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## School health lesson hearings

The Northville Public Schools Board of Education has scheduled two public hearings for school parents and community members to comment on a proposed revision in the instructional DVD's used in the 5th grade reproductive health lesson.

At the two public hearings, the school board will hear comment on the proposed DVD's. The hearings will take place on Tuesday, May 4 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and Wednesday, May 12 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in Room 302, NPS Board of Education Offices at 501 West Main Street, Northville, MI.

There are a variety of opportunities for review of the proposed materials prior to the public hearings, including 6 p.m. on May 4 and 10 a.m. on May 12 in Room 302, NPS Board of Education Offices at 501 West Main Street, Northville. To register for one of the review opportunities, please call (248) 344-8442 or send an e-mail message to [CommitteeMail@northville.k12.mi.us](mailto:CommitteeMail@northville.k12.mi.us).

## Personal Finance Expo Saturday

The public is invited to a Personal Finance Expo from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, May 1 at the Northville Community Senior Center. Your Money College will feature complimentary Educational Programs that will provide a wealth of information to broaden your knowledge of critical financial issues.

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## Address focuses on economic situation

### Municipalities face many challenges

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

They didn't paint a totally gloom-and-doom picture of the area, but four speakers last Wednesday said Northville city and township still face many challenges.

The State of the Community Address for the two municipalities took place at Meadowbrook Country Club.

Speakers included Laura Cox,

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Mayor Chris Johnson said what's going on at the state level is greatly impacting communities like Northville.



Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox addresses the audience at the April 21 State of the Community Luncheon in Northville.



Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo said his community, like the city of Northville, has worked hard to maintain services to residents with less funding.

## U of M students present Seven Mile property plan



Kenneth Dunn takes questions from audience members at the Northville Township Hall on April 22 as Dunn and five other University of Michigan graduate urban planning students took questions on their proposed plan of the property at the former psychiatric hospital in the township.

JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## Volunteers needed for phase one

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Six University of Michigan urban planning graduate students presented their plan for Northville Township's portion of the Seven Mile Road property Thursday.

The proposal includes preserving a good portion of the property, creating trails and open grassy areas, a community building, pavilion, amphitheater, community gardens and dog park.

The students presented their plan at Northville Township Hall at 9:30 a.m. April 22. The plan

will eventually be placed on the township's Website.

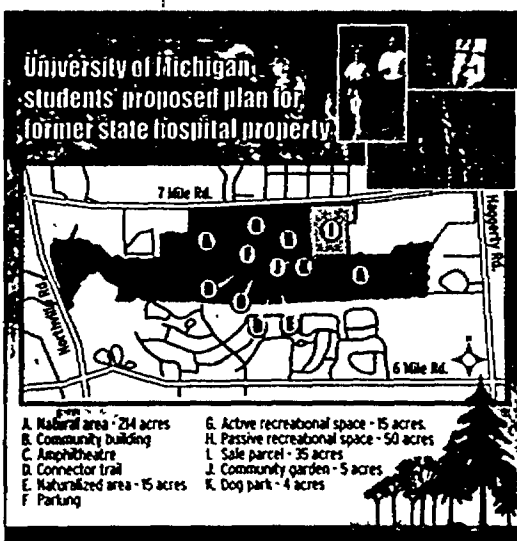
The students have been working on the plan since early January, when they came over from Ann Arbor to tour the property.

This class is a required course in the two-year master's program in urban planning at U of M. The project was undertaken at no cost to the township.

### PRIME LOCATION

The students said the property on the south side of Seven Mile Road between Haggerty and

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This plan was developed by six University of Michigan urban planning graduate students for the 350 acres owned by the township at the Seven Mile Road property. The proposal was developed at no cost to the township.

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## Coldwater Spring Nature Area awaits Township residents

### Opening ceremony held on Saturday

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

For Northville Township resident Helen Baird, walking the trail in the new Coldwater Springs Nature Area is part of her daily routine.

"I say a prayer every morning at this spot," she said as she walked along the trail Saturday morning.

She lives near the trail, and was one of the residents who attended the opening ceremony

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With her umbrella handy for the steady rain, Victoria Brown, 5, prepares to head out on a walk around Northville Township's Community Park on Saturday.

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# Township residents helping in fight against cystic fibrosis

Niece, nephew affected at birth

**BY PAM FLEMING**  
STAFF WRITER

Bryan Johnson, marketing and communications manager at ZF in Northville Township, and his wife, Anna, have a niece and nephew, Leah and Evan Sauber of Millbury, Ohio, born with cystic fibrosis. The two are Bryan's sister's children.

The Johnsons urge area residents to help Leah and Evan, as well as others suffering from this disease, by donating to the

annual Great Strides for Cystic Fibrosis Walk on Saturday. "Today, Leah, 5, and Evan, 3, are very healthy kids thanks to daily breathing treatments and medication," Johnson said. "They see a doctor every two months, and all signs are positive at this point."

**STARTING KINDERGARTEN**  
Leah will start kindergarten in the fall. "This is going to be a very exciting time for her," Johnson said. "She will get to ride the

bus and will work on letters and numbers — already some of her favorite activities. Being in school also means that she will have new routines for breathing treatments and enzymes to help her digest food.

"Evan is looking forward to warmer weather so he can get outside and ride his bike. He is 'all boy' and loves playing with trucks and rough-housing. His infectious laugh usually means he is up to no good or just being a clown. "We are very blessed to have them in our lives, and they make every day special for those around them. That is why we are asking for area residents' help."

Cystic fibrosis is the most common and fatal genetic disease that affects more than 30,000 children and adults in the United States.

A defective gene causes the body to produce abnormally thick and sticky mucus that leads to chronic and fatal lung infections and impairs digestion.

Currently, there is no cure for cystic fibrosis. However, due to advances in research, life expectancy has risen from 2 years of age to approximately 37 years in the last few decades.



Leah and Evan Sauber of Millbury, Ohio, near Toledo, niece and nephew of Brian Johnson, who works for ZF in Northville Township, and his wife, Chris, both have cystic fibrosis. The Johnsons will participate in a walk Saturday benefiting research on the disease and are asking for donations from Northville-area residents.

"We can only hope that a cure is found in Leah's and Evan's lifetime," Johnson said.

**FUND-RAISER**  
On Saturday, Johnson and others whose lives have been affected by this disease will participate in the Great

Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis to raise money to fight this terrible disease; 90 percent of every dollar raised will go directly to programs supporting research, education and cystic fibrosis care. "We are asking for support in any way that you can offer,"

**HOW TO MAKE A DONATION**  
Checks can be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and mailed to Bryan Johnson, ZF Group North American Operations, 15811 Centennial Drive, Northville, MI, 48168, or donate online at [www.cff.org/Great\\_Strides/BryanJohnson4850](http://www.cff.org/Great_Strides/BryanJohnson4850). Johnson can also be contacted at (734) 582-8011 or at [bryan.johnson@zf.com](mailto:bryan.johnson@zf.com). To learn more about Leah and Evan Sauber, check out [www.saubersstrength.org](http://www.saubersstrength.org).

Johnson said. "Any amount that one can donate would be much appreciated, and all contributions are 100-percent tax deductible. Checks can be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and mailed to Bryan Johnson, ZF Group North American Operations, 15811 Centennial Drive, Northville, MI, 48168, or donate online at [www.cff.org/Great\\_Strides/BryanJohnson4850](http://www.cff.org/Great_Strides/BryanJohnson4850). Johnson can also be contacted at (734) 582-8011 or at [bryan.johnson@zf.com](mailto:bryan.johnson@zf.com). To learn more about Leah and Evan, check out [www.saubersstrength.org](http://www.saubersstrength.org).

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# Work starts on Metro Trail major overhaul

Crews have started the much anticipated repair and reconstruction of the I-275 Metro Trail in Wayne and Oakland counties. In order to facilitate clearing and removal of the existing path, the section between Hines Drive and Michigan Avenue is now closed.

The I-275 Pathway is a 40-mile multi-use recreational trail that parallels the freeway in Oakland, Wayne and Monroe counties. The trail runs through or near some of the most populated communities in southeast Michigan, including Novi, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Plymouth, Northville Township, Canton Township and Monroe. It links to many non-motorized paths in these communities, and could ultimately serve as a backbone to the entire southeast Michigan recreational trail system.

After decades of neglect, the Friends of the I-275 Pathway is working with the Michigan Department of Transportation and local governments to rejuvenate the trail and bring it up to present-day standards.

Workers from Angelo Iafra Construction Company began the work at Hines Drive this week and will make their way south until the project is complete in the fall. This work, which includes construction of four new bridges, will upgrade the trail to present day standards and bring it in line with ADA compliance.

Crews also plan to close portions of the trail between Hines Drive and Meadowbrook Road in the coming weeks in order to perform spot repairs. Although they don't expect to close the entire section, the path is likely to be shut down in one-mile increments.

In addition to the repairs on the north end and complete reconstruction of the middle



COURTESY PHOTO

Some sections of the trail north of Hines Drive will be replaced.

section, additional work is planned south of Michigan Avenue next year.

The contractors along with the Michigan Department of Transportation held an open house last Tuesday at Fellow Creek Golf Club to explain the trail upgrades and receive input from the public.

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# EDUCATION

## Northville High School student wins special robotics award

### 2010 FIRST Dean's List winner

Adult leaders and mentors of the Northville High School Robotics Team, known as the Robostangs, recently nominated Beth Hadley for the 2010 FIRST Dean's List Award. This is a new award this year, and Hadley was one of 10 winners out of more than 500 students nationwide.

Following is an edited version of the essay that led to her winning the award recently at the national robotics competition in Atlanta on April 17:

In June 2009, teachers were so inspired by Hadley that they created a personalized paper plate award for her titled "Future FIRST Advisor to Dean Kamen." (Kamen is the founder of the FIRST Robotics competition. FIRST stands for For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology.) Hadley avidly participated in FLL (First Lego League) throughout middle school, leading her all-girls team to the state level and placing fourth in their third year.

Currently, she is a junior at NHS and a third-year Robostang.

#### HADLEY'S LEGACY

Spreading the mission and vision of FIRST will be Hadley's legacy to Northville Schools. She earned her Girl Scout Gold Award and recognition as a Michigan Top Ten Prudential Spirit of Community Volunteer as a result of her robotics outreach.

The summer before her freshman year she created an FLL middle school Lego Robotics program. She continues to direct this program by leading informational meetings, organizing teams, recruiting coaches, mentors and students, distributing robot kits, managing the budget

and technically assisting teams during build.

Over the past three years, her FLL mentorship program with Robostangs and National Honors Society students grew to include 17 mentors.

In total, she introduced 101 middle school students to Lego robotics, forming 19 teams. She intuitively realized the benefit of a practice competition for rookie FLL teams and developed Robo Rally. With Robostang members as judges, she leads this event annually.

Hadley also collaborates with Lawrence Technological University to host a Robofest competition at one of the Northville middle schools, and she advises FLL programs at two elementary schools.

Her positive personal experience from FLL and FRC, coupled with her love of science and computer programming make her a natural FIRST ambassador to the Northville community.

Gracious professionalism defines Beth's personality and expertise. She is a bright, determined young woman who wants to get things done, yet always in a positive, polite and quiet way. She sees the big picture and then thinks down to the finest detail.

#### CREATED ROBOCAMP

During the summer of 2009 she masterminded an ambitious community outreach and fundraiser event called RoboCamp. She devised the formula for a micromanaged, two-day camp for fourth- to sixth-graders staffed by Team 548 members.

Due to high demand, she scheduled a second session of the camp. In total, 95 students from 13 cities designed and programmed Lego robots. The camp also provided several cool

science projects. In Michigan's difficult economy, Hadley was determined to minimize the cost of the camp. Parents, students and Robostangs alike were in awe of her fun, educational RoboCamp model.

As a mindful leader, she incorporated our input, encouraged feedback and delegated with authority. Like an excellent science teacher, her excitement and passion to expose science and technology to youngsters was contagious.

Hadley was the first-ever recipient of NHS's new "Robostang of the Month" award as an acknowledgement of her dedicated leadership to the ideals of Team 548 and FIRST.

Over the last three years in FRC she has worked in the programming group. The programmers, meeting through the summer, work well with Hadley, respecting and trusting her technical expertise. Currently, the teammates develop Teleoperated and Autonomous code, and Hadley continues to expand her abilities by learning from professional mentors.

Her Northville High School teachers and mentors are extremely proud and grateful to have "known her when" she was a Robostang.

The Northville Robostangs wrapped up their season at the National Competition in Atlanta recently. They have earned some very significant awards this season, including the difficult-to-achieve Chairman's Award at Kettering University.

The 10 winners of the new Dean's List Award will travel to the East Coast to visit Kamen's office and spend time with engineers this summer. Also, at the National Competition the Robostangs received recognition from General Motors Corp. as the GM Robotic Team of the Year.



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### St. Jude donation

The industrious third graders at Northville Christian School and their teachers, Mrs. Stamm and Mrs. Bondy, are proud to present St. Jude Children's Research Hospital with a check for \$2,400. After hearing that St. Jude's provides treatment to children regardless of their families' ability to pay, the third graders decided to do what they could to help out. The students raised money through participation in a two-week long Math-A-Thon. Also, in lieu of the customary Valentine's Day Party, the children mixed, baked and then sold cookies at a school-wide bake sale. All involved were extremely pleased at the amount of money raised, and the enthusiasm in which the children applied themselves to making a difference in the lives of other children.

### NORTHVILLE ON CAMPUS

Northville's Adam Jankovich was one of two Central Michigan University students presenting research before state legislators during the university's annual Posters at the Capitol event. He is a junior at CMU, a graduate of Northville High School and the son of David and Debra Jankovich.

Jankovich's project, "Calibrating the Thickness of Metal Thin Films Using AFM," researches the methods of measuring various metal thicknesses with sev-

eral measuring instruments.

Sponsored by CMU's College of Science and Technology and the Government Relations and Public Affairs Office, the 2010 Posters at the Capitol event was held at the State Capitol April 21 in Lansing. Twenty-one CMU students met with legislators to showcase their research efforts.

Shruti Agrawal of Novi was among 23 Michigan State University students honored April 16 by the MSU

Board of Trustees for their academic achievements. Board of Trustees awards are granted at each commencement to graduating seniors having the highest cumulative grade point averages at the close of the semester prior to graduation. Agrawal is an accounting major in the Eli Broad College of Business. She is the daughter of Sunil and Sushma Agrawal. A member of the Honors College, she has a 4.0 GPA. Agrawal is a graduate of Northville High School.

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### NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### Summer Connections

Information regarding Summer Connections 2010 is now available on the Northville School District website at [www.northville.k12.mi.us/instruction/summerconnections.asp](http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/instruction/summerconnections.asp).

#### Kindergarten notice

Northville Public Schools is now accepting Kindergarten enrollment for fall, 2010. If you have a child who will be 5 years of age

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## ELIZABETH A. DEPETRO

Age 80, of Livonia, passed away April 24, 2010. A memorial service will be held Sat., May 1 at Noon at Salem Bible Church, 9481 Six Mile Road, Salem. In lieu of flowers contributions would be appreciated to Salem Bible Church or Angela Hospice.

## JANE MARIE GAMBLE

Age 97, passed away April 24, 2010, at Star Manor in Northville. She was born on August 22, 1912. Jane and Ivan moved from Detroit to Silver Lake in 1973. Jane loved the lake for swimming and entertaining. She enjoyed the many friendships of her neighbors. She served as a babysitter and dog sitter to many. She was known most affectionately as "Grama Jane." She attended Green Oak Free Methodist Church. Jane is survived by her sons Bruce (Judy Cole) Gamble of South Lyon, Douglas (Mary Kay) Gamble of Rochester Hills, and daughter Daryl (Michael) Bush of Mancelona; seven grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ivan, and by her six siblings. A celebration of Jane's life is planned for a later date. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

## LARRY D. GREGG

Age 61, of Gregory, passed away April 20, 2010. Funeral service was held Sat. 4/24 at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of South Lyon. Contributions appreciated to the Humane Society of Livingston County.



MICHAEL R. HALBERT

Age 53, a resident of Northville for 32 years, passed away peacefully at home on April 21, 2010. He was born June 3, 1956 in Royal Oak, Michigan to Raymond and Margaret (Wilkie) Halbert. Mike grew up in Redford Township and graduated from Redford Union High School class of 1974. He met the love of his life, Barbara J. Schram, when they were 12 years old, but the relationship did not blossom until after high school. Mike and Barb were united in marriage on July 28, 1978. He was an amazing painter with Burton Brothers since 1988; he met many longtime friends through the business. He enjoyed hunting and the outdoors. He loved country music and was a cowboy at heart. Mike also liked to travel, watch sports, and most of all he liked spending time with his family and friends. He was a loving husband, a devoted son, and a proud father. He is survived by his beloved wife Barbara; his daughters, Candice (William) Elwell and Amanda Halbert; his parents, Raymond and Margaret Halbert; his siblings, Susan (Matthew) Stoney and James (Gale) Halbert; his sister-in-laws, Linda Schram, Gloria (Pietro) Arciero; his brother-in-law Waldo (Susan) Schram; and his beagle grand-dogs Lola and Hunter. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, and friends. A funeral mass was held Wed., April 28, 2010 at St. Genevieve Catholic Church, 29015 Jamison St., Livonia, MI 48154. Rev. Father Howard Vogan officiated the service. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to St. Genevieve Catholic Church. Arrangements by Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville.



