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## ON THE RECORD

### College night

Admissions officers from five universities (University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Grand Valley State University, Albion College and Schoolcraft College) will be in attendance at College Info Night at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 2 at Northville High School to discuss the application process, financial aid and admission criteria.

### Classic movie pre-party

"The Thomas Crown Affair" ticket holders can enjoy a pre-party from 5:30-7 p.m. hosted by ticket sponsor, Starring "The Gallery," 118 W. Main Street this Saturday. The gallery's owner will also be giving away prizes during a pre-movie drawing at the Marquis Theatre. Guests should make sure to write their name on the back of their ticket so it can be collected for the drawing. For more information on the 2010 Movies at the Marquis Series, including show time and ticket price, visit [www.downtown-northville.com](http://www.downtown-northville.com).

### Blood drive

A blood drive will be held from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 31, at Our Lady of Victory Church, 770 Thayer, Northville. To schedule an appointment, contact Christine Abbey at (248) 701-5221 or [chrisabbey1@comcast.net](mailto:chrisabbey1@comcast.net).

### Next All Pro Dads event

The next date for St. Paul Lutheran Church School's All Pro Dad event in Northville has been changed from Jan. 22 to 8:30 a.m. Jan. 29.

The guest speaker will be Greg Seaman, a nationally accomplished and sponsored Xterra triathlon racer (a blend of traditional triathlons and extreme mountain biking). Seaman's wife is also a champion Xterra racer. He will talk about balancing the rigors of his sport with the demands of being a husband and father.

### Mystery solved

In last week's issue of the Record, the identity of the couple who won third-place in the Blue Spruce "Solve the Mystery" downtown shopping promotion last month was not known. Bob Buckhave, contest organizer, reports that the couple's names are Ed Peterson and Sally Johnson of Northville.

## Walkthrough concepts reviewed

### Still no decision yet on design

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

The discussion may have been lively, but there's still no decision yet on a design for the proposed downtown Northville walkthrough on East Main Street.

On Jan. 19, Gary Cooper of Cooper Design in Ann Arbor, presented the four design concepts his firm has

come up with, one of which will be selected for the project.

No firm cost estimates have been outlined, but the project should cost less than \$800,000.

The four design options include:

- \* a one-story tunnel with the second floor lease space remaining,
- \* a full two-story option where the second floor would be removed,
- \* a partial two-story design with offices at just the front and rear and
- \* an open alley.

In all four designs, front and rear facades would remain and be redone.

Several council members did not

like the completely open alley concept due to maintenance issues, such as snow removal.

The Northville Downtown Development Authority's volunteer Design Committee has already met with Cooper three times.

"We really have four good concepts here," said Lori Ward, executive director of the DDA, at the council meeting. But, there's been no clear-cut direction on which way to go.

Members of the Historic District Commission met on Jan. 20 to look at the four different concepts. A meeting was supposed to take place

"I want to know what's best for our community. I'm sure that we will come up with the right choice."

NANCY BAER,  
Northville City Councilmember

with Comerica Bank officials, who are donating the space for the walkthrough to the city, but the meeting had to be postponed.

Mayor Chris Johnson said

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## Scout spearheads food drive for Cooke School

Items still left over from last month's efforts

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

One would think with being in a wheelchair with muscular dystrophy that 17-year-old Alec Raymond had enough to think about just dealing with his own life.

But the Novi resident and member of Northville Boy Scout Troop 755 recently conducted a large food drive to help the families of Cooke School students.

He used the project as his community service requirement on his path to becoming an Eagle Scout.

Community members donated so much food in Raymond's drive that food is still being given out to families in need.

Ulla Gmelin, social worker at Cooke School, said so much food is left over that it may help families for several weeks to come.

"Last spring, Bob Raymond, Alec's dad, called the school to ask if we had a service project for his son, Alec, who wanted to become an Eagle Scout," Gmelin said. "He was brainstorming. I told him we always do holiday baskets in December, which are decorated boxes filled with food that go home to our families that are in need. Our families are all over Western Wayne County, not just Northville."

Teachers let Gmelin know who they think are good candidates to receive food boxes, and they are sent

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PHOTO COURTESY COOKE SCHOOL

Alec Raymond of Novi, an Eagle Scout candidate from Northville Troop 755, shakes hands with Cooke School Principal Mary Meldrum last month when he came to drop off food he and his fellow scouts had collected for the school's families. His dad, Bob, and his special dog, Caymen, came along.

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## Zoning members quash Islamic Center's plans

Say 32-space lot, setbacks too dense for parcel

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Bent Boving, who lives next door to the Meadowbrook Islamic Center on Eight Mile Road, said the center's board members' requests to build a parking lot and expand the house that serves as the center were like Cinderella's sisters trying to squeeze into the glass slipper.

"This is not a religious issue; it's an intensity of use issue."

STEVE MCGRATH, nearby resident

"Even a 5-year-old would scream 'foul' (about the requests)," Boving said.

After listening to a barrage of protests from residents who packed township hall, ZBA members voted to deny the center's two requests for variances at their Jan. 20 meeting.

One request was to decrease the house's setbacks from neighbors on the side yards. The other request was to construct a 32-space park-

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# Northville resident to appear on 'Jeopardy!' show next week

## Plans to attend medical school

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

"Jeopardy!" watchers sit in their living rooms and wonder, "What would it be like to actually be on the show and provide those answers in the form of a question?"

Northville resident and University of Michigan senior Surya Sabhapathy was able to experience the show first-hand as a contestant on the popular game show.

She will appear on the NBC show, aired locally on WDIV-TV Channel 4 as part of the two-week College Championship from Feb. 1-12.

Although contestants are not allowed to reveal the outcome of the show or any game materials, Sabhapathy could tell us when her quarter-final match is, which is Feb. 4.

This is the first time the 2006 Northville High School graduate has been on the show.

### SENIOR WITH DOUBLE MAJORS

Sabhapathy has double majors at U of M – one in brain behavior cognitive science and the other in evolutionary anthropology.

"It's a mouthful, I know," she said.

She'll be attending medical school at the University of Michigan next year, but doesn't have a specialty in mind just yet.

"Everyone tells me if you have one in mind, you'll change your mind anyway," Sabhapathy said.

### HOW SHE GOT ON THE SHOW

Sabhapathy explained that the show has an online test that was offered for potential contestants to take last August. "So, I took that, passed

'Yeah, I was a little nervous at first. But, once you get up there and start playing honestly the whole thing goes by so fast you don't even notice.'

SURYA SABHAPATHY

the test, and I moved on to attend an audition in Chicago in October," she said.

The show's staff started calling people in December about appearing on the show. Sabhapathy got a call and flew to Los Angeles earlier this month for the taping.

"It was a lot of fun," she said. "Everyone I competed against was great, and the producers really made us feel welcome."

She wasn't there long, but she did get to tour a little bit of Los Angeles. And, the accommodations were nice.

"They put us up in a hotel, paid for our flights and everything," Sabhapathy said. "We were spoiled."

Was she nervous being on national television?

"Yeah, I was a little nervous at first," she said.

"But, once you get up there and start playing honestly the whole thing goes by so fast you don't even notice."

So, what's host Alex Trebec like?

"He's quite a character," Sabhapathy said. "He seems just like he is on TV. He cracks a lot of jokes during commercial breaks."

In her spare time, Sabhapathy does research and cognitive neuroscience.

"I also like reading, doing crossword puzzles, and I'm a huge coffee fanatic," she said.

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Northville resident and University of Michigan senior Surya Sabhapathy will compete in the "Jeopardy!" College Championship to be aired Feb. 1-12 on NBC. Her quarter-final match will take place on Feb. 4.

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## SCOUT

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home with the students.

This year, Raymond's project amounted to one full pickup truck and a van full of nonperishable food items that he and his fellow Scouts collected over three weeks.

Raymond even brought his work dog, Caymen, a golden Labrador retriever, with him to the school when he and his parents delivered the food.

### FOOD FOR THE FUTURE

Raymond's project keeps on giving. "What we're doing is keeping the food for

our Cooke families, and when we receive a call from a family in crisis or in need, we'll pull from that," Gmelin said. "We have a lot of food left. Some of our staff donated some food, too."

Twenty families were fed over the recent holidays, according to Gmelin.

"This is the first time I am aware of that we have had an Eagle Scout do a project here," Gmelin said.

Raymond is a junior and is enrolled in a special program at Brighton High School, where his mom, Nancy, lives. "He's too high-functioning academically to attend Cooke School," Gmelin said.

He's even allowed to bring Caymen to school with him.

"Caymen can push the button to open handicapped doors and can do all kinds of

stuff for Alec," Gmelin said.

Gmelin said the staff at Cooke School was just thrilled with the outcome of Raymond's Eagle Scout project.

"We can't thank him enough," she said. "Usually, Northville Civic Concern has helped us in the past. But, because their shelves are so low, this was the perfect time. We'll probably do more food baskets for Easter."

Raymond explained that in his son's project, Hiller's Markets donated bags, which were hung on residents' doors with a note about the food drive from Alec. The following week, Scouts picked up the food.

"I thought we had a great response from our community," said Bob Raymond.

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## CONCEPTS

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the Historic District Commissioners also did not think option four was the best one, but there was also no consensus from this body as to which of the other three designs they liked best.

### CONNECTING BALCONY

Ward mentioned that there's been talk about joining the upper floors of other building on the block with a common balcony. She also said that it would be easier to lease these buildings if second-floor usage in them was increased.

Council member Nancy Darga thinks a public rest room is needed near the Town Square but agreed that one in the walkthrough might not be the best place to construct one.

City leaders need to ask Comerica Bank officials if they would be willing to lease the second-floor space if that concept is chosen.

"We don't know if the bank would be willing to lease the space or have the city lease it," said Mayor Chris Johnson. "There is the fact, however, that access to the second floor would have to be gained through the current bank's space, and that represents some security issues for the bank."

Cooper said all four of his firm's concepts are viable, but that the open-alley idea would require the demolition of a good portion of the building. He was afraid Historic District Commissioners would not be in favor of this plan for that reason, which turned out to be right.

He said the balcony around the exterior of the buildings could be done with any of the four concepts.

Ward said she would return to council after the meeting with Comerica Bank officials takes place to give members their thoughts as well as those of the Historic District Commissioners.

Darga said the open-alley concept would destroy a historic building and wouldn't serve the city well.

"It would be like a missing tooth in a smile," Darga said.

In her opinion, the city needs to pick the design that offers the best economic value and one that would generate revenue to help pay for itself.

Cooper said light wells or skylights will increase maintenance costs, but that they obviously provide the benefit of natural light.

Council member Jim Allen said it's really up to Comerica Bank whether the second floor is saved and made viable.

"I want to know what's best for our community," Darga said. "I'm sure that we will come up with the right choice."

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ALL VIABLE CONCEPTS



### Make-A-Wish benefit

Mid American Pompon, Mid American Fitness and Mid American Studio recently joined forces to host events and activities to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan. Mid American Pompon recently held two Winter Workshops for pompon girls in grades 6th through high school. More than 200 individuals and teams participated. Each person's \$5 participation fee went to Make-A-Wish. In addition, Mid American Fitness made a cash donation; Mid American Studio students organized a change drive, and the Mid American Pompon All Star Team held a fund-raiser where parents sent team members good luck wishes in the form of Hershey Kiss bundles the night before their Detroit's America's Thanksgiving Day Parade. A total of \$1,525 was donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. "It has been a pleasure working with the Make-A-Wish Foundation and heartwarming to know that we could make a difference in a child's life," said Karen Blazaitis, owner and director of Fitness of Mid American Studio. "We believe in the importance of giving back to our community and we encourage our clients and students to help those who are going through a challenge."

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## MLK Writing and Poster Contest Winners

From the left (back) Dr. Marilyn Price, president, Northville Public Schools Board of Education; Lamar Coleman, Cooke School winner; Chris Wigent, superintendent, Wayne County RESA (speaker); John Colleran, Northville High School winner; Brandon Robinson, Meads Mill winner; Dr. Leonard R. Rezmierski, Northville superintendent; Damien Wright, Old Village School winner; and Eric Barritt, president, Northville Educational Foundation; (back) Samantha Cantie, Silver Springs winner; Amy Walsh, Hillside winner; Addison Lentz, Winchester winner; Alex Braeseker, Thornton Creek winner; Madison Bates, Moraine winner; Annabelle Lawrence, Amerman winner; and Colin Latta, Ridge Wood winner.

## Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Student writings, posters on display at library

Student winners and honorable mention recipients in the Northville Public Schools Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Writing and Poster Contest were recognized at the "Unity in the Community" celebration, which took place on Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, Jan. 18 at Genitti's Little Theatre in downtown Northville.

The writings and posters are currently on display through the end of February at the Northville District Library in the area behind the Information Desk on the main floor.

All of the winning and honorable mention students received certificates and medals. The 11 winning students also had the honor of sharing their writings and posters with the more than 125 school and community members attending the "Unity in the Community" event, and received a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond generously provided by the Northville Educational Foundation.

In addition, the winning and honorable mention elementary writings, as well as the winning middle school, high school and center program writings,

posters and projects were printed in the Jan. 14 issue of the Northville Record.

"Everyone in attendance at the 'Unity in the Community' celebration was moved by the thoughtful and inspiring selection of letters, poems and artwork our students created in honor of this true American visionary," said Northville Superintendent Dr. Leonard R. Rezmierski. "This is an outstanding and growing event for our school district, our students and our community celebrating the principles taught by Dr. King that still have so much meaning for us today."

"Our thanks to the Northville Record and the Northville District Library for helping us to share this inspiring student work with the entire community."

The theme of the third annual district-wide Martin Luther King, Jr., Writing and Poster Contest was the King quote, "The time is always right to do what is right." The goal of the contest is to encourage students to honor the contributions of the late civil rights leader with a focus on how the principles taught by King are

still relevant today.

Students participating in the contest could write an essay, letter or poem or create a poster or project connecting to the ideals and actions of King. Entries were judged on relevance to the theme. Winning and honorable mention student writings were selected from each of the district's six elementary schools' fourth and fifth grade entries, as well as from Hillside Middle School, Meads Mill Middle School and Northville High School. Winning and honorable mention posters and projects also were selected from entries by students in the school district's special education center programs at Cooke and Old Village schools.

The "Unity in the Community" event also featured songs celebrating Dr. King's message of peace and unity sung by NHS choir students and an inspirational speech by Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency Superintendent Chris Wigent about the importance of educating the nation's young people in realizing King's vision.

## Futuristic Cities teach tomorrow's leaders

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

You won't find Necropolis on a map, but the futuristic ideas found in this and other make believe places spawned by an area competition taught students to apply math, science and engineering skills in real life situations.

"Not everyone has the same idea," explained Derek Blunden, a Northville Christian School student who attended the Michigan Regional Future City Competition Monday at Rock Financial in Novi.

Learning about teamwork was key while students worked for months to develop prototypes of their cities.

"It helped me grow and widened my appreciation for math and science," explains Luke Kohlmeier, a student at St. Valentine School in Redford. He was among a team of student presenters who spent the morning Monday talking to judges about the school's model city.

The winner of this year's competition is Birney Middle School in Southfield. Second to fifth place winners, in order, were St. John Lutheran, Rochester; St. Joseph School, Lake Orion; St. Valentine School and Power Middle School in Farmington.

The competition included 24 living spaces designed by more than 700 seventh and eighth grade students from Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties.

Long before the Haiti earthquake disaster, the Michigan Regional Future City Competition asked students to create affordable living spaces

for people who have lost their homes due to disasters or financial emergencies.

Collectively the students spent thousands of hours planning, designing and applying their math and science skills hoping for the "Best City of the Future" title.

Birney students created "SCQUBE: Spherical Contained Quality Underwater Building Establishment" designed for the year 3008. This is the fifth year that the school has taken part in the competition.

Sponsored and organized by The Engineering Society of Detroit (ESD), the program challenged students to ensure that the living space they created was made of sustainable materials, have a low-carbon emissions footprint and achieve the "Green Ideals" of energy efficient buildings.

St. Valentine student Madelyn Omietanski, said she developed a love for math and science while using formulas for the school's make believe city, Necropolis, which is based in the year 2230 on the coast of Tasmania. It runs on fusion energy and the housing has green roofing and solar panels.

"It taught us how math and science are used in the real world," Omietanski said. "The more I learned, I realized how fun math and science can be. It inspired me and made me think."

Novi Middle School student, Nithin Adapa, said that while working on his school's prototype city he realized he didn't want to become a city designer, "because it's way too much

work." He's leaning toward becoming a doctor or another type of engineer.

Working two hours a day for two months on the Universal Mall, Northville Christian students designed apartment complexes inside mountains.

Some of the other entries included, "Ecotropolis," a city located in Australia that uses plasma gasification to remove waste.

Each team, which worked under the guidance of an engineer and a teacher, was asked to display residential, commercial and industrial areas, power plants, transportation systems, community services and communication systems.

They had to consider environmental controls and traffic density, as well as calculate tax needs and develop operating budgets using SimCity software. Their city models had to include recycled materials.

Students developed their problem-solving skills and teamwork strategies, as well as research and presentation skills while increasing their awareness of community related issues.

Birney Middle School students will go on to represent Michigan in the national competition in Washington, D.C. Feb. 14-20 during National Engineers Week.

"Future City is a unique competition in that it allows students to apply concepts to solve real-life problems," said Ron Smith, ESD's Director of Education.

The competition is funded in part by the DTE Energy Foundation and the Ford Motor Company Fund.



## MLK Writing and Poster Contest Honorees

From the left (back) Dr. Marilyn Price; Chris Wigent; Michael Baron, Old Village School honorable mention; Dr. Rezmierski; Alyssa Duncan, Cooke School honorable mention; and Eric Barritt; (front) Jillian Ickes, Silver Springs honorable mention; Farzad Baghale, Moraine honorable mention; Sohan Yadav, Ridge Wood honorable mention; Grace Chi, Thornton Creek honorable mention; Claire Wenrick, Winchester honorable mention; and Lauren Masse, Amerman honorable mention. Not pictured are Matthew Williams, Hillside honorable mention; Peter Guan, Meads Mill honorable mention; and Haley Goldberg, Northville High School honorable mention.

### NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### High school dance

Northville High School is holding a snappy-casual winter dance on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 7-10 p.m.

Tickets will be on sale from Tuesday, Feb. 2 through Friday, Feb. 5. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased during all lunches on these days.

#### Market Scrip program

Hillside Middle School is now participating in Hiller's Market Scrip Card program. Activate and load money on your new Scrip Card at any Hiller's Market using cash, credit and debit cards, or checks in amounts from \$5 up to \$1,000. You can do this at Customer Service or right at the checkout lane before the cashier begins to scan your purchase. Then use your Scrip Card to pay for groceries (like a gift card). When your balance runs out, just reload the same Scrip Card with more money. Hillside automatically earns five percent every time money is put on a Scrip Card. If you are interested in receiving a Hiller's Scrip Card, e-mail Janice Gutowski at jgutowski7@comcast.net. Please include your name, home address and how many cards you need.

#### Yearbook photos wanted

The Northville High School yearbook wants your photos! Send us anything involving our students, whether it's group, team, or individual activities, concerts, performances, or sports — especially candid and action photos. Send your high resolution digital files (JPG) to hendero@northville.k12.mi.us Include a brief description of the activity and names and grades of the students pictured, along with the photographer's first and last name.

#### Community Financial scholarships

Community Financial, in collaboration with the Community Foundation of Plymouth (CFP) and the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation (AAACF), will be awarding 11 \$1,000 scholarships in April. Applications can only be made online by going to <http://scholarships.egrant.org>, creating an account and logging in. Read the guidelines for our "Community Financial Margaret Dunning and George Lawton Scholarships." If you qualify, complete just one application; you will be considered for both scholarships. Deadline is March 5.

