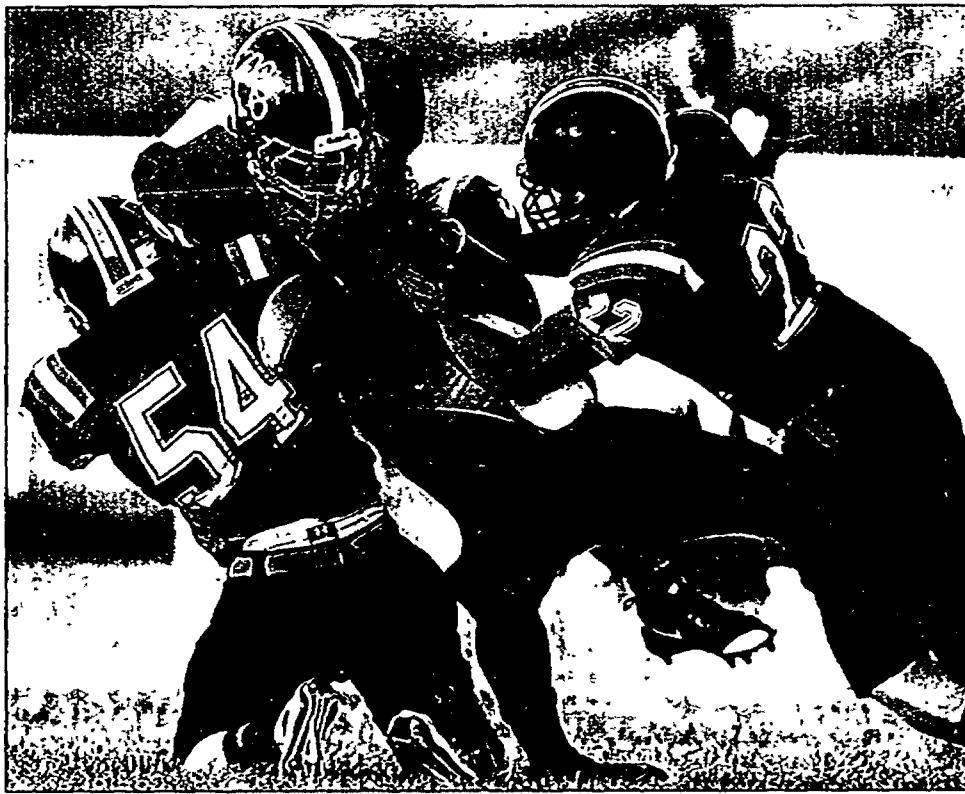
The Northville Mustangs dropped their home opener against a highly-touted Grand Blanc squad, 21-14, after rallying in the fourth quarter.

An onside kick with just over three minutes left in the game could have led to a final Northville touchdown to tie it up, but the talented Bobcats were able to pounce on it and eventually run out the clock in the fourth quarter to earn the victory.

It wasn't a game for the record books, but the loss to Grand Blanc Thursday showed the Northville Mustangs that just because they are touted doesn't mean they can't hang with the teams that are.

Despite trailing 21-7 heading into the fourth quarter, the Mustangs didn't give up hope. They tacked on a final score with a five-yard throw from junior quarterback Matt Wegzyn to senior Dan Mills on a quick slant pattern to make it a 21-14 game with 3:28 left in the game.

"I asked Mike what his favorite route combinations were on the goal line during Monday's practice, and told me he liked to throw the slant," said Northville head coach Matt Ladach. "We worked it successfully in practice, so we were confident with the play call. We max protect-



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A trio of Mustangs separates a Grand Blanc runner from the ball during Sept. 3 home game.

ed it, and let Mike pick which receiver he was going to throw to. Mike put the ball between the linebacker and the cornerback. It was a nice throw and a nice catch."

Northville, with only one timeout remaining, tried for the onside kick from Vic Bodrie.

"Vic got a nice bounce, but it went right to Grand Blanc," said Ladach. "Grand Blanc got a couple of first downs and then ended the game on a knee."

Northville found themselves overwhelmed in the opening of the game after the Bobcats returned the kickoff to their

own 42 yards line before marching 58 yards in six plays to score a touchdown from Gabe Martin with 9:38 left in the first quarter. After the Grand Blanc defense forced a three-and-out from the Mustangs, the offense went back to work to go 48 yards on four plays before scoring a touchdown with Tony Jones for the 14-0 lead with 6:41 left in the first quarter.

Northville's fortune turned in the waning moments of the first quarter when senior linebacker Dan Stern gobbled up a Bobcat fumble on Grand Blanc's 44 yard line with just 32 seconds remaining in the quarter.

ON TAP

The Mustangs, 1-1, will take a trip to South Lyon, 0-2, Friday. The South Lyon Lions lost their opening game to Walled Lake Central, 37-0, and fell last week to Milford, 28-7.

"South Lyon has a tremendous football tradition," said coach Matt Ladach. "I anticipate that this will be a very exciting and competitive game."

The Mustangs used the shift in momentum to put together a six-play, 44-yard march that ended when Wegzyn scampered



A Mustang begins to bring down a runaway Grand Blanc player.

into the end zone to edge the game to 14-7.

The Bobcats didn't hesitate in their answer, returning the kickoff to Northville's 47 yard line before putting the score into the end zone eight plays later on a one-yard score to make it a 21-7 game to end the first half.

Northville's defense made critical adjustments in the second half, finding the right recipe to hold the Bobcats

scoreless through the final two quarters. The offense, on the other hand, takes another full quarter before finding their stride, scoring on the Mill's catch after a 20-play drive that took them 85 yards. The drive was set up by Northville's Shawn Williams, who forced a fumble that was recovered by Devon Pearson with 7:28 left in the game.

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Northville No. 1 singles player Melvin Joseph.

Northville's tennis team captures dual at Salem

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

The Northville Mustangs boys tennis team didn't worry about state rankings or who's being touted in the media this week. Instead, the netters focused on earning victory in their first dual meet of the season when they visited Salem High School Sept. 1.

The squad, coached by Matt Stetson, earned the victory with ease, marching to a 7-1 domination over their opponents as they pounded out wins in every flight except first doubles.

Melvin Joseph, a senior for the Mustangs, earned another victory for his record with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Salem junior Brett Foster in the first

ON TAP

Northville is back on the court when they host South Lyon East today at 4 p.m. before hosting rival Novi Tuesday at 4 p.m.

singles flight.

That type of win was common throughout the ranks for the Mustangs as senior Tim Wasielewski notched a 6-3, 6-3 victory over Salem freshman Jacob Scott at second singles. Northville senior Steve Irvine earned a 6-1, 6-2 win over his opponent, junior Dion Walker, at third singles while senior Nick Kalweit marched to a 6-2, 6-2 win over Salem senior John Kang.

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'Stangs soccer splits, now 2-2-2

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

The Northville Mustangs boys soccer team learned a valuable lesson last week as they split their week with a win and a loss.

That lesson was that victory doesn't always guarantee joy and loss doesn't always bring disappointment.

"The bottom line is, as a coach, at times you can see your team play in a loss but be happy with how they played," said Northville head coach Henry Klimes. "At other times, you can see them play in a win and not be happy with how they played at all."