FRANK PATAK

Age 88, of Northville, Michigan, died March 14, 2010, at Clare Bridge Senior Living Center. He was born October 18, 1921 in Detroit, Michigan, the son of late Julia and John Patak. He was the youngest of 4 siblings. On April 19, 1947, he married Eleanor Narkun at the Church of Assumption in Detroit, Michigan. They were married for 61 years until the death of Eleanor in 2008. He served in the United States Coast Guard during WWII, managing an engine and boiler crew on the ship Breckenridge in the Philippines. Frank was a member of the National Association of Power Engineers and managed construction of major malls and department stores in Chicago and the Detroit Metropolitan area. He retired from Dayton Hudson Properties in 1978, but continued working in his field until the age of 80. Frank authored several articles about the design, installation and operation of energy conservation systems. He is survived by his son, George Patak and daughter Barbara Flis, both of Farmington Hills and was a fabulous grandfather to granddaughters Julie Flis of Royal Oak, Sarah Patak of Florida; Mary Flis of Chicago; and Megan Patak of West Bloomfield. As Frank loved to golf, a memorial and luncheon for family and friends will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 1, at George Murphy's Restaurant, at the Fox Creek Golf Course, 36000 7 Mile Rd, Livonia, Michigan 48152. Arrangements by Casterline Funeral Home, Northville.

## CECELIA M. SKUPIN

Age 93, of Northville, passed away April 26, 2010. Visitation April 29, 2-8pm with a Rosary at 7pm at Casterline Funeral Home, Northville. Funeral Mass Friday, 10am at Our Lady of Victory, Northville.

## PEGGY ANN STINSON

Age 70, of South Lyon, passed away, April 25, 2010. She was the loving and beautiful wife for 54 years to Richard Stinson. Wonderful mother to Robin Stinson Kendziorek. Loving sister to Gerald (Anna) Lilley, Donald (Bonnie) Lilley. Beloved Aunt to Donald Lilley, Kim Lilley, Samantha Lilley, Debbie Lilley, Brooke Lilley and many other nieces and nephews. Peggy was an extremely pleasant person who loved everyone and everyone loved her. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Visitation will be held on Thursday from 3 - 9 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake St. (Ten Mile), South Lyon. Funeral services will be conducted on April 30, Friday, at 11 a.m. with final visitation beginning at 10 a.m. at Crosspointe Meadows Church, 29000 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi. Memorial contributions may be made to Crosspointe Meadows Church. Burial will take place at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

## JOSEPH DONALD TILL

Age 37, of South Lyon, passed away April 18, 2010. A funeral service was held on Friday, April 23, at Phillips Funeral Home. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com



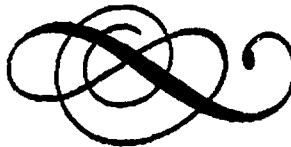
KENNETH WILSON

Born on December 7, 1937 in Pineville, Kentucky to Ethel Harriet Wilder Wilson and Mark Wilson. He passed away peacefully at home on April 21, 2010. He grew up in Fonde, Kentucky and moved to Michigan in 1951. He graduated from Clarenceville High School and received an Associate Degree in Business from Washtenaw Community College. He was employed by McGoughlin Company and Rapistan Corporation and retired from Motor Wheel Corporation in 1996. On June 15, 1969 he was ordained as an elder in the Primitive Baptist Church. He served the Monroe Primitive Baptist Church as pastor from January of 1982 until his death. He leaves to mourn his passing Diane Elizabeth Wilson, his beloved wife of 49 years; his children Randall Wilson (Nancy), Deanna Wilson, Bethann Thomason, Paul Wilson (Kelly), Leah Nilsson (Peter) and Jonathan Wilson (Bernadette); fourteen grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren; his brothers Layford Wilson and Alvin Wilson, his sister Meeteie Buell and brother-in-law George Beard, as well as a host of relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents Mark and Ethel Wilson, brother Arnold Wilson, sisters Juanita Jones and Marie Beard and son-in-law Larry Thomason. A Funeral Service was held Saturday, April 24th at Good Shepherd Primitive Baptist Church, Farmington Hills. www.thayer-rock.com

## In Memory Of

## MICHAEL SCHULTZ

In loving memory of my son Michael Schultz, who died suddenly January 25, 2010, he would have been 62 on April 29th. I love and miss you!  
Patricia A. Tornow & Family



## OBITUARY POLICY

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



COURTESY OF TRACY BINS

## Forensics

Six members of the Meads Mill Forensics Team had top finishes in the April 24 Michigan Interscholastic Forensic Association (MIFA) Spring Tournament held at Wayne State University. Pictured are (back row, l to r) Dominic Seipenko (semi-finalist plaque, impromptu), Sonali Reddy (trophy, impromptu), Ashley Weber (semi-finalist plaque, original oratory), Halle Bins (trophy, dramatic interpretation), Simran Reddy (semi-finalist plaque, impromptu), Chloe Kiple, Manasa Lanka (semi-finalist plaque, informative interpretation) and Rachel Martin; and (front row, l to r) Megan Bowers, Sangini Tolia, Nirmita Palakodaty, Veronica Agne, Elizabeth Rourke, Mira Sanghvi and Kelli Gullen. Missing are Ryan Duda and J.J. Molinari. The Meads Mill team competed against more than 350 other contestants from 30 Michigan middle schools, finishing sixth among all competing schools.

## ADDRESS

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Wayne County commissioner; Chris Johnson, mayor of Northville; Mark Abbo, Northville Township supervisor; and Dr. Leonard Rezmierski, Northville Public Schools superintendent.

Prior to the speakers' comments, the Northville Chamber of Commerce received a community service award from Carla Scruggs of Saline, awards chair for the Michigan Recreation and Parks and Association. The chamber received an award for its collaboration with the Northville Parks and Recreation Department.

## COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

"It's been a tough year for everybody," Cox said. "But, even in this climate, there are a lot of good things to look forward to."

She said as chair of the Ways and Means Committee she will work tirelessly to balance the county's budget with the least amount of essential services affected.

Cox believes core programs alive, such as the prosecutor's office, the sheriff's office, senior citizens programs and children's and family services at the appropriate levels.

"I was able to allocate \$10.8 million of general fund money to these core services," Cox said. She mentioned her efforts to provide transparency in government.

"Information is power for the taxpayer," Cox said. "It (transparency) gives you the opportunity to better understand the choices that the government makes."

Cox said she had some exciting news to share about the proposed pedestrian pathway connecting the city and township along Sheldon Road.

"It is on the west side of Bennett Arboretum in Hines Park," she said. The county has been trying to obtain grant funding to match tax dollars to be used. The project was submitted in March for grant funding from the Rouge Program Office and was ranked second among all projects submitted.

"It's a great project, and they recognize that," Cox said. The pathway will include a bridge crossing over Johnson Creek and a platform to observe the environment and the water. A volunteer park cleanup day will take place at 8:30 a.m. May 8 at the Cass-Benton Pavilion off Northville Road north of Six Mile Road in Hines Park. The first 50 people will receive a pair of Detroit Tiger's tickets.

## MAYOR SPEAKS OUT

Johnson talked about what's going on at the state level.

"Because, what's happening in the state of Michigan really is impacting us here at the local level in our cities, townships and schools," he said. Johnson said state shared revenue has gone down in terms of real dollars and in compar-

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LAMRA COX, Wayne County Commissioner

son to inflation.

"That's one of the factors that's actually impacting the city," he said. A lot of community mental health budget cuts made by the state recently, almost 80 percent came from Wayne and Oakland counties.

The state is also running short on funds for the local match for federal dollars.

"Next year, we're projected to be \$84 million short on state revenues, they're going to take \$475 million and give it to other states," Johnson said.

Johnson believes passing the law establishing term limits for elected officials was the biggest mistake ever made in state government because our legislators have to know a lot.

"The people we elect cannot get that skill set in a mere six years before they're hitting the street and looking for another job," he said.

Johnson also talked about the two prongs to the Headlee Amendment. One of those was the fact that if the state gave communities another unfunded mandate, they had to fund it.

"Well, guess what? That hasn't happened. Billions of dollars have been shoved down from the state level to the local level."

Property tax revenues are going down, and the legacy costs still require increasing expenditures as well. Johnson said after the city's budget was cut by 25 percent due to loss of state revenue in 1991 that staff has developed five-year budget plans since 1999 and tries to sock money away when it can and not spend money until it's available.

The city has still been able to invest in its future, however, by funding a street and sidewalk improvement project, a downtown walkway and is continuing to attract new businesses.

## SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Abbo said it's been a rough year economically speaking for the entire state.

"But, I'm proud to announce that the state of the Northville Township community is strong," he said. "We've attracted new high-tech, high-paying jobs to the township and will deliver a new balanced budget without new taxes, and we have the lowest unemployment in the entire state."

Abbo talked about the 350 acres of the former state psychiatric hospital property that township residents have agreed to purchase through the help of bonds and a special millage. The plan is to create a low-impact, natural environment taking advantage of existing pathways and

the natural rolling terrain, historic trees and wildlife.

Abbo said the township has been able to reduce expenditures without reducing the quality of services provided to residents. This has meant freezing directors' salaries, initiating furlough days, finding a lower employee health insurance provider and working with public safety employees to find ways to save now and in the future.

He is looking forward to working with the state in getting the former Scott Correctional Facility deemed as surplus, so it can be sold and developed as part of the Five Mile Road corridor.

"We are riding an economic storm in Michigan," he said. "It's made it easier for me with hard-working, dedicated people in Northville Township."

## SUPERINTENDENT'S WORDS

Rezmierski said that in the Northville Public Schools system that successes come not just in classrooms but in the more than 100 community service efforts conducted by students, staff and families.

"These experiences make a difference right here in Northville and halfway around the world," he said.

In January, the school system received a district accreditation from the prestigious North Central Association Commission of Accreditation and School Improvement.

Northville High School students continue to score above the national average on college Advanced Placement tests as well as other state accreditation tests and the Michigan Merit Exam state assessments.

"The Class of 2010 touts 23 National Merit Scholars," Rezmierski said.

NHS consistently graduates 99 percent of its senior class each year, with many going on to study at some of the most prestigious universities in the country.

U.S. News & World Report has recognized NHS as one of the top high schools in the nation.

On the economic front, due to loss of state funding, the Northville Board of Education has had to make more than \$2 million in budget reductions this school year alone.

"We anticipate an additional \$7 million in reductions will be needed to achieve a balanced budget for the next school year," Rezmierski said. This means funding cuts of \$754 per student in the last two years.

But, Rezmierski knows the school system will be able to maintain.

"I have every confidence that working together we will navigate these financial uncertainties and continue to provide outstanding educational and service opportunities for our students that grow creativity, drive achievement and inspire the next generation of wise and compassionate world citizens," Rezmierski said.

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May peace  
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you in this  
time of  
sorrow.



## NORTHVILLE / NOVI CHURCH EVENTS

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 [hollyfamilynovi.org](http://hollyfamilynovi.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 per-

son, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast  
Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group; 7 p.m. Tae Kwon Do

## Women of the Word

Time/Date: 9:25-11:15 a.m.

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.

## Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Location: 34567 Seven Mile Road, Livonia  
Contact: (248) 442-8822 or [www.newhopecenter.org](http://www.newhopecenter.org)

## From Grief to New Hope

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m.; eight-week workshop beginning April 14

Details: Each session will begin with a talk about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators. Each person will be placed in a group with others who have had similar losses.

## 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.

Rebekah M. Carter organ recital

Time/Date: 12:30 p.m. May 2

Festival of Faith and the Arts

Time/Date: 4-8 p.m. May 14; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. May 15 (concert at 4 p.m.)

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## Your Invitation to

## Worship

## Brighton

## LORD of LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

5051 Pleasant Valley Road • Brighton, MI 48114  
810-227-3113  
9:30 a.m. Communion Worship  
10:45 a.m. Sunday School  
Rev. Dale Hedblad, Pastor  
[www.lordoflifeusa.com](http://www.lordoflifeusa.com)

## HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH &amp; SCHOOL

at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd.  
810-231-9199  
Fr. John Rocas, Pastor  
Weekend Liturgies Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
Please visit our Shrine of Holy Spirit and Book & Gift Shop

## Farmington Hills

## ST. JOHN LUTHERAN, ELCA

Farmington Hills • 23225 Gill Rd. • 248-474-0584  
Between Grand River & Freedom  
Saturday Worship 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday Worship & Sunday School  
9:00 a.m. Traditional/Choral  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary  
Sunday School - all ages 10:15 a.m.

## Highland

## HIGHLAND COMMUNITY CHURCH

2350 Harvey Lake Rd. (248) 887-4558  
Contemporary Service  
9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. Sundays  
Men's Bible Study & Breakfast  
2nd & 4th Saturdays at 8:15 a.m.  
3rd-8th Grade Youth Tuesdays 7-8 p.m.  
Pastor Nick Ruffer

## NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

120 Bishop St., Highland  
off Midford 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 Mulzin  
889-7253 or 887-4566

## HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

680 W. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 48357  
248.887.1311 • [www.myhumc.com](http://www.myhumc.com)  
Sunday Worship 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
Kids Church 8:45 & 10:30 a.m.  
Youth Night - Wed. 6:45 - 8:00 p.m.  
Plus Young Adults, Recovery, Divorce & Kids, Grief & more

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

3700 Harvey Lake Rd., Highland (248) 887-5364  
Rev. Leo T. Luko, Pastor  
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5 p.m.  
Sunday, 8 a.m. & 11 a.m.; M-F-W-F 9 a.m.  
Holy Day, 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.; First Saturday 9 a.m.  
Confessions - Saturdays 11 a.m. & 6:15 p.m.  
or by appointment

## Livonia

## FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services held at:  
Saint Andrews Episcopal Church  
16360 Hubbard Road • Livonia •  
South of Six Mile Road  
Adult Sunday School 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School 10:30 a.m.  
Child Care Provided  
Dr. James N. McGuire • Nursery Provided

## White Lake

## WHITE LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

4805 Highland Rd. (between Bogie Lk & Ormond Rd.)  
(248) 687-4654 Deborah V. Kerr, Pastor  
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.  
Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Children Church School 10:00 a.m.  
Child Care Provided  
"The Friendly Church" Established 1835

## Milford

## CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

PRESCHOOL & KIDS - Mo. Synod  
620 General Motors Rd., Milford  
Church office: (248) 684-0895  
Regular Sunday Service: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Jun-Aug - Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.  
Monday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
The Rev. Richard E. Pope, Pastor

## FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD

133 Detroit St., Milford • 684-5695  
Pastor Steve Swartz  
Sunday School (all ages) 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.  
Young Adults & Small Groups: Space Evening  
Wednesdays 6:45 - 8:15 p.m.  
Awards for 3 yrs. old - 5th grade  
Middle School Group

## SOUTH HILL CHURCH, S.B.C.

1250 South Hill Rd. Just south of downtown Milford  
(248) 685-3560 [www.AboutSouthHill.com](http://www.AboutSouthHill.com)  
Sunday School 8:15 a.m.  
KIDS' Worship 10:15 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Children and Youth Groups Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.  
Call about our current small group studies.

## WEST HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

11166 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380  
248-887-1218  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Ministries 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday All Ages: 7:00 p.m.

## MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805  
Sunday Worship: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School age 3 thru 6th grade @ 10:00 a.m.  
Nursery care available @ 10:00 a.m.  
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## NEW HOPE - A Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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Phone 248-474-9108  
Sunday Celebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m.  
Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister  
Website: <http://www.newhopeu.org>

## Northville

## NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN

Experience Life Each Week  
Sunday Worship - 9:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.  
Sunday School and Children's Programs  
[www.nccalc.org](http://www.nccalc.org)  
41355 Six Mile Road  
248-348-9030

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

(248) 349-1144  
8 Mile & Taft Roads  
Worship:  
8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
Rev. Dr. Steve Buck  
[www.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.org)

## WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

40000 Six Mile Rd., Northville  
248-374-7400  
Sunday Worship:  
Traditional: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Contemporary 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Nursery & Sunday School during the 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. services  
[www.wardchurch.org](http://www.wardchurch.org)  
Service Broadcast Sunday 11 a.m.  
WROT-AM 560, The WTAZ-2 Word Station

## OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

133 Orchard Dr., Northville  
WEEKEND LITURGIES Sunday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 7:30, 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
Church 349-2621, School 349-3610  
Religious Education 349-2559  
Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

200 E. Main St. at Hubon • (248) 349-0911  
Worship & Church School - 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Childcare Available at All Services  
Youth League Prog. Wed. 4:15 to 5:45 PM M-F-Sa, Mi  
Singles Place Ministry - Thurs. 7:30 p.m.  
Rev. W. Kent Osis, Senior Pastor  
Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor  
[www.fpcnorthville.org](http://www.fpcnorthville.org)

## GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

9 Mile & Meadowbrook  
Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod  
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  
will resume September 13  
Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m., Monday 7:00 p.m.  
Thomas E. Schroeder, Pastor - 349-0565

## ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI

46325 10 Mile Rd. • Novi, MI 48374  
Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.  
Reverend George Chamley, Pastor  
Parish Office: 347-7778

## FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi, 248-349-2345  
1/2 mile west of Novi Rd.  
[www.faithcommunity-novlong.org](http://www.faithcommunity-novlong.org)  
WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM  
"Children, Youth and Adult Ministries"

## MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile  
248-348-7757 • [www.mbcoc.org](http://www.mbcoc.org)  
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.  
Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister

## South Lyon

## CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN (Missouri Synod)

Pastor Terry Nelson  
437-8810 • 486-4335 • Griswold Rd. at 10 Mile  
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.fellowshippepc.org](http://www.fellowshippepc.org)

## The Church of Christ

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

## FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

10774 Nine Mile Road  
Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582  
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# Ward helping the less fortunate

## Fourth Motor City Makeover on May 15

Inspired by shows like "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" and community building projects like Habitat for Humanity, Ward Church will hold its fourth Motor City Makeover in partnership with Central Detroit Christian Community Development Corporation. Ward is committed to community outreach and this program will meet the needs of a less fortunate family in Detroit.