**NORTHVILLE CHILL COOKOFF**

**January 30, 2010 • Noon - 4:00pm**

**Blizzard Breakfasts**  
8:30 - 11:00am  
Hosted by Northville Parks & Recreation at Genitti's

**Chili & Salsa Cook-off**  
**Northville Senior Center**  
Chili and salsa participants include:  
Edwards Cafe & Catering, George's Senate, Hotz Catering, Independence Village of Plymouth, Lake Street Tavern, Northville Sports Den, Poole's Tavern, Rocky's of Northville and Rusty Bucket

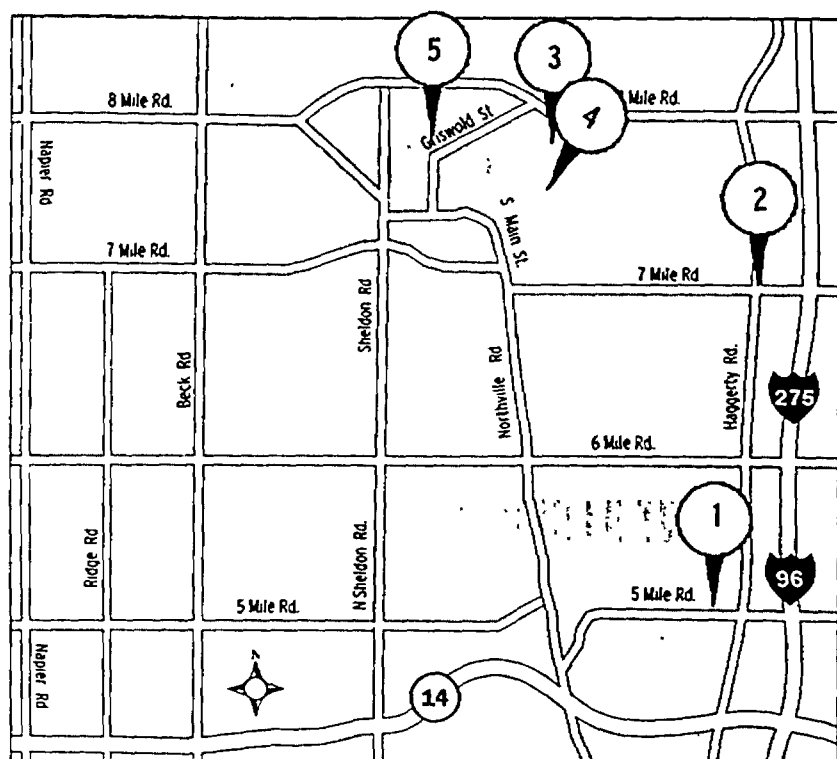
◆ **Hot Entertainment**  
Noon - 2:30pm  
Live Salsa music by Saoco ◆

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# PUBLIC SAFETY



## NORTHVILLE POLICE REPORT

### Armed robbery attempt

**1** An unidentified suspect attempted to commit an armed robbery at the Cap n' Cork Party Store at 40644 Five Mile Road a 9:53 p.m. on Jan. 14.

The suspect entered the party store brandishing a handgun. The suspect ordered the employee to lie on the floor face down. The employee then activated the security alarm causing the suspect to fire his weapon. The suspect then fled the store without obtaining any money or merchandise.

Northville Township Police responded immediately to the scene. With the assistance of neighboring jurisdictions, including a K-9 unit, the area was thoroughly searched without police locating the suspect.

The suspect is described as a white male, 5 foot 10 inches tall, medium build, wearing a leather jacket, a grey hood and blue jeans. The suspect had some sort of a ski-type mask covering his face. The weapon is described as a silver revolver.

The employee was not injured during the incident. The investigation is ongoing.

### Operating intoxicated

**2** A 25-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 2:13 a.m. Jan. 7 at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads.

The driver was pulled over because she had a defective light on her license plate. The officer could smell alcohol on the woman's breath, and she said that she had just come from the Wagon Wheel bar in Northville.

### Stolen car report

**3** A 27-year-old resident of W. Northville Place reported that his car was stolen between 5 p.m. Jan. 6 and 5 p.m. Jan. 7.

The man told police that the vehicle had been stolen from the parking lot next to his apartment and that he had his car keys in his possession the entire time and only his family has another key to the vehicle.

### Drunk driving arrest

**4** A 25-year-old Novi man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 6:24 a.m. Jan. 10 at Crystal Lake Drive and Old Bridge Court.

Police followed the vehicle, which came to a stop in a park-

ing space on Sandy Court, but no one got out of the vehicle.

When an officer approached the vehicle to see who was inside, he could see a man lying down. Police could smell alcohol on the man's breath as soon as he opened the vehicle's door. The man admitted that he had had too much to drink and had pulled over so he could "sleep it off."

### Disturbing the peace

**5** A 64-year-old resident of Parkgrove Court told police that his neighbor was playing music too loud between 4:20 and 5:35 a.m. on Jan. 16. The neighbor in question was also reported to have issued verbal threats and made intimidating remarks to neighbors at 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 16.

The neighbor also was said to have started a couple of chain saws, leaving them idling in his driveway. Alcohol use appears to have been a factor in the incidents.

The incidents have been referred to the city attorney for possible disturbing the peace and threats/intimidation warrants.

Compiled by staff writer Pam Fleming

## Home health care workers charged in Northville thefts

Two Home Health Care workers have been charged with multiple felonies stemming from a series of thefts from a Northville Township family.

The wife hired the Whitmore Lake based company to assist in the care of her 64-year-old husband who has Alzheimer's. The thefts occurred over a two-three month period. Someone stole jewelry and cash from the residents' home and pawned the jewelry at a gold exchange store located in Howell.

The homeowner became suspicious when she noticed some of their jewelry items missing from the home and contacted the Northville Township



Adams



Eibler

Police Department. Northville Township Police detectives uncovered that the two employees had been pawning jewelry that matched the description of the items that had been stolen from the home. Detectives continued the investigation that resulted in the arrest of the two employees.

The suspects are Anthony John Eibler, 20, and Matthew Douglas Adams, 18; both of Wixom.

Both face one count of embezzlement from a vulnerable adult (a five-year felony); one count of larceny in a building (a four-year felony); and two counts of receiving and concealing stolen property (a five-year felony).

They were arraigned in the 35th District Court before Judge Michael Gerou. Not guilty pleas were entered on their behalf and bond was set at \$100,000.

A preliminary examination is set for Feb. 1.

## Township wants state to act on closed prison

### Scott facility marketing process could begin Feb. 1

BY ERIC D. LAWRENCE  
FREE PRESS STAFF WRITER

Northville Township Manager Chip Snider thinks it's time for some changes at the closed Robert Scott Correctional Facility.

"I think we can take the concertina wire down, so it doesn't look like we're in Guantánamo Bay," Snider said, noting that the state should try to make the 35-acre facility across 5 Mile from a Home Depot less ominous visually.

Snider and other township officials have been eagerly awaiting word on the future of the former women's prison since it closed in May, but that wait may be ending.

The Michigan Department of Corrections is expected to declare the property surplus by Feb. 1, one of the key first steps before the state can begin marketing the prison. State officials say Scott's location at a busy intersection a short distance from M-14 in the affluent Northville area makes it prime property for reuse. But they also acknowledge that closed prisons elsewhere in Michigan face challenges to redevelopment because they are typically in rural areas, and they were built specifically for holding prisoners.

The state Department of Management and Budget currently lists only four prisons as surplus -- including the closed Western Wayne Correctional Facility a short distance east of Scott in Plymouth Township. But the state has closed at least 19 prison facilities since 2002.

The state Department of Management and Budget announced Thursday that its real estate division would post a request for proposals from potential developers for Western Wayne on its Web site within the next few weeks. The other surplus locations are in Kalamazoo, Manistiquette and Marquette.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume

said he believes that once the economic climate improves, developers will consider the Western Wayne site attractive, despite its construction on an old landfill. He said the site, which closed as a prison in 2004, had drawn interest from several parties before the economy soured. Like Snider, he would like to see some physical changes at Western Wayne because "it still looks like a prison there."

Some sites, however, lack the location advantages that the two closed Wayne County prisons enjoy.

In Jackson County, the Southern Michigan Correctional Facility closed in 2007, but the facility has limited redevelopment prospects in part because it is near two other operating prisons. The closed facility is used for administrative offices, according to James Shotwell Jr., chairman of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners.

And it has proven enticing as an authentic locale for moviemakers. In 2008 and 2009, the site was used in three film projects -- "Street Boss," "Betty Anne Waters" and "Stone," all of which are awaiting release.

Although Standish Maximum Correctional Facility near Bay City did not become a destination for ex-Guantánamo Bay prisoners as proposed last year, Russ Marlan, a spokesman for the Department of Corrections, said corrections officials hope to eventually place other prisoners, possibly from out of state, at the site.

In the Upper Peninsula, the state opted to lease its Mangum Farm prison camp to Marquette County for \$1 per year. That solved a problem for both the county, which had an overcrowded jail, and the state, which had an empty prison facility.

The facility, which is now known as the Marquette County Community

Corrections Detention Center, houses some of Marquette County's overflow prisoners.

Marquette County Sheriff Michael Lovelace called the lease a gift.

Marlan said the arrangement fits the department's goals.

"We try to be good partners in the community, and this is an opportunity to help them -- and they help us by utilizing the property," he said.

Often, the easiest thing to do with prison facilities is to use them as such, Marlan said.

That's the case with the Muskegon Correctional Facility, which had been slated to close this month as part of the state's effort to cut costs. Instead, a deal was struck with Pennsylvania to house 1,000 of that state's prisoners. The move also should save most of the 264 jobs that would have been lost.

Although cutting costs is a factor in Michigan's prison closures, it is not the only issue. The need for prison space also has dropped for several reasons, including a drop in the crime rate, efforts to reduce recidivism and some prisoner releases because of budgetary issues.

Total inmate population has declined by about 6,000 during the last three years to about 45,100 now, Marlan said.

Robin Boyle, a professor of urban planning at Wayne State University, said using old prisons for inmates makes the most sense.

"What would I put into a prison?" Boyle said of the closed facilities. "I think the obvious use is more corrections."

That is not what Northville Township officials want to see happen at Scott. Snider said the township "has been an institutional dumping ground over the last 50 years for the State of Michigan."

Northville Township Trustee Christopher Roosen said township officials want Scott sold for development instead.

## Pull it over, mister!

### THE SAFETY ZONE

you.

• If you are in the middle of an intersection when emergency vehicles are approaching, move through the intersection and pull off to the right.

• Always allow the emergency vehicle to completely pass you before continuing.

• There is no need to completely pull-off the roadway, just pull-over far enough to allow emergency vehicles to pass.

• Never attempt to out-run an emergency vehicle in order for you to get to where you are going faster.

There have been countless times that I can remember responding to "somebody's" emergency and people just don't move over. Sometimes this is because their radio is too loud and can not hear us and other

times I truly believe certain people think that "somebody's" emergency isn't nearly as important as what they're doing.

Everyone needs to be in the mindset that; that "somebody" might be your grandparent, mother, father, son, daughter, home or business. How would you feel if the Fire or Police Department was responding to your loved one or residence and they were delayed because people would not move over? Finally, when an emergency vehicle has its lights and sirens activated, they are requesting you to move over. Your compliance is greatly appreciated not only by the emergency responders, but also the people who called 911 and expect quick and prompt service.

Jason Raschke is a firefighter with Northville Township. He can be contacted at jraschke@tpw.northville.mi.us.

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### G. VICTOR CARLESS

Age 90, January 18, 2010. Funeral was January 22 at Orchard United Methodist Church, Farmington Hills. Donations may be made to Fox Run Benevolent Fund. Online condolences www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

### CAROL KALINOVIK

Age 67, January 22, 2010. Funeral was Jan 27 at O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi. Donations may be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute. Online condolences www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

### SANDRA K. WOLFORD

Age 55, Jan. 23, 2010. In state at St. Matthew Lutheran, Walled Lake, Sat. 10:00am until funeral liturgy 11:00am. Donations in her memory can be made to St. Matthew Lutheran or charity of choice. Condolences www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

### DR. RICHARD ALLEN CHASE

Age 68, of South Lyon, passed away on January 25, 2010 at his home, surrounded by family. He was born on August 18, 1941, in Dearborn, to the late John and Jenelle (Lewis) Chase. Dr. Chase was a Chiropractor in the Plymouth community for 30 years. He is survived by his beloved wife Alice (Comport) Chase; children: Rick (Katie) Chase and Candi (Joe) Chodacki; grandchildren: Rebecca, Abigail, John, Lane, and Tristan; and his sister Charlene Nippa. A memorial gathering will be held on Jan. 30, Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake St. (Ten Mile), South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com



### DR. MELISSA M. (FAULKNER) MOTSCHALL

Of Grosse Pointe Farms, passed away on January 20, 2010. Wife of Jon and loving mother of Nanette and Alexis. Beloved daughter of Richard A. Faulkner and the late Irene Charlotte. Sister of Richard Jr., Todd and Nathan. Dearest Aunt of Caleb, Jacob, Hannah, Lauren, Lea, Blaine and Christian. Melissa was a professor of Public Relations at Eastern Michigan University. In addition, Melissa taught undergraduate and graduate level Public Relations and Professional Writing courses, and was the advisor to the Eleanor Wright Chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America. Melissa was a devout Christian and follower of the Catholic faith. She was a pro-life advocate, a spiritual advisor to many, and instrumental in forming multiple Cenacle groups within Grosse Pointe. A memorial latin mass was performed on Saturday, January 23, 2010, at Assumption Grotto Church in Detroit. Contributions may be made to Helpers of God's Precious Infant of Michigan Inc., 18530 Mack Ave., #521, Grosse Pointe, MI 48236

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Obituaries received after these deadlines will be placed in the next available issue

**ROSEMARY BANNON FINN**  
Age 74, Jan. 20, 2010. Funeral was Jan. 23 at St. Colette Church, Livonia. Donations can be made to Food For The Poor (Haiti Relief), 6401 Lyons Rd., Coconut Creek, FL 33073. Online condolences at www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

### PAUL SCOTT FISHER

Age 57, of South Lyon, passed away Jan. 20, 2010. Memorial Service was held Sat., Jan. 23, 2010 at Salem Walker Church. Contributions to Dawn Farm. Arrangements entrusted: Casterline Funeral Home, Inc.

# 'Lady with All the Answers' starts tonight at Tipping Point

## Story revolves around famous advice columnist

It's a late night in 1975, and the stylish, sassy and straightforward Ann Landers is sitting in her posh 14-room Lake Shore Drive apartment in Chicago answering the usual quirky letters that make up her popular advice column.

What's different from every other day or column, though, is that Landers is also facing heartbreak of her own. And, in sharing her struggles, Landers also shares a bit about the no-nonsense woman whose daily dialogue helped shape the social landscape of the last half-century.

"The Lady With All The Answers," a witty and entertaining look inside the life and letters of the world-famous

newspaper columnist, makes its Michigan premiere at the Tipping Point Theatre tonight.

"The show is making its Michigan premiere at the Tipping Point Theatre," said Lynn Wilde Concannon, the new director of marketing and development at the theatre.

The one-woman show with an all-female artistic design team opens with preview performances at 8 p.m. today and tomorrow and runs through Feb. 28 at the theatre at 361 E. Cady St. Opening night is this Saturday at 8 p.m. The curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets, from \$25 to \$27, are available by calling the box office at (248) 347-0003.

"The Lady With All The Answers," by David Rambo, with the cooperation of Margo Howard, stars Julia Glander as Ann Landers.

Glander directed the Tipping Point Theatre's season-opening "A Sleeping Country" and appeared in the theatre's performance of "The Dinner Party" last season. She's most recently worked at the Meadowbrook Theatre in "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" and has played leading roles Off-Broadway and in numerous regional theaters across the country.

### SPECIAL EVENT SLATED ON FEB. 7

On Feb. 7, the theatre will have a special "Celebration of Women in the Arts" hosted by founding member Diane Adams and featuring the all-woman cast and crew. The event will include a light lunch at 12:30 p.m. with strolling hors d'oeuvres, wine, live piano music and a 2 p.m. performance of "The Lady with All the Answers." After the performance, theatre-goers can enjoy dessert, coffee and have a chance to meet Director Quintessa Gallinat and Actress Julia Glander. Tickets for this special event are \$40 or \$15 for SeasonPASS holders. For more information call the theatre at (248) 347-0003 or send an e-mail to [tix@tippingpointtheatre.com](mailto:tix@tippingpointtheatre.com).



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Julia Glander, star of the one-woman show opening tonight at the Tipping Point Theatre in downtown Northville.

## Your Invitation to

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**LORD of LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
5051 Pleasant Valley Road • Brighton, MI 48114  
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**HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
[www.hsrcc.net](http://www.hsrcc.net)  
at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd.  
810-231-9199  
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11:15 a.m. Contemporary  
Sunday School - all ages 10:15 a.m.

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**HIGHLAND COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
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Contemporary Service  
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Men's Bible Study & Breakfast  
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3rd-5th Grade Youth Tuesdays 7-8 p.m.  
Pastor Nick Rutter

**NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
120 Bishop St., Highland  
off Milford Rd., 2-7/8 miles N. of M-59  
• Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
• Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.  
• Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Danny Martin  
689-7253 or 687-4566

**HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
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Sunday, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; M-T-W-F 9 a.m.  
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Sunday Worship 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.  
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Nursery & Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. service  
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Religious Education 349-2559  
Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

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Singles Place Ministry - Thurs. 7:30 a.m.  
Rev. W. Larry Oles, Senior Pastor  
Rev. James F. Russell, Associate Pastor  
[www.fpcnorthville.org](http://www.fpcnorthville.org)

### Novi

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Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  
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Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister

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Worship 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

**Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church**  
22200 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon South of 1 Mile Road  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.  
Refuel Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.  
Youth at 6:30 p.m.  
Rev. David Brown, Pastor  
248-437-2222 • [www.fellowshippecc.org](http://www.fellowshippecc.org)

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

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

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Sunday School 11:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Nursery Care Provided  
Check us out on the web: [www.fpcsouthlyon.org](http://www.fpcsouthlyon.org)  
248-437-2875 • 205 E. Lake (10 Mile)  
Rev. Dr. Annemarie Kötter, Pastor

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

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH LYON**  
60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178  
Phone: 248-437-2583  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
Senior Pastor: Rob Freshour / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Weaks  
Website: [www.fpcsouthlyoncc.org](http://www.fpcsouthlyoncc.org)  
Email: [fpcsouthlyoncc@comcast.net](mailto:fpcsouthlyoncc@comcast.net)

**CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
28900 Pontiac Trail (Across from Erwin's Orchard)  
Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.  
Family Service 11:00 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship - Relevant,  
Bible Based Messages  
(248) 486-0400 • [www.crossroads.net](http://www.crossroads.net)

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
640 S. Lafayette (248) 437-0760  
Sunday Worship: 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:40 a.m.  
Nursery Provided  
Reverend Sondra Willabee  
[southlyonfirstumc.org](http://southlyonfirstumc.org)

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22183 Pontiac Trail (behind Jazzerie and Gyle)  
10 a.m. Sunday Celebration  
Pontiac Trail and 9 Mile (Bach's Shopping Center)  
(Nursery & Children's programs)  
Office 248-486-4400  
[www.solidrocksouthlyon.org](http://www.solidrocksouthlyon.org)

**BIBLE BELIEVERS CHURCH**  
Gathering in Jesus Name  
601 S. Lafayette St. • South Lyon, MI 48178  
Sunday 10:30 and 1:30  
Thursday 7:00 p.m.  
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Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Wednesday Christian Education and Family Nite 7:00 p.m.

### Plymouth

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[www.stjohnsplymouth.org](http://www.stjohnsplymouth.org)  
Services on Sunday mornings at 7:45 AM - Eucharist - meditative (without music)  
8:00 AM - Eucharist with Contemporary Music  
11:00 AM - Eucharist with Traditional Music

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

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- Missouri Synod  
Our Service Lutheran School - Pre-school 2nd grade  
13667 West Highland Rd. (M-59)  
(248) 887-4500  
Sunday Service 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School & Bible Class 10:00 a.m.  
Chaplain: L. Thomas, Pastor: L. John T. Becker, Assistant Pastor  
Rev. Judy Thompson, People  
[www.ourchurchlutheran.org](http://www.ourchurchlutheran.org)



**Submit:** Send calendar submissions via e-mail to [cstone@gannett.com](mailto:cstone@gannett.com); by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Church Events/Northville-Novi, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

### Church of the Holy Family

**Location:** 24505 Meadowbrook Road  
**Contact:** (248) 349-8847 or visit [holyfamilynovi.org](http://holyfamilynovi.org)

#### Mass Schedule

**TIME/DAY:** 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 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

### Crosspointe Meadows Church

**Location:** 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile Road  
**Contact:** (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit [www.crosspointemeadows.org](http://www.crosspointemeadows.org)

#### Sunday Worship

11:15 a.m.  
**Bible study classes:** 10 a.m. for all ages

**Details:** Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.

### Detroit First Church of the Nazarene

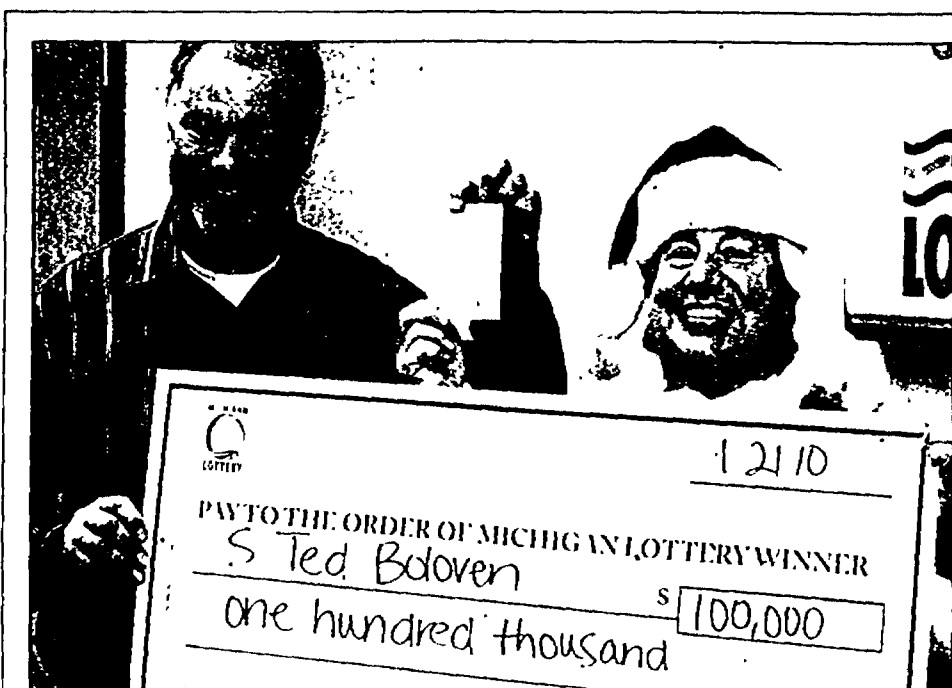
**Location:** 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 348-7600 or visit [dfcnazarene.org](http://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.