Klimes' reflection ties directly to a tough 2-1 loss to Churchill Aug. 31 and a 2-0 victory over Plymouth High School two days later.

Against Churchill, the Mustangs put together strong on-field play and showed determination to win.

"I thought we played exceptionally well," said Klimes. "I wasn't happy with the officiating against either team because there were a lot of ticky-tack calls and too many whistles, but I was happy with the way we played."

Trailing 2-1 with time expiring, the Mustangs nearly tied the game on a kick by Tom Pickren that appeared to go into the goal before time expired. The problem was, the sir - or soccer referee - had his back to the clock, which didn't sound off like normal when time expired. After consideration, the sir ruled the kick as a no goal and ended the contest, 2-1, in favor of Churchill.

"I haven't watched the film yet," said Klimes. "It was disappointing because we had the pressure and the play and we earned the goal."



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Northville plays Plymouth High on Sept. 2.

Northville fell behind early in the game when Churchill found the back of the net about a quarter way through the first half. The Mustangs tied it up on a 25-yard boot by Doug Beason.

The Chargers added their final tally of the night on a penalty kick that found its way past Northville goalie Matt VanHouten for the 2-1 final.

"Matt played very well and he was awfully close to stopping that penalty kick," said

Klimes. "I can't fault Matt at all. It was a good play by him and a great kick that just barely made it past him."

The Mustangs rallied two days later and earned a 2-0 shutout over the Plymouth Wildcats. Despite the win, Klimes wasn't happy with the play from his kickers.

"I was not pleased with our performance," he said. "It was not up to par to where we need to be. I am not being disrespectful to Plymouth, but we should play better

ON TAP

Northville, which is 2-2-2 overall this season, is back in action today when they host Stevenson at 7 p.m. before hosting Salem Tuesday at 7 p.m.

than what we did against them."

The Mustangs went up 1-0 early in the game when a through-ball found its way to the feet of Beason, who fired it into the goal for the lead. The Mustangs added their second goal halfway through the first half of play when a kick hit Northville's Joey Zywoil and rolled into the net for the score and the 2-0 final.

There were some bright spots for the Mustangs, however. Klimes pointed out exceptional play from senior defender A.J. Aquinto.

"He made two saves at the goal," noted Klimes. "He saved the goalie's bacon on those plays."

Klimes also noted strong play from junior midfielder Brendan Burdette as well as from senior forward Max McHugh.

The Mustangs will be heading into a large portion of their Central Division matchups in the coming weeks and Klimes said his team needs to improve before those games begin.

"This is the start of it," he said. "We can't play like we did against Plymouth and expect to win. We have to play better as a team and tighten up. These divisional games are against very good teams."

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TENNIS

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The doubles teams were just as potent, earning a 6-3, 6-3 victory from Albert Chen and Bryce Groshek at second doubles as they toppled Salem's Andy Steinman and Mike Keum. Mustangs Matt Satterfield and Phil Lee pounded out a victory over Cody Hazen and Alek Zultowski at third doubles with a 6-3, 6-0 score. Rounding out the flights wins for Northville was the fourth doubles team of Jordan Blough and Alex Hsu and the fifth doubles team of Austin Weaver and Rahul Raj. Hsu and Blough notched a 6-3, 6-0 win over Zenik Pelek and Greg Selewski while Raj

and Weaver took down Tyler Foley and Vishnu Rajendran, 6-1, 6-1.

The only Northville loss came at the first doubles flight where Evan Gatz and Anthony Rossi could not hold off Salem's tandem of Brock Foster and Josh Perrin over three sets. Northville lost the first set, 7-5, won the second, 6-3, and then dropped the final, 6-3, for the loss.

The Mustangs also played Livonia Stevenson last week and swept the Spartans 9-0. Northville is now 2-0 overall and 2-0 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association Central Division.

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Ups and downs for Northville's lady linksters

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

It was a week of mixed results for the Northville Mustangs girls golf team.

On one hand, the squad put up some impressive numbers to earn a victory over division rival Stevenson in a dual meet. On the other, the girls struggled to finish 10th out of a field of 19 teams in the Ann Arbor Tournament.

"We have not played well," admitted Northville head coach Mary Jane Ossola. "We will need some real dedication from these kids because we are very inconsistent."

ON TAP

The Mustangs will be back in action Friday when they visit rival Novi at 3 p.m. before hosting South Lyon at Tanglewood Monday at 3 p.m. Northville will then visit South Lyon East at 3 p.m. next Wednesday.

That dedication, indicated Ossola, will require work outside of regular practice. The girls, she said, will have to focus on their ability to strike the ball and continue to work their short games if they hope to improve before the post-season begins.

The Mustangs have had

some bright spots, however, such as their convincing victory over Stevenson Sept. 2. Northville earned the Central Division victory, 175-223, on their home course of Tanglewood.

Leading everyone in scoring was Northville's Jackie Kjolhede, who carded an impressive 42 to earn the medalist position. Just two strokes behind her were Amy Bernstein and Chelsea Weber, who helped Northville's win with 44s on the day, while Brianna Roberts rounded out the scoring with a 45.

Things didn't go so well for Northville the following day, however, as they

struggled at the University of Michigan during the Ann Arbor Tournament. Northville scored a 373 to finish 10th out of 19 teams in the tourney as Brighton, a fellow member of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association, took first.

Roberts led Northville's scoring with an 86 over the 18-hole course, while Stephanie Sakorafis carded a 90 and Kjolhede shot a 99. Weber finished up the scoring for the Mustangs with a 99.

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Advertorial

TEE TIME

Your local golf guide

Should golfers with a USGA index post a score from an unrated tee?

By Doug Hendershot

With nearly 900 Golf Courses in Michigan, there is certainly a wide range of USGA golf course ratings to select from. The Golf Association of Michigan has the sole responsibility to rate golf courses throughout the entire State, including the Upper Peninsula and parts of Canada. The GAM Staff, working with golf course management, agree on the number of tees to be rated by the course rating team. The rating team will rate tees for both

Men and Women players. It is important to note, a tee that measures 5800 yards, will have a different USGA Course Rating and Slope for women vs. men from that same yardage.

Men and women playing from the same set of tees will have different

ratings. Because the women's USGA

Course Rating usually will be higher, women receive additional stroke(s) equal to the difference between ratings, with .5 or greater rounded up. This is good reason to determine the proper number of tees needing a rate (more details on this matter later.)

At this time I would like to touch upon situations when a course rating may not be available for a set of tees. This could be a case of a newly constructed set of tees, or tees not rated in the past, simply too long or short and were not available to men or women to play from previously.

The USGA has a very specific set of guidelines to cover posting a score from an unrated set of tees on a Rated Golf Course. Authorized golf associations issue a USGA Course Rating and Slope for the most commonly played sets of tees

If a USGA Course Rating and Slope Rating from a selected set of tees is not available for the appropriate gender, the player may apply the following procedure on a temporary basis.

- Locate the nearest set of tees for the appropriate gender.
- Determine the yardage difference between the set of tees being played and the rated set of tees.
- Using the table found at usga.org, under the Handicapping tab, Section 5, Scores, find the ratings adjustments from unrated tees for Men and Women. Follow the directions found in the Key, next to these tables.