Last year, over 200 volunteers helped renovate a house on Detroit's east side. Teams fixed windows and doors, repainted the interior and exterior, rebuilt the kitchen and bathrooms, put a new roof on the garage, and replaced carpet. When the renovation was complete, keys to the home were presented to Diane Brown, a single mother, who moved in with her six children and three grandchildren. Before receiving the gift of her new home, Brown had been living in a single apartment that did not provide adequate space or safety for her family.

"No one has ever helped me like this before,"

said Brown in tearful appreciation.

This year, the house will be prepared for a family in need with four children. Ward is helping the parents prepare for home ownership with a series of classes and coaching. As in previous years, the home will be presented to its new owners as a gift from the Church.

Motor City Makeover takes place Saturday, May 15, and involves the total transformation of a home in central Detroit as well as beautification of the entire block. This project provides many volunteer opportunities for people who have skills with drywall, painting, carpeting, roofing, and gardening. The event will culminate with a move-in party for the family and a block party for all residents and volunteers. All are welcome to participate; the event is not limited to members of Ward Church. Please register in advance by calling 248.374.5906.

The house is located at 1493 Edison, Detroit. The event starts at 9 a.m. Those interested in carpooling may meet at Ward at 8:15 a.m. and will leave at 8:30 a.m. Maps and other details will be available on Sunday mornings at Ward Church or by contacting Rev. Paul Clough by e-mail at paul.clough@ward-church.org or by cell phone at (248) 798-8609.



Jeffrey Hewlett, a Northville High School student who has had diabetes since he was 4, with Lloyd Carr, former University of Michigan football coach, at a previous Swing for the Cure golf outing. This year's fundraiser for diabetes research will take place May 17 at the University of Michigan Golf Course. Area residents are encouraged to attend.

## Northville residents will host diabetes golf outing at U-M course

Son diagnosed with disease at 4

Jeffrey Hewlett, a Northville High School sophomore, has had diabetes since he was 4 years old.

On May 17, his parents, Rich and Chris, will host a golf scramble that will jointly benefit the University of Michigan Comprehensive Diabetes Center and Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

The event, Swing To Cure Diabetes, will take place at the University of Michigan Golf Course near the college stadium. Cost is \$250 per person.

The Hewlett family members, who live in Novi but are in the Northville school district, have been active supporters of diabetes research for years.

Rich, past president of the Northville Colts and Stallions sports teams, and

Chris have been active in the JDRF Walks to Cure. Two years ago, they hosted the same golf outing that brought more than \$38,000 to the cause.

"Lloyd Carr (former U-M football coach) and Cathy Schembechler (wife of the late former U-M football coach Bo Schembechler) were there, and we had a large number of our friends from Northville and Novi attend, including the kids' Northville football and basketball coaches," Hewlett said. The Hewletts also have another son, Joey, an eighth-grader at Hillside Middle School, who is also involved in Northville sports.

Carr is scheduled to attend the outing again this year.

The outing is a four-person scramble, with prizes and awards for on-course con-

### FORM A FOURSOME

The Swing To Cure Diabetes Golf Outing will feature a four-person scramble at \$250 per person. For more information or to register, go to [www.swingtocurediabetes.com](http://www.swingtocurediabetes.com).

tests. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. with a shotgun start at 11 a.m. A silent auction will begin at 4 p.m., with a live auction and dinner at 5 p.m.

The fund-raiser includes 18 holes on the U-M Golf Course, a boxed lunch, dinner at the clubhouse catered by Outback Steakhouse, golf cart, golfer's gift pack, complimentary beverage coupons, auctions, awards and prizes.

To register or for more information about the Swing to Cure Diabetes Golf Outing, please visit [www.swingtocurediabetes.com](http://www.swingtocurediabetes.com).

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## Spring means garlic mustard plant pull at Maybury

Program runs through June 12

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Each spring, volunteers in Northville get out their gardening gloves with a mission in mind — to help rid the area of the invasive plant species called garlic mustard at Maybury State Park.

The pulls started last week and will run from 6-7 p.m. every other Wednesday and from 10-11 a.m. every other Saturday through June 12.

Area residents are encouraged to help the Friends of Maybury State Park control this invasive pest.

The garlic mustard plant crowds out our beautiful native wildflowers, according to the volunteers.

Those who would like to help out are asked to bring gloves and meet at the concession building off of the Eight Mile entrance to the park west of Beck Road on Wednesdays and at the riding stables near the Beck Road entrance to the park on Saturdays.

A park entry pass is required. Bags are provided, and pullers work rain or shine.

"High school students can get community service credit for joining the effort," said Barb Lucas, a Friends member. "Church groups, Scouts and other might want to help out this year in honor of the 40th anniversary of Earth Day."

"Additional volunteers of all ages are always welcome," said Jerry Mittman, secretary of the Friends of Maybury State Park and one of the volunteers. "The pulls provide an excellent way for members of the community to help improve the park and preserve wildflowers for future generations. Significant progress has been made in removing the invasive species from Maybury, but more work needs to be done."



Pulling garlic mustard plants April 24 at Maybury State Park are Northville residents, from left, Jerry Mittman, Scott Warren and Deana Warren. The annual effort to "weed out" the invasive species takes place each spring.

### TIME OF THE ESSENCE

Scout troops, students and concerned citizens are urged to come help the Friends of Maybury Park pull garlic mustard plants at Maybury State Park through June 12. Call George McCarthy at (248) 347-0899 or Barb Lucas at (248) 344-0903.

The effort needs to be done early in the spring when the plant starts to go to seed. "If left unchecked, it will eventually change the species composition of our park — from natives to invasives," Lucas said. "We will lose the fantastic display of spring wildflowers

that are such a treat and also the regeneration of the beech-maple forest which is so special about Maybury. Neither flowers nor tree seedlings can survive once garlic mustard takes over."

For more information, call George McCarthy, president of the Friends of Maybury State Park, at (248) 347-0899, or Lucas, an active leader and expert on garlic mustard and its removal, (248) 344-0903.

Lucas has also established a Web site blog with much additional information on the garlic mustard issue and efforts to remove it from Maybury State Park. Visit <http://garlic-mustardcontrol.blogspot.com>.

Residents can also visit [www.friendsof-maybury.org](http://www.friendsof-maybury.org).

## Clothing drive supports career dress program

In its April issue, Metro You magazine asked readers to donate women's career clothing to be given to Career Dress of the Lighthouse of Oakland County. The donation drive was held April 10-18 at 13 area businesses.

On April 19, House of Bedrooms donated a driver's time and delivery truck to gather these donations and deliver them to Career Dress. The result was over 10 overflowing racks of women's clothing, accessories, outerwear and shoes.

"I have been working for Career Dress for 10 years," said Karen Lockman, director of Career Dress. "In those years, I have never seen such generosity from the community. This was the best drive ever and we thank all who took part."

Since 2000, Career Dress has assisted over 1,600 at need women who are hoping to enter the workforce. On average, the organization helps 40 to 50 women a month to feel confident when they go on an interview. Career Dress is a program of Lighthouse of Oakland County ([www.lighthouseoakland.org/careerdress](http://www.lighthouseoakland.org/careerdress)).

"The work of Career Dress has never been more important," said Maria Galloway, editor of Metro You. "I know our readers and advertisers understand that and that is why there was a tremendous amount of support for this drive."



Lynn Tokoph, owner of Uptown Body Fitness Center in Northville, with some of the clothing donated at her locale.

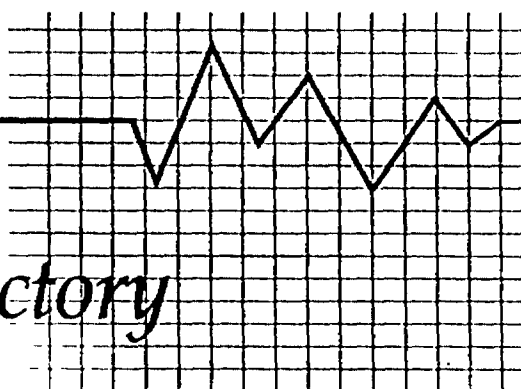
### BIZ HELP

Businesses taking part in the drive included:

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# How to create a senior-friendly bathroom

**Dear Savvy Senior,**  
What tips or products can you recommend to make a bathroom more senior-friendly. My husband and I are looking to adapt our home for our elderly years and would like to start with the bathroom. What can you tell us?  
Aging Gracefully

**Dear Aging**  
Because more accidents and injuries happen in the bathroom than any other room in the house, this is a great place to start seniorizing. Here's what you should know.

## SMALL CHANGES

To avoid hygiene hardships as you get older, let's start with some simple tips and a few low-cost add-ons that can make a big difference in making your bathroom safer and easier to maneuver.

- **Floor:** To avoid slipping and tripping, get non-skid bath rugs for the floors or secure existing floor mats or rugs with double-sided rug tape.

- **Lights:** The older we get the more light we need, so install the highest wattage bulbs allowed for your fixtures, and get a plug in

## SAVVY SENIOR

nightlight that automatically turns on when the room gets dark.

- **Entrance:** If the doorway into the bathroom is not wide enough to accommodate a wheelchair or walker, you can easily widen your doorways (two inches) with inexpensive offset door hinges.

- **Bath/shower:** To make bathing safer, buy a non-slip rubber mat or put down self-stick strips on the tub/shower floor, and install grab bars for support. If you use the shower, it's a good idea to put in a shower curtain rod that screws or bolts into the wall (versus a tension-mounted rod), so that if you lose your balance and grab the shower curtain, the rod won't spring loose. Another safety precaution is to put in a water-resistant, wall-mounted phone in or near the bath/shower in case of a fall. And many seniors with mobility or balance problems need to shower sitting down. If this applies to you, install a hand-held, adjustable-height shower head, and buy a portable bath/shower chair.

- **Toilet:** Install grab bars next to the toilet

too if possible, or purchase a toilet seat riser. This adds two-to-four inches of height making it easier to sit and rise.

- **Faucets:** If you have twist handles on the sink, bathtub or shower faucets, replace them with lever handles. They're easier to turn, especially for seniors with arthritis or limited hand strength. Also be aware that it takes only 130-degree water to scald you, so turn your hot water heater down to 120 degrees or get anti-scald devices for your faucets.

## BATHROOM PRODUCTS

If you're thinking about remodeling, there are a variety of practical and stylish products on the market that can make your bathroom more age-friendly.

For bathing, prefabricated "curbless showers" and "walk-in bathtubs" are two popular options today. Curbless showers have no threshold to step over so access is a breeze and ideal for wheelchair users. These showers also typically come with a built-in seat, grab bars, an adjustable hand-held shower head, and a slip resistant textured floor. Or, if you like to take baths, a walk-in bathtub with a front door

may be the way to go. You can find these products at sites like Accessible-Showers.com and Premier-Bathrooms.com.

If you're interested in getting a new toilet, go with an ADA compliant "comfort height" toilet that's 17 inches high, versus a standard toilet that's only 15 inches. Kohler (Kohler.com) and American Standard (AmericanStandard-us.com) make a nice variety.

And if you're putting in a new sink, install it at a level that reduces bending. For wheelchair access wall-mounted or pedestal sinks, or a sink built into a cabinet that's open underneath will let you roll in nice and close. And if you get a new faucet, the single lever handle style is great for those with arthritis.

**Savvy Tips:** For more information on senior-friendly modification tips visit [aarp.org/families/home\\_design/bath](http://aarp.org/families/home_design/bath) and [Homemods.org](http://Homemods.org). Also contact your nearby independent living center ([ilru.org](http://ilru.org), 713-520-0232). These are nonprofit centers that provide modification information, and many even offer free or low-cost home assessments. Your Area Agency on Aging (800-677-1116) is also a good referral resource.

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### Vacation Bible School

Date: June 21-25

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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

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Rummage Sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. April 22;

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Emily Samuelson Reception

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. April 25

Details: Reception for Olympic ice

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Faith and the Arts Show

Date: May 14-16

### 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.;

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Sunday Worship

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Walking in the Park

Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. every Saturday

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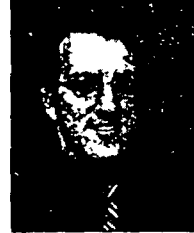
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## NORTHVILLE POLICE REPORT

## Driving while drunk

**1** A 29-year-old Howell woman was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 1:10 a.m. April 4 at N. Center Street and Eight Mile Road.

The woman was pulled over when an officer saw her drive through the flashing red light at Eight Mile Road and Center Street. Police could smell alcohol coming from the passenger portion of the vehicle. She said she had consumed a couple of beers earlier.

The woman's speech was slurred, and her eyes were also bloodshot.

## Suspended license

**2** A 45-year-old Northville woman was arrested for driving on a suspended driver's license at 6:39 p.m. April 3 at Novi Road and Allen Drive.

The woman was stopped because a patrol officer saw that three children who appeared under age 8 were not restrained in the necessary booster seats.

However, all three did have their seat belts on once the officer approached the car. The woman did not realize that they had to be sitting on booster seats.

The driver also had no proof of insurance in the car.

## Driving, no license

**3** A 33-year-old Northville woman was arrested for driving while her license was suspended at 9:48 a.m. April 1 at Beck and Eight Mile roads.

The driver was pulled over when police noticed that her license tag had expired in February.

## Breakup gone bad

**4** Police were dispatched to the parking lot of the Northville District Library at 212 W. Cady Street about a possible 16-year-old suicidal woman from Northville and an 18-year-old boyfriend of hers from Northville at

9:54 p.m. on April 11.

A man and woman were standing next to a vehicle crying. Police asked the man to step away and the woman said that the man had hurt her in every way possible, saying he had betrayed her.

The man told police that he was breaking up with the woman, who said she was going to take a lot of Motrin and "it" would be over.

The man said he feared she would hurt herself. The woman was released to her mother at the scene. There were statements made about each hitting the other at the scene, but neither party wanted to offer statements afterwards. The prosecutor will review statements regarding a possible domestic assault charge against the boy, who was said to have pushed her up against her vehicle. The girl had a nickel-sized bump on her forehead.

## Harassment case

**5** Police were dispatched to E. Main Street to take a larceny from vehicle report about an incident that occurred between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. April 2.

The man said his ex-girlfriend had stolen a camera out of his vehicle.

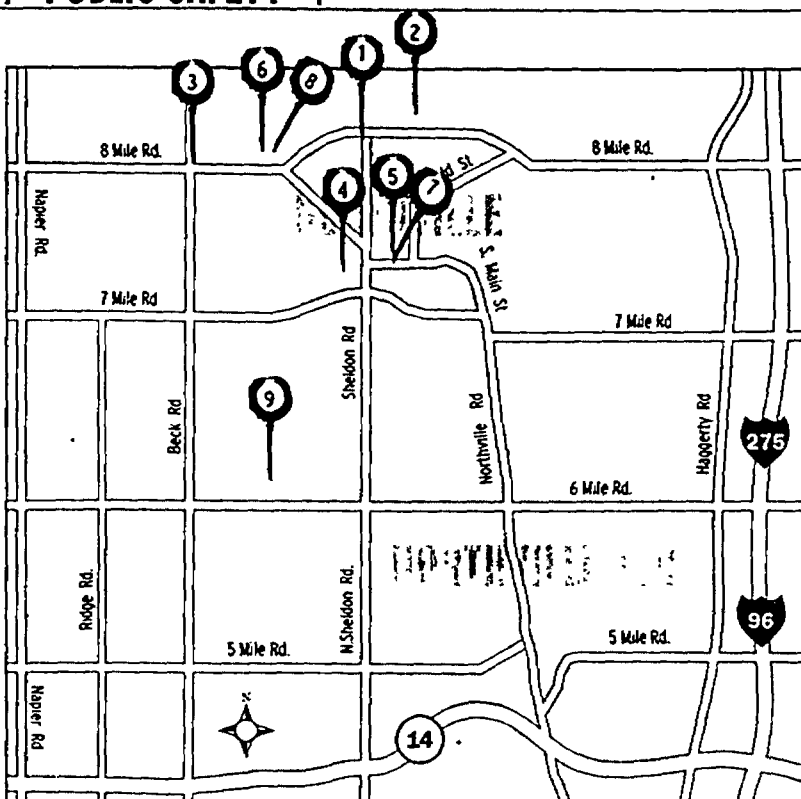
When they arrived, a 41-year-old Northville man said he wanted to file a harassment report against his 39-year-old ex-girlfriend from Northville.

The man said the former girlfriend had called his cell phone more than 75 times that day as well as texting him repeatedly.

The \$200 digital camera was returned to the owner.

## Family trouble

**6** Police responded to a family trouble report on Taft Road at 1 p.m. on April 9. A 47-year-old man told police that he and his 45-year-old wife, who suffers from depression, got into an argument and she began throwing objects at him. The woman eventually



left the residence and checked into a motel for the night. The woman also pushed a TV set to the floor during an argument.

## Possession of marijuana

**7** A 28-year-old Dearborn man was arrested for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia at Hutton and Main streets at 12:54 a.m. on April 7.

The man was parked in a city-owned lot at Hutton and Main streets when police noticed that the vehicle did not have a plate visible on it. When approaching the vehicle, the officer smelled burnt marijuana coming from the car.

Police found a glass marijuana pipe and a small amount of marijuana in the car.

## Weapons violation

**8** A 59-year-old Northville man who lives on Boulder Circle was issued a

citation for a weapons violation when his neighbor complained about him shooting geese with a BB gun at 6 p.m. on April 2.