### Lottery winner

On Christmas Eve, Soteros Boloven's (left) brother Steve, dressed as Santa Claus, presented him with a Michigan Lottery Millionaire Raffle ticket. Steve didn't even buy the gift until Christmas Eve, and Soteros was a little disturbed that his brother waited until the last minute to shop. But when the ticket turned out to be a \$100,000 winner in Wednesday's Millionaire Raffle drawing, the brothers were all smiles. Just to emphasize the point that the winning ticket was a gift from Santa, Steve donned his red suit and hat and long white beard and accompanied his brother and other family members to claim the prize at the Lottery's headquarters in Lansing. Boloven, of Northville, said he thought he'd lost the ticket when after picking up Christmas wrappings and gifts, he realized it was missing. Thinking he'd thrown it away, he retrieved the trash just before it was picked up. As he prepared to go through it, his wife indicated she'd found the ticket, tucked in a book. He checked the Lottery's Web site following Wednesday's drawing and learned his ticket was a winner. Boloven, who is a fan of instant tickets and the Mega Millions game, as well as the Raffle series, plans to use the winnings to pay bills. He said he will also share the money with his family. The winning ticket was purchased at Joy Tobacco Inc. in Dearborn Heights.

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.

**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.

### Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

**Location:** 40700 W. 10 Mile Road  
**Contact:** (248) 427-1175 or [churchoftheholycross.com](http://churchoftheholycross.com)

**Sunday Worship:** 7:45 a.m., 10 a.m. Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. Worship Service

**ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. second Saturday of month

### Faith Community Presbyterian

**Location:** 44400 W. 10 Mile Road  
**Contact:** (248) 349-2345 or visit [faithcommunity-novi.org](http://faithcommunity-novi.org)

**Sunday Worship:** 10 a.m.

### 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

**First Baptist Church of Novi-Family Integrated Church**

**Location:** 45301 W. 11 Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 349-3647 or [firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org](http://firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org)

**Family Bible Hour:** 9:45 a.m.

**Family Worship:** 11 a.m.

**Bible Study:** 6 p.m.

**Family Movie Night:** 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every month

**First Presbyterian Church of Northville**

**Location:** 200 E. Main St.

**Contact:** (248) 349-0911 or visit [presnville.org](http://presnville.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](http://singleplace.org).

### First United Methodist of Northville

**A Stephen Ministry church**

**Location:** 777 W. Eight Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 349-1144 or [fumc-northville.org](http://fumc-northville.org)

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**Time:** 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m.

**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

**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

**Livonia Church of Christ**

**Location:** 15431 Merriman Road, Livonia

**Contact:** For further information, please contact NSO Douglas K. Wells at (313) 964-6595.

**Meadowbrook Congregational**

**Location:** 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and Nine Mile roads

**Contact:** Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757, visit [mbccc.org](http://mbccc.org) or e-mail to [office@mbccc.org](mailto:office@mbccc.org).

**Sunday Worship:** 10 a.m.

**Sermon:** Having a Plan

**Church School:** 10-11 a.m.

**Fellowship Hour:** 11 a.m.

**MERRY WIDOWS LUNCHEON**

**Time/Date:** 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month

**PILGRIM FELLOWSHIP**

**Time/Date:** 6 p.m. Sundays

**Northville Christian Assembly**

**Location:** 41355 Six Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 348-9030

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9-10 a.m.: Sunday School for Adults / Youth / Children

9 a.m.: Contemporary service in multi-purpose gymnasium

10:15 a.m. Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210)

**TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY**

8:45-10:30 a.m. (café)

**WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT**

7 p.m.: Adult elective classes; jr. and sr. high student ministries; children's programs (M-Pact Girls Club & Royal Rangers Boys Club) Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville

Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade) - contact (248) 348-9031

**Novi - Northville Center for Jewish Life**

**Details:** A Jewish center with events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year - children's programs, Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs, community social events.

**Contact:** Rabbi Avrohom & Leah Susskind at (248) 790-6075 or [novijewishcenter.com](http://novijewishcenter.com); [www.novijewishcenter.com](http://www.novijewishcenter.com)

**Novi United Methodist**

**Location:** 41671 W. 10 Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 349-2652 or visit [umc-novi.com](http://umc-novi.com)

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**Time:** 9:45 a.m.

**Healing Service and Holy Communion**

**Time/Date:** 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month

**PEACE VIGIL**

**Time/Date:** Noon, first Sunday of every month

**Location:** In front of the church

**Details:** Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.

**ADVENT SERVICE**

**Time/Date:** 9:45 a.m. Sunday

**Oak Pointe Church**

**Location:** 50200 W. 10 Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 912-0043 or visit [oakpointe.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:joy@oakpointe.org) or call the church.

**Orchard Hills Baptist Church**

**Location:** 23455 Novi Road

**Contact:** Pastor Jon Hix (248) 349-5665

**PRESCHOOL/KIDS CHOIR**

**Time/Date:** 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday

**Details:** For ages three to six; ongoing event; no need to pre-register; all are welcome.

**Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church**

**Location:** 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth

**Contact:** (734) 453-0326, ext. 221

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church**

**Location:** 770 Thayer, Northville

**Contact:** (248) 349-2621 or [olnorthville.org](http://olnorthville.org)

**SATURDAY WORSHIP**

**Time:** 5 p.m.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**Time:** 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

**Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church**

**Location:** 1200 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

**Contact:** Pastor Bill Burke at (734) 927-0891

**Wednesday Bible Study:** 7 p.m.

**Sunday Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m.

**Sunday Worship:** 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service.

**St. James Catholic**

**Location:** 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi

**Contact:** (248) 347-7778

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**TIME/DAY:** 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday

**MOTHERS GROUP**

**Time/Date:** 9:30-11 a.m. monthly, first and third Wednesday through 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 Endreszi (248) 946-4080

**St. John's Episcopal Church**

**Location:** 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

**St. John Lutheran**

**Location:** 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills

**Contact:** (248) 474-0584 or visit [stjohn-lutheran.com](http://stjohn-lutheran.com)

**SATURDAY WORSHIP**

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**Time:** 9, 11:15 a.m.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Time:** 10:15 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

**Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington**

**Location:** 25301 Halstead Road, Farmington Hills

**Contact:** [www.uufarmington.org](http://www.uufarmington.org)

**YOUTH INTERFAITH JOURNEY**

**Time/Date:** 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays

**Details:** This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. The UUFC Interfaith Journey curriculum encompasses the Unitarian Universalism philosophy of individual worth and the power of community with a study of the World Religions that are practiced around the globe. This program compliments the mission of UUFC Religious Education of teaching youth inclusion, compassion and peace and provides the environment to live and learn in a culturally diverse community. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all.

**Contact:** Jennifer Teed at 248/478-7272 or [dre@uufarmington.org](mailto:dre@uufarmington.org)

**Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

**Location:** 40000 Six Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978

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# Northville Strictly Business

IT'S YOUR NORTHVILLE BUSINESS Q&amp;A

## Bee's Knees offers creative experience

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

We offer a creative, relaxed, artful experience for everyone. Whether you are creatively challenged or an accomplished artist, we have the tools and space for you to create your own masterpiece in pottery, glass fusing, mosaics, silver clay jewelry or tie dying. Even if you are a novice we teach you how step by step in a stress-free atmosphere.

Parties are popular and it doesn't matter what event you are celebrating or what age you are. We have many teambuilding and staff appreciation experiences and even dates for couples or sometimes double dates. However, I must confess, the most fun for me is Ladies Night. Customers bring whatever they want to eat and/or drink and we create from 6:30-9 p.m. on Friday. The atmosphere is always light and festive and everyone, at all different skill levels, is learning techniques.

How did you first decide to open your business?

I had reached a time in my life, finding my children grown and leaving our home. I only had to think about me, my life, and what I wanted to do with it. I evaluated all the knowledge and experience I had garnered. When they were all listed side by side, I realized I wanted a creative outlet, but I also loved crunching numbers. I enjoyed teaching others and the company of all different ages. So, a contemporary ceramic studio seemed like a logical fit.

Why did you choose Northville?

Northville was a perfect location with an abundance of walk-by traffic, and I thought it was great to have a creative experience available to the youth of our community.

What makes your business unique?

The Studio offers an "experience". It's an experience like no other. It's cross-generational; all ages coming together and enjoying themselves in a wonderfully fun and harmonious moment, creating a unique memory.

How has it changed since you opened?

Since The Bee's Knees opened, new media have been added. We first started with paint your own pottery and then added: hand building with clay, mosaics, glass fusing, silver clay, tie dying. We also started a Gallery for local artists that work in these media. We take custom orders if anyone wants a unique gift or an award; we can



COURTESY PHOTO

Kyrsten Persells works on a project at The Bee's Knees in downtown Northville.

### DETAILS

**Business Name:** The Bee's Knees  
**Address:** 149 E. Main Street  
**Your Name/Title:** Lori Dow/ Owner  
**Your Hometown:** Northville  
**Business Opened When:** 1998  
**Number of Employees:** Nine  
**Hours of Operation:** 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday; 11-9 Thursday-Friday; 10-6 Saturday; noon-5 Sunday  
**Your Business Specialty:** a creative, art studio experience  
**Phone:** (248) 347-6718  
**Website:** www.TheBeesKneesPottery.com

design it for them or make it to their specifications.

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

Yes, and I guess it's OK to speak about it openly because it's happened many times now. A young person walks into the studio with a brown paper bag. As they walk, you can hear many pieces clanking together. They have that bad puppy look when they beg you to help put the pieces back together. Of course, they want you to accomplish this before the weekend is over and their parents get back from their trip! Sometimes a small business owner is called on to

perform miracles.

How has the recent economy affected your business?

We do see a downturn when people get scared of the unknown outcomes related to events that shape our economy. But then, fortunately for us, soon we see an upturn. I see people turning toward family and spending quality time together. That's what The Bee's Knees is all about. People of all ages are visiting us, spending quality time creating memories and masterpieces.

Any advice for business owners?

The best advice I could give other business owners would be to choose your staff wisely and treat them with the utmost respect. They are the people that have your back and create the atmosphere of your business. Give them the tools and knowledge to do their job. I am most fortunate with my staff. We have our own little Bee's Knees family unit. They are the backbone of our studio.

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

We have added so many new artful experiences. We will be training and sharing our knowledge with all our faithful customers and hopefully bring in new customers to discover the best kept secret in Northville.

### NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

#### Liquor license transfer approved

Northville City Council members approved the transfer of a Class C liquor license in escrow for Le George, a new upscale Middle Eastern restaurant coming to downtown Northville at their Jan. 19 meeting. The license will be transferred from a Pizza Hut of America location on Ford Road in Canton to the restaurant at 124 E. Main Street in Northville. Members of the city's Liquor License Review Committee recommended that council approve the license transfer at their meeting just prior to the council meeting. Restaurant owners George and Rita Farah of Bloomfield Township have been in the restaurant business for 22 years and formerly owned Anita's Kitchen, a Middle Eastern restaurant at Fifteen Mile and Livernois in Troy. The restaurant will be able to seat 71 people, including five at the bar and 16 in an outdoor dining area. The Farahs expect to open their new restaurant in March or April.

#### Oakland offers business workshops

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars offered at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, Waterford. For location specifics and pre-registration, visit [www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar](http://www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar) or call (248) 858-0783. Business Basics workshops are now offered in the evenings on alternating months.

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#### FUTURE WORKSHOPS

(AM) Morning Class 9 a.m. to 12/12:30 p.m.  
(PM) Evening Class 6 p.m. to 9/9:30 p.m.  
February 2010  
9 - Pre-Business Research (PM)  
16 - Start A Business (PM)  
17 - Team SBA Financing Roundtable  
23 - Write A Business Plan (PM)  
24 - WBE Certification Orientation  
25 - Small Business Loan Workshop  
The Web site address for Oakland County Planning & Economic Development Services Workshops is [www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar](http://www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar).

#### TDA Insurance launches campaign

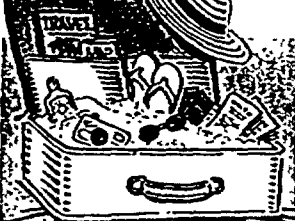
TDA Insurance, an independent insurance agency located in Novi, announced the launch of their new website and digital marketing campaign.

TDA Insurance has partnered with Astonish Results, LP, a digital marketing and training company for the insurance industry, to create a new online marketing campaign. The Astonish Results marketing strategy has been implemented by TDA Insurance to help the agency find and keep new customers. Featuring a "Virtual Insurance Office" and "Virtual Insurance Agent," TDA Insurance is confident that its new system will better meet the needs of its clients.

TDA Insurance was created to make the online experience of insurance shopping easier. The site is divided into clear categories, making it simple for an insurance shopper to visit TDA Insurance, find the type of insurance they are looking for, and gain a better understanding of their policy options. If shoppers have questions about the type of insurance they may need, TDA Insurance has a "Service Center" section for providing answers. TDA Insurance's new site even offers a "Free Online Rate Quote" form that the insurance seeker can fill out in just a few moments of their time.

TDA Insurance provides customers in the Novi, Northville, and other surrounding areas in Michigan with various lines of both personal and business insurance coverage. It is TDA Insurance's hope that the new TDA Insurance will provide its clients with an entertaining, educational and enjoyable insurance shopping experience.

## Ready to TAKE A VACATION?



### Participating Vendors:

Apple Vacations  
Barbados Tourism Bureau  
Carnival Cruise Lines  
Celebrity Cruise Lines  
Delta Vacations  
Globus Vacations  
GOGO Worldwide Vacations  
Grand Cayman Tourism Bureau  
Holland America Cruise Line  
Lansing Airport Representative  
Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines  
Sandals and Beaches Resorts  
Travel Impressions  
Universal - Orlando

## Brookside Travel Presents... 2nd Annual Travel Show Extravaganza

Friday, January 29th 5pm - 8pm  
Saturday, January 30th 10am - 4pm  
Laurel Park Place Mall

Experts explain why NOW  
is the best time to travel in years!  
Find out how to get the most travel value  
for the best price!

Complete a travel passport and be eligible to win a  
3 or 4 day cruise aboard Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines.

The first 100 passports completed receive a special gift.  
(Cruise winner to be announced February 1st on 106.7 FM)

Spring Break Packages still available.



### Event Hosted by:

**BROOKSIDE  
TRAVEL**

1045 Novi Road, Northville 48167

248-344-4747 [www.Jebrookside.com](http://www.Jebrookside.com)



### Laptops for troops

Michigan computer services company Vision Computer Solutions and Clarity Quest Marketing, an Ann Arbor-based marketing agency, have teamed with Jim "Doc" Payne to donate 30 notebook computers to troops serving overseas. Payne acquired the used laptops which were in working order except for faulty hard drives. Vision Computer Solutions and Clarity Quest purchased and donated new hard drives. Payne will refurbish the laptops which will be sent to units in Afghanistan and Iraq, with the bulk going to Marines being deployed in Afghanistan. "Troops serving overseas have plenty of wireless bandwidth, but very few public computers which they can access," said Payne who has refurbished over 600 laptops for military personnel to date. Pictured, Casey Frushour, Clarity Quest Marketing (left) and Peter Marsack, Vision Computer (right) donate hard drives to Dr. Jim Payne (center)



## Our Lady of Victory

Victory Values  
Intellectual Growth  
Courteous Behavior  
Teamwork  
Opportunities For Sharing  
Respect For All  
Yes To God Like Mary

## School Open House

Sunday, January 31, 2010  
10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

132 Orchard Street (just south of West Main St.)  
Northville, Michigan 48167

248-349-3610

Listings Etc. includes Meetings; Senior Events; Library Lines; Parks and Rec; Volunteering; Support Groups; Clubs and Groups; and Health Events. Please visit our Web site (hometownlife.com) to view the complete listing

**Submit:** Send item submissions via e-mail to [cbstone@gannett.com](mailto:cbstone@gannett.com); by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Northville Record, 101 N. Lafayette St., South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Tuesday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

## 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.

### 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 WEDNESDAY COMMISSION

Date: Third Wednesday of month  
Time: 7 p.m.

Location: City Hall

### ARTS COMMISSION

Date: Second Wednesday of every month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

### BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Date: First Monday of every month  
Time: 8 a.m.

Details: Individuals and organizations invited to attend

Location: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

### Northville Township

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: Last Tuesday of month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: Third Thursday of month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Date: Third Wednesday of month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

### BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Date: Third Monday of month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

### YOUTH ASSISTANCE

Date: Second Tuesday of every month  
Time: 8 a.m.

Location: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road

Contact: Sue Campbell (248) 344-1618

## SENIOR EVENTS

### Senior Community Center

Location: 303 W. Main St.  
Contact: (248) 349-4140

#### THURSDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club  
9 a.m.: TOPS; Massage by appt.

10:30 a.m.: Yoga

11 a.m.: Cribbage

Noon: Walking Club

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

#### FRIDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

11 a.m.: Poker

11:30 a.m.: Walking Club

Noon: Walking Club

1 p.m.: Movie

#### MONDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

9:30 a.m.: Mah Jongg

10 a.m.: Beginning Line Dance, Oxyrise

11 a.m.: Adv. Line Dance

Noon: Walking Club

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre

7:15 p.m.: Tai Chi

#### TUESDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

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



COURTESY PHOTO

## New dentist in town

Collin Marsh, pictured here with Dr. Mark Hunter, is excited to be the first patient at the new office of Dr. Hunter. His office is now open in the heart of downtown Northville and is accepting new patients. Call (248) 449-1677 to schedule a complimentary new patient examination.

**TIME/DAYS:** 10 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1

Contact: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

### ADULT 50+ FUN CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

**TIME/DAYS:** 1-3 p.m. every Tuesday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: Games scored to 15 points with creative team rotation; \$1 per session; all skill levels welcome.

Contact: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

### CO-ED ADULT 50+ OPEN BASKETBALL

**TIME/DAYS:** 10 a.m.-noon each Thursday

Location: Senior Community Center

Details: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1

Contact: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

### HEALTH WALKING

Date: Monday-Friday

Time: 8-10 a.m.

Location: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

### PILATES CLASS

Time/Date: 6 p.m. each Tuesday

### BUNCO

Time/Date: 12:30 p.m. second Thursday of each month

Details: Call Senior Community Center 24 hours in advance to register; \$1 per person.

### FRIDAY FLICKS

Time: 1 p.m. every Friday

Details: Cost is \$1

## LIBRARY LINES

### Northville District Library

Location: 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall

Time/Day: 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Contact: (248) 349-3020 or [northvillelibrary.org](mailto:northvillelibrary.org) for information regarding programs and library materials.

#### Internet Basics Class

Time/Date: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Monday, Feb. 1

Details: This free, hands-on class teaches how to view websites, find information on the Internet. Must be able to use a mouse. Call 248-349-3020 to register.

#### Internet Searching Shortcuts Class

Time/Date: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Monday, Feb. 8

Details: This free hands-on class teaches how to find information quickly on the Internet.

Call 248-349-3020 to register.

#### Effective Resumes

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11

Details: How to make your resume the one that stands out! Presented by Career Development Professional Martha Adamson. Call 248-349-3020 to register.

#### Drop In Morning Storytime

Time/Date: 10:15 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 28 & Feb. 4

Details: Storytime fun for toddlers and preschoolers! All ages welcome! Caregivers must accompany children age 3 and younger. No registration, just drop in. This series runs for 6 weeks each Thursday at 10:15 am from January 28 - March 4.

## PARKS AND REC

### Northville Parks and Recreation

Location: 775 N. Center St. (back entrance of Hillside Middle School)

Contact: For registration and information on camps, classes and activities call (248) 349-0203 or visit [northvilleparksandrec.org](http://northvilleparksandrec.org)

### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**DATE/Time:** 7 p.m. second Wednesday, every other month beginning in Jan.

Location: Northville Township Hall, 44405 W. Six Mile Road

### OPEN FAMILY BASKETBALL

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. every Sunday Sept.-April

Location: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Details: \$2 Per person

### OPEN 40+ BASKETBALL

Time/Date: 7-9:30 p.m. every Wednesday

Location: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Details: \$3 Per person

### OPEN ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. every Thursday 9 a.m. noon every Saturday Sept.-April

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$4 Per person

### OPEN BADMINTON

Time/Date: 7-9:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$9 Per person, includes birds.

Competitive style Badminton, all skill levels welcome, 8 Courts

### OPEN PICKLEBALL

Time/Date: noon every Monday; 6-8 p.m. every Saturday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$3 Per person Saturday

\$4 Per person Saturday

### OPEN TABLE TENNIS

Time/Date: Noon-4 p.m. every Saturday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$5 Per person, 8 tables available, All skill levels welcome

### OPEN CO-ED 50+ VOLLEYBALL

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-noon every Mon, Wed, Fri

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$1 Per person, all skill levels welcome.