This method may be used if a player plays a combination of tees. The player first determines the total yardage played then applies the

above procedure.

If the Committee in charge of a competition has a set of tees for a competition course, this procedure may be used. This procedure is not a substitute for a formal USGA Course Rating and Slope Rating.

So now that we know how to make the proper adjustments to post from unrated tees, let's not forget that this should only be used on a temporary basis. How do we get this new favorite tee rated, on a permanent basis? The answer to that question is really up to players, and local course management, with the help of the GAM.


GAM receives many requests to rate additional sets of tees. These requests generally come from the Pro, or Superintendent, and can be based on the fact that players show an interest in trying a new look at

their course. This is provided by playing their course at a new yardage, or even the popular combination of tees, using a blend of tees, that have different yardages. These are called combo tees.

GAM rates courses a minimum of every ten years. This is necessary to keep a golf course current with the licensing standards set by the USGA.

Extra sets of tees can be rated at this time, providing that the GAM has the new tees on their schedule. The GAM can also rate new tees and revamped tees at any time providing the request comes from local golf course management and is properly scheduled.

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Northville boys earn second in Rochester

Mustangs finish with 51 points; Brighton wins invitational with 28 points

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

It may have been Northville's first year running in the Rochester Adams Invitational last Thursday, but the boys cross country team acted like they've owned it for years.

The Mustangs, helmed by coach Chris Cronin, earned 51 points to take second place of a field of 10 teams, behind highly-touted Brighton which earned 28 for first. Rochester Adams finished third, trailing considerably with 101 points.

Leading the Mustangs was Frank Griffiths, who finished second in the invitational with a time of 16:48. This race marked Griffiths' first, who missed the season opener due to an injury.



Trent Johnson (524) and Frank Griffiths (516) lead the way for the Mustangs at the Rochester Adams Invitational Sept. 3.

"Frank was strong tonight," said Cronin. "We had a race strategy and

Frank executed it flawlessly." Finishing seventh in the

race was sophomore Matt Sierra, who posted a career-best time of 17:23.

ON TAP

The Mustangs will be back in action Saturday when they compete in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association Invitational at Metro Park. The event will feature some of the top teams in the state.

"Matt looked strong tonight," Cronin noted. "If we expect to make any noise in last October and early November, Matt has to be a factor for us."

The Mustangs' depth continued to showcase talent as Trent Johnson finished 12th in 17:41 – a time Cronin said wasn't the harrier's best.

"Trent didn't have a great race, but he battled through," he noted. "As a young team, we have to bat-

tle through the tough races, and Trent was able to do that today and be a factor."

Sophomore Jason Lerner was 14th overall for the Mustangs, finishing in 17:42, while fellow sophomore Ed Clifton was right behind him, finishing 16th in 17:44.

The two underclassmen, Cronin said, made selecting seven runners for the varsity squad difficult last week.

"Jason and Ed have made themselves part of the conversation when looking at a top seven," Cronin admitted. "We have some depth this year, and I hope we can take advantage of it."

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'Stang girls run to fourth-place finish

Rochester Adams Invite won by Brighton

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

Only two weeks into the cross country season and there is one thing that has no doubt: The Northville Mustangs girls cross country team is showing up at every meet ready to compete.

The harriers, under the guidance of coach Nancy Smith, added an exclamation point to that statement last Thursday when they took fourth in the extremely competitive Rochester Adams Invitational.

The invite, which was won by Brighton, featured three teams that finished in the top 10 in last year's state finals. Brighton earned 54 points for the overall victory in the invitational, while Traverse

City Central took second with 73. Northville finished fourth with 110 points, just behind third place Rochester Adams with 100 points.

"I was really pleased again today with our efforts and times," said Smith. "We keep improving across the line-up and getting stronger from week to week."

The Mustangs were lead by sophomore Gina McNamara, who won her first ever high school invitational with a career best time of 19:27 – a full nine seconds ahead of second-place sophomore, Elizabeth Kingshott of Brighton.

McNamara exploded in the start and lead the pack through the opening yardage of field and into the woods. She came through the 800

ON TAP

Next up for the Mustangs will be the Kensington Lakes Activities Association Invitational Saturday at Willow Metro Park, which will feature such teams as Brighton, Churchill and Stevenson.

mark with her nearest competitor nearly a quarter mile behind her and kept the pace throughout the majority of the race.

"McNamara's performance today was great to watch," admitted Smith. "She looked so strong and had determination on her face throughout the entire race, running most of the race with no one right there to push her till the end."

Smith said the race fell perfectly into McNamara's season goals.

"Gina has her season goals set and keeps working on

getting her time better each week," said Smith. "She is on her way to an amazing sophomore season."

The Mustangs were helped along in their fourth-place finish by freshman Alex Drayback, who finished 27th in a time of 21:24 while junior Emily Sklar finished just behind her in 29th with a time of 21:36. Freshman Alex Rodriguez took 30th with a time of 21:37. Rounding out the top five was freshman Claire Courtney, who took 31st in 21:39.

Northville also had strong performances from sophomore Lisa Hamel in 43rd place with a 22:17 while freshman Katie Vandervoort in 44th place in 22:22.

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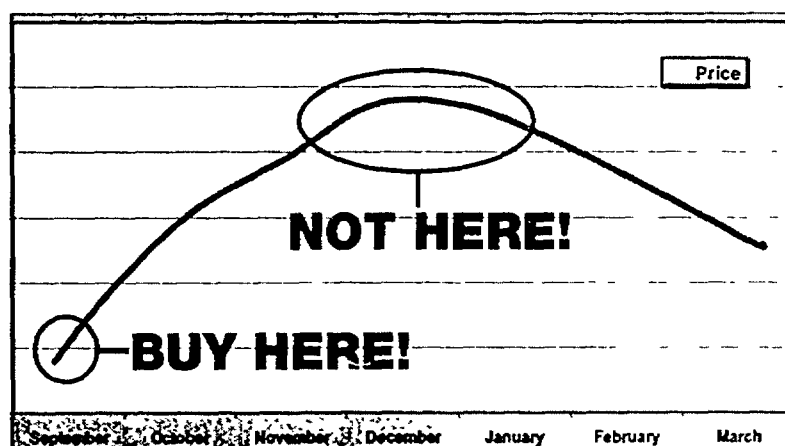
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No. 4 Shamrocks dominate Hudsonville, 35-0 FOOTBALL

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BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

If there was any doubt in the minds of the high school football fans that Detroit Catholic Central deserved their fourth-place ranking in Division I, then that doubt should be completely erased.

The Shamrocks held onto their undefeated season with a 35-0 domination over the Hudsonville Eagles, who were ranked fourth in Division II by the Detroit Free Press last week prior to the game.

Catholic Central, 2-0 this year, racked up 356 total yards on offense while their defense held the Eagles, 1-1, to just 88 yards. The mercy rule was in effect nearly the entire second half of the contest.

The Shamrocks turned in a 28-0 performance before the end of the first half, scoring on their first four possessions, before adding their final score in the third quarter for the 35-0 victory.