The gun was confiscated by police.

## Threatening graffiti

**9** At 6:45 p.m. on April 22 a message was found written on a wall in a bathroom at Northville High School at 45700 Six Mile Road.

The message was construed to be a threat, and the high school administration and township police reacted immediately by conducting a thorough search of the building. Nothing was found, but there was an increased security presence the following day by the Northville Township Police Department to ensure the safety and security for students, staff and community using Northville High School.

Compiled by staff writer Pam Fleming

## Golf to health

With the weather warming up, many of us will be heading outside to take part in some sort of activity. I enjoy exercising outside and my favorite outdoor exercise is golf.

I know you are thinking that there is minimal fitness needed for golf, but just think about what golfing entails. Flexibility to swing the club and, if you are like me, I will swing a golf club about 90 times a round. Now that's a lot of work.

Golf requires strength to hit

the ball far and to carry all of those

clubs. Golfing also requires stamina. Try walking an entire round without the use of a cart. According to Good Health Magazine, "by walking instead of taking a cart you'll burn more than 300 calories an hour. In a typical 18-hole round, you may cover four to five miles and take nearly 12,000 steps. That's more than the 10,000 steps a day experts suggest to stay fit."

Golf is truly a form of moderate exercise. So next time your significant other suggests that you not play golf because there is yard work to be done, explain the facts and that the Northville Township Fire Department suggests you should golf to decrease your risk of obesity and that it may save your life!

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

## Champs

The Northville Township Fire and Police Department (NTFD/PD) joined forces to raise money for charity in the annual Trenton Firefighters Charity Hockey Tournament at the Kennedy Recreation Center in Trenton April 21-22. This was the third year that the team has competed in the tournament and had yet to win it all. NTFD/PD had some tough competition facing off against three teams from Canada. The tournament was a round-robin format with the top 2 teams competing for the championship.

NTFD/PD first game was against Essex EMS and your Fire and Police came out on top with a 3-1 win. In the second game Northville faced Windsor Police. Northville won that game as well with a score of 4-2. The third and final game of the round-robin was against Lambton O.P.P. Team Northville dropped that game with a score of 2-3. NTFD/PD qualified for the finals, which would be a rematch against Lambton O.P.P. The Northville team was determined to win the championship and came out on top with a 2-0 shutout. NTFD/PD most consistent and best player was Firefighter Kyle Susewitz, who backstopped the team to victory with an impressive 1.5 goals against average. The team had a great time and enjoyed competing against other Police Officers and Firefighters. The team would also like to acknowledge members from Livonia Police, Livonia Firefighters, Redford Firefighters, and Taylor Firefighters in helping us compete in the tournament.



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## OUR VIEWS

### Tax breaks need serious attention

Recently — thanks in large part to that nettlesome, drive-by media you hear so much about — a story broke about how the state of Michigan unwittingly awarded a \$9 million tax break to a convicted felon.

Suitably embarrassed, Gov. Jennifer Granholm said she was ordering more extensive background checks as a requirement before further tax credits are granted.

That's a start. But the governor is missing the point if the new rules only rearrange titles and focus only on preventing future grants to convicts.

While annoying, the applicant's criminal background is getting way too much attention. The Michigan Economic Development Corp. should have uncovered Richard A. Short's criminal background had it done even a cursory background check. But the follow-up emphasis should be on the decision-making process that led the state to decide that his RASCO firm had the wherewithal to carry out its business plan.

The failure to uncover his criminal background could be explained away as sloppy procedure. But the failure to adequately vet the company could also reveal an environment that favors promotion over substance, or a good public relations story over critical analysis.

In other words, when the MEDC glossed over Short's application, it could have been doing exactly what it was expected to do. Indeed, Granholm said that the RASCO case was embedded in MEDC procedures dating back to the administration of former Gov. John Engler.

While that may have been an attempt to deflect blame back on her Republican predecessor, it also suggests that the program has been poorly administered during her seven-plus years in office. In other words, it was broken when she got here and she hasn't done anything to fix it.

In refusing the fall-on-his-sword resignation of Greg Main, Granholm said the MEDC's top official is "an incredibly ethical, stand-up guy." While those are nice-sounding words, they came eight days after she said that Short was "doing phenomenal work" in renewable energy.

No one, other than the governor, has brought up the integrity or ethics of Main and the MEDC. The issue is competency.

One assumes that the "phenomenal work" line came courtesy of the MEDC, which worked more than a year with Short without discovering his questionable background. A few weeks ago, a process server from Flint said such information was available via a 15-minute Internet search.

So what exactly was MEDC doing? A clue to that answer is offered by MEDC's recent vow to check previous tax-break recipients to see whether they had questionable backgrounds or whether they produced the jobs they promised.

That's a troubling statement as it implies that once the tax breaks are granted, no one checks to see if they are effective. That, in fact, was the conclusion reached a year ago by a study funded by the Michigan Education Association, the statewide teachers' union that is one of Granholm's biggest supporters.

Did anyone act on that report? Apparently not.

Without a thorough investigation into the practices of the MEDC, the public is left with the suspicion that the agency's goal was less to effectively administer a program than to produce public relations events.

As it is, there are two major questions involving MEDC and tax breaks. First, is there effective oversight to make sure that tax breaks are well administered? Second, is there serious analysis to determine that the tax breaks are effective, as opposed to just handing out taxpayer money to those fortunate enough — or connected enough, or devious enough — to win the tax break lottery?

If Granholm is merely applying makeup to the problem, neither of those questions will be addressed, much less answered.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### What makes a good speller?

(Asked of attendees of the April 14 Spelling Bee for Seniors in Northville.)



"Practice, practice, practice. I think that's it."

Wanda Altese  
Plymouth Township



"I guess trying to picture the word in your mind and then taking your time before spelling it."

Noel Lustig  
Canton



"I'm not a good speller - but I think memorization is the priority for being a good speller."

Gertrude Burnsturn  
Northville



"Memory, interest and curiosity - all about the way things are spelled and words in general."

Geri Wright  
Northville

## LETTERS

### Backing Wadsworth

I write this letter in support of Joan Wadsworth's candidacy to succeed Mark Corriveau as our 20th District state representative in the Michigan House of Representatives. If you've met Joan, you know that you are immediately struck by her ability to listen to you intently and to quickly understand what your personal motivations and interests are. She is also able to then translate a person's interests into the environment in which we as a community operate. An interaction with Joan inevitably leaves one with the sense that it is possible to have individual and community needs and infrastructure mesh and work together to result in the best possible outcome for all involved.

But even above this skill of listening and acting, one knows from deep inside that Joan Wadsworth is a person of high integrity and honesty virtually devoid of thought of personal gain or motivations. As a city of Northville resident who has worked with Joan on several civic projects, I know she cares deeply about her community and its place in the state and country at large. She believes passionately and without question that it (and we) can be made better. And she has long demonstrated the experience and capability necessary to make it so.

As you consider her candidacy, a quick and easy review of her accomplishments and background at her campaign Web site ([www.joanwadsworth.com](http://www.joanwadsworth.com)) speaks for itself. I cannot imagine the day when a person will regret casting their vote in support of Joan Wadsworth.

Al Cotrone  
Northville

### Community supports NEF

The Northville Educational Foundation held our first informational and fund-raising event at The Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro in downtown Northville the evening of April 14. We would like to express our sincere thanks to the over 100 members of the Northville community who attended this exciting event that helped to raise awareness about the Northville Educational Foundation and our efforts to raise funds to help Northville Public Schools.

Also announced that evening was the wonderful news that an anonymous donor has generously committed a charitable gift of \$1 million beginning a community-wide challenge to match or exceed the \$1 million dollar gift. The funds raised will help to support educational programs for Northville Public Schools beyond what the district will be able to fund during the 2010-11 school year and in future years. The Northville Educational Foundation Board of Directors look forward to the support of students, parents, alumni, grandparents, community members and local businesses in reaching our fund-raising goal so that together we can accomplish so much more to enhance educational excellence in Northville Public Schools.

We would also like to thank the following community businesses that contributed their time and talents by helping to sponsor this event: Sweet 220, Rusty Bucket, Bucca di Beppo, Genitti's, Simply Wine, Graphic Visions Inc., Keller Thoma, The Knickerbocker

Group of Raymond James & Associates, Inc. and especially The Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro, owners Dan and Kathy Comaianni and their staff who hosted the event before the bookstore was even open to the public.

Eric Barritt  
president, Northville Educational Foundation

### Thank you, Northville High

We are so pleased and grateful to have been chosen to be the service project for all of Northville High School. Over the past 12 years, the Northville community has been a part of Bridgepointe as we developed partnerships with eight public schools located in southwest Detroit. We offer personal and educational support to 4,700 children that attend these schools. Our Detroit partner schools have over 92 percent of their families living below the poverty level.

Northville High School's commitment demonstrates their willingness to reach out to children living 30 miles away. These high school students understand that to have a strong Michigan we need a strong Detroit. The young adults of Northville High School have supported us financially with Spirit week and their Spring Fling Dance. They also did a book drive and sock collection that was also successful. We look forward to seeing our Northville students in southwest Detroit.

Thank you to all the staff and students from Northville High!

Diane Powers and Sue Simcox  
Bridgepointe

## How to assure China's rise doesn't come at our demise

The statewide reporting on the recent Beijing Auto Show captured the changes both in China's auto market and the country itself.

It should also be a wake up call and a major catalyst for change by Michigan's leaders.



Tom Watkins

The reporting reinforces my experience in China and my more than 21 years of travel there. It should convince the governor that Michigan needs an aggressive plan to make China's rise and globalization work for us.

China can and must be part of the ingredients necessary to reinvent and revitalize Michigan's economy.

Sadly, there is no such plan in Michigan today or the will at the highest levels to begin crafting one. This is unacceptable in a day and age when ideas and jobs can and do move across the globe effortlessly.

It is clear that when it comes to China, Michigan is like the proverbial nine blind men holding an elephant. Each individual describes the animal quite differ-

### COMMENTARY

ently depending on the part he is holding. There is no shared vision, no overall direction, no common agenda.

It's high time Michigan's leaders stopped using China for division and subtraction and started developing a plan to assure that China's rise results in addition and multiplication of jobs in Michigan.

The Asian behemoth is underwriting U.S. debt to the tune of \$1 trillion and growing, has the fastest-growing large economy in the world, is producing more autos than America, and is intent on winning the race for clean, alternative energy technology.

Since the opening of China to the world by Deng Xiaoping, the leader who followed Mao Zedong, China is a rising economic superpower. The Chinese economy has grown by double digits for the past 20 years and the auto market remains in its infancy with an enormous growth potential.

It all adds up to countless business opportunities in China for Michigan companies willing to be creative and innovative. Further, the Chinese will continue to seek

places to invest throughout the world we should be bending over backwards to make Michigan a hospitable place for such investment.

State government has an important role to play, once it stops looking at China through a rearview mirror and recognizes the reality of the situation and the enormity of the opportunities.

The Chinese market, with 1.3 billion people and a rising middle class, is the mother lode of 21st century global commerce. The county executives from Wayne and Oakland, Robert Ficano and L. Brooks Patterson, along with Paul Gielegem, chairman of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners, together with Commissioner Ed Bruley, Ken Lampar and state Rep. Fred Miller are doing their part to build bridges. They have organized multiple trade missions, set up offices in China and encouraged their local community schools to begin to offer Mandarin Chinese to their students.

Here are some steps that could be taken to enable Michigan to tap the rich China vein:

1. First, drop the China rhetoric that is not conducive to building positive relationships (what the Chinese call "guanxi"), conclude

China is not going away and ask how to make its rise work for our state.

2. Seek advice from knowledgeable individuals inside and outside Michigan on what other states and nations are doing that we should emulate and what is uniquely Michigan that the Chinese want or need.

3. Convene a cross section of Chinese American community leaders from such groups as the Chinese Association of Greater Detroit, Chinese American Association, Asian and Pacific Islanders Chamber of Commerce, and Detroit Chinese Business Association and ask how the state can leverage their existing China relationships.

4. Brainstorm with all the various China experts and pull together an action plan that can position Michigan to take full advantage of the continuing rise of China, with emphasis on economic, cultural, agricultural, tourism and education initiatives.

The China wave will continue to come, we can do nothing and be swamped — or learn to surf and ride the wave.

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# NEIGHBORS

## Northville's Grimmer earns scouting's highest honor

Troop 777, chartered to the first United Methodist Church of Northville, announced that Stephen Grimmer was honored for receiving the Boy Scouts of America Eagle Rank on April 18 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Northville.

For Stephen's Eagle project he planned, implemented and conducted a community food drive for Northville Civic Concern. It required the assistance of numerous scouts and volunteers. Over 121 hours of work were put in to raise over 1500 cans and non-perishable goods for Civic Concern. This will benefit struggling families in Northville.

Scoutmaster David Rabahy said, "Our troop is very proud of Stephen. He is a fine young man and citizen and can be expected to have a positive influence on our community for years to come."

Stephen's Boy Scout trail to Eagle included high adventures to Sea Base in Florida and Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. He attended the National Scout Jamboree in Fort A.P. Hill, Va. in 2005.

Older brother Daniel, Eagle Scout 2004, presented the Voice of the Eagle. Younger brother Brian, Senior Patrol Leader for Troop 777, served as



Stephen Grimmer with Joe Salvia, District Representative for Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, 11th District.

the master of ceremonies. Parents are David and Carol Grimmer of Northville.

Stephen, 18, is a senior at Northville High School. He is a member of Back Beat, Chamber Choir and the Cross Country Team. He has performed in the Northville High School Musicals "Cats," "Wizard of Oz," "Sprezzatura" and recently "BYE BYE Birdie." He has performed in the FUMC Musicals since 2006, playing Jesus one year. Stephen plans on attending MSU the fall.

## Local actress makes debut in Indian films

Richa Gangopadhyay of Northville brought fame to Michigan when she won Miss India USA title in 2007. Since then, there has been no looking back for this determined young lady who took the leap of faith and moved to Mumbai, India in September 2008 to pursue fashion and films.

Recently, she debuted in the Indian film "Leader" which had a worldwide release and is still breaking box office records in Hyderabad, India. The movie played for four straight weeks at the Novi Town Center theatres which regularly showcases Indian movies in the metro-Detroit area. It also released in more than 80 theatres in the U.S. and as many in the U.K. drawing many non-resident Indian audiences.

"It has all been so surreal," said Richa. "I have always been fascinated by Bollywood and the pan-Indian film industry, even though I have been brought up in the United States. I was always good in performing arts from a young age and had won many pageant and other titles, so I was very comfortable with stage shows. But I did not know that I would be lucky to get such a good break -- that too so soon -- in Indian films which are highly competitive."

She landed the film offer within less than a month from



Richa Gangopadhyay of Northville

when she started trying out seriously. It was sheer luck by chance, she said.

"I am thrilled with the great response I have gotten with my first film and look forward to trying out my luck some

more in a wide variety of films," said Richa. "My goal is to land a 'good' Bollywood film and maybe some day soon a good Hollywood film as well."

Richa, as the debuting female lead, has become a star over-

night. In less than a month she gave over 130 media interviews and graced many key events. She is already on the cover of WOW magazine as well as in South Scope Magazine.

She recently launched her own website, [www.richagangopadhyay.com](http://www.richagangopadhyay.com), in a press meet in Hyderabad, the cyber capital of the world and home of the Telegu Film Industry. Richa has already bagged two more Telegu film offers under large production banners. Her shoots for the next films begin early May and go on over the summer months. She will be traveling to various locations in India, Europe, Cambodia and Asia. Most all Bollywood heroines made their debut in the Telegu film industry that is based in Hyderabad, India so Richa is on the strategic track for bigger projects in the near future.

Richa came to Northville for a few weeks to take a much-needed break and to visit her parents, Paula and Dr. Paul Gangopadhyay.

She is a graduate of Okemos High School, and is pursuing an undergraduate degree in dietetics and health at Eastern Michigan University. She spent a few years at Michigan State University, secured a diploma in acting from Mumbai, India and has also done brand ad campaigns for print and television.

## Local author, photographer, publisher uses creativity to cope

### Davio signing copies of his book May 7 at Dancing Eye Gallery

Mark J. Davio will be in Northville at the Dancing Eye Gallery from 5-9 p.m. on May 7, reading poetry and signing copies of his book "Seasons of the Heart -- May Your Light Always Shine for Me."

He is hoping to reach out to individuals and families affected by bipolar illness, sharing with them his experience, strength and hope.

To date, "Seasons of the Heart" has been mainly marketed to the general public, receiving reviews but missing his target audience -- patients, and families of those affected by bipolar illness.

Davio was diagnosed bipolar in February 1997 and immediately began treatment, which involved medications and cognitive therapy. He spent several years in denial

which is very typical with any mental illness. The medications didn't seem to help even after trying a multitude of concoctions. He began writing out of desperation, a way to cope. By 2002 he had over 400 hand-written poems which he began to share with a trusted friend. After reading Davio's poetry, she suggested that he put together a book so his poetry could help others. He began researching publishing, and by fall 2003 he started Artisan Spirit Publishing of Northville. In August of 2004, Davio published "Seasons of the Heart," and in the first 30 days he

sold his first 100 copies.

Besides writing poetry to help cope, Davio found solace in photography. In hindsight, he says it is clear that these two activities have really helped his condition. Today, writing, painting and photography are an integral part of Davio's recovery. He also tries to find time to help others.

In fall 2005, Davio began publishing a magazine called The Artisan Spirit News. He had success with the magazine until physical and mental exhaustion set in from working a full-time job and publishing his magazine. Davio

crashed.