Bring your friends

### OPEN 50+ PICKLEBALL

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. every Monday

Location: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Details: \$2 Per person, Paddles and balls available

Contact: (248) 449-9947 for more info on all above open activities.

## VOLUNTEERING

### ARBOR HOSPICE

Details: Seeking compassionate, caring individuals to join our Volunteer Team in support of patients and families by holding a hand, sharing a story, or creating a special moment. Take the first step in this life-affirming experience by contacting our Volunteer Coordinator. Contact: (248) 348-4980 or [mgrysko@arborhospice.org](mailto:mgrysko@arborhospice.org).

### Friends of the Northville District Library

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

### Heartland Hospice Volunteers Needed

Time: Day and evening training classes  
Location: 28588 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 475, Southfield

Details: Caring and compassionate individuals needed to register for Heartland Hospice Volunteer Training. We serve individuals and their families during their end of life journey in the Tri-County area. Office support is needed. Contact: Mary, (800) 770-9859

### Meals-On-Wheels

Date: Ongoing

Time: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Details: Permanent and substitute drivers needed.

Contact: Eileen at Allen Terrace (248) 231-9950, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday or Judy LaManna (248) 348-1761

### Northville Arts Commission seeks

#### Commissioners

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. second Wednesday of each month

Location: 215 West Cady Street

Details: Seeking volunteer Commissioners to help grow the Northville Art House. The mission of the Art House is to enhance the community by providing culture and arts in a central and appropriate location. Candidates need only to have a passion for expanding the arts in Northville! Committees are formed to assist in the development and facilitation of Art House educational programs, events and exhibitions. Contact: (248) 344-0497, e-mail [info@northvillearts.org](mailto:info@northvillearts.org) or visit [northvillearts.org](http://northvillearts.org).

### Susan B. Galli Angel Fund

Details: Hidden Springs Veterinary Clinic has created a fund to assist families in need with medical expenses for their pets. The fund is in memory of a longtime client, Sue Galli. All donations are welcome so we can help as many pets as possible. Please make checks payable to Hidden Spring Vet Clinic SGA Fund. Mail to: 48525 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. Contact: (248) 349-2598

### Visiting Nurse Association Hospice Program

Details: In as little as two to four hours a week, volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family members or provide office support. A free, 18-hour/three-day training program is provided. Contact: (800) 882-5720 Ext. 8361 or (248) 967-8361 or visit <http://vna.org>.

### YWCA of Western Wayne County

Details: The YWCA is looking for volunteers to assist with office help, after-school programs, building projects, communications and marketing in various locations throughout western Wayne County. Contact: Tabatha Manuel (313) 561-4110 Ext. 20 or [tmanuel@ywca-wmc.org](mailto:tmanuel@ywca-wmc.org)

## SUPPORT GROUPS

### Angela Hospice Groups

Location: Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia

Contact: Joan Lee (734) 953-6012

### GENERAL GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS

Time/Date: 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month

Details: Open to all losses.

### LOSS OF SPOUSE/SIGNIFICANT OTHER SUPPORT GROUP

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. first Tuesday of month

### SUICIDE LOSS SUPPORT SERVICES

Details: For those who and family services offered free for individual who lost a loved one through suicide; call Sherri Katz at (734) 464-7810 for more information.

### HEATSTRINGS-PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST CHILD

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. first Thursday of month

Details: Call Ann-Patrice Foley to register, (734) 464-7810.

### GRIEF SUPPORT QUILTER'S GROUP

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. first and third Wednesday of month

Details: Make a quilt in memory of a loved one. No experience necessary. Register by calling (734) 953-6012.

### WOMEN'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Details: Sessions held in spring and fall. Call Joan Lee at (734) 953-6012 for dates and times.

### Anxiety Disorder Support Group

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. every Thursday

Location: Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia

Details: Aim for Recovery offers support and recovery for those suffering with anxiety disorders and their families. Meetings consist of planned behavioral lessons and discussions. Educational material will be available. Donations for the program and materials are accepted. Contact: Robert Diedrich at [robdiedrich@msn.com](mailto:robdiedrich@msn.com)

### Crohn's and Colitis Support Group

Date: First and third Wednesday of each month  
Time: 7-9 p.m.

Location: Providence Park Hospital and Medical Center

Details: Enter facility through southeast entrance. Meeting in Conference Room A, immediately to the left.

Contact: Al Biggs (313) 805-7605 or Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America (888) 737-2322.



**DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP**

**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month  
**Location:** Women's Resource Center, Room 225 McDowell Center  
**Details:** Open to anyone contemplating, in the process of, or having difficulty adjusting to divorce; first meeting each month is group discussion; second meeting features a guest speaker; no fee or registration required.

**Space for Changing Families**

A nonsectarian community service of the National Council of Jewish Women/Greater Detroit Section  
**Divorce Support Group**  
**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. every Tuesday  
**Location:** Hooper Evaluations Building, 26400 Lahser Road, Suite 306, Southfield.  
**Details:** Help for men and women dealing with the many conflicted feelings regarding divorce and separation. Led by a trained facilitator, Andy Mather. Fee is \$5 per session. Pre-registration required. Call (248) 355-3300, Ext. 0

**Widowed Friends Support Group**

**Details:** Widowed Friends of the Archdiocese of Detroit is a peer support group.  
**Contact:** For more information, call Marilyn at (586) 739-9406

**Widowed Men****Meet for Breakfast**

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursdays  
**Location:** Steve's Family Restaurant, 15800 Middlebelt Road, Livonia (1/4 mile north of Five Mile Road)  
**Details:** This is an informal peer group where men have an opportunity to meet with other widowed men who are ready to help you cope or become involved in the other activities planned by Widowed Friends of AOD.  
**Contact:** Dick (313) 534-0399.

**Young Adults**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. every Thursday  
**Details:** Susan McKenna, a life coach, author and motivational speaker, is hosting a support group exclusively for young adults (high school through 20's). The major issues that this age group deals with are issues with parents; anxiety and/or depression; lack of motivation or low self esteem; relationship problems. A group support system which will offer discussion, information and offer ways to encourage problem solving tools will motivate those wishing to be happy and successful. Sessions are \$12  
**Contact:** Register by calling 734-420-8175.

**CLUBS AND GROUPS****AAUW, Northville/Novi Branch**

**Contact:** For information e-mail Harriet Sawyer, membership vice president at sawyerh@wow-way.com or call (734) 420-3270.

**Beautiful Singles Hiking**

**TIME/DAY:** 9:30 a.m. first and third Sunday of the month  
**Location:** Maybury State Park  
**Details:** Join singles of all ages for hiking and other activities.  
**Contact:** http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/BSHiking/ or Bill at (586) 909-6938

**Camera Club**

**Date:** Second Tuesday of every month  
**Contact:** Tom James of Northville Camera at northvillecamera@sbcglobal.net or Northville Arts Commission (248) 449-9950

**Gardeners Of Northville and Novi**

**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m. second Monday of month, Sept.-May  
**Location:** Northville Art House at 215 W. Cady Street, Northville  
**Details:** Visitors welcome.  
**Contact:** Marcia (248) 349-2352 or visit gardenersnorthville-novi.org

**Great Books Discussion Group**

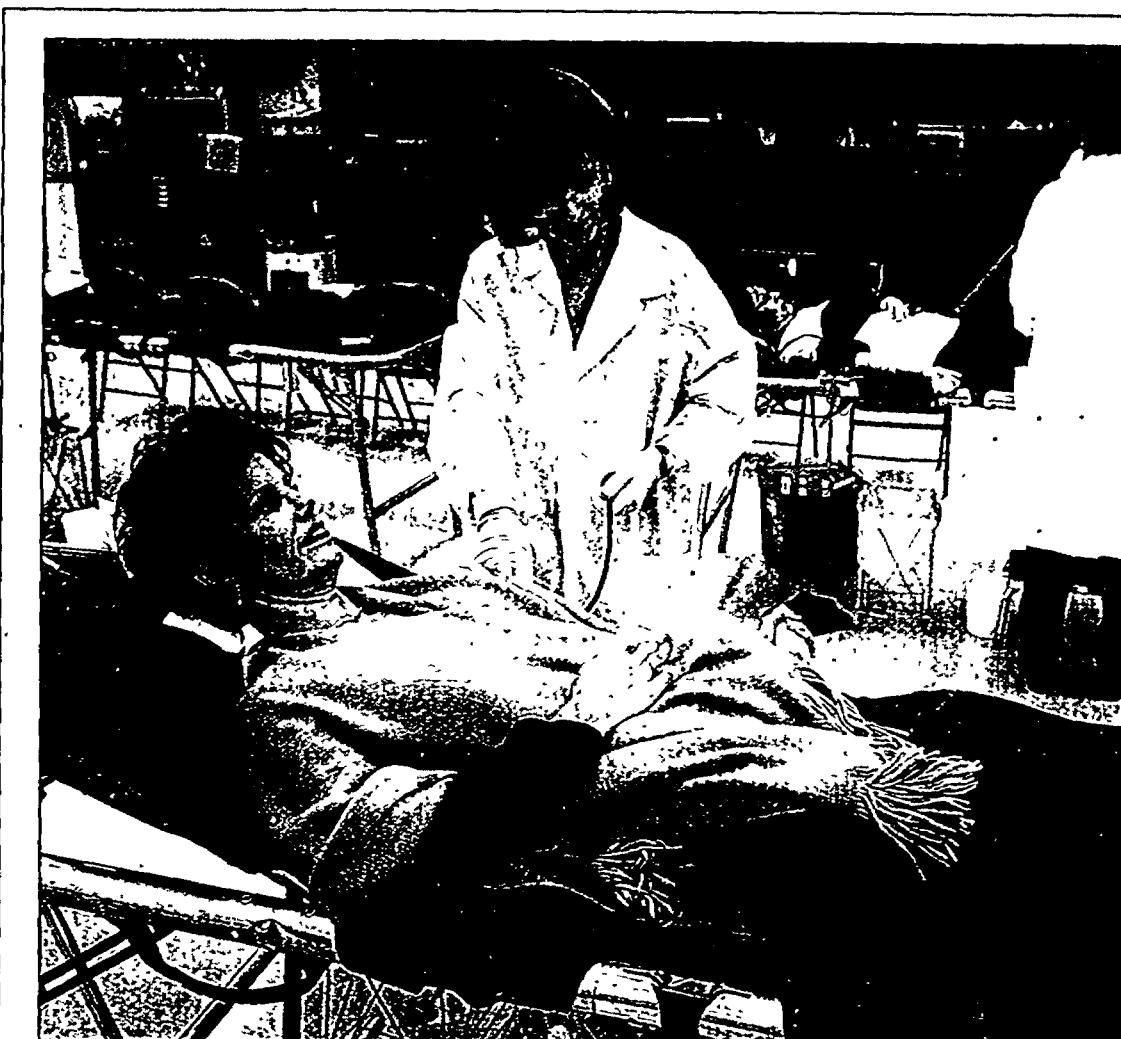
**Time/Date:** 7:30-9:30 p.m. first and third Thursday of every month  
**Location:** Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington Road  
**Details:** Discuss novels, plays, poetry and non-fiction. Reading Poetry by Mark Strand. Goody Night.  
**Contact:** (248) 349-3121

**Northville Book Club**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. one Friday per month  
**Location:** Solid Grounds Coffee House, 133 W. Main St., Suite 222  
**Details:** Reading "The Autobiography of My Mother" by Jamaica Kincaid.  
**Contact:** northvillebookclub@gmail.com

**Northville Democrats Club**

**Contact:** www.northvilledems.com  
**Officers and Board of Trustees meeting**  
**Time/Date:** morning of Sunday, Feb. 7 or evening of Feb. 14 (exact date and time to be announced)  
**Location:** home of Bob and Harriet Sawyer, 39679 Dun Royin Dr., Northville Township.  
**Details:** Although this meeting is primarily for the Club's officers and trustees, all Club mem-



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**Blood drive**

Maryann Chara gives blood during Red Cross drive at Northville's Meads Mill Middle School on Jan. 6. R.N. Karen Sterns helps out. The drive was coordinated with the help of Meads Mill parents and other volunteers.

bers are welcome to attend.  
**Contact:** Please RSVP at 248-465-1995 or at SCraig27@comcast.net if you will be attending.  
**Showing of "I.O.U.S.A." movie**  
**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9  
**Location:** Northville Sports Den, 133 W. Main Street  
**Details:** Screening and open discussion of film; open to the public. Pizza and salad buffet; donations welcome; cash bar.

**Northville Genealogical Society RESEARCH HELP**

**Time/Date:** 1-3 p.m. every Monday and by appointment  
**Location:** Northville District Library, Local History Room  
**Details:** Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members.  
**Contact:** Tille Van Sickle (734) 595-7806 or http://rootsweb.com/~mings  
**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**Time/Date:** 1:15 p.m. computer genealogy class, 2:30 p.m. general meeting, second Sunday of month.  
**Location:** Northville District Library, Carlos Meeting Room, 212 W. Cady St.  
**TEA PARTIES-DIANA KRESEL**  
**Time/Date:** 1:30 p.m. Feb. 5  
**Location:** First Presbyterian Church  
**LINCOLN ASSASSINATION-JERRY MAXWELL**  
**Time/Date:** 1:30 p.m. Feb. 19  
**Location:** First Presbyterian Church  
**STAGING YOUR GARDEN-EVERYTHING GROWS**  
**Time/Date:** 1:30 p.m. March 5  
**Location:** First Presbyterian Church  
**ANNUAL MEETING and LUNCHEON**  
**Time/Date:** 12:30 p.m. March 19

**Northville Newcomers**

**Heart to Heart Sports Nite!!**  
**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6  
**Location:** Northville Sports Den  
**Details:** Cheer on the Pistons and the Red Wings  
**Contact:** Kelly Hall (248) 344-4366  
**Baubles-Bangles-Beads...and Lunch**  
**Time/Date:** 11:15 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17  
**Location:** Bee's Knees and Geniti's  
**Details:** Create a glass bracelet by a fusion method at Bee's Knees then have lunch at Geniti's  
**Contact:** Colleen Nametz (248) 596-1940  
**Pewabic Pottery and Lunch Tour**  
**Time/Date:** 10:30 a.m. April 21  
**Contact:** Colleen Nametz (248) 596-1940

**HEALTH EVENTS****Botsford AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S LOOK GOOD ... FEEL BETTER PROGRAM**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-noon, second Monday of each month  
**Location:** Botsford Cancer Center located at 27900 Grand River Ave. in Farmington Hills  
**Details:** Are you experiencing skin, facial and nail changes during your cancer treatment? Botsford Hospital's Cancer Center is offering an American Cancer Society program called Look Good... Feel Better that provides information and cosmetic advice to women battling cancer. This program is a free, supportive, informative and enjoyable first step toward renewed self-esteem, self-confidence and emotional recovery for female cancer patients undergoing radiation or chemotherapy. The session includes hands-on instruction on makeup, skin care and suggestions for using wigs, turbans and scarves.

It also includes tips on nail care during treatment. Further, a makeup gift bag will be donated to all participants. Sessions are limited to 12 people and are open to any woman undergoing cancer treatment in the area. Pre-registration is required. Look Good... Feel Better is offered through a partnership of the American Cancer Society, the Cosmetic, Toiletry, and Fragrance Association and the National Cosmetology Association.  
**Contact:** For more information or to register, please call Jeri Davis, MLSW, at (248) 473-4813.

**TAI CHI CLASS**

**Time/Date:** 4-6 p.m., every Wednesday  
**Location:** Botsford Hospital-Community Room of the Zieger Administration and Education Building  
**Details:** Looking for a way to improve health and relieve stress? Don't miss Botsford Hospital's offered with Dr. Alex Green, a Botsford pathologist. The class meets from in the. The first class you attend is free and each additional session is \$5.  
**Contact:** For questions about this program, please contact Dr. Green at ajgreen@botsford.org or call (248) 471-8729.  
**LYMPHEDEMA CLINIC**  
**Time/Date:** 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday  
**Details:** A comprehensive lymphedema clinic in conjunction with Botsford Hospital's comprehensive lymphedema management program. The clinic helps patients with lymphedema or venous insufficiency gain control of their lives through education, exercise, self-massage techniques and compression garments.  
**Contact:** (248) 471-8120.

**FREE Health Awareness Seminar**

**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m., Tuesday nights  
**Location:** Health for Life Chiropractic, Highland Lakes Plaza, 43059 7 mile Rd., Northville  
**Details:** Meet Dr. Ryan Cooper and see how Chiropractic can help reach varied health care goals.  
**CONTACT:** (248) 449-1630 or RyanCcooper@gmail.com or www.hfchiro.net Please RSVP

**Flu Shots**

**Time:** 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Wayne, 33030 Van Born Road, at Venoy, (734) 727-7100. Walk-in days are Mondays and Thursdays. Appointments only on Tuesdays, Wednesday, and Fridays  
**Location:** Taylor, 26650 Eureka Road, east of Inkster Road, (734) 955-3900. Walk-in days are Mondays and Thursdays. Appointments only days are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.  
**Location:** Dearborn, 6450 Maple, west of Schaefer Road, south of Warren Road, (313) 216-2201. Appointment only on Thursdays.  
**Details:** The Wayne County Department of Public Health offers flu shots for residents at its clinics below. Cost of flu vaccine is \$15. Pneumonia vaccine is offered for \$35. Medicare (Part B) and Medicaid are accepted.  
**Contact:** (734) 727-7000

**Strength Training Classes**

**Location:** American Legion Hall, 100 Dunkap, corner of Center Street  
**Date:** Mondays and Fridays  
**Details:** Diane DiVita offers Strength Training classes (light weights with a little yoga stretching) for adults.  
**Contact:** For more information, call Diane at (248) 344-0928 or visit trianglesix@sbcglobal.net.

**Psychotherapy and Counseling Services**

**Location:** Northville Counseling Center  
**Contact:** (248) 348-1100 or (734) 420-8175 to register.

**St. Mary Mercy Hospital**

**Location:** 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia  
**Contact:** (734) 655-4800 or stmarymercy.org  
**ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP**  
**Time/Date:** 3-4:30 p.m. first Thursday of each month  
**Location:** Classroom 1  
**Details:** No fee or registration required. For more information call Audra Frye, Alzheimer's Association (248) 426-7055.

**BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

**Time/Date:** 6-8 p.m. second Tuesday of each month  
**Location:** Classroom 10  
**Details:** The group offers a place for patients and survivors to gather and share experiences, learn coping techniques and find support and strength. For more information, contact (734) 655-1162.

**FREE SEMINARS-MICHIGAN BARIATRIC INSTITUTE**

**Details:** MBI offers three laparoscopic surgical weight loss options. Learn about Gastric Bypass, Adjustable Gastric Banding and Sleeve Gastrectomy at a free monthly seminar in the St. Mary Mercy hospital Auditorium. To register call (734) 655-2693, (877) Why-Weight or visit hospital Web site.  
**HELEN PALMER IMAGE RECOVER CENTER**  
**Details:** Offering a spa-like atmosphere with image-enhancement services to help cancer patients' self-confidence in a supportive and caring environment. Services include: Free consultation and assessment, skin care, hand and nail care, massage therapy, reflexology, hair replacements, haircuts and styling of hair and wigs, prosthetics and bras, lymphedema compression products and educational resources. Services offered to patients from any hospital and the general public.  
**Contact:** (734) 655-8810

**DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP**

**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. second Wednesday of each month  
**Location:** Auditorium  
**Details:** All are welcome.  
**Ladies Night Out - Heart to Heart**  
**Time/Date:** 5:30 p.m. Feb. 24  
**Location:** hospital auditorium  
**Details:** Bone density screening, blood pressure screening and massage offered from 5:30-7 p.m. and lecture from 7-8:30. Speaker is St. Mary Mercy Hospital Cardiologist, Roy Misiriyani, MD. Dr. Misiriyani will discuss heart health issues specific to women and include symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and prevention. Registration for this event is required. There is no charge, but a \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs.  
**Contact:** The Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1182 to register, or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events".  
**Parenting with Love and Logic**  
**Time/Date:** 7-9:30 p.m. Feb. 10  
**Location:** Classrooms 1 and 2  
**Details:** For parents with elementary age children. A common sense approach, teaching parents skills that cultivate confidence and good decision-making in children by offering them choices, empathy, and respect while adults avoid anger, threats, warnings, or lectures. Love and Logic is easy to learn and can be put to use right away; it changes lives, and raises responsible children. Registration is required; \$10 fee per person.  
**Contact:** (734) 655-1162.

**Peace of Mind and Body through Hatha Yoga**

**Time/Date:** 5:15-6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Feb. 9 through March 16  
**Location:** Classrooms 1 and 2  
**Details:** Hatha Yoga increases flexibility, energy level and strength at your own pace in a non-competitive setting. Class participates need to be able to move between a standing position to a hands and knees position with ease. The purpose of yoga is integration, purification and discipline of the mind, body and heart, which will lead all to liberation from the circle of pain, distress and anxiety. There is a fee of \$55 for the six-week session.  
**Contact:** (734) 655-1162 or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events".