Leading the way for the Catholic Central gridders was senior running back Niko

ON TAP

Catholic Central is slated to visit Monroe High School tomorrow. The Trojans are 0-2 on the season, losing to Adrian, 30-0, in week one before falling to the Chelsea Bulldogs, 41-7, this past week. Monroe is one of the teams the Shamrocks may have to use their passing attack against. The Trojans are typically known to fill the defensive box with players and blitz throughout the game. "We're going to keep it basic," said Mach. "It's hard to do anything fancy against a team when you don't know where the defenders are going to be. It's going to be a challenge for our offensive line, picking up the blitzes and adjusting their blocking assignments." Game time against Monroe will be 7 p.m.

Palazeti, who rushed the ball 16 times for 136 yards and three touchdowns.

"Niko really did a great job," Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach said. "I think he's going to be one of the top fullbacks in the state as time goes on. He was a good fullback for us last year, but now he's bigger, faster and stronger. And he's a two-way player at defensive tackle. He's real good. He's a football player."

Palazeti told the Free Press that the Shamrocks came into the contest with a wary eye on the Hudsonville squad

after the Eagles came back from a 19-0 deficit against Lake Orion the week prior to earn the victory in the fourth quarter.

"We respected them," Palazeti said. "We saw the film of last week. We saw they're a fighting team and they're extremely well-coached. But we never feared them."

While Palazeti was busy with the ground game, the Shamrocks dominated in the air as well. Senior quarterback Sam Landry added two touchdowns with his 9-of-14 performance for 137 yards.

The Shamrocks started the game out with 59-yard march down the field that ended with a four-yard touchdown pass from Landry to George Darany for the early 7-0 lead. On their next possession, the Shamrocks had a shorter field to work with, going just 49 for the score. Palazeti caught a 20-yard pass from Landry to set up the 14-0 lead before marching the ball in himself from 22 yards out for the touchdown.

Catholic Central wasn't done yet, adding two more scores in the second quarter on a seven-yard touchdown from Landry to John Jakubik before Palazeti scored from 12 yards away for the 28-0 halftime lead.

Palazeti and the Shamrocks put the final nail in the Hudsonville coffin when the senior running back lumbered into the end zone early in the third quarter on a 10-yard carry for the score. The 35-0 score activated the mercy rule — a running clock — throughout the remainder of the game.

"We shut down their power game," Palazeti said to the

Free Press. "We saw that they really want to run the ball hard at the beginning. Our main goal was to stop that and make them throw. We stopped that and our linebackers played an amazing game, too."

One of those linebackers was Justin D'Agostino, who tallied up an impressive 15 tackles against the Eagles offense.

Hudsonville tried to find any recipe to slow down the Shamrocks rushing attack. The Eagles even brought eight defensive players up to try and dominate the line of scrimmage and, concurrently, stop the Shamrocks' ground game.

"If you take away one thing against us, we're going to use the other," said Mach about how well his passing game worked. "We can pass the ball and we can run it. We have a very poised quarterback in Sam Landry, and we're confident in him and in the receivers. We'll be throwing more and more as the season goes on."

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Northville's defense was led in tackles by Michael MacLean, who netted five solos and four assists while Brett MacDonald picked up three solos and four assists. Stern, who is the team leader in tackles this year, earned two solo tackles and four assists.

Brandon Love snagged Northville's lone interception in the game.

On the offensive side of the ball, Wegzyn threw 13-for-30 for 133 yards and one touchdown and an interception while leading the Mustangs on the ground with 54 yards on nine carries and another touchdown. Mills went 0-for-6 in passing while pulling down seven passes for 67 yards in the contest. Levi Perry and Brad Wagner had two catches each for a total of 22 and 20 yards, respectively.

JUNIOR VARSITY

In their first road game of the season, the Northville Mustang junior varsity football team lost to a tough Grand Blanc team 23 to 14.

Grand Blanc took advantage of an early Northville turnover and jumped out to a 7-0 lead.

"We could have quit at that point, but we played hard and competed for 48 minutes" said Coach Rohloff.

The Mustang defense forced Grand Blanc to turn the ball over four times, and the offense engineered two scoring drives to give the Mustangs a 14 to 10 lead in the third quarter. Grand Blanc answered with their own TD in the third quarter, retaking the lead 16 to 14. The Mustangs moved the ball a couple of times in the fourth quarter, but couldn't convert and it was Grand Blanc who had the last score and the victory.

Max Grezlik led the defense with six solo tackles, two assists and an interception. The offense rushed the ball for 124 yards and threw the ball for 98 yards. Andrew Wright led all receivers with three catches for 55 yards.

The Mustangs are home to face South Lyon at 7pm on Thursday.

Sam Eggleston is a free-lance writer and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.

Top-ranked Shamrocks smother West Bloomfield

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

Detroit Catholic Central's tennis team is working hard to prove they earned their No. 1 ranking in the state of Michigan.

Their latest showcase of talent was during a dual meet against No. 9 ranked West Bloomfield, a team the Shamrocks smothered on their way to a 6-2 victory.

"I was really proud of the way we competed today," said head coach Joe Stafford. "Everyone came to play right

ON TAP

The Shamrocks were slated to take on Ann Arbor Huron on Tuesday, which is after the sports pages go to press, and will compete in the Catholic League tournament at Brother Rice at 8 a.m. Saturday. The Catholic Central netters will then be on the road Tuesday, visiting Saline at 4:30 p.m.

from the first point. I see a lot of improvement in our guys of late and our doubles are get-

ting better."

The Shamrocks earned victories at first, third and fourth singles as well as second, third and fourth doubles.

Joe Dube', Catholic Central's first singles all-star, earned a 6-2, 6-3 victory over West Bloomfield's Peter Rothstein to lead the way for the Shamrocks. Eric Guindi, who played a third singles for Catholic Central, swept Jordan Asker in a 6-0, 6-0 showing. At fourth singles, Willy Willson defeated Jake Singer, 6-4, 6-0.

The doubles squads for the Shamrocks were just as con-

vincing as the second doubles team of Brandon Kosinski and Zach Wisniewski defeated West Bloomfield's Matt Howell and Josh Dean, 6-3, 6-1. The third doubles team of Nick Petrucci and Robbie Guindi dominated their foes, sweeping Jacob Sables and Stephan Hutecker, 6-0, 6-0, on their way to victory. The fourth doubles duo of Patrick Bowers and Ryan DeLacy defeated Daniel Portrey and Zach Lederman, 6-1, 6-0, in a convincing showcase of talent.

"West Bloomfield has a great tennis program," said Stafford.

"We needed to be at our best to compete with them."

The only losses for the Shamrocks came at second singles and first doubles. Catholic Central's Kevin Hodges had his hands full with West Bloomfield's Andrew Cahn and fell, 6-0, 6-3. At first doubles, Shamrocks Yong Tae Kim and Derek Mumaw lost to Ben Eilender and Eric Wu in a closely contested match, 6-4, 6-3.

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Catholic Central soccer boys earn triumph, tie

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

It was a good week of soccer for the Catholic Central Shamrocks as they headed into Labor Day weekend last week.

The squad, coached by Joe Nora, earned a shut-out victory over Notre Dame Prep and a tie against a strong Brother Rice squad.