Early in 2008, Davio revisited the idea of publishing a fine art and literary magazine. He began selling ads in July and by August he had his first issue of The Artisan's Well on stands. He began printing only 3,000 copies and now he prints and distributes over 8,000 copies in the Novi, Northville, Plymouth, Canton and Livonia areas. He said every magazine he prints gets picked up, and he has subscribers throughout the Metro Detroit area and in about seven other states; he even has one subscriber in Canada.

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This marker sits at the head of the Bob Leighton Trail on the east side of Ridge Road south of Six Mile Road in the new Coldwater Springs Nature Area in Northville Township.



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Bob Leighton's son, Brent, drove his wife, Sheri, and their 2-year-old son, Kaden, all the way from Michigan Center near Jackson to attend Saturday's opening ceremony of the Coldwater Springs Nature Area in Northville Township in honor of his late father.



Pictured at Saturday's Coldwater Springs Nature Area's Opening Celebration by the new sign, from left: Northville Township Board of Trustees members Richard Henningsen; Marv Gans; Mindy Herrmann; Margie Banner; Mark Abbo, township supervisor; Chris Roosen, trustee; Steve Atwood, Pulte Homes; Gary Cooper and Mike Blitz, Grand Sakwa Properties.

"When E.F. Hutton talks, people listen," Abbo said. "He just had that way about him."

#### LEIGHTON'S SON ATTENDS

His son, Brent, his wife, Sheri, and son, Kaden, 2, drove all the way from

Michigan Center near Jackson to attend the 8 a.m. celebration.

Other parties mentioned were Atwell-Hicks, ABC Paving and the Northville Township staff. Jeff Moon from the Parks and Recreation Department and

his staff put in many plantings in the nature area.

"Bob (Leighton) was just a great guy, and we're all for improving the site for the community to let people enjoy the natural features," Blitz said.

Traci Sincock, director of

#### ABOUT ROBERT LEIGHTON

Robert Leighton was born in 1946 and died in 2005. He graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in landscape architecture and received a master's degree from the University of Michigan. His career spanned 32 years. He started his own firm in Ann Arbor in 1987. He was one of the premier land planners and wetland consultants in the state. He designed hundreds of acres of land in Northville Township that are now high-quality places to live, shop and recreate. He had a strong passion for the environment and tried to integrate this passion into his designs. His last achievements to the township were Ridge Wood and Arcadia Park subdivisions. The Johnson Creek runs through these areas and is one of three remaining trout streams in Southeast Michigan. He designed regional deep-water detention ponds to ensure the protection of the creek. These ponds except water from upstream properties where it is stored and then released from the pond bottom to ensure the water matches the purity and temperature of the creek. Wetlands surrounding the creek had been disrupted from prior human activities. He designed a restoration plan to bring this natural system back to its previous condition. As a result of his work within the township, the township board of trustees named the trail at Coldwater Springs Nature Area in his honor.

Parks and Recreation, said the name was developed by members of the Johnson Creek Protection Group.

"We are a residential builder, but a project like this impacts the community," Atwood said. "People actually find peace of mind when they walk this trail. We were proud to be part of this project that will last a lifetime."

"This is for all of our residents to enjoy," Abbo said.

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## COLDWATER

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Saturday for the area on Ridge Road between Five Mile and Six Mile roads. Her neighbor's boyfriend proposed to her in the new nature area. She's seen deer, snowy egrets and even a beaver on her walks.

#### THE CEREMONY

Mark Abbo, township supervisor, kicked off the opening celebration.

"This has been a project that's been a long time coming," he said.

"Slowly, but surely, all the pieces fit together."

The 28-acre parcel, that features an asphalt walking trail, boardwalks with overlooks of wetlands and Johnson Creek, started when representatives from Grand Sakwa Properties donated the property to the township.

The idea was to connect the subdivisions off of Ridge Road with Community Park at Five Mile and Beck roads.

"We were able to do it with matching funds from Pulte Homes and a Michigan Department of Natural Resources grant," Abbo said.

The area, also known as the Linear Park project, features

the Robert Leighton Trail — 1.25 miles of nonmotorized pathway that runs alongside the spring-fed creek.

"It preserves some precious open space, and that's what the township has been about for a long time," Abbo said.

#### CORPORATE INVOLVEMENT

Representatives from Grand Sakwa at the event included Gary Cooper, director of construction, and Mike Blitz, project manager.

Steve Atwood, vice president of operations for Metro Detroit from Pulte Homes, was also there to join the celebration.

Abbo said Pulte contributed \$259,000 worth of cash and in-kind contributions to the project.

The MDNR provided a grant of \$304,000 for the area. The township contributed about \$40,000 to the approximate \$800,000 project.

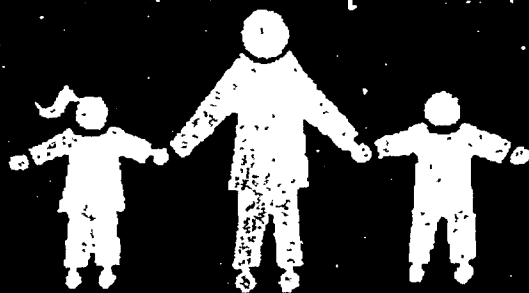
Abbo thanked the township board of trustees for their persistence in staying on top of the project.

The trail was named after the late landscape architect and environmentalist Leighton.

"When I think of Bob Leighton, I think of the old E.F. Hutton commercial,

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Written by Kathleen Clark and directed by Joey Albright, the play opens with previews on May 13 and continues Thursdays through Sundays to June 13 at the theater at 361 E. Cady St. The curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets from \$23 to \$27 are on sale now and available by calling the box office at (248) 347-0003.

"Southern Comforts" casts Ruth Crawford as charming and perky Amanda Cross and Thomas D. Mahard as Gus Klingman, a grouchy Yankee that somehow touches her heart.

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A Michigan native, Crawford starred in "Hymn and Carol" at Lansing's BoarsHead Theatre and "The Poetry of Pizza" at Chelsea's Purple Rose Theatre. Mahard has worked in all major U.S. acting hubs, with

the bulk of his performances in Michigan. He's performed in more than 60 shows at Rochester Hills' Meadow Brook Theatre, including his role as Ebenezer Scrooge in this past winter's critically acclaimed "A Christmas Carol."

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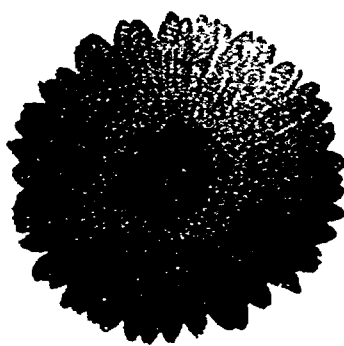
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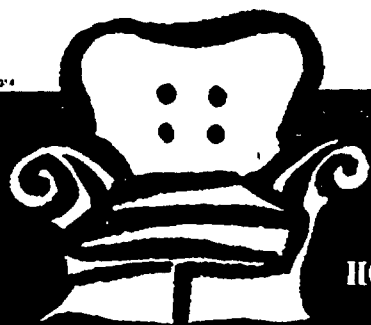
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## STUDENTS

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Northville roads has a prime location in the Metro Detroit area.

It also has some unique features, such as the numerous natural features, including wetlands, and the large size of the site at more than 350 acres.

However, major challenges also exist on the property, such as contamination, a lack of community consensus on what to do with the land, a current lack of accessibility to the property, a lack of funding, the fact that the property is rather isolated and the community's limited familiarity with the site.

The students performed an analysis of the 5-mile area around the site, identifying all corresponding land uses.

Also, a community input session took place on March 25, with more than 70 residents attending.

"We were pleasantly surprised at the turnout," said Ken Dunn, who presented the students' plan along with classmate Corben Calhoun.

## PRESERVING FEATURES

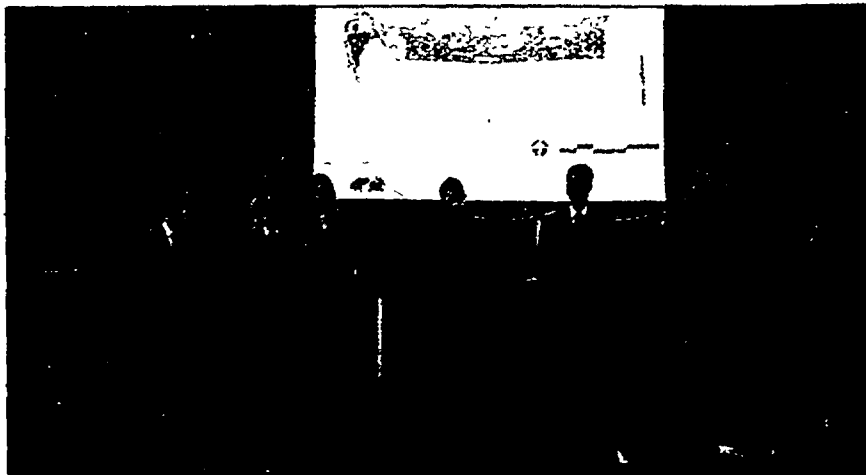
Dunn said the students' plan, which obviously included many of the residents' suggestions, preserves about 60 percent of the property's natural resources, featuring well-manicured paths and trails.

Most of the development of the site was suggested in the center of the property, with a lot of passive recreation and picnic facilities suggested.

Active recreation would include such areas as ball fields, as this need arises. The south side of the property would feature the community gardens and dog park.

A parking lot next to the pavilion and amphitheatre was suggested, with the community building seating about 150 people. Dunn said the community building and dog park could be sources of revenue for the township.

The students also said that because of lead and asbestos contamination in the existing buildings on the property that it would cost more to refurbish them than to tear them down and build new ones.



JOHN HENDERSTAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kenneth Dunn, center, and other University of Michigan graduate students have been working on their proposal for the 350 acres of the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital property owned by the township since January.

The students also recommended selling a portion of the eastern area of the property after the bond obligation was fulfilled for possible residential use — either senior housing or single-family dwellings.

## HANDS-ON HELP NEEDED

The project's first phase would feature a lot of volunteer effort on behalf of the residents and low-cost projects.

The students also suggested some sort of natural connector from Northville Road to the property as well as from the I-275 corridor.

Phase II of the project would include the parking lot, passive recreation area, community gardens, active recreation area, pavilion, amphitheatre, community building and a dog park.

Of course, the development of this area totally hinges on the actions of developer REIS in establishing the commercial property at Haggerty and Seven Mile roads. Only after funds from this development begins to fund the brownfield redevelopment plan with the cleanup and demolition of the buildings on the property begin. It will be years before the cleanup will even begin.

## STEERING COMMITTEE

Dunn said the current steering committee on the property will take a leadership role in deciding what's done with the land. The students recommended the organization of a "Friends of" group of volunteers to help with the property and private funding of projects.

The idea is to have a continuing community dialogue about the property, bring a proposal back to the community, review recommendations and decide upon a course of action.

They also suggested the development of a tax increment financing (TIF) district on the land, so that tax dollars could be gleaned from the property in the future.

"The TIF district could be as large as the community wants it to be," Dunn said.

Jennifer Frey, director of community development for the township, thanked the students for their hard work on the plan.

"A new set of eyes is always helpful," Frey said. "It gives us a starting point. This is just the beginning." Frey called the township's recent acquisition of the majority of the former hospital property a great opportunity and a long-term asset for the community.

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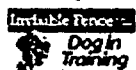
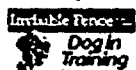
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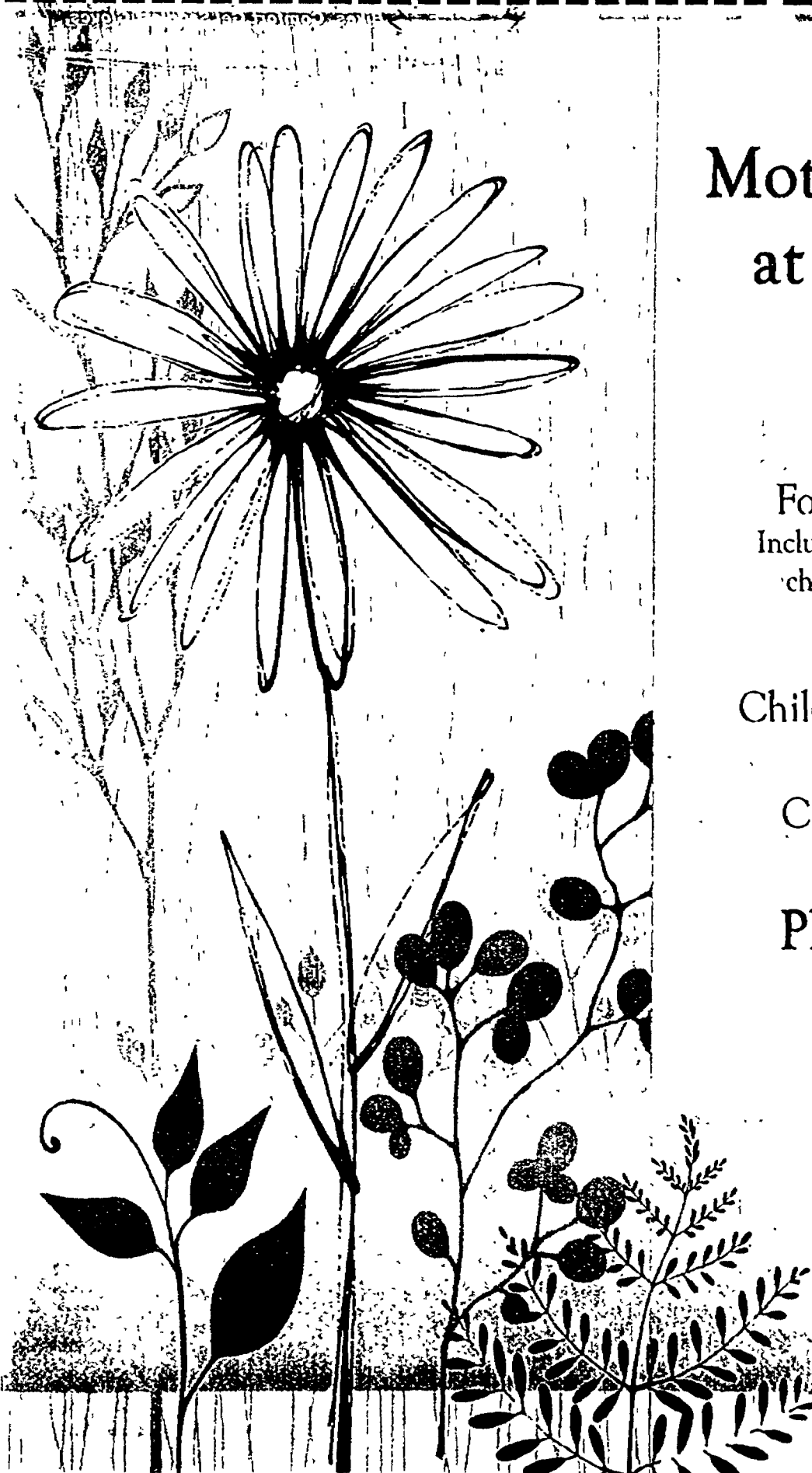
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## Mustangs take third at softball tourney

### Northville sluggers go 3-1 at Saline Invite

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It was the kind of weekend coaches love. Great softball. Great competition. Great wins.

The Northville Mustangs softball team, coached by Kary Couchman, went 3-1 at the Saline Invitational Tournament last Saturday, bowing only to the eventual champion, the Ida Bluestreaks.

With the weekend tournament performance, the Mustangs increased their season record to 11-4-1.

In the first game of the tourney, Northville collected a 2-0 victory over St. Clair Shores Lakeview. Sophomore Laura Pond earned the victory, allowing just two hits while striking out eight batters. Pond improved her record to 8-3, including five shutouts.

Northville scored both runs in the first inning when Katie Fenech slapped a two-out, two-run RBI.

The second game wasn't as kind to the Mustangs, who fell, 9-0, to the Bluestreaks.



Dust flies off the end of her bat as Mustang Jen Buckingham puts down a bunt, which advanced a runner in Northville's April 21 home game against Salem.

Northville collected four hits against Ida. Singles were hit by Megan O'Malley, Jen Buckingham, Meredith Williams and Ellie Asher. Northville bounced back with a vengeance against Ann Arbor Huron, winning 26-0

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#### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs softball team will be on the road this week, taking on Plymouth High School at 4 p.m. Monday and then on to South Lyon East Wednesday for a 4 p.m. doubleheader.



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Mustang outfielder Megan O'Malley tries to track down a line drive.

## Ali Arastu sets school record

### Speedy hurdler has current top time in Michigan

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It was a good day for the Northville Mustangs boys track team when they hopped on the bus and headed over to Ypsilanti for the Phoenix Relays last weekend.

Despite the threat of rain, the relays managed to be held and no one got wet.

"We were very lucky with the weather," noted Northville coach Sue Knisely. "It was supposed to rain, but it held off and we were able to get a few nice performances in."

One of those "nice" performances came from Ali Arastu, who broke the standing Northville 300-meter intermediate hurdles record with a time of 37.1 seconds. He also broke the Phoenix Relays record with the first-place performance.

His time is the fastest currently in the state of Michigan and the fifth fastest in the country, according to Northville coaches.

"It was very exciting watching Ali run the record time in the 300 hurdles," said Knisely. "He's really something."

His time was just enough to beat Cavan Corcoran's Northville record of 37.7 seconds, which was set two years ago. When Corcoran set the new mark, it toppled the old time of 38.3 seconds, which was set in 1977.