**CPR/AED and First Aid Classes**

**Time:** 6-9 p.m. last Tuesday of month  
**Location:** City of Northville Fire Department, 215 W. Main St.  
**Details:** These American Heart Association and Life Support Training Center (LSTI) classes offer two year certification. Cost is \$40 per course. For more information and to register, call the fire department at (248) 449-9920

**Baby and Me Infant CPR**

**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. Friday, every other month  
**Location:** City of Northville Fire Department, 215 W. Main St.  
**Details:** This family friendly session is for new parents and their babies. It will provide parents and grandparents knowledgeable support and simple hands-on instruction with their baby in case of life-threatening emergencies. Cost is \$20 for parents and baby and includes a manual and emergency wallet cards. Group rates also available.  
**Contact:** Life support Training Institute at (248) 304-6055 for registration, questions and directions.

**First Aid/CPR Classes**

**Time/Date:** 6-10 p.m. monthly  
**Location:** Northville Township Fire Department, 45745 Six Mile Road  
**Details:** American Red Cross First Aid/CPR classes taught by trained firefighters. Call for further information and dates; \$20 fee for Township residents.  
**Contact:** Northville Township Fire Department (248) 348-5807

**St. John Providence Hospital, Providence Center for the Healing Arts**

**Location:** Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River Avenue, Novi  
**Contact:** (248) 465-5455  
**Wanted: One-time Art Workshop Instructors**  
**Details:** We are looking for people who have an art or craft that they would like to share in our series of one-time workshops.  
**COLORED PENCIL WORKSHOP**  
**Time/Date:** 1-3 p.m.; second Tuesday of every month  
**Details:** Beginners welcome.  
**CERAMICS CLASS**  
**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday.  
**Details:** Explore the Art of playing with clay. Express yourself in this three-dimensional art form. \$10 lab fee. Call to verify class times.  
**KNITTING YARNS**  
**Time/Date:** 1-3 p.m. every Wednesday  
**Details:** Join others and create hats and shawls for those in need.  
**MEDITATION**  
**Time/Date:** Meditation for individuals or groups by appointment.  
**Details:** Learn proper breathing techniques that can be used at home or on the job to help reduce stress; class held in reflection space; Cancer Center.  
**THERAPEUTIC YOGA**  
**Time/Date:** 10-11 a.m. Monday-Yoga for Kids with Parents; 12:30-1:30 p.m. Monday-Yoga for Backs; 6-7 p.m. Tuesday-Mixed Level; 11 a.m.-noon Wednesday-Meditative Yoga; 12:15-1:15 p.m. Wednesday-Mixed Level; 5:30-6:30 p.m. Thursday-Prenatal Yoga; 6:45-7:45 p.m. Thursday-Yoga for Backs; 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday-Beginner/Intermediate; 9:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday-Mixed Level; 10:45-11:45 a.m. Saturday-Yoga for Backs.  
**Details:** \$10/walk-in, \$80/10-class card, \$45/5-class card. Lunch and Learn Yoga 7-week session is \$60. Registration required. Classes also held at Providence Hospital, Southfield. Call for details.

**MASSAGE THERAPY**  
**Time/Date:** By appointment  
**Details:** Therapeutic massage is effective for stress and tension; chronic fatigue; pain and headaches. Everyone is welcome. Patients undergoing treatment should bring physician's referral; \$50/50-minutes.  
**CREATE WITH JANIS**  
**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-noon each Monday  
**Details:** Express yourself artistically in our peaceful and inspirational creative arts studio. Janis provides guidance in a variety of techniques and projects. \$5 suggested per session.  
**EXPLORE ART AND COLOR WITH DARCY**  
**Time/Date:** 1-3 p.m., the fourth Tuesday of every month  
**Details:** Join volunteer artist Darcel as she guides you in transforming an ordinary block of wood into a multi-dimensional work of art. Cost is \$5 per session.  
**KNOW BEFORE YOU GO**  
**Contact:** Call (248) 465-4488 for a recording of the latest in class changes.

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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

### A great recipe for a satisfying Saturday

Northville has a well-earned reputation for presenting fabulous festivals and events year-round. Here's a small sampling -- Taste of Northville Business Showcase; State of Community Luncheon; Farmers' Market; Annual Flower Sale; Grub Crawl; Victorian Festival; and Hometown Holidays.

Know what they all have in common? They're presented by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, staffed by a small group of individuals who work tirelessly to make this community a great place to live, work and visit.

Currently, they're working on this year's first big event, the Chill-E Cookoff. Formerly known as the Fire & Ice Festival, it takes place this Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main.

As the title indicates, this is the place to taste great chili (and salsa) as firefighters from the Northville's township and city departments bring on the heat and vie for the Firehouse Chili Challenge trophy while local restaurants see who has the best recipe to win the Top Chili prize. Participating eateries include Edwards Cafe & Caterers, Independence Village of Plymouth, Poole's Tavern, George's Senate Coney Island, Lake Street Tavern, Rocky's of Northville, Scottie's Kitchen, Hotz Catering, Northville Sports Den and the Rusty Buckey.

And you can taste as many as you like (or can handle) for a nominal charge (\$1 per sample cup; \$2 for a large cup). Of course, there will be beverages to cool you off.

The chamber doesn't expect you to enjoy these spicy offerings and not want to move around. That's why they've enlisted the band Saoco to get you dancing to salsa music from noon-2:30 p.m. Children's crafts and an ice carving demonstrations round out the activities.

While the chamber staff puts together events like the Chill-E Cookoff, they can't do it without the support of their membership. Saturday's festival is made possible by sponsors Medical Network One/Michigan Institute for Health Enhancement, Varsity Lincoln-Mercury, the Northville Record, Everdry Waterproofing and First Choice Chiropractic.

Now if you want to turn this into an all-dayer -- and we highly encourage you to do so -- start off at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall (108 E. Main) for the Blizzard Breakfast (scrambled eggs, Genitti's own Italian sausage, ham, home-style potatoes, pancakes, muffins, a selection of Danish, bagels and fresh fruit) from 8:30-11 a.m. The cost is \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door for ages 11 and up; \$5 and \$10 for ages 4-10. Proceeds from this annual Northville Parks and Recreation event will go toward the purchase of outdoor movie equipment to be used by the communities of Northville, Northville Township, Novi, South Lyon and Wixom. So there's your recipe for a satisfying Saturday in downtown Northville. Walk that great food off and visit downtown Northville's merchants, too.

## 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.

### Northville Township ZBA members deny Islamic Center's request for two variances

And here comes the law suit.

SteveEmsley

Come on Steve, even the land owners know that putting a parking lot in your front lawn is not right no matter WHAT religion you belong to. But ... we are a litigious society ...

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## COMMUNITY VOICE

What is your favorite thing to do in downtown Northville on a winter's day?



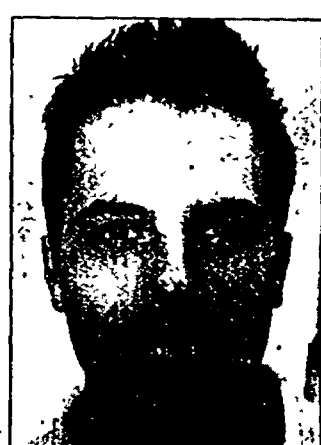
I enjoy coffee and a pastry at Solid Grounds and pastry at Sweet 220.

Brad Birdsall  
Northville



I just love to wander around and shop. I poke in and out of shops.

Holly Kaye  
Farmington Hills



Take a walk down to Rebecca's for lunch.

Matt Gaidica  
Northville



Sip a nice glass of wine at Simply Wine and walk along the streets in the evening when the snow is falling.

Kelly Wessner  
Northville

## LETTERS

### Islamic center vote correct

On Jan. 20, the Northville Township ZBA took correct action by voting down the proposed variances for the Meadowbrook Islamic Center. Whether the proposed project was a church, synagogue or mosque, the petitioners did not present a realistic, workable site solution or convincing argument as to why they met the criteria for a variance.

Their proposed angled parking lot entrance did not provide proper sight lines to oncoming traffic, due to its proposed misalignment with Eight Mile Road. This would have been a very dangerous situation. The radius of the cul-de-sac did not appear to be dimensioned. Therefore, it was not clear if it met the township requirements to allow for firefighting equipment to safely turn around. Had the cul-de-sac been larger, it would have further reduced the proposed number of parking spaces.

The plan was vague on the required loading area, trash area, reserve septic field, storm water detention and availability of a fire hydrant, to name a few. The applicant could not clearly state the proposed number of occupants of the building, or if they met the township parking ordinance, in order to determine the proper parking requirements. It was not clear how they would realistically convert a house into a commercial assembly use with a much greater floor load requirement, mechanical and ventilation needs or fire suppression

system. The intended use of the basement and any handicapped accessibility issues were not fully addressed.

Contrary to what was stated, if this was a vacant lot, the owners would have extreme difficulty constructing a religious structure on it, due to the required setbacks and the existing narrow width of the lot.

The petitioner made an interesting final statement. When he alluded to the fact that they reduced the number of parking spaces from 40-plus to 32 as they were "instructed" by the ZBA from the previous meeting. Had this plan been voted through and it was later determined the parking was insufficient, I assume the petitioner would have simply fallen back on the defense that they were doing what they were instructed to do by the ZBA, and the parking problem would not exist had they been approved for more parking as they originally requested. So it could have become a Catch-22 situation for the township.

This was not a religious issue, as some made it out to be, but simply a safety issue. There were just too many unanswered traffic, setback requirements, adequate parking and neighbors' concerns that affected the decision to not allow a change in the use of the property from a home to a place of assembly and worship.

Steve Lomske  
Northville

### Who's making these decisions?

I am not a native Northvillian, so there are some things I don't necessarily know about the inner workings of our community, but perhaps somebody could fill me in.

Are the idiots who are unnecessarily proposing to make Mary Alexander Court a two-way street the same idiots who decided to unnecessarily permit left turns from northbound Center Street onto Main Street?

If they are the same idiots, would somebody please tell them they have already proved their point. We all realize they are idiots, so they can give up trying to prove it.

John D. Webster  
Northville

### Is Kennedy's cause dead?

The late Sen. Edward (Ted) Kennedy served in the U.S. Senate for 47 years being second only to Michigan's Sen. John Dingell. Kennedy said many times that universal health care was the "cause of his life."

It's very sad that the year following Kennedy's death, any type of concrete health care reform is dead in the water. In addition, his successor, Scott Brown, is a Republican to the right of Sen. John McCain who defends water-boarding as a interrogation technique.

At least he did speak respectfully of Kennedy in his acceptance speech.

Linda A. Koch  
Milford

## Let's Save Michigan -- an idea whose time has come

### COMMENTARY

The day started with Brunch with Bach at the Detroit Institute of the Arts, nurtured by an eye-opening exhibit of the Work Projects Administration (WPA). It featured 100 prints from the Depression-era WPA federal art project, which employed thousands of artists during the Great Depression. It ended with Let's Save Michigan.

Let's Save Michigan is a grassroots campaign to inspire Michiganders to advocate and get informed about public policy that will help cities attract a talented workforce vital for an innovative, knowledge



Tom Watkins

economy. It is supported by the Michigan Municipal League. The goal is to not only have a skilled and talented workforce, but also have an army of people willing to take action to improve their communities.

Jacob Bronowski, the noted intellectual, mathematician and biologist at Cambridge University, perhaps captured the essence of Let's Save Michigan best when he remarked, "The world can only be grasped by action, not by contemplation."

Let's Save Michigan is attempting to take action and engage Michiganders to take ownership of our state's future. The Let's Save Michigan movement is using social media outlets such as Facebook (www.

facebook.com/letssavemichigan) and the Internet (www.letssavemichigan.com) to help spread its message.

A 20-something, Sean Mann, is the engine behind Let's Save Michigan. "Our goal is to raise awareness about the importance of quality urban communities that are safe, have vibrant arts and cultural activities, walkable neighborhoods, decent jobs and a strong education system. The desire is to push these vital, sustainable, quality-of-life issues into the debate leading up to the crucial 2010 statewide elections," Mann said.

As I wandered through the DIA's WPA Depression-era art, soaking in how the artist captured the human misery and triumph during this period of our history, I thought how sad it is that art funding is another casualty of Michigan's economic meltdown. I wished we had the art funding to put artists to work capturing how the global, disruptive and transformational economy is changing Michigan.

### INSPIRATION FOR REVITALIZATION

Then I saw a poster about how the Let's Save Michigan campaign is teaming up with the Detroit Institute of Arts to launch a poster contest where artists, illustrators and graphic designers can submit original posters to inspire Michiganders to revive our state. The winner

will be awarded \$1,000, the runner-up will receive \$250 and other prizes will go to remaining finalists. Details on the poster competition, which runs Dec. 15 through Feb. 15, are at www.letssavemichigan.com. It has posters in the fashion of Works Progress Administration artwork of the Great Depression to highlight turnaround efforts and rally Michigan residents to revive the state, which has been leading the parade of economic decline the past decade.

The DIA is a beacon of inspiration and hope. Let's Save Michigan strongly believes with the right policies and leaders in place, Michigan can create the vibrant communities that will attract 21st century innovative/knowledge workers critically needed to help rebuild our state.

They believe our cities -- Detroit, Grand Rapids, Pontiac, Saginaw, Flint and other struggling urban centers -- can be the epicenter of Michigan's rebirth.

Let's make Michigan the place it can be -- and the place it needs to be for us all to thrive.

Michigan can emerge from the current economic downturn stronger, more livable and more likely to withstand future economic crises, but only if we persuade our elected officials to put the right policies in place.

### COME TOGETHER

To save Michigan, we must come together and fight for smart reinvestment in our cities. Struggling cities shouldn't be abandoned to sprawl and blight.

Let's Save Michigan believes our

cities should be transformed into centers for culture and innovation to become the magnets for a talented workforce and tomorrow's job creators.

Michigan helped lay the groundwork for the American middle class. Yet, as we also know, our world has changed in substantial ways and doing what we have always done will not get us where we need to go. What we once had is now gone. Constant and unpredictable change is our new reality. We must seize the opportunity to redefine and rebuild our great state. Clinging to our past successes will not enable us to obtain and maintain future greatness.

The arts have away of refreshing the soul and nurturing the spirit. Refresh yours at the DIA. Check it out on the Web, www.dia.org, and in person.

Be reminded of the strength of the American people by viewing the prints from the Depression-era WPA federal art project. Then check out and take action to help revitalize Michigan by joining with Let's Save Michigan.

No one is coming to our state's rescue, it is collectively up to all of us to pull together and rebuild our spirits and state.

First you must believe -- and then act.

Let's Save Michigan.

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# First-ever designer Passover tables event at Temple Beth El

In advance of the Jewish holiday of Passover, metro-Detroiters will have the opportunity to mingle and admire more than 20 exotic Passover "tablescapes" innovated by the area's most creative interior designers, home décor business owners and area activists.

The community is invited to take a firsthand look at more than 20 creatively inspired and Passover-themed tables on Thursday, Feb. 4, from 6-8:30 p.m., at Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills. The event will benefit Temple Beth El's Religious School programming. Tickets are \$75 per person, or \$125 per patron, and \$200 per patron couple.

Guests will enjoy cocktails and small plates catered by Excellence Too Catering while viewing the unique tablescapes before the Passover holiday commences in late March. Would-be hosts can glean innovative table-setting strategies from more than 30 renowned table designers from Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Franklin and

## DETAILS

Established in 1850, Temple Beth El is the first Jewish congregation founded in Michigan and is the religious home to 1,200 families. For tickets or information call (248) 865-0617 and press 1. Temple Beth El is located at 7400 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills.

West Bloomfield.

Each table will be dramatically different from the next table, as designers will incorporate special and personal themes into their masterpiece "tables." Each table will also incorporate the traditional symbols of Passover, such as the Seder plate.

According to Elyse Foltyn, who co-chairs the event along with Fair Radom, "This event is not necessarily just about using your most beautiful

linens and finest china. It's about incorporating those beautiful pieces into a tablescape that reflects your own special sentiment or makes a bold statement. It will provide guests a venue to gather table-setting ideas to apply to their own dining room tables—and not necessarily just for Passover."

A special twist to this first-ever holiday-inspired event is that many of the tables feature the combined talents of teams—mother/daughters, aunts/nieces, multi-generational friends, sister-in-laws and even children—each of whom has found an added way to extend their family feeling or tradition into their design and holiday.

Table designers include Jolie Schiller Altman, ArtLoft owner and designer, Rachael A-Woods, Karen Borenstein, Meredith Colburn, Carrie Doelle, Lillian Erdeljan, Amy Farberman, Nadine Farberman, Adrienne Fink, Gerych Graziella, designer Jon Gerych, Kim Goodman, Laura Gorosh, Jill Gurwin, Habatat Galleries, Rose

Handleman, Roz Jacobson, Helen Katz, Colorworks owner and designer Barbi Krass, Lee's Specialty designers Gloria Colton and owner Solange Messelien, Nicole London, Phyllis Loewenstein, Leslie Ann Pilling, Nanci Rands, Brenda Rosenberg, Marlo Scott, Melissa Shulman, Lila Silverman, Linda Sircus, the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Julie Taubman, Nicol Wagner, Amy Weinstein and Gwen Weiner.

Co-chairs of this inspirational event are Elyse Foltyn of Birmingham and Fair Radom of Bloomfield Hills. Radom has a long history of designing tables for Cranbrook's Holiday Tables. Members of the Host Committee include Karen and Jon Borenstein, Jody and Daniel Boorstein, Lillian and Alex Erdeljan, Kimberly and Gary Goodman, Laura and David Gorosh, Rose and David Handleman, Rozlyn and Scott Jacobson, Heidi and Jay Kreindler, Nicole and Steven London, Liz and "JJ" Modell, Louise and Edward Sable and Julie and Ron Yolles.

## CENTER

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ing lot in front of the house, which is located on the south side of Eight Mile Road east of Silver Springs Drive.

The Islamic Center's board wanted to build the parking lot to accommodate Muslims coming to the home to pray. On Friday afternoons, a required time of prayer for Muslims, about 70 people come to the center.

A place of worship is a permitted zoning in the single-family residential neighborhood. The center's board members' attorney, LeRoy Asher of Miller Canfield, argued that this gave the members the right to construct the parking lot and lessen the setbacks.

"This is a principal permitted use within your zoning ordinances," Asher said.

## REQUIREMENTS NOT MET

But ZBA member Marjorie Banner moved to deny the two variances, which was seconded by member Mike Weaver, because she said the needs were "self-created" and that the center's board could not prove that the requests were the "minimum variances requested," another ordinance requirement.

The board then voted unanimously (5-0) to deny the two requests.

The board is now made up of seven members. Brian Doran asked himself to be recused from the discussion and vote since he has connections to Miller Canfield, counsel to the center. The other member, Bob McMahon, was absent from the meeting.

Banner said she believed the center could show that the site presented a "practical difficulty" for the property owner as well as a "unique situation," two requirements listed to approve a variance.

But, in the end, she and the other ZBA members believed that the changes requested represented an overuse of the property.

"When you're talking about bussing them in from Costco (parking lot), this is going to create an impact on Friday afternoons," Banner said.

Asher said the center's board members had suggested shutting Muslims to the center or even having two prayer services on Friday afternoon to lessen the number of vehicles at the site.

But, residents expressed many concerns, such as possible expansion of the center, major traffic issues on an extremely high-traveled roadway, and safety issues with children crossing the street near Silver Springs Elementary School and a day

care center at Eight Mile Road and Silver Springs Drive.

Several residents from Country Place Condominiums across the street in Novi expressed concerns about possible traffic accidents with a new driveway for the center proposed to be positioned directly across from E. Glen Haven Circle.

## LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS

Although they weren't read at the meeting, Paul Slavin, ZBA chair, said that in addition to two meetings with standing-room-only audiences of mostly those protesting the center's plans that the board and township staff had received 19 letters opposing the requests.

Steve McGuirk, who lives just south of the center, was concerned about the center's septic tank overflowing with increased use of the house, noting that a drainage problem already exists in the area.

He added that he has nothing against Muslims using the home as a place of worship and prayer. "This is not a religious issue; it's an intensity of use issue," McGuirk said.

Resident Ann Schmidt told the ZBA members that a denial of the requests would not violate the Religious Land Use Act.

"Recent rulings are upholding residents' wishes," she said, including the 6th Court of Appeals. She said residents have protested the expansion of religious buildings in Jackson, Plymouth and Meridian Township in recent years.

"It (a denial) does not constitute a substantial burden (on the property owner)," she said.

Steve Lomske, a resident and architect, said Wayne County would require that the driveway would be at a 90-degree angle to Eight Mile Road, not at the angle presented by the center's plan.

"There is also the need for an acceleration lane and fire safety concerns," Lomske said. "You're opening up Pandora's box with this plan. It's a nice plan, but a fantasy plan."

"We're definitely disappointed in the decision tonight," said Medhat Said, vice president of the Islamic Center board. "However, we believe that there is a better plan for us. We do respect our neighbors, and we respect their rights. I was hoping there would have been a better outcome for us, but what can we do?"

## OFFICERS RETAIN POSITIONS

In other ZBA business, the same officers were elected to serve in 2010: Slavin as chair, Doran as vice chair and McMahon as secretary.

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# Plymouth lawyer files for state House seat

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With state Rep. Marc Corrivau's decision to seek the 7th Senate seat this fall rather than seek re-election to his 20th District House seat, Kurt Heise sees a void in state government.