"As our team improves throughout the season, we'll be

able to sustain our style of play for a full game," said Nora. "It's very early still and I'm please with how our players are working and growing as a team."

Against Brother Rice last Friday, the Shamrocks earned

a 0-0 tie against their Catholic League rivals.

Flow wasn't a problem two days prior when the Shamrocks dominated every facet of their game against Notre Dame Prep, earning a

9-0 shutout victory.

Josh Gatt and Ryan Majsak earned two goals each in the victory, while Jon Malecke, Brandon Hess, Billy Riga, Wes Harding and Brian Treanor each added one.

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Jet's Pizza takes off, soars at Northville location

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

We serve Traditional Hand Tossed Round Pizza, Thin Crust Round, and our Famous Deep Dish Square which Jet's Pizza is known for. We also have a wide array of fresh salads, submarine sandwiches, breadsticks and also High Quality chicken wings.

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

When we lived in Sterling Heights back in the 1990s we would order Jet's Pizza regularly and we really loved the product. We also liked the fact that Jet's Pizza was a new, growing franchise with lots of potential.

3. Why did you choose Northville?

We were told of this beautiful area, by Jet's Corporate, as our store had been opened for a year before we bought it. Once we checked into the area it was a no-brainer for us to make the move.

4. What makes your business unique?

We are unique in the fact that Jet's Pizza uses nothing but fresh hand-made ingredients on our pizzas; fresh-made dough, hand-ground cheeses, hand-made sauce, and hand-chopped veggies too.



The staff of Novi Road's Jet Pizza: Brandon Scott, Melissa Bastamonte, Casey, Candace, Linda and Bob Dancer and Chris Nader.

5. How has it changed since you opened?

When we started, basically it was Linda and myself along with two drivers and eight other part-time employees. We have grown to a store with six full-time and two

dozen part-time employees. We now service both Northville and Novi school districts lunch programs on select days.

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

with our readers?

We can remember our youngest child Casey, who is now 14, being in the store while we were both working, and suddenly she looked like Casper The Friendly Ghost as she managed to cover herself completely with pizza

DETAILS

Business Name: Jet's Pizza
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Your Name/Title: Robert & Linda Dancer / owners
Your Hometown: Sterling Hts./ Royal Oak
Business Opened When: 1997
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flour! She now works at our location part time (minus the flower hats!).

7. How has the recent economy affected your business?

We have noticed a dropoff in order volume and ticket averages in the last year, due to more people being out of work, so we have looked into every facet of our operations where we can save money without compromising our products one bit, unlike some of our competitors. Areas that we have been able to save money are things like our insurance policies, credit card processing, and becoming more energy-efficient and green.

8. Any advice for business owners?

The advice we can give is simple: A good businessman is an honest businessman. Never, ever lie to your customers. Work hard and stay true to your principles, and know that without your customers/clients, your business doesn't exist.

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

We anticipate our customers being able to order online within the next six months for both of our stores. We know that there is a growing sector of people that are now using the internet for all aspects of their lives including ordering hot, fresh Jet's Pizza.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Pendleton trunk show shopping spree

Pendleton in downtown Northville (119 N. Center Street; (248) 596-9820) will be holding its Spring 2010 Trunk Show Sept. 10-12. Customers attending the show will be able to view samples from our Spring Collection. All items are available for special order at no obligation.

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Food vendors sought

The Michigan Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Select Michigan Program is seeking Michigan food and agriculture companies to showcase their products in a special Select Michigan Pavilion at the 2009 Michigan Restaurant Show being held Oct. 20-21 at Rock Financial Showplace in Novi. MDA's Select Michigan Program is offering exhibit space within the pavilion to Michigan specialty food companies and food processor for a substantially discounted rate. The deadline for reserving booth space is Monday, Aug. 10.

The Michigan Restaurant Show is a two-day event. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20; and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21. Twelve 10-by-10-foot booth spaces are available within

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Art Van hosting free design classes

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Reservations are requested for the Art Van design classes. To register for this series or for a particular class, call (888) 619-2199.

Oakland County offers business workshops

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

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The class begins Tuesday, Sept. 15 (2-5 p.m.) at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, Waterford. For location specifics and pre-registration, visit: <http://www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar/index.html> or call (248) 858-0783. The class runs 10 sessions ending Nov. 17.

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BY MIKE HOGAN
SPECIAL WRITER

How do you measure your level of fitness? Do you measure your weight, your body fat percentage or your blood pressure, by how fast you can run a mile, or simply by how you look or feel? Whatever your definition of fitness, the professionals at Fitness Together and Elements Therapeutic Massage in Novi can help you reach your fitness goals by using a simple formula: one client, one trainer and one goal.

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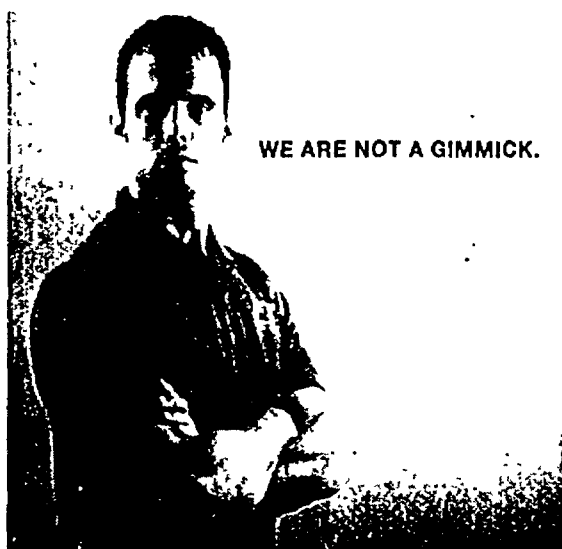
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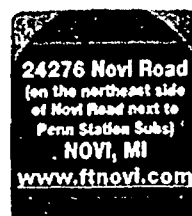
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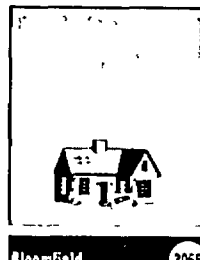
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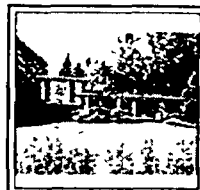
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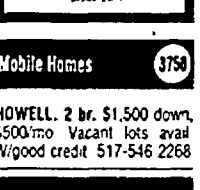