"I'm really, really proud of Ali and, frankly, if anything

#### ON TAP

Northville's boys track team will be busy this week, running in the freshman-sophomore invitational at Harrison tomorrow at 3:45 before taking on the Observerland Relays at Farmington at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. They will then host Salem Tuesday at 3:45 p.m.

I'm a little disappointed that it took him so long to break it," teased Corcoran, who runs hurdles for Samford University. "He's an amazing athlete and we all knew that from the second he stepped on the track his freshman year. I wish him the best of luck and I hope he breaks it over and over again this year. Now he needs to set his sights on Kenneth Ferguson's state record of 35.9."

In addition to winning the hurdles, Arastu won the long jump with a leap of 20-feet-11-inches.

Also earning a first-place finish was Jeff Wagner, who cleared the pole vault at 12-1 while fellow Mustangs Nathan Menovick took second with an 11-6.

In the 400, sophomore Dan Park took second in 54.7 seconds while sophomore Ed Clifton took fourth in the 800 run with a time of 2:04.7.

Taking third was the relay team of Paul Gibson, Park, Stephen Vucinaj and Arastu in the 4x400 with a time of 3:32.7.



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Northville High School Mustang Paul Gibson races around the track in a meet at South Lyon.

The Mustangs also swept the South Lyon schools this year, beating the Lions, 99-38, and the South Lyon East Cougars, 111-26.

Arastu led all scorers by winning four events with top spots in the 110 high hurdles, the long jump, the 200 meter dash and as part of the 4x400 relay.

Northville won all four relays on their way to taking first in 16 out of 17 events. The 3,200-meter relay team consisted of Paul Gibson,

Clifton, Teja Ravipati and Frank Griffiths (8:33.8) while the 4x200 relay team was made of Brandon Love, Paul Cherry, Vucinaj and Melvin Joseph (1:34.2). In the 4x100 relay, Northville relies on Love, Marrilley, Justin Hsieh and Joseph (45.9) while the team of Gibson, Joseph, Vucinaj and Arastu ran the 4x400 (3:31.8).

Northville also swept the top three spots in the 110 hur-

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## Mustangs baseball earns three victories

### Northville has one-run wins over Salem, Wayne

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It was a week of two close games and one big blowout for the Northville baseball team, all going in favor of the Mustangs.

The squad, coached by John Kostrzewa, collected an 8-7 victory over the Wayne Zebras to start the week and followed it up with wins in both games of a double header against Salem, 2-1 and 11-1.

"Offensively, we struggled," noted Kostrzewa of the Wayne contest. "But we came up with some timely hits and made some big pitches to get out of jams."

Some of those big pitches came from Matt Stojkov, who tossed some of the best throws of the night in the bottom of the seventh with the tying and winning runs on for the Zebras. Stojkov earned the victory in relief of Dylan Breault.

"It was good experience for the remainder of the season," Kostrzewa said. "We didn't play very well, but we got big hits and key outs when we needed to."

Dan Mills went 2-for-3 with an RBI, a run and a stolen base in the victory.

Against Salem, the Mustangs earned a hard-fought victory in the opening game of a double header, 2-1, before pounding out an 11-1 victory in the night cap.

In the opener, Colin Gerish was the name of the game as

#### ON TAP

Northville will be back on the diamond Saturday at noon when they host Southgate Anderson for a doubleheader. The team will then be on the road, visiting Plymouth High School Monday and South Lyon East for a double header on Wednesday. Games are scheduled to start at 4 p.m. on both days.

he threw a complete game for the Mustangs and drove in the winning run in the top of the fifth. On the mound, he allowed just three hits and struck out nine.

"Colin did an excellent job of pounding the strike zone and forcing Salem to put balls in play," Kostrzewa said. "We played solid defense and it was a very well-played game by both teams."

Breault, Greg Cheslik and Jeff Gertley had a hit each and Breault scored the winning run. Mills added three walks and four stolen bases in the first game.

In the second game, sophomore Bobby Sable pitched six innings and gave up one run on three hits to earn the win. He struck out six and walked three.

Overall, Kostrzewa said the pitching was a strong point in the double header, along with the defense.

"I thought we pitched well

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# Northville tennis gets two wins

## Squad beats South Lyon and South Lyon East, but falls to Marian

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

When you want to be one of the best teams in the state, you have to play some outstanding talent during the regular season. Sometimes, as the Northville Mustangs tennis team discovered last week, that can lead to losses.

The squad, coached by Sandy Woolfall, took their first loss of the year, 7-1, to Marian. The team did, however, add two wins to their conference record with 9-0 sweeps over South Lyon and South Lyon East.

"We had a tough day against a very strong Marian team,"

### ON TAP

The Mustangs will be back on the court Saturday at 8 a.m. when they travel to Ann Arbor for the Pioneer Invitational. They will then compete in two KLAAs crossovers on Tuesday and Wednesday with both matches starting at 4 p.m.

said Woolfall of the team's only loss.

Northville's only win came at the first singles flight where Joanne Weber, a junior collected a convincing 6-4, 6-2 victory over senior Liz Ulrich.

Northville's number two singles player, Erin Doud, wasn't

able to play as Marian held their second singles player out due to injury.

"Erin was extremely disappointed not to have played that day," said Woolfall. "She was really looking forward to a competitive match."

Jessica Yu, a senior at third singles, took a tough loss to Kelly Lunghamer, 6-0, 6-1, while sophomore Mackenzie Powers at fourth singles fell to Elaine Apaza, 6-2, 6-2.

In the doubles flights, the first flight of Laura Taylor and Caiti Darish lost their opening match, 6-0, but fought back to win the second, 6-2. The third match, however, went to Catherine Christian and

Kristin Lunghamer, who won, 7-5.

The two doubles team of Amy Bernstein and Jenna Grezlik fell in two to Katie Fidelholtz and Katie Dillon, 6-0, 6-0, while the third doubles team of Ali Weaver and Jackie Kjolhede put up a good fight against Jessica Fortin and Morgan Asher before falling in three sets, 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.

At fourth doubles, Northville's Megan Folland and Christy Murphy fell, 7-5, 6-4, to Macy Hudson and Olivia Underwood while the fifth doubles team of Elizabeth Sakorafis and Ria Barad fell, 6-4, 6-2, to Jen Bock and Megan Callaghan.

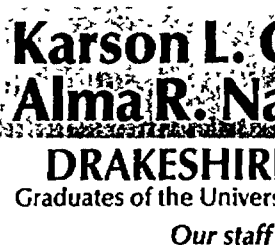

In the sixth doubles, which doesn't count toward the final score, Northville's Emily Toupin and Lauren Starr beat Marian's Sarah Thomas and Maddie Hramiec, 6-4, 6-2.

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



### Player of the Week

Kalamazoo College first baseman Jake Hansen was named the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Player of the Week. Hansen played for the Northville Broncos U10 through U16 baseball travel teams under Scott Baldwin and Tom Close. He also played high school ball at Novi Catholic Central and was a co-captain of the 2008 squad.



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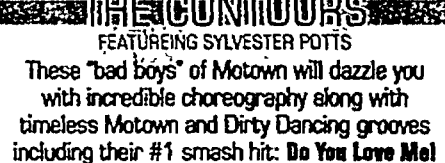
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Mustang pitcher Laura Pond winds up for a batter in Northville's April 21 game.

## SOFTBALL

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in a one-sided offensive showcase.

Fenech collected three hits—a double and two triples—with five RBIs to lead the offense. Rachel Brown added two hits and two RBIs and reached base on all four at-bats while Buckingham, Mary Rounsifer, Williams and Rachel Deacon all added two hits and Karly Fisher had a bases-loaded tri-

ple while reaching base safely in all five at-bats.

Earning the win was Natalie Grimmer, who allowed three hits while walking one and whiffing five batters.

In the final game of the tourney, Northville edged West Bloomfield, 8-7.

The Mustangs jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning over the Lakers before growing their advantage to 4-0 in the second and 7-0 by the third inning.

Poor Northville defense and timely hitting, according to the Couchman, allowed West

Bloomfield to tie the game, 7-7, heading into the final inning.

Asher earned a single to get on base for Northville, followed by Fenech before Stewart grounded out but advanced the runners. Fisher cranked out an RBI single to put Asher across the plate and earn the victory.

Fenech pitched the final 1½ innings for two strikeouts to collect her first varsity win.

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## BASEBALL

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for the day, giving up only two runs in 13 innings," he said. "The defense was also a bright spot. Fundamentally, I

thought we made a step forward against Salem."

Northville collected 11 hits in the game with Jeff Gertley going 3-for-4 with a single, double and triple as well as four RBIs. Stojkov and Mills added two hits each, while Brett Macdonald chipped in two RBIs.

"Overall, it was a good week," said Kostrzewa. "Getting better game to game and week to week is the key and I think we are doing that."

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# Mustangs golfers ranked first in state

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It's never easy to be ranked first in the state, but Northville is managing to deal with it.

The boys golf team, coached by Matt Stetson, earned a first place ranking from the Michigan High School Golf Coaches Association and tested it out right away, taking on eighth-ranked Livonia Stevenson last week. The squad walked away with a close victory, edging the Spartans, 156-158, on Northville's home course of Tanglewood.

Despite the No. 1 ranking and the victory over Stevenson, Stetson pointed out that his team still has a lot of room for improvement.

"It is still very early in the season for us, but I have obviously been pleased with our results," he said. "We clearly have some things to work and improve on throughout the season, and if we can compete well while we iron out these issues, that is a definite plus."

### ON TAP

The Mustangs golf team will stay busy this week with a 9 a.m. invitational at Detroit Jesuit tomorrow at 9 a.m. before playing in the Seaholm Invitational Monday at 12:30 p.m. On Tuesday and Wednesday, Northville will play host to South Lyon and then visit South Lyon East, respectively, with both matches starting at 3 p.m.

Against Stevenson, Northville was led by Trevor Grigg, who shot a 38. Mike Walton and Eric Goebel both carded a 39 and Alex Bernstein shot a 40 to round out the scoring.

"One of the strengths this year is our depth and that has shown so far this season," Stetson noted. "A few of our players at the top of the lineup have had off days, and guys from lower in the lineup have stepped up to carry the load. In our match against Livonia Stevenson, Mike Walton and Eric Goebel each shot 39 play-

ing the fifth and sixth spots, respectively. We were down a handful of strokes through the first four, and Mike and Eric saved the match for us."

Even though Northville is undefeated and ranked now, Stetson is well aware that it won't mean anything if the team isn't able to pull out wins when they count. That's why it's important for his team to play such a tough schedule this season.

"The key to doing well in golf is peaking at the end of the season," Stetson said. "By having tough tournaments and matches early in the season, the team will hopefully enter the post-season battle-tested and confident that they can compete with the top teams in the state."

To that end, Stetson said his team needs to work on consistency, which they will have all of May to work on before entering the post-season. Until then, the Mustangs will just be looking to keep improving.

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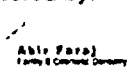
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Northville Mustang track team relay runner Ryan Owen at a South Lyon meet.

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dles with Arastu (14.4), Hsieh and Andrew Schanne. They did the same in the mile run, led by Griffiths (4:44.3), Ravipadi and Ashwin Easow.

The Mustangs swept those

sports in the 800 as well, led by Clifton (2:04) followed by Ravipati and Gibson while Arastu won the 200 dash (22.0) followed by Joseph and Love.

Also taking first were Love in the 100 meter dash (11.4), Cherry in the high jump (5-4) and 300 hurdles (44.6), Menovick in the pole vault (12-1) and Chris

Bentley in the discus (127-7).

"I'm pleased with the way the guys are running at this point in the season," said Knisely. "They are working hard and we're seeing steady improvement, but we still have a ways to go."

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

## 'Stangs lacrosse on four-game win streak

### Boys beat Flint Powers for the first time in three years

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It was a week of wins, wins and more wins for the Northville Mustangs boys lacrosse team.

The squad, coached by Greg Durham, officially entered a winning streak with victories over Walled Lake Western, Plymouth and Flint Powers.

"We are really starting to come together both offensively and defensively," noted Durham after the win over Flint Powers, the first for Northville in three years. "The guys are finally buying into our systems."

Against Powers, the Mustangs collected a convincing 13-3 victory. Earning goals were Dylan Gelven (four goals, five assists), Jakob Kippola (three goals), Nick Melucci (three goals) and Ian Meador, Myles Baker and Chris Wolin.

### ON TAP

The schedule for the boys lacrosse team remains full as they visit Rockford tomorrow at 7 p.m. before hosting Canton on Monday at 7 p.m. The team will then visit Salem at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Earning the win in the goal was David Ketelhut, who made nine saves on 12 shots for his fourth win of the season. Longstick midfielders Steve Ciranna and Mike Comben were credited for keeping Powers' midfield off balance throughout the day.

"I am proud of our guys altogether," said Durham.

Against Plymouth, Northville walked away with an 11-4 victory. Gelven led the way (five goals, one assist), followed by Kippola (four goals, one assist) and Melucci (one goal, two assists) and Adam

Bentley (one goal).

"It was a great win," said Durham. "Plymouth is always a competitor in our division." Ketelhut made nine saves to earn the win.

The Mustangs earned their first shutout of the season against Walled Lake Western, running off with a 17-0 victory. Kippola was the team leader (five goals, two assists) while Dan Cooke took charge as well (two goals). Gelven (one goal, five assists) and Brett Smith (one goal, three assists) pitched in for the win.

"We only allowed one shot on goal the entire game," Durham noted.

Northville didn't have a penalty called against them the entire game.

Ian Meador went 26-for-32 on face-offs throughout the week while Ketelhut earned all three victories in goal.

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## NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Mustangs soccer girls topple South Lyon East, Stevenson

The Northville Mustangs earned themselves a third-place ranking in the state of Michigan and two shutouts last week.

The squad beat Livonia Stevenson, 2-0, and South Lyon East, 8-0.

Against Stevenson, the Mustangs and the Spartans found themselves tied at 0-0 heading into the half. That knot loosened when Stacy Clough, a senior, fired in a corner kick for Northville that senior Heidi Haller headed into the net for a 1-0 lead with about five minutes off the clock.

Northville put the game away with about 4:15 left in the contest when Haller fired a pass through the defense to sophomore forward Mallory Weber. Weber turned, beat the last defender and fired the ball into the goal for the 2-0 final.

"Tonight the depth of our bench helped secure this win," said coach Eric Brucker. "We played a lot of ball possession and had Stevenson chase us. I was able to go deeper into my bench and keep my players rested."

The Mustangs are now 6-0 overall and 2-0 in the KLA Central Division.

By the end of the game between the Northville Mustangs girls soccer game against the South Lyon East Cougars, the offense was completely tired out but the defense still had a bit of leftover energy.

It wasn't that the defense didn't play as hard—it was just that they didn't need to.

Northville kept the ball in their offensive zone pretty much the entire second half as they routed the Cougars, 8-0, in conference play.

"The game was called with 17:54 to play in the second half based on the mercy rule," said Brucker. The rule automatically ends the contest after one team goes up by eight goals.

Northville got started 16 minutes into the first half when senior Lauren Lokey notched an unassisted goal to put her team up, 1-0. Almost a full 11 minutes later, Weber made it a 2-0 contest with a goal off an assists from senior Stacy Clough.

Clough added another assist in the first half when she passed the ball to sophomore Claire McHugh, who finished it with a goal for a 3-0 lead heading into halftime.

From the time the second half started through the game being called, the scoring was fast and furious.

Collecting the first goal was Weber, who scored unassisted eight minutes into the second half with junior Tara Cureton adding a goal just a minute later with an assist from Weber for a 5-0 lead. That lead was extended two minutes later when Jenni Borawski fed the ball to junior Andrea Stark, who blasted it home for the 6-0 advantage.

Borawski liked how that goal looked, so she added one of her own, unassisted, seven minutes later before senior Michelle Conti ended the game off a pass from Lokey that she put into the back of the goal for the 8-0 finish and the called game.

Earning her third shutout of the year in goal was senior netminder Katherine Jansen.

### Northville to play in Big Day Prep Showdown

The Northville Mustangs football team will open their regular season against the Lakeland Eagles. This year, however, neither team will be playing at home.

Instead, the Mustangs and the Eagles will open their season at Eastern Michigan University as part of the Big Day Prep Showdown, a series that kicks the year off with several squads facing off against one another in back-to-back contests.

Northville competed in the first-ever Big Day Prep Showdown against Saline and lost, 40-13, in 2005.

This year, Northville is hoping the outcome will be different.

"Our players were excited when I told them that the Detroit Metro Sports Commission had asked us to play in the Big Day Prep Showdown," said Northville head coach Matt Ladach. "I asked them if they'd like Mr. (Bryan) Masi to accept the invitation, and their response was unanimous."

Ladach noted that Lakeland will be a tough team to beat, especially under the guidance and experience of head coach John Maltese.

"We look forward to starting a healthy and competitive rivalry against Lakeland," noted Ladach. "They are a very competitive team, and Coach Maltese has done a very good job since taking over that program. We currently have a two-year contract with Lakeland (home and home in 2010 and 2011), but I think both of our athletic directors would like to make this a traditional week-one match-up."

Advance tickets are \$7.75 for students and \$9.75 for adults and will be available for purchase at [www.detroitssports.org](http://www.detroitssports.org). All tickets at the gate are \$10 on August 26 and 27, and \$12 on August 28. Children age five and under are free.

### Girls track team stands at 2-0

The Northville Mustangs girls track team has made steady progress since the beginning of the season, earning two big wins against South Lyon and South Lyon East.

"I am pleased with the overall work ethic of the team and the way in which the experienced runners have taken the younger athletes under their respective wings," said Northville head coach Kerry Barnett. "So far, the team is still trying to find its identity. We have had some outstanding performances, some surprises and some disappointments. But, all in all, this team has the potential to be very, very good."