And Heise, a Plymouth Township Republican, thinks he's the man to fill it.

Heise, whose only other try for political office was a run at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education a couple of years ago, is the only candidate to file so far, according to the Wayne County Elections Office. Candidates have until 4 p.m. May 11 to file. Candidates seeking to file with no party affiliation must do so by July 15.

"Michigan is in a state of crisis," Heise said. "Decisions being made in Lansing are harming families. We're going to be electing a new team. I think I have the experience to be an effective member of that team and help turn Michigan around."

Heise believes that experience comes from a variety of career choices he's made in both the legal and municipal fields. He is currently an attorney with the Plymouth firm Hemming, Bennett, Polaczky, Cronin, Smith & Witoff, P.C. Before that, he was director of the Wayne County Department of Environment. He also spent six years as executive assistant to the mayor of Dearborn Heights.

Heise believes contacts he's made throughout his career will help him should he be elected.

"Because of working in municipal government, I've established ties with people in all six communities" represented in the district, Heise said. "I know the issues, and I



Kurt Heise lost his job as head of the Wayne County Department of Environment, then surfaced at a Plymouth law firm.

know what the needs are in the district. I've got a track record in local government and in Lansing to make a difference."

Heise said he helped write the 2005 Watershed Alliance Act and co-chaired the Michigan Groundwater Conservation Advisory Council.

"I've had a great deal of interaction with the players in Lansing," Heise said. "I think that makes me uniquely qualified, as well."

Heise said he sees three major issues facing the state:

- Jobs. "We have to create new ones, and retain the ones we have."
- Taxes. "We have to hold the line."
- Education. As a father of one middle school student and one elementary school student, Heise said education is near and dear to his heart. He pointed out that not only

does Plymouth-Canton have its own funding issues, Northville is a 20(j) district and Wayne-Westland is losing six schools.

"People move to western Wayne County for a good education," Heise said. "The big problem with the way schools are funded is an overdependence on the sales tax. We need to make education funding a priority. We have to take a look at the state's tax structure. Everyone agrees reform is needed."

He said he'd be willing to look at a system that allows school districts, with a vote of the people, to levy a limited millage for school operations. Districts which pool their resources might find it an easier sell, Heise said.

"If school districts can show voters they're getting value for the money, they'd be in favor of it," he said. "I think the voters should decide, not the people in Lansing."

Heise offered opinions on

other issues:

- The state budget. He said there are always areas that can be cut or consolidated, pointing at legacy costs, the number of employees and the Department of Corrections as problem areas. He's in favor of the state doing a two-year budget, which he thinks would allow the state to make necessary changes.

- Michigan has to come to grips with the fact it's a smaller state than we were 10 years ago," he said. "During that time we didn't make the reforms everyone is talking about but no one wants to tackle. It's going to be up to a new crop of legislators and a new governor. It's not going to be easy, and it's not going to be fun."

- Going global. Heise supports Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano's "aerotropolis" concept and thinks the state needs to look overseas for help.

- "We need to have the guts to talk to other countries in Asia," he said. "Gov. Granholm hasn't done anything to attract businesses from Asia."

- Court reform. Heise thinks the state needs to "look at consolidating" the court system. District courts, he said, are based on populations from a decade ago. While he thinks the case load at the 35th District Court in Plymouth still warrants three judges, he believes needs change.

- "These are the sort of structural reforms people have been putting off for too long," Heise said. "There are places where it might be appropriate for the state to intervene."

- Heise said he'll tell voters he thinks his level of experience makes him the right guy for the job.

- "We need someone who will do a competent job representing our district," he said. "There are a lot of tough decisions to be made over the next couple of years."

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## ENGAGEMENT

### Parker & Kenny

Craig and Linda Parker of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Dr. Megan Parker DVM, to Dr. Howard Kenny DVM, son of Dr. James Kenny DVM and Noreen Kenny of Clonakilty, Ireland.

Both the bride-to-be and groom-elect live in Clonakilty. She is a graduate of Michigan State University. He is a graduate of the University of Dublin.

Her grandparents are Frank and Mickey Elias of Novi.

A summer 2011 wedding is planned.



Dr. Howard Kenny and Dr. Megan Parker

## ENGAGEMENT

### Corbin & Helmick

Major Adam R. Corbin and Miss Amanda L. Helmick, together with their families, are pleased to announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of the late Donald Helmick of Cumberland, Maryland and Edward Button of Hagerstown, Maryland and the late Deborah Button. Amanda graduated from West Virginia University with a bachelor's degree in advertising and marketing. She works as an orthopedic and urology medical sales specialist in Charleston, WV.

The prospective groom is the son of Robert and Jeannette Corbin of Farmington Hills. Adam graduated from the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering. He is a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom and is currently serving as a C-130 pilot in the West Virginia Air National Guard.

A July 2010 wedding is planned.



Amanda L. Helmick and Major Adam R. Corbin

## NEWSMAKERS

Carol Rebandt, Farmers Insurance agent in Northville, has completed the Career Agents Course at the University of Farmers.

The University of Farmers training facility, located in Agoura Hills, Calif., was officially dedicated Nov. 3, 2006. Farmers CEO Robert Woudstra noted that the University is national in scope, and offers training to Farmers' 15,000 agents and their staff, 500 district managers and 10,000 claims staff year round.

"Carol completed the five-day Career Agents Course, which is clearly defined and targeted to enhance the professional skills of Farmers' agents," explained Annette Thompson, senior vice president of Farmers. "The course gives an agent the ability to learn how to successfully understand the needs of Farmers' customers and help them choose the right insurance to meet their needs," Thompson added. "Using professional facilitators and a curriculum that maximizes training effectiveness, this course is

a roadmap to success for every agent."

### Corriveau named Legislator of the Year

State Representative Marc Corriveau (D-Northville) will be honored by the Michigan Association of Drug Court Professionals (MADCP) next week as the recipient of the group's "Legislator of the Year" award for his efforts to improve the state's drunk driving and sobriety courts.

The MADCP award ceremony will take place at noon on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, 55 S. Harrison Ave. in East Lansing.

"I am deeply honored to be recognized by the Michigan Association of Drug Court Professionals," said Corriveau, a member of the House Judiciary Committee. "As a practicing attorney for more than six years before joining the House, it's rewarding to be acknowledged by an organization and its members who work tirelessly on advancing

our legal system. I am committed to building on their mission to improve Michigan's drug courts and help those struggling with substance abuse have the chance to rebuild their lives."

Corriveau will receive the award on Tuesday, Feb. 2, in East Lansing during the MADCP's 11th annual conference. The MADCP is a non-profit organization that provides leadership and guidance to its members, which include judges, probation officers, prosecutors, defense attorneys, social workers and others who provide drug court-related counseling and treatment.

The MADCP named Corriveau as the recipient of its "Legislator of the Year" award due to his work on legislation that would create a three-year pilot project within the state's existing DWI/Sobriety Courts. Under the plan, which passed the House and now awaits Senate action, individuals with two or more drunk driving convictions would be eligible for the program that would help the courts' ability to monitor their behavior and prevent repeat drunk driving offenses.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

More: For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Northville Calendar online at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com). Submit: Send calendar submissions via e-mail to [cstone@gannett.com](mailto:cstone@gannett.com); by fax to (248) 685-2892; 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.

### Travel Extravaganza

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 29 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30

Location: Laurel Park Place Mall, Livonia

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### Gordon Michaels Scene Study/Film Acting Class

Time/Date: 6:30-9:30 p.m. Feb. 9-March 30

Location: Genitti's Theater 108 E. Main Street, Northville

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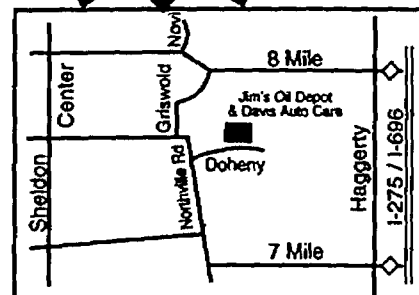


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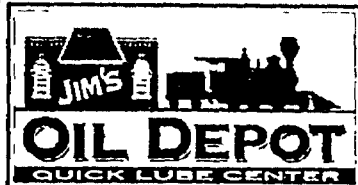
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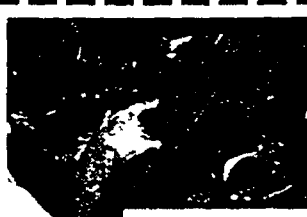


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# Auto show created a buzz; dealerships ready to compete

Customers are ready — now it's up to individual dealerships and manufacturers.

That seems to be the message area auto dealers are taking from the North American International Auto Show that ended last Sunday.

"We've already had customers come in after visiting the auto show," said Douglas North of North Brothers Ford in Westland. They say they're ready to buy, he said, and they're looking for the best deal.

Kit Tennyson of Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia said: "We've got a lot of great cars, and they all look good. The auto show always generates customers."

Customers are a lot more "excited" about cars compared with last year, said Scott LaRiche of Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth. The auto show was the best in recent history, he said, and it created a real buzz. People are far more receptive to buying a new vehicle now that the economy has improved, he said, and there's an attractive array of new models.

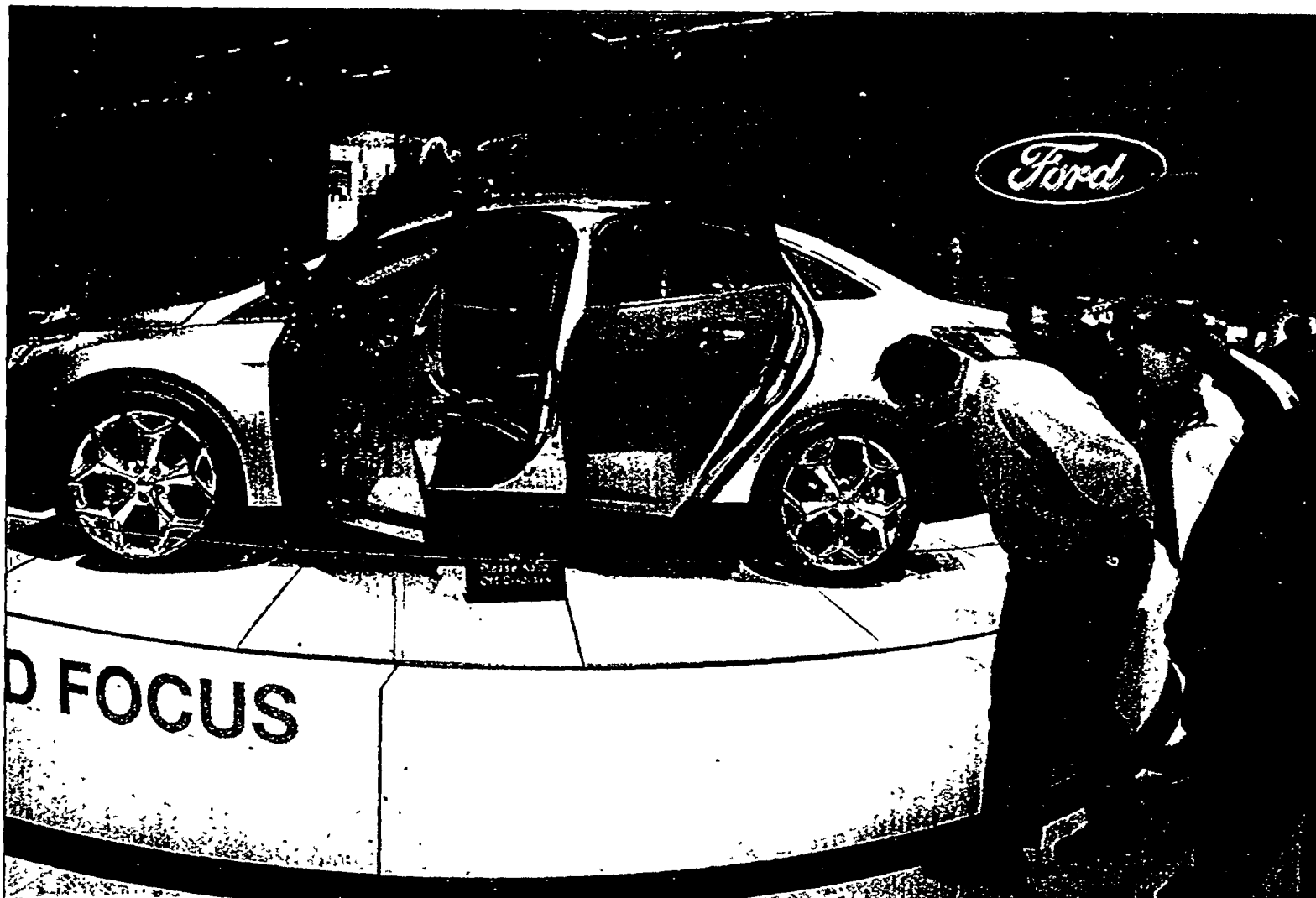
"But it's still a very competitive market," said Bob Griffin of Bill Brown Ford in Livonia. "The auto show created some excitement," he said, but it's the cars and dealerships that draw customers into the showroom, "with quality and service."

This year's show put a spotlight on technology, Griffin said. Some vehicles can parallel park themselves, he noted, "and the technology is getting better and better."

The show demonstrated that manufacturers are more quality conscious than ever before, said Paul Zimmerman, of George Matick Chevrolet in Redford. "Our quality is second to none," he insisted, and that will make Chevrolets — particularly the new Volt — very competitive.

"This was the best show I've seen in 15 years," said Rick Hodges of Victory Toyota in Canton. "It's obvious that people are more excited. There's a good selection of vehicles and people are ready. I think people want to start feeling good again."

This year's show put great



Birmingham resident Duncan Currie looks at the wheels of a Ford Focus at the North American International Auto Show on Thursday afternoon.

JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

"We've already had customers come in after visiting the auto show."

DOUGLAS NORTH,  
of North Brothers Ford in Westland

emphasis on alternative-fuel vehicles, said John Rogin of Livonia's Rogin Buick, "and that's probably the wave of the future."

But customers are still motivated by their needs, Rogin insisted. Somebody with six people in the family is still interested in a bigger vehicle, rather than a compact.

"Fortunately gasoline is still

reasonable," Rogin said, so people are still buying vans or SUVs. "If you have a hot vehicle, people will come to your showroom," particularly if your dealership has a reputation for service.

The auto show — and the buzz it generated — is part of an encouraging trend, said Richard Kujala of Don Massey Cadillac in Plymouth. Sales have been ticking upward for the last 60 days, he said: "The optimism is growing, and I think this will be a very good year."

— Pat Murphy, staff writer



Marilyn Winsand gets out of a Smart Car as her husband, Amos, looks on.



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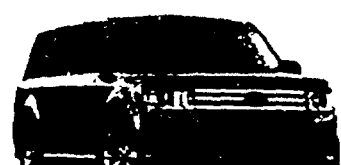
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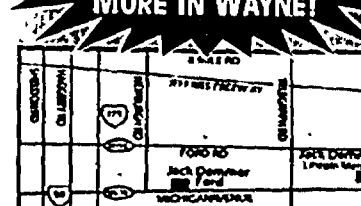
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**Fireman's Ball**

The Seventh Annual Fireman's Ball charity fundraiser will be held from 6 p.m.-midnight on Saturday, Feb. 6 at the Sheraton of Novi, 21111 Haggerty Road. Sponsored by the Northville Township Firefighters, the cost is \$150 per couple; \$80 for singles. The evening includes food, drinks, dancing, a live auction and raffles,

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For more information about Census 2010, contact Sue Hillebrand, Clerk at 248-662-0491, email: [shillebrand@twp.northville.mi.us](mailto:shillebrand@twp.northville.mi.us). Visit the Census website for employment or other information at [www.michigan.gov/census2010](http://www.michigan.gov/census2010).

**"Fonts"**

"FONTS! A Type of Musical," a one-act show written by local authors about the adventures of several computer typefaces that find meaning in their lives, will be the New Year fundraiser for Spotlight Players, the resident adult theater group at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. "FONTS!" is a family friendly show and will be performed as a "black box" production in the Biltmore Studio at the Village Theater. Show dates are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 22-23 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24. Pictured is Charlette Nance of Northville, portraying Old English and Resurrection fonts. Tickets are \$10 and available by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460; online at [www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater](http://www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater); in person at The Summit on the Park; or at the door



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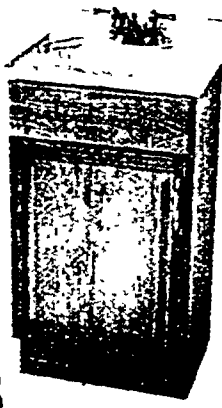
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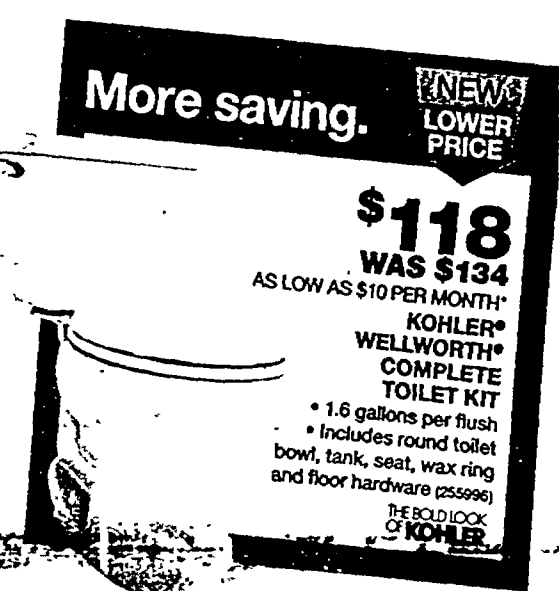
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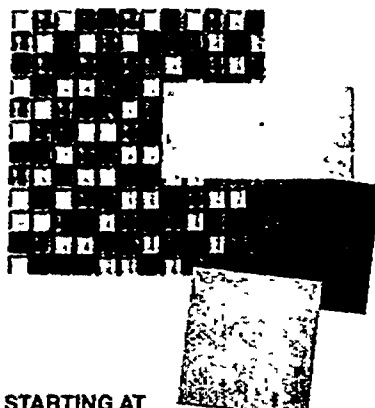
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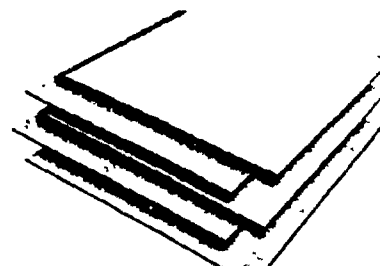
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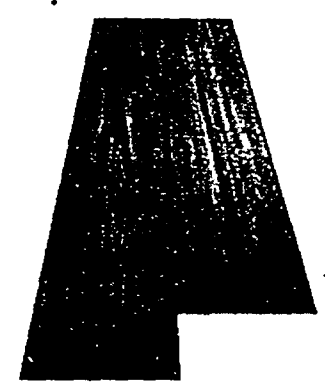


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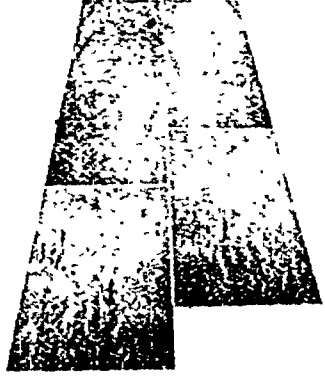


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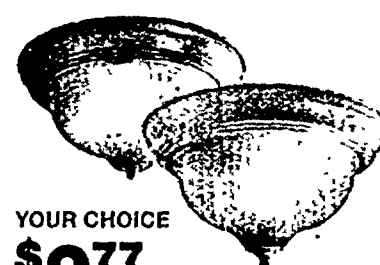
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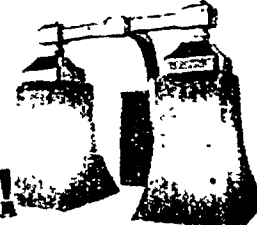


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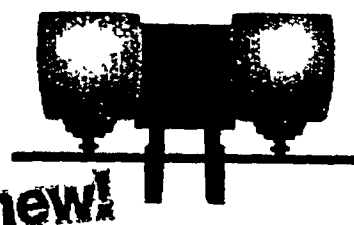


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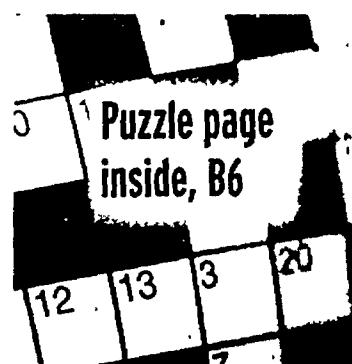
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The Northville High School varsity competitive cheerleading squad performs in a quad meet on Jan. 20 at Livonia Stevenson.

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## Competitive cheer turns in two strong showings

Squad gearing up for  
Northville Invitational

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It was a good week to be on the Northville Mustangs competitive cheer team.

The squad, coached by Mindy Gentz, turned in two big wins over Novi and Stevenson early in the week and finished ninth in a field of 19 of the state's best teams in the Brighton Invitational last Saturday.

Last Wednesday, the Mustangs earned two wins over divisional opponents, upending Novi and Stevenson to improve to 2-1 in the Central Division.