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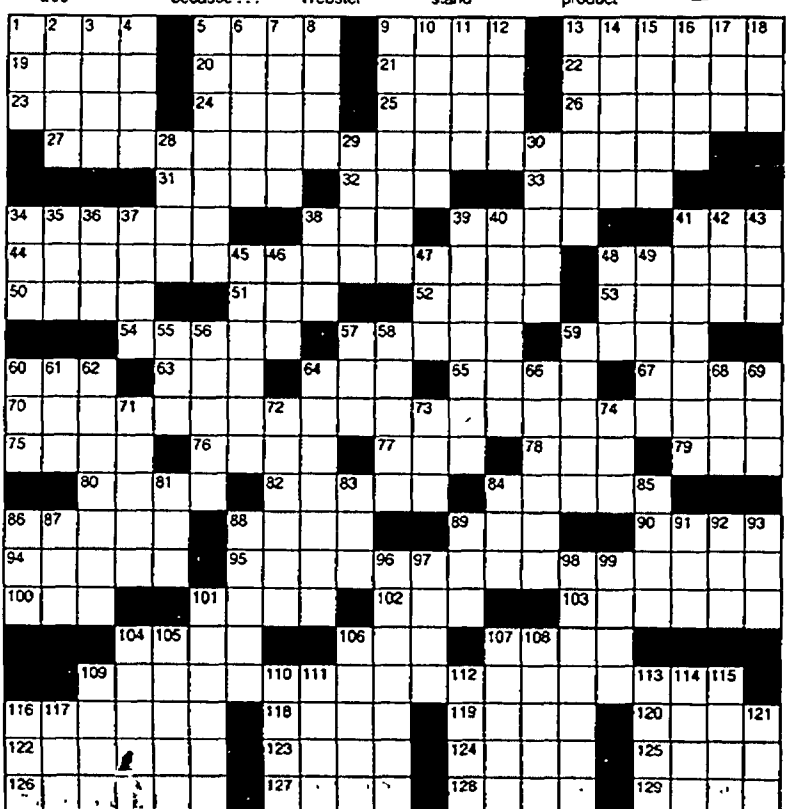
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20 Way off base?
21 Director Kazan
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23 Emcee's site
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25 Monastery dweller
26 Kind
27 He became a Reaktor because
31 Form a cylinder
32 Broad st.
33 Savage sorts
34 Alarm
38 It may be strapless
39 Emulates Simon
41 Hibiscus garland
44 She became a pharmacist because
48 ... squash
50 Tropical tree
51 Wrinkly dog
52 Dr. Destiny
53 Halloween happening
54 Raptor feature
57 Texas landmark
59 Out of gas
60 Na Na Na
63 Scold and scold
64 Baked the beans
65 Formerly
70 He became an explorer because
75 Get wind of
76 Cad
77 Watching machines?
78 Season firewood
79 Rock's Loppard
80 Formal ceremony
82 Backside
84 Exhausted
86 Euphoric tragedy
88 Lhasa
89 Clarke or West
90 Model Car
94 Simpson of fashion
95 She became a baker because
100 Horde of humpbacks
101 Not that
102 Oil apparatus
103 Least light-hearted
104 Wet blanket
106 Address abbr.
107 Yu
109 He became an electrician because
116 out (added)
118 Hammett hound
119 Small businessman?
120 Vociferate
122 Elevated
123 Author Uns
124 "She Sweet" (27 song)
125 Cooper's tool
126 Size up
127 Drops the ball
128 Family members, to many
129 Part of Q E D
1 Clause connector
2 Word Webster
3 Part of HOMES
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5 Excuses
6 Tom of "Barrett"
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8 Thin strip
9 Dislodgment
10 Isolated
11 Ho Chi
12 Literary pen name
13 Poet
14 Heaney
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16 Praise
17 USNA grad
18 HST's successor
28 Schipa solo
29 Winter
30 With diffidence
34 "For shame!"
35 Palindromic cry
36 "Fantasia" frame
37 Nab a gnat
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40 Cashew kn
41 Couldn't stand
42 Directional suffix
43 Calligraphy supply
45 Highest point
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47 Soup veggie
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49 Jaguar
55 Comic
56 Woodwork-ing tool
57 From - Z
58 Boxing blows
59 Neutral tone
60 "Quet!"
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REAL ESTATE

Painting pro takes to the screen to teach skills

BY JULIE BROWN
GSE STAFF WRITER

Tom Sweeney's been in the painting business some 23 years, and says business is good.

"I have a lot of repeat customers," said Sweeney, who lives with his family in Plymouth Township. "They're happy with my work so they keep calling me."

About 10 years ago, the owner of Sweeney Painting got the idea for a video on painting properly. "It was actually before DVDs became popular," said Sweeney, current president of the Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M.

He ended up with three DVDs, "Paint Like a Pro" (\$16.95), "Drywall Repairs" (\$11.95) and "Easy Wallpaper Removal" (\$11.95). Those watching the DVDs can go to a menu and watch the section they need, although Sweeney noted watching the entirety is a great way to learn.

Subjects like painting preparation are divided into such subsections as caulking. "I show you what you need to know about caulking," said Sweeney, who appears in the DVDs.

"I'm showing my technique. I hired a professional film crew." He did writing and outlining, and hired out the filming and editing from professionals with that expertise.

Filming took over a year, and was delayed when one woman developed breast cancer. She's doing better.

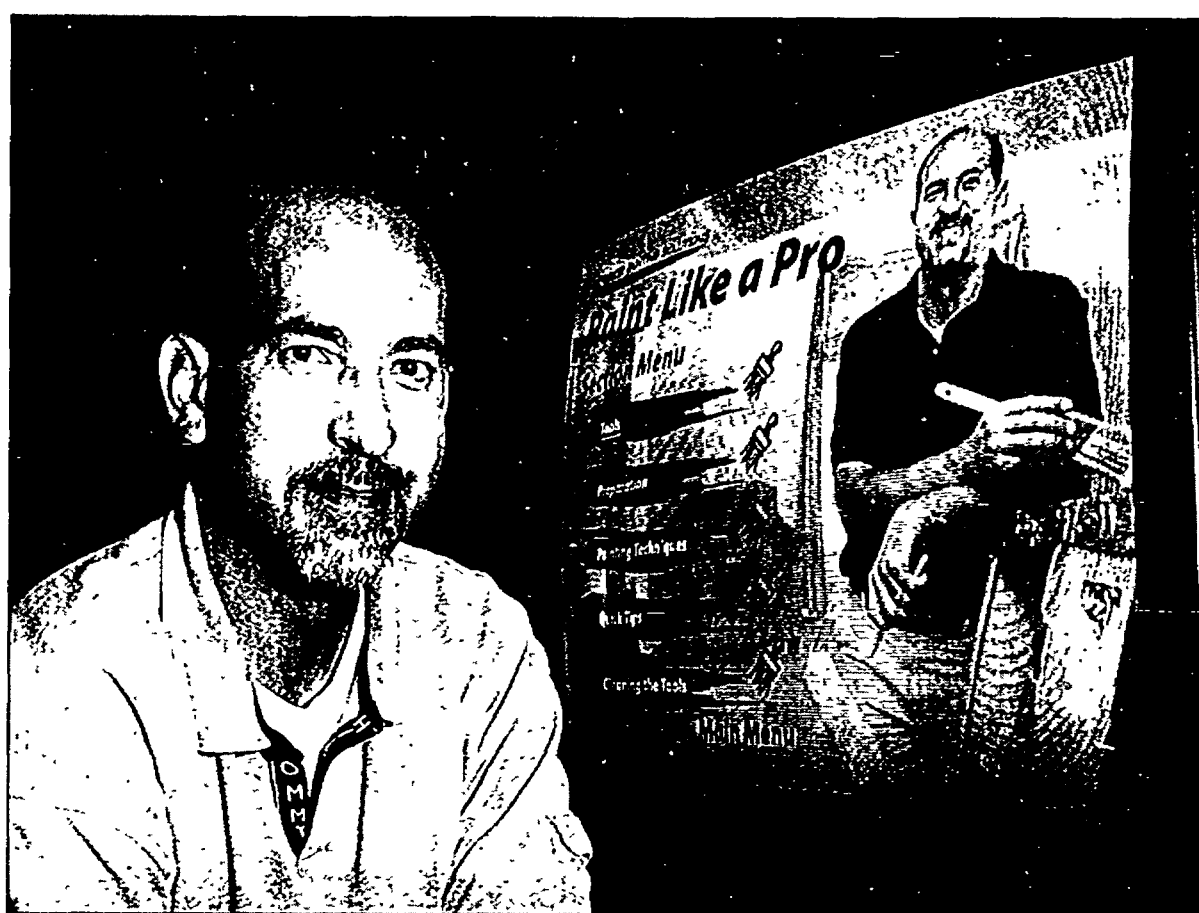
Information on Sweeney's project is online at www.thepaintingguru.com, where DVDs can be ordered through Amazon.