In each even so far this season, the Northville Mustangs have had some strong performances. So far, season bests include—3200-meter relay: 10:26.9; 1600-meter relay: 4:18.2; 800-meter relay: 1:51.1; 400-meter relay: 54.1 seconds; 100 hurdles: Jackie Konopka, 15.5 and Chelsea Ciampa, 16.6; 300 hurdles: Ciampa, 47.1, Morgan Malloy, 48.8, and Julie Xu, 53.3; 100 dash: Leah Bedrosian, 13.25, Laura Cheaney, 13.27, Kaitlyn Perry 13.67 and Michelle Steslicki 13.86; 200 dash: Beth Roach, 27.25, Jackie Konopka, 27.41, Courtney Minghine, 27.45, Bedrosian, 27.85, and Allie Chase, 28.02; 400 dash: Roach, 1:01; 800 run: Roach, 2:20.5, and Gina McNamara, 2:25.2; 1600 run: McNamara, 5:45.6; 3200 run: Emily Sklar, 12:30; discuss: Kristen Wines, 91-feet-2-inches, and Rylee O'Brien, 78-feet; shot put: Alex Moyne, 28-2; high jump: Roach, 5-4, Moyne, 5-0, Konopka 4-9, and Kirsten Failing, 4-9; pole vault: Michelle Steslicki, 10-6, Amy O'Brien, 9-0; and long jump: Chelsea Ciampa, 16-8, and Konopka, 15-9.

"The team continues to be led by its veterans but has discovered a group of new talent that has added depth to the sprint, distance, field event and relay teams," said Barnett.

— By Sam Eggleston

## SCHEDULES

NORTHVILLE		BOYS GOLF		5/6	
BASEBALL		All times are p.m. unless noted		SOFTBALL	
All times 4 p.m. unless noted		4/30 9 a.m. @ University Of Detroit		All games 4 p.m. unless noted	
5/01 noon South@e Anderson (DH)		5/03 Jesuit HS (Invite)		4/28 6 p.m. Northville (DH 2)	
5/03 @ Plymouth		5/03 12:30 @ Seaholm (Invite)		5/3 @ Livonia Franklin	
5/05 @ South Lyon East (DH)		5/04 3 South Lyon		5/5 Livonia Stevenson (DH 1)	
5/07 W L Northern (DH)		5/05 3 @ South Lyon East		5/5 6 p.m. Livonia Stevenson (DH 2)	
SOFTBALL		GIRLS TENNIS		5/8 TBA @ Fred Preper Tournament	
All games 4 p.m. unless noted		All matches 4 p.m. unless noted		(Royal Oak)	
5/03 @ Plymouth		5/01 8 a.m. @ Ann Arbor Pioneer		GIRLS SOCCER	
5/05 @ South Lyon East (DH)		(Invite)		All games 7 p.m. unless noted	
5/08 10 a.m. Allen Park (DH)		5/04 Association X-O (North)		4/29 Northville	
GIRLS TRACK		5/06 @ Association X-O (West)		5/3 Plymouth Salem	
5/01 9:30 a.m. @ West Bloomfield		5/08 TBA @ Okemos (Invite)		5/6 Livonia Stevenson	
(Invite)		GIRLS SOCCER		5/8 11 a.m. @ Troy	
5/04 3:45 p.m. Salem		All games 7 p.m. unless noted		GIRLS TENNIS	
5/07 noon @ Saline (Invite)		4/29 @ Novi		All meets 4 p.m. unless noted	
BOYS TRACK		5/03 South Lyon		5/4 KLA Crossover (North)	
4/30 3:45 p.m. @ Harrison (Frosh/		5/06 6 @ South Lyon East		5/6 @ KLA Crossover (West)	
Soph Invite)		EVENTS EVENT		BOYS LACROSSE	
5/01 3:30 p.m. Observerland Relays		4/29 5:30 p.m. Brighton		5/3 6:30 p.m. Plymouth Salem	
@ Farmington		5/05 5:30 p.m. @ Livonia		5/5 8 p.m. @ Plymouth	
5/04 3:45 p.m. Salem		5/07 All day Midwest Elkhart Festival		5/8 1 p.m. @ Warren De La Salle	
5/07 noon @ Saline (Invite)		Tournament		Collegiate	
BOYS LACROSSE		BASEBALL		BOYS/GIRLS TRACK & FIELD	
All times 7 p.m. unless noted		All games 4 p.m. unless noted		All meets 4 p.m. unless noted	
4/30 @ Rockford		4/28 6 p.m. Northville (DH 2)		5/4 Livonia Stevenson	
5/03 Canton		5/1 9 a.m. @ Berkley (DH 1)		BOYS GOLF	
5/05 @ Salem		5/1 11 a.m. @ Berkley (DH 2)		All meets 3:30 p.m. unless noted	
5/08 noon @ Cranbrook Kingswood		5/3 @ Livonia Franklin		4/30 8:30 a.m. @ Bryon Invite	
GIRLS LACROSSE		5/5 Livonia Stevenson (DH 1)		5/3 12:30 p.m. @ Orchard Lake	
All game times p.m.		5/5 6 p.m. Livonia Stevenson (DH 2)		Country Club/Seaholm Invite	
5/01 TBA @ Ladywood (Invite)		5/6 West Bloomfield		5/3 @ Plymouth Salem	
5/05 6:15 Plymouth				5/5 Livonia Stevenson	
5/07 7 @ South Lyon					

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS CITY OF NORTHVILLE

Construction Staking, Inspection,  
and Project Coordination

Sealed proposals will be received in the City of Northville, City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 for professional services on the "Construction Staking, Inspection and Project Coordination".

The City of Northville is soliciting qualifications from professional consultants to provide utility, road, and general site construction staking, and inspection services on an "as-needed" basis for the City's 2010/11 construction seasons. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) document may be obtained by calling the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930. The City of Northville reserves the right to waive any irregularity or informality, to reject any and/or all proposals, in whole or in part, or to award a contract to other than the lowest priced firm, should it be deemed in its best interest to do so.

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Director, Department of Public Works

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## CITY OF NORTHVILLE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### 2010 NORTHVILLE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Sealed proposals will be received in the City of Northville, City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2:00 p.m. local time on May 5, 2010 for professional services on the "2010 Northville Street Improvement Program". A professional consultant is being sought to perform all necessary surveying, engineering, inspection, testing, and project management to design, bid, and oversee construction of street improvements throughout the City of Northville.

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## INVITATION FOR BIDS

### 2010 Joint and Crack Sealing Program

The City of Northville, Michigan is soliciting sealed bids until 2:00 P.M. Local Time, Monday, May 24, 2010, at the City Clerk's office for the 2010 Joint and Crack Sealing Program. This project seeks a contractor to provide all labor, materials, tools and equipment necessary to perform quality crack sealing on approximately 4,000 lineal feet of streets inside the City of Northville.

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# Northville Strictly Business

IT'S YOUR NORTHVILLE BUSINESS Q&A

## Vigil's teaches martial arts while developing character

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

We offer a family-oriented Taekwondo program for people interested in learning traditional martial arts, and who want their children to increase their levels of self confidence, discipline, focus and respect.

We also offer a mixed martial arts class to older professionals who are serious about learning self defense.

How did you first decide to open your business?

You know, it's a funny story. My wife is a pediatric physical therapist whose work makes a tremendous impact on people's lives. When we were first dating I owned and operated a small construction company. She used to tell me these great stories about how she'd teach a kid to walk again, then ask me what I did that day. My responses tended to be along the lines of, "Uh, I built some guy a deck."

Now don't get me wrong -- being a builder is an honorable and necessary occupation! But for me, I needed to have a more direct impact on the way people lived. In fact, I had become quite dissatisfied with the career path I had chosen. My wife suggested that I follow my dreams and open a martial arts school. Having been a successful Taekwondo competitor, teaching martial arts seemed like a good fit. But more to the point: having the epiphany that martial arts is more about teaching character than competition, coupled with my desire to have a powerful,

### DETAILS

**Business Name:** Dan Vigil's Academy of Taekwondo

**Address:** 235 E. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167

**Your Name/Title:** Dan Vigil/ founder

**Your Hometown:** Ann Arbor

**Business Opened When:** October 2005

**Number of Employees:** four with a fifth coming on next week

**Hours of Operation:** 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Friday; 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday

**Your Business Specialty:** martial arts instruction

**Phone:** (248) 349-6900

**Website:** northvillemartialarts.com

positive impact on people's lives led me to start this business.

**Why did you choose this area?**

Simple geography. I live here!

**What makes your business unique?**

There are a lot of great martial arts schools that do an excellent job of teaching self defense and physical fitness. Our strength is in using the martial arts as a means to develop character. Our curriculum and classroom are structured in such a way as to systematically lead people (particularly young people) to a more empowering lifestyle. This is as opposed to letting it happen by osmosis and happenstance. We are experts at using martial arts to teach character. It's the whole point

of training in our school.

Most teachers believe perseverance, confidence, respect and discipline are developed in order to learn the technique. I say the technique was developed in order to learn perseverance, confidence, respect and discipline.

**How has it changed since you opened?**

We've had amazing growth. In 2005 it was just me and a handful of students. I was the secretary, the janitor, the instructor, the bookkeeper and chief bottle washer. We were in a 1,800 square foot space on Five Mile. Now we are in a 7,000 square foot space, wonderfully built for us by Rick Cox, that's located inside his Water Wheel Building in Northville. We have five employees and an additional volunteer teaching team of eight people. We currently have over 30 black belts training in our school and hundreds of lower ranked students.

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

One of my favorite stories comes from when I first opened. I was teaching an introductory class to a little guy who was maybe 3 or 4. About halfway through the lesson he raises his hand. I thought it was a little odd because it was just he and I on the mat with his mom off in the corner watching. "Yes?" I asked him. "Sir," he asked, "Why are you wearing your 'bajamas'?" I died laughing, but his mom was mortified. I guess



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Recently, Vigil's promoted 11 new black belts, many of whom are from Northville. These students trained for four years and passed a physically and mentally demanding six-hour exam in order to earn their belts.

she was worried the big, mean Taekwondo master would take offense to having his uniform referred to as "bajamas." I didn't.

**How has the recent economy affected your business?**

Having opened at the very end of 2005, we haven't ever really operated in a "good" economy, so it's difficult to quantify how this downturn has affected us. The end of 2009 was one of our slowest times in terms of enrollment, but the first quarter of 2010 has packed our beginner class to capacity. I think things

are starting to rebound, particularly in our area.

**Any advice for business owners?**

Dan Vigil's 3 Things Every Business Owner Should Do to be Successful and Stay Sane:

1) Take good care of your marriage. Your spouse is more important than your career.

2) Don't try to be all things to all people. Be very clear on who your niche is, and serve them excellently and to the exclusion of all other markets.

3) You as a business owner are under constant attack from people trying to tell you how to live and how to think. The

media, your customers, your employees, your colleagues and your competitors all think they know best how to run your business and your life. The truth is, it's all up to you. Reflect. Pray. Do what you believe in your heart is right, not what others tell you is right, and let the chips fall where they may. It's the only way you'll have peace.

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

We are going to continue having a blast introducing people to the benefits of martial arts training.

### NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

#### 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.

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May  
5: WBE Certification Orientation  
11: Pre-Business Research Workshop (AM)  
12: Team SBA Financing Roundtable

13: Fundamentals of Starting a Business (AM)  
20: Fundamentals of Writing a Business Plan (AM)  
27: Small Business Loan Workshop  
June  
1: Pre-Business Research Workshop (PM)  
9: Fiscal Fitness for the Growing Business  
16: Sales I: Effective Networking  
17: Fundamentals of Starting a Business (PM)  
23: QuickBooks Essentials Part I  
23: QuickBooks Essentials Part II  
24: Fundamentals of Writing a Business Plan (PM)  
July  
8: Pre-Business Research Workshop (AM)  
15: Fundamentals of Starting a Business (AM)  
20: Legal & Financial Basics for Small Business  
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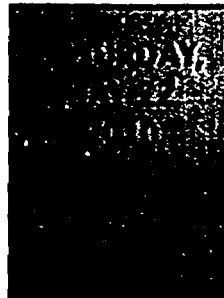
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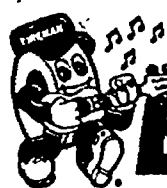
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- 17 **IRON MAIDEN** wsg DREAM THEATER X  
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- 17 **COMEDIAN DEMETRI MARTIN** S  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 18 **GOO GOO DOLLS** wsg SWITCHFOOT **ON SALE SOON!**  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 18 **O.A.R.** wsg CITIZEN COPE X  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
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- 22 **TOM PETTY AND THE HEARTBREAKERS**  
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THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 22 **HUEY LEWIS AND THE NEWS** S  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 22 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** S X  
*Oh What A Night*  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 23 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** S X  
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- 28 **JOHN MAYER** wsg TRAIN X  
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- 29 **BROOKS & DUNN** wsg GARY ALLAN X  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 30 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** S X  
*American Celebration - Andrew Grams, Conductor*  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 31 **KINGS OF LEON**  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 31 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** S X  
*Russian Spectacular - Andrew Grams, Conductor*  
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## AUGUST

- 1 **BEACH BOYS**  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 1 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** S X  
*A Night At The Movies*  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 3 **COMEDIAN CARROT TOP** S  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 4 **WAR, JACK BRUCE OF CREAM, RARE EARTH, S**  
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**HIPPIEFEST 2010**  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
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**2010 ROCKSTAR ENERGY DRINK MAYHEM FESTIVAL**  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 7 **SHINEDOWN** X **ON SALE THIS SATURDAY!**  
wsg CHEVELLE, PUDDLE OF MUDD,  
SEVENDUST and 10 YEARS  
**CARNIVAL OF MADNESS TOUR**  
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- 7 **COMEDIAN JOHN PINETTE**  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 8 **MICHAEL W. SMITH / AMY GRANT** S **ON SALE 5/11!**  
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- 10 **BARENAKED LADIES** X  
wsg KRIS ALLEN and ANGEL TAYLOR  
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- 14 **KIDS DAY ON BROADWAY (2:00PM) S**  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 14 **101 YEARS OF BROADWAY (8:00PM) S**  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 15 **JUSTIN BIEBER** wsg SEAN KINGSTON  
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 15 **PARAMORE** wsg TEGAN AND SARA X  
**2010 HONDA CIVIC TOUR**  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 20 **REO SPEEDWAGON / S X**  
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- 20 **COMEDIAN ON SALE TOMORROW!**  
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MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 22 **RIHANNA** wsg KESHA  
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- 23 **GREEN DAY** wsg A.F.I.  
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MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
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## SEPTEMBER

- 4 **LADY GAGA** wsg SEMI PRECIOUS WEAPONS  
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 5 **TED NUGENT** S  
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 10-11 **THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW** S  
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 12 **CROSBY, X ON SALE SOON!**  
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## Fastest Growing Jobs in Health Care

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In the two years since the economy began its downward slide, health care has been one of the few industries that continued to rise. Because we're living longer than ever and the baby boomers are aging, demand for health care is growing.

Understandably, many people think of health care as all about doctors and nurses. After all, when you go to the hospital or have your annual check-up, your interaction is usually with a nurse and then a doctor. All the lab tests and other work are done behind the scenes, so these positions get overlooked. The health care industry will continue to grow in the coming decade and the jobs won't just be in the operating room, though many will.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, these 11 jobs in health care will see growth in the coming years. Here are the jobs, their expected growth in the next decade, education requirements and annual mean salary\*

**1. Physician assistants** perform many of the same tasks of a physician -- such as treating injuries and supervising medical assistants -- but are under a physician's supervision at all times. 2008-2018 increase: 41.3 percent Education: College degree and relevant experience Salary: \$81,610

**2. Medical secretaries** perform administrative duties in health-care facilities and rely on their knowledge of medical terminology and procedures. 2008-2018 increase: 27 percent

Education: Varies, but college degrees are increasingly common requirements Salary: \$30,800

**3. Physicians and surgeons** treat patients for existing medical conditions and also advise them on preventative care. Surgeons concentrate on operations rather than the non-surgical approaches of physicians. 2008-2018 increase: 26 percent

Education: Medical degrees, residencies and licenses Salary: Surgeons - \$206,770, general internists - \$176,740

**4. Registered nurses** address some health problems of patients as well as collect and maintain their medical records. 2008-2018 increase: 23.4 percent Education: Varies between college degrees requirements and certification, depending



on state and employer Salary: \$65,130

**5. Counselors** work in various health-care facilities to help clients overcome physical or mental health obstacles they are encountering. 2008-2018 increase: 22.6 percent Education: Varies by state and facility, but college degree and certification are typical Salary: Mental health - \$40,270, rehabilitation - \$34,600, substance abuse and behavioral disorder - \$39,670

**6. Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses** provide care for injured or ill patients in health-care facilities and private homes. 2008-2018 increase: 21.9 percent Education: Nursing license from an accredited school or institution, other requirements vary by state Salary: \$40,110

**7. Billing and posting clerks and machine operators** assess the cost of a patient's health care, draw up the bill and send it to them. 2008-2018 increase: 19.7

percent Education: Varies by institution, but a high school diploma and basic computer skills are common Salary: \$32,120

**8. Social workers** provide emotional and mental support to patients who have substance abuse problems or suffer from medical ailments. 2008-2018 increase: 19.5 percent Education: Bachelor's degrees and often advanced degrees are required, in addition to state-mandated licenses and certifications Salary: Medical and public health - \$47,560, mental health and substance abuse - \$39,630

**9. Receptionists and information clerks** work in health-care facilities and address customer or patient questions or concerns and direct them to the appropriate department or personnel. 2008-2018 increase: 16.1 percent Education: Minimum requirement of high school diploma, although some employers require more education or relevant experience Salary: \$25,400

**10. Clinical laboratory technologists and technician** work in medical laboratories to perform tests that help diagnose, treat or prevent illnesses. 2008-2018 increase: 14 percent Education: Technologists need a bachelor's degree in a related subject and technicians need an associate degree Salary: Technologists - \$54,050, technicians - \$44,310

**11. Pharmacists** dispense medicine to patients based on the diagnoses and prescriptions of physicians and other medical professionals. 2008-2018 increase: 14 percent Education: A Doctor of Pharmacy degree and license Salary: \$104,260

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## Family's labor helps make Habitat home theirs

BY JULIE BROWN  
OAE STAFF WRITER

Rashard Sartor of Inkster showed up ready to work on a recent Saturday. He, wife Maya and their five children in a blended family will soon move into a Habitat for Humanity home on Christine in Westland. They have a baby daughter due June 2, so it's a good thing the home has four bedrooms and two full baths.