In the first round, the Mustangs scored a 211 from the judges, while notching a 215.056 in the second round and a 288.6 in the third for an impressive team total of 714.656.

The strong performance put the Mustangs in control of their own destiny at this point. One more victory in the Division will secure the Central Division crown for the team. Their next divisional dual meet takes place at home Feb. 3 against South Lyon East.

In the Brighton's Best



The Northville varsity competitive cheerleading squad performs in a quad meet on Jan. 20 at Livonia Stevenson.



The varsity competitive cheerleading squad performs.

### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs competitive cheer team is slated to compete at home this Saturday in the Northville Invitational. It is one of two times the team will compete on their home court this season. Freshman competition begins at 8 a.m. and varsity begins at noon.

the performances, across the board. Some days, you just run into low-scoring panels of officials."

While Gentz admits there is room for improvement, she did say that her team did a "good job" and will continue to keep their on improving.

"In a subjective sport like competitive cheer, we tell our team to focus more on making improvements each week and less on the final scores," she said.

The Mustangs are currently focusing on improving in time for the Northville Invitational, scheduled for this Saturday. The Mustangs are expected to host close to 50 teams.

"The girls are always excited to perform for their home crowd and always do a great job at this meet," said Gentz.

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

Despite injuries,  
success doesn't  
stop for N'ville

Wrestling team third at  
county championships

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

The Northville Mustangs wrestling team may have a roster full of banged-up grapplers, but it isn't stopping them from winning.

The squad, coached by Robert Boshoven, beat the Novi Wildcats, 39-24, and the Stevenson Spartans, 41-21, and took third at the first-ever Wayne County Championships.

In the Wayne County tournament, the Mustangs were only healthy enough to send in eight top-tier wrestlers instead of filling all 14 slots. Despite the odds being stacked against them, the Mustangs took third place overall and earned two individual championships. Senior captains Nick Mudar and Bobby Lahiff earned undefeated days for individual trophies.

The big highlight of the week, however, was toppling cross-town rival Novi and division rival Livonia Stevenson in head-to-head competition. Northville's line-up was chock full of young wrestlers, but it didn't matter as they helped their team rally back from being two points down against Novi halfway through the match to earning a solid victory, 39-24.

Freshman Sam Tacconelli was a standout, earning a major decision in the 119-pound weight class to ignite Northville's come-from-behind victory over their Baseline Road rivals.

The Mustangs also earned a very convincing win over the Livonia Stevenson Spartans in Central Division play, 41-21.

Double winners over Novi and Stevenson opponents on the day were Ian Stirton, George McClymont, Kevin Lerner, Josh Wright, Jon Nelson, Mudar and Lahiff.

Northville's B team also competed last week in the Dexter Duals and finished 2-3 on the day, defeating Stockbridge and Michigan Center.

Leading the team was junior Kyle Gutowski, who wrestled at 103 pounds and finished the day with a spotless 5-0 record. Senior Justin Umin, a 189-pound wrestler, and sophomore 171-pounder Trevor Maresh, each went 4-1 over the five dual meets.

Also earning winning records with 3-2 marks were sophomore Travis Compo, a 135 pounder, and freshman Alex Coe, at 145.

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### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs wrestling team is slated to be back in action Saturday when the go to Dakota High School for a weekend tournament at 9 a.m. The team will then compete in the Kensington Lakes Athletic Association quad meet next week.

## Northville earns eighth straight win over rival Wildcats

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It's starting to be old hat for the Northville Mustangs.

Beating Novi might start losing its luster for the Mustangs boys swimming and diving team, which collected its eighth-straight win over their cross-town rivals last week, 121-65.

"This is eight in a row over Novi, so it feels real good," said Northville coach Rich Bennetts. "I always tell the guys that we have much bigger meets than Novi on our schedule—Stevenson, Pioneer, Saline, the conference meet and the state meet—but this is the rivalry meet."

Despite the action being lopsided this year, Bennetts said that the intensity was still there for both sides.

"There is no love lost between these two schools, and I think that it is great for the kids to be a part of," he said. "Obviously, we have been fortunate

### ON TAP

The Mustangs swimming and diving team is scheduled to compete again a week from today when they host South Lyon East at 6:30 p.m.

to come out on the winning end of this thing for awhile now, so it makes it that much better for us. The way I look at it is, if there is a family with swimmers looking to move into Novi or Northville, I want to make that decision easy for them."

Northville earned first place finishes in eight of the 12 events. Leading off was the Northville relay team of John Lubisco, BoFeng Zhang, Will Greenlee and John Bickle in the 200 medley relay. They won with a time of 1:43.19.

Northville's Alex Miller took first in the 200 freestyle, finishing in 1:51.84, while Tim Shea took third in 1:53.46. In the 200 individual medley, Nate

Lunn took second in 2:04.65, followed by Zhang in third in 2:05.06.

Northville's Lubisco captured first in the 50 free, finishing in 23.06 seconds, while Greenlee finished in second in 23.67 seconds. The domination continued into the diving event, where Kevin Bain took first with 235 points, followed by Will Price with 230 points.

In the 100 butterfly, the Mustangs swept the top three spots with Lunn taking first in 54.38 seconds, Ben Schoenek taking second in 55.3 and Bickle in third with a 59.93. Lubisco captured first in the 100 free to help Northville to victory, finishing in 50.55 seconds, while Greenlee took second in 50.55.

Northville's Chris Lafayette led the way in the 500 free, finishing in 5:01.92, while A.J. Aquinto took second with a 5:02.79. In the 200 free relay, the team of Lubisco, Lunn, Greenlee and Ryan Winkler took first in 1:33.22 and the Northville team

of Alex Miller, Spencer Miller, Todd Truran and Kyle McCormick took second in 1:34.91.

In the 100 backstroke, Zhang and Schoenek went second and third, with times of 59.16 and 59.84, respectively, while Anthony Adamowicz took second in the 100 breaststroke in 1:07.11.

"We had some very good performances from some of our younger guys tonight who got fired up for the Novi meet and came out and swam well," said Bennetts. "Patrick Dunn, Nick Hayes, Spencer Miller, Dennis Kim and Akbar Ariswala and Ian Grusnis gave great effort out there tonight. We will enjoy this one."

Northville is now 7-1 overall, 5-0 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association and 3-0 in the Central Division.

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# Taylor Dempsey a head above the rest

## Freshman gymnast's height makes for challenges, advantages

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

Taylor Dempsey is tall. Well, in the world of gymnastics, at least.

The 5-foot-9-inch freshman—average gymnasts are around 5-1 to 5-4 in height—doesn't mind standing out, however, despite the fact that it presents a slew of challenges for her.

"When a gymnast is tall, they need to execute techniques that will accommodate for their height," said Northville gymnastics coach Erin McWatt. "Rotation tends to be a little slower for certain skills, but then again it's beautiful to watch tall gymnasts who have clean lines—every movement appears to have full extension."

Dempsey didn't know she was going to be this tall when she started out in gymnastics. She began as a toddler and has found herself enjoying it each and every step of the way. Currently a level eight gymnast who also competes at the Farmington Gymnastics Center, Dempsey has high hopes for herself and her team this year.

"All in all, I want to become a better gymnast and get all of my level nine skills by the end of my level eight season," she said. "I would like to contribute to Northville's team score and become a better competitor. Also, I want to place high at states this year."

Dempsey's key event is currently the uneven bars, which she admits is her favorite. McWatt said that her skills in the event are key for Northville this year.

"Taylor is an excellent bar worker, which we are in need of," she said. "She'll likely compete as an all-arounder for us."

Dempsey doesn't mind the challenge of being asked to step up and earn points for her team. She thrives off the idea of pushing herself to be the best she can be.

"I do because it makes me want to really push myself harder to perform, and playing with older, very skilled gymnasts makes this experience very exciting," Dempsey said. "Northville has many very skilled, senior-level gymnasts and I'm most excited about learning from them and hopefully performing to their expectations. Being a fresh-

man on a team of experienced varsity gymnasts is very thrilling and inspiring for me."

Dempsey is no stranger to competition. This year, she earned a place on the high school volleyball team after a year of the sport in middle school. She enjoyed it, playing middle hitter and middle blocker for the Mustangs. Gymnastics, however, is her focus.

With the majority of the season ahead of her, and the goal of continually improving, it's a wonder what Dempsey and her height will be able to accomplish. A few challenges await, but the potential for plenty of reward, too.

"Taylor's height can sometimes make skills more difficult for her in terms of quick rotation—long legs equals increased surface area," said McWatt. "But, her height also gives her a beautiful advantage as well."

And in a sport where so many of the points from the judges are subjective, that's not a bad thing.

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Northville High freshman Taylor Dempsey performs a floor exercise leap at a Farmington Hills practice facility. Dempsey is helping to lead the Mustangs in their meets.



## First place

The Northville High School JV pom pon team not only took first place in their category at the Michigan POM Association 2010 Championships, but also had high score of the day. The competition took place in Alma on Jan. 23.

## NORTHVILLE SPORTS BRIEFS

### Northville's Smith stands out at Albion

Northville graduate Lannis Smith is showcasing her desire to be the best at her game at Albion College. The sophomore seized first place in her novice flat category for the Albion College equestrian team when they competed in a Jan. 9 at the University of Michigan. Lannis, a team captain, also finished second the following day at the University of Michigan. The equestrian team finished third on the first day of the show and fourth on the second.

### Hoop camp at Ward

The Detroit Pistons Youth Basketball Clinic returns to Ward Church in Northville on Saturday, Feb. 6.

Coach Steve Moreland will conduct this event for boys and girls grades kindergarten through

seventh. Players will be divided by age groups. Each participant will receive free authentic Pistons T-shirt and one ticket to a Pistons game. Discounted tickets for family or friends will be available for \$15 (regular \$40). Plus each family member attending a game will be invited to join Coach Steve at the Palace of Auburn Hills down at court-side for the pre-game warm-ups. Parents be sure to bring your cameras to the game.

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## Mustangs gymnastics team continues tradition

### Squad enjoys pre-meet meals, cheesy potatoes and time together

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

Erin McWatt made a comment prior to the start of the Northville Mustangs gymnastics season that she clarified almost immediately.

"We joke that gymnasts might be the only sports team that actually gains weight during season because we have several team dinners prior to big meets during the season, and our food table at all-day tournaments is stocked to the brim," she joked.

When the question was presented back to her regarding how well the girls eat, McWatt made one thing very clear.

"I don't want to make it sound like the girls are little piggies," she said. "We just eat well during the season, but healthy."

A glance at McWatt's team will tell you that there isn't a weight problem among them. Northville boasts a crew of muscular gymnasts who are able to turn their bodies in ways that most athletes would fear to tread. In order to make such things happen, those gymnasts

require lots of energy. They help make this happen with a traditional team dinner before meets. The biggest meets, like the state finals, sometimes require more than one.

Their favorite way to fuel the fire? Cheesy potatoes.

It's not the Velveeta goodness or the crispy potato skins that makes them such a big draw. It's their ability to bring about good performances.

"Always cheesy potatoes because they're our good luck food," McWatt said

about the menu at pre-game dinners, which have been a team tradition that hasn't been missed since McWatt took the team reins in 2003. "Our families prepare wonderful meals for team dinners. Parents also bring food to the tournaments for the girls to munch on for the duration—small sandwiches, fruits, veggies, goodies, etc."

Team dinners are signed up for by parents in the beginning of the season and are rotated at the different households throughout the season.

The point of team dinners is more than just getting car-

bohydrates and proteins; it's also about team unity.

"It's also nice to get together in a fun, relaxed environment where the girls can just chill out and get mentally focused for the following day," McWatt said. "They love to hang out with each other outside of school and practice anyway, so it just adds to our team bonding and unity."

That's why there is always one final team dinner of the season—after the state tournament.

It is there that the girls are able to reflect on their time spent with one another. Seniors get to officially say good-bye and hugs are handed out and tears are shed.

A gymnast can't take the beam with them when they leave Northville, or the bars or the vault. They can't take the stands, or the scorecards. But they get to take their memories—both from competition and team dinners—and a darn good recipe for cheesy potatoes.

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## NORTHVILLE HIGH SPORTS WRAPUP

## Northville hockey tumbles again

The only help the Northville Mustangs boys hockey team is going to get earning wins this year is if they decide to help themselves.

So far, that hasn't happened. The once-top-ranked Mustangs fell again last week, this time taking a 4-1 drubbing from the Churchill Chargers.

Northville's defense committed six penalties in the game, two of which killed their own team's power play.

"I'm not going to sugarcoat that or try to put a warm and fuzzy spin on it," said coach Jeff Hatley. "That is not good enough and not acceptable."

The only bright spots in the contest for the Mustangs was the play of Sean Bretz in goal and the third line of Clay Neal, Stephen Champagne and Max McHugh, which scored in the first period and had no penalties.

Northville's lone score came at 15:41 in the first period when Champagne took a pass from Neal and fired it home past the Churchill goaltender. The 1-0 lead only last a few seconds until the Chargers tied it up on a Northville turnover before adding one in the second period and two more in the third to seal the game.

## Figure skating does well in second competition

The Northville Mustangs figure skating teams did very well at their recent competition, with the A team taking third overall, the B team taking sixth and the C team taking ninth in their respective divisions.

The A team for Northville collected a second-place finish in the spins event and a third-place finish in the jumps portion of the competition. They also collected a ninth in the moves segment.

The B team took fifth in moves, seventh in spins and eighth in jumps in their division, while the C team took eighth in both spins and jumps and ninth in moves.

## Gymnasts beat Chiefs, takes second in invite

The Northville Mustangs had a successful week, beating the Canton Chiefs in a dual meet and taking the runner-up position at the Salem Invitational last weekend.

The squad, coached by Erin

McWatt, started the week off with strong competition from Canton, earning a closely contested victory, 144.7-142.4.

Allie Kemp had a career high all-around score on the day, earning a 39.7, with a 9.55 coming from the floor and the beam and an impressive 9.6 on the vault. Cassidy Winter also turned in some top-notch scores, earning an 8.95 on the vault and a 9.25 on the beam, while McKenna Pohl and Amy O'Brien had strong showings with their floor routines, earning a 9.6 and 9.1, respectively.

In the Salem Invitational, the Mustangs earned second place behind a very tough Troy Athens-Avondale squad. Northville collected a team total of 140.925.

The team took seconds in vault, bars, beam and floor in team all-arounds per event.

Winter continued her outstanding performances, scoring a 9.1 on the vault, while Kemp turned in an 8.925 on the bars and a 9.15 on the floor. The Mustangs also got help from Pohl, who turned in a 9.35 on the floor and a 9.3 on the beam, while O'Brien scored a 9.0 with her floor routine.

## Girls bowling team wins, boys lose against Wayne

Taking on one of the tougher teams in the conference, the Northville Mustangs bowling teams turned in mixed results.

The girls collected a hard-fought victory after falling behind in the Baker games. However, a strong rally in the individual play proved to be too much for Wayne, and Northville escaped with the win and stayed undefeated with a 6-0 record.

Shelby Curlew led Northville with a 204 game while Jessie Sammut was attributed to two solid individual games in which the win came down to the final frame.

The boys team wasn't so lucky, losing to Wayne, which shot season-high scores in the match. Ian Lovdahl led Northville with a 198.

In junior varsity play, the girls won their match, paced by Haley Ferrario with a 150. The boys also won, defeating the first-place Zebras with their last bowler, Jon Johnson. Johnson sealed the victory with three strikes in the 10th frame, adding to his 198. Michael Truong added a 193 in the win.

- Sam Eggleston



Northville's Curtis Bourne shoots over Salem defenders.

## Northville boys rebound after early-week defeat

Squad topples Salem, falls to South Lyon East

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

The Northville Mustangs boys basketball team is still trying to find out exactly what it is they are capable of doing.

On one hand, the squad has the ability to come from behind and earn a victory over Salem, 38-28, in a defensive struggle. On the other, they can't seem to get their offensive going in the right direction and lose, considerably, to South Lyon East, 43-25.

Against Salem, the Mustangs found themselves trailing almost immediately and down, 10-2, midway through the first quarter of play. The team was forced to clamp down on defense, and managed to hold the Rocks to just 18 points over the last 28 minutes of the game.

"I thought the story of the game was our defense and patience of offense," said coach Todd Sander. "When we defend, we feel we can play with most anybody."

Northville was led by Andrew Baldwin, who scored 16 points and had six rebounds. Six of his points came from a 6-for-8 performance from the free-throw line. Makis Eatmon added eight rebounds in the effort, and Bryce Groshek and Ryan Owen and Al Myers added six points each. Senior

## ON TAP

The Northville boys basketball team is scheduled to play Stevenson tomorrow at home with a 7 p.m. tip-off before visiting South Lyon Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Tim Hasse, a consistent contributor for the Mustangs, was out with illness.

Northville also got a strong performance from Levi Perry, who came off the bench for Northville.

"I thought Levi came in and gave us a nice lift," said Sander. "He's tough, can guard in the post and got a few big rebounds."

Northville's defensive pressure is proving key. The team, which is now 5-5 on the season and 2-3 in the division, has held their opponents to under 40 points in each game they have won.

Northville couldn't keep South Lyon East under that magic number earlier in the week, however, and fell, 43-25. The Mustangs trailed 21-12 at the half and 30-21 going into the fourth quarter.

The win was East's second of the season and first in the Central division.

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## SYNOPSIS

JANUARY 21, 2010 - REGULAR MEETING  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, January 21, 2010  
TIME: 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting  
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Abbo called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

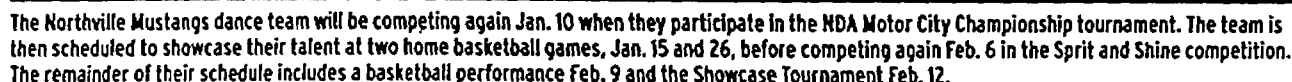
ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Richard Henningsen, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Mindy Herrmann, Christopher Roosen,

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- Agendas: A. Approve Consent and Regular Agendas - add item 5a.1 - approved
- Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:
  - Appoint Doug Wesley to Board of Review - approved
  - Appoint Michael R. Williamson to Board of Review - approved
  - Appoint Walter Pytalak to Board of Review - approved
  - Re-appoint Martha Snow to Planning Commission - approved
  - Re-appoint Robert Nix to Planning Commission - approved
  - Donation - Northville Baseball/Softball Association - approved
  - Resolution 2009-13 - Wayne County Revised Resolution - approved
- Public Hearings: None
- Brief Public Comments: None
- New Business:
  - Public Safety - retain soliciting Bond - approved
  - DPS - Sewer Vactor - approved
  - S.E.M.C.O.G. annual dues - approved
  - Public Safety - 2010 patrol vehicle purchase - approved
  - Public Safety - Motorcycle purchase - approved
  - Public Safety - Detective Bureau lease - approved
  - Collection of Summer School Tax - Schoolcraft College - approved
  - Collection of Summer School Tax - Northville Public School - approved
  - Collection of Summer Tax - Plymouth Canton School District - approved
  - Collection of Regional Service Agency of Wayne County (RESA) - approved
- Unfinished Business: None
- Ordinances: None
- Bills Payable: A. Bills payable in the amount of \$2,140,502.05 - approved
- Board Communication & Reports: Reports were given by Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Richard Henningsen, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Mindy Herrmann, Christopher Roosen, Chip Snider
- Any other business or public comment for the Board of Trustees: Set P.H. - tax abatement - 02/18/10 Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Steering Committee Concept Project - approved
- Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The unapproved draft of the Board of Trustees minutes will be available after February 3, 2010.

\* Added 5.A1 - Public Safety - Peddling and Soliciting retain bond

Respectfully submitted:  
Sue A. Hillebrand, MMC



**BY SAM EGGLESTON**  
CORRESPONDENT

That love turned into quite the labor this year. Starting a new team, the dance squad discovered, is not an easy task. There is the daunting challenge of learning the techniques and procedures of a high school competitive sport, not to mention the job of just getting other students aware of the team's existence.

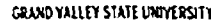
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CORRESPONDENT

"Offensively we are equal opportunity, and I like that," said Storrs about scoring. He reiterated, however, that it isn't the points under his personal stats that matter to him, but rather that his team earns a vic-



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**BY SAM EGGLESTON**  
CORRESPONDENT

Despite an attempt to pressure Northville with fresh bodies constantly being subbed into the contest, the South Lyon East Cougars could only watch as Northville continually broke the double teams and earned quick scores. Northville collected a team-record 28 assists on the

"Although scoring that much

Salem's size, however, proved too much to overcome in the second half, and

Northville is now 4-6 overall and 1-4 in the Central Division.

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# REAL ESTATE

## Red Cross offers winter home safety tips

The American Red Cross wants everyone to be prepared and safe when Ole Man Winter comes knocking on the door.

"Heating the home is expensive and one of the leading causes of home fires," said Scott Conner, Red Cross senior vice president for Preparedness and Health and Safety Services. "We have steps people can follow to cut their risk of starting a fire in their home, and to cut down on their heating bills."

### USE ALTERNATIVE HEATERS SAFELY

First, never use your stove or oven to heat your home.

Never leave alternative heaters unattended — turn off space heaters or extinguish the fireplace before going to bed or leaving home.