Sweeney doesn't push the DVDs on his regular customers, but has used YouTube for marketing. He hasn't done his big Internet marketing push yet. His favorite section is the credits where viewers meet his family in a comedic skit.

He'd bought a foreclosed home for investment purposes in the winter. "I saw a good opportunity to do it this past winter," and that kept him busy.

The DVDs are in several area Teknicolors store locations in Farmington Hills, Redford, Birmingham and Pontiac. Sweeney didn't get any Michigan film tax credits for his project. "I actually filmed this before they had that," he said of the state initiative.

Sweeney had done some procrastinating on the DVD project, and got some family help getting off the



Tom Sweeney's video can teach you how to paint like a pro.

fence as he talked about his plans. His brother said, "Year, right, sure you are." That kind of spurred me to do it."

He's pleased with business that comes through word of mouth, but is getting fewer calls for home interior work. He continues to do exteriors. "They still want to protect their investment and keep their outside nice."

He's been getting some calls to "spice up" properties for sale, including a lot of wallpaper removal. Sweeney worked on one condo that had been on the market over a year, taking out wallpaper from all rooms and painting them.

"That condo sold within a month," he said, adding the wallpaper could have been a turn-off and the buyers may have not wanted to do their own painting.

For do-it-yourselfers, he finds the biggest mistakes include not

buying quality equipment like the right brushes and roller cover. "That makes a huge difference."

Premium paints are better as they cover more square feet per gallon, he said. You may run out of paint before the work's done if you buy an inferior brand.

The importance of a nice tape job is critical, Sweeney said. Just because the tape is blue or is labeled painters tape does not mean it will give you professional results. That's covered extensively in his painting DVD.

Many people do their own interiors, but exteriors can be a challenge, especially for those not comfortable on ladders. He recommends hiring a pro if that's your situation: "That's the best way to go."

Sweeney Painting can be reached at (734) 679-6300 or tom@thepaintingguru.com.



Tom Sweeney has a new video out that can teach you how to paint like a pro. Others in the series address drywall and wallpaper.

President may need removal

Q: I am a member of a condominium board who is perplexed with our new president. She has gained control of the association and thinks that she has more power than anyone else. She has fired our CPA and is unhappy with our property manager because she says they are too expensive. She has been rude to both of them and I am afraid we are going to lose other vendors. What can I do?

A: This appears to be a typical situation where someone has been promoted to the level of



Robert Meisner

incompetency and/or thrust with power that they cannot handle. The board acts as a whole through a majority vote and no one person has the authority to take action

without the approval of the Board of Directors. The fact that she has apparently alienated the CPA and/or property manager is apparently a precursor for coming attractions. This will, no doubt, bring havoc to your association. You should convene the board and put the issue on the agenda for discussion by the board confronting the president with your concerns. You may also wish to have the attorney for the association involved in that process. The board may have to remove her as president.

Q: My real estate agent has told me that I don't need an attorney to review the purchase agreement because it is a form issued by the local Board of Realtors. Is that a good idea?

A: No, each purchase agreement should be reviewed by a knowledgeable real estate lawyer before it is signed or made subject to the purchaser's attorney's review before it becomes binding. You need a new agent who is more honest in regard to your rights being protected as opposed to garnering a quick but uninformed purchase.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit rmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

HOMES SOLD-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of May 26-29, 2009, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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4796 Coronet Ave	\$160,000
49747 Courtyard Ln	\$213,000
242 Dunhill Way St	\$235,000
4752 Forest Bridge Dr	\$120,000
7446 Harvest Hill Ln	\$265,000
1468 Midbrook Rd	\$73,000
50455 Monroe St	\$97,000
8452 New Haven Way	\$270,000
1285 W Crystal Cir	\$180,000
46954 Woodlark Dr	\$289,000
Garden City	
237 Henry Ruff Rd	\$104,000
6905 Latimers St	\$40,000
Livonia	
35963 Ann Arbor Trl	\$123,000
29407 Bobrick St	\$32,000
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36257 Hammer Ln	\$70,000
15700 Harrison St	\$150,000
29663 Nottingham Cir	\$122,000
29671 Oakley St	\$140,000
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Plymouth	
265 Arthur St	\$303,000
9444 Brookline Ave	\$145,000
9666 Mayflower Dr	\$162,000
Redford	
27231 Free Mile Rd	\$55,000
11357 Lenore	\$109,000
18498 Norborne	\$94,000
Westland	
8714 Donna Dr	\$178,000
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BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present an overview of the Michigan Uniform Energy Code (MUEC) on Thursday, Sept. 17, from 9-10:30 a.m. at Association Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Construction and Development Services, LLC will present the training including comparison of the four compliance strategies, an explanation of the various methods of demonstrating compliance, a discussion of construction related changes, a description of the different foundation insulation systems, a comparison of insulation materials, and a view of the Sample Cost Scenarios of the different methods.

Registration fees are \$55 for Green Built™ Council members, \$75 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$95 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1002 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present training on Compliance With The Michigan Uniform Energy Code (MUEC) on Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 8 a.m. to noon at Association Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Construction and Development Services LLC will present this advanced course to

address the documentation that is necessary for compliance. Topics include the building science behind energy efficiency, advanced framing and air infiltration techniques that decrease insulation costs, construction related documents required by building departments, how to perform take-offs and calculate U-values, the Energy Star™ Thermal Bypass Inspection Checklist, and the next step to Green Built™ Certification.

Registration fees are \$90 for Green Built™ Council members, \$105 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$125 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1002 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present a Negotiating Skills seminar at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills on Thursday, Sept. 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The seminar is part of the Certified Graduate (CG) series of the National Association of Home Builders and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate (CGA) and Graduate Master Builder (GMB) designations.

Chuck Breidenstein, CAPS, of Builder Professional Services Group Inc. will present methods and strategies to negotiate with customers, employees, subcontractors, suppliers and government officials. Participants will gain confidence in these skills through role-playing following lectures and exercises.