"This house is very important," said Sartor, who works with individuals with developmental disabilities, including community mental health. His wife works for the same firm in development of microenterprises, while he's a supervisor.

Their children are Marlyn, 15, Makayla, 11, Katlyn, 10, Callie, 10, Brennan, 7, and baby Madilynne Brooke due in June. The Sartors, like other families who receive Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County homes, put in 250 hours of "sweat equity" per adult working on home construction or rehabbing.

"She'll probably come and boss me around," Sartor said with a smile of his wife. They're grateful for Habitat's help, which includes a 0 percent mortgage they'll pay back.

"If it wasn't for Habitat I don't know," he said. "It's definitely a blessing. We'll probably have a lot of memories in this home."

That Saturday, volunteers from Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton were working on the Christine home, believed to have been built around the 1920s and moved from Detroit to Westland. Sue Carlson of Canton, an attorney who practices in Livonia, was Geneva's representative to the Apostles Build, a group of area churches working on Habitat homes.

"We have a number of churches that are a part of that group," said Carlson, whose Saturday crew included eight workers and a lunch volunteer brigade. "It looks like most of the interior work is painting."

There was exterior painting to do as well, along with some cleanup. The porch wasn't structurally sound, so volunteers were needed for that.

Skilled trades work is done by a licensed contractor, Carlson said. "I personally have done a lot of painting." She's helped put in insulation, and noted those who can use a hammer, staple gun and pry bar are always needed.

"There's a lot of stuff with a rehab you don't always anticipate," she said. (Habitat also builds a number of new homes for families as part of its Christian ministry.) The Christine house was donated by the city of Westland which also provided money for costs. The affiliate and church group are supervising the build and coordinating volunteers, and paying for needed extra insulation.



Rashard and Maya Sartor are looking forward to moving into the Westland Habitat for Humanity home with their children.



The Geneva Presbyterian Church of Canton volunteer group worked a recent Saturday on the Westland Habitat for Humanity home. A number of other area churches and the city of Westland are also sending volunteers to work.

Bruce Whittle of Plymouth Township is volunteer site supervisor for the home. He's a retired Ford Motor Co. engineer and has volunteered with Habitat about three years.

Whittle did construction-type work with his dad growing up. "My career with Ford kept me busy. I just want to give back."

The Christine home the Sartors will move into soon is the second Habitat

rehab in Westland. "This has come along pretty good," Whittle said. "It had the bones to be a good home." Work began in early January and should wrap up in late April/early May.

Whittle tips his hat to fellow volunteer Mike Bush who's done a lot in his absence overseeing work.

Volunteers come in with diverse skills, Whittle said. "A lot of people come to learn how to do things." That ranges from painting to structural work.

"Sometimes you have to go back and redo some of the work," he said. "Everyone's welcome. Even the kids come," although there are some age restrictions on work.

Barb Fichtenberg of Canton, church relations chair for Habitat, soon arrived. "It's looking good here," said Fichtenberg, a Geneva member and Garden City Hospital medical technologist. "I see the (kitchen) floor is in."

The 2005 Canton Circle of Faith saw the first such Habitat home built, with congregations joining in from neighboring communities as Habitat work expanded. The Apostles Build includes Ecumenical Work Days, Fichtenberg said, when members of more than one church work side by side.

She likes that, as it's rewarding to meet those from other churches.

Brenda Sprague of Canton, a Geneva member and payroll specialist by profession, said, "This is my first time" volunteering. "It's important for a family to have a home."

Sprague can do painting and outside work. "I've been wanting to do it so this was the perfect opportunity for me," she said.

For information on donating to or volunteering for Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County, call (734) 459-7744 or visit [www.habitatwv.org](http://www.habitatwv.org). Alice Dent is the Plymouth-based affiliate's executive director.

Churches and others that have scheduled work days thus far are First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, city of Westland, First Presbyterian Church of Northville, Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, St. John Neumann Catholic Church and Geneva Presbyterian.

Other churches that are part of the Apostles Build but have not yet scheduled work days include St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Northville, Resurrection Parish, Timothy Lutheran, First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville, St. Michael the Archangel and Meadowbrook Congregational Church.

## Ask lawyer open meeting question

Q: The board has, on its own without a note to the members for their input, just levied an assessment to buy insecticide in our community. I am wondering

if that action is legal when the welfare of the community is being decided, particularly, since we are concerned about the use of an insecticide.

A: While

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

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	2978 Sampson Dr	\$60,000
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	18181 Floral St	\$109,000
	28419 Gita St	\$100,000
	36430 Ladywood St	\$177,000
	15680 Levan Rd	\$215,000
	29526 Lyndon St	\$188,000
	34507 Middleboro St	\$172,000
	16070 Nola Dr	\$212,000
	15450 Oak Dr	\$96,000
	32784 Perth St	\$143,000
	31652 Saint Martins St	\$146,000
	37563 Scone Ct	\$25,000
	18546 Westbrook Dr	\$181,000
	89771 Wilshire St	\$135,000
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	40800 N Northville Trl	\$296,000
	41418 Rayburn Dr	\$226,000
	508 W Main St	\$175,000
<b>Plymouth</b>		
	336 Adams St	\$180,000
	41341 Crabtree Ln	\$185,000
	42499 Lakeland Ct	\$46,000
	12002 N Canton Center Rd	\$200,000

<b>Livonia</b>	885 Oakview St	\$133,000
	10579 Red Maple Dr	\$307,000
	307 Red Ryder Dr	\$170,000
	48021 Saml Andrews Sq	\$265,000
	42506 Schoolcraft Rd	\$153,000
	14538 Shadywood Dr	\$134,000
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	17729 Delaware Ave	\$55,000
	19335 Delaware Ave	\$100,000
	20566 Denby	\$50,000
	26046 Fordson Hwy	\$142,000
	9197 Grayfield	\$17,000
	12811 Hemingway	\$58,000
	14166 Lucerne	\$60,000
	18807 Norborne	\$72,000
<b>Westland</b>		
	38525 Avondale St	\$91,000
	29243 Brody Ave	\$179,000
	38341 Carolan Blvd	\$28,000
	243 Ethan Dr	\$157,000
	35861 Glen St	\$38,000
	39200 Gloucester St	\$102,000
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# Crossword Puzzle

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Reelie!

**ACROSS**

1 Brno bloke  
6 "Show"  
(94 film)  
10 Ferber or  
O'Brien  
14 Hum bug?  
17 Buy back  
19 TM  
20 Approaches  
22 "Locka"  
23 Luanda's  
land  
24 "— fire"  
25 Start of a  
remark  
27 Curly  
poker?  
28 Way out  
30 Actress  
Sorvino  
31 Don't  
"Leks"  
32 Tizzy  
33 French  
novelist  
36 Sell out  
37 Part 2 of  
remark  
42 Richard O'  
"Love Me  
Tender"  
43 Wine valley  
44 Cabinet  
wood  
45 Pack the  
freight  
47 Upset  
51 Panache  
53 Weldon or  
Wray

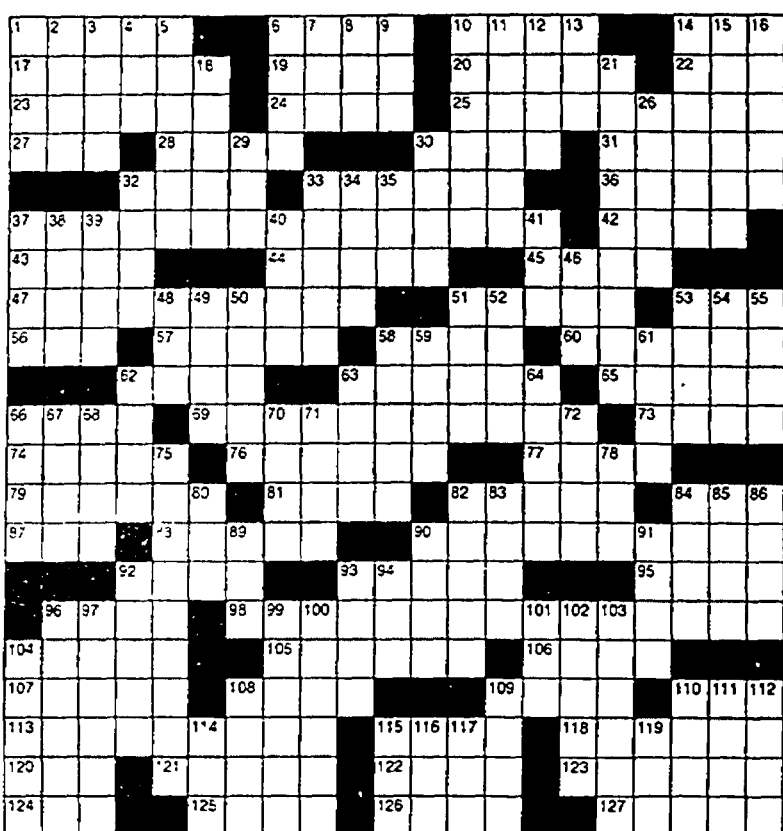
**DOWN**

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Sierra"  
62 Wear out  
the carpet  
63 Vaccaro or  
Lee  
65 Barbara's  
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73 Sausage  
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74 Knock  
for — (astorish)  
76 Ran amok  
77 Dashboard  
feature  
79 Explosive  
mixture  
81 No pleasure  
in  
82 Complains  
84 You can  
rely on it  
87 "Casualties  
of War"  
setting  
88 Pigeonhole  
90 Resilience  
92 Carpenter's  
tool  
93 Celebra-  
tions  
95 "Rule  
Britannia"  
composer

**5 Actress**  
Bonham  
Carter  
6 Pack it in  
7 Sum —  
8 "Graph"  
ending  
9 Caldwell or  
Akins  
10 Don a  
uniform  
11 Want  
12 Astronaut's  
agey  
13 School  
subject  
14 Colombia's  
capital  
15 Screen-  
writer Nora  
16 Consumed  
18 Adage  
21 Percussion  
instrument  
26 PR concern  
29 Robert of  
"Quincy,  
M.E."  
30 "The Ghost  
and Mrs."  
(47 film)  
32 Nab a gnat  
34 Funnymen  
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pean  
38 "You — it!"  
39 Charles  
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**49 Ming thing**  
41 Pie —  
mode  
46 Real  
evil  
48 Genetic info  
49 Apiece  
50 Daub  
51 Ward (off)  
52 New Jersey  
borough  
53 Pacific  
archipelago  
54 Shorty  
55 Michael of  
"Cabaret"  
58 Stream  
city  
59 Expect  
back  
61 Damper  
62 Conspire  
63 Eight bits  
64 Llama turf  
66 James of  
"Brian's  
Song"  
67 — matter  
68 Com Belt  
70 Core  
71 Skin feature  
72 Present  
73 Cartwright  
74 "Just —  
thought!"  
80 Ms Taylor  
82 Mont —  
83 Relaxation  
84 Logroll  
85 Sicilian  
smoker  
86 Stained

**89 Midding**  
mark  
90 Mockers  
prey  
91 Rib —  
92 Amphit-  
heater  
feature  
93 Expanded  
Bacon, central  
city  
94 Writer  
Rand  
96 "Hail to  
thee,"  
97 Massa-  
chusetts  
city  
99 Thin  
covering  
100 Swimmer  
Gertrude  
101 Elfin  
102 Strong  
suit  
103 Foment  
104 Samian  
108 Saucy  
rival  
109 Charon's  
river  
110 Sheffield  
slammer  
111 Burden  
112 Granola  
fruit  
114 Runk  
legend  
115 Brit. flier  
116 Dryden's —  
for "Love"  
117 Neighbor of  
Ga.  
119 Shiba —  
(Japanese  
dog)



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## Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

BAFF ACRE DIET YIELD  
ALOE SHOR ANGEL ENLAI  
S'AIN T'PAUL GNOME AKITAI  
SIENA LIEER PAM HER  
ELAL ETTA DIANBURY  
WILLIAMSBURG ERIE  
ERIN WHOOL SOLAR GLASS  
NEVADA TRACTOR HALLIE  
ENOLA NORMA WURST TEE  
CAGAO OONA BAA REEK  
JAMESTOWN FRANKFORT  
TOTO TEL GALA DEIGN  
ELI TOISIR LAMAS DUANE  
ALOMA VISITOR POETIC  
MAINEY RENEE NAPIA ONO  
RUTH SANTABARBARA  
CAIPEWAY ELSE STOP  
OLE ETC ALIT WILES  
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Emily Messenger #45 - furniture, misc.

Michael Roe, #2 - furniture, boxes, lamp shades, household goods, window air conditioner.

Nicole Nordstrand, #25 - furniture.

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Terry Bell, #46 - 5 commercial mop buckets & 2 floor scrubbers, tile cutter, (2) yamaha basses 4 wheelers, office chair.

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Rummage Sale/ Flea Market (7080)

**FARMINGTON HILLS - GREAT VALUE RUMMAGE SALE**

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**7100 Estate Sales (7100)**

**ANOTHER ESTATE SALE BY ENCORE**

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**CITY OF PLYMOUTH**  
287 Irwin, 4/30-5/1: 9-5pm. Furniture, vintage China & linens, crystal, Christmas decorations, lamps, Stof bear.

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**BRIGHTON Parkview Glen**  
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**BRIGHTON. HUGE MULTI**  
family sale. 1010 & 1012 Peachwood Ct. April 29, 30, 8am to 4pm. Household items, clothing & toys. No early birds

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Sat May 1, 9-5, Sun May 2, 9-5pm. Furniture, housewares, clothing, etc. 17535 Hamilton Rd. Off Pontiac Train in Palmer Park area.

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**GARDEN CITY: Lots of STUFF!**  
Fri-Sun. Apr. 30-May 2, 8-5 Vintage, sporting goods, antiques, toys, furniture & housewares. No early birds. 32128 Kathryn (at Craig)

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**HOWELL April 29, 30 & May 1, 9-4, 2318 Ava Dr.**  
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**Garage Sales (7110)**

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ESTATES, 14680 Santa Anita, 5 Mile Winkster. 4/29-5/2, 9-5pm. Household items, furniture, adult & baby clothes & toys.

**NEW HUDSON - Estate Sale.** Fri & Sat., 4/30-5/1 8-6pm. 26399 Spaulding, bwn 11 & 12 Mile W of Milford Rd. House full of furniture, household items, clothes, garage stuff, tools, etc.

**NEW HUDSON Garage Sale.** Sat., May 1, 9-5, 55629 12 Mile Rd. E. of Milford Rd

**NORTHVILLE**  
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**NORTHVILLE: Thurs. Fri. & Sat. 8-1pm.** 48622 Stonedene Dr. 6 Mile/Beck area. Furniture, household goods, clothing, games, tools, sporting goods. No Early Birds.

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**S. LYON Th-Sat., 9-4, 59017**  
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**SOUTH LYON**  
Fri-Sun. April 30-May 2, 9-4 Carnage Club Sub Sale (S.E. corner of 11 Mile & Martindale) Toys, Clothes, Etc.

**SOUTH LYON - 4 Families.**  
Thurs-Sat. April 29-May 1, 9-3pm. 25701 McCroly Lane, off Martindale bwn 10 & 11 Mile

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Garage Sale. April 29-May 1, 9-4pm. 1370 Drury Ln, 11 Mile & Pontiac Tr. Furniture, tools, antiques, household items, teen clothing & more!

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**SOUTH LYON - HUGE GARAGE**  
SALE! 4/30-5/1, 8am-3pm 1021 Carnage Trace Blvd. Lawn equipment, furniture, toys & more!

**SOUTH LYON - Huge sale!**  
Thurs., April 29- May 2nd, 24790 Valleywood, Woodwood Glen Condos across from Tanglewood, N off 10 Mile

**SOUTH LYON - Oakwood**  
meadows Sub Sale. Multiple homes! Fri-Sun 4/30-5/2, 9-4pm. 10 Mile Rd. approx. 1 mile W of Pontiac Trail.

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**SOUTH LYON: Brass lamps,**  
oak bar stool, oak chair, snowblowers, bike racks, books, tons of misc. household 23900 Griswold S of 10 Mile. Thurs-Sun. 9-5pm.

**SOUTH LYON: Tanglewood**  
Subdivision Garage Sale. Fri, April 30-Sun, May 2, 8-4pm. S side of 10 Mile Rd. Bwn. Milford & Wixom Rd. April 30-May 2, 9am-5pm

**SOUTH LYON-MULTI FAMILY**  
April 29-May 2, 9-4pm. Toys, clothes, furniture Hunter's Creek Sub 10 Mile/Martindale

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**Moving Sales (7130)**

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