Keep all flammable materials and potential fuel sources — including but not limited to newspapers, matches, bedding, clothing, carpets and rugs — at least three feet away from heat sources such as space heaters, fireplaces and stoves.

Place your space heater on a hard, level, nonflammable surface. Do not put space heaters on rugs or carpets, near bedding or drapes, and keep children and pets away. Look for a space heater model that shuts off automatically if the heater falls over.

Keep the fire in your fireplace by using a glass or metal screen large enough to catch sparks and rolling logs. Never leave fireplaces unattended. Be sure to have wood and coal stoves, fireplaces, chimneys and furnaces professionally inspected once a year.

### BE PREPARED

Install smoke alarms on every floor of your home. Check them once a month by pressing the test button, and replace batteries as necessary.

Make sure both your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are working properly, and practice your home fire escape plan so every member of your family, including young children and elderly, can get out quickly and safely. Your escape plan should include at least two routes out for every room in the home, and a meeting place outside your home.

### REDUCE YOUR HEATING BILLS

Some experts are predicting that most of the country will see temperatures below normal this winter. The Red Cross offers these suggestions on how to get your home ready for the cold weather.

#### Simple solutions —

• Turn down the thermostat and put on a sweater. You'll be surprised at the savings on your heating bill.

• Close off any rooms you aren't using and close heat vents or turn off radiators in those rooms.

• Make sure heat vents aren't blocked by furniture.

• If you can, buy heavy curtains to help keep cold air out of your home, even in the kitchen. Open them during the day to let the sun help warm your house, and close them at night. Use "fabric snakes,"



or old rugs in front of windows and doors to help eliminate drafts.

• If you have a wood burning fireplace, use it to cut down on your heating bill. Make sure you close the damper when not in use or heat will escape through it. If you can seal off the fireplace when not in use, do so.

• Turn off vent fans in the kitchen and bathroom as soon as the job is done.

• Set your ceiling fans to blow air down.

#### Insulate —

Drafts mean cold air is leaking into your home. Use either insulating tape or caulking strips to surround your windows and door moldings. You can also cover windows with plastic sheeting. If you have storm windows or storm doors, get them up to keep the cold out.

Cold air can even seep into the house through outlets, so insulate your light switch and outlet plates with foam pads.

Additional insulation tips: —

• Cover your hot water heater with insulating material. You'll use less energy to heat the water. Prevent frozen pipes — when the weather is very cold outside, open cabinet doors to let warm air circulate

around water pipes. Let the cold water drip from the faucet served by exposed pipes. Running water through the pipe — even at a trickle — helps prevent pipes from freezing because the temperature of the water running through it is above freezing. Keep the thermostat set to a consistent temperature.

• If your home sits above ground and some of your pipes are exposed, wrap them to save on energy and prevent freezing.

• Turn off any outside faucets, drain your hose, and cover the faucets. Use caulking or weather stripping around all pipes where they enter the house — yet another way to eliminate drafts.

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## Talk to pros on New York market

**Q:** I know that the economic slowdown has affected New York City, but I am interested in buying a condominium unit in the upper east side area of New York and am wondering what you would suggest that I do.

**A:** As you may know, initially most of the high-rise living units were co-ops in New York but that has changed dramatically.

Indeed, many co-ops have been converted to condominiums, and I note that there is new construction of condominiums in the upper east side, near



Robert Meisner

the East River and not far from the bridge that goes to Queens and LaGuardia Airport. The prices have slipped somewhat and there are possibilities for negotiations. Another area that is hot in terms of development is the Soho area depending upon where you want to live in New York City. You are best advised to consult with two or three different Realtors initially to find one who best suits your interests. It is also important that you retain an attorney as you will have to have one at your closing should you purchase real estate. An attorney may also be able to give you some insight into the operation of the condominium association and/or the developer, so, you are best advised to retain a condominium-wise attorney, not just a real estate attorney.

**Q:** We are thinking about moving to suburban New York City and are wondering what you can tell us about areas in Connecticut.

**A:** Obviously Connecticut has been a suburban playground for New York workers for many years. A number of lovely cities intersect the Merritt Parkway and Route 15 to cities like Stamford, Norwalk and West Port, all of which are near Long Island Sound and are within a one hour to one and one-half hours of driving to Manhattan. These communities are also serviced by rail commuter services and while the prices are steep, relatively speaking, they have evened out and, in some instances, bargains are obtainable. Again, you are best advised to consult with a knowledgeable real estate expert.

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 [bmeisner@meisner-associates.com](http://bmeisner@meisner-associates.com). This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

### HOMES SOLD - OAKLAND

These are the area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of October 12-16, 2009, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

**Auburn Hills**  
899 Chase Way Blvd \$150,000  
3937 Forester Blvd \$92,000  
**Beverly Hills**  
32660 Beltrine Trl \$175,000  
15621 Buckingham Ave \$230,000  
20040 Old Coach Rd \$170,000  
**Bingham Farms**  
31990 Bingham Rd \$240,000  
**Birmingham**  
2120 Avon Ln \$285,000  
2400 Deyon Ln \$345,000  
1968 E Melton Rd \$173,000  
950 Shirley Rd \$600,000  
1843 Stanley Blvd \$485,000  
575 Vinewood Ave \$320,000

**Bloomfield Township**  
5411 Lane Lake Rd \$284,000  
522 Newburne Pointe \$129,000  
3255 Pebble Ln \$165,000  
2673 Plum Brook Dr \$215,000  
276 S Williamsbury Rd \$199,000  
**Clarkston**  
6680 Deer Ridge Dr \$185,000  
3835 Klags Dr \$250,000  
5083 Maybee Rd \$135,000  
5256 Ridge Trl N \$290,000  
**Commerce Township**  
2188 Briar Ct \$253,000  
8216 Oakliff St \$114,000  
4256 Driftwood Dr \$215,000  
5004 Greenview Dr \$215,000  
**Davidsburg**  
6861 Tamcyn Dr \$225,000  
**Farmington**  
23509 Stonehouse Ct \$250,000  
**Farmington Hills**  
36911 Kenmore Dr \$295,000  
31134 Sturbridge Dr \$210,000  
**Lake Orion**  
2327 Hammerslea Rd \$103,000

1357 Marina Pointe Blvd \$340,000  
3743 Rolling Hills Rd \$235,000  
**Novi**  
23547 Highmeadow Dr \$275,000  
25731 Mulberry Ln \$265,000  
45334 Roundview Dr \$245,000  
23267 Willowbrook \$165,000  
**Oakland Township**  
4246 Bold Mews \$249,000  
5360 Old Mill Rd \$555,000  
**Oxford**  
1181 Fox Ct \$169,000  
1792 High Pointe Dr \$159,000  
206 Oxford Lake Dr \$153,000  
2911 Seymour Lake Rd Unit \$620,000  
**Rochester**  
519 E University Dr \$53,000  
1388 Pebble Ridge Dr \$450,000  
**Rochester Hills**  
655 Fieldstone Dr \$145,000  
3332 Fulham Dr \$225,000  
1790 Jason Cir \$218,000  
2362 Lassiter Dr \$182,000  
3140 Longview Ave \$97,000  
1665 Northumberland Dr \$186,000

323 Torrent Ct \$172,000  
979 Wexford Way \$130,000  
712 Whitney Dr \$186,000  
1852 Willowood Rd \$128,000  
146 Wimpole Dr \$160,000  
**South Lyon**  
1147 Fountain View Cir \$80,000  
26301 Great Plains Dr \$45,000  
26335 Great Plains Dr \$45,000  
24779 Martindale Rd \$215,000  
**Southfield**  
19442 Dorset St \$70,000  
28219 E Larkmoor Dr \$115,000  
15970 Harden Cir \$87,000  
29235 Rock Creek Dr \$39,000  
25465 Saint James \$93,000  
**Troy**  
3449 Balfour Dr \$490,000  
3750 Beach Rd \$190,000  
3923 Boulder Dr \$226,000  
3793 Gatwick Dr \$307,000  
2104 Lancer Dr \$340,000  
2728 Lomington Dr \$60,000  
2680 Roundtree Dr \$45,000  
3406 Upton Dr \$170,000

301 W Big Beaver Rd \$325,000  
**Waterford**  
3465 Alisa Ln \$105,000  
3039 Dixie Hwy \$151,000  
4574 Elizabeth Lake Rd \$128,000  
1382 Fieldcrest Dr \$65,000  
4358 Heatherstone Dr \$159,000  
3557 Lakewood Dr \$355,000  
4710 Meigs Ave \$45,000  
1429 Parkcrest Dr \$26,000  
4836 Rossiter Ave \$56,000  
1215 Avery Rd \$64,000  
194 S Avery Rd \$87,000  
**West Bloomfield**  
3221 Bloomfield Shore Dr \$345,000  
1536 Cardinal Ridge Ct \$180,000  
7214 Hidden Creek Ct \$490,000  
**White Lake**  
8815 Core Ct \$160,000  
9100 Mandon St \$16,000  
9499 Portage Trl \$80,000  
9493 Shelby Dr \$160,000  
**Wolverine Lake**  
1650 Kilarney Ct \$77,000

### HOMES SOLD - WAYNE

These are the area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of Oct. 5-8, 2009, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

**Canton**  
43587 Abbey Cir \$246,000  
4444 Hunters Cir E \$70,000  
1945 Knollwood Dr \$92,000  
7005 Poppleton Rd \$250,000  
47625 Torrington Dr \$319,000  
**Garden City**  
28651 Barton St \$66,000  
32990 Barton St \$86,000  
28438 Block St \$50,000  
33511 Bock St \$66,000

31960 Bridge St \$53,000  
32665 Dover St \$115,000  
7089 Helen St \$100,000  
**Livonia**  
37317 Bennett St \$177,000  
14640 Bredin Ct \$113,000  
18586 Comstock St \$200,000  
15316 Fairfield St \$85,000  
19239 Laurel Dr \$230,000  
29571 Lori St \$129,000  
15468 Mayfield St \$85,000

14040 Merriman Rd \$80,000  
35558 Orangelawn St \$118,000  
16142 Penn Dr \$200,000  
16012 Riverside St \$175,000  
18216 Whitby St \$100,000  
**Northville**  
383 First St \$103,000  
46353 Pinehurst Dr \$430,000  
17803 Wildflower Dr \$640,000  
**Plymouth**  
41139 Greystone Blvd \$256,000

120 Hartsough St \$133,000  
500 Provincetown Ln \$147,000  
**Redford**  
11432 Columbia \$60,000  
9949 Farley \$75,000  
16850 Inkster Rd \$60,000  
16030 Meadowbrook Rd \$100,000  
10039 Mercedes \$89,000  
9655 Nathaline \$21,000  
18515 Olympia \$59,000

9127 San Jose \$67,000  
9376 Tecumseh \$55,000  
**Westland**  
1938 Ackley Ave \$24,000  
6781 Emily Ct \$112,000  
8307 N Henry Ruff Rd \$73,000  
38655 Palmer Rd \$150,000  
34731 Sansburn St \$94,000  
34202 Sheridan St \$78,000

### REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

#### Investors

Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne County will meet Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Holiday Inn, 17201 Northline Road, Southgate (exit 37 from I-75). Matt Bezanson, of Sherlock Homes Inspection Ltd., will speak on home inspections.

There will be a free Investor Educational Forum at 6 p.m. or dinner in the dining room with other members and investors. Registration is 7 p.m., member presentation 7:15 p.m., meeting 7:30 p.m. For information, visit [reaiwaynecounty.org](http://reaiwaynecounty.org).

#### Career Seminar

Keller Williams Realty will host a free 59-minute Career Seminar 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9. Questions regarding startup cost, commission and success potential will be answered. The office is at 36642 Five

Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 266-9000 to reserve a seat.

#### Plymouth Career Seminar

Keller Williams Realty will host a Career Seminar 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, at 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth.

Candidates would benefit from previous experience or successes in: service industries, account management, retail sales, small business operations, marketing or event planning. Candidates should have: good people/communication skills, some computer knowledge, a strong work ethic, and an optimistic "can do" attitude.

Seminar includes: cost vs. income potential, available training, company profit share, commission structures. Call (734) 459-4700 to reserve a free seat.

#### Rental Property

A Beginners' Workshop for Rental Property Investors will be held three consecutive Saturdays, Feb. 20, 27 and March 6, four hours per day in Royal Oak. This event will provide a basic foundation that gives the beginning investor with the knowledge and confidence to make their initial investment and enhance their financial success.

Price: \$99 for the three days. Presented by the Real Estate Investors of Oakland. To register, contact: [www.REIAofOakland.com](http://www.REIAofOakland.com); (800) 747-6742.

#### Real Estate Sales and Appraising

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#### BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present its economic forecast luncheon and meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 3, from noon to 2 p.m. at the Best Western Sterling Inn, 34911 Van Dyke Avenue in Sterling Heights.

Featured guest speaker is David Crowe, chief economist of the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. He will address the economic issues facing the home building industry during 2010. In conjunction with this event,

industry awards will be given to BIA's 2009 President Darshan S. Grewal of Singh Development LLC and the other award honorees. Registration fees are \$40 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members with advance reservations made by Jan. 22; \$60 for members after Jan. 22, and \$75 for guests. Registration fees include entry to BIA's Builders & Remodelers Trade Show at the same location from 10:00 a.m. to noon. For registration information, call (248) 862-1002 or register online at [www.builders.org](http://www.builders.org).

#### Seminar on Tuesdays

A free Reverse Mortgage Seminar is 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Colonial Mortgage Corp., 33919 Plymouth Road, Livonia. No obligation. Learn about reverse mortgages. Please RSVP with Larry Brady at (800) 260-5484, Ext. 33.

# HEARING WELL, THEN LISTENING



## WORKWISE

by  
Mildred L.  
Culp

Some men care about communication so much that they take extra steps to make certain that, despite hearing loss, they hear effectively in the workplace. For them, hearing is a first step;

listening, its follow-through. They're in their 20s through 50s.

The first, Carlos Gomez of Brooklyn, N.Y., has made music his career for 15 years. A freelance DJ in nightlife culture nationwide and an electronic music producer, he creates music in his studio. The second, Fadi EITAI, a support engineer at Apple Computers Inc., in Cupertino, Calif., works as a liaison between the engineering team and the contact centers. Denver's Stephen Franklin is a lead engineer at United Launch Alliance L.L.C., which launches satellites. His eight-member independent team assesses product risk and launch preparedness.

Here are some of the problems they encountered at work:

— headaches. Considerable loss of hearing in his

"music" ear caused straining and uncertainty in face-to-face and telephone conversations. (Gomez) — failed understanding. Lower voices in meetings were not quite registered. (EITAI)

— embarrassment. Normal or quiet voices nearby in meetings were not perceptible unless the person sat immediately in front of him. Ambient noise in large meetings required him to stare at a person ... not always possible in a large room. (Franklin)

### 'CLEAR COMMUNICATIONS'

"The onus is on everyone to make sure that clear communications happen in the office," observes Sharon Campbell, president of the Pueblo Chapter of Hearing Loss Association of America. Gomez says that people in his group warn each other if the monitor is too loud, distorting the noise on the floor. EITAI encountered diminished productivity when callers were put on speaker in meetings. When he had questions, he went to meeting notes, if available, then e-mail or a phone call. Franklin mentions that e-mails often go out to confirm what's discussed, but "you have to take responsibility for information that's made available. Life becomes very insulating if you don't and you eventually will fall behind everyone."

"It's really difficult in the technical world," he adds, "where we're often asked at the end of a meeting if we concur with something. If you haven't heard well

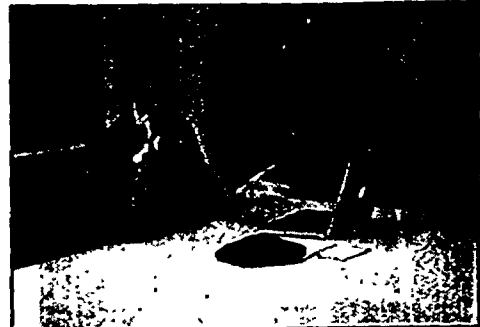
and say you concur with it, you're putting the company at risk. There are no do-overs in our business."

### CO-WORKERS

However, there is an additional experience some people in their situation encounter. Campbell indicates that co-workers can be more than mean, "deliberately saying something to the hard of hearing employee and then, when called on it, claim that the hard of hearing employee 'misunderstood.'" Failed communication becomes the "fault" of the employee, who is often fired. Harassment, she comments, often begins when the person first wears a hearing aid.

Franklin, who's never encountered this problem, feels that it's cultural, reflecting an unstable environment where people fear for their jobs. Only Gomez, the DJ, has experienced something close to it — "gentle ribbing among friends." He concedes that when it happens repeatedly for six years or longer, it begins to have an impact.

Each of these men uses a hearing aid. EITAI loves his Lyric in-canal hearing aid (InSound Medical, Inc.) because of its clarity, use of the ear to enhance sounds and invisibility. Gomez enjoys his Songbird (Songbird Hearing Inc.), because it's occupationally-specific, designed for musicians early in their careers and in their hearing loss. Franklin likes his Siemens Pure 700 (Siemens Hearing Instruments Inc.) because of its



Support engineer Fadi EITAI had difficulty hearing when he used a speaker phone but now uses a hearing aid that makes communication much easier. He works at Apple Computers Inc., in Cupertino, Calif.

functionality, size, convenience and design. He can attach devices for different situations that enable him to accommodate the typical hearing needs of others around him.

All three take responsibility for hearing well and for listening. We should all take note.

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**ACROSS**

1 Toady  
7 Pants  
12 "Strawberries" (57 film)  
16 Dinner order  
19 Anti-knock stuff  
20 Kayak commander  
21 Racer  
22 Luyendyk  
23 Ipanema's locale  
24 Riddle: Part 1  
25 "A mouse"  
26 Part 1  
27 Delicacy  
28 Insignificant  
29 Like Yale's walls  
30 Practice  
32 Swimmer  
33 Spud  
35 Keen insight  
36 Fall behind  
39 "Paradise Lost" figure  
40 Top drawer  
42 Ring site?  
45 Pared  
46 Freighter or ferry  
50 In the thick of  
51 Get the better of  
52 Folklore figures

**DOWN**

54 Nationality suffix  
55 "Bakonyi"  
56 Eye opener?  
57 Respond to  
58 Across  
59 Berry of "Monster's Ball"  
60 Fern  
61 Primer  
62 Enigma  
63 Variations  
64 Composer  
65 Barret or Jaffe  
66 Riddle: Part 2  
69 Wander  
70 Songlike  
71 — Patrick  
72 Offer an apple?  
74 Winter  
75 Quoted an expert  
77 Winter warmer-upper  
78 Not many  
81 Classic beginning  
82 Napoleon's cousin  
84 Icing  
85 Gdansk  
86 Bond foe

**ACROSS**

4 Beyond  
5 Aberration  
6 When Adam was a boy  
7 Go fish, e.g.  
8 Lofy peak  
9 — whale  
10 Cromwell, for one  
11 Bauer or Bocho  
12 Ebb  
13 Incensed  
14 Foot with the facts  
15 Remove  
16 Lufian  
17 Feudal  
18 Symbol  
24 Neighbor of  
25 Salutation  
31 Takes to court  
32 Temperate  
33 Ryan's daughter  
34 Perched on  
35 — de-  
36 I'll give you a lift  
37 San —, Italy  
38 Got off  
39 Audiophile's  
40 Desire  
41 Lifesaver  
42 Type of machete  
44 Ruler  
45 Elberg or Bryant  
47 Hagar the Horrible's wife  
48 Cairo creed  
49 Ibsen's "Gym"  
52 Sharp  
53 Trekker's guide  
56 Certain  
57 Plant pest  
58 "Thanks"—  
60 Tizzi  
61 Take the reins  
63 Winona of "Mr. Deeds"  
64 Heavenly hunter  
66 Remove a ribbon  
67 Thickset  
68 Anne of "John O."  
70 Be a banker  
73 Dick under a drawbridge  
75 Family  
76 Othello's  
77 Inducer  
78 — 81  
79 Actress  
80 Singer  
81 Dothe  
83 Baby's bed  
84 Gangster's gal  
85 Liqueur  
86 Glass  
87 Galley  
88 Idle talk  
89 Odd  
90 Bile for  
91 Bonzo  
92 Tied the  
93 French  
94 Physicist  
97 Stadium  
98 Stadium shout  
99 Torrid  
100 Shady spot  
102 Grumpy  
103 "The Perfect Foot"  
104 "What's My Line?" host  
105 Lingerie trim  
106 "— never happen!"  
107 Cartoonist  
108 Silverstein  
110 Cable channel  
111 Actress Le  
112 Gallienne  
113 Champ on a chinchanga

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18  
19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122

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AMOR ARIA ROLE CAIMAN  
ABRAHAM LINCOLN ATTAIN  
RIATA ALLAH OPT INA  
EWE MARYRENAULT  
STRENGTH ERTE WARM  
HIE ARES DEAN PRIAM  
OODENNASH WEM OTTER  
PESTO ETAT HIAWATHA  
ORFF RIDE RLS SITS  
STD MERCEDES RUEHL GAP  
LOIN LEA ALLA SEAR  
ANTEATER LEAN WEDDO  
PITAS DAB GLENNFORD  
COTTA TALC YOKO DID  
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