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HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of June 1-5, 2009, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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895 Harmon St	\$323,000
1860 Humphrey Ave	\$71,000
Bloomfield Township	
2764 Indian Mound Rd	\$525,000
6835 N Adams Rd	\$159,000
120 N Williamsburg Rd	\$300,000
4467 Stony River Dr	\$340,000
6627 Timber Ridge Dr	\$200,000
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6228 Cheshire Park Dr	\$55,000
6232 Cheshire Park Dr	\$55,000

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6248 Cheshire Park Dr	\$55,000
9231 Ever Rd	\$220,000
5032 Rockway Ln	\$500,000
9532 Westwood Cr	\$210,000
Commerce Township	
9491 Boncrest St	\$80,000
3097 Massena St	\$85,000
2302 Wixom Rd	\$149,000
Farmington	
31959 Lee Ln	\$147,000
Farmington Hills	
29221 Aranel St	\$152,000
29656 Middlebelt Rd	\$53,000
29676 Middlebelt Rd	\$101,000
31722 Nottingham St	\$138,000
28315 S Skye Dr	\$100,000
Franklin	
31220 Lucerne Dr	\$375,000
Lake Orion	
3255 Northfield Ct	\$30,000
1457 Ridgeway Cir	\$265,000

49035 Nine Mile Rd	\$221,000
21728 Woodside Ct	\$220,000
Novi	
45150 Bartlett Dr	\$315,000
44700 Ford Way Dr	\$223,000
42335 Park Ridge Rd	\$150,000
41520 Tamara St	\$139,000
41856 Teals Dr	\$195,000
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109 Rivercrest Ct	\$35,000
3273 Stacey Cir	\$139,000
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1423 Kentfield Dr	\$348,000
Rochester Hills	
1967 Fairfield Dr	\$180,000
915 Ravenhill Rd	\$290,000
880 South Blvd W	\$125,000
South Lyon	
26080 Daria Cir E	\$80,000
27600 N Durboro Rd	\$165,000
25625 Napier Rd	\$150,000

714 Westlills Dr	\$225,000
20290 Winchester St	\$55,000
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3123 Camden Dr	\$140,000
2445 Claymont Dr	\$260,000
1352 Myerton Dr	\$130,000
2042 Myerton Dr	\$35,000
Waterford	
945 Meadowlark Dr	\$160,000
179 Meadowlark Dr	\$125,000
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2251 Bloomfield Woods Ct	\$180,000
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Toyota Crossover Suv Venza Is A Big Hit

Advertising Feature

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Before I had the 2009 Toyota Venza for more than a full day, I already knew that Toyota could have a huge hit on its hands. I didn't base that opinion on anything mechanical or aesthetic about it; I hadn't even really had time to do a thorough evaluation of either.

No, I know the Venza could be a great addition to the Toyota lineup because my wife announced at dinner that all the girls in her office wanted me to bring it over so they could check it out for themselves. It's rare that my wife asks me to drive to her office just so her co-workers can see what I'm driving. After 15 years if doing this, they all know I get to drive the latest and greatest.

But the Venza produced some excitement for my wife's co-workers and if that kind of enthusiasm is any indication, the Venza could make the folks at Toyota very happy.

For the one or two of you that didn't make to my wife's office for your own quick peek, let me tell you a little bit about the Venza. The Venza (available as a FWD or AWD vehicle) is new for the 2009 model year. In its press materials, Toyota keeps referring to the Venza as a car; the sticker compares its gas mileage with SUVs. I'd categorize it as a crossover, one of the more popular and competitive segments of the auto industry lately. Although not a big as some crossovers, it's definitely more substantial than, say, a Camry. The Venza checks in at an overall height of 63.4 inches and an overall length of 189 inches.

The Venza has all the styling cues of the Toyota family. Looking at it straight-on, you can tell it's a Toyota right away, with the distinctive winged grille/headlamp combo and

the Toyota badge sitting in the center. The roof line is low and tapers off; there's angled rear hatch, spoiler and wide wrap-around tail lights.

Fog lamps, chrome exhaust tips, and color-keyed outside mirrors are standard. You can order a power moonroof, and a roof rack is available as a stand-alone option.

Nineteen-inch, 10-spoke aluminum alloy wheels are standard with the 4-cylinder version of the Venza; the V6 version gets 20-inch, five-spoke aluminum alloy wheels.

You'd expect a crossover to give you more interior space than a traditional car and the Venza delivers that. There's plenty of head, shoulder and leg room. The rear seats fold down for extra cargo room, and there's a tonneau cover for the rear cargo area.

The center console layout is a little different. The controls are high on the console and tilted at an angle. I like the audio control placement, but I found the climate controls too small and a bit too far to the right. There is a driver information center display high on the center of the dash. The cupholders in the center console are illuminated.

One of the neatest interior features is the mp3 player holder built into the center console. Located right above the cupholders, it fits your iPod or other mp3 player snugly to keep it from flying all over the cabin as you drive, while still allowing easy access to change the song.

The standard seats are cloth; Toyota gives you a couple of packages from which to choose upgraded leather seats. The standard driver's seat is power adjustable; if you get the upgraded seats, you can get power seats for the front passenger and you can heat the seats, as



The Venza, available as a FWD or AWD vehicle, new for 2009, a crossover, one of the more popular segments of the auto industry lately.

well.

If you get the upgraded seat package (\$4,345), you'll also get wood-grain style trim, leather-wrapped steering wheel and shift knob, power rear door, Smart Key system with push-button start (I've always had mixed feelings about push button starts, but I know lots of people like them), power heated outside mirrors and a rear back-up camera. The back-up camera is a feature I love, and I'm really starting to miss it when the cars I drive don't come with it.

Dual-zone automatic climate control is standard on the Venza, as are tilt steering wheel, remote keyless entry, cruise control, power windows, built-in garage door opener, and power locks. Two front and one cargo area 12V auxiliary power outlets are standard as well.

The standard audio system is an AM/FM/six-disc CD changer with satellite radio, an auxiliary audio jack and six speakers. For another \$2,590, you can upgrade to an integrated voice-activated DVD navigation system, with JBL surround sound, hands-free phone capability and 13 speakers. Add \$1,680 to that and you get a rear seat DVD system with a nine-inch display, two wireless headphones and a remote.

The Venza comes with a choice of two engines: the standard 2.7-liter 4-cylinder rated at 182 horsepower, or the 3.5-liter V6, rated at 268 horsepower and 246 lb.-ft. of torque. Either can be ordered with FWD or AWD, and

both engines are mated with a six-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission. The V6 FWD version I drove gives smooth and quick acceleration with pretty decent fuel economy - 19 mpg in the city and 26 on the highway. You'll get a few more mpg's with the 4-cylinder, 21/29.

Crossovers tend to handle in a more car-like fashion than typical SUVs. The Venza's handling is no exception. The ride is comfortable and the electronic power steering makes it easy to handle, but the turning circle is a little wide making tight turns (like pulling into a narrow parking spot) a little tougher.

The Venza comes with ABS brakes, traction control, and vehicle stability control. It has seven airbags, including front and side rear curtain airbags.

The Venza V6 FWD starts at a little under \$28,000. Add the rear DVD system, upgraded seating package, JBL audio system (with navigation) and you're at about \$37,000. Not cheap, but if you can live without some of the toys you can get in for under \$30,000.

And feel free to drop by my wife's office to let the girls check it out.

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